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Ghoulish getup



Joel Hauser of Delmar created a special look for Halloween.

Hugh Hewitt

Reilly and Shearer vie for top NS post

By Dev Tobin

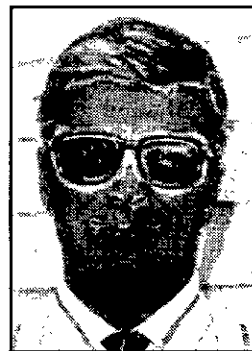
After winning a three-way race in 1995 as an Independent, New Scotland Supervisor Herb Reilly is back in the Democratic fold as he runs for his sixth two-year term.

He faces Republican Douglas Shearer, a retired state trooper who feels that Reilly's long tenure is part of the problem in a "beautiful" but "stagnant" town.

Reilly has been a Democratic presence on the town board since the late 1970s, serving 10 years as a councilman before winning the town's top post following the retirement of Republican supervisor Stephen Wallace in 1987.

Reilly said he is running again "Because I just have more to do."

He cited "trying to expand our horizons by creating new water districts," adding



Reilly



Shearer

that the highlight of his fifth term was the completion of the Northeast Water District in the Orchard Park and surrounding area.

Another highlight of the past two years was the town hall addition, that

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Plot thickens at shrine

Parishioners question priest's credentials

By Dev Tobin

The priest accused of stealing \$27,000 from St. Michael's Shrine in Glenmont has been charged by parishioners with taking a lot more, and they say he may not even be a priest.

Angry parishioners say the Rev. Brendan O'Keefe took more than \$20,000

worth of gold coin, computer equipment, religious items including chalices, crucifixes and vestments and assorted furniture when he disappeared early this month. And they say they can find no record that O'Keefe was even ordained in the Roman Catholic Church.

St. Michael's is not affiliated with the Roman Catholic Church or the Diocese of Albany. The shrine was founded in a converted ranch house on the corner of Route 9W and Beacon Road in 1975 by the late Bishop J. Vida Elmer, a Hungarian émigré priest who opposed Vatican II reforms so strongly that he left the Roman Catholic Church and affiliated with the Traditionalist Roman Catholic Church, which celebrates the Mass in Latin and

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Page works in corridors of power

By Linda DeMattia

When Kevin Powell walks to class each morning, he can look out the window and see all of Washington, D.C., at his feet.

That is because as a Congressional page, the Bethlehem Central High School junior attends classes in the dome of the Library of Congress.

"Our classes are literally held in the dome," he said. "When you look out the north window, you can see the mall. It's exhilaratingly."

Kevin got the once-in-a-lifetime chance to become a Congressional page when he heard that U.S. Rep. Michael McNulty (D-Green Island) was choosing a page through an open competition, according to Kevin's mother Sandra.

"There was an announcement at our church, Mount Calvary Baptist in Albany, and our minister, Rev. Robert Dixon, encouraged Kevin to apply," she said. "I'm not sure he would have done it without the extra push. My husband William and I are really proud Kevin had the opportunity to be selected and are grateful that Congressman McNulty made this an open competition."

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Kevin Powell stands on the Capitol steps with Rep. Michael McNulty.

Candidate forum to be broadcast

If you missed the Candidate Forum at Bethlehem Central Middle School Tuesday night, TV Channel 31 will broadcast it three times before the election — Friday, Oct. 31, from noon to 2 p.m.; Sunday, Nov. 2, from 3 to 5 p.m.; and Monday, Nov. 3, from 7 to 9 p.m.

The forum, co-sponsored by *The Spotlight*, will feature all candidates in Bethlehem town supervisor and town board races.

One barbed wire fence down, one more to go

By Michael Hallisey

The barbed wire that surrounded a 4.4-acre lot in Delmar has been removed, but the town still waits for the other property owner, who inspired officials to outlaw the wire a year ago, to remove his.

Last September, the town board passed an ordinance that banned barbed wire in residential areas. The law also gave property own-

ers who owned barbed wire fences one year to remove them.

When the deadline passed, two property owners still had their barbed wire fences.

The two fences are owned by William Cade on Orchard Street in Slingerlands and Modris Morozovs, an Albany resident who owns the Delmar lot off of Dover Drive.

Two weeks ago, Morozovs re-

moved the barbed wire, said Town Attorney Bernard Kaplowitz.

Two neighbors of Morozovs said they are happy the wire is down, but they are not completely satisfied. The brackets which fastened the barbed wire to the chain-linked fence still remains.

"We're happy to see it down," said Brendan Mooney. "I'm sorry the town board had to get on his case. We would have preferred he took the brackets that came with

the wire down. It's sort of a in your face kind of deal to remind us of the whole thing."

Sander Bonville, who has lived on Dover Drive for nearly 12 years, agreed.

"I just wish they took the posts down," he said. But, Bonville said he is still not happy with what has been done with the property. When he first moved into his home, he was able to look onto a vast forest. Now, he sees a chain-linked fence.

"We're in the process of doing our own landscaping," said Bonville. "But, it will take a few years for it to fill out. The other issue is during the winter months you can still see the mess he's made."

Despite Morozovs removing his barbed wire, Cade's wire has remained.

Kaplowitz said he was not sure if Cade, also a lawyer, was going to challenge the law in court.

The town ordinance was passed after the wire was placed, Kaplowitz said the law was drafted similar to a sign law which has withstood legal challenge in court. He said because barbed wire poses a health threat, the town could pass such a law after the fact.

Morozovs and Cade could not be reached for comment.

BC looking for census returns

The low return on the Bethlehem Central school district census could affect the district's ability to project the educational needs of the community, says Judith Wooster, assistant superintendent for instruction.

According to Wooster, past census return rates have been consistently high, holding at around 90 percent. In contrast, the 1997 return rate currently is at about 59 percent.

Residents who have not responded to the census inquiry can save the schools additional time and money by calling census workers now. Call 439-3102 to speak to a census enumerator.

Wooster said that there are two phases to collecting census data: the first involves processing returns from the districtwide mailing and the second includes personally contacting residents and/or addresses who have not responded.

Corrections

In an article in last week's edition, Republican town board candidate George Lenhardt was erroneously quoted.

Lenhardt said the town's planning department needs to become more business friendly on the application approval process. He said, "I also want to see a fair and executable zoning code."

A photo caption in last week's edition was incorrect in regard to an upcoming performance by Mandy Patinkin at Proctor's Theatre in Schenectady.

Patinkin is scheduled to appear at Proctor's in a solo concert Saturday, Nov. 1, at 8 p.m.

Police probe BCHS theft

A Bethlehem Central High School teacher reported four computer printers stolen from his classroom, said Bethlehem police.

The printers, three color and one black-and-white, were taken between 6 p.m. Friday, Oct. 17, and 10 a.m. Monday, Oct. 20.

Thieves cut roof to enter car wash

Delmar Car Wash at 3 Bethlehem Court was reportedly broken into sometime between 6 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 14, and 10:30 a.m. Wednesday, Oct. 15, according to Bethlehem police.

At 10:30 a.m., an employee went into the attic to install electrical lines when he noticed a hole in the roof.

Police did not have a list of missing items.

The investigation is continuing, police said.

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Town board control at stake in New Scotland

By Dev Tobin

With control of the town board in the balance, Democrats and Republicans are waging a spirited contest for two town board seats on Tuesday's ballot.

One Republican win, either for town board or for supervisor, would shift the board's majority to the GOP for the first time in six years.

Democratic Councilman Scott Houghtaling is running for a second four-year term to take care of "unfinished business," almost all of which involves extending municipal water to needy residents.

High on that list is resolving the North Road groundwater pollution problem, which flared up again this summer.

"I'd like to see North Road through to a permanent solution, which is an extension of the Clarksville Water District" paid for either by the polluter, the Kleen Resources hazardous waste cleanup firm, or the state Department of Environmental Conservation, which continues to contract with Kleen Resources at the same time the state is suing the firm to recover its cleanup costs, Houghtaling said.

In other areas of town, where preliminary studies show water districts to be too expensive, "We have to be more creative and aggressive," exploring every possible source of alternative funding, he added.

Houghtaling worked on an agreement with the city of Albany that could provide a supply for future districts along routes 85 and 32 and other areas close to Bethlehem and/or Guiderland transmission lines.

"I have faith that intermunicipal agreements can be worked out to benefit everybody," he said.

Houghtaling said he brings a strong financial background as well as common sense to the job.

Houghtaling reiterated a promise from his first campaign, "I will listen, do my homework and give it 100 percent."

Houghtaling is running on the Democratic, Conservative and Independence lines.

Democratic candidate Joseph

Cotazino Jr. said he will work to increase access to public water with the same determination that helped bring a water district to the Orchard Park area after more than 10 years of trying.

"I have the experience and expertise to solve some of the town's problems, and I feel I can really make a difference," Cotazino said.

Cotazino was a founder and active member of the Orchard Park Neighborhood Association, that worked for a decade to bring municipal water to the subdivision north of Route 85A and east of Route 155.

"Infrastructure development like the Northeast Water District should be expanded to other parts of town," Cotazino said. "The new infrastructure would also attract business and industry to ease the tax burden on homeowners."

Cotazino said he hopes the townwide water study, which will be undertaken beginning next year, will "classify areas that have the greatest need" so the town can "provide relief."

Cotazino is on disability retirement from the state Department of Taxation & Finance, which has become an issue in the campaign.

Cotazino said he was exposed to toxic chemicals at Building 8 of the state office campus, and that physicians for the state concurred that he suffered a partial/permanent disability as a result.

Referring to Republican-related letters-to-the-editor writers, Cotazino said, "The insensitivity of some toward disabled people saddens me."

He said he could "reasonably accommodate" his disability to

service on the town board.

"If I felt my disability would affect my ability to perform as a town board member, I would not have run," he said.

Cotazino is on the Democratic and Independence lines.

Republican candidate Andrea Gleason, a longtime fifth-grade teacher at Voorheesville Elementary School, said she is running for elective office for the first time "to give back to the community" where she has lived for nearly 50 years.

She said she will work to have the town be "more aggressive in getting clean businesses in town."

Gleason noted that it has become difficult for retirees (which she will become in June) to stay in town due to high taxes, and broadening the tax base will help people live in New Scotland after retirement.

Gleason said planning for expanding municipal water "should have been done before now — water has been a problem in New Scotland for as long as I can remember."

She noted that GOP Councilman Mark Dempf, an engineer, has been "helping now, so the town has some plan when (possible water districts) come up."

Gleason also said town government should be more open and communicative with residents.

"If I'm elected, I want to keep in touch with the people," via a newsletter and updated Web page, Gleason said.

She noted that the quarterly Voorheesville village newsletter is "very informative and people

appreciate it."

Gleason will be on the Republican and Conservative lines.

Republican candidate Mark Pelersi, an attorney and CPA who has served on the town's Infrastructure and Economic Development Committee, said he is running to "do what I can to maintain and improve a nice place to live."

Pelersi said his legal and financial background would be helpful in "proactive planning, pursuing creative, aggressive, common-sense solutions" to town problems like infrastructure development and attracting business.

"We have to make it conducive and easy for business to come here," he added. "We should try to attract the right kind of business to help broaden the tax base and provide additional services and additional jobs."

He said town planning now is "a Band-Aid approach, addressing problems as they come to light. We need to look ahead" on issues like water and becoming a Class A town (more than 10,000 population).

Pelersi said Democratic Supervisor Herb Reilly has become "too political," noting that Reilly forced one town board candidate off the Democratic ticket and hand-picked a replacement (Cotazino).

"I question Mr. Reilly's judgment in picking such a candidate. Can he serve if elected?" said Pelersi, adding, "Certain leaders have just been in office too long."

Pelersi said he and GOP running mates Gleason and supervisor candidate Doug Shearer "are not politicians, just townfolk committed to the town."



Houghtaling



Gleason



Cotazino



Pelersi

Sagendorph enjoys job

By Michael Hallisey

From his time as a laborer for the Bethlehem Highway Department, to becoming superintendent in 1992, Gregg Sagendorph has learned every inch of the town's 155 miles of road.

For Sagendorph, 44, it is a job he "thoroughly" enjoys, despite the long hours.

"One of the few drawbacks to the job is you have to be on call," Sagendorph said. "Especially during the winter time."

Last week, some residents were able to see their first sign of winter when a few specs of snow sprinkled over the area. "I try not to see that," said Sagendorph with a laugh while rolling his eyes.

Though some residents would love to see a white Christmas this December, it's not an ideal way for Sagendorph to enjoy the holidays.

"You miss a lot of holidays," he said. "New Year's Day. Remember last New Year's Day, and that ice storm? I was out there."

But, Sagendorph just shrugs it off. "You're there and you handle it," he said.

Born and raised in the city of Hudson, Sagendorph has lived with upstate New York weather all of his life. "It's so unpredictable, the weather in the Northeast."

Sagendorph recounts the April Fool's Day snow storm earlier this year. "Here we were, and we thought we were out of the woods in regards to snow," he said. But, he said, his team of 60 employees are able to adapt quickly.

"I thoroughly enjoy what I do," he said. "My co-workers are great. I think that is one of the major reasons why I enjoy what I do."

Other reasons may include the support he receives from his "team" and local residents.

"The residents are very supportive," he said. "Even going from door to door while campaigning, residents are aware of the services we provide."

"Supervisor (Sheila) Fuller and the board is very supportive of the projects and services we provide," said Sagendorph.

One of those projects, Sagendorph said, will include the town's continuous look at pedestrian safety.

Bethlehem has more sidewalks than surrounding towns, including Colonie, with approximately 27 miles of sidewalk stretched along about 17 percent of town roads. However, said Sagendorph, the town is still looking to do more.

Sagendorph is running unopposed this year.

Stewart's willing to wager staff won't sell beer or butts to minors

By Michael Hallisey

Stewart's is willing to wager its reputation with Bethlehem to get approval for a store on the corner of Elm and Delaware avenues.

The convenience store chain's real estate representative Tom Lewis is so confident that Stewart's employees will not sell alcohol, tobacco or lottery tickets to minors that he asked the zoning board of appeals for a unique probationary approval.

"I'll ask the board to experiment for six months," said Lewis. "Put it in the CO (certificate of occupancy). If there is one infraction within those six months, revoke the CO. We feel our reputation is that good."

Members of the board and a some neighbors said they were concerned that the store would be selling alcohol next door to Bethlehem Central High School.

Lewis said the convenience store has a good reputation for not selling alcohol, tobacco or lottery tickets to those under age.

But when he said employees as young as 18-years-old can legally sell alcohol, board member James

Morgan replied that he was worried how those employees would react if confronted by under-age friends trying to buy beer.

ZBA Chairman Michael Hodom asked Lewis if Stewart's would consider not selling alcohol or tobacco in the store.

"Employees habitually ask for identification, said Lewis. "The most common complaint coming out of our store is 'I'm 32-years-old and I've just been carded.'"

Town zoning law prohibits selling alcohol within 250 feet of a public or parochial school property, so Stewart's needs a variance from the ZBA.

"By the letter of the law," said Lewis, "this is within 250 feet of the school's property. But, I measured it to be 1,000 feet from the school's entrance."

Though one resident said she did not believe employees from the proposed store would intentionally sell alcohol to minors, she asked the board to remain conscious of drinking problems among teenagers.

"I'm sure Stewart's won't be selling alcohol to kids," said Ellen

Kelly-Lind, "but here in Bethlehem we have a problem with alcohol."

Kelly-Lind, a resident of Maple Terrace, said she also feared that traffic generated by the store would endanger students walking to and from school.

Jay Hostetler, owner of the neighboring Mobil service station east of the proposed site, said he did not think Stewart's would have enough room to accommodate 12 parking spaces.

In 1993, the ZBA granted a variance for a two-story building on the corner property as well as Forte's property. However, the project was never built after it was discovered the land had been contaminated with gasoline.

Because of the contamination, Lewis said it would be difficult for anyone to invest into the property. He noted that Stewart's has experience with cleaning up gas station pollution.

The hearing was adjourned so that Lewis could provide the board with results of a three-day traffic study and information regarding other Stewart's stores near school property.

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B&B owner enjoys meeting 'nicest' guests

By Katherine McCarthy

From the foot of the hill, the Indian summer sun shone through pine trees onto a green lawn rolling up to the big white house. This is a place you could visit for a good night's rest and a filling breakfast.

Diane Disser, who opened the Pine Knoll Inn in New Scotland a year ago, has found that people are coming to stay in her two lovely guest rooms.

"Business has been good," Disser said. "It's been entirely word-of-mouth so far. We've met the nicest people."

The Pine Knoll Inn is in a mid-19th-century house on Bullock Road, just west of the junction of Routes 85 and 85A. Disser grew up in Altamont, and her husband Mike grew up in Colonie, but the last few years had found them in a lot of different places, most recently California.

"Both our families are on the East Coast," Disser said, "and we just decided that we wanted to come home."

Disser said she didn't move home to start a business.

"My children are 11 and 12, though, and I was ready for something for myself," she said. "This house had been on the market for three years. It was too big for us, but I thought we could have a bed and breakfast. That way, I could be home for the kids, and have a career at the same time. There are seven bedrooms in the house, and I thought, if I'm going to clean them, they might as well be useful."

The Dissers closed off the guest accommodations from their own living area, creating the Autumn Room and the Garden Room for overnight guests. The rooms are enhanced by the handmade quilts on each double bed.

"My sister-in-law's father's mother made this one," Disser



Diane Disser takes a break on the sun porch of Pine Knoll Inn in New Scotland.

Katherine McCarthy

said of the quilt in the Garden Room. "My grandmother from Finland made the quilt with the leaves in the Autumn Room."

Guests share a full bath, and downstairs is a spacious breakfast and sitting room, with a fireplace on one end and a TV and sofa at the other, and plenty of room to spread out. There's also a sun room with wicker furniture that overlooks gardens that Disser is bringing back to life. All of this for \$60 per night per room.

"We had a medical student from Iran put his whole family up here," Disser said. "They really spread out and made use of the downstairs room. His mother made some delicious baklava, and my girls kept going into the room and smiling, and she kept offering them more."

"We get a chance to meet people from different cultures, and we're really learning from people," she said. "We had a musician stay with

us, and he found our bench in the woods, and was inspired to write a song. That was really nice."

Disser said she has found that people who stay in B&Bs also like to meet people and hear about the area.

Disser does the cooking and cleaning herself, serving breakfast when her guests like. Her family knows the routine by now.

"At the beginning, I had to tell my family, 'I do have a job,' and they had to do a little more for themselves," she said. "It was an adjustment, but the kids are pretty well independent now if I'm busy with our guests."

Mike Disser takes care of the outside work, which has involved a lot of painting and caulking.

"We put a new ceiling in the Autumn Room and repaired the chimneys. There are tennis courts in the back; eventually, we'd like to put in a sand volleyball court," he said, adding that he fits the

outside work in around his regular job at Albany Ladder.

So far, the Dissers haven't had to advertise.

"We get a lot of business from Delmar people," Diane Disser said. "People seem thrilled to know we're here. For instance, a 91-year-old woman put her family up here. She was delighted that they were coming to visit, but didn't feel up to the work of having guests."

Disser said she feels she is serving her community by offering affordable accommodations.

"When people say they're glad we're here, that makes me feel good," she said.

So far, there has been a steady flow of business, and after the business is up and running a little longer, they may consider advertising or expanding.

"There's an enormous living room that would make a great bridal suite," Disser said.

For now, though, she is happy "learning by doing" and putting her stamp on the business.

"The best part is, this is me," she said. "The business reflects my own personality."

Kiwanis launch bell drive

The Kiwanis Club of Delmar and the Capital Division of Kiwanis International will launch its Bell of Life fund drive in November.

Bells will be sold at local businesses and banks. After Thanksgiving they will be sold at Crossgates Mall.

Last year more than \$20,000 was raised for Albany Medical Center's Pediatric Trauma Center. Kiwanis hopes to double that amount this year.

The goal of the drive is to raise \$500,000 over the next five years. The money will be used for education, research, intensive care unit modernization and staff.

The Bell of Life Program was initiated by Dom DeCecco and the Delmar Kiwanis Club, with the help and encouragement of Richard Sturm, Past Distinguished Lieutenant-Governor of the Capital Division.

During the next few weeks, representatives of Kiwanis will be asking local businesses to sell Kiwanis Bells of Life for \$1 each.

Purchasers are encouraged to write their names, or the names of loved ones on the bell and display them on walls or banners at the store.

Bells will be sold throughout the Capital Region with the help of the entire Kiwanis family.

The greatest killer of children is severe injury, otherwise known as pediatric trauma.

More than 15,000 children die each year from trauma and another 100,000 children are involved in non-fatal disabling accidents.

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St. Stephen's dedicates organ

By Katherine McCarthy

In a ceremony that included music from the sacred to the contemporary, St. Stephen's Episcopal Church in Elsmere dedicated its new organ last week. The instrument was built by Leonard Carlson of the L.A. Carlson Organ Company in East Greenbush, and was, until recently, installed in the Methodist Church in Saratoga.

"We first heard the organ played in September of 1995," St. Stephen's rector, the Rev. Darius Mojallali, said. "It's been installed and playable here since Christmas of 1996. The pipes and cabinetry are located on either side of the altar. Last Christmas, the two large cabinets were not yet finished. We saw the inner workings of this organ for a long time."

Now, Mojallali said, the organ is beautiful to look at and offers exquisite music. He said that two large bequests, made in memory of former parishioners Josephine Hunsdorfer and William and Nina Reuter, got the church halfway to their goal of purchasing the new organ. The rest of the donations came from the congregation.

Mojallali said that acquisition of the organ shows how high a priority worship is at St. Stephen's.

