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*A year of lawsuits, development controversies and water, water everywhere: a look at 1998 in review.*

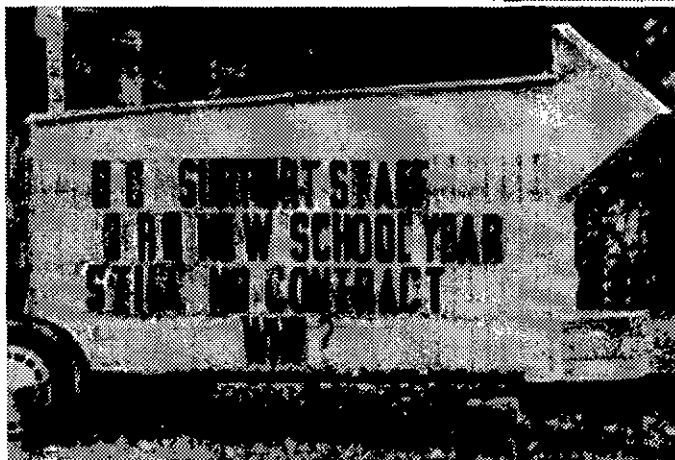
## January

Democratic town justices Kenneth Munnely and Theresa Egan are sworn in and Susan Burns joins the formerly all-Republican town board with a vow to broaden participation in government. Supervisor Sheila Fuller declares business development her No. 1 priority. In New Scotland, a new Republican majority takes office on the New Scotland town board.

Amid growing controversy over a proposed senior assistive-living facility

## The Year in Review 1998

FACTS • FACES • ISSUES • PLACES



Bottom left, Bethlehem Central United Employees Association brought its contract dispute public. Top right, a freak electrical storm in June felled trees and wreaked havoc with power lines. Bottom right, Clarksville School playground is completed. Elaine McLain

## February

Bethlehem Public Library proposes a \$250,000 parking lot expansion plan. A vote is set for May.

On the business front, a developer proposes 171-unit housing development for the former Tall Timbers Country Club in New Scotland; Bethlehem planning board OKs construction of 65-unit Cherryvale development in Slingerlands; zoning board OKs a Stewart's Shop at the corner of Elm and Delaware avenues. MG Industries of Pennsylvania unveils an \$18 million oxygen production plant at Owens-Corning in Selkirk. Michael Tucker takes office as chairman of the town IDA.

Sports shorts: BCHS boys swimming and diving team coasts to its 27th consecutive Section II championship; Voorheesville native Gretchen Ulion scores a goal over Canada to help the U.S. women's ice hockey team to Olympic gold in Nagano.

Sign of the times: Bethlehem Central High School student suspended for gun on school property.

## March

Bethlehem files suit against J. Kenneth Fraser & Associates over poor output at

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proposed in the heart of Delmar by CMI Healthcare Associates, Bethlehem's planning board sends the project back to the drawing board for revisions.

Bethlehem school board votes no on full-day kindergarten, and Superintendent Les Loomis calls for redistricting Adams Woods and Country Meadows subdivisions. The Voorheesville Central School District seeks to add 43,000 square feet to its facilities, and Clayton A. Bouton High School principal Terence Barlow moves on to accept a position in East Greenbush; David McGuire is hired as interim replacement.

Sign of the times: the Rev. Brendan O'Keefe is indicted for stealing nearly \$30,000 in checks and property from a traditionalist Catholic shrine in Glenmont.

In memoriam: New Scotland Town Justice Donald LeRoy Chase, 66; the Rev. James M. Cribbs, former associate pastor of the Church of St. Thomas the Apostle in Delmar, 36.

## Longtime V'ville public works chief retires

By JOSEPH A. PHILLIPS

For the first time in a third of a century, when Bill Hotaling tumbles out of bed Monday, "It'll be really weird," he said. For one thing, his first glance out the window in the morning won't have to be a look toward the sky.

"In this job, you're always looking up," said Hotaling. "I'm up all night worrying. I won't miss worrying about a snowstorm coming anymore."

What's more, "Come Jan. 1, I'm not going to have to look left and right at potholes anymore," he said.

Hotaling has been superintendent of public works for the village of Voorheesville for 29 years. It's in his blood; his dad George served in the post for 31 years before him.

Now Voorheesville will have to get used to a different man behind the desk at the public works garage. In November, prompted by recent improvements in the retirement package offered

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Bill Hotaling won't miss the headaches that the public works commissioner inevitably faces.

Joseph Phillips

## Police report mini mall burglary

A group of stores in the Delmar Mini Mall adjacent to Delaware Plaza suffered a break in over Christmas. One store owner reported some stolen cash and several suffered damage. Bethlehem police are continuing to investigate the incident.

According to police reports, the burglary was first discovered on Saturday, Dec. 26, when Michael Arel of Delmar Sign Shop arrived on the premises and found a Sheetrock wall between his shop and Eleanor's Dance Studio broken through.

Bethlehem police believe that the burglar entered the building by breaking a window at the rear of the dance studio and subsequently broke through walls into the adjacent sign shop and Dave's Glass Shop.

## Bethlehem police nab three on DWI charges

Preholiday cheer produced a busy weekend before Christmas for Bethlehem police, who recorded three DWI (driving while intoxicated) arrests in three days.

On Friday, Dec. 18, Officer Robert Helligrass was on patrol on Borthwick Avenue in Delmar at around 9 p.m. when he reported being nearly sideswiped.

Robert A. Kroeze, 33, of 40 Rowland Ave., was administered field sobriety tests and charged with DWI. He was ordered to appear in Town Court on Jan. 5.

Saturday at about 6 a.m., Officer J.L. Rexford responded to the scene of an accident at 593 River Road in Glenmont. There he found a vehicle that had apparently swerved off the road and struck a tree.

According to police reports, William G. Northrup, 21, of Flemmings Trailer Park in Selkirk was still in the driver's seat.

Members of the Selkirk Fire Department and Bethlehem EMS also responded and transported Northrup to Albany Medical Center Hospital for treatment. Northrup was charged with DWI, as well as crossing hazard markings. He is scheduled to appear in Town Court on Jan. 5.

Police arrested Patrick Jeffrey Hartley, 38, of 54 Wemple Road in Glenmont for DWI. At 7:05 a.m. on Sunday, Officer David Harrington found a vehicle with evidence of substantial front-end damage abandoned at the intersection of Route 9W and Feura Bush Road in Glenmont.

A motor vehicle ownership trace led police investigators to Hartley, who claimed to have been involved in a telephone pole accident earlier that morning in Albany. He was charged with DWI and leaving the scene of an accident. He was ordered to appear in Town Court Jan. 5.

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## Center piece



Four-year-old Shannon McShane enjoys a poinsettia at the 11th annual Bethlehem Community Christmas Dinner at First United Methodist Church of Delmar on Kenwood Avenue.

Elaine McLain

## Municipal leaders see riverfront possibilities

By Joseph A. Phillips

County Executive Michael Breslin recently called a meeting of Albany County municipal leaders from communities bordering the Hudson River to talk about "a cooperative community vision for Albany County's Waterfront."

Breslin and officials from Cohoes to Coeymans discussed a strategy for improving public access to the waterfront all along the county's river edge. A preliminary report also identified opportunities for development, enhanced water usage and cleanup of the river. Bethlehem Supervisor Sheila Fuller was among the

participants.

Chief among the goals outlined at the meeting, according to Mike Borges of the county's department of economic development, is creation of a committee or commission to implement a coordinated waterfront strategy.

Several proposals in the report have a potential impact upon the town of Bethlehem. Among those: a possible extension of the existing Mohawk-Hudson bikeway, which currently extends as far south as the Corning Preserve in Albany, through both Bethlehem and Coeymans. Borges said that "some sort of entity to manage the Hudson Mohawk bike trail was needed, 'to market it, to manage it and to expand it.'"

The draft report also discussed repairs and improvements needed at Henry Hudson Park. "The potential exists to develop additional shoreline around the park and create trails that would link the park to Bethlehem's neighborhoods," the report said.

"Bethlehem has the longest waterfront shoreline in Albany County," he said, "and some effort should be focused on identifying opportunities to use the waterfront," Borges said.

Fuller said she welcomed the initiative.

## Is one-way right way to go?

By Joseph A. Phillips

Voorheesville's board of trustees discussed safety on Prospect Street at its Dec. 22 board meeting and faced more questions about the implications of turning the narrow road into a one-way street.

Property owners on the street, led by dentist Michael Jarus, questioned whether the one-way proposal would solve traffic problems on the hilly road. The upshot of the meeting: further review of the situation, and a likely revisit of the question in January.

The issue has come to the fore as a result of the village's proposal to sell a vacant home at 30 Prospect St. to a residential owner. That property was purchased by the village a year and a half ago from the estate of its former owner. Currently in dispute is exactly what the board's intentions were when it bought the property.

Jarus said that the village had intended to raze the building, which sits close to the shoulder of the road and stands in the way of widening the road or building a sidewalk.

The house also sits next to a small rise in the road that is the chief concern of both the neighbors and village officials. "It seems to be a consensus that there is a huge safety problem on the street," said Voorheesville Mayor Ed Clark. The hill obscures visibility for vehicles on the narrow road, causing potential problems for pedestrians en route to the nearby village library.

Jarus said he hoped the village would level the road and add a sidewalk for pedestrians, but Clark raised concerns about the expense of that approach. Instead, Clark said he favored turning the road into a one-way street heading away



Navigating on Prospect Street in Voorheesville can be tricky.

Joseph Phillips

from the village and marking the left-hand lane as a bicycle route. "The speed of traffic will not be reduced by a one-way street," he said, "but the volume of traffic will certainly be reduced."

Since the matter was last discussed at the November board meeting, trustee Jack Stevens said, he had informally polled neighbors, and said they favored that proposal. State and federal standards for new sidewalks, he said, required a 14-foot easement from properties in the area. "Rather than taking their property and putting a sidewalk in, they would prefer a one-way street," he said.

Jarus, who owns property on the street, and neighbor Gayle Radecky both insisted they hadn't been polled. "I would like a safe situation created, and this would make it more unsafe," said Radecky, of the one-way proposal. "The closer you live to 30 Prospect St., the more difficult it'll be to get out of your driveway. Would

(a one-way street) speed up traffic?" Jarus called for a formal traffic survey to be done.

Kevin Jobin-Davis, the village grant-writer, reported to the board about his research into traffic-calming methods, including speed bumps, signage changes and one-way streets. "One way is a form of traffic calming, but it is not an end-all," he said. "But if your interest is pedestrian and bicycle safety, it is an affordable option."

Concerns were also raised about the septic system on the property, which is not up to existing health codes. But Clark pointed out that a "very significant number of properties in this community" were grandfathered from compliance with more recent standards, because they "could not and cannot meet current standards."

The board agreed to review further options and put sale of the property on hold until the traffic question is resolved.

## Slingerlands man: Give me Liberty

By Joseph A. Phillips

Timothy J. Stoddard of Slingerlands, acting as lead plaintiff, has filed a class-action suit in Federal Court against the U.S. government, seeking restoration of American Indian sovereignty over Liberty Island in New York harbor.

The complaint was filed before Judge Lawrence McKenna of the Southern District of New York, on behalf of Americans Indians as a class. Stoddard is listed on the complaint as a member of the Mohegan Hudson River Indians, and several other co-plaintiffs as representatives of the Hopi Nation and three California Indian bands.

In the three-page complaint with 32 pages of citations, the plaintiffs contend that "from all that appears, the island has not been purchased from the Indians and therefore is reserved for the Indians." The plaintiffs assert their standing to sue based on an argument that "the Indian interest in

unpurchased territory is both national and individual."

That is, even centuries after Indians have occupied a piece of land, only direct descendants of those who lived there may sell it, but "if there are no descendants of that particular tract, is it not the legacy of the country"—the sovereign Indian nations as a class—"and therefore all who are the country?"

The complaint asserts that Indians have been recognized since Colonial times as possessing property rights that can only be ceded by sale or, as one of the cited precedents suggests, by seizure at war.

It cites constitutional references, international law and more than 40 federal legal precedents to bolster its case, including the notorious Dred Scott decision of 1857, which found escaped slaves lacked many of the rights of citizens, but asserted in comparison that Indians had many sovereign rights, including rights to ances-

tral property.

In seeking a remedy, the Stoddard complaint suggests that either an independent tribunal or the court itself serve as a third-party adjudicator to decide the sovereignty question.

The suit does not spell out what specific damages or remedy the plaintiffs seek, and Stoddard declined any comment on specifics of the case.

"We are not making any statement until the Federal Court in Manhattan processes the complaint and the state responds," Stoddard said.

The government had until Dec. 10 to file a response, but no response had been recorded with the district court as of their Christmas recess, according to docket records in the court clerk's office.

Stoddard said that he has secured lawyer Bruce Clark as counsel. Clark is listed on the court filing as one of the six co-plaintiffs.

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# CMI neighbors' lawyer charges conflict of interest

By Joseph A. Phillips

Donald Zee, the lawyer for a group of Bethlehem residents who have filed suit in state Supreme Court against the town of Bethlehem, has charged attorney Ruth Leistensnider, who represents the town board in the matter, with conflict of interest, and said it might lead to further legal action against the town.

Leistensnider was hired earlier this month by the town board to prepare its defense against the lawsuit that seeks to halt the building project application of CMI Associates to build a 94-unit senior assistive-living facility on Delaware Avenue, near the town library. She filed the town's response on Dec. 14.

The original complaint, filed in state Supreme Court on Nov. 23, seeks to reverse the board's decision, at CMI's request, to rezone the parcel in question to permit commercial development on the formerly residential property.

Named as plaintiffs in the suit are eight Bethlehem residents, most of whom are neighbors of the proposed CMI site.

Leistensnider was hired because she serves as counsel to the town planning board and is familiar with the record in the ongoing CMI application process before various town boards.

But Zee said that Leistensnider's representation of the town in the lawsuit does not square with her continuing counsel to the planning board. "I do have a problem at this point of time from a procedural standpoint, and it has to do with a conflict of interest," he said.

Noting that the planning body is presently reviewing the CMI project application in the wake of the town board's zoning decision, he asked, "How can she zealously defend the town board and also properly represent the planning board in giving it appropriate advice?" He said he intends to write the planning board "about her recusal" from further advising them on CMI.

He also suggested her continued counsel might provoke additional legal action by his clients. "It is not ripe as of right now," he

said. "We'd have to wait until a determination is made by the planning board. But yes, this is something my clients might consider. At the same time, we are willing to sit down and work out a possible compromise here."

The town response denied allegations that CMI had failed to justify the zoning change by demonstrating its benefit to town residents; that the zoning change is in conflict with existing town ordinances and master plans; and that it represents illegal spot zoning. It also challenged the standing of the plaintiffs to sue and asserted they "failed to exhaust all available remedies" for the redress of their grievances.

Zee declined comment on the town's filing, saying he had not had an opportunity to fully review its particulars. Supervisor Sheila Fuller also declined comment, and said she was uncertain how quickly the court might respond.

While both sides await court action, the process set in motion by the town's zoning decision continues. The planning board met

on Dec. 15 to review the record of its public hearing on the matter held two weeks earlier.

