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Taxpayers commend V'ville board

By Katherine McCarthy

Taxpayers voiced strong support for the Voorheesville school board's position in negotiations with the Voorheesville Teachers Association at Monday's board meeting.

Teachers there are in their third year without a contract, and are asking for a 25 percent salary increase over five years; the board is offering 12 percent for the same time period.

Bob Hayes, who identified himself as a Voorheesville taxpayer, pointed out that of 47 area schools, Voorheesville ranks second or third in costs per pupil. He congratulated the board for recognizing their legal responsibilities in all matters in the district, including compensation.

Marty Finkel also supported the board,

pointing out that in the city of Albany, 56 percent of the property tax goes for schools; in Guilderland, 57 percent; in Colonie, 60 percent; and in New Scotland, 79 percent.

"That's why taxpayers have the concerns they do," he said. "I urge the board

The board is doing a good job, and has to hold the line at the cost of living.

Francis Person

to consider these taxes during negotiations."

Nick Faraone of the Voorheesville Taxpayers Association said that he was proud

of the board's understanding of local economic realities.

"The teachers' actions are opposed to the community," Faraone said. "The teachers should be thankful for your generosity, fairness and commitment. The community entrusts you to do the right thing regardless of the insults to be endured. The (teachers') union's insults are insulting to all of us."

Francis Person read a job advertisement from a local community college, offering \$41,000 to \$46,000 for a department chair position, and \$21,000 to \$25,000 for an assistant professorship, both salaries lower than the average of \$48,000 earned by Voorheesville teachers.

"The board is doing a good job, and has to hold the line at the cost of living," he said.

Harry Teichmann suggested a democratic solution to the impasse, with teachers stating their salary demands, and the board making its offer, then putting the

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Preliminary BC budget shows 4.7% hike

By Dev Tobin

A Bethlehem Central School District budget that maintains the status quo while adding about five more teachers to deal with enrollment growth will raise year-to-year spending by about 4.7 percent, Superintendent Leslie Loomis reported at last week's school board meeting.



Loomis

"This is merely a starting point—reductions and reallocations will bring that number downward," he said.

The district will spend \$38.3

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Heart of gold



Yvette Marchewka, 3, shows off the valentine she made at the Valentine Heartline at Voorheesville Public Library. The cards and cookies were delivered to area nursing homes. Elaine McLain

Residents give Hoblock earful on state of state

By Mel Hyman

State Sen. Michael J. Hoblock Jr. came to Delmar last week to listen to views from his constituents about Gov. George Pataki's proposed 1996-97 state budget, and he certainly got an earful from the hundred or so people gathered in Bethlehem Town Hall.

"As I rode into town today, I heard on the radio that the stock market had reached an all-time high and that corporate profits were higher than ever," said Bill Kelsey of Berne. "The response of Washington and New York



Hoblock

has been to provide tax cuts for the rich and to come up with budget cuts that target the non-rich.

"I have two sons with me tonight who face a future that is far more uncertain than mine was," Kelsey said. "You need to do something to stimulate jobs so that people can receive good wages and benefits. And you might want to consider cam-

paign reform to make it a little easier to make the hard choices."

Time and again, speakers raised the

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Valentine's Day endures as romantic shot in arm

By Mel Hyman

Bethlehem Court Clerk Barbara Hodom has been married a long time. Thirty-five years, to be exact.

So you'd think that Valentine's Day might have worn a little thin by now. Not so.

Hodom said her relationship with hubby Michael is "very romantic," and she tries her best to keep it that way. "I like to leave little hearts out on the counter just as reminders."

As for her plans for the big day, Hodom said the couple will probably go to lunch where "I'll give him his surprise." What that surprise will be she didn't reveal.

Patty Wiggand, an account clerk in the town comptroller's office, also has a surprise in store for her significant other—in this case, her fiancée.

And what might that be? "A pair of silk boxer shorts," she said with a slight laugh.

"My fiancée already bought me a

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Cops nab three for DWI

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

Matthew B. Chesbro, 23, of 90 Mountain View Ave., Rensselaer, was stopped at 2:16 a.m. Thursday, Feb. 1, after pulling out of the Grand Union parking lot in Elsmere at an excessive rate of speed, police said.

Officer Chris Pauley said Chesbro did not have a front license plate, and was not wearing a seatbelt. According to Pauley, there was an open bottle of beer on the front seat by the arm rest.

Chesbro was charged with DWI and released pending a future appearance in Bethlehem Town Court.

Joseph J. Giaccone, 39, of 5

Maple Terrace, Delmar, was stopped at 3:40 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 10, after police responded to a fight in progress in the Grand Union (Elsmere) parking lot following a motor vehicle accident.

He was charged with DWI by Officer Jeffrey Vunck and released pending a Feb. 26 appearance in Bethlehem Town Court.

Christopher M. Drevojan, 23, of 56 Maryland Ave., Albany, was stopped at 1:52 a.m. Thursday, Feb. 8, for speeding on the Slingerlands Bypass, police said.

He was charged with DWI and failure to keep right by Officer Brian Hughes, and released pending a Feb. 26 appearance in Bethlehem Town Court.

BC pupils shine in poster contest

By Susan Graves

Two Bethlehem Central Middle School pupils have distinguished themselves in a national student poster contest.

Eighth-grader Elizabeth Battles, 14, garnered a second place finish in the Ocean Pals competition that this year focused on the plight of the manatee, a large marine mammal that lives in shallow tropical waters near the coasts of North and South America.

Battles is no stranger to the annual contest, having taken second-place regional honors last year. The goal of the contest is to "encourage young people to become aware of and share their concerns for the marine environment through poster art."

Battles said winning the second-place national award this year was a "huge surprise."

"It was very hard for me to decide on a logo for my poster," she said. She considered depicting Manatees vs. Motors, since speed boat propellers are a serious threat to the marine animals, but eventually decided on "Manatees might survive ... If we let them" for this year's entry.

Sixth-grader Brad Alston, 11, who received an honorable mention in the national contest, focused on "The Man in Manatee



BC Middle School pupils Elizabeth Battles, 14, and Brad Alston, 11, share the limelight as winners in the Ocean Pals national poster contest.

Proves to be Their Hope for Survival."

Both Battles and Alston will travel to the Meadowlands in New Jersey in March for Ocean Pals National Awards Day, where all

winning posters will be on display.

BCMS science teacher Edward Gill, who promoted the contest at the school, said the competition is a good way for students to integrate various disciplines. "The neat thing about this project is that it combines art and science and offers some career insights" to the students who participate.

"We're pretty proud" of BCMS' showing in the contest this year, he added.

Battles will receive a medal and a \$75 savings bond for placing second, and Alston will receive a certificate of merit.

Both students used watercolors for their posters showing the manatee in its environment.

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North Road pollution levels continue to drop

Hopes for water district extension fade

By Dev Tobin

As the underground gasoline contamination in the North Road area of Clarksville continues to abate, the possibility of a water district extension to affected homes is also slipping away.

Sampling for methyl tert butyl ether (MTBE, a gasoline additive) in late December showed that only four residences had concentrations above the state limit for drinking water, and that the levels were substantially reduced compared to tests taken last year.

For example, the level of MTBE in the Kimmey residence's well was 63 parts per billion (ppb) in December, well below the 15,000 ppb found there in June and the 2,600 ppb in September. The state standard for the maximum concentration of MTBE in drinking water is 50 ppb.

Residents who have been receiving bottled water since the spill was discovered last summer still want a permanent solution — an approximately one-mile-long extension of the Clarksville Water District.

The O'Rourke residence on Upper Flat Rock Road had the highest MTBE levels in December's sampling (130 ppb), and Kathryn O'Rourke said she's "frustrated" that the lower pollution levels have endangered the extension's chances.

"It's very hard living with the idea that your water has toxins in it," she said. "And they can't say this isn't going to happen again."

O'Rourke, who gave birth to a daughter after the contamination was discovered, said, "They've never done any research on (the effects of MTBE on) little babies — we're the experiment."

The state Department of Environmental Conservation has committed to \$210,000 of the half-million-dollar cost of the extension, and that would come on top of the almost \$300,000 spent to date on temporary measures and testing by the state's Oil Spill Fund.

The state has begun the process of asking the "potential identified responsible parties," Kleen

Resources and Domermuth Environmental Services, to pay for expenses incurred so far in the spill, according to Allan Geisendorfer, EnCon regional spill engineer.

Kleen Resources, and before it Domermuth, are hazardous waste remediation companies (with EnCon contracts) based on the North Road site identified as the source of the contamination.

The less than a dozen homeowners most affected by the spill could not afford to pick up the \$300,000 difference, nor should they have to, since they did not cause the pollution, argued Supervisor Herb Reilly.

"We can't go anywhere with \$200,000; we'll need considerably more than that," given the relatively high cost of the Clarksville district, Reilly said.

The EnCon policy of "waiting and seeing" has indicated that the plume is dissipating, but we need more data" before giving up on state funding for the extension, said Dean Sommer, an attorney hired by the town to pursue full funding of the extension.

Sommer said that if MTBE levels in future sampling go "back up, then the people there should have a permanent, potable water supply."

Geisendorfer said EnCon plans to hold another public information session in about two weeks, after data from water samples taken in late January have been evaluated.

Geisendorfer added he had just received a draft study regarding the origin of the spill, which Kleen Resources officials have consistently denied occurred as a result of their operations.

"We feel EnCon is not putting enough pressure on Kleen Resources," O'Rourke said. "I don't think the state should be doing business with companies who don't even know if they've had a spill."

It's very hard living with the idea that your water has toxins in it. And they can't say this isn't going to happen again.

Kathryn O'Rourke

Lifesaving service starts



Bethlehem residents are now covered by Albany County's new 24-hour, seven-day paramedic service, which officially began operation out of the Delmar Fire Department Monday. On hand for dedication ceremonies were Bill Campbell, paramedic zone commander (in the Jeep), Supervisor Sheila Fuller, Delmar Fire Commissioner Jerry Day, and Bethlehem police Sgt. James Kerr, who is also chief of the Delmar Fire Department. Doug Persons

Delmar's Neil Breslin slates Senate race

By Mel Hyman

Delmar attorney Neil Breslin has never held political office, but then again neither did his brother Michael before he was appointed Albany County executive last year.

Fortunately for the Breslin family, Albany County is still a Democratic bastion, with a 2-1 enrollment edge over Republicans, so Neil should have a fighting chance to unseat freshman state Sen. Michael Hoblock, R-Colonie, this fall.

"I think the Democratic Party will come together totally behind my candidacy," he said Monday in announcing his intention to seek the party's nod for the 42nd state Senate District. "I don't anticipate a primary."

Beating Hoblock will not be an easy task, he acknowledged. "I'm not in it to lose. I'm in it to win."

Breslin's only formal political



Neil Breslin

experience is serving as a Democratic committeeman in the town of Bethlehem. He served as his brother's campaign manager

during the county executive's landslide win over Republican Kenneth Ringler.

Should he win the nomination, Breslin said money would be a key in the race against Hoblock, a popular Republican who has been elected county executive and state senator in predominantly Democratic Albany County.

"Fund-raising will be critical," he said. "I know the Republican coffers are full and I'm going to need grass-roots support to match them."

Tying Hoblock to the administration of GOP Gov. George Pataki is certain to be a central focus of the Breslin campaign.

"In light of the proposed movement of jobs out of Albany County, I think voters will be looking for a Democrat to send a message to the governor," Breslin said. "At times I think (Hoblock) has been slow in responding" to Pataki's plan to move thousands of state data processing jobs from Albany County to former IBM facilities downstate.

As far as his own program goes, Breslin said he would "like government to be more sensitive to the needs of the elderly and the young."

Hoblock was elected to the senate in 1994 after former state Sen. Howard Nolan, D-Albany, decided to call it quits after 20 years in the job.

Two other Democrats have expressed interest in challenging Hoblock — James McGuirk of Loudonville, former deputy commissioner of the state Department of Motor Vehicles, and James McCaffrey, who was soundly defeated by Hoblock two years ago.

Breslin, 53, practices law in the family's Albany firm, whose former partners include Michael and another brother Thomas, who resigned after he was elected Albany County judge.

Bethlehem receives hazardous waste grant

By Mel Hyman

Bethlehem has been awarded a \$10,490 grant for its second annual household hazardous waste collection day slated for Saturday, May 18.

The town is one of 41 communities receiving more than \$2 million in grants from the state Department of Environmental Conservation specifically for defraying the cost of collection and disposal of household hazardous waste.

Last year, Bethlehem held its first hazardous waste collection day which, judging by the amount of material brought in, was a "huge success," said Supervisor Sheila Fuller.

So much so, that it was decided to repeat the event this spring, Fuller said. The town budget for 1996 provides \$60,000 for the event and the state grant will "come in handy in offsetting this expense."

Town recycling coordinator Sharon Fisher said it was necessary to hold hazardous waste collection days on an annual basis because "There is so

much of it out there."

Last year, the town's collection program at the highway garage on Elm Avenue East collected hundreds of gallons of old paint, driveway sealer, pesticides, insecticides and used motor oil.

Residents brought in more than 300 gallons of used motor oil last year, and enough chemical pesticide to fill 27 55-gallon drums.

"It will be several years before we get a large portion of it (collected)," said Fisher, adding that neighboring municipalities should organize regular collection programs, otherwise, "It will take forever to remove these common toxics from the environment."

It is unsafe to have household toxics lying around your garage or basement, Fisher said, and it's especially important to "keep them out of landfills and incinerators."

EnCon officials estimate that more than 100,000 tons of household hazardous waste is generated annually in the state.

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Albany Democrat to challenge McNulty in September primary

By Mel Hyman

Environmental activist Lee Wasserman believes the 21st Congressional District is a lot more liberal than U.S. Rep. Michael McNulty, who has regularly accepted the Conservative Party endorsement.



Wasserman

And Wasserman will try to prove his theory by challenging the four-term congressman in the Democratic primary scheduled for Sept. 10.

Wasserman, 38, realizes that toppling an incumbent congressman is not an easy task, but he believes enough Democrats are disenchanted with McNulty's record.

Wasserman said his chances are good, particularly since only a small percentage of party faithful normally votes in primaries.

By McNulty's own admission, Wasserman said, he voted for 13 of the 15 measures included in House Speaker Newt Gingrich's Contract With America.

"It's hard to fathom why McNulty would back Gingrich and (Senate Majority Leader Robert) Dole more than he does President Clinton," Wasserman said. "I think

the people in this district are genuinely concerned with the direction in which we're going."

Wasserman, a lawyer, worked in the New York State Assembly prior to starting his own law practice in 1987. In 1988, he accepted a position as executive director of Environmental Advocates (formerly the Environmental Planning Lobby). He remained head of the umbrella environmental group until last year when he resigned to work full-time on his campaign to unseat McNulty.

Given his lack of Democratic credentials, I frankly don't think Lee Wasserman could be elected dog catcher in the Capital District on the Democratic ticket

Michael McNulty

"I've talked to more than 1,000 Democrats already, and the reception has been good," Wasserman said Saturday. "Today I'm going out door-to-door in Delmar."

Bethlehem Democrats have shown a tendency to back progressive candidates recently, Wasserman said, and they will be counted on to build up the vote

total in Albany County, the largest part of the district which also includes Schenectady County and parts of Rensselaer and Montgomery counties.

McNulty has not faced a serious challenge since he was appointed to the job in August 1988 as the replacement for the late U.S. Rep. Samuel Stratton, D-Schenectady, Wasserman said.

"Given his lack of Democratic credentials, I frankly don't think Lee Wasserman could be elected dog catcher in the Capital District on the Democratic ticket," McNulty said. "He's never gone to a fund-raiser, never supported a candidate and never even carried a petition."

At the same time, McNulty noted, "The last three times I've run for Congress, I've been the top Democratic vote-getter in the state."

According to Wasserman, there is still lingering resentment about the timing of Stratton's resignation so that no other Democrat could vie for the position, he said. A committee-on-vacancies headed by former Albany County Democratic Chairman Leo O'Brien tapped McNulty for the job.

McNulty was the chosen candidate of the Albany Democratic machine, Wasserman charged. "It was a well-orchestrated move to deny the voters any choice" since it was too late in the political calendar year for any other candidate to mount a primary challenge.

If elected, Wasserman said he would fight Congressional Republicans' attempts to cut federal support for education, health care and the environment.

A native of Schenectady, Wasserman is past president of the Environmental Federation of New York. He is a resident of Albany, where he lives with his wife Carol Knox and their 3-year-old daughter.

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Bethlehem Recycling Corner

By Sharon Fisher, town recycling coordinator

Recycling moves paper through a continuous cycle of usefulness.

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The town of Bethlehem's law includes many types of paper as mandatory recyclables collected curbside or at the transfer station. Newspapers and inserts, magazines and catalogues, corrugated cardboard and paper bags, junk mail and office paper are all recyclable.

All paper that comes into the household or business via the mail, school, church or office are also all recyclable. The list includes fliers, letters, documents, receipts and note paper. Plastic windows in envelopes no longer need to be removed. Staples can remain, but paper clips, plastic wraps and metal or plastic binders must be removed.