"With the organ, we can strike a balance between elegant worship, and a service that's accessible and comfortable," he said. "Having a pipe organ adds outward and aesthetic beauty. It also changes the quality of people's singing. There's something about pushing air through pipes that literally makes the singing better."



Mary Bon and Neil Keene play at the dedication of the new church organ.

Katherine McCarthy

For the dedication, the organ was played by Neil Keene and Mary Bon, two professional organists from Delmar.

Mojallali, who has been the rector at St. Stephen's since 1988, hopes the dedication is just one of

a number of musical events at the church.

"We had a jazz concert to benefit Habitat for Humanity in June," he said, "and I hope for other events. Our church is acoustically alive."

Bethlehem town board OKs Beverwyck plan

By Michael Hallisey

Bethlehem town board approved a \$3.7 million expansion project for the Beverwyck in North Bethlehem last week.

"We're very excited and looking forward to putting this into the ground as fast as possible," said David Wendth, project manager for Beverwyck.

Plans include three new buildings, Wendth said. The project's largest is a two-story, 39,000-square-foot building to house 41 new residents in an assistive living atmosphere.

An assistive living facility is not a nursing home, explained Wendth, however those residents who use the facilities typically need help with one or more daily life activity.

There are also plans for a 2,100-square-foot community center and 1,700-square-foot campus service center.

Wendth said the community center was built to "help the town in its mission" to add more communal meeting areas. When the community center is complete, Wendth said it will be available for non-for-profit organizations.

The construction of the first two phases began in 1989. In 1993, the doors first opened, and the Beverwyck now houses approximately 200 seniors. The Beverwyck first proposed Phase III of the project last year.

Since its first proposal, the Beverwyck has met with neigh-

boring residents twice to hear their concerns of the project, Wendth said.

In a September public hearing of the town planning board, residents voiced concern over dirt, kicked up from the use of a dirt road, floating into their homes.

Beverwyck officials said contractors will be asked to use Beverwyck Lane only, and not the dirt service road used during prior construction.

V'ville Dionysians to present plays

The Voorheesville high school Dionysians will tackle a quartet of plays on Friday and Saturday, Nov. 7 and 8, starting at 8:15 p.m. that will challenge both actors and audience.

The four plays, "Rabbit" by David Foxton, "The Veldt" by Ray Bradbury, "The Zero Sum Mind" by Stephen Gregg and "The Handcapper General" by Kurt Vonnegut, explore the darker side of human nature.

Each play is set in a place in the not-so-distant future where societal rules no longer apply.

Performances are on the stage of Clayton A. Bouton Junior/Senior High School on Route 85A in Voorheesville.

Tickets will be sold at the door.

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Matters of Opinion

Vote Nov. 4

Why do so many Americans take the right to vote for granted when people in emerging countries can't wait to use the ballot box?

We can point to cynicism over scandals, inaction on the part of politicians on the federal, state and local level and just plain poor government.

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Yet, at each election, we have an opportunity, even an obligation, to vote for the candidates and resolutions that may be on the ballot. If we fail to exercise this right, privilege and obligation, then political atrophy sets in and we get what such inaction deserves.

Next Tuesday's elections are local in nature, but that's where government starts and, in many cases, is most important. Without these votes for leaders closest to us, all others are meaningless.

We hope the numerous letters to the editor in this week's issue are indicative of the interest in local elections, and that people will express their opinions at the polls Tuesday.

League on target

The League of Women Voters of Albany County makes a strong case for a "no" vote on the ballot on holding a state constitutional convention.

The League correctly points to the need for revision in the constitution, but opposes the convention because of the current election law, which governs the delegate selection process. Under the existing process, citizens could essentially be shut out of the convention, which would give control to politicians.

During the last several years, the Legislature has shown its sluggishness, despite public outcry, by continuing to use the budget as a political football. They have a miserable, embarrassing track record, passing the budget well into the summer, months after the deadline.

We doubt they'd do much better with constitutional reform. Perhaps a strong no vote showing will send the legislators a clearer message about the public's view of their performance.

And the probable \$50 million price tag for the convention adds grist to reasons for a no vote Nov. 4.

No to school bond

The statement that 85 percent of school buildings in New York state need repair has not been contested and indicates that something massive needs to be done.

However, we don't think the \$2.4 billion School Facility Health and Safety Bond Act up for vote Tuesday, Nov. 4, is the answer. Sure, the money would repair a great number of buildings, but there are few definitive aspects to the bill. Where, when and how will the money be spent?

Proponents urge that new computer networks can be created within schools to give students a global reach for education. How will this money be allocated? Will it become more legislative pork to be dispensed to favored legislators' districts?

While proponents say 60 percent of the bond issue will be used upstate, there are no guarantees within the language of the bond issue. There is also no assurance that school property taxes will be lowered or even stabilized.

Happy Halloween

We hope this year's celebrants — young and old alike — have all treats from their neighbors and friends. Make sure kids going door-to-door wear costumes that can be seen clearly by drivers so the holiday is safe and fun for all.

And make sure to check all candy the kids collect. It should be wrapped and discarded if it isn't.

HY'S SPOTLIGHT



Pros and cons of school bond

By Ronald Canestrari

The writer is assemblyman from the 106th Assembly District.

Point of View

Proposition 3, the School Facility Health and Safety Bond Act, is an historic act where money will be used to improve technology, repair buildings and expand New York's public schools.

Many of our public schools are in need of new technology to keep pace with an increasingly high-tech world. The bond act will provide our kids access to the latest in technology — like the Internet — and give them the skills they need to make New York a leader in a global marketplace.

With 85 percent of the schools in the state needing repair, a portion of the bond act's funds will go to make necessary improvements. Many of our schools are unsafe for our kids to learn in and the problem gets worse every year. Funding school repairs will provide our kids with a safe learning environment and ease the burden on property taxpayers who cannot afford to pay for such projects.

The bond act also funds school expansion projects — reducing crowded classrooms caused by increased enrollments. Every child deserves to re-

By John J. Faso

The writer is assemblyman from the 102nd Assembly District.

No one argues with the need to invest in healthy and safe learning environments for our children. But the \$2.4 billion "School Facility Health and Safety Bond Act," which will appear as Proposition 3 on the Nov. 4 ballot, is the most expensive and least effective way to do it.

Given New York's existing commitment to state-funded school building aid — which will total a record \$775 million this year — would the money raised by the proposed bond be distributed according to a different formula? Would it pay for projects that are already on the drawing board? How much would be targeted to districts like Bethlehem?

Unfortunately, we don't know the answer to any of these questions because the Legislature voted to put Proposition 3 on the ballot without first passing a statute detailing how the money will be allocated.

Assembly Speaker Sheldon Silver of Manhattan, Proposition 3's main backer, waited until less than two weeks before the election to unveil a one-house bill outlining a rather sketchy plan for distributing the funds. However, the bill was little more than a public

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League opposed to convention, but Council wants it

Editor, The Spotlight:

The League of Women Voters of Albany County is firmly opposed to the ballot question of whether a state constitutional convention should be held.

Groups and individuals from throughout the state are aligning themselves on one side or the other. Many are focused on a particular issue they want to see enacted or protected while others, such as the League, are primarily concerned with the process.

Supporters say that it is an opportunity for voters to take power into their own hands and to evaluate the performance of state government and recommend changes. They feel it is an extraordinary opportunity for real reform.

The League recognizes that a constitutional convention is an acceptable, legal method of amending the constitution. In fact, the League itself is seeking constitutional revision in several areas.

However, we believe the process of selecting delegates is so flawed that it will preclude a fair, open, nonpartisan convention.

Because there has been no statutory reform of the election law governing party nominating petitions, campaign finance or ballot access, all of which govern the delegate selection process, we foresee major impediments to citizen participation and to any prospect of making this convention an instrument

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of reform.

The League sees a number of potential problems with the convention process.

First, a citizen candidate could be deterred by the ballot access laws which might necessitate hiring a high-paid election lawyer to ensure they would not be thrown off the ballot.

Second, the campaign finance laws make it difficult for a citizen to run a credible campaign, costing about \$150,000.

Third, once seated as a delegate, the 25 legislators who have already publicly stated a desire to be convention delegates would probably control the process.

Fourth, party regulars, supported and elected by party apparatus, could use the convention as a party platform.

Fifth, the few citizens who might be elected as delegates with be such a minority that their votes would be muted by rules of convention voted in by party regulars and legislators who control the convention.

Sixth, the convention could again, as in 1967, be controlled by a rules committee controlled by the president of the convention, most likely the speaker or majority leader of the controlling

party.

Finally, the current political climate — characterized by proliferation of special interests, PAC money and lobbying — will promote single-issue politics. Special interest groups could pour millions into the process in order to influence the convention outcome.

The League recognizes problems with the current state Legislature. But, would a delegate body chosen under the same system, and organized along party lines like the Legislature be any different? The League's answer is no.

The chance for constitutional reform in 1997 is poor, given the flawed delegate selection process. It is also unlikely that meaningful reform can be achieved because the cost — \$50 million or more — cannot be justified.

It would not be necessary to wait another 20 years for a convention. The Legislature has the power to put this issue on the ballot at any time.

If the process can be changed so that a convention would be fair and representative of all New Yorkers, then perhaps there could be a real "people's" convention. Until all citizens have a fair opportunity to become delegates, the League urges a no vote Nov. 4.

Karen Bonventre

Glenmont

League of Women Voters
of Albany County president

Editor, The Spotlight:

As we approach the next century, New York state is changing for the better. Taxes are going down, and the economy is responding with thousands of new jobs.

Now, we have a chance to make the real breakthrough we need in restructuring state and local governments — a chance to produce a system that is accountable, cost-efficient and effective in meeting the needs of young New Yorkers, our businesses and all citizens.

That opportunity lies in calling a constitutional convention, as voters will decide Election Day. The Business Council urges the people to vote yes.

As New York's leading advocate for economic growth, The Business Council sees a basic paradox. Our state's work force is one of the best in the nation — yet we've suffered with job growth much slower than that of most other states. We believe a key reason is the structure of government in New York. It's too big, too expensive and too intrusive; and it is not accountable.

Only constitutional reform can attack these cost and accountability problems. If voters call for a convention, we will ask delegates to consider fundamental reforms such as expanding home rule for local governments, banning unfunded mandates, and rolling back existing state mandates such as state oversight of localities' collec-

tive bargaining.

Local taxes are an even bigger problem in New York than our state taxes. The convention should make it easier for localities and school districts to share and privatize services, and to consolidate.

We should urge improving accountability in state government through steps such as effective ways to end late budgets; and a role for the governor in a non-partisan process for selecting members of the Board of Regents.

Opponents of the convention say it will be controlled by special interests. They warn of dire results — but do not mention that voters will approve or reject any changes proposed by convention delegates. Then there's the claim that the convention would cost too much — \$50 million, but one probably inflated estimate. We spend \$180 million year on the budget for the Legislature.

We urge voters to call a constitutional convention — and then to be vigilant in ensuring that convention delegates and their work are worthy of the New York we want to build for the century ahead of us.

Daniel B. Walsh

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Walsh is president and chief operating officer of The Business Council of New York State.

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Cotazino: GOP source of letters

Editor, The Spotlight:

Ordinarily, I wouldn't even grace the insensitivity displayed in Kristin Houghton and Kathleen Gill's letters in the Oct. 22 edition with a response. The letters questioned my ability to represent New Scotland residents as a town board member, given the fact that I have a disability.

Since I view their letters as a personal attack, I feel compelled to respond so the voters of New Scotland can know the truth regarding my illness, rather than distorted facts.

First, the letters are a Republican orchestration to discredit me and my ability to serve as a New Scotland town board member. Kathleen Gill, while she claims not to be a New Scotland resident and without "an interest in this election," is a co-worker of Judy Von Ronne's (New Scotland Republican chairwoman) in the Bethlehem Central school district.

Mrs. Gill's husband works with Bruce Houghton (former New Scotland Republican committeeman) in the BC school district. Kristin Houghton is the daughter of Bruce Houghton. Bruce's wife Cheryl is a teacher's aide in the BC school district.

Anyone who knows anything about New Scotland politics knows both Judy Von Ronne and Bruce Houghton are avowed partisan Republicans. So letter readers should

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remember the old saying, "Consider the source."

New Scotland Republicans should be outraged that their party leadership has stooped to this all-time low for the sake of winning at any cost. They deserve better than that, and they should demand it.

Circumstances surrounding my disability resulted from overexposure to toxic chemicals in the work place. Three separate government agencies and their appointed physicians, as well as my own physicians, have investigated and acknowledged a causal relationship between exposure to the chemicals and the residual effects.

I loved my job at tax and finance. I thought it was a challenging career path. I loved going to school and I was looking forward to my graduate program. It was heartbreaking for me to have to give all of that up after my exposure. I made every effort to return to work, but my employer was unable to make reasonable accommodations for me to continue.

To continue to feel like a productive, worthwhile human being, I became active out of my house and in my community to

address the immediate concerns of residents of New Scotland. On the advice of my physicians, such involvement was crucial to coping with my disability. I am an individual with a disabling condition. I am not a disabled individual.

I would not have even attempted to seek a town board seat if I wasn't confident my condition could be accommodated. The functioning of New Scotland's government would not be compromised by my involvement. It would be enhanced. I am a responsible, conscientious citizen who would not have run for elective office if I did not feel I could do the job.

These letters have sidetracked the issues which need to be discussed with New Scotland residents — infrastructure development, services and taxes. I will continue to focus on those issues throughout the campaign, and I will gladly answer any questions that anyone may have about my disability.

I feel I can represent the residents of New Scotland in an informed and representative manner. I am confident that the voters are intelligent, motivated and understanding.

I look forward to representing each and every resident of the town.

Joseph M. Cotazino Jr.

Voorheesville

Supervisor blasts critics

Editor, The Spotlight:

I am deeply disturbed by the recent letters published regarding Joseph Cotazino, which attacked him because of his physical disability. Throughout history, many people have accepted the deck they were dealt and risen to greatness.

To mention a few success stories — Andrew Hawkins, world-famous physicist; Ray Charles and Jose Feliciano, famous musicians; and Franklin Delano Roosevelt, a victim of polio at age 38.

What is especially painful about these letters is that they were initiated by Republicans from the town of New Scotland who used their contacts in a local school district to do their dirty work.

Kristen Houghton's father is a former committeeman for the New Scotland GOP and works in that

district's facilities department with Kathleen Gill's husband, who is responsible for building safety.

Kristen's mother is a teacher's aide in the same school system.

Kathleen Gill works with Judy Von Ronne, New Scotland's GOP chairwoman, in all departments, that district's education program. Some sensitivity to the handicapped.

I applaud Joe Cotazino for not sitting around home and complaining, but coming forward and offering his services to the people of New Scotland. If it wasn't for the extraordinary effort that he made on behalf of the Northeast Water District, it might still be but a dream. If he were elected to the board, all residents would benefit from his perseverance.

Herbert W. Reilly Jr.

New Scotland town supervisor

Attack of candidate's disability is 'morally repugnant' act

Editor, The Spotlight:

In the last edition of *The Spotlight*, two letters appeared attacking Joseph M. Cotazino, New Scotland board candidate, on the grounds that a physical disability would prevent him from serving.

It is incredible that at the dawn of the 21st century, anyone would still have the archaic notion that a

person with a disabling condition is incapable of contributing to his community.

Further, it is morally repugnant that a group of political activists would stoop to the level of attacking a person's disability in an effort to win an election.

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Consultant decries letters

Editor, The Spotlight:

For more than 20 years, I have been fortunate to work with many hundreds of men and women with disabilities as a senior staff person with the New York State Commission on Quality Care, as a grade school teacher, and most recently, in the past two years as national consultant on services for persons with disabilities.

Because of my background, I read with interest and dismay the letters by Ms. Gill and Ms. Houghton in the Oct. 22 *Spotlight*.

Ms. Gill and Ms. Houghton suggested that we should not consider Joe Cotazino an able candidate for the New Scotland town board because he has a disability which has kept him out of the work place.

Like many who live in our community, I know that New Scotland would be fortunate to be represented by a man like Joe Cotazino who has well demonstrated his longstanding and untiring efforts on behalf of the citizens of New

Scotland.

Joe has not let his disability define him. Rather when he found that he could not return to his full-time job with the state Department of Taxation & Finance, he looked for other ways to become involved and to contribute to our community.

It is sad that some people still do not appreciate that candidates for office should be evaluated by their ability to work with others to make the town a better place for all to live, work and enjoy their family and friends.

Luckily, the views of Ms. Gill and Ms. Houghton do not reflect those of most of my neighbors who know well that an individual's struggles to overcome and accommodate a disability often add to his ability to provide leadership and direction for a community. This is certainly the case for Joe Cotazino.

Nancy K. Ray

Delmar

Disability can be asset for board

Editor, The Spotlight:

I am writing in response to the letters of Ms. Gill and Ms. Houghton in the Oct. 22 issue.

These two women wrote that the people of New Scotland should "think twice" about voting for Joe Cotazino because he has a disability, which forced his retirement from the workplace.

At the outset, I should say that I do not know Mr. Cotazino, but I would like to meet him.

Like Mr. Cotazino, I have a disability which took me out of the work force before retirement age, and I would like to set the record absolutely straight. Having a disability can be tough. It can be frustrating when you learn you cannot do all the things you used to be able to do.

But having a disability also makes a person build bridges around a lot of obstacles, and it can and does help most people gain empathy and appreciation for the needs and views of others. In my mind, these latter qualities would be great assets to any town board person.

Having a disability does not disqualify a person from sitting on the town board.

Robert Buttercase

Delmar

Candidate replies to critic

Editor, The Spotlight:

After reading Bryan Braun's letter the the Oct. 15 *Spotlight* regarding my conduct in LUMAC matters, I am compelled to reply.

It was in response to owners' requests that LUMAC reviewed carefully a number of parcels, including those Mr. Braun cited, and changed some recommendations.

The committee's analysis contained many more factors than those he listed in his letter. I have absolutely no financial interest — direct or indirect — in any of the parcels reviewed, nor do I have a relationship with any of the owners.

Contrary to inferences repeatedly made by Mr. Braun and his associates, neither LUMAC nor Greenway plans propose public

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access to land without the owners' permission.

Both Braun and Putney properties contain land in the highly restrictive Environmentally Sensitive category. I fail to see how this proposed use can be both detrimental to him and beneficial to me.

Apparently the same spirit which led Mr. Braun to attack my motives has also produced attacks on my name, for I have seen in front of his property signs which feature Putney encircled and slashed.

Freeman "Ted" Putney

Selkirk

Resident supports Putney

Editor, The Spotlight:

I support Ted Putney for town board.

He worked for eight years on a long-range plan for Bethlehem that aimed at keeping the town unspoiled by acre after acre of small houses on small lots.

He is opposed by a few so-called "large landowners" who would like to develop their land without zoning controls.

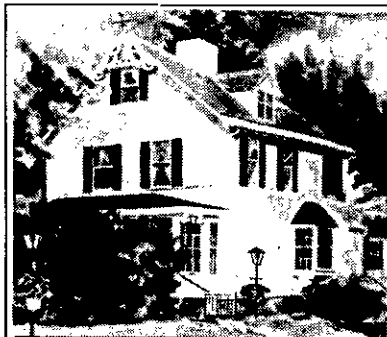
I believe uncontrolled develop-

ment will make Bethlehem a less desirable place to live, and would eventually lower property values of most homeowners. I prefer orderly planning to uncontrolled, unpredictable growth, and I appreciate Ted Putney's efforts to give us a reasonable master plan.

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LUMAC colleague for Putney

Editor, The Spotlight:

Ted Putney is up for re-election for the Bethlehem town board, and in my opinion, he has earned the vote of people who are interested in our town's future.

As a former member of the Land Use Management Advisory Committee, I worked with Ted for eight years to develop a master plan for Bethlehem. During those years, I had a ample opportunity to see Ted Putney under all sorts of pressure and circumstances. I have always found him to be a person with integrity, who is capable, does his homework and truly cares for all aspects of our town. Even when we disagreed, and we did, I always found him willing to listen to my side of the issue.

I also know that Ted had to deal with a great deal of criticism from a small group of town residents who did not want to have a master plan adopted. Those same individuals

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have spearheaded an "anti-Putney" effort in this election. This is unfortunate for our community. This group's interests were very narrow and self-serving during the master plan process, and are the same in the campaign. This is truly a shame, because these folks have so much offer Bethlehem.

I don't think I can make my reason for supporting Ted Putney any clearer than to say he was one of the few that I recall who supported planning in our town, for the benefit of the entire town, even when the concept of planning was not popular. He did the right thing. For that, he will get my vote because he deserves it.

Sam Messina

Delmar

Resident likes Lenhardt for board

Editor, The Spotlight:

Two years ago, George Lenhardt walked around our neighborhoods ringing doorbells and seeking our support for his effort to win a seat on the Bethlehem town board.

He was elected, and now before this year's election, it's time to look at his accomplishments.

George was instrumental in bringing us a 24-hour paramedic service, major improvements in the area of youth sports and recreation, a framework for future planning with respect for the rights of everyone and a reduction in taxes.

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ing the highest level of integrity, and he has maintained his independence.

George Lenhardt has earned our trust and deserves to be re-

elected.

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Fuller has proven record in town of Bethlehem

Editor, The Spotlight:

I would like to encourage readers of *The Spotlight* to stop and think for a second about the town of Bethlehem. On Election Day, voters will decide who our town supervisor will be, and I would like to provide some insight into our current town supervisor.

I have known Sheila Fuller for more than 15 years, when she began serving on the school board. These duties coincided with raising five children.

One of her sons is the same age as my eldest, and we subsequently became friends through mutual car pools and attending various athletic and school events.