In more than an hour with representatives of CMI, the planning board discussed potential changes to proposed parking for the site, particularly moving parking spaces in front of the building further back from Delaware Avenue and adding a few in the rear of the building. "We also have to be concerned about the streetscape and what it looks like when we drive up on Delaware Avenue," said board member James Blendell.

The board asked CMI representatives to supply more precise figures on the number of employees, both CMI-hired and independent, who might need to park, as well as the number of visitor and resident vehicles expected at the site.

They reviewed traffic and accident data supplied to the board by Zee at the public hearing, as well as the neighbor group's assertion that the facility would likely increase the already high level of accidents on Delaware Avenue. Said board chairman Douglas Hasbrouck, "I'm not aware of any design model at all that allows us to predict accidents based on design criteria for a given site. You just can't do it. There are far too many variables."

The planning board asked CMI's design team to consider ways to preserve as many of the mature trees on the site as possible, to examine the potential noise impact of air-handling equipment and to relocate some emergency generators. They also asked for samples of building materials proposed for use at the site. And they invited neighbors concerned about endangered species to walk the site and identify any that might be present, though none were identified in the State Environmental Quality Review (SEQR) process.

Hasbrouck later said he hoped the design team's responses could be returned in time to draw up draft recommendations on the

project for the town board by late January or February. He said the board would likely decline Zee's request to reopen the SEQR process. "I don't think we see anything that changes anything with respect to the environmental findings," he said.

At the same planning board meeting, a public hearing was conducted on a proposal to subdivide a 2.5-acre site at the end of Sudbury Road in the Adams Woods development. The board reviewed soil stability issues and heard from neighbors concerned that any residence built there remain in character with the existing neighborhood.

The board also heard from representatives of developers of the proposed Shanahan Fun Park, a driving range and batting cage operation to be sited along Route 9W in Glenmont. The proposal was first presented to the planning board almost two years ago. Hasbrouck later said he anticipates the filing of site plans and SEQR documents by the developers early in 1999.

## Library provides career services

Free career and education advice is available for adults at Bethlehem Public Library's career resource center at 451 Delaware Ave. in Delmar.

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# New year is tabula rasa for harried mom

By Katherine McCarthy

A new year approaches, and the possibilities seem endless. Calendar days luxuriate in their emptiness, only a few as yet marred by the pencil scratches of busy family life. Time, still, to imagine accomplishing goals in them. Rather than make resolutions, I draw up the essence of every mother's life: a list, and imagine that this year, somehow, I will complete and tick off the items.

COMMENTARY:

## Mom's the Word

Some have been on the list so long they reappear by themselves. Lose weight and exercise automatically earn first and second place, closely followed by being more patient with the children and keeping the house clean.

I no longer even imagine that I'm kidding myself with those annual goals, so I make subheadings — a bad sign — for as soon as the list is too long, too complex or too unrealistic, I'll lose it. Which brings me to resolution No. 5: get organized.

I try to think specifically and attainably. Perhaps if I eat more fruit, and walk the dog for 10 minutes more each morning, I'll become the kind of person who grimaces at sugar products and can't get through each day without a 5-mile run. I comfort myself with two news snippets I read recently: eating candy (well, OK, moderate amounts of candy) makes you live longer, and those who only think about exercise actually derive some benefits.

If my days could last from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. I'd never have a problem with patience, especially

since my darling angels are in school from 9 a.m. to 3:15 p.m. It's when dinner hour runs into homework hour runs into bath hour and there's an after-school activity to squish in and I get a phone call on a story due in the morning, that things fall apart.

I will keep taking deep breaths, something the women's magazines tout as the magical elixir of life, and try to deal singly with each event. I vow to give myself time-outs when I feel my temper flaring. It always stuns the children when I inform them through clenched teeth that I need to step away for a minute, and then stomp into the guest room and breathe deeply while seated in The Black Chair.

Since I'm alone in the house so much of the time, you would think that keeping it clean wouldn't be a problem. Why if I spent only an hour each day cleaning, the house would always be immaculate. But I do spend at least an hour every day cleaning, and that seems to only take care of the kitchen, and maybe clearing the dining room table.

Then I find myself growing resentful: this is the 410th time that I've put yesterday's newspapers into the recycling box. Didn't I clear this toy off the table yesterday? Why can't anybody hang up their own coat? I followed a Hint from Heloise and put the shoe bag on the closet door for mittens and gloves and told everybody it was there, so why am I finding stray handgear all over the dining room?

Soon I am taking deep breaths and sitting in the time-out chair, even though there isn't anyone home for me to yell at. I try to do my Big Picture thing when all the little things gang up on me: I have a good life; a loving husband, bright and good-looking children,

a roof over my head, altogether too much food and work I love. I tell myself to get real, and move on to No. 5: get organized.

That seems like something I can do during school vacation, while the children rot their brains playing their new Nintendo 64 games. I will start with the laundry pile, sorting things into hamper, hanger and drawer. In the spirit of new beginnings, I will put Chris' things away without grousing, then calmly inform him that I will throw away his favorite plaid shirt if I ever see it on the floor again.

The beautiful clay objects my children created during the past three summer vacations, that now cover my dresser top, will be properly displayed. I will move on to the small office off our bedroom (the real reason I wanted this house) to clear, stack, throw out and organize things. There's some real work to be done there, and I'm sure I'll decide instead to take the boys out for pizza.

But from this room in particular the new resolutions come. Begin each writing assignment

when it's given, not when it suits me. Read the information from the national PTA as it comes in and return all phone calls promptly. Set a schedule to send out query letters that will result in more writing jobs, and block out time each day to work on the novel that's been relegated to an old file folder. Daydream about the new dress I'll buy for my thinner, fruit-and-exercise enhanced self to wear to the National Book Awards.

Then I stop my goal list and try to believe that come June, the house will be neat and clean and my exercise regimen will be more actual than virtual.

There will always be work to do, and things to improve on, but there are secret moments of joy all around us — a spouse's hello in a busy workday, a parent's voice, a child's smile, a dog curled up beside you, a moment alone on a crisp winter day.

This, then, is my main goal for the last year of the millennium: to recognize and savor these tiny moments of joy as they come my way.

## Elsmere elects fire officers

Elsmere Fire Company recently elected officers for 1999.

Edward Costigan was re-elected the company's chief for the coming year.

Also elected as line officers were Kevin M. Shea, first assistant chief; William H. Webb, Jr., second assistant chief; James Reagan, captain; John J. Zobray, first lieutenant; Timothy Haverly, second lieutenant; Vincent Thompson, third lieutenant; Edward DeSanctis, fourth lieutenant; and Ariel L. Goodrich, fire police lieutenant.

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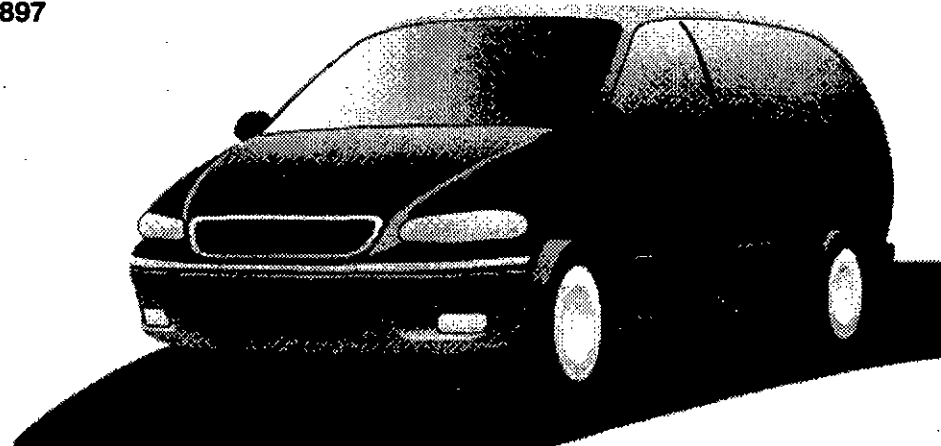


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# Matters of Opinion

## Future looks bright for Bethlehem & New Scotland

By Herbert Reilly

*The author is supervisor of the town of New Scotland.*

The last year of the 20th century ushers in a period for solidifying past gains and preparing for the new millennium.

The town of New Scotland has grown from a small rural community, created by a partitioning of Bethlehem in 1832, to a cross between that small place and an urban town. We have five hamlets, an incorporated village, a few working farms and several churches. We send our students to six separate school districts.

There are approximately 50 employees, divided almost equally between full and part-time boards. This number should remain level, except for one new laborer who will be added to the highway department in late 1999.

The largest services the town provides for its 9,000 plus residents are roads and solid waste removal. Darrell Duncan and his highway employees have shown great skill and dedication to their responsibilities. Recycling is an ongoing and successful program.

The town's master plan and zoning regulations are only a few years old and working well. The latter is considered a living document and is currently in the process of being updated.

Most offices are located in the new town hall, which is completely computerized. Cooperation be-



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tween the employees is excellent, which is another plus for the community.

The biggest challenge that the board and supervisor face next year is trying to provide potable water for town residents. In spite of the fact that we have expanded our water districts from two to five, there is much more to be done.

In 1998 the town expended several thousand dollars studying the water needs of various areas. With the invaluable help of the water committee, we hope to combine all of the data into a single townwide water study. This document should be completed in 1999 and with it in hand, the board will be able to make more informed decisions.

Hopefully New Scotland will not be a "water poor" town for much longer. There are positive signs that we will be able to provide water to the residents of North and Flat Rock roads.

The Tall Timbers project seems to be progressing. If it comes to fruition, the community's infrastructure will be enhanced by a public sewer system and water tower, with resulting fire protection in the northeastern part of the town.

With some major infrastructure in place, the town will be better able to attract clean businesses. New businesses mean jobs for residents and an improved tax base to relieve the pressure of school taxes.

Happy holidays.

By Sheila Fuller.

*The author is supervisor of the town of Bethlehem.*

In two short days, 1998 will pass into history, and the last year of the 20th century and final year of a millennium that started 999 years ago will begin.

It is an exciting time. We can look back with pride at the progress man has made and how different our lives are than those of people who lived a hundred or a thousand years ago.

Advances in medicine now allow us to live longer and more comfortably. In a matter of hours we can travel to places people once knew only from books. And a man on the moon? That was even beyond the imagination of most scientists and astronomers.

1999 is indeed a year of anticipation in Bethlehem as we look ahead to even greater challenges and amazing accomplishments in the new millennium.

Today, our town is rightly viewed as one of the premier places in the Capital District in which to live, work and raise a family.

Town government is dedicated to bringing residents the very best programs and services at a fair and reasonable cost. Our streets and homes are safe and people can move about knowing that they are protected by an efficient and professional police department, which serves our community with honor and pride.

Although there will be a less than 1 percent increase in residential taxes in 1999, over the past five years town taxes have decreased, while the quality and



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number of services has expanded.

We have opened new parks and added a number of new recreational facilities.

Bethlehem Senior Services department is acknowledged as one of the area's best. It provides programs, services and activities for seniors who have contributed so much to our town's well-being.

A report issued in July by the Bethlehem Police Department confirmed what many residents already suspected — that crimes of a violent nature are fewer in number here than in nearby suburban communities. And because of the excellent work by members of the Bethlehem Traffic Safety Committee and many concerned citizens, our record on pedestrian safety has greatly improved.

Our town will also enter the year 2000 on a positive environmental note. By January of that year we will have stopped using pesticides on all town property and roadways, including parks and recreation areas.

The ban on the most potent toxic chemicals began in October, with the use of Category 2 pesticides to end in January. Any remaining pesticide use by the town will stop in January of 2000.

Bethlehem's tax base grew this year by approximately \$2.1 million. This advance proved to be helpful in dealing with the increased costs needed to maintain the number and quality of services and programs.

However, if we are to keep pace with ever-increasing demands for these essentials for good community life, it is necessary that we continue to attract viable business and commercial development.

Without a healthy business and industrial climate, to generate an expanding commercial tax base for the town, the cost of meeting the requirements of a burgeoning population will, in time, begin to weigh more heavily on residential property owners.

The competition among states, counties and towns the size of Bethlehem to lure new business and commercial development is intense.

To be considered as a likely site for new enterprise, we must do our utmost to make our community attractive to prospective businesses and suitable industry.

The town board is in the process of exploring the possibility of rezoning parts of town so business people looking to invest here will have a clear understanding of the zoning regulations which may apply.

This year we began a streamlining process designed to let businesses and developers know that Bethlehem is receptive and business-friendly.

Under this plan, business people are encouraged to meet informally with town planners, engineers and zoning officials and discuss town regulations and statutes and how they affect what is being proposed.

We have found this to be a useful tool in allowing businesses to get quick approval for reasonable projects and to avoid last-minute problems.

This approach has helped businesses such as Monro Muffler gain speedy authorization to begin construction on its new facility.

And we must remain ever mindful that the era of smoke-stack industries is over.

Town government has the obligation to determine that all questions regarding health, safety and pollution hazards and their impact on our community are addressed fully and fairly.

On Dec. 1, 1999, the state's 4 percent sales tax on clothing and footwear up to \$110 will be allowed to expire. This action by itself will cut in half the 8 percent tax now being levied on such items.

County Executive Michael Breslin has proposed eliminating the county's 4 percent share of the tax in December of next year and will ask the county Legislature to consider the measure in March or April.

As much as I am opposed to taxes, I have taken the position that the town's loss of the 40 percent share of county sales tax on these items could harm our property owners far more than the benefits of any savings.

I am not unalterably opposed to Breslin's proposal. I believe that if the 4 percent sales tax were repealed, it would not be a disaster for the town and its residents. Still, I feel that Bethlehem and most other suburban communities would be better served if the tax was either retained or phased out over a set period of time.

Bethlehem is a vibrant and prosperous community and a very special place. Our people are generous, caring and giving and ready to respond to the needs of friends and neighbors in times of urgency and need.

I feel privileged and proud to be the one chosen to lead us into the coming millennium.

On behalf of all who serve in town government, I would like to wish each and everyone a very happy New Year.

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# Your Opinion Matters

## Parents must remain involved in kids' lives

Editor, The Spotlight:

I was especially moved by the Point of View column written by Jack Rightmyer on Dec. 9. His pride in the girls he coaches was so beautifully evident—I am sure his presence in their lives greatly enhances the benefits they receive from the competition and feelings of accomplishments involved in sports.

I have noticed, however, a mindset in the suburbs that if children are actively involved in sports they will somehow be insulated from many of the dangerous peer influences in our society. While I wholeheartedly agree that sports are of great value physically and emotionally, parents should not lose sight of the fact that sports involvement does not replace the consistent attention and support of parents. Many parents of teens seem to feel that if their daughters and sons are scheduled into enough sports and structured activities, the parents can blithely pursue their own busy lives in the comforting knowledge that their children are safe from the peer influence of less desirable friends.

I have raised two sons to responsible young adulthood, and my daughter is a freshman this year. Her self-esteem is very high, and I am hoping the strong opinions and values she has formed over the years will serve her well through high school. I would like to suggest to parents that in addition to involving their children in healthy constructive activities, they make every effort to devote as much time as possible to them

from their early years.