The new recycling technologies can now handle more combinations of different types of paper. The post offices can more easily recycle all the undeliverable bulk mail because separation has be-

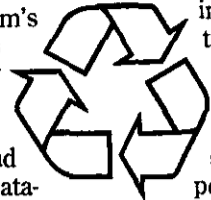
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Get instructions from your private hauler if you have forgotten how to prepare paper for curbside recycling. New Jersey residents recycle more junk mail and office paper per capita than New York residents. Help to increase our averages.

There will be a recycling bin at town hall in March for telephone books.



Lenten Series explores American culture

The First Reformed Church of Bethlehem, located on Route 9W in Selkirk, will host a Lenten series exploring the relationship between Christ and the American culture. The series will be held Wednesday evenings, beginning Feb. 28 at 6 p.m.

Dr. Kendall Birr, emeritus professor of history of the University of Albany, will provide a historical

overview of the development of Christianity in the United States, giving particular attention to how the church has shaped and been shaped by the American experience.

The evenings will begin with a soup dinner; participants should bring their own sandwiches. Child care will be provided.

For information, call 767-2243.

New Salem firehouse hosts Friday dinners

The New Salem Fire Department Auxiliary will host fish fry dinners on the following Fridays: Feb. 23, March 8 and 22, and April 5. The meals will run from 4:30 to 7:30 p.m.

Dinners will include fried fish on a roll, french fries, coleslaw and a beverage for \$6. Meals will cost

\$5.50 for senior citizens, while children under age 12 can eat for \$3. Clam chowder and dessert can also be purchased for an additional charge of \$1.25 each. Take-outs will also be available.

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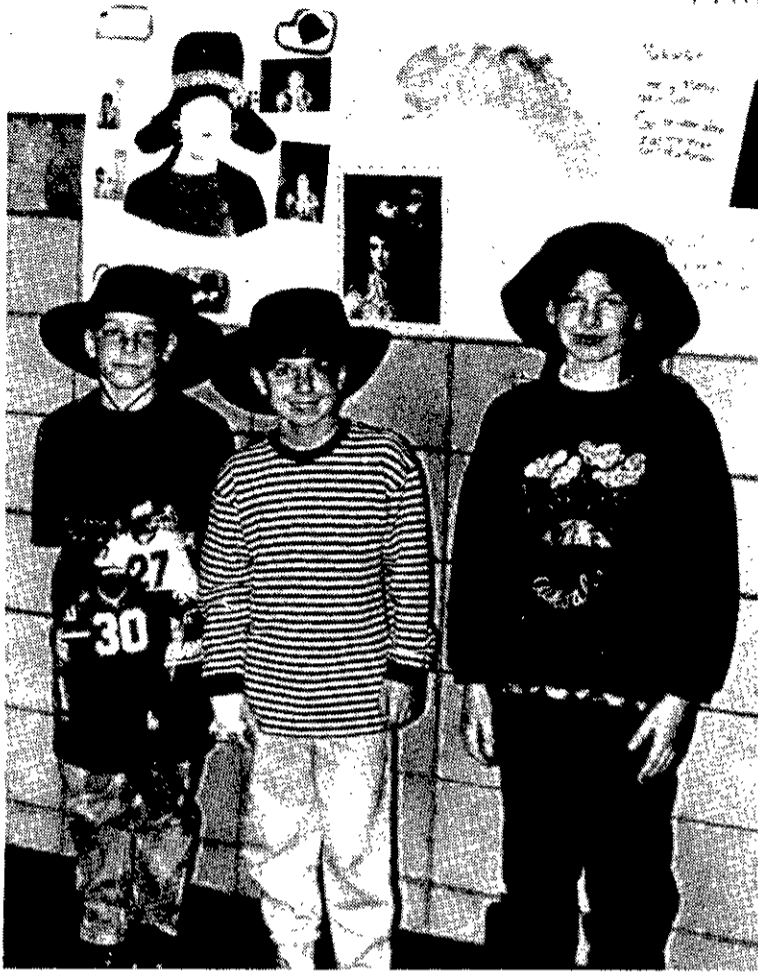
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Historical headgear



Slingerlands pupils Kyle Winne, left, Nicolas Giordano, and Riki Baus model different types of hats that have been popular throughout history.

Elaine McLain

Police review traffic rules

Did you know that you should always transport a child weighing less than 20 pounds in an approved safety seat and in the rearward position? According to Bethlehem police, this has proven best in preventing injuries to infants.

If your vehicle is equipped with a passenger side airbag, you should transport the child in the back seat of the vehicle.

Passenger side airbags can cause serious injuries to a child

facing the rear of the vehicle.

This is Child Passenger Safety Awareness Week, make sure your kids are transported safely and according to the law.

Members of the community who have specific traffic safety questions, should call and leave a message for Officer Robert Markel at 439-4955 Ex. 222. Your answer might appear in an upcoming issue of *The Spotlight*.

Scaringe returns to GOP slot

By Tom Murnane

It's déjà vu all over again for the county GOP.

Hoping to recapture some of the lost glory from the early 1990s, county Republicans last week brought back former party chairman George Scaringe to be their leader once again.

Scaringe, 53, of Loudonville ran the county party for 17 years (1976-1993), and oversaw state Sen. Michael



Scaringe

Hoblock's successful 1991 bid to win the county executive's seat.

Scaringe, who runs real estate and insurance firms, stepped down as chairman two years later to take a job with the state GOP committee.

His successor, Dennis Buchan, ran the party for two years before resigning and moving to Rochester for a new job with Key Bank.

The party's executive committee met last Wednesday to unanimously approve Scaringe, passing over three other Colonie Republicans who had expressed interest in the post — John Graziano, James Scripps IV and Larry Knapek.

The full committee will vote on Scaringe's chairmanship in the fall.

"His experience and his proven ability are two of the qualities that brought us to selecting him," said acting county chairwoman Mary Bardwell of Bethlehem.

Bardwell said she hopes Scaringe's experience will help to reverse the party's fortunes over the past few years.

Besides Hoblock's 1991 county executive win — a rare event in a county where Democrats have a 2-1 enrollment advantage — and his subsequent election in 1994 to the state Senate (also previously a Democratic-controlled seat), the party had not won any other county-wide races in the 1990s,

although it did pick up a couple of additional seats in the county Legislature.

Party members are hoping to see a more energized group with a more vocal leader in Scaringe.

The energy should be helpful, as Hoblock is up for re-election for his seat and is expecting a stiff challenge from Democrat Neil Breslin of Bethlehem, brother of Democratic County Executive Michael Breslin.

Albany County was the only upstate county that voted for former Democratic Gov. Mario

Century 21 real estate office — as well as other local Realtors — saw their sales drop by 20 percent as Pataki's elimination and proposed relocation of state jobs dried up the local real estate market.

Instead of being bitter, however, Scaringe looks at the bright side.

"Yes, the changes hurt in the short term, but we have to stop relying on state government, and instead we need to be talking about private development," he said. "What is this area doing to encourage private development? Noth-

That will be one of my main priorities, to make sure we get our people re-elected George Scaringe

Cuomo against Republican Gov. George Pataki in 1994, and there has been some speculation that anger over Pataki's efforts to trim and relocate the state work force would come back to haunt Hoblock and other local GOP candidates this fall.

Scaringe conceded that the "Pataki factor" created a backlash that contributed to Kenneth Ringle's loss to Breslin in the county executive race.

"No doubt it had an impact, but that was to be expected, when you see a governor making the hard decisions like he has been making," said Scaringe, who predicted a "turnaround this year as people continue to adjust and adapt to the changing times."

Ironically, if there was anyone who could hold a grudge against Pataki, it's Scaringe.

Last year, Scaringe's Latham

ing right now, it seems. Small business owners aren't getting any help at all. You need to have a vision, and I don't see the Democrats with any plan."

Stepping up the county party's exposure on issues is a top priority, along with re-electing Hoblock and other current Republican office holders.

"That will be one of my main priorities, to make sure we get our people re-elected," Scaringe said.

With elections comes the need for money, and with the party more than \$35,000 in the red, Scaringe is already working on two upcoming fund-raisers.

He plans a "Chairman's Breakfast" at the end of this month, and in mid-March, the party will hold its annual Lincoln Day Dinner, with state Attorney General Dennis Vacco slated to be the guest speaker.

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Rube Goldberg lives

Rube Goldberg would have a field day with today's legislators. The famed syndicated cartoonist of 50 years ago designed weird, convoluted "labor-saving" contraptions, marvelously satiric in their efforts to solve essentially simple tasks.

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Now, Goldberg has been one-upped as Congress and the president have managed to make a logical progression of proposals leading to a balanced budget appear more like 100 miles of twisted, washed out mountain road. Goldberg is no match as these public officials confuse and confound the nation's economy.

The New York legislature is now wrestling with the state budget, a document that hasn't been passed on time in almost two decades. Legislators cite the federal budget as reason for confusion about final figures for the state. As a result, proponents and critics of Gov. Pataki's budget drag out their discussions over approval.

Although presented a month ahead of time and the joint legislative committees have held hearings, the budget appears stalled again as Medicaid reimbursements and school aid, for example, provide fuel for debate.

When the state budget is late, local communities and school districts work in the dark as to amounts of tax distributions they'll receive for their own budgets. They must cutback if the potential of a late state budget becomes a reality. Jobs may be lost, contractors go unpaid and high interest costs are absorbed by taxpayers on borrowed cash for essential public services.

There are only 47 days left for the state budget to be passed before the end of the fiscal year. It's imperative the budget passes on time to keep local communities and school districts on schedule and avoid any further taxation to cover interest costs.

Rube Goldberg would enjoy the irony of banking institutions making money on loans to public entities while Washington and Albany tinker with their toys. But, it's no laughing matter.

Heed the call

As technology promises communications wonders, a simple phone call can still be more important than bouncing E-mail off satellites.

Delmar resident Les Fisher heads the Albany County program which seeks volunteers to visit the homebound or at least make a phone call to a homebound senior.

A daily call to a person alone at home is a link of a friendly voice to the individuals who are assured they are not forgotten.

Fisher needs volunteers for as little or as much time as they can give. Information on the program is available at 442-5585.

Resurrect cleanup

The Bethlehem First task force is considering resurrecting the Community Bethlehem cleanup project this year. That's good news.

In the early '90s, Bethlehem was aswarm with people picking up litter, planting flowers and making the town more attractive as a place to live and visit.

We urge all groups who previously worked on Community Bethlehem to cooperate again. A close, cohesive community works at making its image more attractive.

Ah, love!

No matter at what age, affection which grows to love is a breathless experience that is measured by acts of endearment exchanged between men and women.

Valentine's Day reminds us that love is still an important ingredient in the human experience. Those who find it are fortunate individuals.

HY'S SPOTLIGHT



Framework includes increasing academic expectations

State ed department poised for change

By Richard Mills

(The writer is commissioner of the state Department of Education)

The Regents took a major step last December toward defining the academic expectations for students with the introduction of a revised set of mathematics standards. In the last three years, New York has engaged in two parallel efforts to define what students should know and be able to do.



The first has been led by the Regents-appointed Curriculum and Assessment Committee, which developed a series of curriculum frameworks.

Second, the New Standards

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Project, including 18 states along with New York, has produced thoughtful statements of academic standards.

The mathematics standards that we took to the Regents in December represented a combination of both efforts and a forerunner of similar standards for other subjects as well.

The New Standards Project performance standards are now in a chart format. Additionally, they represent some of the best work of not only the 18 participating states, but international standards as well.

When they are completed, New York's standards must be as good as or better than those in all the

others states.

Reaching closure on a clear and challenging set of standards is perhaps the most significant work the Regents can do this year in the elementary and secondary area. Completing that work requires an unprecedented level of public engagement. Recent surveys, both around the nation and in New York, have shown that the public wants higher academic standards.

The Regents' standards will come to life to the extent that we can connect those standards to public expectations. The emerging Regents' standards cannot be left to stand alone for long. In addition to defining the standards, or expectations for student performance, the Regents will need to decide how to boost the capacity of the entire system to meet those standards and to determine how we will measure and present

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results.
 The most important capacity-building effort is professional development. New York has an unexamined array of professional development capacity in the teachers centers, BOCES, professional associations, higher education, and also in many local activities that may not be known beyond the particular school or district.
 As the standards become clearer, we face a major opportunity to bring greater focus to these professional development resources. The amount of funds and talent committed to this work will be astonishing and will give great

promise of actually meeting the standards.
 All of us want higher performance in schools and colleges. We will be more credible leaders in that effort if we first present the results of our own work.
 For that reason, it was encouraging to see the dramatic decrease in the backlog in teacher certification. In the fall, we saw 7,900 teacher certification applications awaiting processing drop to 1,800. At the same time, there was also a 51 percent reduction in the number of pending applications for certification
 This January, a 60-day review

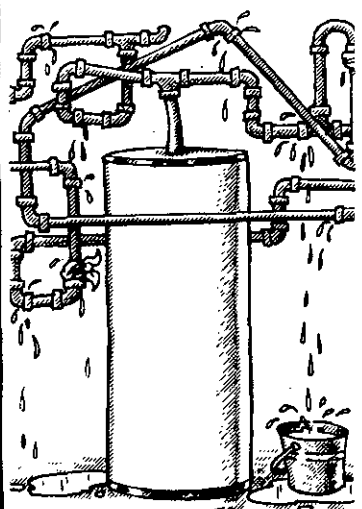
of the state Education Department was turned in to me. This panel—the Commissioner's Review of the Education Department—consisted of a group of distinguished citizens and 200 individuals comprised of members of our department staff and key stakeholders.
 The panel which worked under the auspices of the Rockefeller Institute, found that there's no strategic vision guiding the work of the entire department, no priorities and not enough focus on our customers.
 The panel found that there are no performance measures within the department and parts of the

agency are not connected sufficiently. Work is micro-managed, the panel said, at all levels while the necessary tools, especially computers, are not available.
 Upon receipt of this report, I met with about 1,000 department staff to outline the findings and the actions we must take.
 Specifically, we will develop a strategic plan by May, and it will include a clear vision of our mission and goals.
 I told the staff that we will create performance measures and be accountable for performance. As a result, the first of a series of quarterly performance reviews for

each major unit in the Department will begin in March.
 The report noted that there was a need to empower the department's staff members. As a result, I created a small team to eliminate multiple sign-offs on correspondence which has the effect of delaying information to citizens.
 It is up to us now to follow through to become the most effective state agency in New York, and the best education department in the nation, not because we say so, but because the people we serve will come to say so.

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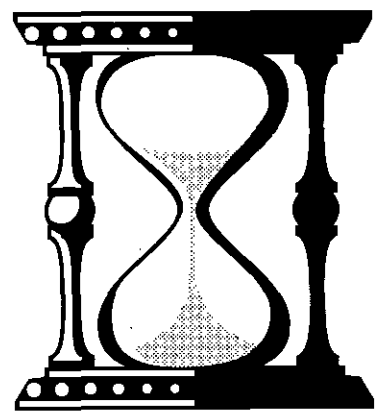
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Matters of Opinion

Disabled child needs love as well as fiscal help

Editor, The Spotlight:

I am the parent of several beautiful children, one of whom is severely developmentally delayed.

I was very moved by Eamon McGirr's recent marathon singing feat. He was primarily motivated by his daughter who has cerebral palsy. Money raised by this effort was to go to help disabled children at the Center for the Disabled obtain the services they need to thrive.

However, part of Eamon's message was that beyond the wheel chair or braces is a whole person. Our children have needs like all kids that go beyond those provided by any facility. They have a need to belong in their neighborhoods as well.

Yet too many of us use marathons like that for cerebral palsy

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to absolve our daily behaviors as good neighbors within our own community. It's easier to write a check than open a door.

As a parent, you realize their isolation when you become painfully aware on those weekends when the door bell fails to ring.

It's been written that "too long of a sacrifice makes a stone of the heart." The image brought to mind by this analogy can be applied to all those who suffer, but especially to the parent of a "special needs" child. The loss of a child's health is beyond the imagination of any parent, especially when that loss comes without warning or preparation. The hurt is

enormous. It is a parent's worst nightmare.

People tend to say time will heal all wounds. Well, not quite, however, it does lessen the pain and allows you to focus more on other tasks and dwell less on the hurt.

But the hurt is always there; it just changes form. There is the pain of day-to-day life that as a parent you are powerless to remove. You see it as kids who would have been her friends now shun her, or worse yet tease and ridicule her. Or, you hear it with the silence of a door bell that never rings for an invitation for a sleepover, a bike ride down the street or a trip to a River Rats game.

You try your best to engineer opportunities where your child can "naturally" interact with her peers.

But, there is seldom reciprocity. There is just hurt when you have to explain to a child who can't understand that she can't play with another child because she hasn't been invited.

Gradually, you learn a cruel lesson of life. You can't control others' behaviors, you can only control your own. With that lesson finally comes some acceptance and realization that you need not try to influence the behaviors of others.

If it doesn't come freely, it is not worth it when it is compelled by guilt. Instead, you make peace and enjoy the one thing that is certain — your child lives and loves! And, in that context this story does have a happy ending.