There is one unwavering commitment about Sheila that people should know about. She is truly committed, not only to the town, but to the children and families of Bethlehem. This commitment does not begin at 9 a.m. and end at 5 p.m. She is easily accessible 24 hours a

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day.

She has helped me, and I am sure many others whenever she is called regardless of whether she is in the office or at home. This is responsive government.

Her leadership as supervisor has provided new ball fields for children, lower taxes for their parents and increased housing and services for their grandparents. This is a well-balanced approach to government.

I hope all Bethlehem residents will do as I intend on Election Day — vote for Sheila Fuller.

Maureen Roberts

Delmar

Bike ride becomes real eye-opener

Editor, The Spotlight:

Taking advantage of beautiful autumn weather recently, I took a long bike ride into the southern part of our town. As I traveled Route 32 on my return trip, I passed several new and exciting projects.

Adjacent to GE, I was delighted to see the new state-of-the-art and almost ready-to-be-used composting facility. I turned left onto Waldenmaier Road (one of my favorite country lanes), which was recently upgraded and repaved, for a smooth no-bumps ride to Delaware Avenue and back to Route 32.

As I continued, I saw — at the southern end of Elm Avenue Town Park — the newly graded and improved playing fields, which will be ready for next season. A short

distance from there at the park entrance, work had begun on the new traffic signal intended to make it safer for pedestrians, bikers and drivers in that area. I also connected with the just-completed 2.5-mile bike path (also intended for pedestrians), extending from Elm Estates via Elm Avenue to the town park and continuing to the high school.

As I rode on the bike path toward Van Dyke Road and the high school I passed the new Line Drive access road to the new beautiful new soccer/ball fields which are already in use.

Within just a few miles, I had encountered six major projects which had been approved by the current town administration and completed through the coopera-

tion and efforts of numerous town departments and employees. These projects represent the foresight and planning of a responsive, responsible town government that considers and cares about the quality of life of our community's residents — of all ages.

I now look forward to next week's bike ride into other areas of town where I can enjoy seeing numerous other projects which the town board has approved and implemented. As always, I'll enjoy remembering that Bethlehem truly is a great place to live.

Doris Davis

Davis is a Bethlehem town board member.

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Your Opinion Matters

Student endorses convention need

Editor, The Spotlight:

Recently in my government class, we discussed the possibility of a constitutional convention in New York.

Every 20 years, the state has a constitutional convention. I can see how it is very important to have a convention. It will have an impact on my generation. The constitution, if revised, would give the next generation its system of government for the next 10 to 15 years.

Some people believe that current constitution needs some revision.

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Citizens Against a Constitutional Convention say a revised constitution could lessen union perks, prohibit funding for abortion or eliminate the forever wild provision that keeps Adirondacks and Catskills land accessible to the public.

I believe there should be a convention. After all, do we really want to be governed by an

outdated constitution? Or do we want a newer, updated constitution?

Thomas P. Craig

Voorheesville

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Harder acknowledges Bethlehem's farmers

Editor, The Spotlight:

The town of Bethlehem is half suburban and half rural, yet the agricultural section seems to be ignored as an important area of town.

In LUMAC's land use plan, the farming community deserves to be supported in its effort to survive as a vital segment of our business community.

The struggle of the farmers is well-known, and the town should be doing more to alleviate the difficulties they face. One way to help

is to reduce real property assessments and taxes on farmland.

Implementation of some recommendations in the LUMAC plan should be reconsidered because such a plan will create hardships for farmers. The plan is counterproductive to their livelihood and makes little sense.

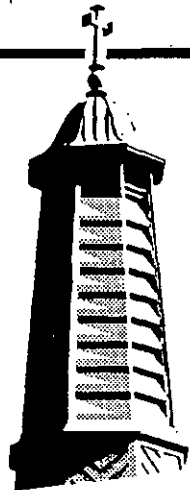
A lifetime of hard work by farmers should be applauded and appreciated by all of us.

We should recognize and acknowledge the value of farming, an environmentally sensitive industry, which is an essential component of the town's economic base.

George T. Harder

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Harder is a Democratic candidate for Bethlehem town board.



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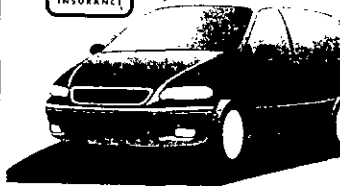
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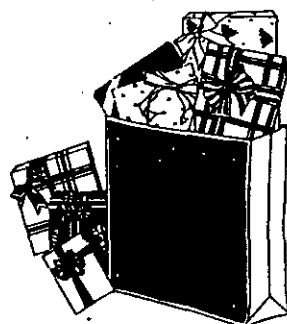
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Temporary disability prompts profound overview

Editor, The Spotlight:

In many ways what I have to say has already been said.

Nevertheless, repetition and perhaps a somewhat fresh approach, may help increase the level of consciousness of the general public toward those who either temporarily or permanently physically challenged.

My motivation for writing this piece is based on a minor accident while mountain climbing that resulted in a knee injury that has forced me to use crutches for short walks and a wheelchair for the times when I must attend business-related meetings.

The ascent was relatively easy and my efforts were rewarded with exceptional views. After resting, I began the descent. Halfway down, loose gravel, and perhaps inattentiveness, led to a spill. One moment hiking — the next moment intense pain above my left knee. With the help of my fellow hikers, I was able to return to the car — albeit two hours late.

A visit to the emergency room was followed by an appointment with an orthopedic surgeon. Diagnosis — torn quadriceps muscle and tendon — prognosis six to eight weeks in a leg-immobilizer using crutches followed by an equal amount of time for physical therapy. I was lucky — the likelihood of surgery is minimal and full recovery is expected.

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What was not expected was the psychological impact that has accompanied my temporary physical limitations. For someone who has always been independent, the need for assistance in carrying out the most menial tasks (bathing, access to rest rooms, negotiating heavy doors) has humbled and confused me. Should I ask for help? Should I feel guilty for needing that help? Should I feel angry when people don't offer help?

These feelings were compounded when I recently attended an out-of-town business meeting. Traveling first-class resolved many of my concerns. However, the expected wheelchair was not available at the hotel, and I was forced to hobble along on crutches. The next day, the wheelchair arrived. Finally, I was independent, or so I thought.

My inexperience in using a wheelchair was compounded by the crowded meeting rooms; the restroom doors with handicapped signs that were nearly impossible hurdles for someone whose leg was sticking out in front of him; the effort in talking to people who are three feet taller than me.

Although I became somewhat

adept at handling these physical limitations, I was unprepared for the additional feelings of helplessness caused by my need to depend on others who unselfishly provided transportation. I quickly decided that I would rather struggle on crutches than use a wheelchair. Thus, I am considerably more fortunate than others.

What lessons have I learned that I can take with me when I am no longer handicapped?

First, although it is often easy to identify with those who are physically challenged, it is less obvious that there may be unresolved emotional consequences of these injuries that in many cases are as great as the more evident physical trauma.

Second, greater efforts need to be made on all levels (town, county, state and federal) to truly make facilities handicapped accessible. Restrooms with signs designating handicapped toilets, but with doors requiring the strength of Hercules to open, are a cruel hoax.

Third, under no circumstances should handicapped parking spaces be used by anyone who does not truly need the space. Cherish the ability to walk!

Finally, those who are handicapped are not second-class citizens — they are normal people who, because of disease or accidents, are challenged in a specific way. Except for offering aid when

it is appropriate, treat us as you would anyone else.

Has my rambling made any sense? Are my feelings shared by others who are either temporarily or permanently challenged? I'm

not sure, but remember, in the blink of an eye one of us could become a member of this special group.

Richard F. Seegal

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Supervisor candidate spells out party platform

Editor, The Spotlight:

I am writing this letter as the Democratic/Preservation candidate for Bethlehem town supervisor. My purpose is to emphasize the importance of local economic development, the necessity for seeking alternative sources of revenue within the town and the urgency of injecting a political mix on the town board Nov. 4.

Since 1994, Bethlehem has lost some \$80 million from its commercial and industrial tax base. Unfortunately, our elected officials have failed to do anything more than acknowledge the problem.

In 1995, the Democratic candidates proposed the creation of a town office for economic development, to be run by a full-time director whose primary function would be to solicit and facilitate the growth of new business and the placement of new commercial office space in Bethlehem.

The proposal died with the election of Republican candidates who, since then, have failed to offer an alternative. Meanwhile, the gap between projected revenues and expenditures increases. How will this trend affect the average

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homeowner if permitted to continue? The sobering truth can be found in the proposed 1998 budget.

While the official spin on the new budget is that it features an 85 cent reduction on the average home assessed at \$130,000, the sad reality is that the budget contains a \$1 million shortfall which has been closed by raiding the treasury and appropriating the surplus funds, \$775,000 of which will be used to balance the general operating fund alone.

The highway and sewer funds are also balanced by invading the surplus account.

Is this a big deal? It will be in 1999 when there is no surplus to siphon off. The difference will be reflected in your tax bill. The town must expand its commercial and industrial tax base or face significant annual tax increases or a corresponding reduction in services.

The Democratic/Preserva-

tion candidates are committed to the economic revitalization of Bethlehem. We are convinced that this can be achieved only through the creation of an office for economic development.

The town board is neither designed nor equipped to market the town within the business community. The easy-going, "let's see what happens" approach to commercial development is costing Bethlehem taxpayers dearly and will continue to do so until the town board receives a political transfusion.

Economic revitalization is the centerpiece of our platform and the springboard for future expansion of town amenities, primarily our parks and recreational facilities. Every town resident and every local merchant benefits from a strong local economy.

However, the Democratic/Preservation candidates would go beyond merely soliciting new business and commercial office space. Bethlehem has considerable natural and social resources which, until now, have been virtually ignored.

A teen center, a town sportsplex

and a senior services center will become reality only when and if our local government changes the methods by which it raises its revenue, a change will only occur with the infusion of new ideas.

Political balance carries another benefit — informed review of major capital undertakings, requests for zoning changes and residential and commercial development projects. The necessity for such review is amply demonstrated by the Hudson River filtration plant, a \$13.9 million monument to one-dimensional thinking.

In 1993, when the Democratic candidates questioned the propriety of spending such a large amount of money on a project with no demonstrated track record, they were characterized as being "all wet."

In 1997, with the plant producing only one-third of its design capacity as a result of a major design flaw in the infiltration system, it is the Bethlehem taxpayer who is all wet.

On behalf of the Democratic/Preservation candidates, I urge all voters to consider the economic programs presented by each party and to make a special effort to vote Nov. 4.

Matthew J. Clyne

Glenmont

BC district should meet boy's needs

Editor, The Spotlight:

My heart ached as I read the letter from Joan Coffey in the Oct. 15 edition.

Shame on all of those who have not met her son's needs at Bethlehem Central Middle School.

I am sure she knows a good attorney.

Maureen Roberts

Delmar

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Kiwanian asks litterers to clean up their act

Editor, The Spotlight:

As one who has spent countless hours picking up litter during highway cleanup days, I feel I can speak as an "expert" on trash.

I've picked up trash along Route 9W, the Delmar Bypass and Cherry Avenue, and there are some generalizations which can be made regarding the type of litter found on our highways.

People will throw out almost anything including bottles, cans, tires, rugs and pillows. I'm sure husbands and wives are not immune, but we haven't found any spouses along the road yet!

It is obvious that the five cent refund on recyclable bottle and cans needs to be increased and should also include iced tea, bottled water and other drinks currently not covered.

The amount of trash is found directly related to the distance from a convenient store or drive-through eatery. At about two miles from the source of the coffee or soda, the number of containers thrown from cars increases.

Much of the litter originated from Stewart's or McDonald's. Wouldn't it be nice if all convenient stores donated some of their personnel to help clean up the highways?

Marlboro seems to be the favorite brand among cigarette smokers and seems to be the one pack most likely found along the highway. Is it really asking too much to throw the

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empty pack in a trash barrel when you get to your home or office?

Bags of food, leftover fries and half-eaten hamburgers attest to the fast food dilemma — it must be consumed before you reach your destination or tossed.

Plastic oil containers, auto parts, and plastic and paper materials blown from open trucks round out the list.

Perhaps we merely need to remind people that our highways are not landfills, and that we need to protect the scenic beauty of our roads as well as our countryside.

Please try to use a litter bag or some other container to hold your debris until you get home. Some litter is bound to attract rodents or other varmints, causing potential health hazards.

In order to make our highways a bit cleaner, Delmar Kiwanis will hand out free litter bags at various locations in town on Nov. 1.

We encourage you to take one or two and to use them to make Bethlehem a nicer place for all of us.

Dominick DeCecco

Slingerlands

Concerned citizen urges two-party system vote

Editor, The Spotlight:

Do the residents of Bethlehem believe in the American system of government — the two party system?

All Bethlehem voters are being asked to express their views on this critical issue at the polls Nov. 4. Do we want our town to be ruled by a single party, with no discussion of major issues, no debate, no differing opinions? This is not the American way.

To have the best government and the best town we possibly can, we need a government that is representative of the different viewpoints that exist here.

We hear these opinions in restaurants, at the supermarket, at the post office. The place above all where we should hear them is in our town government.

Do we believe in the two-party system? Then we must come out and vote on Nov. 4 and make American democracy a reality in Bethlehem.

It's up to us.

Martha L. Gershun

Delmar

Fax it to us

Why not fax your letters to *The Spotlight* at 439-0609? Remember, all letters must carry the writer's signature, address and phone number.

Letters are subject to editing in keeping with our rules for fairness, accuracy, style and length.

Five Rivers open house set Nov. 1

A youth group open house will be held on Saturday, Nov. 1, from 1:30 to 4 p.m. at Five Rivers Environmental Education Center on 56 Game Farm Road in Delmar.

The program will assist Scout and youth groups that are working toward completion of badge requirements on environmental topics.

Center naturalists will present on-going workshops in bird identification, endangered species, trees of New York State and animals and their habitats.

Workshops will be participatory and include hands-on activities. Come prepared to think, discuss, handle specimens, watch birds and go outdoors.

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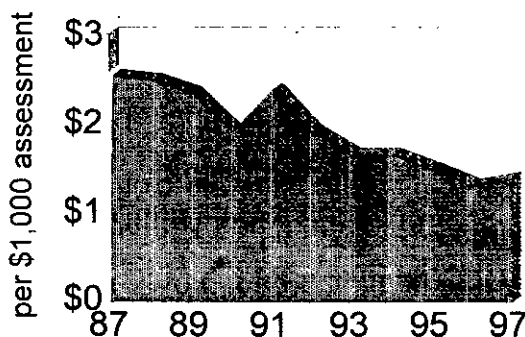
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New Scotland group to offer Joslin essay award

The New Scotland Historical Association will offer the fourth annual E. Dayton Joslin History Prize for the best history essay by a seventh-grade student residing in the town of New Scotland.

The first place winner will receive a \$100 cash prize. Second, third and fourth-place winners will receive \$50, \$25 and \$10 respectively.

The essay topic can be any as-

pect of the town of New Scotland that the student finds of interest—the town's settlement, a particular industry, a key event such as the anti-riot war, or an important personality who has had an influence on the town's development.

The essay should be no more than 500 words or two double-spaced typewritten pages. It must be accompanied by a bibliography. All essays must be typed.

Although students may interview adults in the town to obtain historical information for the essay, students must compose the essay themselves.

Parents, teachers or other resource people can help with typing and the correction of grammar and spelling.

The essay must be completed and mailed to New Scotland Historical Association, PO Box 541,

Voorheesville 12186-0541 by Wednesday, Nov. 26.

The town's municipal historian Robert Parmenter and local author Laura Ten Eyck will judge the contest.

Winners will be notified by Dec. 15 and awarded their prizes at the February meeting of the association.

The E. Dayton Joslin Prize essay will be published in the association's newsletter.

Senior department offers health programs

Bethlehem Senior Services Department will sponsor 11 health and wellness programs.

The programs are presented by public health nurses, a nutritionist, a social worker and an occupational therapist from the county Health Department.

The sessions are designed to promote nutrition, healthy bodies and mental well being.

Programs will be held at Bethlehem town hall on 445 Delaware Ave. in Delmar on Thursdays, from 1:30 to 2:30 p.m. through Dec. 18.

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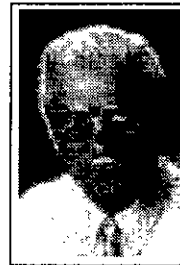
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- ★ Member of the Voorheesville PTA and the Albany County Historical Society
- ★ Operated a restaurant and gift shop in Lake George each summer for the last 18 years.



Douglas T. Shearer for Supervisor

- ★ Long time veteran of the New York State Police and Navy veteran
- ★ Owner and operator of a family business in the Town, Doug's Wallpapering and Painting
- ★ 23 year member and the Administrator of the New Salem Volunteer Fire Department. In 1996, named Fireman of the Year.



Mark S. Pelersi for Town Council

- ★ Certified Public Accountant and a practicing attorney. Member of the New York State Bar Association
- ★ Authored a chapter on Buying and Selling a Small Business in an upcoming reference book for attorneys practicing in New York State.



Corinne Cossac Town Clerk

- ★ New Scotland Town Clerk for 18 years.
- ★ Member and Past President of Helderberg Business and Professional Women Organization.



Marilyn Holmberg Tax Collector

- ★ New Scotland Tax Collector for 10 years.
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Bethlehem Recycling Corner

By Sharon Fisher, town recycling coordinator

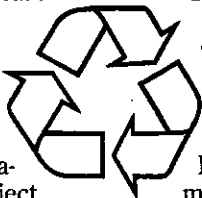
November 1997 is the second environmental month of the year. The first will always be April when Earth Day commenced the third Saturday of the month 27 years ago.

Saturday, Nov. 15, is America Recycles Day, a statewide awareness event sponsored by Clean Texas 2000, a public education and information project of the Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission that started in 1994. This year's Recycle Day has gone nationwide. It is a grand opportunity to persuade detractors that recycling is alive and well. The theme is Keep Recycling Working: Buy Recycled.

The National Recycling Coalition initiated the call to states to join into this celebration. As a goal, NRC thought that 20 states would become participants. They doubled the goal! Forty states will be celebrating America Recycles Day in 1997.

New Yorkers are spreading the word about NY/America Recycles Day. Events will be held in various parts of the state relating to recycling. Municipal and county governments across the state are sign-

ing recycling/buy recycled proclamations. The Town of Bethlehem will be signing a proclamation on November 12, at the Town Board meeting.



Each resident of the Town can show the commitment to recycling too, by signing a pledge card and returning it to the Department of Environmental Conservation. These cards will be entered into a drawing for prizes containing recycled content materials. The national grand prize is an American Dream House built primarily with recycled content and energy efficient products. Pledge cards can be obtained at the Recycling Coordinator's Office at the Highway Garage, 74 Elm Avenue East or on the front table at the Town Hall. The pledge cards must be sent to the NYSDEC by November 15, in order to qualify for the grand prize drawing.

Watch for activities in the Capital Region that will take place on and before November 15, NY/America Recycles Day. If you would like more information please call the Recycling Coordinator, Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to noon. Thanks for Recycling.

Delmar Kiwanis install officers

The Kiwanis Club of Delmar recently installed new officers.

They are: Susan Matterson, president; Steven Meyers, first vice president; David Perry, second vice president; Rip Riopelle, treasurer; and Anne Crawford, secretary.

Mark Becker, Jim Krathaus, Mike Jenkins and Curt Matterson will serve on the board of directors.

Tom Hyde is the immediate past president. He will continue to serve on the board this year.

Kiwanis International's major focus during 1997-98 is a program called Young Children: Priority One.

The club supports Toys for Tots, bike day, senior lunch bunch, Salvation Army fund-raising, mobile meals at Saint Peter's Hospital, adopt a highway, immunization clinic, Bells of Life for Albany

Medical Center Children's Trauma Unit, flea market and craft show, pancake breakfast and the Key Club at Bethlehem Central High School.

Kiwanis International includes 8,600 clubs with 315,000 members in 83 nations. Last year, Kiwanis clubs donated more than \$100 million and almost 6 million volunteer hours for community service projects.

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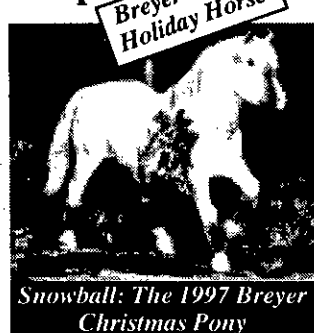
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serves to receive the attention and support they need to succeed.

I support this plan because all the money will directly benefit our children's education. Bond act funds will be distributed equally across the state to needy schools, with upstate and suburban schools receiving 60 percent of the \$2.4 billion, or about \$1.4 billion. The Board of Regents and the Commissioner of Education should decide where funding is needed, and school districts should maintain classrooms

Point of View

repaired with bond act money.

I strongly urge voters in our community to join me in taking the next step toward ensuring educational excellence by voting for the School Facility Health and Safety Bond Act on Nov. 4. Our schools and children need to know that a quality education is essential for future success.

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relations ploy that raised even more questions about the ultimate purpose of the bond act.

This much is clear — passage of Proposition 3 would create enormous new potential for fiscal abuse. There is nothing to stop the Legislature from using bond money as a substitute for the existing building aid appropriation, which is conservatively financed on a pay-as-you-go basis. This is the kind of budget gimmick that earned New York one of the nation's lowest bond ratings.

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While we don't know how the bond money will be allocated, we do know that a lot of the state's school construction money is already being misspent.

For example, school districts across New York are now forced to waste up to \$85 million a year to comply with asbestos removal standards that are completely unnecessary from a health and safety standpoint, according to the state Education Department. Unfortunately, that waste will continue — because Silver blocked Gov. George Pataki's proposal to let school districts conform with less costly federal standards for asbestos abatement.