Nightly family dinners have always been important in our house—friends are always welcome—discussions are often very lively. I have always stayed up until my teens arrived home at night—this enables parents to know what time their child is coming in (and in what condition). I also found that this was a time when my sons often wanted to sit for a while and talk. In fact, I have had some of my most rewarding conversations with my sons in the after-midnight hours.

Our children were always encouraged to invite their friends over frequently. It is very important to get to know your children's friends. In fact, I have really enjoyed having all these young people around and have formed lasting bonds with many of them.

In today's society, with its pressures and temptations for adolescents, nothing guarantees that a child will not run into problems, but the most important thing we can do for each child is to be involved in his life and consistently be there, be there, be there.

We can't rely on our caring coaches and teachers like Mr. Rightmyer to enhance our children's self-esteem. We must do this ourselves from the very beginning.

Susan Peters  
Slingerlands

## Bell of Life campaign will help trauma unit

Editor, The Spotlight:

On behalf of the Delmar Kiwanis Club, I would like to thank the businesses who responded so well to our request to have Bells of Life displayed in their establishments. About 40 local merchants helped us raise more than \$2,000 for the pediatric trauma unit of the Children's Hospital at Albany Medical Center.

Bethlehem Chamber of Commerce's Bethlehem First program was never more evident than in the commitment of locally

owned businesses that have a stake in the community. National chains always had to refer to "corporate headquarters," while 90 percent of our locally owned businesses knew about the program.

I would also like to thank *The Spotlight* and TV channels 10 and 13 for coverage of our fund drive.

Our drive is growing each year because people know that all of the money raised goes directly to the pediatric trauma unit. Our thanks also to Crossgates Mall, Clifton Country Mall and Aviation

Mall for allowing our volunteers to raise money at those facilities.

It takes time and effort to raise money for worthy causes, but if any of your readers have ever visited the pediatric trauma unit, you would know why we do what we do.

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## Adults invited to join reading club

Why should kids have a monopoly on reading fun? This winter, grownups can join the Winter Adult Reading Club and be eligible for recognition for their reading accomplishments just like kids in the summer program.

### Voorheesville Public Library

Sign up at the reference desk and receive a packet that contains an explanation of the program, a chart to keep track of reading materials, a book review form and reading suggestions.

On your chart, keep track of all the titles you read from Jan. 1 to March 31. During National Library Week in April, we will have a small ceremony and award prizes to the top readers. Members will

also have a chance to comment on the best and worst of what they read. No meetings are held so readers can still participate while they are away.

The 50 people who came to the Centennial Recipe Sampler all complained of too much good food and not enough stomach room. Three tables were loaded with goodies, including Phil Bulger's now-famous red pepper jelly, Frank Jablonowski's steamed clams with chicken, sausage and ham, Brian Kern's cheesy potato soup and enough desserts to satisfy all the sweet teeth in the room.

Conversation flowed around food-related themes as everyone grazed happily for almost two hours. People who missed it have been asking if there will be a repeat of the evening. Depending on interest, we may schedule another culinary sampler. Contact

me or leave your name at the desk.

Centennial cookbooks are practically flying out the door. Supplies are getting low, so if you still want one, stop by soon.

Lots of programs and exciting things will be happening in the new year — read all about upcoming events in the Bookworm that will be in the mail next week.

The library will close Thursday, Dec. 31, at 1 p.m. and reopen Saturday, Jan. 2, at 10 a.m. Story hours will resume on Monday, Jan. 4, at 10:30 a.m.

Barbara Vink

## Elks to host monthly dances

Crooked Creek Band will play at a series of monthly dances at Bethlehem Elks Lodge on Route 144 in Cedar Hill.

Dances will run from 8 p.m. to midnight. There will be line, couples and square dances. The cover charge is \$5 per person.

Dances are planned for Jan. 23, Feb. 13 and March 20.

A free gift will be given to the first 50 people and door prizes will be awarded throughout the night.

For information, call J. L. Williams at 756-8187 or Sue Hoffman-Van Alstyne at 756-1805.

## Delmar book group to discuss "Lord Jim"

The Books in the Morning series, hosted by Helen Adler, will discuss Joseph Conrad's classic *Lord Jim* on Friday, Jan. 8, from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at Bethlehem town hall.

The series is sponsored by Bethlehem Humanities Institute for Lifelong Learning. For information, call 439-9661.

## New Scotland to tie up old business tonight

The town of New Scotland has scheduled its year-end meeting for tonight, Dec. 30, at 7 p.m.

The town board will hold its organizational meeting on Monday, Jan. 4, at 7 p.m. Both meetings will be at town hall on Route 85 in Slingerlands.

### St. Matthew's sets New Year's Masses

St. Matthew's Church on Mountainview Street has scheduled New Year's Masses for Thursday, Dec. 31, at 5 p.m. and Friday, Jan. 1, at 10:30 a.m.

Liturgical calendars for the new year are available at the church entrance.

### Sports booster club to meet at high school

The high school sports booster club will meet Wednesday, Jan. 6, at 7 p.m. at the high school. Everyone is invited to attend.

The group sponsors a sports hot line. Voorheesville fans can call 765-3314, ext. 499 for scores and updates.

### Elementary drama club rehearsing new play

The elementary school drama club, directed by Pam Studler, will perform "Cyberkids" on Friday, Jan. 29, at 7:30 p.m. and Saturday, Jan. 30, at 2 p.m. in the large gymnasium.

There are more than 70 fifth- and sixth-graders participating in the production, which is cosponsored by the PTA.

### PTA announces roller-skating dates

The PTA will sponsor roller-skating on Friday, Jan. 22, from 12:15 to 2:15 p.m.; Thursday, March 18, from 3:15 to 5:15 p.m.;

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and Friday, April 9, from 12:15 to 2:15 p.m. in the elementary school's large gymnasium.

Tickets will be sold the week before each date for \$3.50 each.

### Make arrangements now for snowy days ahead

The school district will announce school closings due to inclement weather on all network TV stations and on many radio stations.

Parents are encouraged to have contingency plans for their children for days when school closes early due to the weather. The PTA will make every effort to notify parents of early closings. Having prior arrangements makes the process go smoother.

### Yearbook to publish old photos

The high school yearbook, *Torch 1999*, will be a special centennial edition featuring old photographs of the community and school.

If you have historic photos you would like to contribute to the yearbook, call Amy Riddell at the high school guidance office at 765-3314, ext. 203.

### Elementary school seeks substitutes

The elementary school needs substitute teachers. Teacher certification is preferred, but applications from individuals with two or more years of college are being accepted. Training will be provided, if necessary.

For information and an application, call the elementary school at 654-2382. The elementary school office will be closed Thursday, Dec. 31, for the holiday.

### Happy New Year

Best wishes for a healthy and peaceful new year to everyone.

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## Brighten '99 with view of exhibits

Some fascinating library exhibits will help to usher in the new year.

Carol Schlageter's watercolors, enticingly titled "Earth, Air, Water, Fire & Wheaten Terriers," will be on display in the northwest gallery in January. She admits that her paintings "have a decidedly pucky cast: frogs ski, cats cook and mannerly dogs assemble to take tea. It is rare for people to sit demurely on chairs. They are more likely to occupy a bed with



pets for company and preside over volcanos at the school science fair." Whatever the setting, Schlageter's art is a celebration of nature and the people and other creatures that inhabit it.

Schlageter was a reporter and editor of the former Knickerbocker News. She exhibits her work at the Soft-Coated Wheaten Terrier Association of America's national convention, among other places.

Joan Silverberg's "Hooked Hangings" will warm up the southwest gallery next month. "I try to solve various design problems, always with the thought that it's not fun to do, then it's not worth doing," she said. After many preliminary sketches, she draws the design directly onto burlap. Her "paint" is old woolen clothing cut into strips, then dyed or overdyed. The recycled wool is transformed under her hands into a work of art and framed in old wooden frames.

Silverberg is a member of the Designer Crafts Council of the Schenectady Museum and the Southern Saratoga Artist Society.

Railroad buffs young and old must pay a visit to William's Moll's display in the Birchenough case next month. In addition to conductor hats, passenger and employee timetables, lanterns, tickets, punches and baggage tags, switch keys and locks, Moll shares a model train and photos of the old stations in Elsmere, Delmar and Slingerlands.



This wall hanging by Joan Silverberg is called Acoma Pueblo.

Items pertaining to Operation Lifesaver, a national program that educates the public on railroad grade crossing safety, are also on display. Moll is a fourth-generation railroad employee. He has worked for the railroad for 18 years.

Bead art by Marion Kuritz brightens the small case next month. She developed her skills through study with two nationally known bead artists, Carol Wells of North Carolina and David Chatt

of Minnesota. Kuritz has won prizes at the state and Altamont fairs and was included in the 16th Northeast Fine Crafts Exhibit at the Schenectady Museum last March. She is a member of the Schenectady Museum Designer Crafts Council.

The library will close at 5 p.m. New Year's Eve and will be closed on New Year's Day.

Louise Grieco

## Little Red Schoolhouse on National Register

The Cedar Hill Schoolhouse on River Road in Selkirk, a red-brick structure that dates from 1859 and serves as the home of the Bethlehem Historical Association, has been listed on the National Register of Historic Places.

The building was actively in use as a school until it was closed by the Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk Central School District in 1959.

The "little red schoolhouse" was named in September to the National Register, which lists significant sites worthy of preservation for their historical interest.

The listing makes the site eligible for state historic preservation matching grants and federal tax benefits.

A plaque noting the National Register designation was dedicated at the historical association's annual Silver Tea this month.

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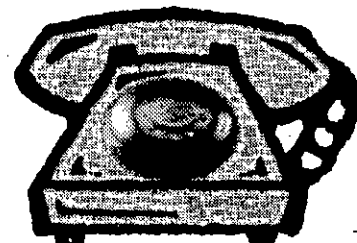
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adequate amounts because it helps to make the collagen fibers that are so important to anchor the teeth and gums to the bone.

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# Sports

## BBC wraps up pre-holiday activity

In the final Bethlehem Basketball Club action before the holiday break, Duke won a 29-28 ACC thriller over Maryland. **Brendan Venter** had 13 points for the Blue Devils to offset **Susan Pedlow's** tenacious defense. Virginia beat Wake Forest 40-26 behind **Brendan Prate's** eight points. **Paul DuBois** had 14 in defeat.

**Tom Rood's** six points led Florida St. past North Carolina 52-44. **Jim Valenti** had six for the Tar Heels. Clemson beat Georgia

Tech 37-32. **Kevin Manilenko** had 10 points for the winners, while **Jessica Scialdone** set up a host of buckets for Georgia Tech.

In Big East action, **Jessica Maxwell's** effort could not keep Miami from losing 39-27 to West Virginia. **Emma Strachman** had six points for the winners. Villanova beat Boston College 39-26 behind **John Politi's** eight points. **Sean Conway** had eight for Boston College. Seton Hall beat Pitt 45-16. **Geoffrey Wilcox**

scored 10 points and **Patrick Traub** had four to lead their teams. Syracuse beat Providence 34-24. **Hanna Strong's** defense kept the Friars close, while **Dan Mulhall** was strong on defense for the Orangemen. Connecticut beat Georgetown 52-41. **Cameron Brown** had 27 points, and **Shane Connors** scored 21. Notre Dame tied St. John's 34-34. **Clem Darling** had 11 for the Irish, and **Joe Conway** scored six for BC.

In NBA action, the Rockets tied the Bulls at 27. **Jason Colacino** and **Nate Pannucci** each had nine points. **Matt Robbins'** rebounding offset **Dan Noble's** ball-handling in the Spurs' 28-26 win over the Magic. The Sonics won 23-20 over the Celtics. **John Wyluda** scored six in the win, while **Pat Riegel** led the Celtics. **Sean McManus** led the Knicks to a 29-25 win over the Lakers, despite **Mike McGeown's** efforts.

## Tight quarters



Bethlehem Central High School defenseman Jon Albert (dark jersey) tries to push Christian Brothers Academy forward Andrew Dwyer away from the puck in the Eagles' 4-3 win Dec. 23.  
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## Dolphins compete at Marist College

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Swimming in the 11- and 12-year-old group was a Pennsylvania native who is new to the Dolphins, **Natalie Singer**. She

came in second in the 200-yard freestyle, fourth in the 50-yard freestyle and fifth in the 100-yard individual medley.

The lone boy swimmer representing the Dolphins, **Scott Solomon**, took second place in the 11- and 12-year old boys 200-yard individual medley and fifth in

both the 200-yard freestyle and the 50-yard breaststroke.

**Courtney Arduini**, swimming in the 13- and 14-year old girls category, took second in the 500-yard freestyle and second in the 100-yard butterfly. She also finished third in the 200-yard freestyle and 400-yard individual medley, fourth in the 200-yard butterfly and 100-yard backstroke and seventh in the 50-yard freestyle.

**Ellen Bandel** finished fourth in the 500-yard freestyle.

In the girls open category, **Teresa Rosetti** won the 500-yard freestyle with a time of 5:30.53. She also finished third in the girls 13- and 14-year-old 100- and 200-yard butterfly and sixth in the 200-yard freestyle.

Placing in the top 20 in several events against a strong field and achieving many personal-best times were **Sarah Szech**, **Sara Richardson**, **Katie Richardson**, **Larisa Suparmanto**, **Lauren Sullivan** and **Meredith Singer**.

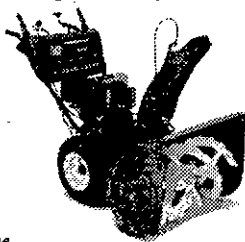
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# 1999





# Residents file lawsuit over proposed landfill

Residents of Albany and Coeymans have filed a joint lawsuit against the city of Albany over its plans to site a landfill near Selkirk.

The suit is based on complaints that the city is wasting taxpayer money by agreeing to spend \$3.45 million for land appraised at less than \$200,000.

The proposed landfill, which will span 363 acres, is within a mile of the villages of Selkirk and Ravena and half a mile from the Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk middle and high school complex.

It will border on Coeymans Creek, about a mile from its junction with the Hudson River.

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The Coalition of Concerned Citizens is requesting donations to help defray legal expenses. Donations can be sent to Coalition of Concerned Citizens/CLAWS, PO Box 772, Coeymans 12045. For information, call 756-2668.

## Schools to reopen Jan. 4

RCS schools will be closed for the holiday season and reopen on

Monday, Jan. 4.

## Library to close for holiday

RCS Community Library will be closed from Thursday, Dec. 31 through Sunday, Jan. 3, for the New Year's holiday.

## Coxsackie boy wins chess championship

Congratulations to 6-year-old Andrew Ardito of Coxsackie who was recently named first place winner of the first-grade section of the National Chess Championships.

Andrew is the son of Tony and Eileen Ardito. He plays with the

Coxsackie Chess Club.

## Math teacher wins award

Middle school math teacher Ardyce Elmore was recently named Math Teacher of the Year by the Association of Math Teachers of New York State.

She has been active in the organization for many years, serving as president, recording secretary, county chairwoman and junior high representative.