Name submitted

Delmar

Remember news deliverers on Valentine's Day

Editor, The Spotlight:

How about a Valentine for our newspeople?

Remember the morning that our daily newspaper did not arrive at the usual time or in its accustomed place?

Mine arrived mid-morning, plastic wrapped, in the middle of the front lawn, thus requiring a change of costume for the retrieval.

Have we been taking our early, reliable delivery for granted?

If so, let us send a Valentine, in a meaningful way, without waiting for Christmas or the prepared, addressed envelope, to our newspeople who deliver day after day, week after week, month after month. Let a Valentine express our sincere feelings.

Thank you, you make our day.

Barbara B. McCarty

Delmar

Editor's note: Or how about a subscription to your favorite community newspaper, delivered by the ever-faithful postal person?

Is the increased security at high school necessary?

Editor, The Spotlight:

In addition to armed police, Bethlehem Central High School has recently added an unarmed security guard.

Also, BCHS continues to have faculty serving as hall monitors.

This kind of security presence must mean that there are serious security concerns involving the students.

This is the message we are sending to the public about our children, and it is an insulting message.

However, insulting or not, we should take these steps if they are needed.

School officials should fully explain why these security steps are necessary.

Stanley L. Zalen

Delmar

Letters policy

The Spotlight welcomes letters from readers on subjects of local interest. Letters are subject to editing in keeping with our rules of fairness, accuracy, style and length. All letters must carry the writer's signature, address and phone numbers. Write to Letters to the Editor, The Spotlight, 125 Adams Street, Delmar NY 12054. Letters may be faxed to 439-0609.

The Bethlehem Community Partnership is Sponsoring a Contest to Select the

Top Ten Ways to Strengthen Families

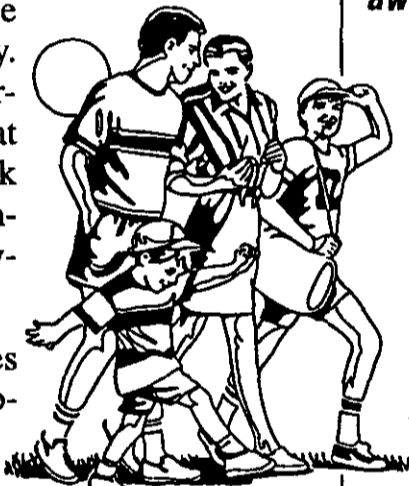
The contest is open to all families residing in the Town of Bethlehem, and will publicize the best suggestions to improve family life in our community. The entire Family is encouraged to come up with ideas that work for them and might work for other families to make family life supportive and enjoyable.

What kinds of things does your family like to do together that are special?

The Top 10 List will be widely circulated in our community, in schools and throughout the Capital District.

The deadline for submission of entries is Thursday, February 29, 1996. Winners will be announced in the March 6 issue of The Spotlight.

Our Family's Entry Is:



The Top 10 List winning entries will be awarded prizes, including:

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- A family dinner at Alteri's of Glenmont Restaurant
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- A family dinner cruise on the Dutch Apple
- A \$100 family food basket from Grand Union
- Family tickets to the MAAC Tournament from Knickerbocker Arena
- A day of skiing for the family at Jiminy Peak
- A family package from Mike Mashuta's Training Center

Contest entries accompanied by the family's name, address, and phone number should be on any single sheet of paper and addressed to:

Networks Partnership
318 Delaware Avenue,
Delmar, NY 12054

Each entry form should include only one proposal. Families may enter as many proposals as they wish. Prizes will be limited to one per family. The deadline for submission of entries is Thursday, February 29, 1995. Prizes have no cash value. In the event of duplicate entries, a drawing will be held to select the winner. Decision of the judges (Community Task Force) will be final. Additional entry forms are available at all Bethlehem Central Schools, the Bethlehem Networks office, Bethlehem Public Library and the Spotlight office.

Name _____

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Your Opinion Matters

V'ville teacher confused by board

Editor, The Spotlight:

As one in attendance at the well-attended open forum at the Voorheesville Central School District's November school board meeting, I heard several speakers in favor of not settling past the board's proposal. I also heard an equal number of passionate speakers in favor of settling.

Then at the end, board member Jim Coffin stated that if the teachers will put down their picket signs and take off their buttons, we will sit down and work out a settlement. I left with the feeling that now we could work together, honestly for a settlement.

Not until several weeks later would the board meet with us. We came with a considerable drop in our percent of raise proposal, much closer to the fact-finder's numbers. The board asked for a quick adjournment without discussion. No debate. No working toward a settlement.

Not until several weeks later did they call us back with their counter-proposals. No movement from them toward any compromise. In fact, they brought proposals down from already agreed-upon proposals from the previous three years. I'm confused and a

little bit more frustrated.

The public, teachers and the board speak to "wanting a settlement." Mr. Coffin promised publicly to work toward a settlement. The Voorheesville Teachers Association makes a compromise proposal downward, but the board does not offer anything toward the compromise, and in fact proposes lowering their original agreements.

Do you think this is how district residents want this action honestly and professionally worked out? Do you think this is good for the education of your children? Is this the leadership you want heading the educational system to which you send your children? Can this distrustful attitude create a school environment that is positive for our district?

Frank Carrk

Voorheesville

N. Scotland should clean up water problem at trailer park

Editor, The Spotlight:

For a town that gives the appearance of being overly concerned about recycling, waste and water issues, it amazes me how it can take such a back seat attitude to the free flowing water in front of Kissel's Trailer Park in the town of New Scotland.

Back in October 1995, the town was called regarding the situation. When they showed up in November, they informed the land owner, Mrs. Kissel, that it was her problem, not the town's.

She proved, at her expense, that it was not leaking from her lines and her maintenance man showed the town workers where the problem was coming from.

They stated they were backed up and would return the beginning of the following week to correct the problem. It is now February, and the water is now approximately six inches deep and free flowing under the pond of ice that currently encompasses almost the entire entrance to the park.

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Again the town was called and again the response was it is merely drainage water. Upon further inquiry, a town employee came out and stated he didn't know where the problem was and if Mrs. Kissel could point it out, they would fix it. This gentleman was here in November when Mrs. Kissel's maintenance man pointed out the problem originally. Again the answer was they would return the following week.

My question is, since Mrs. Kissel has proved the problem lies with the town water supply, is the town waiting for one of the residents of the trailer park to get injured before taking action? Does the fact that the problem has grown from a trickle to a six-inch-deep pond not worry anyone? Anyone, any answers?

Jill N. Sharp

Kissel's Trailer Park

Secor gets writer's vote for man of the year

Editor, The Spotlight:

I wish somebody would nominate Bruce Secor for citizen of the year. For a year and a half, he took the abuse from a small group of dissatisfied citizens. He gave us all a lesson on integrity, strength and courtesy.

We have learned to admire him. I see his dedication was not part of a popularity contest.

Marie N. Capone

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Abacus production



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Elaine McLain

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Youth services to debut puppet shows Feb. 21

The library debuts its new puppet stage with "Puppetry Delights" on Wednesday, Feb. 21, at 2 p.m. Youth services staff have always used their collection of puppets in conjunction with story hour programs, but this is their first full-scale production. Original adaptations of two folk tales, *The Bremen Town Musicians* and *Diamonds and Toads*, will be presented.



Although the show targets beginning readers, children of all ages are welcome to attend.

The puppet theater is just one of several techniques to augment programs for preschoolers and elementary school children. Finger plays and flannel boards, songs and rhymes, games and crafts all serve to involve and focus young audiences.

Youth services offers several ongoing programs for young children. Weekly story hour sessions are scheduled for toddlers to age 6. The sessions are divided according to age groups, with two especially designed for families.

The spring sessions are now in full swing. Registration for the fall occurs in early September — watch for announcements.

Programs for school-age children and their families take full

advantage of after-school hours, weekends and school vacations. For example, in addition to "Puppetry Delights," next week's mid-winter break features a program devoted to the stories of Harry Allard, scheduled for Friday, Feb. 22, at 2 p.m.

Stories are also delivered through outreach programs to area nursery schools, Scout troops and summer outreach to town park sites round out a generous and varied program calendar.

Stories have long been a repository for cultural wisdom. Story telling and reading aloud set up an interaction between reader and listener that enriches language, imagination and community. In-house or on the road, youth services carries out an honorable tradition.

Register for youth services events by calling 439-9314. The library reminds parents to call in cancellations, so that wait-listed patrons have an opportunity to attend.

Louise Grieco

Bethlehem Lab School hosting country dance

The Bethlehem's Lab School is sponsoring a night of country western dancing on Saturday, March 2, from 7:30 to 10 p.m.

The event costs \$5 per person.

For information, contact Darlene Dowse at 439-0268.

Psychologist to speak to PTSA

On Thursday, Feb. 15, at 7:30 p.m., the Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk PTSA will hear a presentation on "Sex, Drugs and Rock 'n' Roll."

RCS psychologist Sally Downs will present a talk on the topic at the high school on route 9W. Refreshments will be served.

School partners group meeting tonight

RCS Middle School Partners in Education will meet tonight, Feb. 14, at 7 p.m. at the middle school.

The theme of the Valentine's Day meeting is meet your school board members.

It's an opportunity for members of the community to meet the board of education.

Business students earn awards at conference

Kudos to RCS students who returned from the Future Business Leaders of America leadership conference and competition with several trophies and certificates.

Terri Rusik took third place in Information Processing Concepts and second place in Financial Information Processing.

Steven LaFountain garnered third place in Principles of Marketing and first place in Financial Information Processing. Michael Scaringe won fourth place in Business Law.

Jen Selke, Jen Nulton and Kelly Johns also scored impressively in their areas of expertise.

The students competed against teams from eight other schools.

Pupils adopt a bison

Pupils in Martin Case's eighth-grade social studies class have decided to put their education to work.

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After studying the importance of the bison to American Indian survival, they decided to adopt one of the animals. Each pupil donated \$1 and the class gave a total of \$25 to the Nature Conservancy.

Wildfire, the class's adopted bison, is described as "a young bull just hitting his prime. He enjoys hanging out with his pals and it's always a contest to prove who's strongest and toughest."

FOCUS parents to meet

The RCS FOCUS parents' group will meet on Thursday, Feb. 15, at 7 p.m. at the high school.

Roller skating slated at Guptill's Arena

On Monday, Feb. 19, the annual RCS Presidents' Day roller skating event will be at Guptill's Arena in Latham.

Skating is scheduled from 7 to 10 p.m. and all faculty, students and their families are invited to participate.

Students participate in work force program

Under the direction of RCS guidance counselor Peter Dwyer, eight RCS seniors recently spent a day at SUNY Cobleskill in a program to help prepare students to enter the work force.

The students' ideas will help in preparing the district's school-to-work Goals 2000 grant.

Students who participated in the program are: Keri Brugeman, Ben Marshall, Mike Weddell, Gordon Ryerson, Kim Boelhke,

Dean Kreplin, Lisa Shutter and Nicole Crowley.

Dads and Scouts to bowl at Ravena Lanes

On Friday, Feb. 24, from 3:30 to 5:30 p.m., Girl Scouts and their fathers will bowl together at Ravena Lanes.

The \$4 fee includes shoe rental, one regular game and one scotch doubles.

RCS PARCS party is set

Come to The Connection on Route 9W in Selkirk on Sunday, Feb. 18, for a Daytona 500 Party that will benefit the playgrounds at RCS (PARCS) Fund.

The event will begin at noon and include a buffet (subs, wings, zitis and meatballs), door prizes, games and country music from WCDA.

Donations are \$12.50 at the door and \$10 in advance. Sponsors of the event are The Connection, Ravena Auto Supply and Hillman's Auto Repair. Tickets are available at the above location.

Animal tracking tips on tap at Five Rivers

A program on animal tracking will be held on Tuesday, Feb. 20, at 2 p.m., and again on Thursday, Feb. 22, at 2 p.m. at the Five Rivers Environmental Education Center on Game Farm Road in Delmar.

Center naturalists will explain how wildlife tracks can reveal not only the identity of the animal, but also where it came from, where it was going and what it was doing. The group will be walk the center grounds to look for signs of wildlife.

Participants should dress for the outdoors.

For information, contact Five Rivers at 475-0291.

Program on bluebirds slated at Five Rivers

A program on bluebirds will be held on Sunday, Feb. 25, at 2 p.m. at the Five Rivers Environmental Education Center on Game Farm Road in Delmar.

Center naturalists will lead the group on an outdoor walk of the center grounds in search of bluebirds. Participants will also look at different bluebird nest boxes and take home design plans for making bluebird nest boxes at home.

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V'ville to hear tax grievances

The village of Voorheesville board of trustees has scheduled a tax grievance night for Tuesday, Feb. 20, from 5 to 9 p.m., in the village hall at 29 Voorheesville Ave.

The current assessment roll can be examined at the village office weekdays between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m.

In order to be considered by the board, all complaints about assessments must be filed on or before Feb. 20 with the village clerk. Grievance forms are available at village hall.

Sommer wins top prize in history essay contest

The New Scotland Historical Association has announced the winners of the E. Dayton Joslin History Prize for the best essay by a seventh-grader living in New Scotland.

Jesse Sommer is the first-prize winner for his essay on the history of the property his family owns on Clipp Road.

David Okoniewski won second prize, Brittany Burnham, third, and Stephanie Conklin, fourth.

Dennis Sullivan, Robert Parmenter and Timothy Albright were this year's judges.

Public hearing slated on St. Matthew's addition

The Voorheesville Planning Commission has scheduled a public hearing for Wednesday, Feb. 21, at 7:30 p.m. at village hall concerning the application of St. Matthew's Church for a special use permit to construct an addition to its building on Mountainview Street.

Schools to close for winter recess

Schools will be closed for mid-winter recess from Monday, Feb. 19, through Friday, Feb. 23.

PTA forming committee

The PTA is forming a nominating committee for next year's officers and chairpersons. To participate on the committee, call Nanette Bub at 765-4357.

Nursery school sets drawing to fill classes

The Community Nursery School of the First United Methodist Church of Voorheesville will hold a drawing to fill both morning and afternoon classes on

River rats charged

Two members of the Albany River Rats hockey team were arrested and charged with driving while intoxicated last week.

Darin Kimble, 27, of Baxter Court, Delmar, was arrested at 3:38 a.m. Thursday, Feb. 8, after Bethlehem Police Officer Thomas Heffernan arrived at the scene of a property damage auto accident on the Delmar Bypass.

Also arrested at the accident scene was Piotr Sidorkiewicz, 32 of Derzee Court, Delmar, who had stopped to offer his team-mate assistance, according to police records.

The hockey players were released in their own recognizance pending future appearances in Bethlehem Town Court.

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Thursday, Feb. 15, at 7:30 p.m. at the church on Maple Avenue. To participate in the drawing, children must be 4-years-old by Dec. 1.

The school is run as a parent cooperative.

For information, call Carole Davis at 765-3369.

Bloodmobile scheduled at Methodist church

The First United Methodist Church of Voorheesville on Maple Avenue will host the Red Cross Bloodmobile on Friday, Feb. 16, from 1 to 6 p.m.

The blood drive is sponsored by the Voorheesville Volunteer Fire Department and the high school.

For information and appointments, call Monica Burt at 765-5737. Walk-ins are welcome.

Legion to serve Sunday breakfast

Breakfast will be served at the

Bethlehem musicians to play in state band

Six Bethlehem Central Middle School students were recently selected for the state Band Association's statewide Junior High Honors Band.

The musicians are Samuel Cook, clarinet; Arthur Feldman, oboe; Edward Lair, alto saxophone; Kevin Moehringer, trombone; Robyn Scherer, trumpet; and Christopher Shaffer, tuba.

This is the second consecutive year Feldman and Scherer were named to the honors band.

Band members, who were selected from over 300 applicants, will perform on Saturday, March 2, at the Sheraton Inn Syracuse Convention Hall at 11:30 a.m.

BCMS band director George Smith was also selected as the association's junior honors band chairperson.

American Legion Post on Voorheesville Avenue on Sunday, Feb. 18, from 8 a.m. to noon.

The cost is \$3.50 for adults and \$2.50 for children.

Seniors must file for tax exemptions

Applications for senior citizen property tax exemptions must be filed by Friday, March 1. Senior citizens who earn less than \$25,000 may be eligible for a reduction.

For information, call the new Scotland tax assessor's office at 765-3355.

Seniors plan trip to Virginia Beach

New Scotland Senior Citizens are planning a spring trip to Virginia Beach from May 19 through 23. Seniors will stay at Station One Hotel with beautiful beach-front rooms and balconies.

The price is \$289 per person and includes bus fare, hotel, two meals a day, and taxes and gratuities.

A boat ride on the Spirit of Norfolk, visits to local museums and a tram ride through the botanical gardens are among the scheduled activities.

For information, call Lois Crouse at 765-2109.

Town library to honor children's book author

The stories of children's author Harry Allard will be featured in "A Tribute to Harry Allard" on Thursday, Feb. 22, at 2 p.m. at the Bethlehem Public Library, 451 Delaware Ave. in Delmar.

A skit, short film and craft are also planned.

The program is appropriate for children in kindergarten through second grade.

For information, contact the children's department at 439-9314.