We still need a better system for identifying and prioritizing needed school repairs, and we

need to provide districts with more financial incentives to invest in preventive maintenance. But we don't need more massive state borrowing to do those things.

While New York City continues to have well publicized school building problems, the city also has embarked on a four-year, \$5 billion capital plan to correct them. And taxpayers in districts in Colonie and Bethlehem have already invested heavily in school buildings. They won't get any benefit from this bond act, but will get stuck with a share of the bill.

Our children deserve the best school buildings we can afford. But they shouldn't be saddled with billions of dollars in unnecessary new state debt to pay for them.

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This edition is full of detailed surveys of local and outlying hospitals with maternity services.

Comparative charts of hospital responses and state Department of Health statistics are included, as are discussions of a birthing center and home birth.

The book contains information about labor supporters, independent childbirth educators, postpartum support, breast-feeding support-including contacts for La Leche League leaders and independent lactation consultants, child care resources, special needs resources, crisis services and pertinent government offices.

Having a Baby in the Capital District is available at The Book House in Stuyvesant Plaza, The Blue White Rainbow on New Karner Road in Guiderland and the Women's Building in Albany.

Copies can also be ordered from The Mothers' Center of the Capital District, PO Box 3175, Albany 12203. Send check or money order for \$5.95 plus \$1 for shipping payable to The Mothers' Center.

The Mothers' Center is a volunteer organization that offers support and educational services to parents and provides them with a place to meet and share experiences. It helps alleviate the isolation of parenting.

The center has drop-in social programs every Friday from 9:30 a.m. to noon. It also offers educational lectures, support and discussion groups, mom and tot activity programs, a play group network and special events.

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Beth Dana of Albany (background), an eighth grader at Albany Academy for Girls, assists Adelaide Mulhfelder of Slingerlands with use of the internet and basic computer skills.

Lab school holds open house

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Speaker to discuss local Indian way of life Nov. 5

David Rickert will discuss Iroquois Indians and their relationship with the Mohicans and other river peoples at a meeting of the New Scotland Historical Association on Wednesday, Nov. 5, at 8 p.m. at the Wyman Osterhout Community Center on 7 Old Road in New Salem.

Rickert will focus on the perspective of a local American Indian. Rickert is an education specialist at the American Indian wing of The Fenimore House in Cooperstown.

Everyone is invited to attend

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this free program. Refreshments will be served.

Church to dish up Saturday breakfast

New Salem Reformed Church on Route 85 will serve an all-you-can-eat pancake break-fast on Saturday, Nov. 1, from 7:30 to 11:30 a.m. Breakfast includes plain and blueberry pancakes, french toast, bacon, sausage, juice, tea and coffee. The cost is \$4 for adults and

\$2.75 for children ages 6 to 10. Children under 5 eat for free.

Fall cleanup under way in New Scotland

The annual fall cleanup is under way until Nov. 21 in the town of New Scotland. The highway department will pick up lawn and yard debris that is bagged in biodegradable bags and placed at the curb.

Brush and tree limbs must be stacked neatly at the curb with cut ends facing the road. Limbs no longer have to be cut into four-foot lengths. The town's new chipper accepts longer and larger limbs.

Biodegradable bags can be purchased Monday through Fri-

day from 7 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at the town highway garage on Route 85. The cost is 35 cents each or three for \$1. For information, call 765-2681.

Kids will have in class parties

There won't be a school-wide Halloween parade at the elementary school this year. Children in kindergarten through second-grade can bring costumes for their class parties. Most classes will hold small Halloween parties at the end of the school day on Friday, Oct. 31. Teachers will inform parents about the policy for different grades.

Don't forget to vote next Tuesday

Remember to vote Tuesday, Nov. 4. Polls throughout the town of New Scotland are open from 6 a.m. to 9 p.m. Town residents will be voting for supervisor, two town council seats, town clerk, justice, tax collector and highway superintendent.

Seniors planning luncheon Nov. 5

The New Scotland senior citizens group is planning a covered dish luncheon for Wednesday, Nov. 5, at 12:30 p.m. at the Wyman Osterhout Community Center on 7 Old Road in New Salem. Everyone should bring a dish to share and their own place setting.

Dionysians to perform four plays

The Voorheesville Dionysians will present a quartet of plays on Friday and Saturday, Nov. 7 and 8, at 8:15 p.m. at the high school. The four plays are *Rabbit*, by David Foxton, *The Veldt*, by Ray Bradbury, *The Xero Sum Mind*, by Stephen Gregg and *The Handicapper General*, by Kurt Vonnegut.

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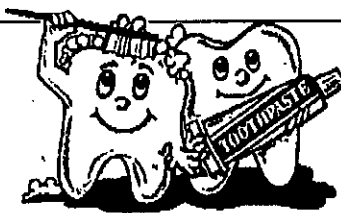
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Computers make themselves at home and indispensable

By Katherine McCarthy

"We don't have CD-ROM on our computer," my children respond mournfully when asked what their favorite computer game is. We also don't have voice or color graphics. Our printer is neither laser nor color; what else can you expect from people whose computer still uses disks that really are floppy? Our only saving grace is that we can access the Internet, where the children occasionally check out the Cartoon Network's site, my husband reads Irish newspapers, and I stay up way too late every night, using "she-mail" to ponder life with old friends scattered around the globe. Someday, we too will have the coveted CD-ROM, voice capability, built-in modem, internal fax, and all the other bells and whistles that will no doubt become obsolete as soon as we shell out the princely sum that could make a couple of mortgage payments or take us on a nice family trip. But as the millennium approaches, we too will need to be up to date, so I checked with a few local people to see exactly what I was missing, and the roles computers play in their homes. Nancy Smith, library media specialist at Bethlehem's Elsmere and Slingerlands elementary schools, says that computers, especially the Internet, are providing information in quantities unlike ever before. "A home computer affords the ability to recognize how many sources there are," she said. "When you're hooked up to the web, you see how much information is out there, and how it can be accessed." The Smith's home computer keeps their lives organized. "I find it necessary to have a word processing program," Smith

said. "We also do our scheduling on the computer, and print out a calendar that we keep in the kitchen. We do a lot of e-mail, and we're always on the Internet."

The Smiths even do a little shopping on their computer. Sixteen-year-old Peter is an astronomy buff who recently sold one telescope and bought another via the Internet. Smith's mother shopped for and bought furniture from a North Carolina manufacturer with a few keyboard strokes instead of a long car ride south. Smith also sees CD-ROM programs as good for children's reading skills.

"It increases their vocabulary with the reading involved with the programs. Kids can also gain math facts, or use an encyclopedia with CD-ROMs. A lot depends on the program, though," Smith advises parents to read software reviews, which are available in a large selection of parenting magazines.

"Parents also frequently ask librarians what to buy, what's appropriate for their kids. The public library is also lending CD-ROMs, which is another way to get good software."

Smith said she would be hard pressed to say that children without computers in the home are at a disadvantage.

"If a parent is reading a lot to them, then that's great. Kids are also intuitive and not afraid, so they catch up quickly when they're exposed to a computer, which is usually in kindergarten."

Glenmont resident Diane Christensen sells newspaper software for Vision Data Equipment Corporation and educational software for Bright Ideas, a division of Addison Wesley Publishing.



Chelsea and Michael Rondinaro take a virtual tour of Italy on their computer at home.

Katherine McCarthy

"Kids don't need computers," she said, but Christensen has found them to be a positive alternative to television for her two children, Chelsea and Michael Rondinaro, who are 8 and 5.

"My daughter was sick all week," Christensen said, "and she didn't ask to watch TV once," spending a lot of her time on the computer instead. Chelsea Rondinaro said she prefers the computer because she gets to choose what she does.

Christensen said there is "wonderful, wonderful educational software out there. A good program is highly interactive, and the child is really involved in what happens." Christensen pointed out the American Girl software, which allows a child to write a story based on the popular series of books. The computer is an important management tool in the Christensen/Rondinaro house-

hold. "I send and receive faxes from the computer," Christensen said. "We pay our bills and balance the checkbook with our computer. I've created advertisements on the computer and printed them out on the laser printer, and our kids do party invitations with the color printer."

Christensen reviews software for Parent Pages, a new Capital District parenting publication, and said she also relies on other reviews for purchasing software for her children. Christensen also says today's software is extremely easy to operate. "Most of the time, you don't even need to read a manual," she said.

Christensen is also a fan of the Internet.

"If you're a person interested in looking things up, it's great. I used to always be running to the library, and now I do things from home." Christensen pointed out the need for caution with

children and the Internet.

"Virtually every profitable web site is pornographic," she said. "A lot of parents want blocking software when their children are young, and pay attention to what their older children are doing." In a sort of Orwellian moment, Christensen said she read reviews of blockers on the Internet itself.

Martha Pellettier of Elsmere runs a home business made much easier with her computer. Pellettier distributes books put out by the state Department of Health and the Department of Environmental Conservation. "I do my invoicing, inventory, customer lists, tracking and work sheets with the computer," she said. Pellettier had done the job with a typewriter, and says that the computer has made it "much easier." It really cuts down on my time." She also has a web page, overseen by the corporate office. Pellettier is a believer in

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Used systems can fulfill modest needs

By Kathryn Caggianelli

If you're looking for state-of-the-art virtual playgrounds and all of the online magic that contemporary gurus are into, you may not be interested in what the hand-me-down computer market has to offer.

But for those with more modest needs, there still exists a supply of aging components that can be bought for a fraction of their original prices. If you shop wisely, you may even be able to have a system custom-built that will grow with you, according to Michael Clarke of Upgrade U.S.A.

Clarke owns and operates the shop located across the hall from C.V.S. Pharmacy and next door to Ario's Pizzeria in Northway Mall. Computers that are I.B.M. compatible are part of his inventory and he normally has two or three refurbished models on hand at all times. Clarke's shop is unique because it features an inventory that includes custom-built models as well as hand-me-downs. "I can build a system to meet a person's needs," he said. "One advantage of designing a system is that we can build it so that it will grow as the customer's needs change."

Clarke carries machines from manufacturers like Hewlett Packard and Packard Bell and calls these end-of-the-road models because of their limited capabilities. "These make

excellent starter computers, but when the owner's needs grow he will either have to upgrade the system or update the machine, and that's how we end up with our inventory of refurbished models," he said.

Clarke and his team can

You can walk into Clarke's shop and expect to spend anywhere from \$350 to \$400 for one of the older models that comes complete with a monitor, or more than twice that amount for a brand new system, depending on how contemporary the technologies are.

upgrade systems for customers, but the extent of the innovation is largely dependent on the capabilities of the base model. "A lot of these older computers are not upgrade-friendly," Clarke said. "A customer usually ends up going out and buying a new unit or having one built for them. I tell them to look for something that will give them flexibility down the road."

You can walk into Clarke's shop and expect to spend anywhere from \$350 to \$400 for one of the older models that

comes complete with a monitor, or more than twice that amount for a brand new system, depending on how contemporary the technologies are, Clarke said. The highest Pentium class model with toys will cost about \$900 if you buy it from Clarke.

Since the shop also stocks new equipment, each piece is labeled accordingly, so you'll never have to wonder whether you're buying old or new.

"We must distinguish that the computers we upgrade are refurbished systems by law. If a system is absolutely brand new the tag will say so," said Clarke.

What's available today depends on what "take-outs" he's done with recent upgrades. "For instance, right now I have a 486DX266 processor, two generations old that runs 66 meg. It's a full system and we're selling it for \$600," Clarke said. "It includes a monitor, a keyboard, a mouse, a box and CD ROM. If they come in a full system we try to turn them around that way."

When a customer brings in an older system that he or she has outgrown and asks the shop to upgrade it, Clarke finds out what the person wants the system to be able to accomplish, then begins to design it.

"Someone with an older Pentium 100 may want to go to an MMX class Central Processing Unit (C.P.U.)," he said. "Their mother board doesn't

support that type of chip, so we switch to a new mother board. After their upgraded system is complete, we're left with a perfectly good P100 that we can incorporate into a new system or sell as is."

One of the drawbacks of the used market is its unpredictability, according to Clarke. "One week I may have five or six sitting here, the next week I won't have any," he said.

The newer software will not run in many of the older models, either, and that is another hurdle to overcome.

Clarke is currently advertising a brand new starter system that costs \$799. It's a GX133 from CYRIX with 16 megabytes of Random Access Memory (RAM), 1-Gigabyte hard drive, CD-ROM, 14 inch monitor, 3.5 inch floppy drive, DOS operating system and built-in sound card.

"This is not the typical system we offer here because its growth potential is limited," said Clarke.

What's the forecast for the future of hand-me-down computers? "The used market is not as strong as it used to be, but not everyone can afford to spend \$1,100 on a new machine," he said. "The new machines are what make the market for used computers. The original owners needed change and their computers could not offer it to them. Typically, what we do is try to build machines that people won't outgrow."

New models designed for simplicity

By Mary S. Yamin

Whether you are videoconferencing over the Internet, playing the hottest new games, creating a video with a soundtrack you composed or browsing on the World Wide Web, new computer models will make your experience easy and fun.

In their attempt to keep customers satisfied, computer manufacturers have abandoned fanfare for simplicity, speed and power.

"The market has been stagnant the past six to eight months," explained Mark Bogosian, owner of Castle Computers of Latham. "Most manufacturers — both in the Macintosh and PC platforms — are tapped out as far as coming out with new bells and whistles. There will be new technology announcements at the end of the year. Most of them deal with newer, faster models and networking configurations."

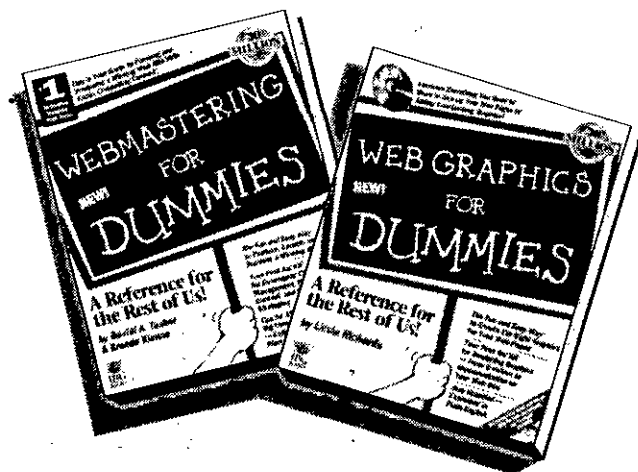
Macintosh is focusing on the Power Mac 6500 line. These systems are available with speed enhancements for improved performance and user experience. The system, which includes faster capacity internal modems and CD-ROMs, as well as larger capacity hard drives in most systems, are also the first Apple desktop systems with the new Mac OS 8 system software.

Bogosian said, "The systems are available in four configurations. The difference is the speed of the processor and the bundling. Their features meet the needs of home and small business customers."

• Power Macintosh 6500/300 Home Edition: 300 MHz/64 MB RAM/6 GB hard drive/24x-speed CD-ROM drive/Iomega Zip drive/56 kbps modem/512K-L2 cache/software — home bundle featuring learning/reference, games/entertainment, Internet access and personal productivity titles. Estimated retail price, \$4,449.

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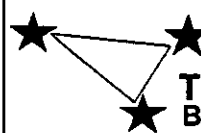
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New chips work magic on computers

By Bill Batchelder

Most of us who find personal computers a part of our lives are aware, to some extent at least, that the dramatic technological advances over the last decade or so that are reflected in these machines have resulted from the continuing improvement of semiconductor "chips."

Chips are those wafer-like devices which, when ganged together in the box we call our PC, allow us to perform functions that, not too long ago, would have taken a room full of expensive and cumbersome equipment. And, we perform these function faster and cheaper than was imaginable by personal computer users in the early '80s.

Each of these chips are near-microscopic versions of complete and complicated electronic circuitry — the kind that filled entire radio and TV cabinets not long ago. And, they've grown smaller, faster and cheaper on a fairly regular basis.

Watching the Sunday paper computer ad supplements each week, we know that the "standard" personal computer sold today gives the customer more memory and speed, and sells for less, than the "state-of-the-art" machine bought only a year or so ago. That's the way it has been with computers and their chips — almost constant improvement not only in personal

computers, but in electronic devices of all kinds.

Lately, however, some people, including "techies" inside the industry, have begun to say that chip advancement has "gone about as far as it can go."

That sentiment represents a challenge to the industry's Moore's law, which states that the performance of computer chips doubles about every 18 months.

The adage, named for Intel Corp.'s co-founder Gordon Moore, seemed in jeopardy, until a few industry leaders made rather dramatic announcements in the last couple of months.

The news, from IBM, Intel, Sematech, a research consortium formed by 10 leading manufacturers, is that a material that has been part of electricity almost since Ben Franklin flew his kite is suddenly once again on the cutting edge of technology.

The companies announced a breakthrough using this material that means new chips, already in production, will be 40 percent more powerful and considerably cheaper to make than the best chips available to date. Today the computer industry is singing "Welcome back, copper."

Copper? Yes, the metal that generations ago was strung

through homes to take advantage of the light bulb is suddenly back in the technology news. Copper has always been considered the material of choice for wiring.

Although not as efficient a conductor, aluminum has been replacing copper in many volume applications in recent years to save money.

In chips, aluminum has always been the conductor used — not just because of cost but also because it has been the only conducting metal that didn't "misbehave" in the process of producing silicone-based chips.

Copper and even precious metals with good conducting properties, such as gold, have been tried, but have always bled into the silicone base material of the chips and contaminated them.

Smaller usually means better in electronics. But as the size of the transistors inside newer chips were reduced to as little as .2 microns (about 500th the width of a human hair), aluminum's limits as a conductor were reached. The superior conductivity of copper was needed to proceed to the next level in computer chip development.

This summer, IBM, Intel and Sematech, announced various breakthroughs which together mean that new copper chips could now be made.

Education key to success on personal computers

By Ray Houghton

Do you suffer from "technophobic paralysis?"

If you're not sure, the following is a list of symptoms: software virus sickness, mouse bytes, video screen vision blurring, clicking kick-back, component self-destruction and/or jargon babble freeze.

How do you avoid this problem and become computer savvy? The answer is as old as time. It's education. Learning has always been and will always be the best way to conquer the fear of the unknown.

And there's never been a better time to learn about the personal computer (PC). The problem is the complexity of the computer.

Care does need to be applied when searching for the right computer classes to attend.

Nothing could be worse than to build up the courage to overcome technophobic paralysis and then attend a bad computer class. You may never recover.

So, what should you look for?

Small classes with no more than six students. Student questions can easily bog down an instructor teaching large groups.

Each student should have sole access to a PC, with a significant amount of class time set aside for exercises on the computer. Exercises should be accomplished with instructor assistance and supervision.

Students should be able to see their neighbor's computer, so that learning can be a shared experience. PCs should be arranged in centers with three or four computers in each center arranged in a semicircle.

One class is not enough. There should be many beginner classes that are oriented to applications the student wants to use the computer for.

There should be no prerequisites for any beginners' class.

The writer is owner of CyberHaus, a computer training firm in Delmar.

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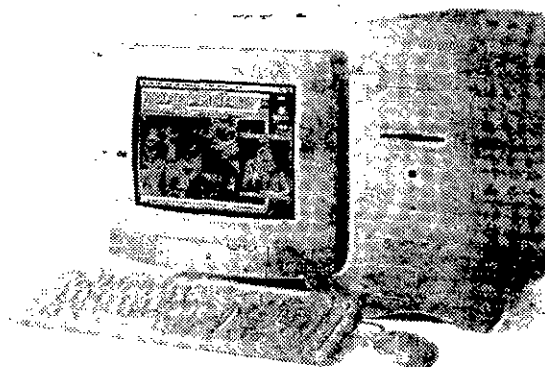
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Internet acts as great communicator

What is the Internet? While most people have heard of the Internet, there appears to be a bit of confusion as to exactly what it is.

The Internet is composed of a collection of thousands of computers that communicate with each other. If you can think of English as being the language of all Americans, then think of TCP/IP as the language of all computers on the Internet. TCP/IP stands for Transmission Control Protocol/Internet Protocol, and it is by using this "language" that computers, and

ultimately people, are communicating.

Millions of people use the Internet daily, all for the same purpose—communication. From the home user sending an e-mail message to a friend around the block or overseas to a company posting information on the Web about its products, think of the Internet as a communication tool.

But why is there so much commotion about this one?

Unlike the telephone, a person does not have to be on the other

end to receive your message. Unlike regular mail, an electronic message will get to its destination much faster, in seconds not days, and unlike radio and television, communication via the Internet is interactive. A person can choose what information they want to ac-

cess with great detail. In addition, the Internet will support all methods of communication, either written, audio or video.

network. The truth is that none of these services themselves are the Internet, they are simply part of its overall makeup.

Today, for about \$20 a month, you too can join in and become

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Many people assume that certain services available on the Internet are the Internet.

Some assume the World Wide Web is the Internet, others assume it is being able to send e-mail, and some even think it is the ability to access other machines over the

part of this communication revolution.

So the next time you hear someone talking about the Internet as a bunch of machines connected to other machines that allow you to browse the Web, send e-mail and post messages, tell them you know the real answer—it is perhaps the greatest communication tool ever invented.

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keeping things simple, though, and has, like us, not outfitted her computer to the max. "Things work better when they're simpler," she said.

Ray Houghton, owner of Cyber Haus on Delaware Avenue in Delmar, says they see a lot of families in their classes, but usually separately. "We have classes for 10-14 year olds, and over 14 goes into the adult classes. The younger kids are mostly interested in the World Wide Web and creating their own web page, adding animation and sounds to it. Among adults, many parents and grandparents want to learn what their children are doing, or to stay current in the workplace."