Elmore has been teaching math in the Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk Central School District since 1966, and is district math coordinator.

## Local doctor wins certification

Delmar resident Dr. Cheryl Burack has been certified by the American Board of Obstetricians and Gynecologists.

Burack, of the Albany-based practice of Jacobs, Lee and Burack, completed an accredited residency at Albany Medical Center Hospital, two years of private practice and successfully completed written and oral examinations. She is now eligible to become a Fellow of the American College of Obstetrics and Gynecology.

Burack and her partners have admitting privileges at several local hospitals, including St. Peter's Hospital in Albany and Samaritan Hospital in Troy.

## BCHS graduate joins honor society

Amy Guzik of Delmar, a sophomore at Colgate University, has been inducted into the campus chapter of Phi Eta Sigma, the national scholastic honor society.

Phi Eta Sigma recognizes outstanding academic achievement of first-year students. Guzik is among 121 students honored at a fall banquet for earning an average of at least 3.5 in their first year at Colgate.

Guzik, the daughter of Gerald and Gayle Guzik, is a graduate of Bethlehem Central High School.

## Glenmont woman wins scholarship

Laura Hegeman of Glenmont has been awarded the Ellen Coher Scholarship by SUNY Institute of Technology at Utica/Rome.

Hegeman, who previously attended Samaritan Hospital School of Nursing, received the \$1,000 scholarship for outstanding academic performance. She is pursuing a bachelor's degree in nursing.

## RCS committee to meet at school

The next meeting of the Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk Central School District's Safe Schools Committee is set for Tuesday, Jan. 26, at 6:30 p.m. at the middle school library on Route 9W in Ravena.

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# Obituaries

## Harry Lee Winters

Harry Lee Winters, 96, of Delmar died Saturday, Dec. 26, at Child's Nursing Home in Albany.

Born in Smithboro, Tioga County, he was a longtime resident of the Capital District.

He was a graduate of Albany Academy and attended Columbia University.

Mr. Winters worked for the state Department of Agriculture for 38 years before he retired.

Survivors include his wife, Cornelia Rosbrook Winters; three daughters, Elizabeth Johnson of Monrow, Ohio, Nancy Hulihan of Schenectady and Joanna Ihlo of New Milford, Conn.; a son, Charles Winters of Dayton, Ohio; and 10 grandchildren.

Mr. Winters donated his body to the Albany Medical College Anatomical Gift Program.

Contributions may be made to Community Methodist Church of Slingerlands or Five Rivers Environmental Education Center.

## George Brandwene

George Jay Brandwene, 72, of Baxter Court in Delmar died Sunday, Dec. 27, at St. Peter's Hospital in Albany. Born in Scranton, Pa., he owned and operated the Clark Paint Store in Westfield, Mass., before he retired.

Survivors include his wife, Zandra Hare Brandwene; two daughters, Merle Brandwene Commisso of Albany and Hollie Benware of Richmond, Va.; a son, Robert Brandwene of Brooklyn; a brother, Bernard Brandwene of Toms River, N.J.; and a granddaughter.

Services were at Independent Benevolent Cemetery in Guilderland.

Arrangements were by the Levine Memorial Chapel in Albany.

## Joan M. Johnson

Joan M. Johnson, 65, of Delmar died Friday, Dec. 25, at Albany Medical Center Hospital.

Born in Buffalo, she received a bachelor's degree from Syracuse University and a master's from the University at Albany. She was a member of Phi Beta Kappa.

Mrs. Johnson was an administrator for the state Education Department before she retired.

She was a member of St. Stephen's Episcopal Church in Elsmere, the Bethlehem Businesswomen's Club and a former secretary of the Albany County Pistol Club.

She was the widow of Charles Johnson. Survivors include three daughters, Anne Johnson of Lisbon, St. Lawrence County, Carol Johnson of Ringwood, N.J. and Suzanne Johnson of Richmond, Calif.; a brother, Bert Farber of Scottsdale, Ariz.; and three grandchildren.

Services were from St. Stephen's Church.

Burial was in Prospect Hill Cemetery in Guilderland.

Arrangements were by the Applebee Funeral Home in Delmar.

Contributions may be made to St. Stephen's Episcopal Church.

## Louise Palmer

Louise Dorsey Palmer, 86, of Holmes Beach, Fla., and formerly of Delmar died Sunday, Dec. 20.

Born in Indianapolis, Ind., she was a longtime resident of Delmar.

Mrs. Palmer was active in St. Stephen's Episcopal Church in Elsmere and in the Episcopal Church of the Annunciation in Holmes Beach.

Survivors include her husband, Charles H. Palmer; a son, Charles D. Palmer of Delmar; a daughter, Antoinette Overacker of Slingerlands; five grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

Services were from the Church of the Annunciation.

Contributions may be made to the Church of the Annunciation, PO Box 978, Anna Maria, Fla. 34216.

## Helen C. Potter

Helen C. Potter, 71, of Delmar died Sunday, Dec. 20, at St. Peter's Hospital in Albany.

Born in New Haven, Conn., she was a longtime resident of Delmar.

Mrs. Potter was a communicant of the Church of St. Thomas the Apostle in Delmar and a member of its Altar Rosary Society.

Survivors include her husband, Albert D. Potter; two sons, James T. Potter of Delmar and David E. Potter of Manhattan; a brother, James W. Clyne of Delmar; and three grandchildren.

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

Arrangements were by the Applebee Funeral Home in Delmar.

Contributions may be made to the Church of St. Thomas Building Fund, 35 Adams Place, Delmar 12054.

## Erika Anna Schwarz

Erika Anna Schwarz of Good Samaritan Nursing Home in Delmar and formerly of Albany died Wednesday, Dec. 16, at the home.

Born in Germany, Mrs. Schwarz came to the United States many years ago, settling in Gloversville.

She was a member of St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Albany and the German-American Signing Society.

She was the widow of Henry Schwarz.

Survivors include a daughter, Barbara Kaffsky of Fishkill, Dutchess County; a son, Arnold

Schwarz of Thousand Oaks, Calif.; two grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

Services were in Memory's Garden in Colonie.

Arrangements were by the Applebee Funeral Home in Delmar.

Contributions may be made to St. Paul's Lutheran Church Building Fund, 475 State St., Albany 12202.

## Marvin E. Batcher Sr.

Marvin E. Batcher Sr. of Albany and formerly of Voorheesville died Friday, Dec. 25.

Mr. Batcher was a self-employed mason and brick layer. He also worked for Northeastern Dental Labs.

He was an Army veteran of World War II.

Survivors include his wife, Betty Jane Koonz Batcher; a son Marvin Batcher Jr.; three brothers, Elvin Batcher, Gerald Batcher and Francis Calhoun; two sisters, Shirley Batcher and Pat Sitcer; and two grandsons.

Services were from Trinity Methodist Church in Albany.

Burial was in Fairview Cemetery in Guilderland.

Arrangements were by the McVeigh Funeral Home in Albany.

Contributions may be made to Youth Program '99, Trinity United Methodist Church, 235 Lark St., Albany.

## Delmar library sets preschool films

Bethlehem Public Library at 451 Delaware Ave. in Delmar will show three films for children ages 3 to 6 on Friday, Jan. 8, at 10:30 a.m.

"The Snowy Day," "The Three Little Pigs" and "Strega Nona" will last approximately 30 minutes altogether. The drop-in event is free.

## Zoning board sets public hearing

Bethlehem zoning board of appeals will conduct a public hearing on Wednesday, Jan. 6, at 7:30 p.m. at Bethlehem town hall concerning the application of Beverly Piazza and Yolanda Augusiak to open a beauty parlor in a private residence at 376 Kenwood Ave.

## Thacher to offer snowmobile class

A course in safety for young snowmobilers will be held on Saturday, Jan. 9, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at John Boyd Thacher State Park in New Scotland.

Successful participants will receive a snowmobile safety certificate, a legal requirement for operators under the age of 16.

Preregistration is required. For information, call 872-1237.

## Retires

(From Page 1)

to village employees, Hotaling wrote village trustees announcing his decision to retire, effective Dec. 31.

"The job has been a big part of my whole family's life," he wrote, "The job is and always will be about people. It is not about roads, or drinking water, septic systems and midnight snowstorms."

Still, he won't miss those things. No more worrying about water quality; "I sure won't miss the water pressure," he said. And he won't miss the race to get leaves picked up before the first freeze or being buttonholed at a basketball game by somebody with a complaint — though he's trained himself to look on the bright side. "A lot of times, complaints are a plus. You find something you missed," he said.

He won't miss the paperwork, or competitive bidding for suppliers. "You've got to sharpen your pencil and go out looking for the best prices on things," he said. "But I'm a firm believer that if you need something, go to the village first. You might pay 10 percent more, but those businesses pay taxes."

He won't miss being on call around the clock. "You're always on in this job, no matter where you are," he said.

"I knew from the beginning, if you can't take the heat, get out of the kitchen. You've got to take care of the taxpayers, that's what it's all about," he said. "I'll miss it, no two ways about it, I'll miss it."

Village trustees announced his

deputy of 16 years, Will Smith, will replace him. "They'd be crazy not to," Hotaling. "It takes a while for somebody to get the mind-set of a superintendent."

The skies gave Hotaling a parting gift: no major snowfall in his last taste of winter on the job. Not like that first winter in 1970. "My father said, don't worry, you'll see a little snow tomorrow," he said. "We had 111 inches my first winter, and we had a water main break too."

Hotaling was working as a foreman for McKinney Steel when he was persuaded to take the job and restore some of the Hotaling magic to a department in disarray. A plaque on a shelf behind his desk sums up the management philosophy: "I'm the Boss — that's why."

He fondly remembers his father's tenure in the job. "I don't think anybody could have run the village cheaper or better than my dad did. He was a strict guy when he worked," he said.

Much has changed during the younger Hotaling's tenure. The superintendent works more closely with the village board now and cell phones have made response to public needs more immediate.

The village itself has changed little during his run. He recalls old colleagues no longer around, said now and then he sees "a little chunk of the village fall apart," but he remains a Voorheesville booster.

"I still think it's the No. 1 community to live in," he said. "You're here, your kids are here ... It's a nice place to live. I've lived here my whole 58 years."

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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.

# Year

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the town's Clapper Road water plant. Town announces plan to dredge a section of the Hudson River near the aquifer; but permit denied by DOT owing to spawning season.

Picotte Associates announces \$1 million in renovations for the former Blue Cross building on New Scotland Road; Shanahan Fun Park proposal, two years old, is back before planning board.

Questions arise over Bethlehem Central Middle School's "Wobegon" honor roll: 80 percent of the students are on it.

Sports shorts: Clayton A. Bouton Senior High School girls basketball team wins the state Class C championship but is stopped in the Federation tourney by Bishop Kearney to finish the season 27-1; their Bethlehem counterparts come up short to Albany in A sectionals.

## April

Bethlehem Supervisor Fuller is upbeat in her annual State of the

Town message. But lawsuits multiply. Fraser Associates sues its subcontractor, Rust Environment & Infrastructure; the town amends its suit against Fraser to include Rust as well. Meanwhile, Carole Riley sues two local real estate companies, charging they misled her about using her Slingerlands property as a business location. Bethlehem seeks dismissal of her discrimination case.

Bethlehem Central United Employees Association (BCUEA) employees picket a school board meeting to protest the lack of a contract; police contract negotiations turn contentious with a demand by Bethlehem Police Officers Union that Bethlehem hire an additional officer.

New Scotland residents protest high water rates at a special town meeting. The town later agrees to offer refunds to residents of the Northeast Water District.

The Bethlehem planning board endorses rezoning of the CMI site; American Housing Association seeks \$6 million IDA bond to build a senior housing project in Selkirk; the New Scotland board considers reviving senior citizen transportation proposal.

Sports shorts: a silver-medal

finish for Delmar Dolphins' Teresa Rosetti in the 200-yard butterfly at the U.S. Swimming Eastern Zones Championship.

Signs of the times: Voorheesville resident Roland Eberhardt is charged with sexually abusing two minors; longtime Delmar landmark Skippy's Music announces plans to close.

In memoriam: Ryland Hugh Hewitt, professor, Bethlehem civic booster, writer and former *Spotlight* editor and photographer.

## May

Bethlehem voters throw the book at the proposed library parking lot extension. But voters give thumbs up to school budgets with modest increases in all three local school districts.

Another piece of the CMI puzzle falls into place as zoning board OKs plan for 47 parking spaces at the site. Meanwhile, a public hearing on the pending rezoning request draws fire from neighbors.

BC assistant superintendent Judith Wooster leaves for a new post in New Hampshire; transportation chief Robert Peters leaves for western New York. Hamagrael principal Diane Kilfoile departs.

Bethlehem board OKs outdoor

dining at town's restaurants, commits to \$52,000 for a test well in its ongoing effort to document problems with its water plant.

BCHS boys track and field team runs away with the Albany County Track and Field Championships.

Sign of the times: Bethlehem police officers run a full-page ad airing their contract dispute with the town.

## June

Bethlehem Pesticide Watch organizes and launches a campaign to ban harmful chemicals on town and school board property.

Senior prank day vandalism at BCHS on June 10 leads to controversial ban of 17 students from graduation ceremonies.

Major storms knock out power lines in Bethlehem and severely damage radio towers in New Scotland.

BCMS overhauls its honor code. Mary Capobianco is named assistant principal, replacing David Palmer.

Sports shorts: BCHS girls lacrosse team wraps up season ranked ninth in the state but gets short end of the stick against Saratoga in Sectional Class A final.

In memoriam: Dr. Roger T. Drew, 84, Delmar's family doctor for decades; Dr. William Scharfman, 75, physician.

Sign of the times: National headlines about schoolyard shootings prompts Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk School District to adopt a strong anti-gun policy with stricter disciplinary teeth.

## July

Bethlehem town board follows public hearing on CMI rezoning request with a 4-1 vote to approve. Board also renews its request for a Hudson River dredging permit from the Army Corps of Engineers.

New Scotland is hit with bill for thousands in FEMA grant money

due to clerical error.

A centennial park is proposed in Voorheesville.

BC school board establishes an endowment fund, inks a contract deal with Bethlehem Principals Association, names John McGuire its new assistant superintendent for curriculum and Nancy Westcott new transportation chief. In Voorheesville, William Furdon is named new high school principal, and taxpayers' group leader Nicholas Faraone announces plans to leave his school board seat in August.

Spotlight Newspapers is purchased by Syracuse area weekly publisher Eagle Newspapers and longtime *Spotlight* owners Dick and Mary Ahlstrom retire.

In memoriam, Ronald Wagner, Delmar barber and business institution; 57.

Anne Hessburg of Slingerlands wins a silver medal in the scholastic women's 800-meter run and Adirondack Region scholastic men's and women's tennis teams each finish 5-0 for team gold at the Empire State Games.

## August

Summer heat notwithstanding, chillier thoughts are on the minds of Bethlehem Ice Group as they propose to build a public rink on Delaware Avenue.

Gertrude Adair seeks zoning variance to allow her to keep her four Pomeranian therapy dogs in her Glenmont home.

Clearwater circulates a petition demanding public hearing on dredging permit. Neighbors threaten lawsuit to halt CMI rezoning.