New art group kicks off with diverse palettes

The first meeting of the Art Expressions Adult Sketch Club drew artists from teens to seniors. The enthusiastic group set up shop in the community room, drawing or painting from one of three still lifes set up by yours truly and Diane Wozniak.

should be sure to view the captivating nature photos, Images of Morning Light by Tom Bessette on exhibit in the hall gallery. The show by the Delmar photographer is worth a special trip to the library.

Next week, School's Out, Library's In programs should keep kids busy during the school break. On Tuesday, Feb. 20, children in grades one through three will have a chance to slop around in slime from 11 a.m. to noon. Kids are encouraged to dress for a mess.

Bill, the magic guy, will perform some daring feats for children in grades four and up on Friday, Feb. 23, from 2 to 3:30 p.m.

Come and learn a little magic to take home. No sign-up is necessary for either program, but kids are asked to sign up for the First Wednesday Club.

Barbara Vink

Nursery school plans February open house

The Circle of Friends Nursery School at 2 Bethlehem Court in Delmar will host an open house and registration on Tuesday, Feb. 27, from 1:30 to 2:30 p.m.

For information, call 478-0722.



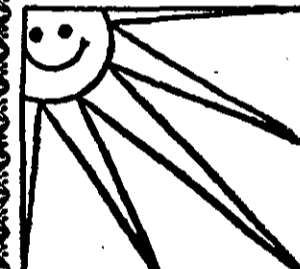
The next meeting has been scheduled for Thursday, Feb. 15, to see which night (Wednesday or Thursday) is more convenient for participants.

If you missed the first meeting, come on Thursday, from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.

Another feature of the evening will be the viewing of *Edward Hopper, the Silent Witness* by Wolfgang Hastert. The docudrama traces the artist's footsteps along the Cape Cod coast, highlighting scenes that inspired him to create his melancholy masterpieces.

The video will be shown at 7:30 p.m., and any Hopper fan is welcome to watch it with the group.

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Sports

V'ville grapplers eye sectional tournament

By Shannon Magee

Several standout Voorheesville wrestlers have their sights set on the upcoming sectional tourney.

Among them are Bryce Fortran (8-1 during the regular season), Griffin King (14-6), Dave Stapf (6-4), Todd Dombrowski (13-7), Brandon Holcomb (12-6) and Ryan Sponswick (13-6).

Led by coach John Lopez, the Blackbirds are fighting to remain in the middle of the Council Council race with a 3-6 league record and a 3-7 overall record.

"The motivation of the squad" comes from seniors Adam Cole (167), Kevin Burns (167) Fortran (138), King (155), and Stapf (250), said Lopez. "The are self-motivated and because of that, the

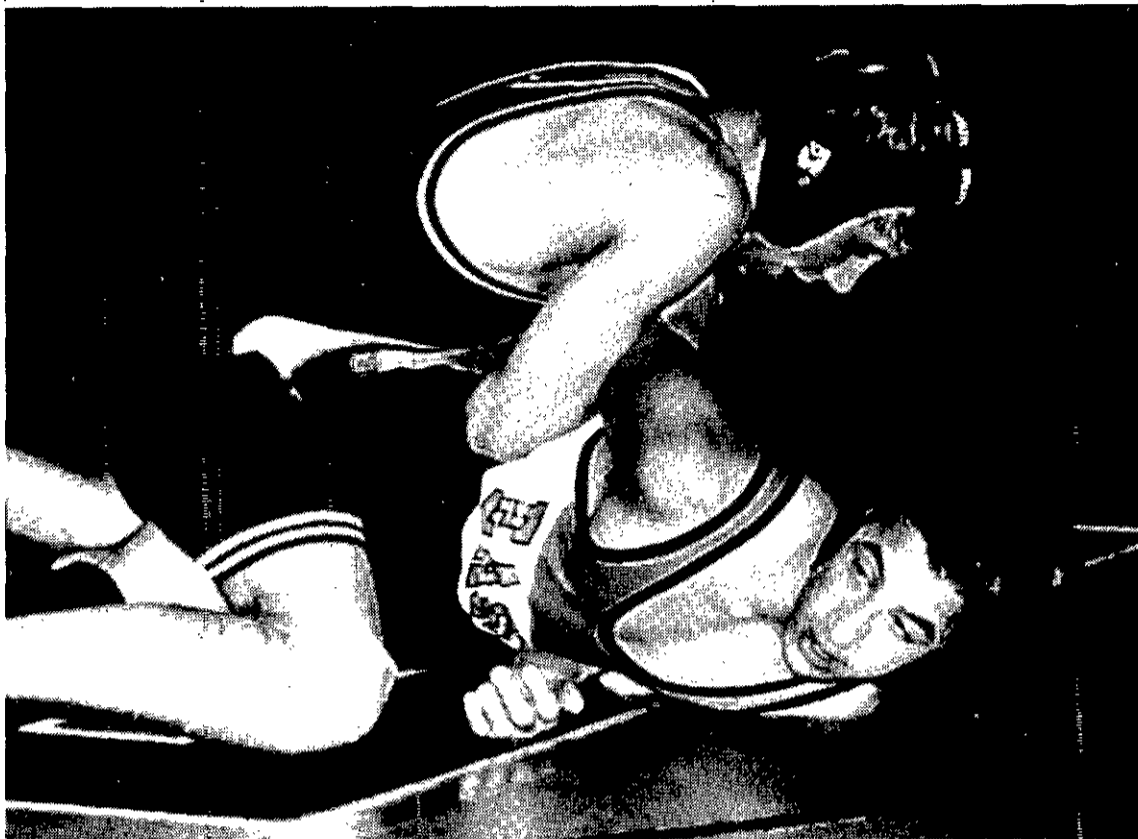
squad has to push themselves to stay up with them."

Other steady performers include Josh Alvarez (177), James Coffin (167), Dombrowki (112), Holcomb (132) and Chris Horan (126).

Sophomore grappler Mark Nadrotowski (112); freshmen Mike Cavanaugh (215), Joe Cotazino (91), Mike McCune (138), Jason Moak (126) and Sponswick (119); plus eighth-grader Jeremy Malloch (126) round out the 1996 squad.

The most improved wrestler this year, Lopez said, is Burns. "He never wrestled before, and over the duration of the season showed great improvement despite being in a tough division."

Temporary setback



Bethlehem's Eric Kellow has an uncertain moment during last week's match against Colonie High School. The Eagles lost 49-12. Bethlehem wrestlers are now preparing for the sectional tournament. *Doug Persons*

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Men: Olin McDonald 299 and 1040 four games; John Zupan 784 triple; and Pat Brozowski 716 triple.

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Undefeated Blackbirds march on

By Matt McKenna

The Voorheesville girls basketball team has fulfilled one of its goals for a dream season.

With two wins this past week, the Blackbirds clinched the regular season title in the Colonial Council, and locked up a No. 1 seed in the sectionals.

It started last Tuesday, when the team traveled to Averill Park to play the fifth-place Warriors. The game was for close for awhile, but eventually Averill Park succumbed to pressure from the Blackbirds' defense.

Jane Meade led the team in scoring with 19 points, including 12 coming off steals. Regan Burns added 11, while Jyll Klefbeck chipped in 10.

The winning streak continued on Friday, when the Blackbirds hosted league-rival Schalmont. Voorheesville put the game away early with pressure defense again, and built a 13-7 first-quarter lead.

Schalmont came back in the third quarter, outscoring the Blackbirds by five, but the outcome was never in doubt. The final score was Voorheesville 45,

Schalmont 28.

Meade led the team in scoring again with 20 points. She got help from Becky Dawson, who scored nine points and had 18 rebounds. Klefbeck and Kristin Person each scored six.

With one game remaining in the regular season, the Blackbirds are starting to look ahead to the sectionals.

As one of the only undefeated teams in Section II, they will be a target, with everyone trying to knock them off.

BC scares Shen before succumbing

By Scott Isaacs

The regular season ended and the post-season playoffs began on an equally sour note for the Bethlehem boys basketball team.

Last Friday, the eighth-seeded Eagles had the misfortune to draw the No. 1 seed Shenendehowa in the opening round of the Suburban Council Tournament at Coltonie High School.

The determined Eagles led 20-19 at the half, however the powerful Plainsmen proved too much for BC in the end, pulling out a 51-

Basketball

40 victory that was much closer than the score would indicate.

Joe D'Angelo powered his way to nine points for Bethlehem, while Chris Bannigan added eight.

"We proved we could muster the intensity to play with those guys," said Bannigan, "If we can keep it up we'll be in good shape in

the consolation bracket."

Last Tuesday, the Eagles hosted Saratoga in the final regular season contest for both teams. Saratoga jumped out to an early, eight-point lead and held on for a 67-57 victory. Several seniors shined for BC in the final home game of their careers.

Tim Wenger had a career night shooting 4-4 from the field and connecting on 10 points. Sean Berry had 14, while D'Angelo and Bannigan chipped in eight and six points, respectively.

Zornow upbeat about sectionals

By Jennifer Hahn

Despite a loss to Shenendehowa, the Bethlehem girls basketball team captured another two key wins in the Suburban Council last week.

They improved their record to an outstanding 15-4, and will have a good chance in sectionals, which are just a week away.

Last Monday, the girls faced perennially strong rival Shenendehowa. Shen's high shooting percentage kept BC from a victory. The Eagles' attack was led by Nicole Conway, who scored 23 points, including three, three point goals. The Eagles fell 68-44, but this loss would not keep the team

down.

The girls came back on Wednesday to clobber Saratoga, 58-20.

The Eagles defense was led by Katie Sherwin, who had seven steals. Conway led the offense with 13 points. Kim Comotois tossed in nine, and Laura DeVecchio added seven in the victory.

The team's success continued on Friday, when the girls beat Mohonasen, 56-48. Red-hot Conway led the way for BC, scoring 19 points. The Eagles played a tough first half, and had an 11-point lead at halftime that Mohonasen could not overcome.

The teams' chances "look good

going into sectionals," said coach Kim Zornow. "We know what needs to be done. The team knows they need to come out and win to move on."

The girls' last season game will be tonight (Wednesday) at Niskayuna.

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Dalton leads Magic

The Magic, led by Brendan Dalton's 23 points, ended the Suns hope for an undefeated season, 42-34, to highlight Sunday's Bethlehem Basketball Club excitement.

Ian Morgan threw in nine for the losers. In another thriller, the Sonics, behind Melissa Pinchback's offensive rebounding and clutch shooting, beat the Knicks, 48-44. Gordon Schmidt's all-around floor game assisted the Knick's effort. Mitch Lane's 30 points were more than the Bulls could handle, as they fell to the Spurs, 57-49. Josh Brody and Ted Laird combined for 12 in defeat.

Finally, the Rockets, with Greg Ciprioni's slashing drives down the lane, toppled the Nuggets 47-40. Ted Blumenthal and Brian Rowan teamed for 18 in defeat.

In ACC activity, Virginia beat a game Maryland squad, 36-20. Billy Tierney's four points and numerous steals sparked the winners. Lindsay Strogatz played great defense and pulled down a host of rebounds in the loss. Greg Pilon exploded for 20 points as Florida State got by Georgia Tech, 58-29. Matt Glisson nailed three jumpers to lead the Rambling Wreck.

Clemson, with Ryan Connors hitting for nine, upended Duke, 42-31. Peter Buckley and Nate Turner combined to tally 20 for the Blue Devils. Pulling away at the end, Wake Forest edged North Carolina 46-43. Tony Berghela had 19 for the winners. Dan Israel and Eli Leveston netted 12 for the losers.

Penn State rallied to beat Iowa, 38-22. Pat Heenan had 12 in the victory. Northwestern, with Tom Trimarchi leading the surge, broke a halftime deadlock to overcome Michigan State, 41-28. Brian Geurtze had 13 in the loss.

Michigan outlasted Purdue, 42-35, with Sean Myrtle's 12 points leading the way. Dan Kidera's passing and Kevin O'Connor's eight points from inside the paint led Ohio State to a 34-26 win over Wisconsin.

Matt Drislane had 10 in defeat. In the finale, Indiana squeaked out a 37-36 victory over Minnesota. Mike Nuttal led the way with 10 key points for the victors.

Lifeguard training set for March

The American Red Cross will conduct a lifeguard training course at the Bethlehem Central High School pool on Delaware Avenue in Delmar on Tuesday and Thursday nights.

The 48-hour course is an all-inclusive lifeguard training course that includes CPR and first aid.

The 10-week session will begin

on Thursday, March 14, from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. Cost is \$75, which includes all textbooks, equipment and instruction.

Course participants must be at least 15 years old by the time the course ends, and be able to swim at least 500 yards.

For information, call 433-0151, ext. 3320.



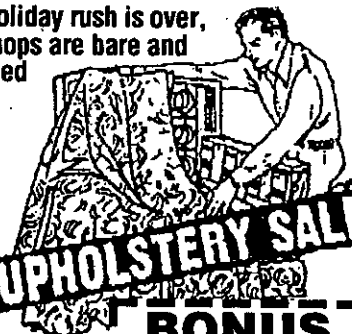
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Dolphins take top spots in New Hartford outing

A small contingent of Delmar Dolphins headed to New Hartford recently to compete in the New Hartford Knights Swim Classic.

Several strong performances were recorded at this meet by members of the group.

In the 10-and-under girls division, **Courtney Arduini** won the 50-yard backstroke and was second in the 50 and 200 freestyle.

Katie Van Heusen had a second-place finish in the 50 breaststroke. She was fifth in the 200 freestyle and seventh in the 100 IM and 50 freestyle.

Swimming

Katie Parafinczuk was seventh in the 50 backstroke, ninth in the 50 breaststroke and 10th in the 100 IM.

In the 10-and-under boys division, **Ricky Grant** captured first-place in the 50 backstroke, second place in the 100 butterfly and third in the 50 freestyle and 100 IM.

In the 11-12 girls division, **Melanie Hill** won the 50 backstroke and 200 freestyle. She finished second in the 100 IM and fourth in the 50 freestyle.

In the boys 11-12 division, **Bobby Crow** won the 100

breaststroke and 200 freestyle. He was second in the 50 freestyle and third in the 100 IM.

In the afternoon session in the 8-and-under girls division, **Emily Malinowski** finished first in the 100 IM, and in the process set a new meet record time. She was also first in the 50 breaststroke and second in the 50 butterfly.

In the 13-14 girls division, **Elyse McDonough** finished first in the 100 backstroke and 50 freestyle. She also had a second-place finish in the 200 freestyle.

In the same division, **Beth Malinowski** had a personal best time finishing second in the 500 senior girls freestyle. She also finished fourth in the 100 backstroke and 50 freestyle, and third in the 200 freestyle.

Art association meets

The Bethlehem Art Association will meet on Thursday, Feb. 15, at 6:45 p.m. in the community room of the Bethlehem Public Library, 451 Delaware Ave. in Delmar.

Mark LaSalle will discuss art featuring the Hudson River, especially the works of Walter Launt Palmer.

For information, call 765-9341 or 768-2624.

Chinese festival



Kaitlyn Ryan, left, Kiernan Maestro, Megan Gallagher and Megan DiMaggio, pupils at Slingerlands Elementary School, ran a crafts booth at the school's Chinese Festival last week.

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Glenmont PTA to hold craft fair in March

The Glenmont Elementary School Parent Teacher Association will hold its 15th annual craft fair on Saturday, March 30, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the school on Route 9W in Glenmont.

Over 80 crafters from throughout the Northeast will exhibit and sell a wide range of products, including many spring and Easter items.

For information, contact Sandra Ryther at 475-7568.

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The YWCA of Albany, located on the corner of Lincoln and Colvin avenues in Albany, offers care for children ages 6 months to 6 years old on weekday mornings from 9 a.m. to noon.

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Board

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matter to a vote by property owners.

Board president John Cole thanked the speakers for their support, and noted that putting the matter to a vote was not within the purview of the state Taylor law, which governs negotiation of public employees' contracts.

Cole reported that the board and the VTA's representative from the New York State United Teachers met at the negotiating table last Wednesday.

"As we continue, it will come to a conclusion," Cole said.

VTA president Richard Mele, who will be on sabbatical from September 1996 to January 1997, did not attend Monday night's meeting. No one spoke on behalf of the teachers.

In other business, Superintendent Alan McCartney discussed Gov. George Pataki's proposed budget.

Romantic

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chocolate rose which he showed to me, and I imagine we'll go to dinner. Although, I'd prefer to have flowers," she said. "They're less fattening."

Town Receiver of Taxes Nancy Karins plans on attending the town board meeting tonight. "That sounds like a romantic night now, doesn't it?" she quipped.

Karins said she had no choice but to attend to business because one of the board items tonight will be a scheduled vote on whether the town wants to continue charging a \$1 fee for the reminder cards sent out to delinquent taxpayers in mid-March.

"It really doesn't really amount to that much," she said. "It only affects about 200 people in the town."

Coming as it does in the middle of the week this year, some are choosing to celebrate the lovers' holiday ahead of time, such as Joanne Stannard, a utility billing clerk in the Bethlehem Public Works Department.

"My husband and I are going to Foxwoods Casino in Connecticut," she said. "It's a little more relaxed than Atlantic City and it's a beautiful area."