Houghton says he sees a lot of people using the computer to create signs for things like the PTA or soccer, or to create stationery. As for the Internet, Houghton says it often "is entertainment oriented, and replaces TV time." Houghton said it's hard to say if computer time is more valuable than TV. "One thing people like," he added, "is the one-on-one communication availability." It's hard to see other people with this cool technology and not want it immediately. Who wouldn't like a virtual tour of the Cathedral of St. John the Divine, or a cyber trip to Italy? With winter approaching, the thought of the children doing computerized math exercises or enhancing their reading skills is a lot more appealing than listening to them repeat, "Hello, hot sexy mama" as cartoon character Johnny Bravo does. So maybe a new computer for Christmas? Do they go on sale after the holidays? Maybe, with a new computer, I'll finally finish my version of the Great American Novel, pay off the computer bill with the advance from the publisher, go on Oprah, meet Harrison Ford while I'm working on the screenplay... hmmm, I like this virtual reality stuff!

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**Honor Society inducts
new V'ville members**

Clayton A. Bouton Junior/Senior High School recently held a ceremony to induct new members of the National Honor Society.

They are: Caryn Adams, Julianna Baron, Krysta Berquist, Meghan Conway, Megan Dorn, Cynthia Griffin, Jason Halpin, Brian Kern, Alison Leonard, Justin Maikoff, Ryan Nolan, Whitney Reed, Trinell Russel, Jeremy Scher, Jessica Stewart, Beth Tidd, Andrew Walter, Geoffrey Waltz, Brian Washburn, Erin Wiater, Lynette Winchell and Jessica Wuntch. Vasiliki Wolkwein is the honor society's adviser.

**Village features
local artwork**

Voorheesville's village office is displaying artwork by village residents. One to three pieces will be featured every month.

Ruth Mesick's oil paintings were enjoyed by visitors to the office in October. Artists who live in Voorheesville and would like to display their work should call Lauren Hatch or Diane Williams at 765-2692.

**Library collecting
local recipes**

Voorheesville Public Library is collecting local recipes for a cookbook to be published in conjunction with the 100th anniversary of the incorporation of the village of Voorheesville 1999.

The goal is to include a recipe from every home in the village. Several recipes can be submitted, but not all are guaranteed publica-

tion. Recipes should be double-checked for accuracy and mailed or dropped off at the library on School Road with your name and phone number on each one. Mark the envelope "Cookbook."

Stories or footnotes about the recipe can be added. No recipe will be published without the submitter's name. For information, call Barbara Vink at 765-2791.

**Congrats to winners
of PTA raffle**

Congratulations to the winners of the PTA's raffle. Leah Nicholson

won the Entertainment Ultimate Book, and John Schachne won the Entertainment Value Book.

The PTA reminds everyone that Friday, Oct. 31, is the deadline for hat, sweatshirt and jacket orders. Items won't be available again until spring. For information, call Trish Thorman at 765-4506.

**Delmar woman
joins honor society**

Tara Eaton of Delmar was recently inducted into the Irving Bacheller Society, the English department honorary society at St. Lawrence University.

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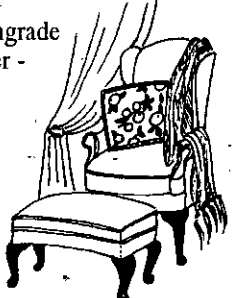
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Sketch club welcomes newcomers

The adult sketch club had a wonderful watercolor lesson last month, and we expect a number of people to bring their paints and

and newcomers are always welcome.

The Library Club for kids in grade-four through six meets on the second Wednesday of the month. A permission slip must be signed to participate.

They are available at the library from Joyce Laiosa or at the reference desk or at the elementary school office.

The next meeting is Nov. 12 at 3:30 p.m. The group will make books in celebration of National Young Readers Day.

If you are a fast reader, it's not too late to sign up and get a book

for the Nov. 12 book discussion meeting.

Copies of *Le Divorce* by Diane Johnson are available at the reference desk.

The showcase has several open months in 1998. If you have a collection that you would like to display, call the library to sign up.

You can view the library Internet homepage at <http://www.crisny.org/libraries/capreg/voorheesville>.

Barbara Vink

Voorheesville Public Library



continue working in that media.

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Quilters to meet at Delmar church

Quilters United In Learning Together will meet on Friday, Nov. 14, at 9:30 a.m. at First United Methodist Church on 428 Kenwood Ave. in Delmar.

The meeting will feature a talk by Tinal Gravatt.

Reunion organizers seeking classmates

Bethlehem Central High School class of 1987, will hold a reunion on Saturday, Nov. 29, at Normanside Country Club in Elmsere.

Reunion organizers are trying to find the following class members: Victoria Elizabeth Angelotti, Jeffrey M. Boyd, Michael Tim Boyle, Carolyn Marie Brooks, Kevin M. Broomall, Eric Chan, Amber Linda Cole, Pamela Crandell, Eric J. Downie, Carolyn Donato, Toby Dunmore, Richard Everett, James Joseph Helfer, Michael Hofer, Christina Honikel, Randy Huther, Edward Kenneth Knight, Scott Edward LaPointe, David LaPorte, Sherri Hope Levine, Annette Lent and Richard Jerome Lownes.

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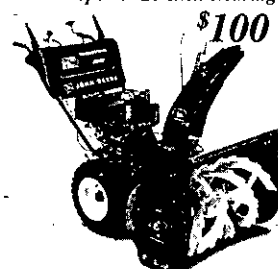
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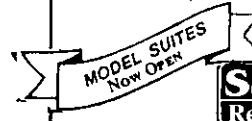


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Puppets to grace small case

Delmarresident Terry Rooney, formerly artistic director of Back Alley Puppets, exhibits original hand puppets in the small case in



November.

Rooney's puppet theater was active in France, Boston and the Albany area from 1976 to 1989. Rooney fashioned the sculptures and mechanisms, and his Back Alley colleague Angel Perez-Fuentes added paint and costumes.

Rooney learned the art of puppetry in France in the '70s. The initial impetus for his work was the famous puppetry tradition of 19th century Lyon, but his own puppets have evolved over the years into the articulated variety more common today.

The puppets in the exhibit were made for "The Magic Dog," based

on a Latin American folktale and performed in Paris and Boston between 1980 and 1984.

Once again the library galleries are pleased to feature Bethlehem Art Association's semi-annual juried member show. Winners in three categories — oils, watercolors and mixed media — will be included in November's exhibit.

With more than 100 members, the art association is one of the largest artist groups in the Capital District. In the 25 years since its inception, the group has included area artists of all ages and abilities, both novice and well-known.

The association convenes at the library on the third Thursday of every month. Meetings are free and open to the public.

Other November exhibits in-

clude Five Rivers Environmental Center, which will document the presence, variety and natural history of insect life. Mounted specimens, collecting tools and identification books will be included.

Gianni Contro's collection of assorted action figures will be on display in the youth services department. Gianni is a second-grader at Glenmont Elementary School.

Finally, library staff will honor the late Theodore Wenzl with a retrospective of the annual lectures that bear his name.

Wenzl was a longtime board member and advocate of education. The Wenzl lecture takes place in November during National Education Week.

Louise Grieco

Free concert slated for Bethlehem Library

A free concert celebrating the music of Mendelssohn, Schubert, and Brahms will be presented on Sunday, Nov. 2, at 3 p.m. at the Bethlehem Public Library on 451 Delaware Ave. in Delmar.

Pianist Flora Lu Kuan, soprano Ann Turner, violinist Paula Morelli and cellist Laurie Anderson Bishop will perform.

The concert will also feature 14 year-old pianist/cellist Felice Kuan, winner of the 1997 Empire State Youth Orchestra Concerto Competition.

The concert is free and open to the public.

For information, call 439-9314.

Autumn Fair at Delmar Church

First Methodist Church of Delmar will hold its Autumn Fair on Saturday, Nov. 8, from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the church on Kenwood Avenue.

The fair kicks off with a pancake breakfast at 8 a.m.

Highlights include handcrafted wooden items, crafts and collectibles, a Christmas boutique,

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Support groups meet

The county Department of Aging and the Caregivers Respite Program of Catholic Charities will hold grandparents support group meetings in Albany and Guilderland this month.

There are also meetings and workshops at the group's new site in Cohoes.

The support groups offer free assistance and advice to grandparents raising grandchildren.

Groups provide guidance to grandparents and surrogate parents with legal issues, financial concerns and emotional needs.

Participants have a chance to share their concerns with others in the same situation.

Support groups meet the second Thursday of the month from 6 to 7:30 p.m. at the Neighborhood Community Care Center at 340 First Street in Albany.

A group meets the second Monday of the month at 6:30 p.m. at Our Lady of Mercy Life Center on 2240 Western Ave. in Guilderland.

For information, call 478-9906.

College night at RCS Thursday

Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk High School is sponsoring a college application and information night Thursday, Oct. 30, at 7 p.m.

The meeting will take place at the senior high school, where college advisors and guidance counselors will be on hand to present information and answer any questions about the college application process.

Halloween parades Friday

Both Pieter B. Coeymans and Becker Elementary Schools will participate in Halloween parades

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Friday, Oct. 31.

Students in the Becker school will be giving their parade an interesting twist — they'll be parading as characters in books they have read.

High school hosts roller-skating night Nov. 3

Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk High School PTSA will sponsor an evening of district-wide roller skating Monday, Nov. 3.

The event will take place at Guptill's Arena in Latham from 7 p.m. to 10 p.m.

It is open to all members of the RCS community.

Spring soccer sign-ups this weekend

Sign-ups for spring soccer will continue Saturday, Nov. 1 from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. on the middle

school soccer fields.

Conferences tonight for parents and teachers

Parent-teacher conferences will be held Wednesday, Oct. 29.

There will be an early dismissal for children in kindergarten to eighth grade.

RCS Library sets open house Nov. 1

The Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk Community Library has moved from Main Street in Ravena to its new location on Mountain Road.

The public is welcome to visit the new facilities at an open house Saturday, Nov. 1.

Meeting date slated for RCS Sports Association

The Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk Sports Association will hold its next meeting Wednesday, Nov. 5 at 7 p.m. in Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk High School.

The meetings are open to the RCS community.



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Eagles shot down by Bishop Maginn

By Andrew Hartman

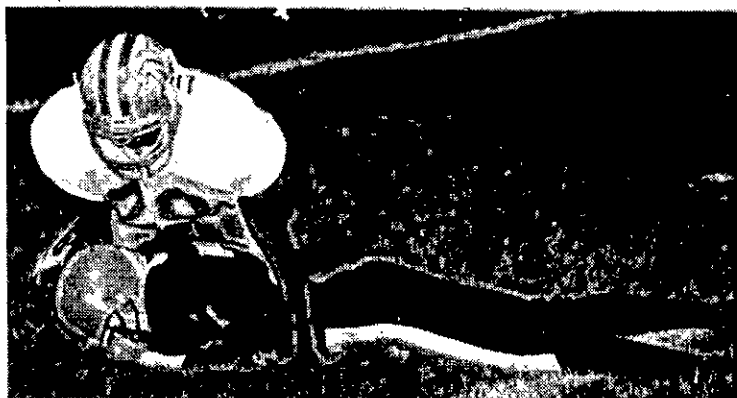
The Bethlehem Eagles scored four touchdowns in the final quarter of last week's game, but it was to no avail as Bishop Maginn advanced in Class AA sectional play with a 49-28 win.

The Griffins scored 49 unanswered points through the first three quarters of play.

One player in particular who gave BC a terrible night was running back Mike Grasso.

Grasso scored two touchdowns in the first quarter, including a 44-yard run to give the Griffins a 13-0 lead. He was later on the receiving end of a 60-yard touchdown pass in the third.

Bishop Maginn did not let up in the second quarter, attempting (and succeeding on) a two-point conversion after a 35-yard pass early in the second quarter for a 22-0 lead.



A Bishop Maginn defender hovers over a tackled Scott Kind. Rob Tocker

But, in a game of quarters, BC won the final period 28-0.

"We knew we were behind by a lot," said senior quarterback Rory McInerney. "We just tried to close the deficit a bit. The guys never gave up on this one."

The Eagles got on the scoreboard in the fourth quarter with a 12-yard run by junior run-

ning back Pat Hughes.

Senior running back Mike Smith scored two touchdowns, including the final score of the game, on runs of two and 17-yards.

McInerney lofted a 30-yard touchdown pass to fellow senior, wide receiver Scott Kind.

BCHS grad wins scholarship

Brigid Shogan of Delmar was recently awarded a Fred L. Emerson Foundation scholarship by Ithaca College.

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Shogan, a graduate of Bethlehem Central High School, is a senior majoring in performance and music education.

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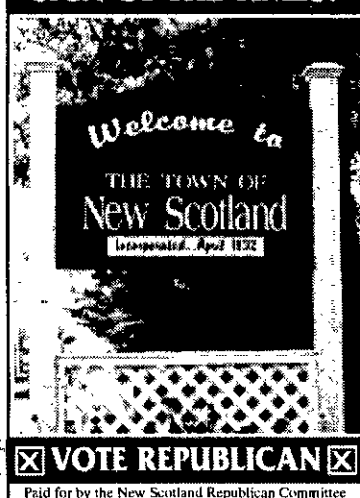
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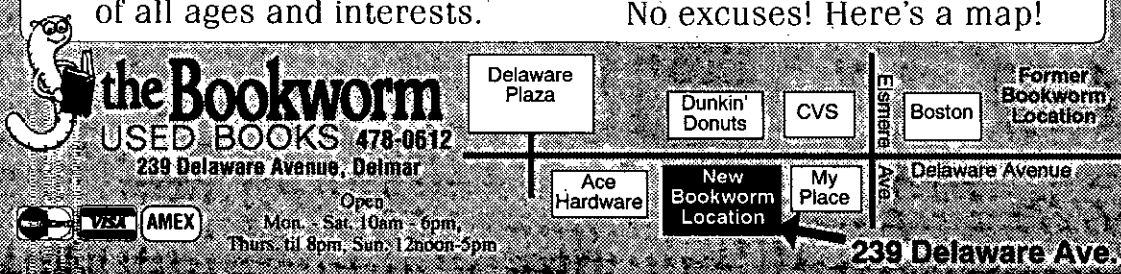
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RCS running back Ryan Merritt runs as Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk defeats Cobleskill 63-8 Friday night in the first game of the post season.

Doug Persons

BC swimmers lose to Shen

Malinowski breaks own pool record in 500 freestyle

The Bethlehem Eagles swim team lost 109-77 to an undefeated Shenendehowa squad recently at Bethlehem Central High School.

Opening the meet, Bethlehem won the 200-meter medley relay at a time of 1:59.27 behind Meaghan McBride, Kim Link, Elyse McDonough and Maggie Tettlebach.

Beth Malinowski had another record-breaking performance, besting her own pool record in the

500 freestyle to win with a time of 5:17.52. The previous record, which she set earlier this year, was 5:20.04.

Malinowski also placed first in the 200 freestyle (1:59.25).

McDonough placed first in the 50 freestyle (25.21) and the 100 freestyle (54.6).

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Eagles win division

By Christine Potter

The Bethlehem girls volleyball team tied Colonie for the division championship with a 9-5 regular season record.

The girls followed up a win over Gunderland, defeating Colonie in four games.

"The team's goal at the beginning of the season was to qualify for sectionals," said coach Sandy Vorse. "I think that it's great that they accomplished that."

Colonie took the first game, but BC fought back to take the next three, improving their record to 9-5.

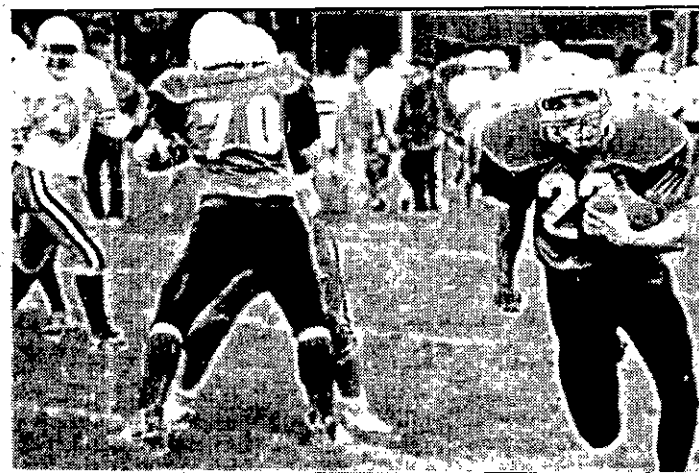
"It was the best overall game we've had all season," said Vorse. "All of the girls played up to their potential. It was a great overall team effort."

Maureen Carpenter played as a middle hitter and had eight kills. Megan Fish served the game point in each of the last three matches.

Jen Siniski did a good job on defense as well as passing the ball, said Vorse.

The team previously defeated Gunderland in four games, starting off the match with a 15-0 win.

Starter Jenna Grant was the top point scorer in serving, while Amy Tierney had five kills and Magan Sellnow had seven.



Blackbird Pat St. Denis returns a kick-off 75-yards for a touchdown in the third quarter.

Chris Bonham

Taconic beats Birds 20-12

By Meg McGinty

The Voorheesville Blackbirds lost 20-12 to the Taconic Hills Titans last week.

"I was really pleased with the way the team played as a whole," said assistant coach John Sittig. "Both the offense and the defense played well."

Both touchdowns for the Blackbirds were scored by junior Pat St. Denis in the second and third quarter. One of which came off of a 75-yard kick-off return in the third.

"Pat St. Denis and Kevin Griffin both had outstanding games," said Sittig. "They were constantly moving the ball throughout the duration of the game. I was also pleased with

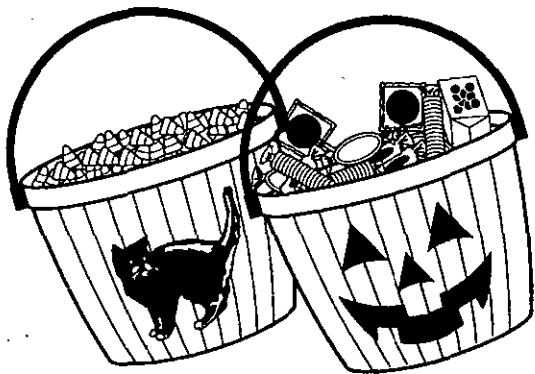
the way the offensive line played. They controlled Taconic Hills' defense the entire game.

The defense was led by Griffin, seniors Jim Burns, Ben Battles and junior Brian Washburn.

"In the first half of the game, Ben and Brian played incredible," said Sittig. "It was probably the best they have played all season and Kevin and Jim are just solid defensive players. Taconic Hills has a very good tailback and all four of those guys did a great job of blocking him."

The Blackbirds finish the season on the road at Chatham 7 p.m. Friday.

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Midget Eagles soar over Rotterdam

The Junior Pee Wee Condors B team lost to the Belmont Raiders 7-0.

Zachary Smith, Daniel Unright, Ryan Miller and David Sterrett all played strong on both sides of the ball.

Pop Warner

Ryan Paratore and Ryan Murphy both had fumble recoveries, but the Condors were unable to capitalize on them.

The team falls to 2-5 on the season and will travel to Greene County Sunday for their final game.

The Pee Wee Falcons lost their last game, 28-0 to a very strong South Troy team.

Will Ryan played on offense and defense, while **Jeffery Hines** and **Quinn Wilson** came up with big plays on defense.

Darnell Douglas' 65-yard return on the opening kickoff wound up being the Junior Midget Hawks saving grace as they tied Troy 6-6.

Strong defense efforts were put

in by **Nate Pannucci, Jeremy Irving, Steve Brunner and Anthony Irving.**

The Midget Eagles defeated the Rotterdam Raiders 22-7 last week.

Quarterback **Mark Bulger** continued to air out passes, including a 30-yard strike to **Aaron Griffin** in the third quarter.

Griffin set the pace for the team

with a interception in the first quarter.

John Cameron scored on a Bulger pass for the first score of the day.

Pat Heenan intercepted the ball twice, while **Mason Jones** recovered a fumble.

The team travels to Hudson Saturday for its final game.

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Nursing association hires Delmar woman

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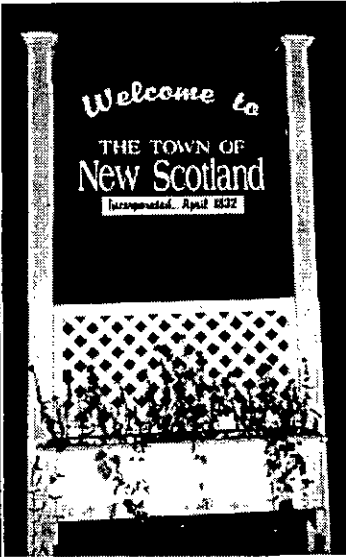
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Six 300 games bowled

Six bowlers recorded perfect games at Del Lanes recently, including one from a 17-year-old high school student attending Christian Brothers Academy in the Junior Classic League.

Del Lanes

Tim Boissey, Matt Kallner, John Bickle, Mike Stefanik, Rich Antonio and Larry Boomhower reached the 300 mark for a game.

Antonio, who is also a member of CBA's bowling team, reached the accolade on Saturday, Oct. 18 and finished with an 887 triple.

He has only been bowling for nine years.

Fred Oliver led senior citizen men in scoring with a 280-979.

Jeannine Fissette scored 190-524 for the senior citizen women.

Boissey, Kallner, Bickle and Stefanik reached perfection in the men's league. Stefanik led with an overall score of 1058.

Dave Dubin missed the 300 mark by one pin.

Erin Barkman led women in scoring with 257-851.

For adult/junior men, Phil Hausman led (269-735) while Beth Matthews was tops for women (257-681).

For boys, Matt Vnuk bowled 196-520 for the lead, Leanna Cady led all girls with 188-524.

In majors, Mike Filkins was top scorer with 212-587, while in juniors it was Greg Powell (214-630).