Bethlehem Tomboys 14-and-under softball team wins the Greenfield Scholarship Tournament in Massachusetts.

## September

BCUEA, still waiting for a new contract, seeks a public forum to

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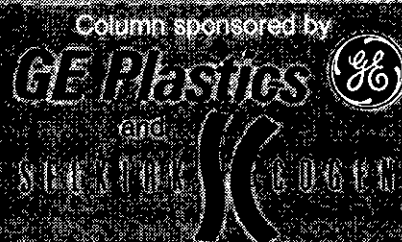
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Lynne and Erik Rutnik

## McNeil, Rutnik wed

Lynne Colleen McNeil, daughter of Theodore and Mary Ann McNeil of Delmar, and Erik Rutnik, son of Gregory and Monica Rutnik of Delmar, were married June 19.

The ceremony was performed by the Rev. Sandy Damhof at The Crooked Lake House in Averill Park. A reception followed.

The maid of honor was Erinn McNeil, sister of the bride. Bridesmaids were Tracy Smith, cousin of the bride, Lisa McNeil, sister-in-law of the bride, Carron Rutnik, sister of the groom, Carrie Field, Beth McCue and Laura Brown. The flower girl was Shelby McNeil, niece of the bride.

The best man was Andrew Malone. Ushers were Joshua

Rutnik and Gregory Rutnik Jr., both brothers of the groom, Ted McNeil, brother of the bride, Joseph Tessitore, brother-in-law of the groom, and Brian Gerhard.

The bride is a graduate of Bethlehem Central High School, SUNY Plattsburgh and The College of Saint Rose. She is an elementary special education teacher in the Cairo-Durham Central School District.

The groom is a graduate of Bethlehem Central High School and The College of Saint Rose.

He is a self-employed contractor.

After a wedding trip to the Virgin Islands, the couple lives in Delmar.

## Births

### St. Peter's Hospital

Boy, Caleb Paul Keparutis, to Sarah and Kevin Keparutis of Glenmont, Nov. 21.

Girl, Olivia Marie Bigg , to Melissa-Jo and Ronald Bigg  of Slingerlands, Nov. 22.

Girl, Alexa Christine Reickert, to Kelly Ann and W. Michael Reickert of Slingerlands, Nov. 24.

Girl, Alaina Harriet Davis, to Susan and Joseph Davis of Feura Bush, Nov. 27.

Boy, Andrew David Kiner, to Martha and David Kiner of Delmar, Nov. 27.

Girl, Eliza Christine Molinsek, to Christine and Stephen Molinsek of Delmar, Nov. 27.

Girl, Emily Johanna Bonanno, to Judy and John Bonanno of Slingerlands, Dec. 1.

Boy, Kevin Ryan Daly, to Tav and J. Kevin Daly of Voorheesville, Dec. 4.

Boy, Joshua Nathaniel Lambert, to Shari and Harry Lambert of Selkirk, Dec. 7.

Boy, Brandon Michael Bienvenue, to Dana and Michael Bienvenue of Delmar, Dec. 8.

Girl, Abigail Brittany Fergus, to Andrea and Allan Fergus of Delmar, Dec. 10.

### Albany Medical Center

Girl, Molly Marie Gruss, to Kelly and Danny Gruss of Selkirk, Oct. 13.

Girl, Cassandra Lynn Gagnon, to Carol and Christopher Gagnon of Selkirk, Oct. 14.

Boy, Donovan Thomas Varney, to Elizabeth and Mike Varney of Selkirk, Oct. 18.

Girl, Jennifer Elizabeth Pangburn, to Kathleen and John Pangburn of Glenmont, Oct. 19.

Girl, Taylor Angelina Augar, to Nicole and Roger Augar Jr. of Delmar, Oct. 20.

Boy, Trevor Linden Moon, to Stephanie Wright and Michael Moon of Delmar, Oct. 23.

Boy, Brendan Michael Jocsak, to Pamela and Michael Jocsak of Slingerlands, Oct. 24.



Gweneth and Robert Morton

## Jones, Morton marry

Gweneth A. Jones, daughter of William Jones of Delmar and Shirley Jones of Elsie, Ill., and Robert R. Morton, son of Stanley and Julia Morton of Novelty, Ohio, were married Sept. 6.

The Rev. Jeffrey Matthews performed the ceremony at Community United Methodist Church in Slingerlands.

A reception followed at the Appel Inn in Altamont.

The maid of honor was Kristen Jones, sister of the bride. Bridesmaids were Dr. Deanna Schoenborn and Rachel Calabro.

The best man was Joshua Fine. Ushers were Daniel Greenfield and Aaron Sorensen.

The bride is a graduate of Bethlehem Central High School and William Smith College. She is a managing editor for Dorchester Publishing Co. in New York City.

The groom is a graduate of Hobart College. He is a graduate student at New York University's Tisch School of the Arts.

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

## Mail weddings, engagements

The Spotlight would like to publish your engagement, wedding or anniversary announcement and photo. There is no charge for this community service.

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## Community Corner



### Five Rivers sets annual bird count

Five Rivers Environmental Education Center on Game Farm Road in Delmar will ring out the old year and ring in the new with its 17th annual New Year's Day bird count on Friday, Jan. 1.

The outdoors event will begin at 9 a.m., and participants should bring binoculars and dress warmly. For mobility impaired individuals, an indoors interpreter will conduct a bird-count from the center's bird-watching window.

For information, call 475-0295.

# SPOTLIGHT ON *Family* ENTERTAINMENT

## CALENDARS ♦ ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

By Joseph A. Phillips

After a dozen years as the region's premiere event for ushering in the new year, Albany's first night agenda has become pretty well set.

Take 38 different venues, from city hall to SUNY Plaza to the Palace Theater and to churches, libraries, museums and outdoor stages everywhere in between. Connect them all up with special shuttle bus service and free parking at lots all over the periphery of the downtown district. For a little local color, add in a few horse-drawn carriages, and for those taking the shoe-leather express, set up food vendors en route serving up everything from Caribbean cuisine to hot dogs and hot chocolate.

Then, fill those venues with hundreds of entertainers — rock and jazz bands, poetry readings and plays, country line dancing and clowns, gospel choirs and classical ballet, puppets and psychics. Give those entertainers 45 minute slots all evening long, to give party-goers a fighting chance to take in more than one event.

Throw in a few big headliner events: opening ceremonies, closing fireworks, a mass-participation event or two, a monster rock concert down at the Palace. (This year's headliners: Commander Cody and His Lost Planet Airmen, local favorites and denizens of garage-band rock featuring a lead singer who's taken on a second life as an RPI professor.)

Have lots of hot cider and punch and cookies on hand at all locales, but not a drop of alcohol. After all, First Night, born in Boston almost a quarter century ago, got its start as a family-friendly alternative to the traditional, stereotypical New Year's binge. The general idea: celebrate the local, play to family, lay out a smorgasbord of choices and spare the effort of finding a designated driver.

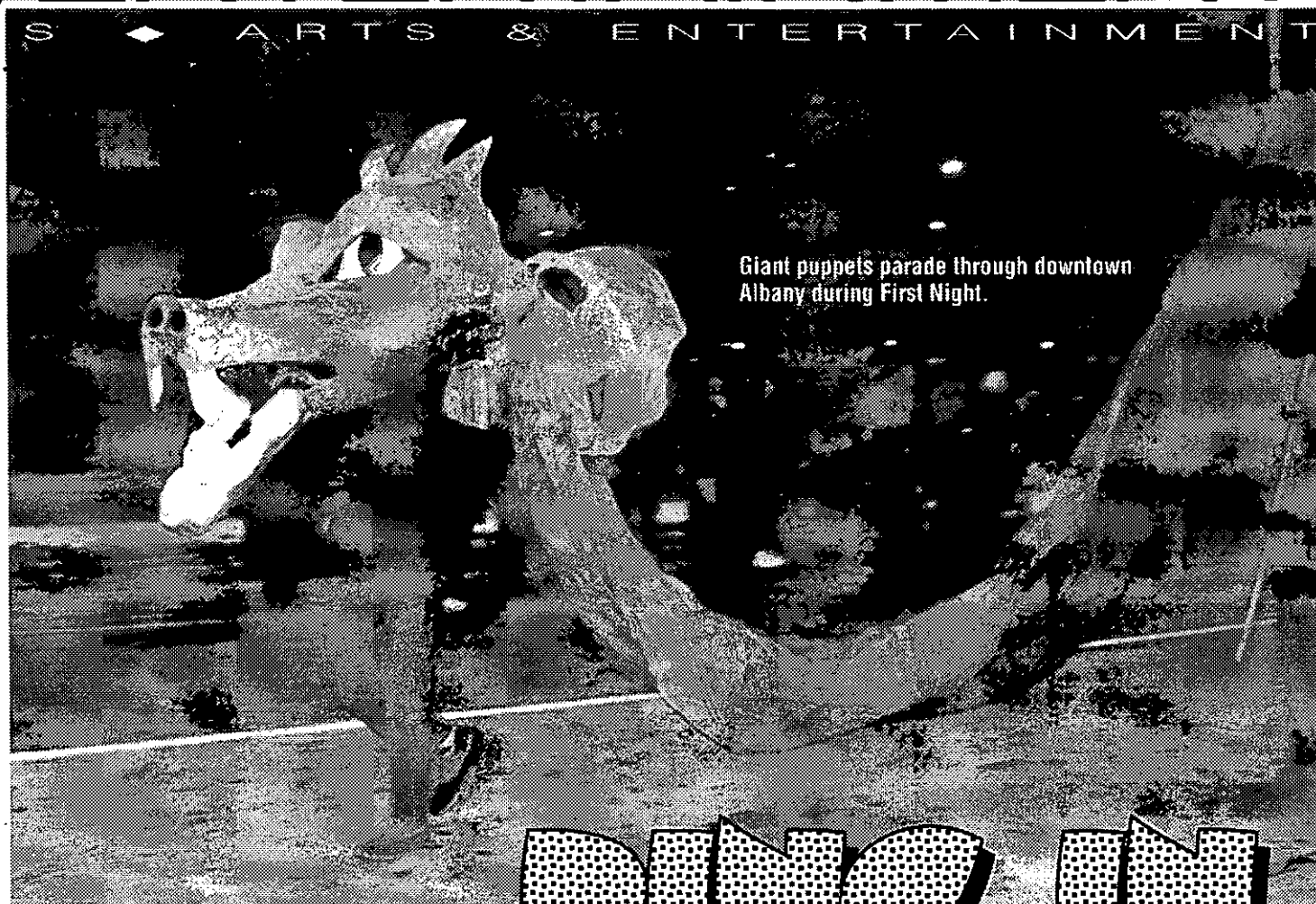
Sell admission buttons to any and all events, put up the banners, dress it all up in a veneer of civic boosterism, and presto! Instant citywide New Year's Eve celebration.

So what, after all this time and all the thousands of folks who've joined the fun for more than a decade, has First Night '99 to offer in the way of new wrinkles?

The city's First Night organizers have tightened up the travel time by pulling the venues closer to downtown this year. Along the way, they've persuaded numerous local eateries to open their doors, and they've added more than 25



Theresa Broadwell, lead singer for the jazz group Thrivin' On A Riff, will be appearing at Albany's First Night Thursday.



Giant puppets parade through downtown Albany during First Night.

## BRING IN THE NEW

### *First-rate First Night festivities dot downtown Albany venues*

new acts to the lineup, from big bands to cabaret, jugglers to improv troupes, opera to karaoke.

And there's more to see and do outdoors, barring a repeat of last year's punishing cold temperatures. More strolling performers will be roaming the downtown area to offer more continuous entertainment to pedestrians heading from venue to venue. Joining them will be another new offering: a host of 40-foot-high inflatable puppets making their debut. Outside city hall, there will be a display of ice sculpture.

The First Night Last Run, the 5K road race which debuted last winter, will be back, but with a new twist. To encourage laymen to lace up sneakers alongside the serious runners, participants this year will be encouraged to make the run in costume, the first 400 registrants will take home a long-sleeved turtleneck, and all finishers will jog off with a free First Night admission button.

A new mass-participation event this year will be an hourly game of musical chairs for 100 in front of the Federal courthouse. And dancing the night away will be more prominent among this year's activities. In fact, opening ceremonies will include a swing dance lesson to help participants Lindy to the sounds of Brass-O-Mania. Tango and waltz lessons will be offered elsewhere, and later in the evening, a huge country line dance party is set. Finally, before the midnight fireworks, a conga line led by Los Reyes Latinos will wind its way from city hall to the bonfire bash at Corning Preserve.

If you wish First Night lasted a bit longer, organizers have kicked off a bonus button program this year, in which local businesses and institutions, from the Albany Institute of History & Art to Ben & Jerry's, will be offering special discounts and extras throughout the month of January if you hang onto the First Night button.

And what about your New Year's resolutions? First Night can help keep you honest on those too: A Resolution Tree will be set up in the City Hall Rotunda. Jot those vows on a card and hang it on the tree — and the city will send you out a reminder postcard in six months for a reality check.

First Night buttons have been on sale for weeks, but the price went up to \$12 the day after Christmas. They're still available at most area Price Choppers, Starbuck's and the Albany Visitors Center on Quackenbush Square and at city hall. They can also be buttoned down online ([www.albanyevents.org](http://www.albanyevents.org)). On the big night, they can be picked up until 9 p.m. at Evergreen Bank next to City Hall, at the Visitors Center and at the Palace.

## ARTS and ENTERTAINMENT

## THEATER

**GRACE AND GLORIE**  
comedy by Tom Ziegler,  
Capital Rep, 111 N. Pearl St.,  
Albany, Jan. 19 to Feb. 14.  
Information, 462-4531.

## KINDERTRANSPORT

World War II drama by Diane  
Samuels, Albany Civic Theatre,  
235 Second Ave., Jan. 8, 9, 15,  
16, 23 and 24 at 8 p.m., Jan. 10,  
17 and 24 at 3 p.m., Jan. 16  
and 23 at 3 p.m., \$12. Informa-  
tion, 462-1297.

## MUSIC

**BERKSHIRE BACH SOCIETY**  
performing the six Brandenburg  
Concerti, Troy Savings Bank  
Music Hall, State and Second  
streets, Jan. 1, 3 p.m., \$22.  
Information, 273-0038.

**DAVID FINCKEL AND WU HAN**  
cellist and pianist perform works  
by Beethoven, Schnittke and  
Franck, Memorial Chapel of  
Union College, Schenectady,  
Jan. 3, 3 p.m., \$15, \$7 for  
students. Information, 372-3651.

**JUILLIARD STRING QUARTET**  
performing works by Mozart,  
Bartok and Smetana, Troy  
Savings Bank Music Hall, State  
and Second streets, Jan. 10, 3  
p.m., \$22. Information, 273-  
0038.

**ALBANY SYMPHONY  
ORCHESTRA**  
performing "The Planets" by  
Holt and "Also Spach,  
Zarathustra" by Strauss, Palace  
Theatre, North Pearl Street and  
Clinton Avenue, Albany, Jan.  
16, 8 p.m., \$14-\$33. Information,  
465-4755.