Jennifer Paigo, who also works in the Public Works Department, has already celebrated the holiday. "My husband and I went out to The Old Daley Inn in Troy. My husband works in construction, and it's difficult to do anything

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McCartney estimated that federal and state education cuts could mean a shift of expenses to Voorheesville taxpayers of more than \$130,000.

"That's to run things as they are," he said, noting state Comptroller H. Carl McCall's prediction that property taxes will rise by 2.7 percent due to the proposed cuts.

"Tell your legislators to take a good hard look at this. Use real numbers and real kids in your letters. Speak as a homeowner," McCartney urged.

McCartney offered to make his letters to legislators available to the community, along with a list of legislators and their addresses.

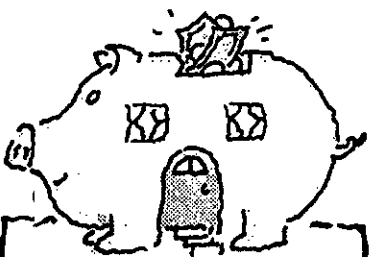
Board member Steven Schreiber echoed McCartney, pointing out that people must make their voices heard in a year where worries about health care changes could easily overshadow education concerns.

during the week."

Councilman Ted Putney purchased a dozen pink and red roses in advance of Feb. 14, but said the actual celebration with wife Sherry will come this weekend when the couple plans a trip to a restaurant right across from the Shaker Museum and gardens in Old Chatham.

"I promised my wife I'd take her skiing at Lapland Farms, up Route 30 near Cathead Mountain," said New Scotland Supervisor Herb Reilly. "She'll have to take her long underwear because it's cold up there."

Deputy Town Clerk Terry Picarazzi said she, her husband Steve and daughters Vicki and Mary will probably dine out at their favorite restaurant, the Casa Mia in Glenmont.



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Earful

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issue of fairness.

Ed Solomon of Delmar bemoaned the cuts proposed in services for the disabled, the elderly and the poor.

"We're looking at 15 percent cuts for nonprofit agencies that provide services for the developmentally disabled in the community," Solomon said. "That's a fiscally imprudent decision."

The proposed 25 percent cut in the basic welfare grant for families is "much too drastic," Solomon said. "Our food pantries are already stretched to the hilt. And there is no funding for job creation, which is essential for people to get off welfare."

Solomon also criticized proposed cuts in adult day care services which he described as a "lifeline for people trying to stay out of nursing homes. Personally, I'm willing to forego the (income) tax cuts (proposed by Pataki) if we can give people the opportunity to stay in their homes."

For the most part, Hoblock listened politely, although he did address several speakers by name, saying he appreciated their views and would do his best to respond to them.

"The concern expressed about cuts in mental health and special education are similar to what we've been hearing at other forums," Hoblock said. "They will be tre-

mendously helpful to me in determining what actions I take."

The Colonie Republican also promised to continue pushing for an early retirement bill in order to reduce the need for layoffs.

Many speakers voiced concerns about the level of education funding in Pataki's budget.

"I don't think there is a person in this room who is not concerned with our school taxes, which continue to go up," said Franz Zwicklbauer, Bethlehem Central School District's assistant superintendent for business.

Zwicklbauer noted that state aid as a percentage of local school districts' budgets has steadily declined, even while enrollment in places like Bethlehem continues

to increase.

"We are going to need five-and-a-half new teachers next year," he said.

At the same time, the district faces additional pressures in the area of special education, where Pataki has proposed shifting more of the burden onto local school systems, Zwicklbauer said.

Several speakers, including Cynthia Wilson of Delmar, pleaded with Hoblock, to stand up for state retirees and not allow the Pataki administration to raid their pension fund.

The governor tried to use \$230 million from the state retirement fund last year — a move that was declared illegal by the courts, but is now under appeal.

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Gregory Parsons and Jeanne Quinn

Quinn, Parsons to marry

Jeanne Marie Quinn, daughter of John and Eleanor Quinn of Garnerville, Rockland County, and A. Gregory Parsons, son of Lanny and Linda Parsons of Voorheesville, are engaged to be married.

The bride-to-be, a graduate of the University of Buffalo's accelerated MBA program, is employed as a certified public accountant by

KMPG Peat Marwick in New York City.

The future groom is a graduate of Clayton A. Bouton High School and the University of Buffalo's accelerated MBA program. He is employed as a certified public accountant by Sony Corp. of America in New York City.

The couple plans a June wedding.

Births

St. Peter's Hospital

Girl, Alyssa Rebecca Kesack, to Andrea and Craig Kesack, Voorheesville, Dec. 20.

Girl, Leann Adella Hennessey, to Stephanie and Paul Hennessey, Delmar, Feb. 6.

Girl, Emilie Marie Schaphorst, to Karen and Bill Schaphorst, Voorheesville, Feb. 6.

Bellevue Hospital

Girl, Elise Leah Giordano, to Leah and John Giordano, Delmar, Jan. 28.

Boy, Chad Daniel Whitman, to Carolee and Brian Whitman, Selkirk, Jan. 30.

Delmar Bootery prez named spokesperson

Delmar native Gail Leonardo Sundling has been selected as National Shoe "SMARTS (Shine, Maintain, And Repair Those Shoes)" spokesperson.

Sundling, who is president of the Delmar Bootery and a master shoemaker, has created a unique concept in the shoe and leather repair industry, elevating its image to one of style and elegance. She was awarded the first Entertaining Women of the Capital Region award in 1991; was recognized by the U.S. Chamber of Commerce and *Nation's Business Magazine* as a New York State Blue Chip Designee; and received the Albany-Colonie Chamber Women of Excellence award.

Toastmasters to meet

The Bethlehem Toastmasters Club will meet twice in February at the Delmar Methodist Church at 428 Kenwood Ave. in Delmar.

The club will meet at 7:30 p.m. in room 207 today, Feb. 14, and Wednesday, Feb. 28. The meetings are open to the public.

For information, contact Ray Bell at 439-0871.



Dana and Mark Randles

Howard, Randles marry

Dana Greene Howard, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Howard of Pound Ridge, Westchester County, and Mark Stephen Randles, son of Dr. and Mrs. Robert Randles of Slingerlands, were married May 27.

Monsignor Thomas Gartland performed the ceremony in St. Patrick's Church in Bedford, Westchester County, with the reception following at the bride's family home.

The maid of honor was Carrie Howard, sister of the bride; the matron of honor was Dawn Eagleston, sister of the bride; and bridesmaids were Elizabeth Flaherty, Ellen Mahoney and Susan Gargiulo.

The best man was Robert Skerrett, and ushers were Robert Randles Jr. and Jeffrey Randles, brothers of the groom, Christopher Howard, brother of the bride, Greg Nelson and David Booker.

The bride is a graduate of Boston College and Suffolk University Law School. She is an attorney in New York City.

The groom is a graduate of Bethlehem Central High School, Wesleyan University and New York University. He is employed as vice president of trading by West Deutsche Landesbank in New York City.

After a wedding trip to Nevis, the couple lives in New York City.

Area architect tapped by Chesterwood board

Chesterwood, a museum property of the National Trust for Historic Preservation, recently elected James Daly Tobin of James Daly Tobin Architects in Slingerlands as an emeritus member of its board of trustees. Tobin was also elected as co-chairman of the Building and

Grounds Committee for 1996.

Chesterwood was the summer home of Daniel Chester French, a classic sculptor renowned for sculpting the "Minuteman" (1875) and "Abraham Lincoln" public monuments in Washington, D.C.

The Spotlight remembers

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

- Federal budget deliberations affected local school districts, as provisions of the Gramm-Rudman deficit reduction bill before the U.S. Congress caused a delay in bonding for the \$4.6 million capital improvement proposition approved in 1985 by Bethlehem Central School District voters
- In recognition of his many years of volunteer cooking for community events, **Michael Michele** was named New Scotland Citizen of the Year.
- Complaints from residents of Dowerskill Village led the Bethlehem planning board to reject a commercial pig farm proposed by **John Geurtze**, a Bethlehem town board member.
- The Clarksville Water District should be completed by the fall of 1987, according to the consulting engineer for the project.
- Two BC wrestlers, **Chris Saba** and **Jim Dayter**, reached the sectional quarterfinals before being defeated.



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Dean's List

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

Binghamton University — Peter Loux of Delmar.

Cedarville College — Debbie Woods of Delmar.

Elmira College — Marian Borcia of Delmar (Benjamin honor scholar).

Hamilton College — Sarah Cook of Delmar.

Hartwick College — Jessica Schedlbauer of Voorheesville.

Maria College — Lori Porter of Delmar (president's list).

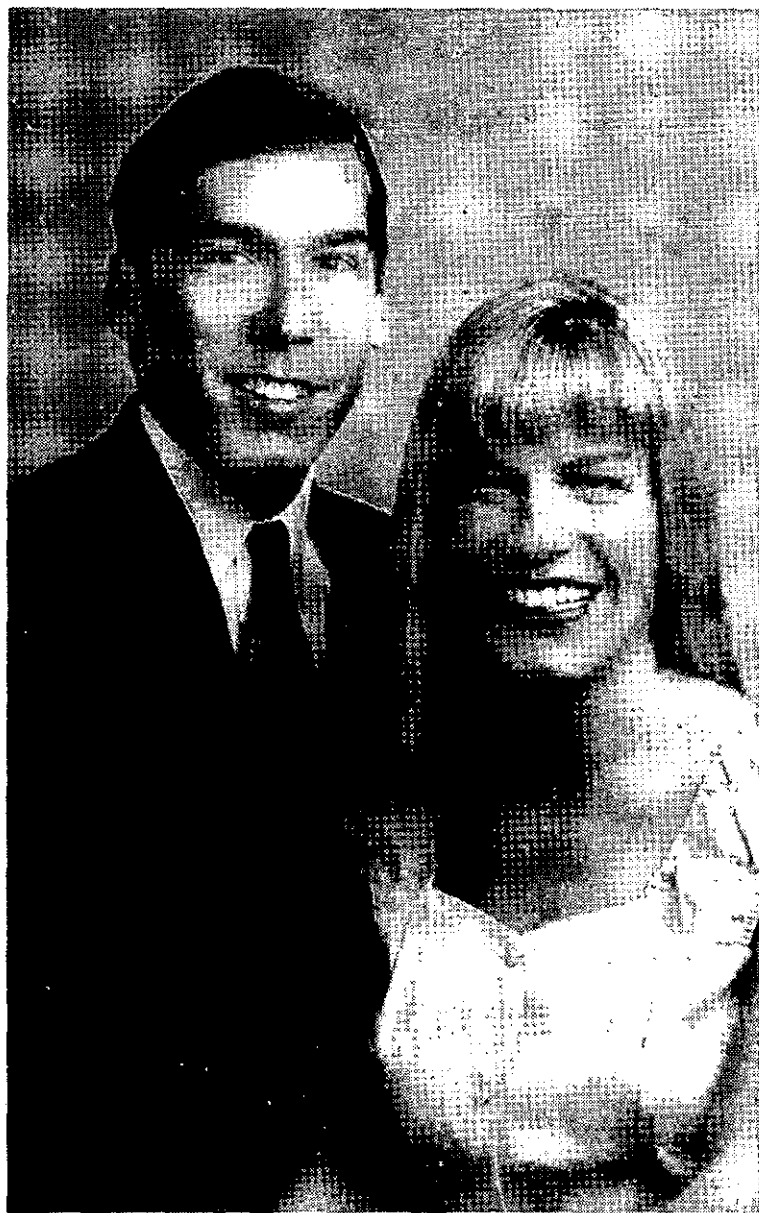
Purdue University — Cheryl Goeldner of Delmar and Michael Mirabile of Slingerlands.

Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute — Gianna Aiezza, Jonathan Bugler, Elizabeth Dunn, Scott Maybee and Nathan Slingerland, all of Delmar; Paul Belemjian and Peter Losee, both of Selkirk; and Gregory Badger and Monica Burt, both of Voorheesville.

Savannah College of Art and Design — Nicole Schaff of Voorheesville.

SUNY Oswego — Joshua White of Voorheesville.

Vanderbilt University — Jeremy Bollam of Slingerlands.



James and Heidi Thorp

Skok, Thorp marry

Heidi Rose Skok, daughter of Fred and Linda Skok of Chardon, Ohio, and James Francis Thorp, son of Thomas and Jane Thorp of Glenmont, were married Jan. 13.

The Rev. James Daley performed the ceremony in the Church of St. Thomas the Apostle in Delmar, with the reception following at the Stone Ends restaurant in Glenmont.

The maid of honor was Gretchen Skok, the bride's sister, and the best man was Thomas J. Thorp Jr., the groom's brother.

The bride is a graduate of Carnegie Mellon University and the Metropolitan Opera Young Artist Program. She is employed on the voice faculty of the School of Dramatic Arts of The New School in New York City.

The groom is a graduate of Christian Brothers Academy and Georgetown University. He is employed as a money market and futures trader by Dai-Ichi Bank in New York City.

The couple lives in New York City.

Keleher certified in lymph technique

Michele Keleher of Delmar Physical Therapy Associates was recently certified in manual lymph drainage and combined decongestive therapy.

She completed her training at the North American Dr. Vodder School in Victoria, British Columbia.

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Local computer pro listed in Who's Who

Dr. Ray Houghton, owner of the Cyber Haus Computer Learning Center in Delmar, was recently listed in the 1996-97 edition of *Who's Who in American Education*.

At Cyber Haus, which opened in January at 159 Delaware Ave., Houghton teaches classes on using computers for personal and professional applications.



Alison and Peter Fisk

Egan, Fisk marry

Alison Mary Egan, daughter of John and Ginny Egan of Slingerlands, and Peter E. Fisk, son of William Fisk of North Bennington, Vt., and Patricia Fisk of Bennington, Vt., were married July 29.

The Rev. Arthur Toole performed the ceremony in the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception in Albany, with the reception following at the Crooked Lake House in Sand Lake.

The matron of honor was Gail Sansivero, the bride's sister, and bridesmaids were Jessica Egan, the bride's niece, Erin Cutney and Tricia Carmody. Flower girls were Meghan Sansivero, Christina Egan, Shelby Egan and Ruari Egan, all nieces of the bride.

The best man was William Fisk, the groom's father, and ushers were Michael Cestone, Nate Root and Glyn Polson. The ring bearer was Scot Bray, the groom's nephew.

The bride is a graduate of Clayton A. Bouton High School and the University of Vermont. She is studying for a master's degree in education at St. Michael's College, and is employed as a teacher by Bellows Free Academy in St. Albans, Vt.

The groom earned a bachelor's degree at the University of Vermont, where he is studying for a master's of science degree.

After a wedding trip to Maui, the couple lives in Burlington, Vt.

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Community Corner



Antiques show and sale on tap

The Tawasentha Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution is sponsoring an antiques show and sale on Saturday, Feb. 17, and Sunday, Feb. 18, at the Academy of the Holy Names on New Scotland Road in Albany.

The admission fee is \$3.50 and refreshments will be served.

The show runs from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Friday and 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Sunday.

Obituaries

Frances Myers

Frances Ehr Gott Myers, 80, of Feura Bush died Thursday, Feb. 8, at her home.

Born in Albany, she was a long-time resident of Delmar before moving to Feura Bush.

Mrs. Myers was a bookkeeper and cashier for Farm Family Insurance Co. in Glenmont before she retired in 1983.

She was a communicant of the Church of St. Thomas the Apostle in Delmar and a former member of its altar rosary society.

She was the widow of Herbert W. Myers.

Survivors include a daughter, Maureen A. Mauro of Feura Bush; a son, William H. Myers of Ballston Lake; two sisters, Ruth McQuade and Jane Lesa, both of Colonie; six grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

Services were from the Church of St. Thomas the Apostle. Burial was in Calvary Cemetery in Glenmont.

Arrangements were by the Applebee Funeral Home in Delmar.

Contributions may be made to St. Thomas School, 42 Adams Place, Delmar 12054.

Mary P. Bellnier

Mary P. Nolan Bellnier, 82, a former Ravena resident, died Monday, Feb. 5, at Good Samaritan Lutheran Health Care Center in Delmar.

Born in Auburn, Cayuga County, she had lived in the Capital District since 1941.

Mrs. Bellnier was a homemaker.

She was the widow of Clarence A. Bellnier Jr.

Survivors include three sons, Michael Bellnier of Glenmont, Richard C. Bellnier of Coxsackie and John G. Bellnier of Brookfield, Conn.; two daughters, Maureen Van Alstyne and Margaret Onisk, both of West Coxsackie; 10 grandchildren; five step-grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

Services were from the Highland Point Funeral Home in Ravena and the Church of St. Thomas the Apostle in Delmar.

Burial will be in the spring.

Arrangements were by the Chicorelli Funeral Home in Albany.

Contributions may be made to St. Peter's Hospice, 315 S. Manning Blvd., Albany 12208, or the Good Samaritan Health Care Facility Building Fund, 125 Rockefeller Road, Delmar 12054.

Joseph F. Appel

Joseph F. Appel, 78, of Selkirk died Tuesday, Feb. 6, at Albany Medical Center Hospital.