Jerad Raymond led preps with a score of 175-442.

Foundation members to get free trees

Ten free shade trees will be given to each person who joins the National Arbor Day Foundation during October.

The free trees are part of the nonprofit foundation's Trees for America campaign.

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To join the group and receive free trees, send a \$10 membership contribution to Ten Shade Trees, National Arbor Day Foundation, 100 Arbor Ave., Nebraska City, Neb. 68410.

Local athletes make headlines in college

BC grad leads SUNY Plattsburgh X-country

Bethlehem Central graduate Cara Cameron, now a member of the SUNY Plattsburgh cross country team, helped her team finish second at the SUNYAC Cross Country Championships last week.

Cameron, of Delmar, was the top finisher for the Plattsburgh Cardinals, placing eighth in a time of 19:28.

Plattsburgh finished second only to nationally ranked SUNY Cortland, and the team will travel to Saratoga to compete in a pre-NCAA Regional meet.

Ex-Blackbird a part of record winning streak

A former Voorheesville soccer player is a part of history, playing for the Herkimer County Community College soccer team.

Bryce Fortran, a 1996 graduate of Voorheesville, plays on the Herkimer team which currently has a 93-game winning streak.

He assisted on the one goal, scored by Jason Robinson, against No. 3 Broome Community College last week to set up the record tying win against Mohawk Valley Community College.

Fortran's mother and Robinson's father are 1973 Broome Community College graduates.

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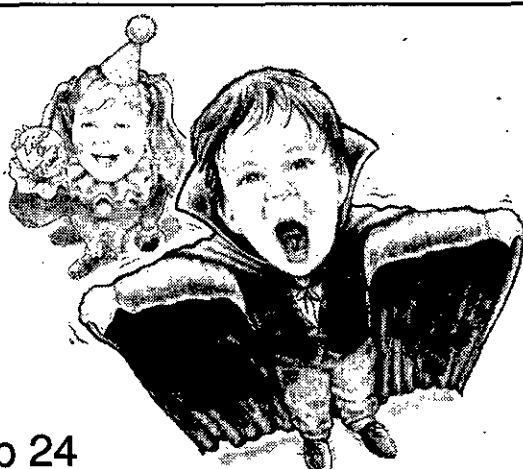
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Eagles beat Albany 6-2

By Karly Decker

The Bethlehem boys soccer team defeated Albany 6-2 behind the scoring of **Kevin Russell**, **Tim Copper** and **Andy Goodfellow**, who each scored twice.

Goalie **Justin Pinchback** had four saves.

Bethlehem started the second season on the up swing, ending the regular season with a 9-4-2 league (10-4-2 overall) record.

We picked a great time to step it up. Sectionals are extremely important to us.

Greg Cooper

"We picked a great time to step it up," said senior co-captain **Greg Cooper**. "Sectionals are extremely important to us."

Last Tuesday the boys breezed through Colonie, winning 7-0. Senior **Russell** scored twice for the Eagles.

BCHS presents pops concert

Bethlehem High School music department will present a pops concert on Thursday, Nov. 6, at 7:30 p.m. at Bethlehem Central High School on 700 Delaware Ave. in Delmar.

The evening includes performances by six choral groups including the select Sound System Singers.

The orchestra, wind ensemble, symphonic band and several small instrumental ensembles will entertain.

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Soccer

Pinchback had five saves.

The boys came out with a tie after Thursday's game against Niskayuna, 2-2. **Russell** tied the game off an assist from **Greg Cooper** in the second half, making the score 1-1.

The game went into overtime, where the Warriors scored in the first half of overtime. With four minutes remaining in the second half of overtime, **Moshier** tied the game with nine saves.

On Saturday, Bethlehem tied Burnt Hills 1-1, leaving both teams with the same league record.

"We were hoping for the wins, but it was no shame tying Niskayuna and Burnt Hills because they're both good teams," said **Moshier**.

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In "Slava!" the audience can hear vaudevillian razz-ma-tazz played on trombones as well as canonical tunes played on English horns. The two themes weave together with the addition of a theme from Moussorgsky's "Boris Goudonov."

For information, call 439-4921.

By Andrew Walter

With a dominating 3-1 victory over Taconic Hills on Saturday, the Voorheesville girls soccer team has shown itself to be a major force again in the C-CC class of sectional play.

In their first game of the post-season, the Ladybirds beat Taconic Hills by a decisive margin. Senior co-captain **Julia Guastella** scored the first goal of the same midway through the first half. The assist from freshman **Brittany Burnham**. Voorheesville brought the score 2-0 for halftime when

Lady Eagles crush Saratoga

By Tim Kavanagh

In the first round of the Section II girls soccer championship, Bethlehem outplayed Saratoga, beating them 4-0.

Soccer

The Eagle defense led the way as goalkeepers **Kim Comtois** (returning to the team after suffering an ankle bruise two weeks ago) and **Stephanie Sherman** shared playing time. The two only needed one save apiece to preserve the shutout.

"Our defense played great," said

Guastella scored off a direct kick.

The score went to 3-0 when junior **Whitney Reed** scored off a corner kick with only 7:12 left in the game. Taconic Hills' only goal was scored with less than two minutes to go on a shot by **Andrea Hurin**. Overall, Taconic Hills was out shot 29-3 by Voorheesville.

"I'm very much impressed with our play," said coach **Jim Hladun**. "We were ready today." Voorheesville was ready despite the loss of two veteran players, seniors **Regan Burns** and **Bethany Douglas**, due to injuries.

coach **Brett Miller**. "I think that Saratoga was only able to cross mid field a couple times."

Helen Bailey scored two, **Kerry Van Riper** and **Lauren Moshier** each scored one.

"It was a great all-around effort by the team, and it was good that we had some kids who don't normally score," said **Miller**.

The team takes on Shenendehowa in the sectional quarter finals this week. Shen gave BC tough matches during the regular season.

Miller said, "The key to the game is going to be intensity, we have to come to play."

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Regarding the coming sectional games, **Hladun** said, "I'm very thankful for where we are in the standings. The games will get tougher, but we should be ready for them."

Voorheesville, which finished as runner-up in the Colonial Council, is seeded third in the CC class.

The Ladybirds hit the road this week to play the winner of the Tamarac vs. Catskill game Wednesday.

Blackbirds soccer finish at 6-12

The Voorheesville boys soccer team finished the year at 6-12, following a 2-0 win over Waterford.

Goals were scored by juniors **Ryan Spanswick** and **Ryan Conley**.

The win over Waterford came after a 2-0 loss to Albany Academy.

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consolidated town offices and provided needed extra space for the supervisor, the town clerk and the justice clerks, he added.

Reilly said he has been "very careful about spending, with the people getting more services while we have reduced taxes."

In his overall tenure as supervisor, Reilly said he helped accomplish three new water districts (besides Northeast, Clarksville and Font Grove) and two extensions of the Swift Road water district, the new master plan and zoning law, the community center in New Salem, emergency paramedic service and eliminated a \$340,000 deficit when he first took office.

Besides serving as supervisor, Reilly also owns two Reilly & Son funeral homes in Voorheesville and Colonie.

Shearer said Reilly has helped "build up the idea that New Scotland is not business-friendly," and that he would change that.

He said he would try to attract clean manufacturers like Spaulding & Rogers and privately funded recreational facilities like a golf course.

Shearer disputed Reilly's claim to fiscal conservatism.

"He's increased spending ev-

ery year, helped by the extra sales tax revenue," Shearer said. "Maybe spending had to go up a little, but I'm not sure it had to go up as much as it did."

One of the reasons for his uncertainty about the budget is what he calls Reilly's aversion to open government.

"A lot of people are in two wage-earner families and don't have time to go to town hall to see what's going on," he said. "People have a right to easy access to see what elected officials are doing. We should definitely have a Web site, and maybe a newsletter, too."

Shearer also said he would serve as a full-time supervisor, passing his family business, Doug's Wallpapering and Painting, on to his wife and children.

"I can't be up a ladder in Colonie and handle the problems of this town," he said.

He charged that Reilly "devotes a considerable amount of time to his business during the working day. If he's at a funeral in Colonie, he can't be in town hall."

Shearer is a 23-year member of the New Salem Volunteer Fire Department, where he was Fireman of the Year in 1996.

The supervisor's job is considered full-time, and pays a salary of \$41,385 in 1997.

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Some congressmen appoint pages without going through a competitive process, she said.

As well as maintaining a solid 3.5 average for his freshman and sophomore years, and listing his extensive involvement in extra curricular activities, Kevin had to write an essay saying why he was right for the job.

"I'm interested in politics and would like to be a congressman one day," he said. "I thought this would be the best experience for that."

The application was sent in at the end of July. Three weeks later, Kevin learned he had won the appointment and would become one of an elite group.

"There were only two of us from New York, me and a girl from Westchester County," he said. "There are only 64 Congressional pages. Seniority determines which congressmen get them, so not every state has pages. Those that do usually have two pages."

Now Kevin's day begins before dawn at 5:15 a.m. in a House office building that serves as the pages' dormitory. After breakfast, the pages are off to school where they take intensive classes in five basic subject areas — English, math, foreign language, social studies

and government and politics.

"We do a lot of work. In math, we go through a chapter a day," he said.

That is why Powell is puzzled at the difficulty he is having getting BCHS to award him high school credit for his experience.

"I'm probably going to have to make up a lot of work when I get back and even go to summer school," he said, pointing out that the school considers the work he is doing as credit toward Participation in Government class rather than a more challenging social studies class. To his knowledge, he is the only BCHS student to ever serve as a page.

"They are saying my work as a Congressional page is like putting up a few campaign signs or attending a few town board meetings for Participation in Government," he said. "Other pages are getting grand treatment, their schools and towns are so thrilled to have them here."

Some pages are even awarded credit for gym because the job requires daily running or walking of 10 to 15 miles, Kevin said.

And that running is the very essence of being a Congressional page, he added.

"When Congress is in session, we go to the House floor and sit at the pages' desk. People call in and have us run letters, messages, a bill or U.S. flag from the floor to the Senate, an office or wherever it needs to go," he explained. "I'm sure the stuff we handle is very confidential. You do what you are sent to do and don't stray. There are tunnels that connect the Capitol, Senate, Senate offices, House and House offices. You can go a whole day without seeing the sun."

Kevin said he was surprised at how cordial and down-to-earth the members of Congress are.

"They are not at all what I expected," he said. "They are a very lively group. Sometimes they work very late at night and they start joking with each other and once they even started singing."

The Democratic page said he was even impressed with Republican Newt Gingrich.

"He was very nice and is a very good speaker," he said. "Sometimes Congressmen will see you walking and they'll give you a note to run and, even though you are not their page, you make sure it gets where it is going."

On weekends, the pages go on field trips for leadership training or to see the sights in the D.C. area.

"There is a lot to do in Washington," he said. "It's a very interesting and lively place."

While Kevin hasn't decided on which college he'll attend (he's considering West Point, Georgetown and George Washington), he does know what his future will hold.

"I love politics and working as a page has been a great opportunity for getting started in a political career," he said. "It's exciting to see our government in action, to see the people who make the laws that affect us. These are people you're used to seeing on TV and I get to see them in person every day."

Civil War group to meet at library

The Capital District Civil War Round Table will hold its next meeting on Friday, Nov. 14, at 7 p.m. at the Bethlehem Public Library on Delaware Avenue in Delmar.

Doors will open at 6:30 p.m.

Michael Russert will give a talk entitled *Mirror With a Memory: The Image as History*.

The meeting is free and open to the public.

Quilters to meet at Delmar church

Quilters United In Learning Together will meet on Friday, Nov. 14, at 9:30 a.m. at First United Methodist Church on 428 Kenwood Ave. in Delmar.

The meeting will feature a talk by Tinal Gravatt.

BCMS PTA NEWS

<http://www.crisny.org/not-for-profit/bcmspta>

November 3rd PTA Meeting: (7:30 p.m. - Library/Media Center) Richard Gross, Technology Coordinator for the Bethlehem Central School District, will talk about the current state of technology improvements throughout the district, especially at the Middle School.

Grades and the Honor Roll: The PTA had a good discussion on October 6th about this interesting subject. Discussions will continue about it as the Learning Task Force of the School Improvement Team (SIT) begins its work. Parent and community comments are always welcomed. I may be reached at 439-6498.

NYS Middle School Association: This group will hold its annual statewide gathering on Friday, November 14th at the Empire State Plaza. Parents are welcomed to attend. If you are interested, call Jeff Zogg (439-6498) or the Middle School (439-7460) for more information.

American Education Week: Celebrate this important week by visiting your student's classes November 18th, 19th or 20th. Registration and student schedules will be available in the BCMS lobby.

Dances: The 7th Grade Dance scheduled for October 31st has been postponed until November 21st. An 8th Grade Dance is scheduled for November 7th from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. at BCMS. Parent chaperones are always needed. Students must understand, no chaperones, no dance. Urge your parents to participate. Call 439-6498 to volunteer.

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The couple was married Sept. 27, 1947, in St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Albany.

They also were honored at a

surprise party hosted by their sons in September and attended by many family and friends.

Robert is retired from Crest Litho, where he was a lithographer, and Elsie is retired from the Dormitory Authority, where she was a financial services assistant.

The couple has two sons, Thomas and John, both of Clifton Park, and five grandchildren.

RCS seniors win commendation

Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk High School seniors Rebecca Curley, Christopher Gnip, Emily Janssen, Kathleen Roark and Meridith Wyche have been named commended students in the 1998 National Merit Scholarship Program.

School principal Carl Heiner will present a letter of commendation from the school and National Merit Scholarship Corporation to each student.

The RCS students are among 35,000 commended students throughout the nation who are being honored for their exceptional academic promise.

Delmar office earns high ranking

The Delmar office of Coldwell Banker Prime Properties was recently ranked 14th of the firm's top 100 offices.

The ranking represents the gross commission income for closed sales transactions for the first half of the year in an office of up to 10 licensed sales associates.

Don Smith is the office sales manager. Estelle Momrow is the office manager.

The Delmar office is on 214 Delaware Ave. The phone number is 439-9600.

BCHS grad wins scholarship

Brigid Shogan of Delmar was recently awarded a Fred L. Emerson Foundation scholarship by Ithaca College.

She was selected based on need, superior academic performance and significant contributions to the extracurricular life of the college.

Shogan, a graduate of Bethlehem Central High School, is a senior majoring in performance and music education.

Delmar man to head division

Kaiser Permanente has named Wade Johnson of Delmar director of provider services and contracting for Eastern New York.

Johnson holds a bachelor's degree from SUNY Plattsburgh.



Rebecca and Jason Magers

Bylsma, Magers marry

Rebecca Lynn Bylsma, daughter of Steven and Karen Bylsma of Delmar, and Jason Andrew Magers, son of Debbie Zumwalt of Lafayette, La., and Andrew Magers of Franklin, La., were married Aug. 17.

The Rev. Sandy Damhof performed the ceremony in Delmar Reformed Church, with the reception following at The Desmond in Colonie.

The maid of honor was Sarah Bylsma, the bride's sister, and bridesmaids were Lauri Stewart, the bride's cousin, Kristi Magers, the groom's sister, and Kristen

McKie.

The best man was Kelly Magers, the groom's brother, and ushers were Michael Bylsma, the bride's cousin, and David O'Connor.

The bride, a graduate of Bethlehem Central High School, is a radiologic technician in the U.S. Air Force.

The groom, a graduate of Franklin High School, is a fuel systems technician in the Air Force. Both are stationed at Luke Air Force Base in Glendale, Ariz.

After a motor trip to Arizona, the couple lives in Glendale, Ariz.

The Spotlight remembers

This week in 1987, these stories were making headlines in *The Spotlight*.

- In an analysis piece on politics in New Scotland, former *Spotlight* publisher Nat Boynton wrote that town Republicans were "facing the sternest test in their long history with a new leader, a controversial ticket, emotional side issues and unrest among party regulars."

- The Bethlehem town board approved hiring Jeffrey Lipnicky, senior planner for the city of Poughkeepsie, for the newly created position of town planner.

- Among children's stories about the freak October snowstorm was third-grader Jill Pappalardi's, "My adopted tree was knocked over by the storm. There was a lot of snow on the ground. Our wood-burning stove kept us warm. Our neighbors slept with us. We had soup and sandwiches."

- The Voorheesville school board approved plans for the Buckley Memorial Physical Fitness Center, which will house a universal gym with 15 stations as well as free weights. The gym was to be built with volunteer labor, as a tribute to the late Voorheesville football coach Tom Buckley.

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St. Rose senior tapped to lead honor society

Michael Parker, son of Maria Parker of Delmar, has been elected president of The College of Saint Rose chapter of Kappa Delta Pi, an international honor society for

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Parker is a senior majoring in elementary education with a minor in African American Studies.

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Breakfast includes pancakes, french toast, bacon, sausage, juice, tea and coffee.

The cost is \$4 for adults and \$2.75 for children ages 6 to 10. Children under 5 eat for free.

Obituaries

Thomas P. O'Neill

Thomas P. O'Neill, 50, of Rigi Court in Selkirk died Saturday, Oct. 25, at Albany Memorial Hospital.

Born in Boston, Mass., he was a graduate of Canisius College.

Mr. O'Neill was an administrative analyst for the state Department of Social Service for 25 years.

He was a member and treasurer of the Public Employees Federation and a member of its executive board.

Survivors include his wife, Sheila Goldberg O'Neill; a stepson, Seth Blumerman of Amherst, Mass.; a stepdaughter, Lisa Blumerman Kuzmeskus of Bethesda, Md.; and two brothers, James P. O'Neill III of Canandaigua, and Michael O'Neill of Rochester, Mich.

Services were from the Frederick Funeral Home in Albany.

Burial was in Bethlehem Cemetery in Delmar.

Contributions may be made to the Diabetes Association, 50 Colvin Ave., Albany 12206

Albert C. Morse

Albert C. Morse, 62, of Selkirk died Tuesday, Oct. 21, at Albany Medical Center Hospital.

Born in Orwell, Vt., he was a longtime resident of the Capital

District.

Mr. Morse worked for Matlack Trucking for more than 20 years.

Survivors include his wife, Darlene McFarland Morse; five daughters, Brenda Auerbach, Cheryl Knott, Bonnie Brennanstahl, Judy Brennanstahl, Cheryl Lutz and Deidre Dominy; five brothers, Ronald Morse, Everett Morse, Leon Morse, Raymond Morse and Edward Morse; and six grandchildren.

Services were from Solid Rock Church in Delmar.

Arrangements were by the Lasak & Gigliotti Funeral Home in Albany.

Burial was in the Berne and Beaverdam Cemetery in Berne.

Handbell choir sells Entertainment Books

The Bells of Praise Handbell Choir of Delmar Presbyterian Church is raising funds by selling Entertainment '98 books.

Each book contains hundreds of two-for-one and 50 percent off discounts on local dining, fast food, movies, sports activities, hotels and more.

Dine-A-Mate has joined Entertainment '98, making the new book much larger.

The books are \$40, with proceeds going to help fund the handbell choir. They can be used right away. To purchase a copy, call 439-5903 or 439-4463.

Shrine

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does not recognize the Roman Catholic Church hierarchy.

Johanna Orlowski, a church board member and spokeswoman, said, "We trusted him and feel betrayed."

Orlowski referred to O'Keefe as "Mr. O'Keefe" and noted that church members have been unable to confirm that he was ordained in the Roman Catholic or any other church.

"We were told that he was ordained in the Palatine order in Ireland, but there is no such order," she said.

The church board and O'Keefe had clashed in recent months over O'Keefe's spending habits, Orlowski said.

"He just wouldn't stop spending, on himself, on the church, on Marywood (an outdoor shrine)," she said. "And he refused to show the board financial statements."

Orlowski said O'Keefe's behavior had become erratic in recent months.

"He would kick people out of church, calling the police to kick out a parishioner in September," she said.

"And he would tell lies, like saying a man had exposed himself to a nun in Marywood," she said. "But there was no police report."

Orlowski also charged that O'Keefe broke the seal of the confessional, and had stopped saying Mass on a regular basis.

Regarding the missing property and money, Orlowski noted, "We

have insurance, and as far as I know, everything is covered."

The O'Keefe matter "is a little stumbling block, but we'll get over it. God will provide something," she said.

O'Keefe has been recommended to the St. Michael's board by Traditionalist Bishop Robert McKenna of Monroe, Conn.

"I personally would not accept another recommendation by Bishop McKenna," Orlowski said. "I don't think he did a thorough background check on Mr. O'Keefe."

Orlowski said O'Keefe had allegedly stolen about \$5,000 from Western Union while serving as pastor of a Traditionalist Roman Catholic Church in Texas in the early 1980s.

She said the money was repaid by a wealthy church member after O'Keefe left town, and no charges were ever filed.

"In checking his background, sources have told me that some people pretend to be priests and prey on Traditional Catholics but are nothing more than con men," Orlowski said.

In just two months, O'Keefe had put more than 10,000 miles on a new minivan, Orlowski said, and may have used the vehicle to transport the allegedly stolen property to the Michigan area, where he has relatives.

Orlowski said the van had its oil changed on Sept. 4 in Port Huron, Mich.

"He is obviously out in Michigan," she said.

Bethlehem police Detective John Cox said there have been no warrants issued for O'Keefe's arrest as of Tuesday, pending completion of a preliminary investigation.

In a faxed statement allegedly from O'Keefe, he denied that he had taken anything that did not belong to him or was due him under his contract.

O'Keefe states that the money he took was a "payout" of his contract with St. Michael's through 2000, and that the property he took was his, and not the church's.

He also states, "I am a validly ordained and recognized priest."

He attributes the problems at St. Michael's to "a small band of right-wing extremists who promised they would destroy me because I would not cooperate with their right-wing political agenda."