## FAMILY FUN

**FIRST NIGHT**  
scores of music, dance, theater  
and other performing arts  
groups through downtown  
Albany, Dec. 31, 6 p.m. to  
midnight, \$10-\$12. Information,  
434-2032.

## VISUAL ARTS

**NEW YORK STATE MUSEUM**  
Bears, through Jan. 3;  
stoneware and antique  
furniture exhibits; plus perma-  
nent collections, Empire State  
Plaza, Madison Avenue.  
Information, 474-5877.

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through May 30, Shining  
Objects from Our Past, silver  
from the Institute Collection,  
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Home: A Van Alstyne Family  
Collection, through Jan. 9, 125  
Washington Ave. Information,  
463-4478.

## SCHENECTADY MUSEUM

The History of American  
Advertising, 1920-1969, through  
Jan. 10, Holiday Doors and  
More, through Jan. 4, Model  
Train Village, through Jan. 31,  
Nott Terrace Heights. Informa-  
tion, 449-4756.

**ALBANY CENTER GALLERIES**  
paintings by Bobbie Bowden  
and Robert Moylan, through  
Jan. 1, Mohawk-Hudson  
Regional Invitational, Jan. 15  
to Feb. 26, 23 Monroe St.  
Information, 462-4775.

## PAT CAHILL

paintings, Learning Resources  
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Valley Community College,  
through Jan. 28. Information,  
266-8072.

## CALL FOR ARTISTS

## AUDITION

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Excelsior production of "The  
Magic Flute," by appointment  
only. Information, 372-7455.

DELMAR COMMUNITY  
ORCHESTRA

openings in the string, horn and  
percussion sections. Informa-  
tion, 439-1603.

## COLONIE TOWN BAND

openings for percussion, tuba  
and bassoon players, rehears-  
als on Mondays at 7:30 p.m. at  
town hall, Route 9, Newtonville.  
Information, 356-4331.

COLONIE CENTENNIAL BRASS  
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openings for trumpet players,  
rehearsals on first Wednesday  
and third Tuesday of the  
month, at 7:15 p.m., town hall,  
Route 9, Newtonville. Informa-  
tion, 384-1924.

## AUDITION

for Capitol Hill Choral Society  
for the 1997-98 season. All  
voice parts. Information, 465-  
3328 or 374-4399.

MONDAY MUSICAL CLUB  
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invitation for new members to  
join in singing classical and  
popular songs, Third Reformed  
Church, 20 Ten Eyck Ave.,  
Albany, Tuesdays, 7:30 p.m.  
Information, 477-4454.

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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  
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## Area FREEBIES

Sunday, Jan. 3

■ "Amahl and the Night Visitors," Westminster  
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4 p.m., followed by a reception.

Wednesday, Jan. 6

■ Twelfth Night celebration, Crailo State His-  
toric Site, Riverside Avenue, Rensselaer, music  
and refreshments, 6 to 8 p.m.

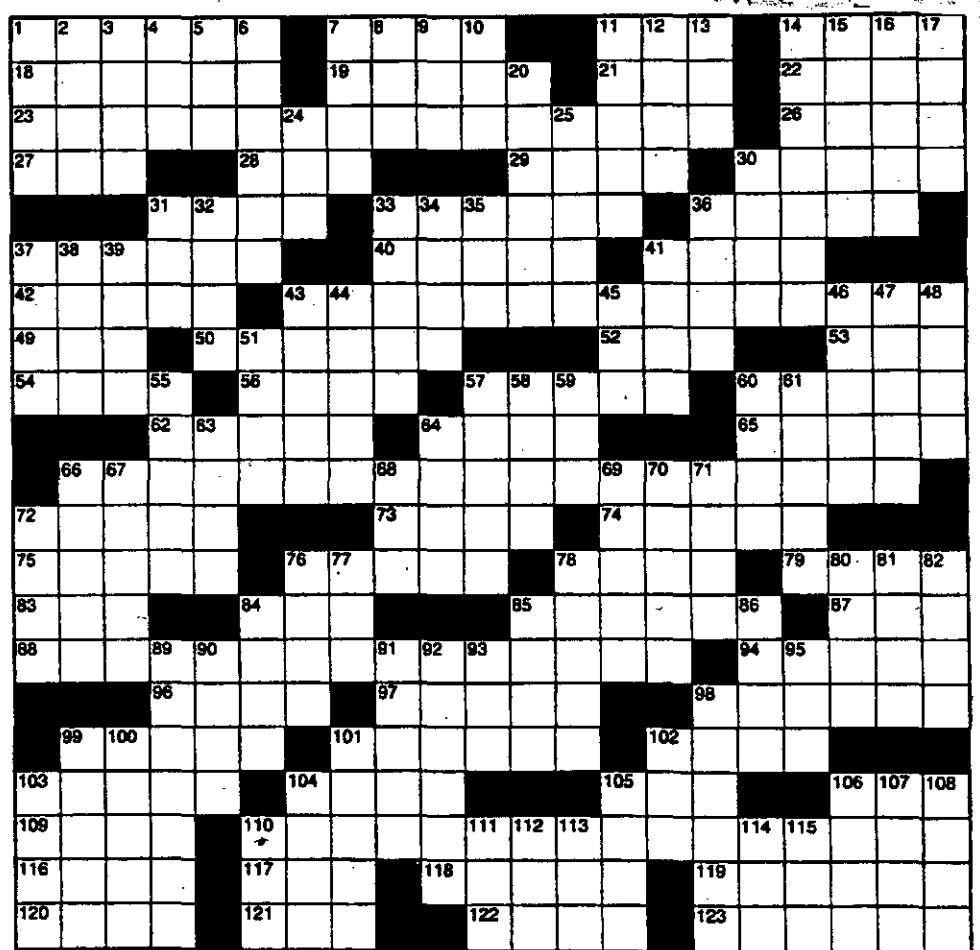
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23 Leg-strengthening desserts?  
26 Give off  
27 Disconsolate  
28 Buck's beloved  
29 Melodious Murray  
30 With 78 Down, Batman's alter ego  
31 Kid at court  
33 No-nonsense city-state  
36 Originate  
37 "Cavalleria Rusticana" setting  
40 Lowest point  
41 Sate stipulation  
42 Sweatshirt size  
43 Figure-improving snack?
- 49 Give it — (try)  
50 Pina —  
52 Had a hot dog  
53 Payable  
54 Gift-wrap items  
56 Apple or quince  
57 Darling child  
60 Inflexible  
62 Physicist  
64 Nice or Newark  
65 Use a toboggan  
66 Mind-expanding pastry?  
72 Merchandise  
73 Come in second  
74 "Rawhide" rope  
75 Rotund  
76 Junior's job  
78 Take a hike  
79 Bush's alma mater  
83 Potok's "My Name Is Asher —"  
84 Tankard filler  
85 Most despicable  
87 Boxer Baer  
88 Vision-enhancing side dish?  
94 Japanese dog  
96 Jack of
- "Hawaii Five-O"  
97 Broadcast in July  
98 Crown  
99 Pool person  
101 Saluki or schipperke  
102 Bank (on)  
103 Revealed  
104 Film —  
105 Lout  
106 You can retire on it  
109 "— it the truth?"  
110 Digestion-aiding spread?  
116 Apparatus  
117 Latin I word  
118 Passe-partout's profession  
119 King or Lombard  
120 — breve  
121 Neither's partner  
122 Change the decor  
123 Defrosted DOWN
- 1 Moves like mad  
2 Cambodia's continent  
3 Have to have  
4 Astronaut  
5 Wee one  
6 Old-fashioned  
7 Holiday
- 8 Shade of blond  
9 Colorado native  
10 Volleyball divider  
11 — cum laude  
12 Need a rubdown  
13 "By all means!"  
14 '66 Associa-tion smash  
15 Soil stuff  
16 Writer Walker  
17 See socially  
20 Zhivago's portrayer  
24 Salty spread  
25 Foreword  
30 Cheese-board choice  
31 Sty guy  
32 Evelyn's brother  
33 Nasty  
34 Dad  
35 They may be personal  
36 Tennis legend  
37 Concrete base  
38 Othello's inducer  
39 He won't speak without caws  
41 Part of D.A.  
43 Duplicate  
44 Veronica of "Hill Street
- Blues"  
45 Math abbr.  
46 Perfect  
47 Prize money  
48 Faxed  
51 Opinion page  
55 Daddy dogs  
57 More malevolent  
58 Harper's Bazaar designer  
59 Ultimate  
60 James Herriot, for one  
61 At present  
63 Trick  
64 Third-rate  
66 Cavalry weapon  
67 Roman fountain  
68 Mr. Ziegfeld  
69 Work on a crossword?  
70 Frasier's brother  
71 Thousand — Calif.  
72 Devour, with "down"  
76 Clay clump  
77 "And I Love —" ('64 song)  
78 See 30 Across  
80 Surrounded by  
81 Tardy  
82 Final  
84 Curly coil
- 85 Comic Orson  
86 Whippet's wagger  
89 Strauss opus  
90 Unit of loudness  
91 Fall behind  
92 Shake-spearean monarch  
93 "— tu" (Verdi aria)  
95 Kyser or Starr  
98 Flaw  
99 Sales pitch  
100 Like some music  
101 Word with guard or scheme  
102 Team scream  
103 It's a long story  
104 James Mason role  
105 Conductor  
106 Explode  
107 She, to Satie  
108 Chased away gray  
110 Actress  
111 Remote  
112 "— Butter-milk Sky" ('46 song)  
113 Crimson  
114 Humbug lead-in  
115 Time period





# The Spotlight CALENDAR

**WEDNESDAY  
DECEMBER 30**
**BETHLEHEM**
**BINGO**

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

**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  
DECEMBER 31**
**BETHLEHEM**
**RECOVERY, INC.**

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

**AA MEETINGS**

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

**NEW YEAR'S GALA**

Bethlehem Public Library, 451 Delaware Ave., Delmar, 11 a.m. For children and families. Information and registration, 439-9314.

**FRIDAY  
JANUARY 1**
**BETHLEHEM**
**AA MEETING**

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

**BIRD COUNT**

annual bird count at Five Rivers Environmental Education Center, Game Farm Road, Delmar, 9 a.m. Information, 475-0291

**SATURDAY  
JANUARY 2**
**BETHLEHEM**
**AA MEETING**

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

**AL-ANON MEETING**

The Crossroads, 4 Normanskill Blvd., 5:30 p.m. Information, 489-6779.

**SUNDAY  
JANUARY 3**
**BETHLEHEM**
**DELMAR REFORMED CHURCH**

Sunday School and worship service, 9 and 11 a.m. T.G.I. Sunday contemporary worship at 5:30 p.m. with children's program. Nursery care Available at all worship times. 386 Delaware Ave. Information, 439-9929.

**UNITY OF FAITH CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP CHURCH**

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

**FIRST CHURCH OF CHRIST, SCIENTIST**

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

**BETHLEHEM COMMUNITY CHURCH**

Sunday school and worship service, 10 a.m., nursery provided, 201 Elm Ave. Information, 439-3135.

**ST. STEPHEN'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH**

Holy Eucharist, 8 and 10:30 a.m., coffee and fellowship, nursery care provided, church school, 9:25 a.m., Poplar Drive and Elsmere Avenue. Information, 439-3265.

**BETHLEHEM CONGREGATION OF JEHOVAH'S WITNESSES**

Bible lecture, 10 a.m., Watchtower Bible study, 10:55 a.m., Elm Avenue and Feura Bush Road. Information, 439-0358.

**SLINGERLANDS COMMUNITY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**

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

**SOUTH BETHLEHEM UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**

Sunday school, 9:30 a.m., worship service, 11 a.m., followed by coffee hour, Willowbrook Avenue. Information, 767-9953.

**DELMAR PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

worship service, church school, nursery care, 10 a.m., fellowship and coffee, 11 a.m., adult education, 11:15 a.m., family communion service, first Sunday, 585 Delaware Ave. Information, 439-9252.

**DELMAR FULL GOSPEL CHURCH**

Sunday service, 9:30 a.m., with Sunday school and nursery, home groups, women's Bible studies and youth group, 292 Elsmere Ave. Information, 439-4407.

**FIRST REFORMED CHURCH OF BETHLEHEM**

church school, 9:30 a.m., worship service, 11 a.m., child-care provided, Route 9W, Selkirk. Information, 767-2243.

**GLENMONT COMMUNITY CHURCH**

Sunday school and worship service, 10:30 a.m., child-care available, 1 Chapel Lane. Information, 436-7710.

**CHURCH OF ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE**

Masses — Saturday at 5 p.m. and Sunday at 7:30, 9, 10:30 a.m. and noon, 35 Adams Place. Information, 439-4951.

**SOLID ROCK CHURCH**

worship service, 11 a.m., 1 Kenwood Ave. Information, 439-4314.

**FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH OF DELMAR**

Sunday school and worship service, 9:30 a.m., adult classes and fellowship 11 a.m., child-care provided, 428 Kenwood Ave. Information, 439-9976.

**BETHLEHEM LUTHERAN CHURCH**

85 Elm Ave., Delmar, worship services 8 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. Sunday School and Bible classes 9:15 a.m., infant and nursery care, assistive listening devices, handicap accessible, coffee/fellowship. Information, 439-4328.

**MOUNT MORIAH MINISTRIES**

Sunday school, 9:45 a.m., morning worship, 11 a.m., youth group, 6 p.m., evening service, 7 p.m., Route 9W, Glenmont. Information, 426-4510.

**NEW SCOTLAND**
**FAMILY WORSHIP CENTER CHURCH**

Sunday Worship 10:30 a.m., nursery and Sunday School available, Thursday night prayer and praise at 7 p.m. Information, 768-2021.

**BETHEL BAPTIST CHURCH**

Sunday school, 9:15 a.m., worship service, 10:15 a.m., Auberge Suisse Restaurant, Route 85. Information, 475-9086.

**FAITH TEMPLE**

Sunday school, 10 a.m., worship service, 7 p.m., New Salem. Information, 765-2870.

**ST. MATTHEW'S ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH**

Masses Saturday at 5 p.m. and Sunday at 8:30 and 10:30 a.m., Mountain View Road, Voorheesville. Information, 765-2805.

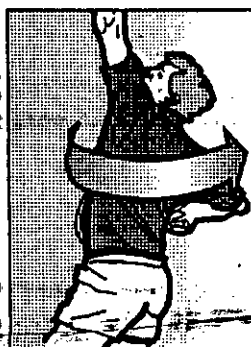
**JERUSALEM REFORMED CHURCH**

worship service, 10:30 a.m., followed by coffee hour, child-care provided, Route 32, Feura Bush. Information, 439-0548.