Born in Albany, he was a life-long Capital District resident.

Mr. Appel was a member of the Laborers International Union, Local 190. He joined the union in 1948, and retired in 1982.

He was husband of the late Kathleen Dolan Appel.

Survivors include a son, Thomas J. Appel of Ballston Spa; a grandson; and two great-grandchildren.

Services were from the Dreis Funeral Home in Albany.

Burial will be in St. Agnes Cemetery in Menands.

Contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society, 1450 Western Ave., Albany 12203.

Robert S. Wright

Robert S. Wright, 71, of Coeymans and formerly of South Bethlehem, died Sunday, Feb. 4, at St. Peter's Hospital in Albany.

Born in Alcove, he was a truck driver for Borwegen Trucking Co. in Greene County for many years before he retired.

Mr. Wright was a former chief of the Selkirk Fire Co. No. 3.

He was a member of the South Bethlehem United Methodist Church.

Survivors include his wife, Rosemary Mandell Wright; two sons, Dennis Wright of Ravena and Douglas Wright of South Bethlehem; two sisters, Gladys Carhart and Evelyn Schultz, both of Ravena; and seven grandchildren.

Spring burial will be in Mount Pleasant Cemetery in South Bethlehem.

Arrangements were by the Caswell Funeral Home in Ravena.

Contributions may be made to St. Peter's Hospice, 315 S. Manning Blvd., Albany 12208, or the Coeymans Hollow First Responders.

Dawn Marsolais

Dawn Chase Marsolais, 69, a former Voorheesville resident

died Tuesday, Feb. 6, at Daughters of Sarah Nursing Home in Albany.

Born in Troy, she had lived in Voorheesville before moving to the nursing home.

Mrs. Marsolais was a homemaker.

Survivors include her husband, George F. Marsolais; two daughters, Hope Marsolais of Albany and Diane Nowak of Horseheads, Chemung County; a son, Michael Marsolais of Ijamsville, Md.; a sister, Hope Gillespie of Guilderland; a brother, Frank Chase of Menands; and four grandchildren.

Services were from the Reilly & Son Funeral Home and St. Matthew's Church, both in Voorheesville.

Burial will be in Calvary Cemetery in Glenmont.

Contributions may be made to the Alzheimer's Association, 85 Watervliet Ave., Albany 12206.

Alexander Kopetschny

Alexander E. Kopetschny, 81, of Fairlawn Drive in Selkirk, died Saturday, Feb. 10, at St. Peter's Hospital in Albany.

Born in Jersey City, N. J., he had lived in Selkirk for 18 years.

He was a graduate of Stevens Preparatory School in New Jersey and attended Columbia University and the University of Vermont.

Mr. Kopetschny was a securities trader before he retired in 1965.

He was a Navy veteran of World War II, serving in the Pacific Theater. He was a member of the Nathaniel Adams Blanchard American Legion Post in Elmsmere.

Survivors include his wife, Helen Patinsky Kopetschny; a stepson, William N. Stasiuk of Delmar; and three grandchildren.

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

Burial was in Jersey City Cemetery.

Arrangements were by the Tebbutt Funeral Home in Delmar.

Contributions may be made to St. Jude Research Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, Tenn. 38105.

Albert DiBernardo

Albert DiBernardo, 91, of Delmar died Saturday, Feb. 10, at St. Peter's Hospital in Albany.

Born in Italy, he came to the United States in 1924. He was a longtime Capital District resident.

Mr. DiBernardo worked as a tile setter for Bricklayer & Allied Craftsmen Local 2 for more than 50 years.

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

Survivors include his wife, Mildred DiFlavis DiBernardo; two sons, Albert DiBernardo of Glenmont and Costante DiBernardo of Delmar; two sisters, Adele Barzan of Bridgeville, Pa., and Carlotta DiBernardo of Italy; four grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

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

Burial was in Calvary Cemetery in Glenmont.

Mildred Jagareski

Mildred Rowe Jagareski, 75, of Delmar died Saturday, Feb. 10, at St. Peter's Hospice in Albany.

Born in Albany, she was a long-time resident of Delmar.

She was a graduate of Bethlehem Central High School and Mount Holyoke College, earning a degree in economics.

Mrs. Jagareski was employed by IBM Corp., and later became the bookkeeper for Delmar Lumber Co. and D.A. Bennett Inc. of Delmar, retiring in 1984.

She was an active member of Normanside Country Club.

She was the widow of Eugene D. Jagareski Jr.

Survivors include a son, Daniel P. Jagareski of Gansevoort; a brother, Alton Scott Rowe of St. Petersburg, Fla.; and two granddaughters.

Services were scheduled for today, Feb. 14, at 11 a.m., from the Applebee Funeral Home, 403 Kenwood Ave., Delmar.

Burial will be in Bethlehem Cemetery in Delmar.

Contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society, 1450 Western Ave., Albany 12203.

Craft fair concessions to raise mission funds

The Delmar Full Gospel Church on Elm Avenue in Delmar will host a craft fair on Saturday, Feb. 24, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

The church's youth group will sell refreshments to benefit its mission trip to Belize. During April, the teens will minister to the poor of the Central American country.

For information, call 438-2783.

'SONshine' offers kids entertainment

The Bethlehem Lutheran Church on Elm Avenue in Delmar will hold its "February SONshine" program Tuesday through Thursday, Feb. 20 to 22, from 1 to 3:15 p.m.

The program offers singing, crafts, games, Bible study and refreshments for children ages 4 to fifth grade.

The cost of the program is \$5 per child or \$10 per family. To register, call the church office at 439-4328 between 9 a.m. and noon by Thursday, Feb. 15.

'Young Lincoln' traces path to the presidency

School-aged children are invited to a screening of the 1940 film "Young Mr. Lincoln" at the Bethlehem Public Library, 451 Delaware Ave. in Delmar, on Monday, Feb. 19, at 2 p.m.

The 100-minute black-and-white film stars Henry Fonda as the young Abraham Lincoln before his transformation from a backwoods lawyer to president of the United States.

Popcorn will be served.

For information, call the library at 439-9314.

Workshop to focus on backyard habitat

Children ages 6 and up will learn how to set up a backyard habitat and closely observe the wildlife of suburbia and the city during a workshop at the Bethlehem Public Library, 451 Delaware Ave. in Delmar, on Tuesday, Feb. 20, at 7 p.m.

Slides and a hands-on exhibits will be featured.

To register for the program, call the children's department at 439-9314.

SMILE program offers after-school activities

Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk Central School District pupils ages 7 to 13 years old can participate in the SMILE program, which is offered from 3 to 5 p.m. on Tuesdays at CHOICES in the Faith Plaza on Route 9W in Ravena and on Wednesdays at the Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk Community Library at 106 Main St. in Ravena.

Staffed by student volunteers, the program offers help with homework, crafts, reading groups, board games, story time and the use of a computer.

For information, call 756-2053 or 756-8650.

Library closing early on Presidents' Day

The Bethlehem Public Library at 451 Delaware Ave. in Delmar will be open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Presidents' Day, Monday, Feb. 19.

For information, call 439-9314.

In Clarksville The Spotlight is sold at P.J.'s Mini Mart and Stewarts

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.

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Winterfest gives cold shoulder to cabin fever

By Joshua Kagan

For all of those suffering from cabin fever, Saratoga Springs will prove that fun can be found in cold weather when it hosts Winterfest '96, from Friday to Sunday, Feb. 23 to 25.

Over 85 indoor and outdoor events are planned for the annual celebration that traditionally has taken place at the Saratoga Spa State Park.

This year, the weekend's events have spread to various sites around the city. There will be a trolley service Feb. 24 and 25 between SPAC and downtown Saratoga.

"It's going to be fantastic," Linda Toohey of the Saratoga County Chamber of Commerce said. "How many places in the country can you go to with 87 events in one weekend?"

Activities range from sleigh rides to ice carving demonstrations to a play. Festivities will open with a 10-minute fireworks display at the Saratoga Performing Arts Center Friday evening.

Past celebrations have attracted 20,000 people to Saratoga Spa State Park. Now that Winterfest has expanded through Saratoga Springs, an even larger number of people may attend.

Many events are free, but some have admissions costs.

Special overnight packages are being offered by 12 Saratoga hotels, motels and bed and breakfast inns.

Several groups have worked together to plan and support the weekend. They include the chamber of commerce, state Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation, Saratoga Convention & Tourism Bureau, Leadership Saratoga, Open Space Project, Saratoga Springs Recreation Commission, Saratoga YMCA, Home Made Theater, Saratoga Springs City Center, Gideon Putnam Hotel, Saratoga Springs Holiday Inn, Saratoga Springs Sheraton and SPAC.

For info on Winterfest, call the chamber of commerce at 584-3255.

WINTERFEST '96 HIGHLIGHTS

Friday, Feb. 23:

- Fireworks, Saratoga Performing Arts Center, park in lots off of Route 50, 10 minute show at dusk.
- Home Made Theater, and Feb. 24, Frederick Knott's mystery "Write Me a Murder," Spa Little Theater, Spa State Park, 8:15 p.m. Cost, \$15 Information, 587-4427.

Saturday, Feb. 24:

- Gideon Putnam Hotel and Conference Center: culinary demonstration, 10 a.m.; historical society art exhibit, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.; ice sculpture, 11 a.m.; horse drawn sleigh rides, 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.; health and beauty clinic, noon to 4 p.m.; "Cake Arts" demonstration, 1 p.m.; fireside storytime, 1 p.m.; ice sculpture, 2 p.m.; culinary demonstration, 3 p.m.; and microbrewery beer tasting, 4:30 p.m.

- Spa State Park: dog cart rides for kids, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.; cross country ski clinics, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.; snowshoe demo and races, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.; Knights of Columbus, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.; golf pro shop pre-season sale and Pitch & Putt contest, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.; bloodhound search and rescue, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.; animal awareness, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.; all day ice skating; and 101.3 FM to broadcast all day.

- Snow Sculpture Exhibition, Urban Cultural Park Visitor Center and Congress Park, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Information, 587-5554.

- East Side Recreation Complex: snow football, noon to 1 p.m.; snowball throwing contest, 2 to 3 p.m.; ice skating, noon to 6 p.m.; pool tournament, 2 p.m.; ping pong tournament, 3 p.m.; and board games, 2 p.m.

- Broadway Lights and Ice, Urban Cultural Park Visitor Center,

5 to 7 p.m.

- Men's basketball game, Skidmore vs. Amherst, 7:30 p.m., Skidmore Sports and Recreation Center. Information, 584-5000.

- Buffet and Country Line Dancing, buffet dinner, music by WGNA, Saratoga Springs City Center, 6:30 to 11 p.m. Information, 584-4000.

Sunday, Feb. 25:

- Gideon Putnam Hotel and Conference Center: historical society art exhibit, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.; Legendary Sunday Brunch, 10:30 a.m. to 2 p.m.; ice sculpture, 1 p.m.; fireside storytime, 1:30 p.m. culinary demonstration, 2 p.m.; chowder contest, 2:30 to 4:30 p.m.; Karate for Kids demonstration, 3:30 to 4:30 p.m.; "Cake Arts" demonstration, 4 p.m.; carriage rides, all day.

- Kids Fair, City Center, 11 a.m. to 6 p.m.

- Snow Sled Races, for kids 5 to 10, prizes will be awarded to all participants, Saratoga Raceway, 11 a.m. to 12:45 p.m.

- Kids Night Out, for kids 6 to 14, Sports and Recreation Center, Skidmore College, 6 p.m. Information, 584-5000.

For information on events at the Gideon Putnam Hotel and Conference Center, call 584-3000. For information on events at Spa State Park, call 584-2000. For information on events at the Urban Cultural Park Visitor Center, call 587-3241.

- Infantry demonstration, infantry assault and weapons demonstration, 1 p.m., New York State armory, Lake Avenue.

- Faculty/student collaborative recital, 3 p.m., Skidmore College, Filene Recital Hall.

Largest production in 15-year history opens Feb. 21 at Capital Repertory

Complete with a 12-minute rainstorm and an on-stage band, John Steinbeck's novel, *Grapes of Wrath*, will be brought to the Capital Repertory Company's stage in Albany Wednesday, Feb. 21 for a month's run.

For new artistic director Maggie Mancinelli-Cahill this is the one big venture that can establish her as a force in local theater or, for that matter, any regional theater in the country. As she says, "smaller theaters, like ours, rarely produce a play of this scope."

The 25-member cast, including New York Equity actors augmented by 16 local professionals, is the largest the company has ever used. In the past, a Brecht musical used about 15 performers and a Shakespeare comedy had about a dozen actors.

Steinbeck's novel which won the 1940 Pulitzer Prize and was made into an award-winning movie featuring Henry Fonda, follows the journey of the Joad family from the Depression dust bowl of Oklahoma in search of a better life in California.

It wasn't until about eight years ago that Frank Galati transformed the novel into a stage production at Chicago's Steppenwolf theater. Following runs at San Diego and London, the play ran for a year on Broadway in 1990 where it won the Tony Award and Outer Critics Circle Award.

Director Nick Mangano has melded music and choreography into the drama, including the use of a four-piece country band.

The production continues Tuesdays through Sundays until



Martin P. Kelly

SPOTLIGHT

By Martin P. Kelly

March 17. Monday performances will also be given on Wednesday mornings through the run.

There'll also be reduced price performances on Thursday evenings when persons from 20 to 29 will get in for half their age with proof of birth.

Info, reservations at 462-4534.

Siena College will stage its sixth biennial playwriting competition

New play scripts will be accepted through June 10 by the Siena International Playwrights' Competition with an award of \$2,000 to the chosen playwright and \$1,000 living expenses during production next winter.

This will be the sixth time, the Siena Creative Arts Department and Stage Three theater group will hold this competition. Two previous winners eventually had off-Broadway productions of their works after presentation at Siena.

Dr. Gary Maciag, O.F.M., director of theater and head of the Creative Arts Department, will recruit faculty members, students, local critics and college theater professors to read the scripts.

From past experience, it's expected that 400 to 600 scripts will be received in this competition.

The winning script will be announced by Sept. 30 with a production scheduled in February, 1997.

The winning playwright will work with the production,

polishing the script, affording Siena students the opportunity to see a play being produced for the first time.

Information on this competition may be obtained by calling 783-2935.

New Jekyll & Hyde musical in town today for two-day run at Proctor's

A musical enroute to Broadway next fall arrives today (2/14) at Proctor's Theater in Schenectady for three performances as it moves around the country. The tour ends in May after which the production will be polished for a New York opening.

Based on Robert Lewis Stevenson's Victorian novel, the tale of a scientist experimenting with personality altering drugs is one which has intrigued theater goers and film audiences for a century. This is the first full-blown musical of the work.

The music by Frank Wildhorn and Leslie Bricusse is sung by Robert Cuccioli as Jekyll/Hyde and Linda Eder, as the "woman of the night" who intrigues the scientist.

Cuccioli, a former soap opera actor, toured the United States and Canada as Lancelot in Richard Harris's production of Camelot. He played at Proctor's in that production.

Performances will be presented tonight at 8 p.m. and Thursday at 2 and 8 p.m. Information available at 346-6204.

Around Theaters!

Neil Simon's *Rumors*, at the First United Presbyterian Church on Fifth Avenue dinner theater in Troy through Feb. 24 (274-1707) ... *The Silver Skates* plays at the New York State Theatre Institute in Schacht Theater on the Russell Sage campus in Troy through February 17 (274-3256) ... *Life After High School*, Fridays and Saturdays through Feb. 24 at Columbia Civic Players in Ghent (392-6264)

ARTS and ENTERTAINMENT

THEATER

"JUNK BONDS"
play by Lucy Wang, The Market Theater, 111 North Pearl St., Albany, through Feb. 24, \$18 to \$28, call for times. Information, 462-4534.

"RUMORS"
play by Neil Simon, Roustabouts Playhouse, First United Presbyterian Church, 1915 Fifth Ave., Troy, Feb. 16, 17, 23 and 24, 6:30 p.m., \$19 with dinner. Information, 274-1707.

"JEKYLL AND HIDE"
starring Linda Eder and Robert Cuccioli, Proctor's Theatre, 432 State St., Schenectady, Wednesday and Thursday, Feb. 14 and 15, 8 p.m., \$29.50. Information, 346-1083.

"THE GRAPES OF WRATH"
adaptation of John Steinbeck's epic, The Market Theatre, 111 North Pearl St., Albany, Feb. 21 through March 17, \$18. Information, 462-4534.

MUSICAL
"Our Young Black Men Are Dying and Nobody Seems to Care," Union College Memorial Chapel, Schenectady, Monday, Feb. 20, 7:30 p.m. Information, 388-6172.

MUSIC

BRIAN SCHWARTZ AND CHARLIE VALENTINE
vocals and guitar, Mother Earth's Cafe, corner of Quail Street and Western Avenue, Albany, Saturday, Feb. 18, from 8 to 11 p.m.

ALLAN ALEXANDER
guitar and lute player, Allegro Cafe, Troy, Saturday, Feb. 10, 7 to 11 p.m.