The statement concludes, "If there is even one piece of lint or dust that I took that does not belong to me, I will return it with interest."

Meet the candidates at Delmar Legion Hall

Meet the Republican candidates for office in the town of Bethlehem on Thursday, Oct. 30, from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. at the American Legion Hall on Poplar Drive in Delmar.

Supervisor Sheila Fuller, town board members George Lenhardt and Ted Putney, Highway Superintendent Greg Sagendorph and Town Clerk Kathy Newkirk will attend.

Food, beer and soda will be served. There will also be a cash bar.

Tickets are \$5 per person. For information, call Ray Roohan at 439-0860.

Academy seniors win commendation

Albany Academy seniors Jacob Hansen of Delmar, Harish Mehta of Feura Bush, Eric Pierson of Slingerlands and Gregory Van Ullen of Schenectady, were recently named commended students in the 1998 National Merit Scholarship Competition.

Commended students placed among the top five percent of more than a million students who entered the competition by taking the 1996 Preliminary SAT/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test.

Card of thanks

The family of Louis P. Rosamilia Sr. thanks you for your kindness and sympathy at a time when it was deeply appreciated. Your outpouring of concern, your kind words of condolence, your sharing of memories brought much comfort to each of us during this difficult time.

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Death Notices

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

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

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

SPOTLIGHT ON

Family Entertainment

CALENDAR

Heading south for the winter

Hudson Valley and Leatherstocking Country offer scenic rides

By Michael Hallisey

It's beginning to feel a lot like winter in upstate New York, but there's still time for scenic fall drives to historic places in the Hudson Valley and Leatherstocking Country.

A 45-minute drive south on Route 9G will bring you to Olana, a Moorish-style castle built on a hilltop south of Hudson in Columbia County. It was the home of Frederick Church, a founder of the Hudson River School of Painting, and offers splendid views of the river valley.

Clermont, also in Columbia County, is only a short drive from Olana. It was home to seven generations of the Robert Livingston family. The estate has been restored to an early 20th century look.

Approximately another hour south from Hudson on Route 9G is Rhinebeck, in Dutchess County.

Rhinebeck is home to America's oldest inn, the Beekman Arms on the corner of Route 9 and Market Street. George Washington is supposed to have stayed there. Adjoining the inn is the historic Beekman 1766 Tavern.

While in Dutchess County, drive south on Route 9 and visit Hyde Park, home of



Walker Valley Vineyard is just one of the many vineyards that dot the regions to the south and southwest of the Capital District.

the Culinary Institute of America, where great chefs-to-be learn age-old secrets. Dinner is served at the institute, but reservations must be made well in advance.

On the way to the institute, you can the drive past the Roosevelt and Vanderbilt mansions, also in Hyde Park.

Take Route 9 into the city of Poughkeepsie and turn east on Route 44 to visit Millbrook Winery, about 40 minutes from Poughkeepsie.

If you prefer to travel west, head out Routes 20 and 7 to Howe Caverns.

Drive another hour west on Route 20 into Otsego County to visit Cooperstown, the home of the Baseball Hall of Fame. Turn south on Route 80 to see the Hall of Fame and the Fenimore House Museum.

The Fenimore House was originally the home of author James Fenimore Cooper. It's new American Indian Wing houses the prestigious Thaw Collection.

Cooperstown's main street is home to many small shops featuring baseball memorabilia and gift items, making it the ideal place for early holiday shopping.

The Doubleday Cafe, open year-round, is a great place to stop for lunch. Children will love the wonderful aroma of Schneider's Bakery and enjoy sampling the pumpkin and gingerbread cookies.

Winter arrives early in Cooperstown, so visitors should check weather forecasts before setting out.

For information on historic sites maintained by the state, call the Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation at 1-800-456-2267.

Capital Rep offers novel program to attract teens to theater

Teenagers now have the opportunity to purchase tickets to Capital Rep performances for \$5 as members of the new Five Star Club.

The club is designed for teenagers from 12 to 18 who will be able to buy a ticket to any performance on the day of the show for \$5.

The special rate is designed to encourage young people to attend the theater and to help them develop a theater-going habit, Capital Rep's artistic director, Margaret Mancinelli-Cahill, said.

Last season, similar programs designed for young audiences attracted 6,000 school age youngsters to the various shows. The Five Star Club, however, encourages individual purchases whereas other programs were designed for groups of youngsters.

Teen-agers who join the club will also get a subscription of The Constellation Newsletter which the theater publishes prior to each production. Students will be encouraged to contribute articles to this newsletter and to attend "members only" events and to join discussion groups.

Young people interested in more information are urged to call Jill Rafferty at 462-4531.

Latham theater troupe plans mystery dinner theater

The Footlighters will present a mystery dinner theater production Nov. 14, 15 and 21, 22 for four performances at 6:30 p.m.

Performed at the Calvary United Methodist Church on



Martin P. Kelly

SPOTLIGHT

By Martin P. Kelly

Belle Avenue, Latham, *I Wed Three Wives*, involves a man who has married three women who all wind up at a hotel resort at the same time. The result is murder to be solved with the help of the audience.

Reservations may be made by calling 785-9704 or 785-5142.

Home Made Theater hosts 3rd annual murder mystery benefit evening

A novel project for raising funds for the theater will be held by Home Made Theater of Saratoga Springs Friday, Nov. 21 at Longfellow's at Saratoga Farms.

The non-profit theater will offer dinner and a silent auction of mystery gift baskets and other prizes.

Reservations for \$35 are limited and may be made at 587-4427.

Wrong number given for *I Do! I Do!* due Nov. 7 and 8 as church benefit

A notice in last week's column about Joe and Margot Phillips performing in the two-character musical, *I Do! I Do!* for the benefit of the church organ restoration fund at the First Congregational Church of Albany was marred by a mistake in the phone number for reservations.

Reservations for performances Nov. 7 and 8 at 8 p.m. and Nov. 9 at 2 p.m. may be obtained by calling 482-4580. Correct number!

Dance troupe sets dance classes at Empire Center to start Nov. 8

Ellen Sinopoli, artistic director of the dance troupe bearing her name, will teach weekly advanced level modern dance classes beginning Sat., Nov. 8.

These classes will be given at the dance studio of the Empire Center at the Egg from 10 a.m. to noon.

The Ellen Sinopoli Dance Company is the resident company of the Empire Center.

Sinopoli has trained extensively in the Martha Graham, Jose Limon and Paul Cunningham techniques. Her own teaching technique concentrates on technical strength as well as artistic expression.

The classes with a fee of \$8 per class, will include as instruction excerpts from the company's productions.

Information on the class schedule and directions to the dance studio are available at 272-1527.

Christmas show adds performance at Empire Center on Dec. 7

'Twas the Night Before Christmas will add a third performance on Sun., Dec. 7 at the Empire Center.

Theatre IV, the nation's second largest theater for young audiences, had slated two afternoon performances at 2 and 4 p.m. They sold out almost immediately so a 7 p.m. performance has been added.

Reservations are available at 473-1845.

Around Theaters!

A Slight Case of Murder, a comedy-mystery at Skidmore Theater, Nov. 13-23 (580-5439) ... *Don Juan in Chicago*, through Nov. 9 at the Albany Civic Theater (462-1297) ... *The Snow Queen* at the NYS Theater Institute through Nov. 1 (274-3256)

ARTS and ENTERTAINMENT

THEATER

"LOVE LETTERS"

Robert Wagner, Jill St. Johns, A.R. Gurney's theatrical production, Proctor's Theater, 432 Quail Street, Schenectady, Saturday, Nov. 8, 8 p.m. Information, 382-3884.

"I DO! I DO!"

musical about marriage, by Tom Jones and Harvey Schmidt, Fellowship Hall of First Congregational Church, 405 Quail Street, Albany, Friday, Nov. 7, Saturday, Nov. 8, 8 p.m., Sunday, Nov. 9, 2 p.m. Cost, \$10. Information, 482-4580.

"INTO THE WOODS"

musical, directed by Alyson Falwell, Dance Theater, Skidmore College, Saratoga Springs, Thursday through Saturday, Nov. 6 through 8, 9 p.m. Thursday, 8 p.m. Friday, 1 and 8 p.m. Saturday. Cost, \$7. Information, 581-7400 ext. 3375.

"THE SNOW QUEEN"

musical, Schacht Fine Arts Center of Russell Sage College, Troy, through Nov. 1. Information, 274-3491.

"CAROUSEL"

Hilltowns Players, Berne-Knox-Westerlo High School Auditorium, Helderberg Trail, Berne, Nov. 7, 8, 8 p.m., Nov. 9, 3 p.m. Information, 862-3273.

"THE SPECTRE'S BRIDE"

dinner-dance and presentation, haunting cantata of a soldier's ghost reclaiming his true love, Hall of Springs, Saratoga Spa State Park, Friday, Oct. 31, 8:30 p.m. Information, 584-1201.

"THE BUTLER DID IT"

directed by Nancy Wilder and Joan Britt as Assistant Director, Highlight Acting Troupe, Former Memorial United Methodist Church, corner of Hoosick Street and South Lake Ave., Albany, Nov. 1, 6, 7, 8, 8 p.m. Information, 237-6936.

"ANGELS IN AMERICA, PART I"

epic drama, by Tony Kushner, University Theatre, Performing Arts Center, University at Albany, 1400 Washington Ave., Albany, 8 p.m., Nov. 21 and 22.

MUSIC

CHICAGO AND THE BEACH BOYS

Pepsi Arena, Albany, Thursday, Oct. 30.

THE DELPHONICS

The Empire Center, Albany, Friday, Oct. 31.

THE MIGHTY MIGHTY BOSSTONES

Bim Skala Bim, Dropkick Murphys, The Amazing Royal Crowns, Siena College's Alumni Recreation Center, Loudonville, Saturday, Nov. 1.

THE INDIGO GIRLS

The Stanley Performing Arts Center, Utica, Saturday, Nov. 1.

LET THE GOOD TIMES ROLL

with Mitch Ryder, Gary Puckett, Lou Christie, the Crystals, Glens Falls Civic Center, Glens Falls, Friday, Nov. 28.

MANDY PATINKIN

accompanied by Paul Ford on piano, Proctor's Theater, 432 Quail Street, Schenectady, Saturday, Nov. 1, 8 p.m. Information, 382-3884.

MUSICAL CELEBRATION

Choir of Westminster Presbyterian Church, Choir of Metropolitan New Testament Mission Baptist Church, choir from St. Helen's Church, choirs from Blooming Grove Reformed Church, Westminster Presbyterian Church, 262 State Street, Albany, Sunday, Nov. 2, 3 p.m. Information, 462-5450.

PETER, PAUL AND MARY

legendary trio, Proctor's Theater, 432 Quail Street, Schenectady, Thursday, Nov. 6, 8 p.m. Information, 382-3884.

COUNTRY SINGERS

Tracy Lawrence, Trace Adkins, Sherrie Austin, Proctor's Theater, 432 Quail Street, Schenectady, Friday, Nov. 7, 8 p.m. Information, 382-3884.

CHAMBER MUSIC OF JOSEPH FENNIMORE

Union College Memorial Chapel, Union College, 3 p.m., Sunday, Nov. 2. Information, 436-5881.

COUNTRY NIGHT

Alive 'N Kickin', William Productions, 83 Harvard Road, Watervliet, 7 p.m. Oct. 30. Information, 274-0316.

EIGHTH STEP

open stage, 14 Willett St., Albany, 8 p.m., Wednesdays, \$7. Information, 434-1703.

ALLAN ALEXANDER

guitar and lute player, Allegro Cafe, Troy, Saturdays, 7 to 11 p.m.

CALL FOR ARTISTS

AUDITION

for Capitol Hill Choral Society for the 1997-98 season. All voice parts. Information, 465-3328 or 374-4399.

HANDCRAFTERS

needed for third annual Festival of Crafts, Center for the Disabled, 314 S. Manning Blvd., Albany, in October. Information, 489-8336.

MONDAY MUSICAL CLUB WOMEN'S CHORUS

invitation for new members to join them singing classical and popular songs, Third Reformed Church, 20 Ten Eyck Ave., Albany, Tuesdays, 7:30 p.m. Information, 477-4454.

CAPITAL COMMUNITY VOICES

singers needed, rehearsals at Columbia High School, 7 to 9 p.m., Tuesdays. Information, 477-8308.

CLASSES/LECTURES

MUSEUM ART CLASSES

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

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.

VISUAL ARTS

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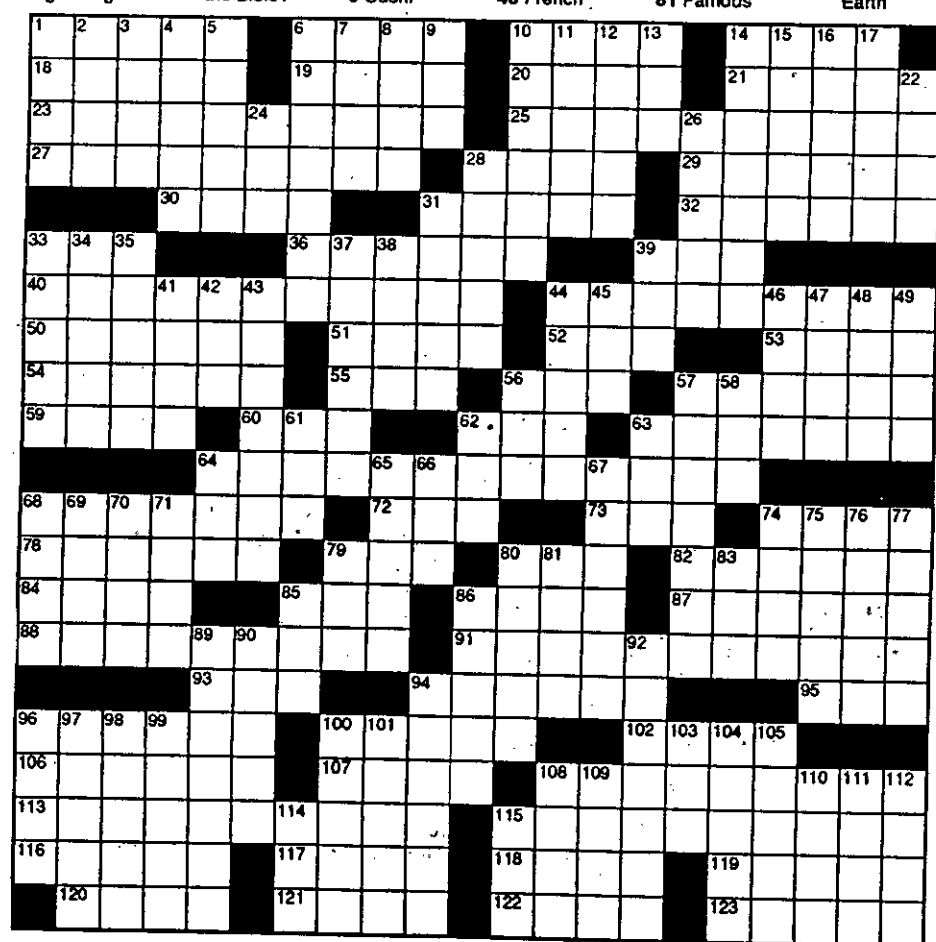
local, regional, national and international artists, 287 Lark St., Albany. Information, 449-1233.

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288 Lark St., Albany, 11 a.m. to 1 a.m. Information, 436-5660.

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20 "— Ca-Dabra" (74 song)	62 Boulder	113 Nest?	16 Wild plums	63 Inc., in Ipswich	94 Ella of "Phantom Lady"
21 Greece, to a Greek	63 Willing to forgive	115 Pumpkin patch?	17 Deserves a check	64 Pigeon English?	96 Bogarde or Benedict
23 Needle?	64 Moo?	116 "Dave" star	22 Be in an Inn	65 — mutton sleeve	97 Indescent stones
25 Tennis?	68 Expensive appetizer	117 Kai Winding	26 Defer	66 Unit of work	98 He's 80 percent evil
27 Put on the air	72 History chapter	118 '77 Richard Harris film	28 Mr. Kierkegaard	67 Makeup remover	99 Tantrum
28 British Uzi	73 Lupino or Cantor	119 Shilly-shally	31 Mama Gabor	68 "I've Got — in Kalamazoo"	100 Clotted-cream county
29 Really smart lady?	74 Belfry sound	120 Toboggan	33 Plus	69 Woods dweller?	101 Put out
30 Aeneas' ex	78 Likable lout	121 "Them!" critters	34 Walked off with	70 Goya's "Duchess of —"	103 On one's own, briefly
31 Knight game?	79 Tomorrow's turtle	122 "The Witches" author	35 Designer Donna	71 Enjoy Saturday	104 Lucy's landlady
32 Like a big band	80 — relief	123 Home and Olin	37 Cry the blues	74 Uruguayan coin	105 Got teed off?
33 Say please	82 Agreement	DOWN	38 Toe the line	75 Cook's command	108 Mrs. Dithers
36 Elevator stops	84 Eban of Israel	1 Centalnty	39 TV E.T.	76 Make amends	109 "That smart!"
39 Wayfarer's whistle watter	85 Deuce	2 Pertaining to	41 Guy from Gloucestershire	77 Actress Carter	110 Teheran's territory
40 "Black Beauty"?	86 Prepares to fire	3 Rock and roll?	42 Author Delighton	78 Lady Lincoln	111 Snarri's stories
44 Moby Dick?	87 Sheena of song	4 Worked wood	43 Tasteful	80 Flappers, in a way	112 Dates
50 Reddish brown	88 Raking?	5 Roman fountain	44 Black-and-white delight?	81 Famous	115 Mars, but not Earth
51 Chow —	91 Dachshund?	6 Disembarks	45 Collectibles, collectively		
52 Griffin greeting	93 Sharp knock	7 Hand-cream additive	46 Mata —		
	94 Big part of the Bible?	8 Trudge	47 Cabinet-maker's tool		
		9 Sushi	48 French		



LEGAL NOTICE

PASTURES OF ALBANY, LLC

1. The name of the limited liability company is Pastures of Albany, LLC.

2. The Articles of Organization creating the limited liability company were filed in the Office of the New York Secretary of State on July 18, 1997 and became effective on said date.

3. The principal office of the limited liability company is in Albany County.

4. The Secretary of State is designated as the agent of the limited liability company upon whom process against it may be served and the post office address to which the Secretary of State shall mail any copy of process against it is Pastures of Albany, LLC, 318 Delaware Avenue, Main Square, Delmar, New York 12054.

5. The limited liability company is formed for the purpose of engaging in any business purposes permitted by law.

Dated: October 1, 1997
Cooper, Erving, Savage, Nolan & Heller, LLP
Attorneys for Pastures of Albany, LLC

39 North Pearl Street Albany, New York 12207
(518) 449-3100
(October 29, 1997)

CEMETERY ASSOCIATION ANNUAL MEETING

THE BETHLEHEM CEMETERY ASSOCIATION WILL HOLD ITS ANNUAL MEETING ON MONDAY NOVEMBER 3RD, 1997 AT THE DELMAR REFORMED CHURCH. FOR INFORMATION CALL 767-2930.
(October 29, 1997)

LEGAL NOTICE

WHEREAS, 1998 assessment rolls have been prepared for the Bethlehem Sewer District and it is necessary to hold a public hearing with reference thereto,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board hold a public hearing with reference thereto, at 7:30 p.m., on the 12th day of November 1997, at the Bethlehem Town Hall, and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Town Clerk be, and she hereby is authorized and directed to publish a notice of such hearing in THE SPOTLIGHT, a newspaper published in Albany County and having a circulation within the Town of Bethlehem, on the 29th day of October 1997.

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

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

The foregoing resolution was presented for adoption by Mr. Johnson, seconded by Mrs. Davis and was duly adopted by the following votes:

AYES: Mrs. Fuller, Mr. Putney,

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MR. Lenhardt, Mrs. Davis, Mr. Johnson.

NOES: None.

BY ORDER OF THE TOWN BOARD

TOWN OF BETHLEHEM
Kathleen A. Newkirk, CMC
TOWN CLERK
October 8, 1997
(October 29, 1997)

ARTICLES OF ORGANIZATION OF

IN THE KNOW, 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 IN THE KNOW, 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 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 30 Catherine, Delmar, New York 12054.

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

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have subscribed this certificate and do hereby affirm the foregoing as true under the penalties of perjury, this 17th day of October, 1997.

Barbara A. Tombros
Member/Organizer
(October 29, 1997)

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING TOWN OF BETHLEHEM

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a public hearing will be held by the Town Board of the Town of Bethlehem on the 12th day of November, 1997 at 7:45 p.m. to consider Local Law No. 13 of 1997, Amending the Code of the Town of Bethlehem as follows:

AMEND VEHICLE AND TRAFFIC ARTICLE VI, Section 119-33, Schedule VII, Stop Intersections as follows:

ADD: A stop intersection as follows:

ALBIN ROAD, south at intersection with McGuffey Lane/Parkway Drive.

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

The Town of Bethlehem pro-

LEGAL NOTICE

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

BY ORDER OF THE TOWN BOARD

TOWN OF BETHLEHEM
KATHLEEN A. NEWKIRK, CMC
TOWN CLERK
Dated: October 22, 1997
(October 29, 1997)

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Appeals of the Town of Bethlehem, Albany County, New York will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, November 5, 1997, at 7:30 p.m., at the Town Offices, 445 Delaware Avenue, Delmar, New York to take action on application of Robert Mosall/Milton Mosall, 289 Schoolhouse Road, Albany, New York 12203 for Use Variance under Article VI, Permitted Uses, Section 128-12 of the Code of the Town of Bethlehem for permission to sell Christmas trees and wreaths in a residential zone at premises 289 Schoolhouse Road, Albany, New York 12203.