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<b>Robert B. Miller &amp; Sons</b> General Contractors, Inc. For the best workmanship in bathrooms, kitchens, porches, additions, painting, decks, ceramic tile work or papering at reasonable prices call <b>R. B. Miller &amp; Sons</b> 25 Years Experience <b>439-2990</b>	<b>PJ'S HOME MAINTENANCE &amp; IMPROVEMENTS</b> Local Family Owned Over 20 Years Experience Insured Paul J. DuBois Phone# <b>475-1967</b> Beeper <b>228-7374</b> Handyman Services Welcome	<b>FARINA CONSTRUCTION</b> Kitchen • Baths • Tiling Decks • Windows • Doors Finished Basements Fully Insured Work Guaranteed <b>381-4357</b> Niskayuna, NY	<b>L.M. CURTIN</b> <b>Painting &amp; Paper Hanging</b> RESIDENTIAL INTERIOR • EXTERIOR 20 Years Of Excellence <b>439-2752</b> Fully Insured • References Available	<b>SNOWPLOWING &amp; SNOWBLOWING</b> <b>24 HOUR SERVICE</b> Contract or Per Plow <b>439-5855</b> Ask for Paul	<b>For only \$40.50* a week your ad in this space would reach over 45,000 readers of the three Spotlight Newspapers</b> (*4 Week Minimum)
<b>For only \$26.25* a week your ad in this space would reach over 20,000 readers of The Spotlight</b>	<b>VIKING HOME REPAIR &amp; MAINTENANCE, LTD.</b> • Minor Repairs • Painting • Wall Repairs • Masonry • Carpentry • Plumbing & Electrical <i>No Job Too Small</i> <b>439-6863</b> <b>FREE ESTIMATES • FULLY INSURED</b>	<b>HOUSE REPAIRS</b>  <b>HOUSE MEDIC</b> <b>AFFORDABLE HOME REPAIRS</b> Save money by using America's largest handyman service. Insured, bonded, guaranteed. <b>783-9531</b> OFFICES IN 30 STATES	<b>R.A.S. PAINTING</b> INTERIOR-EXTERIOR <i>FREE Estimates Fully Insured</i> Staining & Trim Work <b>439-2459 • 432-7920</b>	<b>Season Contracts, Per Storm</b> <b>439-1515</b> Kevin Grady	<b>TREE SERVICES</b> <b>HASLAM TREE SERVICE</b> Complete Tree Removal Call Now for Winter Rates <b>FREE Estimates</b> <b>Jim Haslam</b> Fully Insured Owner <b>439-9702</b>
<b>For only \$26.25* a week your ad in this space would reach over 20,000 readers of The Spotlight</b>	<b>Renaissance Kitchens &amp; Baths</b> <b>(518) 238-0867</b> ♦ Custom Kitchens & Baths ♦ Brick Patios & Footpaths ♦ Affordable ♦ Reliable Call Today for a FREE consultation	<b>FREE Estimates Insured</b> <b>BILL STANNARD</b> CONTRACTORS • 768-2893 RD. 1 Delmar, N.Y. 12054 Masonry and Carpentry New and Repairs Concrete • Block • Brick • Stone Roofing • Decks • Garages etc.	<b>For only \$17.50* a week your ad in this space would reach over 20,000 readers of The Spotlight</b> (*4 Week Minimum)	<b>SNOWPLOWING</b> Seasonal Contracts or Per Storm Call <b>475-1419</b> For Free Estimates within 24 Hours Keith Patterson DELMAR LAWN CARE	<b>For less than \$10 a week, \$8.75* to be exact, your Spotlight ad</b> (*4 Week Minimum)
<b>For only \$26.25* a week your ad in this space would reach over 20,000 readers of The Spotlight</b>	<b>C.L. HUMMEL CONSTRUCTION, INC.</b> — 25 Years Experience — <b>NEW HOME CONSTRUCTION/ADDITIONS</b> Custom Remodeling, Renovation, Restoration, Custom Kitchen and Baths <b>(518) 767-9653</b>	<b>For only \$17.50* a week your ad in this space would reach over 20,000 readers of The Spotlight</b> (*4 Week Minimum)	<b>For only \$17.50* a week your ad in this space would reach over 20,000 readers of The Spotlight</b> (*4 Week Minimum)	<b>For only \$40.50* a week your ad in this space would reach over 45,000 readers of the three Spotlight Newspapers</b> (*4 Week Minimum)	<b>For less than \$10 a week, \$8.75* to be exact, your Spotlight ad</b> (*4 Week Minimum)

## LEGAL NOTICE

ARTICLES OF  
ORGANIZATION OF  
PEERLESS MANAGEMENT,  
LLC

Under Section 203 of the Limited Liability Company Law of the State of New York

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

FIRST: The name of the Company is Peerless Management, LLC.

Second: The purpose of the Company is to engage in any lawful act/activity from 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 Richard A. Langer, Esq., McNamee, Lochner, Titus & Williams, P.C., 75 State Street, P.O. Box 459, Albany, New York 12201-0459.

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

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

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have subscribed this certificate and do hereby affirm the foregoing as true under the penalties of perjury, this 14th day of December, 1998.

Richard A. Langer  
Attorney-in-Fact

(December 30, 1998)

ARTICLES OF  
ORGANIZATION OF  
BEST TILE OF VERMONT,  
LLC

Under Section 203 of the Limited Liability Company Law of the State of New York

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

FIRST: The name of the Company is BEST TILE OF VERMONT, LLC.

SECOND: The county within the State of New York in which the principal office of the Company is to be located is ALBANY.

THIRD: 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 STEPHEN MARCUS, 2241 CENTRAL AVE., SCHENECTADY, NY 12304.

FOURTH: The Company is to be managed by MEMBERS.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have subscribed these Articles of Organization and do hereby affirm the foregoing as true under penalties of perjury, this 07/31/98.

s/SHARON BABALA  
Sole Organizer  
c/o BLUMBERGEXCELSIOR  
CORPORATE SERVICES, INC.  
488 Broadway, Suite 106  
Albany, NY 12207  
(December 30, 1998)

## LEGAL NOTICE

CERTIFICATE OF LIMITED  
PARTNERSHIP OF HARRY  
WILBUR, SR. FAMILY  
LIMITED PARTNERSHIP  
UNDER SECTION 121-201  
OF THE REVISED LIMITED  
PARTNERSHIP ACT

I, the General Partner, having executed a partnership agreement, now execute a certificate of limited partnership in accordance with New York Partnership Law Sections 121-201 and 121-204. Consequently, I certify that:

1. The name of the limited partnership is HARRY WILBUR, SR. FAMILY LIMITED PARTNERSHIP;

2. The county in the State of New York in which the office of the limited partnership is to be located will be Albany County;

3. The Secretary of State is designated as agent of HARRY WILBUR, SR. FAMILY LIMITED PARTNERSHIP, upon whom process against this limited partnership may be served. The Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any process served upon it against this limited partnership to the following post office address: c/o Harry J. Wilbur, Sr., 222 Van Wies Point, P.O. Box 31, Glenmont, New York 12077;

4. The name and business or residence street address of the sole general partner is:

Name: Harry J. Wilbur, Sr.

Address : 222 Van Wies Point, P.O. Box 31, Glenmont, New York 12077

5. The latest date upon which the partnership is to dissolve is December 31, 2030;

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, on October 2, 1998, the General Partner affirms this Certificate as true under penalties of perjury.

s/ Harry J. Wilbur Sr., General Partner by Harry J. Wilbur as Attorney-in-fact for Harry J. Wilbur, Sr.

STATE OF NEW YORK)

Jss:

COUNTY OF ALBANY)

On the 2nd day of October in the year 1998 before me, the undersigned, a notary public in and for said state, personally appeared Harry J. Wilbur, as Attorney-in-fact for Harry J. Wilbur, Sr., personally known to me or provided to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence to be the individual whose name is subscribed to or within instrument and acknowledged to me that he executed the same in his capacity, and that by his signature on the instrument, the individual, or the person upon behalf of which the individual acted, executed the instrument.

s/ Suzanne M. Wareing  
Notary Public, State of New York

No. 01WE5031602  
Qualified in Saratoga County  
Commission expires Aug. 8, 2000.

(December 30, 1998)

CERTIFICATE OF LIMITED  
PARTNERSHIP  
OF DP PARTNERS, L.P.  
UNDER SECTION 121-201 OF  
THE REVISED LIMITED  
PARTNERSHIP ACT

1. The name of the limited partnership is "DP PARTNERS, L.P."

2. The county in which the office of the limited partnership is located is Albany County, New York.

3. The Secretary of State is hereby designated as agent of the limited partnership upon whom process against it may be served, and the office address to which the Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any process against the limited partnership served upon him is 582 New Loudon Road, Latham, New York 12110.

4. The name and business address of the sole general partner is:  
Shopping Center Development Co., LLC  
582 New Loudon Road

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Latham, New York 12110

5. The latest date upon which the limited partnership is to dissolve is December 31, 2099.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned have executed this Certificate of Limited Partnership on the 20th day of November, 1998, and verify and affirm under penalties of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct as the date hereof.

BY: DP PARTNERS, L.P.  
SHOPPING CENTER DEVELOPMENT CO., LLC, General Partner  
By: s/ Kenneth B. Segel, Member

(December 30, 1998)

## LEGAL NOTICE

1424 Western Avenue, LLC Notice of formation of a domestic Limited Liability Company (LLC). Articles of Organization filed with the New York State Secretary of State on November 5, 1998. 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 P.O. Box 113, Diamond Point, New York 12824.

(December 30, 1998)

MBH EDUCATIONAL  
PRODUCTS, LLC

Notice of Formation of MBH Educational Products, LLC. Articles of Organization filed with the Secretary of State of NY (SSNY) under Section 203 of the Limited Liability Company Law on 11/05/98. Office location is Albany County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the limited liability company upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of any process against the LLC served at 18 Computer Drive West, Albany, NY 12205 who is also the registered agent upon whom process may be served. Latest date to dissolve is 11/05/2028. Purpose is to produce educational products and any other lawful act or activity.

(December 30, 1998)

## NOTICE OF APPLICATION

for the Bennett Firm, LLC, a limited liability company (LLC). App. for authority files with Secretary of State (SSNY) on 11/30/98. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to: President, The Bennett Firm, LLC, Suite 1100, 30 South Pearl Street, Albany, NY 12207. Date of dissolution 12/31/2051. Purpose: law firm.

(December 30, 1998)

NOTICE OF FORMATION  
OF A DOMESTIC LIMITED  
LIABILITY COMPANY (LLC).

The name of the LLC is a First Columbia Clifton Park, L.L.C. The Articles of Organization of the LLC were filed with the NY Secretary of State on December 17, 1998. The purpose of the LLC is to engage in any lawful act/activity. The office of the LLC is to be located in Albany County. The Secretary of State is designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against may be served. The address to which the Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any process against the LLC is 210 Washington Avenue extension, Albany, New York 12203.

(December 30, 1998)

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF  
A DOMESTIC LIMITED  
LIABILITY COMPANY (LLC).

The name of the LLC is First Columbia Plank, L.L.C. The Articles of Organization of the LLC were filed with the NY Secretary of State on December 17, 1998. The purpose of the LLC is to engage in

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any lawful act or activity. The office of the LLC is to be located in Albany County. The address to which the Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any process against the LLC is 210 Washington Ave. Extension, Albany, New York 12203.

(December 30, 1998)

NOTICE OF FORMATION  
OF A DOMESTIC LIMITED  
LIABILITY COMPANY (LLC).

The name of the LLC is Columbia Delaware Group, L.L.C. The Articles of Organization of the LLC were filed with the NY Secretary of State on December 14, 1998. The Purpose of the LLC is to engage in any lawful act/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 30 Corporate Circle, Albany, New York 12203.

(December 30, 1998)

NOTICE OF FORMATION  
OF LIMITED LIABILITY  
COMPANY NAME:  
153 SOUTH PEARL STREET,  
LLC.

Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 12/01/98. Office location: Albany County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of process to the LLC, 207 North Pearl Street, Albany, New York 12207. Purpose: For any lawful purpose.

(December 30, 1998)

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF  
REGISTERED LIMITED  
LIABILITY COMPANY  
OF BREAK DEVELOPMENT,  
LLC

BREAK DEVELOPMENT, LLC has been formed as a limited liability company in New York. The Articles of Organization were filed on November 13, 1998 with the Secretary of State. The office is located in Albany County. The Secretary of State is designated as Agent upon whom process may

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be served. The Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any process served upon him/her to 527 Western Avenue, Albany, NY 12203 ATTN: Lamont Hungershafer. (December 30, 1998)

NOTICE OF FORMATION  
OF RAMAPO GARDENS  
COMPANY, LLC

Under Section 203 of the Limited Liability Company Law

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on November 23, 1998, RAMAPO GARDENS COMPANY, LLC filed its Articles of Organization with the New York Secretary of State. The principal office is located in Albany County. The Secretary of State is designated as agent upon whom process against Ramapo Gardens Company, LLC, may be served and the Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any process to 74 Huntersfield Road, Delmar, New York 12054. The purpose of Ramapo Gardens Company, LLC, is to engage in any lawful business for which a limited liability company can be formed pursuant to Section 201 of the Limited Liability Company Law.

(December 30, 1998)

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, January 6, 1999, at the Town Offices, 445 Delaware Avenue, Delmar, New York to take action on application of Beverly Piazza/Yolanda Augusiak, 376 Kenwood Avenue, Delmar, New York 12054 for Use Variance under Article VI, Permitted Uses, Section 128-12, residence A District of the Code of the Town of Bethlehem to permit a beauty salon in a residential District at premises 376 Kenwood Avenue, Delmar, New York 12054.

Michael C. Hodom  
Chairman

Board of Appeals  
(December 30, 1998)

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING  
TOWN OF BETHLEHEM,  
ALBANY COUNTY

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Town Board of the Town of

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Bethlehem, Albany County, New York will hold a public hearing on January 13, 1999 at 7:30 p.m. at the Town Hall, 445 Delaware Avenue, Delmar, NY to consider proposed Local Law amending the Code of the Town of Bethlehem, pertaining to Building Permit Fees.

All parties in interest and citizens will have an opportunity to be heard at the said hearing.

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

BY ORDER OF THE TOWN  
BOARD OF BETHLEHEM  
Kathleen A. Newkirk, CMC  
Town Clerk

Dated: December 9, 1998  
(December 30, 1998)

PUBLICATION NOTICE  
OF ORGANIZATION OF  
LIMITED LIABILITY  
COMPANY

FIRST: The name of the Limited Liability Company is C&S PROPERTY MANAGEMENT, LLC (hereinafter referred to as the "Company").

SECOND: The Articles of Organization of the Company were filed with the Secretary of State on November 5, 1998.

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

FOURTH: The Secretary of State has been designated as agent upon whom process against the Company may be served. The post office address to which the Secretary of State shall mail process is:  
57 Grand Street  
Albany, NY 12207

FIFTH: The latest date on which the Company is to dissolve is based solely on events of dissolution set forth in the New York Limited Liability Company Law (the "Law").

SIXTH: The purpose of the business of the Company is to invest in real estate and engage in any lawful acts or activities for which limited liability companies may be formed under the Law.

(December 30, 1998)

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# The Spotlight CALENDAR

## ONESQUETHAW REFORMED CHURCH

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

## UNIONVILLE REFORMED CHURCH

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

## PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN NEW SCOTLAND

worship service, 10:30 a.m.; Sunday school, 9:15 a.m., nursery care provided, Route 85. Information, 439-6454.