VITO MAMONE AND FRIENDS
Century House, Route 9, Latham, Wednesday, Feb. 14, 7 to 11 p.m. Information, 785-0834.

HERMANN PREY
baritone, performing love poetry of Beethoven, Schubert and Brahms, St. Paul's Episcopal Church, 21 Hackett Blvd., Albany, Wednesday, Feb. 14, 3 p.m., \$20. Information, 783-2527.

ALBANY SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA
concert number five, Troy Savings Bank Music Hall, Troy, Friday, Feb. 16, subscriptions available. Information, 465-4663.

GOSPEL ENERGY: A CELEBRATION OF VOICE
performances by area church choirs, New York State Museum, Empire State Plaza, Albany, Saturday, Feb. 17, 11:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. Information, 474-5656.

BIG BAND SALUTE TO ARTIE SHAW
featuring Abe Most and the Big Band Orchestra and Johnny Smith's Ink Spots, Proctor's Theatre, 432 State St., Schenectady, Sunday, Feb. 18, 7 p.m., \$20.50. Information, 346-1083.

GLENN WEISER
Borders Books and Music, 59 Wolf Road, Colonie, Friday, Feb. 16, 8 p.m. Information, 482-5800.

FORREST JENKINS
Century House, Route 9, Latham, Friday, Feb. 16, 7 to 11 p.m. Information, 785-0834.

REGGIE'S RED HOT FEET WARMERS
Borders Books and Music, 59 Wolf Road, Colonie, Saturday, Feb. 17, 8 p.m. Information, 482-5800.

LIV CUMMINGS
acoustic singer/songwriter, Barnes and Noble, 20 Wolf Road, Albany, Saturday, Feb. 17, 8 p.m. Information, 459-8183.

DANCE

DANCE FLURRY FESTIVAL
festival of traditional participatory dancing and singing, Feb. 16 to Feb. 18, \$30 for the weekend. Information, 237-9520.

CLASSES

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

ART CLASSES
watercolor and oil, beginner and advanced, taught by Kristin Woodward. Information, 783-1828.

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

DANCE CLASSES
winter session of classes, eba Center for Dance and Movement, corner of Lark and Hudson streets, Albany. Information, 465-9916.

FAMILY ENTERTAINMENT

"THE SILVER SKATES"
world-premiere musical, New York State Theatre Institute, 155 River St., Troy, through Feb. 17, \$15. Information, 274-3256.

LONGHOUSE FAMILY CAMPS
recommended for children ages 6-12, New York State Museum, Albany, Friday, Feb. 16, 7 p.m., and Saturday, Feb. 17, 9:30 a.m., \$24 per person. Information, 474-5801.

FILM

SHORT FILMS
variety of "Off Hollywood" films, Professor Java's, 217 Wolf Road, Albany, every Sunday and Monday, 8 p.m., \$5. Information, 453-1000.

READINGS

3 GUYS FROM ALBANY
Tom Nattell, Charlie Rossiter and Dan Wilcox, slide, video and spoken word program of their recent Midwest tour, Albany Public Library, 161 Washington Ave., Albany, Tuesday, Feb. 16, 12:15 p.m. Information, 439-0583.

MARGARET MCGUIRE
to read from her collection of poems "A Legacy of Love," Barnes and Noble, 20 Wolf Road, Colonie, Saturday, Feb. 17, 2 p.m. Information, 459-8183.

VISUAL ARTS

"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.

"ERASTUS CORNING"
photographs and memorabilia of Albany's long-time mayor, Albany Institute of History & Art, 125 Washington Ave., Albany, through July 28. Information, 463-4478.

"ICON INFLUENCES"

Visions Gallery, 40 North Main Ave., Albany, through Feb. 20. Information, 453-6645.

LYNN PALUMBO
paintings and drawings, Schenectady Museum and Planetarium, Nott Terrace Heights, Schenectady, through Feb. 25. Information, 382-7890.

"SCHOONER AMERICA 1851/1995"
documentation by Joseph Schuyler and Dahl Taylor, Albany Institute of History & Art, 125 Washington Ave., Albany, through March 3. Information, 463-4478.

BURNS STUDIO PHOTOGRAPHS
state-of-the-art photographs from the 1950's, New York State Museum, Albany, through April 1. Information, 474-5877.

"ACTS OF NATURE"
recent print and paintings by Li-Yun Wen, Leslie Urbach Gallery, 23 Monroe St., Albany, through Feb. 23. Information, 462-4775.

"PAPER AND FIRE"
sculpture and assemblages by Stephen Diemann, Upstairs Gallery, 23 Monroe St., Albany, through Feb. 23. Information, 462-4775.

MASTER PRINTS

wide span of printmaker's art, Albany Institute of History & Art, 125 Washington Ave., Albany, through Feb. 25. Information, 463-4478.

TOM BREITENBACH
display of paintings, Dielert Art Gallery, Emma Willard School, Troy, through March 8. Information, 274-4440.

JUDY KATZ
watercolors, Mountaintop Gallery, Main Street, Windham, through March 16. Information, 734-3104.

PATRICIA BELLAN-GILLEN
exhibition of oil paintings and prints, The College of Saint Rose Gallery, Picotte Hall, 324 State St., Albany, through Feb. 18. Information, 454-5102.

VIETNAM MEMORIAL GALLERY
featuring "Healing The Wounds of War: A Veteran's Return to Vietnam with His Wife," New York State Vietnam Memorial Gallery, Empire State Plaza, Albany, through April 15. Information, 474-6784.

"STILL LIFE IN THE 90'S"
Canterbury Gallery, 25 Hackett Blvd., Albany, through Feb. 29. Information, 439-2955.

St. Thomas pupils score in area poster contest

Four pupils from St. Thomas the Apostle School in Delmar recently won prizes in the Hudson Valley Auto Club's School Traffic Safety Poster Program.

Eighth-grader Scott Dawson won second place and a \$200 savings bond, second-grader Paul Wells won third place and a \$100 bond, and eighth-graders Jaime Hoose and Allison Kuta earned special awards and were given \$10 checks.

The winners were selected from 640 posters entered in the contest.

Weekly Crossword

"Presidential Scramble"

By Gerry Frey

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 - Holey shoe parts
 - Burning
 - Butter maker
 - Towing Nash
 - Comedian Johnson & others
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 - Play pool
 - Swirl the story
 - Official records
 - Violinist Issac
 - Dry
 - Foreigners
 - Disinclined
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AROUND THE AREA

WEDNESDAY
FEBRUARY 14

ALBANY COUNTY

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

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

RENSSELAER COUNTY

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

SCHENECTADY COUNTY

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

THURSDAY
FEBRUARY 15

ALBANY COUNTY

CHORUS REHEARSAL
sponsored by Capitaland Chorus of Sweet Adelines, New Covenant Church, 916 Western Ave., Albany, 7:30 p.m. Information, 237-4384.

MULTIPLE SCLEROSIS SELF-HELP GROUP
Our Lady of Mercy Life Center, Guilderland, 10 a.m. Information, 464-8150.

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

ALZHEIMER'S SUPPORT GROUP
University Heights Health Care Center, 235 Northern Blvd., Albany, 5 p.m. Information, 438-2217.

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.

EATING DISORDERS SUPPORT GROUP
Albany Public Library, 161 Washington Ave., Albany, 7:30 to 9 p.m. Information, 465-9550.

RENSSELAER COUNTY

"IS IT REALLY TRUE ABOUT WOMEN AND MATH?"
panel discussion with women who study math and science, Sage Hall, formal lounge, Russell Sage College, First Street, Troy, 1 p.m. Information, 270-2246.

FRIDAY
FEBRUARY 16

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

SATURDAY
FEBRUARY 17

ALBANY COUNTY

SINGER TO PERFORM
singer and songwriter Liv Cummins to play acoustic guitar selections from her new album "Some Days," Barnes and Noble, Wolf Road, Colonie, 8 p.m. Information, 459-8183.

SUNDAY
FEBRUARY 18

ALBANY COUNTY

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

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.

MONDAY
FEBRUARY 19

ALBANY COUNTY

CROHN'S AND COLITIS SUPPORT GROUP
open discussion, Conklin Conference Room, Albany Memorial Hospital, 600 Northern Blvd., Albany, 7 p.m. Information, 283-5491.

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

ALZHEIMER'S SUPPORT GROUP
Villa Mary Immaculate, 301 Hackett Blvd., Albany, 3 p.m. Information, 438-2217.

"TLC'S: THE TRUTH, LIFE, AND CARE OF SELF"
Gerl Ann Lalacona, RN and MS, will introduce participants to methods designed to reduce stress and improve self-image, pre-registration required, Pastoral Center, 40 North Main Ave., Albany, 7 p.m. Information, 489-4431.

SCHENECTADY COUNTY

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

SCAVENGER HUNT
Schenectady Museum and Planetarium, Nott Terrace Heights, Schenectady. Information, 382-7890.

TUESDAY
FEBRUARY 20

ALBANY COUNTY

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

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

BRAIN INJURY SUPPORT GROUP
Center for the Disabled, 314 South Manning Blvd., Albany, 6:30 to 8 p.m. Information, 449-4019.

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

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

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

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

PERSON TO PERSON
support group for kidney patients and families, National Kidney Foundation, 4 Airline Dr., Suite 102, Albany, 7 p.m. Information, 869-4666.

"THANKS FOR THE MEMORY"
seniors program, reflections on American popular music, featured artists included Bing Crosby, Nat "King" Cole, Frank Sinatra, St. Paul's Episcopal Church, 21-Hackett Blvd., Albany, 1:45 p.m. Information, 459-4923.

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.

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.

SECULAR SOBRIETY GROUP
group for recovering alcoholics, Temple Gates of Heaven, corner of Ashmore Avenue and Eastern Parkway, Schenectady, 7:30 p.m. Information, 346-5569.

WEDNESDAY
FEBRUARY 21

ALBANY COUNTY

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

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

ALZHEIMER'S SUPPORT GROUP
Eden Park Nursing Home, 22 Holland Ave., Albany, 6 p.m. Information, 438-2217.

"EFFECTIVE RESUME TECHNIQUES"
reservations required, Alumni House of the University of Albany, Uptown Campus, Albany, 6 to 8 p.m. Cost, \$5 students, \$10 Alumni Association members, \$20 for others. Information, 442-3080.

SCHENECTADY COUNTY

ALZHEIMER'S SUPPORT GROUP
for those who care for Alzheimer's parents, Royce House, 117 Nott Terrace, Schenectady, 1 p.m. Information, 438-2217.

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WEDNESDAY
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BETHLEHEM

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

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

BOY SCOUT TROOP 58
Elsmere Elementary School, 247 Delaware Ave., 7:30 to 9 p.m. Information, 439-4205.

YOUTH EMPLOYMENT SERVICES
Parks and Recreation Office, Elm Avenue Park, 2 to 4:30 p.m. Information, 439-0503.

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

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

DELMAR FIRE DISTRICT COMMISSIONERS
firehouse, Adams Place, 7:30 p.m. Information, 439-3851.

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

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

BETHLEHEM TOASTMASTERS
Delmar Methodist Church, 428 Kenwood Avenue, Delmar, 7:30 p.m. Information, 439-0871.

NEW SCOTLAND

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

STORY HOUR
Voorheesville Public Library, 51 School Road, Voorheesville, 10:30 a.m. Information, 765-2791.

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

AL-ANON MEETING
First United Methodist Church of Voorheesville, 68 Maple St., 8 p.m. Information, 479-6469.

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
FEBRUARY 15

BETHLEHEM

BETHLEHEM HISTORICAL ASSOCIATION
Route 144 and Clapper Road, Selkirk, 8 p.m. Information, 439-3916.

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, 2 to 4:30 p.m. Information, 439-0503.

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

AMERICAN LEGION LUNCHEON
for members, guests and membership applicants, Blanchard Post, 16 Poplar Drive, noon.

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.

BETHLEHEM ART ASSOCIATION
the art of the Hudson River will be discussed, Community Room, Bethlehem Public Library, 451 Delaware Ave., Delmar, 6:45 p.m. Information, 765-9341.

NEW SCOTLAND ART EXPRESS-IONS SKETCH CLUB
Voorheesville Public Library, 51 School Road, Voorheesville, 6:30 p.m. Information, 765-2791.

NEW SCOTLAND KIWANIS CLUB
New Scotland Presbyterian Church, Route 85, 7 p.m.

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

EDWARD HOPPER VIDEO
Voorheesville Public Library, 51 School Road, Voorheesville, 7:30 p.m. Information, 765-2791.

FRIDAY
FEBRUARY 16

BETHLEHEM

DUPLICATE BRIDGE
all levels, St. Stephen's Church, Elsmere, 7:30 p.m. Information, 462-4504.

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

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

NEW SCOTLAND

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

SATURDAY
FEBRUARY 17

BETHLEHEM

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

NEW SCOTLAND

ICE FISHING CONTEST
Thompson's Lake State Campground, East Berne, 6 a.m. to noon. Information, 872-1237.

SUNDAY
FEBRUARY 18

BETHLEHEM

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 JEHOVAH'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. Sunday, 5:30 p.m. daily, Route 9W at Beacon Road, Glenmont. Information, 426-2016.

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., adult classes, 11 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.

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.

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.

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.

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.

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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.

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.

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

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.

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
FEBRUARY 19

BETHLEHEM

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

"YOUNG MR. LINCOLN"
1940 film depicting the early life of the former president for school-age children, popcorn will be provided, Bethlehem Public Library, 451 Delaware Ave., Delmar, 2 p.m. Information, 439-9314.

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.

NEW SCOTLAND

QUARTET REHEARSAL
United Pentecostal Church, Route 85, New Salem, 7:15 p.m. Information, 765-4410.

TUESDAY
FEBRUARY 20

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.

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

YOUTH EMPLOYMENT SERVICES
Parks and Recreation Office, Elm Avenue Park, 2 to 4:30 p.m. Information, 439-0503.

DELMAR ROTARY
Howard Johnson's, Route 9W. Information, 439-9988.



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LEGAL NOTICE**ARTICLES OF ORGANIZATION OF CHA TECH SERVICES, LLC Under Section 203 of the Limited Liability Company Law of the State of New York**

THE UNDERSIGNED, being a natural person of at least eighteen (18) years of age and acting as the organizer of the limited liability company (the "Company") hereby being formed under Section 206 of the Limited Liability Company Law of the State of New York (the "LLCL"), certifies that:

FIRST: The name of the Company is CHA Tech Services, LLC.

SECOND: The purpose of the Company is to engage in any lawful act or activity for which limited liability companies may be organized under the LLCL.

THIRD: The formation of the Company is to be effective January 1, 1996.

FOURTH: The county within the State of New York in which the office of the Company is to be located is Albany.

FIFTH: In addition to the events of dissolution set forth in Section 701 of the LLCL, the latest date on which the Company may dissolve is December 31, 2045.

SIXTH: The Secretary of State is designated as the agent of the Company upon whom process against the Company may be served. The post office address within or without the State of New York to which the Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any process against the Company served upon such Secretary of State is Ill Winners Circle, Albany, New York 12205.

SEVENTH: The Company is to be managed by one or more members.

EIGHTH: The Company shall have the power to indemnify, to the full extent permitted by the LLCL, as amended from time to time, all persons whom it is permitted to indemnify pursuant thereto.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have subscribed this certificate and do hereby affirm the foregoing as true under the penalties of perjury, this 29th day of November, 1995.

Richard A. Langer
(February 14, 1996)

ARTICLES OF ORGANIZATION OF WESTMERE HOME FOR ADULTS, LLC

FIRST: The name of the limited liability company is Westmere Home for Adults, LLC.

SECOND: Albany County has been designated as the county within this state in which the office of the limited liability company is to be located.

THIRD: The latest date on which the limited liability company is to dissolve is December 12, 2075.

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 department of state shall mail a copy of any process served against it is c/o Gerald Levine, 87 Melrose Avenue, Albany, New York 12203.

FIFTH: The limited liability company is to be managed by one or more managers.

(February 14, 1996)

LEGAL NOTICE ARTICLES OF ORGANIZATION OF EW ENTERPRISES, LLC (UNDER SECTION 203 OF THE LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY LAW OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK.)

THE UNDERSIGNED, being a natural person of at least eighteen (18) years of age and acting as the organizer of the limited liability company (the "Company") hereby being formed under Section 203 of the Limited Liability Company Law of the State of New York (the "LLCL"), certifies that:

FIRST: The name of the Company is EW ENTERPRISES, LLC.

SECOND: The purpose of the Company is to engage in any lawful act or activity for which limited liability companies may be organized under the LLCL.

THIRD: The county within the State of New York in which the office of the Company is to be located is Albany.

FOURTH: The Secretary of State is designated as the agent of the Company upon whom process against the Company may be served. The post office address within or without the State of New

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York to which the Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any process against the Company served upon such Secretary of State is c/o EW Enterprises, LLC, Latham Circle Mall, 800-19 New Loudon Road, Latham, New York 12110.

FIFTH: The Company is to be managed by one or more managers.