Michael C. Hodom
Chairman
Board of Appeals
(October 29, 1997)

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY

Articles of Organization of Competitive Edge, LLC ("LLC") filed with the Secretary of State of New York ("SSNY") on September 9, 1997, effective upon the date of filing. Office Location: Albany County. Amendment filed with SSNY on October 14, 1997 changed name to Pioneer Technologies, LLC. 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 333 Kingsley Road, Burnt Hills, New York 12027. 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.
(October 29, 1997)

NOTICE TO ALL HOMEOWNERS RESIDING IN THE VOORHEESVILLE CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT 65 YEARS OLD AND OLDER

You may be eligible for the SENIOR STAR EXEMPTION if you meet the following criteria:

- own and occupy your own home
- must be your primary residence
- must be 65 years of age before March 1, 1998 (if husband and wife, at least one must be 65)
- income can not exceed \$60,000

If you think you qualify, please contact the Assessors Office for further information.
New Scotland: 439-9020
Guilfordland: 356-1980
Berne: 872-2363
(October 29, 1997)

AROUND THE AREA

WEDNESDAY
OCTOBER 29
ALBANY COUNTY
FARMERS' MARKET

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

FARMERS' MARKET

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

SQUARE DANCE

Single Squares of Albany, St. Michael's Community Center, Linden Street Extension, Cohoes, 7:30 p.m. Information, 459-2888.

SCHENECTADY COUNTY
SPEAKER

state Comptroller H. Carl McCall, "The State of New York's Economy", Union College's Nott Memorial, Schenectady, 4:30 p.m. Information, 388-6172.

STORYTELLER

Kenda Jones, "Adirondack Outdoorswomen", Schenectady Museum and Planetarium, Nott Terrace Heights, Schenectady, 7:30 p.m. Information, 377-1452.

RIVER VALLEY CHORUS MEETING

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

THURSDAY
OCTOBER 30
ALBANY COUNTY
CHORUS REHEARSAL

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

FARMERS' MARKET

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

FARMERS' MARKET

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

FARMERS' MARKET

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

SENIOR CHORALE

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

FRIDAY
OCTOBER 31
ALBANY COUNTY
FARMERS' MARKET

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

MOTHERS' DROP IN

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

SENIORS LUNCHEONS

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

SATURDAY
NOVEMBER 1
ALBANY COUNTY
SCHUYLER MANSION STATE HISTORIC SITE

guided tour of the stately Georgian mansion, 32 Catherine Street, Albany, 5 to 8 p.m. Information, 434-0834.

FARMERS' MARKET

First Congregational church, 405 Quail St., Albany, 9 a.m. to noon.

HENRY HUDSON PLANETARIUM

"Little Star That Could", 25 Quackenbush Square, Albany, 11:30 a.m. Information, 434-5132 ext. 205.

PORK AND SAUERKRAUT SUPPER

Third Reformed Church, 20 Ten Eyck Ave., Albany, 4:30, 5:30, 6:30 p.m. Information, 434-0952.

SUNDAY
NOVEMBER 2
ALBANY COUNTY
OPEN HOUSE

for prospective students entering grades pre-kindergarten through 12, Albany Academy for Girls, 140 Academy Road, Albany, 1 to 3 p.m. Information, 463-2201.

DANCE PROGRAM

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

SCOTTISH DANCING

Unitarian Church, Washington Avenue, Albany, 7 to 10 p.m. Information, 377-8792.

SCHENECTADY COUNTY
OPEN HOUSE

for all prospective students in grades 7 through 11, Catholic Central High School, 625 Central Ave., Troy, 1 to 3 p.m. Information, 235-7100.

MONDAY
NOVEMBER 3
ALBANY COUNTY
SELF ESTEEM GROUP

Counseling for adults, 40 North Main Ave., Albany, 5:45 to 7:15 p.m. Information, 453-6625.

SENIORS LUNCHEONS

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

SCHENECTADY COUNTY
SCOTTISH DANCING

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

TUESDAY
NOVEMBER 4
ALBANY COUNTY
FARMERS' MARKET

St. Vincent De Paul Church, 900 Madison Ave., Albany, 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

TRUE FRIENDS

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

SINGLE PARENTS MEETING

sponsored by Parents Without Partners Chapter 380, Colonie Community Center, Central Avenue, 7 p.m. Information, 869-0870.

BINGO

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

RECOVERY, INC.

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

SENIORS LUNCHEONS

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

CIVIL AIR PATROL

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

SCHENECTADY COUNTY
MS SELF-HELP GROUP

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

LEGAL NOTICE
NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY (LLC)

Articles of organization of Masterson Enterprises, LLC ("LLC") filed with the Secretary of State of New York ("SSNY") on September 8, 1997, effective upon the 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 c/o 89 Deercliff Road, RR#01, Voorheesville, New York 12186. 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 LLC. (October 29, 1997)

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF A DOMESTIC LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY (LLC)

The name of the LLC is Columbia New York, L.L.C. The Articles of Organization of the LLC were filed with the NY Secretary of State on September 16, 1997. The purpose of the LLC is to engage in any lawful act or activity. The office of the LLC is to be located in Albany County. The Secretary of State is designated as the agent of the LLC upon whom process against the LLC may be served. The address to which the Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any process

LEGAL NOTICE

against the LLC is 52 Corporate Circle, Albany, New York 12203. (October 29, 1997)

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY (LLC)

Name: Ferry-Capitan Real Estate, LLC. Articles of organization filed with sec. of state of NY ("SOS") on 8/20/97. Office location: Albany County. SOS is designated as agent of LLC for service of process. SOS shall mail copy of process to LLC, c/o Whiteman Osterman & Hanna, 1 Commerce Plaza, Albany, NY 12260. Purpose: any lawful business purpose. (October 29, 1997)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of formation of limited liability company ("LLC"). Name: S.D. International, L.L.C. Articles of Organization filed with Sec. of State of NY ("SOS") on 10/1/97. Office location: Albany County. SOS is designated as agent of LLC for service of process. SOS shall mail copy of process to LLC, 4 Airline Dr., Colonie, NY 12205. Purpose: any lawful business purpose. (October 29, 1997)

NOTICE OF FILING OF ARTICLES OF ORGANIZATION
LEGAL NOTICE
UNDER SECTION 203 OF THE LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY LAW

1) The name of the limited liability company is: Bayberry Square, LLC.
2) The Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York on August 27, 1997.
3) The company maintains its office in Albany County.
4) 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 this state to which the department of state shall mail a copy of any process served against it is: The LLC, 12 Glenon Road, Latham, NY 12110.
5) The company will engage in managing and operating real property and such other business activities as deemed appropriate by the members. (October 29, 1997)

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF A FOREIGN LIMITED PARTNER-
LEGAL NOTICE

SHIP (FLP).
The name of the FLP is MM FAMILY PARTNERSHIP, L.P. The Application for Authority to do business in New York State of the FLP was filed with the NY Secretary of State on October 9, 1997. The jurisdiction of organization of the FLP is the State of Georgia. The date of organization of FLP is August 19, 1997. The principal office of the FLP is located at 2 Tower Place, Albany, New York in the County of Albany. The NY Secretary of State is designated as the agent of the FLP upon whom process against the FLP may be served. The address to which the Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any process against the FLP is c/o Massy Realty, 2 Tower Place, Albany, New York 12203. The purpose of the FLP is to engage in any lawful act or activity. A list of the names and addresses of all general partners of the FLP are available from the Secretary of State. The name and address of the authorized officer of the FLP in the State of Georgia where a copy of

LEGAL NOTICE

its Certificate of Limited Partnership is filed is the Georgia Secretary of State, Suite 315, West Tower, 2 Martin Luther King, Jr. Drive, Atlanta, Georgia 30334-1530. (October 29, 1997)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF A DOMESTIC LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY (LLC). The name of the LLC is Columbia Haven Group, L.L.C. The Articles of Organization of the LLC were filed with the NY Secretary of State on October 6, 1997. The purpose of the LLC is to engage in any lawful act or activity. The office of the LLC is to be located in Albany County. The Secretary of State is designated as the agent of the LLC upon whom process against the LLC may be served. The address to which the Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any process against the LLC is

LEGAL NOTICE

Nia C. Cholakis, Esq., 52 Corporate Circle, Albany, New York 12203 (October 29, 1997)

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The Spotlight CALENDAR

**WEDNESDAY
OCTOBER**
29
BETHLEHEM
ANNUAL MEETING

Cornell Cooperative Extension, Wm. F. Rice Jr., Extension Center, Martin Road and Route 85A, Voorheesville, 6 to 8:30 p.m. Information, 765-3500.

PUMPKIN DECORATING

Halloween stories, Bethlehem Public Library, 451 Delaware Ave., Delmar, 4 p.m. Information, 439-9314.

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.

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TESTIMONY MEETING

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

SOLID ROCK CHURCH

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

NEW SCOTLAND
NEW SCOTLAND SENIOR CITIZENS

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

AA MEETING

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

AL-ANON MEETING

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

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
OCTOBER**
30
BETHLEHEM
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.

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. in a local home, children's program and nursery provided 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.

**FRIDAY
OCTOBER**
31
BETHLEHEM
AA MEETING

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

CHABAD CENTER

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

NEW SCOTLAND
YOUTH GROUP MEETINGS

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

**SATURDAY
NOVEMBER**
1
BETHLEHEM
AA MEETING

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

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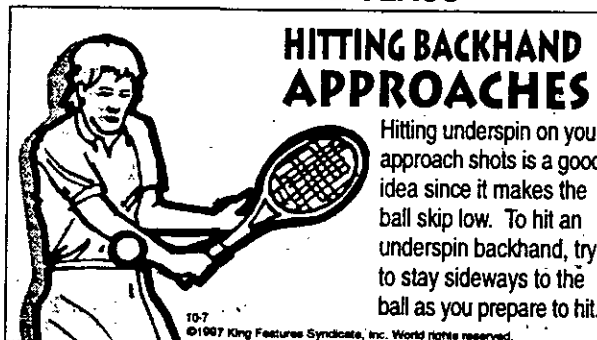
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church school, 9:30 a.m., worship service, 11 a.m., child care provided, Route 9W, Seikirk, Information, 767-2243.

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Sunday school and worship service, 10:30 a.m., child care available, 1 Chapel Lane, Information, 436-7710.

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Masses — Saturday at 5 p.m. and Sunday at 7:30, 9, 10:30 a.m. and noon, 35 Adams Place. Information, 439-4951.

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Latin Mass, 10 a.m. Sunday, 5:30 p.m. daily, Route 9W at Beacon Road, Glenmont. Information, 462-2016.

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.

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worship services, 8 and 10:30 a.m., Sunday school and Bible classes, 9:15 a.m., nursery care, handicapped-accessible, large-print materials and assistive listening devices, coffee and fellowship following services, 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.

ST. STEPHEN'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Holy Eucharist, 8 and 10:30 a.m., coffee and fellowship, nursery care provided, church school, 9:30 a.m., 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., Elm Avenue and Feura Bush Road. Information, 439-0358.

ST. MATTHEW'S ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

Masses Saturday at 5 p.m. and Sunday at 8:30 and 10:30 a.m., Mountain View Road, Voorheesville. Information, 765-2805.

JERUSALEM REFORMED CHURCH

worship service, 10:30 a.m., followed by coffee hour, child care provided, Route 32, Feura Bush. Information, 439-0548.

NEW SALEM REFORMED CHURCH

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

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

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Sunday school, 9:30 a.m., worship service, 11 a.m., followed by coffee hour, Willowbrook Avenue. Information, 767-9953.

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.

NEW SCOTLAND
NEW SCOTLAND HISTORICAL ASSOCIATION MUSEUM

in the Wyman Osterhout Community Center, New Salem, 2 to 4 p.m. Information, 765-4446.

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

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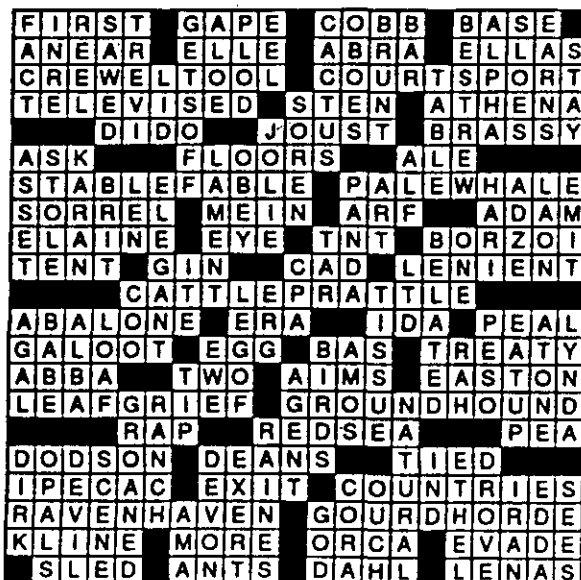
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN NEW SCOTLAND

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

UNITED PENTECOSTAL CHURCH

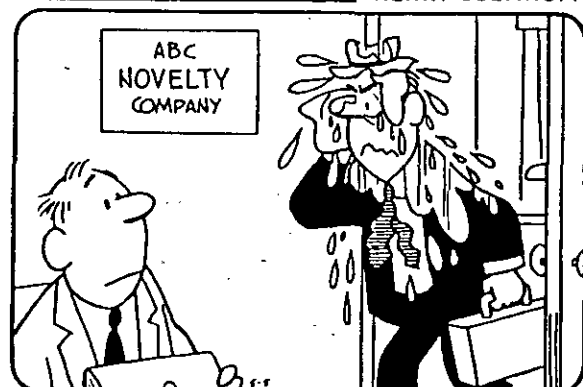
Sunday school and worship service, 10 a.m., choir rehearsal, 5 p.m., evening service, 6:45 p.m., Route 85, New Salem. Information, 765-4410.

Answers to Super Crossword



HOCUS-FOCUS

BY HENRY BOLTINOFF



Find at least six differences in details between panels.



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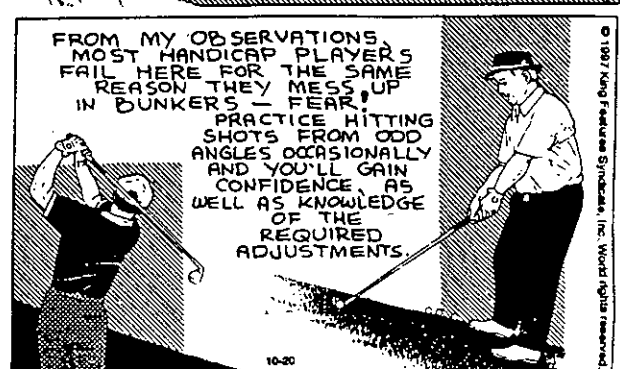
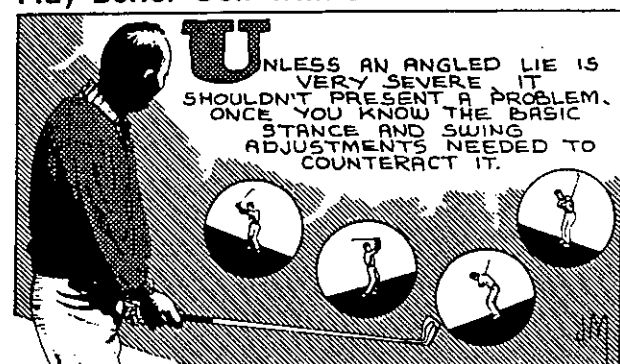
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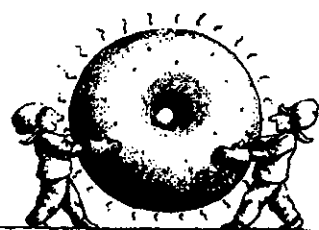
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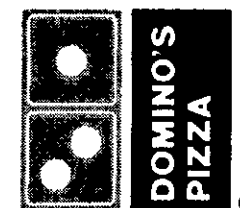
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
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CAT - CALICO (orange, brown, white vest), NO TAIL. Lost Glen-dale Avenue, Delmar. Reward. 439-9265.

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ALTO SAXAPHONE, \$325. Call evenings, 478-7275.

DOG'S WINTER COAT, large (size 24), wool, plaid, lamb's wool lining. \$25. 439-2025.

NEW TUNTURI treadmill & used stationary bike. Best offers. 756-3805.

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Write your classified ad exactly as you want it to appear in the newspaper. Do not abbreviate. Telephone # is one word. Be sure to include the telephone # in your ad. It is not necessary to include the category in your ad.

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1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10
\$10.30	\$10.60	\$10.90	\$11.20	\$11.50
11	12	13	14	15
\$11.80	\$12.10	\$12.40	\$12.70	\$13.00
16	17	18	19	20
\$13.30	\$13.60	\$13.90	\$14.20	\$14.50
21	22	23	24	25
\$14.80	\$15.10	\$15.40	\$15.70	\$16.00
26	27	28	29	30
\$16.30	\$16.60	\$16.90	\$17.20	\$17.50
31	32	33	34	35
\$17.80	\$18.10	\$18.40	\$18.70	\$19.00
36	37	38	39	40

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Delmar, NY 12054

Category

I enclose \$ _____ for _____ words

Name

Address

Phone

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Seasonal Contracts
or Per Storm
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Free Estimates/Insured
Reliable Service
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TREE SERVICES

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Tree Removal
• Tree Trimming • Tree Removing
• Stump Removal • Fire Wood
• Senior Citizens Discount
• Fast, Friendly Service
• Lowest Prices in Town
FREE ESTIMATES • INSURED
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By Haslam Tree Service
Seasonal Contracts
or Per Storm Plowing
439-9702

SNOWPLOWING

Seasonal or Per Storm
Call Now & Receive Free
Estimate in 24 Hours
* **475-1419** *

**For less than
\$10 a week,
\$8.75 to be exact,
your Spotlight ad
could be here.**

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VOORHEESVILLE - 8 West Street, Saturday, November 1, 9 A. M. - 3 P. M. Toys, Christmas ornaments, clothes, books, old records, household, sporting goods, jewelry, miscellaneous.

AUTOMOTIVE

MOTORCYCLE - 1975 Jawa 175 cc street bike, 1,000 miles. After 7 P. M. 783-1945.

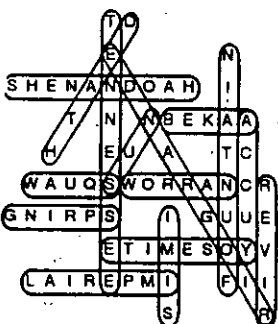
1984 CADILLAC DEVILLE, white, 70,000 miles, loaded, 1 owner. \$2,450. 869-5440.

1986 PONTIAC PARISIENNE, 9 passenger station wagon. Excellent running condition. \$1995. 765-2515 after 5 P. M.

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\$18,169*
after rebate or
\$232.12*
month

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after rebate or
\$198.65*
month

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after rebate or
\$178.07*
month

*All vehicles 2 yr, 24,000 mi, 15¢ per mile thereafter, + tax, title & DMV fees extra. TAURUS: \$2625 cash down or trade equiv + \$750 rebate assigned to dealer, total of pmts \$5570.88, lease end value \$11,525.40. CONTOUR: \$1950 cash down or trade equiv + \$750 rebate assigned to dealer, total of pmts \$4767.60, lease end value \$10,257.30. ESCORT: \$1500 cash down or trade equiv + \$1000 rebate assigned to dealer, total of pmts \$4273.68, lease end value \$7786.80.

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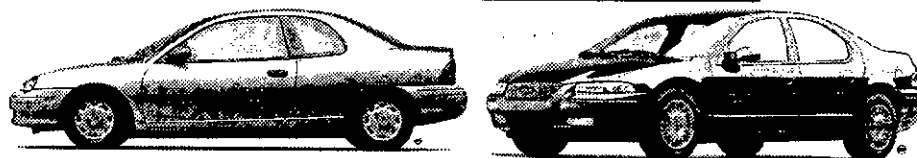
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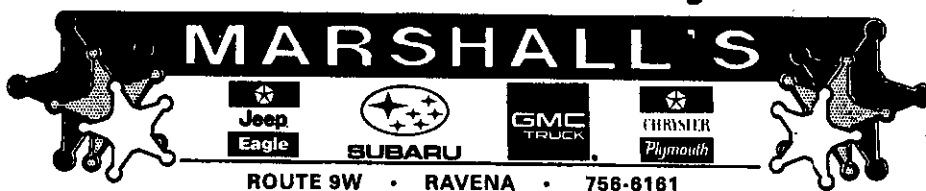
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Working together, the Fuller Team has cut costs and contained spending in order to bring your Town taxes have gone down 15%.

Thanks to the Sheila Fuller, George Lenhardt and Ted Putney, Bethlehem has Emergency Paramedic Service 24 hours a day, seven days a week, and a police force as good as any in the state, protecting our homes and community.

Thanks to the Fuller Team, Bethlehem can look forward to orderly and comprehensive control of Town Growth.

Gregg Sagendorph, an integral part of the Fuller Team, makes sure we have clean, safe and well maintained streets and roadways.

And Kathy Newkirk, our Town Clerk, takes pride in making certain that you receive prompt, efficient and most importantly, professional service.

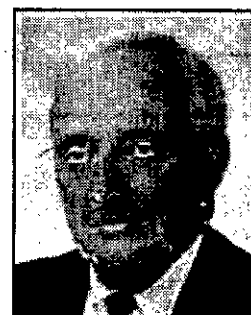
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Town Board



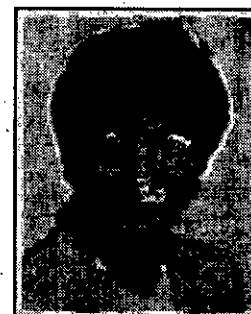
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