## UNITED PENTECOSTAL CHURCH

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

## FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

early worship, 8:30 a.m., worship celebration, 10 a.m., church school classes for nursery through high school, 10 a.m., choir rehearsals, 11:15 a.m., 68 Maple Ave., Voorheesville. Information, 765-2895.

## MOUNTAINVIEW EVANGELICAL FREE CHURCH

worship service, 9:30 a.m., nursery care provided, Route 155, Voorheesville. Information, 765-3390.

## CLARKSVILLE COMMUNITY CHURCH

Sunday school, 9:15 a.m., worship service, 10:30 a.m., followed by coffee hour, nursery care provided, Route 443. Information, 768-2916.

MONDAY  
JANUARY

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## BETHLEHEM

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

## MOTHERS' TIME OUT (SEPTEMBER-JUNE)

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

## BLANCHARD AMERICAN LEGION POST MEETING

16 Poplar Drive, 8 p.m. Information, 439-9819.

## DELMAR KIWANIS

Days Inn, Route 9W, 6:15 p.m. Information, 439-2437 or 439-6952.

## DELMAR COMMUNITY ORCHESTRA

rehearsal, town hall, 445 Delaware Ave., 7:30 p.m. Information, 439-1603.

## TEMPLE CHAPTER 5 RAM

Masonic Temple, 421 Kenwood Ave.

## AA MEETING

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

## NEW SCOTLAND

## QUARTET REHEARSAL

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

TUESDAY  
JANUARY

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## BETHLEHEM

## PLANNING BOARD

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

## INDOOR PISTOL SHOOTING

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

**TREASURE COVE THRIFT SHOP**  
First United Methodist Church, 428 Kenwood Ave., 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.

**TAKE POUNDS OFF SENSIBLY**  
Glenmont Community Church, Weiser Street, 6 p.m. weigh-in, 6:30 p.m. meeting. Information, 449-2210.

## BINGO

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

## YOUTH EMPLOYMENT SERVICES

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

## ELSMERE FIRE DISTRICT COMMISSIONERS

firehouse, Poplar Drive, 7:15 p.m. Information, 439-9144.

## DELMAR ROTARY

Day's Inn, Route 9W. Information, 439-9988.

## A.W. BECKER PTA

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

## SLINGERLANDS FIRE DISTRICT COMMISSIONERS

firehouse, 8 p.m. Information, 439-4734.

## NEW SCOTLAND

## PLANNING BOARD

town hall, Route 85, 7 p.m. Information, 765-3356.

## NIMBLEFINGERS/QUILTERS

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

WEDNESDAY  
JANUARY

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## BETHLEHEM

## BC SCHOOL BOARD

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

## ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

town hall, 445 Delaware Ave. Information, 439-4955.

## BINGO

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

## BOY SCOUT TROOP 58 (WHEN SCHOOL IS IN SESSION)

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.

## WELCOME WAGON

newcomers, engaged women and new mothers, call for a Welcome Wagon visit, Monday to Saturday, 8:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. Information, 439-1531.

## BETHLEHEM LIONS CLUB

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

## BETHLEHEM ELKS LODGE 2233

Route 144, Cedar Hill, 8 p.m. Information, 767-2886.

## ONESQUETHAU CHAPTER, ORDER OF THE EASTERN STAR

Masonic Temple, 421 Kenwood Ave., 8 p.m. Information, 439-2181.

## BETHLEHEM BUSINESS WOMEN'S CLUB

Normanside Country Club, Salisbury Road, Elsmere, 6 p.m. Information, 439-3791.

## TESTIMONY MEETING

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

## SOLID ROCK CHURCH

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

## NEW SCOTLAND

## VOORHEESVILLE ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

village hall, 29 Voorheesville Ave., 7 p.m. Information, 765-2692.

## NEW SCOTLAND SENIOR CITIZENS

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

## 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.

## MOUNTAINVIEW EVANGELICAL FREE CHURCH

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

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

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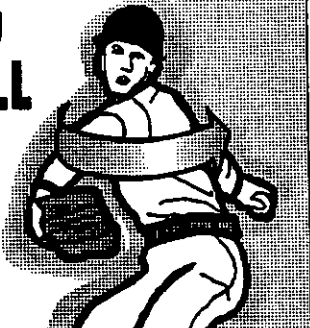
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Find the listed words in the diagram. They run in all directions-forward, backward, up, down and diagonally.

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**EARLY CHILDHOOD TEACHER/** teaching assistant. Available immediately. Call Beth at 438-6651.

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**PROGRAM DIRECTOR** School age childcare BA required plus supervisory experience. Salary plus excellent benefits. Send resume to School's Out Inc., 239

Delaware Avenue, Delmar, NY 12054.

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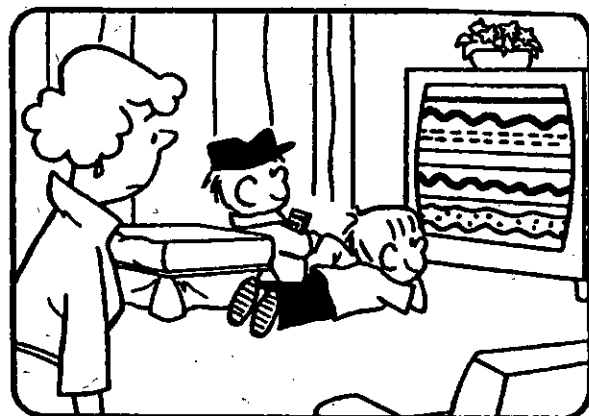
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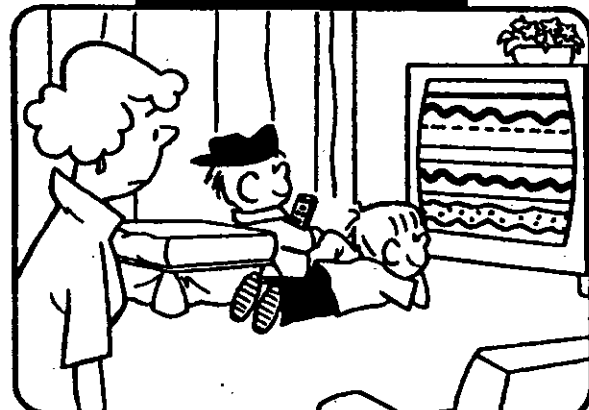
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## REAL ESTATE FOR SALE

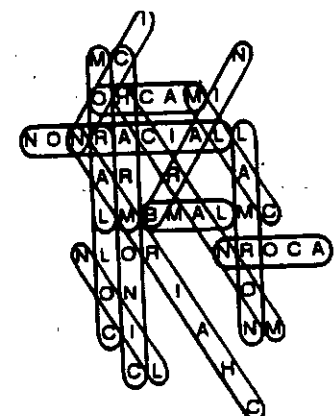
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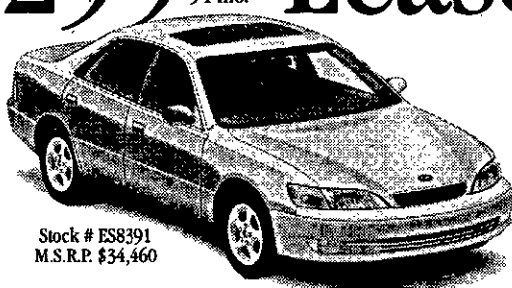
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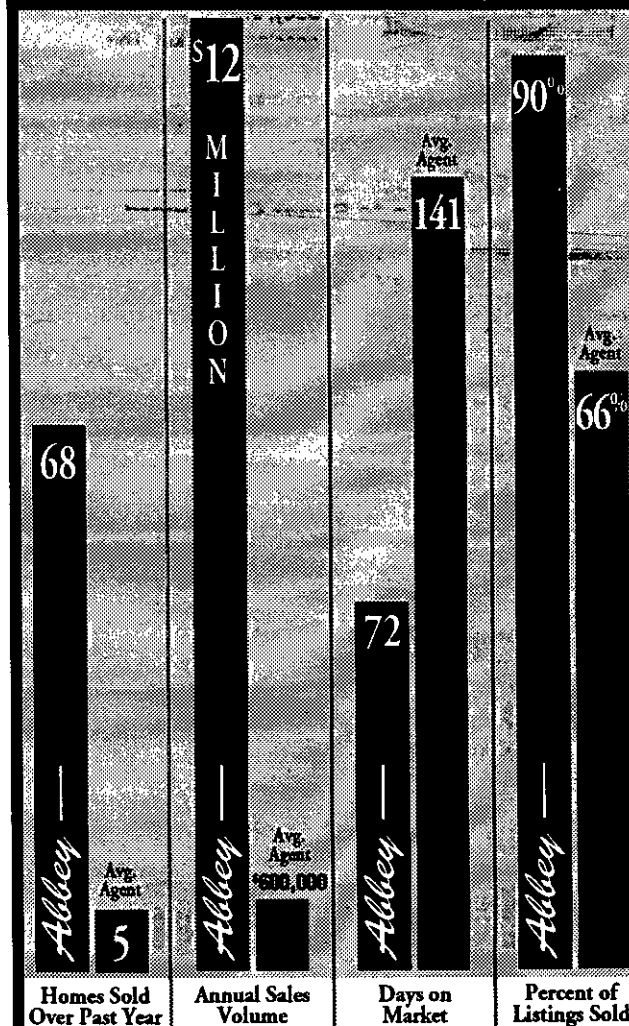
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# Year

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air its grievances with the school board.

Bethlehem board projects tax increases of less than 1 percent for 1999.

A public hearing is set for new pesticide sunset law.

Bethlehem's Clapper Road water plant may be salvageable after all, says consultant O'Brien & Gere in releasing test well results.

Voorheesville school board

sets out to overhaul district policy guidelines.

## October

Selkirk residents turn out in force to urge the state DOT to consider other alternatives for a proposed bypass connecting 9W and Route 144. The Army Corps sets a public meeting on the town's dredging application.

Voorheesville voters elect Joseph Pofit to the school board. Bethlehem zoning board goes to dogs and approves Gertrude Adair's request for variance.

County-owned Lawson Lake

quietly opens to the public after years of controversy.

BC teachers secure contract with school board. BCUEA negotiations still snagged.

BCHS cross country runner Katie Parafinczuk legs out a win in Division III run at the 60th Annual Everett T. Grout Meet; the Eagles finished second in the event. Bouton's Trinell Russel advances to Section II girls tennis final but loses championship.

In memoriam: John Clyne, 72, former Albany County Court judge.

## November

County legislator Dominick

DeCecco, R-Bethlehem, will not seek re-election next year.

Controversy erupts following the resignation under fire of popular Voorheesville teacher Chris Mastro.

Success on the gridiron for R-C-S and Clayton A. Bouton High at Class B and C levels respectively. Saranac Lake halts their run in the regional playoffs. R-C-S tops Fonda-Fultonville for third straight sectional but drops B semifinal. Two Bethlehem swimmers get their strokes: Elyse McDonough clocks All-American caliber time for her second-straight Section II title in the 200-

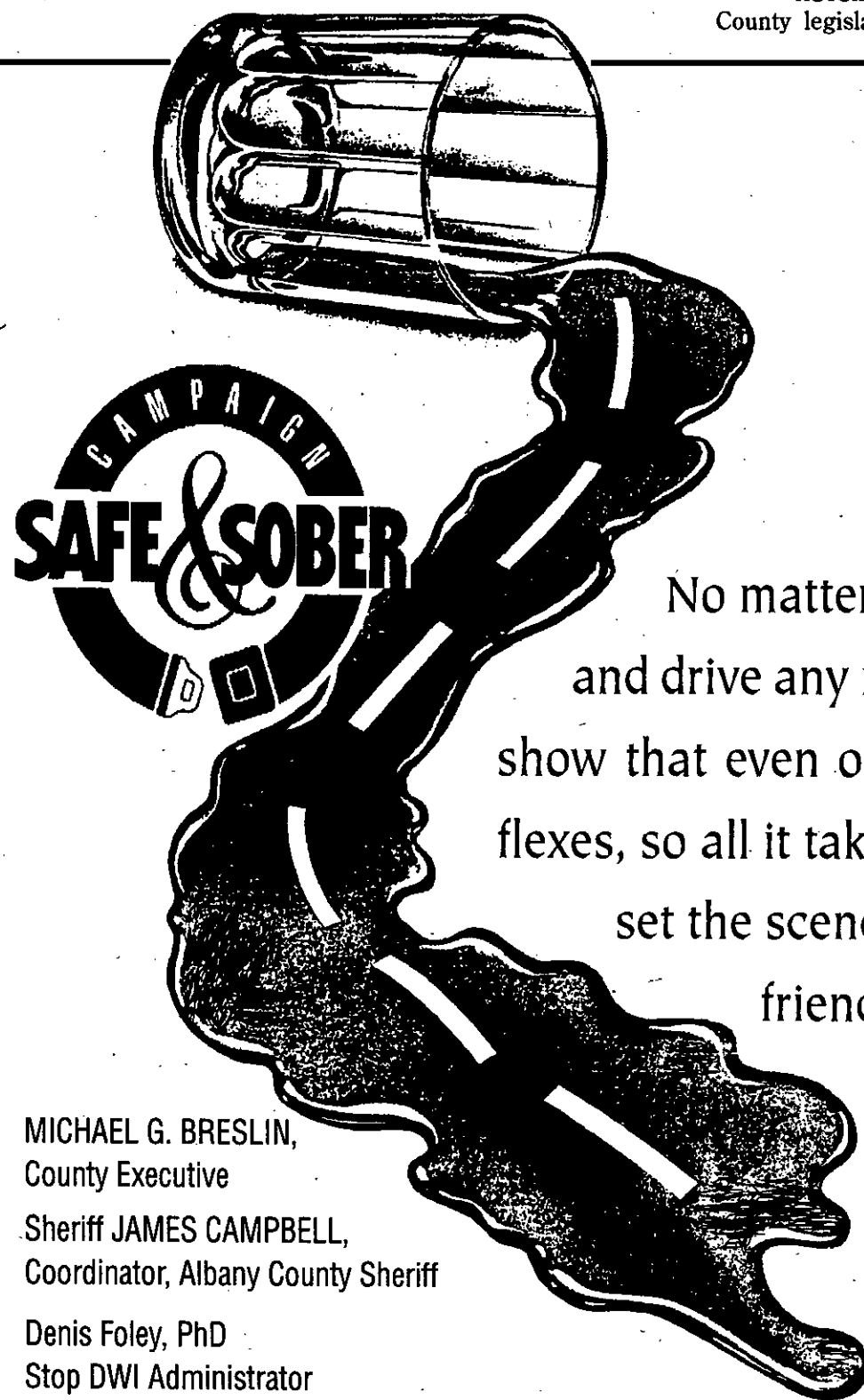
yard individual medley, while Beth Malinowski sets a Section II record in the 500-yard freestyle to finish second at the state meet.

## December

The Army Corps issues the long-awaited dredging permit; Publicworks commissioner Bruce Secor refutes charges that the town is withholding test well results and that the nearby waste treatment facility is polluting the water system.

Oil's well that ends well: Monro Muffler seeks, and wins, zoning variance to open new shop on Route 9W in Glenmont.

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