SIXTH: A manager shall not be personally liable to the Company or to its members for damages for any breach of duty as a manager, except for any matter in respect of which such manager shall be liable by reason that, in addition to any and all other requirements for such liability, there shall have been a judgment or other final adjudication adverse to such manager that establishes that such manager's acts or omissions were in bad faith or involved intentional misconduct or a knowing violation of law or that such manager personally gained in fact a financial profit or other advantage to which such manager was not legally entitled or that with respect to a distribution the subject of §508 of the LLCL, such manager's acts were not performed in accordance with 409 of the LLCL. Neither the amendment nor the repeal of this Article shall eliminate or reduce the effect of this Article in respect to any matter occurring, or any cause of action, suit or claim that, but for this Article, would accrue or arise, prior to such amendment, repeal or adoption of an inconsistent provision. The Article shall neither eliminate or limit the liability of a manager for any act or omission occurring prior to the Adoption of this Article.

SEVENTH: The Company shall have the power or indemnify, to the full extent permitted by the LLCL, as amended from time to time, all persons whom it is permitted to indemnify pursuant thereto.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have subscribed this certificate and do hereby affirm the foregoing as true under penalties of perjury, this 18th day of January, 1996.

(s) Eugene Weiss
Manager
(February 14, 1996)

ARTICLES OF ORGANIZATION OF CONTRACTORS ALLIANCE, LLC UNDER SECTION 203 OF THE LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY LAW

FIRST: The name of the limited liability company is: CONTRACTORS ALLIANCE, LLC.

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

THIRD: The latest date on which the limited liability company is to dissolve is: December 31, 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 a copy of any process served against the limited liability company served upon him or her is:

c/o BREAKELL & COUCH P.C.
11 North Pearl Street
Albany, New York 12207

FIFTH: The limited liability company is to be managed by: A Board of Managers consisting of one Manager appointed by each Member.

SIXTH: The members of the limited liability company will not be liable for any debts, obligations or liabilities of the limited liability company by reason of their membership.

IN WITNESS THEREOF, this certificate has been subscribed this 2nd day of January, 1996, by the undersigned who affirms that the statements made herein are true under the penalties of perjury.

s/MARK W. COUCH, Organizer
(February 14, 1996)

CERTIFICATION OF REGISTRATION OF CUSICK, HACKER & MURPHY, LLP UNDER SECTION 121-1500(A) OF THE PARTNERSHIP LAW

FIRST: The name of the registered limited liability partnership is: CUSICK, HACKER & MURPHY, LLP

SECOND: The address of the principal office of the partnership without limited partners is: 7 Airport Park Boulevard, PO Box 104, Latham, County of Albany, NY

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12110.
THIRD: The profession to be practiced by such partnership without limited partners is: the practice of law and such partnership without limited partners is eligible to register as a "registered limited liability partnership" pursuant to 121-1500(a) of the Partnership Law.

FOURTH: The Secretary of State is designated as agent of the registered limited liability partnership upon whom process against it may be served. The post office address within or without the state to which the department of state shall mail a copy of any process served against it is: 7 Airport Park Boulevard, PO Box 104, Latham, NY 12110.

FIFTH: The registration was effective on January 9, 1996.

SIXTH: The partnership without limited partners is filing a registered for status as a registered limited liability partnership.

s/James E. Hacker
CUSICK, HACKER & MURPHY
7 Airport Park Boulevard
PO Box 104
Latham, NY 12110
(518) 783-3843
(February 14, 1996)

ARTICLES OF ORGANIZATION OF PHYSICIANS SYSTEMS, LLC

FIRST: The name of the limited liability company is Physicians Systems, LLC.

SECOND: Albany County has been designated as the county within this state in which the office of the limited liability company is to be located.

THIRD: The latest date on which the limited liability company is to dissolve is November 15, 2010.

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 department of state shall mail a copy of any process served against it is 2 Palisades Drive, Executive Woods, Albany, New York 12205.

FIFTH: The limited liability company is to be managed by one or more managers.
(February 14, 1996)

ARTICLES OF ORGANIZATION OF LOUDONVILLE HOME FOR ADULTS, LLC

FIRST: The name of the limited liability company is Loudonville Home for Adults, LLC.

SECOND: Albany County has been designated as the county within this state in which the office of the limited liability company is to be located.

THIRD: The latest date on which the limited liability company is to dissolve is December 12, 2075.

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 department of state shall mail a copy of any process served against it is c/o Gerald Levine, 87 Melrose Avenue, Albany, New York 12203.

FIFTH: The limited liability company is to be managed by one or more managers.
(February 14, 1996)

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF SARATOGA HOLDING COMPANY, LLC

Articles of Organization of Saratoga Holding Company, LLC ("LLC") filed with the Secretary of State of New York ("SSNY") on January 26, 1996, effective upon date of filing. 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, 3434 Carman Road, Schenectady, New York 12303. The purpose for which the LLC is formed is to engage in any lawful act or activity for which limited liability companies may be organized under the LLCL.
(February 14, 1996)

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF SPECTRUM CAPITAL MANAGEMENT GROUP, LLC

Articles of Organization of Spectrum Capital Management Group, LLC ("LLC") filed with the Secretary of State of New York ("SSNY") on January 26, 1996, effective upon date of filing. Office

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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, 3434 Carman Road, Schenectady, New York 12303. The purpose for which the LLC is formed is to engage in any lawful act or activity for which limited liability companies may be organized under the LLCL.
(February 14, 1996)

LEGAL NOTICE NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY STATEWOOD REALTY, 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 Statewood Realty, LLC.

2. The Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State for the State of New York on December 21, 1995.

3. The county within the State of New York in which the office of the Limited Liability Company is to be located is 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 120 Broadway, Albany, New York 12204. 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 real estate.
(February 14, 1996)

LEGAL NOTICE NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY WOODSTATE APARTMENTS, 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 Woodstate Apartments, LLC.

2. The Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State for the State of New York on December 21, 1995.

3. The county within the State of New York in which the office of the Limited Liability Company is to be located is 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 120 Broadway, Albany, New York 12204. 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 real estate.
(February 14, 1996)

CERTIFICATE OF REGISTRATION OF CLOUGH, HARBOUR & ASSOCIATES, LLP

Under Section 121-1500(a) of the Partnership Law

FIRST: The name of the registered limited liability partnership is: Clough, Harbour & Associates, LLP.

SECOND: The address of the principal office of the partnership without limited partners is Ill Winners Circle, Albany, New York 12205-0269.

THIRD: The professions to be practiced by such partnership without limited partners is professional engineering, land surveying, landscape architecture and such partnership without limited partners is eligible to register as a "registered limited liability partnership" pursuant to Section 121-1500(a) of the

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Partnership Law.
FOURTH: The Secretary of State is designated as agent of the registered limited liability partnership upon whom process against it may be served. The post office address to which the Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any process served against it is 111 Winners Circle, Albany, New York 12205-0269.

FIFTH: The future effective date of the registration is January 1, 1996.

SIXTH: The partnership without limited partners is filing a registration for status as a registered limited liability partnership.

William A. Harbour,
President
(February 14, 1996)

ARTICLES OF ORGANIZATION OF HART-WILSON PROPERTIES, LLC

Under Section 203 of the Limited Liability Company Law

The undersigned, being authorized to execute and file these Articles, hereby certifies that:

FIRST: The name of the limited liability company (hereinafter referred to as the "Company") is Hart-Wilson Properties, LLC.

SECOND: The County of the office of the Company in this State is Albany.

THIRD: The Company does not have a specific date of dissolution in addition to the events of dissolution set forth by law.

FOURTH: The Secretary of State is designated as agent of the Company upon whom process against the company may be served. The Post Office address to which the Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any process against the Company is P.O. Box 189, Slingerlands, New York 12159-0189.

FIFTH: The Company is to be managed by its members.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, these Articles of Organization have been subscribed this 24th day of November, 1995 by the undersigned who affirm that the statements made herein are true under penalties of perjury.

Joseph J. Hart, Organizer;
Harold S. Wilson, Jr., Organizer.
(February 14, 1996)

CERTIFICATE OF REGISTRATION OF

HAROLD W. WILSON, JR., D.D.S. AND JOSEPH J. HART, D.M.D., LLP

UNDER SECTION 121-1500(A) OF THE PARTNERSHIP LAW

FIRST: The name of the registered limited liability partnership is: HAROLD W. WILSON, JR., D.D.S. AND JOSEPH J. HART, D.M.D., LLP

SECOND: The address of the principal office of the partnership is: 840 Kenwood Avenue, Slingerlands, New York 12159.

THIRD: The profession to be practiced by such partnership is dentistry and such partnership without limited partners is eligible to register as a "registered limited liability partnership" pursuant to 121-1500(a) of the Partnership Law.

FOURTH: The Secretary of State is designated as agent of the registered limited liability partnership upon whom process against it may be served. The post office address to which the Department of State shall mail a copy of any process served against it is: 840 Kenwood Ave., Slingerlands, New York 12159-0189.

FIFTH: The future effective date of this registration is: January 1, 1996.

SIXTH: The partnership, which is without limited partners, is filing this registration for status as a registered limited liability partnership.

SEVENTH: All partners are to be liable in their capacity as partners for all debts, obligations or liabilities of the registered limited liability partnership.

DATED: November 24, 1995.
s/Harold W. Wilson, Jr., D.D.S., Partner
s/Joseph J. Hart, D.M.D., Partner
(February 14, 1996)

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY

Articles of Organization of Lightning Legal Services, LLC ("LLC") filed with the Secretary of State of New York ("SSNY") on December 19, 1995, effective date January 1, 1996. Office Location: Albany

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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 P.O. Box 9132, Albany, NY 12209. The latest date the LLC is to dissolve is: 12/31/2094. The purpose for which the LLC is formed is to engage in any lawful act or activity for which limited liability companies may be organized under the LLCL.
(February 14, 1996)

NOTICE

The Annual Meeting of the Bethlehem Soccer Club will be held on March 4, 1996 at 7:30 pm at the Bethlehem Town Hall.

Members will be asked to vote on the proposed bylaw changes. Election of members of the Board of Directors will be held immediately following action on the bylaws.

Anyone interested in serving on the Board of Directors should submit their name, address, phone number and a statement of why they are interested in serving on the board in writing by February 10, 1996 to:

Bethlehem Soccer Club
c/o Maureen Geis, Secretary
17 Albain Road,
Delmar, NY 12054
(February 14, 1996)

ARTICLES OF ORGANIZATION OF ESSENTIAL STAFFING LLC Under §203 of the Limited Liability Company Law

The undersigned being authorized to execute and file these articles hereby certifies that:

FIRST: The name of the limited liability company (hereinafter referred to as "the company") is Essential Staffing LLC.

SECOND: The County within New York State in which the office of the Company is to be located is Saratoga County.

THIRD: The Company does not have a specific date of dissolution in addition to the events of dissolution set forth by law.

FOURTH: The Secretary of State is designated as agent of the Company upon whom process against the company may be served. The Post Office address to which the Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any process against the Company is 20 Glen Terrace, Glenville, New York 12302.

FIFTH: The name and address in New York of the registered agent of the Company upon whom and at which process against the Company can be served are Mark Mastroianni, 20 Glen Terrace, Glenville, New York 12302.

SIXTH: The business of the company will be to supply temporary staffing of Allied Health Personnel and to perform all legally permissible purposes in addition to the aforementioned purpose.

SEVENTH: The company is to be managed by its members.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, these Articles of Organization have been subscribed this 19th day of October, 1995 by the undersigned who affirms that the statements made herein are true under penalties of perjury.

(February 14, 1996)

TOWN OF BETHLEHEM BOARD OF APPEALS NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Appeals of the Town of Bethlehem, Albany County, New York will re-open a public hearing on Wednesday, February 21, 1996 at 7:30 p.m., at the Town Offices, 445 Delaware Avenue, Delmar, New York to take action on application of St. Thomas the Apostle Church, 35 Adams Place, Delmar, New York 12054 for Variance under Article XVI, Front Yards, Section 128-66 & 68, and Article XVIII, Rear Yards, Section 128-79, Article XII, Percent of Lot Occupancy, Section 128-54, and Article VI, Permitted Uses, Section 128-22, Regulations to off street parking, of the Code of the Town of Bethlehem, for construction of additions of the church, rectory and school, and request relief from compliance with off street parking at premises 35 Adams Place, Delmar, New York.

Michael C. Hodom
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(February 14, 1996)

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The "American Girls Writing Series" will concentrate on developing writing skills for children ages 8 and up through the use of journals, brainstorming, research, library media, drafting, and peer discussion. The \$55 program will be held on Saturdays from 10 to 11:30 a.m. on March 9 and 23, April 6 and 20, and May 4 and 18. Participants will receive a certificate of achievement after completing the program.

The museum will hold several workshops each day from 9:30 to 11 a.m. during Presidents' Week. On Feb. 19, "The Days of George Washington" will focus on the president's life; on Feb. 20, "Dinosaur Defenses: Teeth, Spikes, Horns and Claws!" will concentrate on the extinct creatures.

A family bus trip to the Metropolitan Museum in Manhattan, costing \$34 for adults and \$32 for children, will take place on Feb. 21. The bus will leave the Troy museum at 7 a.m.

A treasure hunt for preschoolers will take place on Feb. 22. The week will cap off with "Bird Brains" on Feb. 23. The workshops cost \$7 per person (\$5 for members).

Admission to the museum, which is open Mondays through Fridays from noon to 5 p.m., is included with admission to the workshops.

Pre-registration is required for all programs. For information, the museum can be reached at 235-6836.

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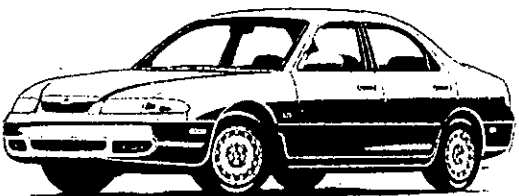
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million (about 3.6 percent) more next year to provide the same program as this year. Increased spending will be mostly in the areas of salaries, fringe benefits, special education and debt service, Loomis said.

More teachers are needed at the middle and high school, where enrollment will be up an estimated 63 and 49 students respectively, he said.

Even adding the recommended half team (3.2 full-time-equivalent teachers) at the middle school would still raise the average class size there from 23.4 this year to 23.9 next year, Loomis noted.

At the high school, Loomis recommended two more teachers, which would keep class size there stable at 22.5.

He added that the district's orchestra program needs a .2 full-time-equivalent teacher to keep up with the increased number of students interested in playing stringed instruments.

Loomis hinted that staff reductions may be possible at the elementary level, where 38 fewer pupils are expected next year.

He noted that even with one less elementary teacher, average class size would fall from 23.6 to 23.4.

Loomis also recommended that the board restore \$19,000 in elementary custodial spending at Glenmont, Hamagrael and Slingerlands that was eliminated in last year's budget.

In addition to the status quo budget and additional staff, Loomis

also proposed about \$119,000 in new program expenditures, mostly in the areas of technology, textbooks and services to at-risk students.

All other things being equal, the property tax rate increase would be closely related to the spending rate increase, but Loomis warned that Gov. George Pataki's budget proposals, if enacted, could severely impact BC taxpayers.

Board member Lynne Lenhardt encouraged district residents and students to contact their legislators in support of education funding.

In other business, the board

accepted the resignations for retirement purposes of several long-time teachers, including Beverly Bozzella (middle school music), Ann Eppelmann (high school English), John Karl (high school social studies), Merle Miller (high school business), Sarah Moise (middle school speech therapist), Charlotte Rounds (Slingerlands Elementary School), Jean Stafford (Elsmere Elementary School), Barbara Talmage (middle school mathematics), Elizabeth Thacher (middle school second languages), Janet Weitzman (middle school English) and Mary Yencha (middle school English and social studies).

BC sets budget meetings kick-off tonight, Feb. 14

The Bethlehem Central school board will consider aspects of the 1996-97 budget according to the following schedule:

- Feb. 14 at 7 p.m. — Operations and maintenance, transportation, central administration, fringe benefits, insurance and debt service.
- Feb. 28 at 7 p.m. — Special education, BOCES and athletics.
- March 6 at 8 p.m. — Kindergarten-through-eighth-grade instructional staffing and programs.
- March 13 at 7 p.m. — High school instructional staffing and programs, equipment and revenue.
- March 20 at 8 p.m. — Discussion and review of decisions made at prior sessions.
- March 27 at 7 p.m. — Final decisions and budget adoption.
- April 17 at 8 p.m. — Budget public hearing.

The public vote on the budget will be May 8.

All meetings are tentatively scheduled to be held in the district office at 90 Adams Place, while the public hearing has traditionally been held in the middle school auditorium.

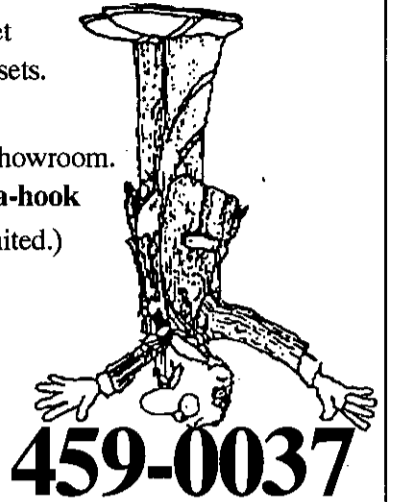
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