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BCUEA contract OK spells relief for district

By DONNA J. BELL

By a 125-46 vote, Bethlehem Central United Employees Association (BCUEA) members voted to approve a new contract with the school district on Nov. 20.

"Relieved," is how school district administrators, school board members and support staff expressed their feelings now that the two and a half years of often bitter negotiations are over.

"I'm pleased that the (BCUEA) has ratified the memorandum of agreement," said Superintendent Les Loomis. While the contract still awaits board approval, Loomis felt confident that the long contentious negotiations were at an end.

"I want to recognize the fact that both the association and district representatives have worked very hard over a period of

years to come to agreement," said Loomis. "I'm pleased to have a memorandum that represents a fair settlement for both sides."

School board President Happy Scherer also expressed satisfaction at the affirmative BCUEA vote.

"I'm certainly relieved and very pleased," said Scherer. "It's been a difficult process and it went on much longer than any of us anticipated." The contract won't be official until the school board votes at its regular Feb. 3 meeting, said Scherer.

Final approval will be bittersweet for BCUEA president Kathy Gill. "Just because the membership voted to accept the proposal doesn't mean we were happy about it," said Gill of the divided vote. "The membership felt we had to accept. They



Gill

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Voorheesville board looks at eminent domain for 20 acres

By KATHERINE McCARTHY

At a special meeting before about 50 people on Monday evening, the Voorheesville school board began an eminent domain hearing to acquire 20 acres of land from its Martin Road neighbor John J. O'Connell.

Eminent domain is a legal provision that allows a public entity to take private land for the greater good of the public, paying the landowner fair market value.

After hearing from members of the Corcoran family (who are relatives of O'Connell), the board voted to continue the hearing at its regular meeting on Feb. 8.

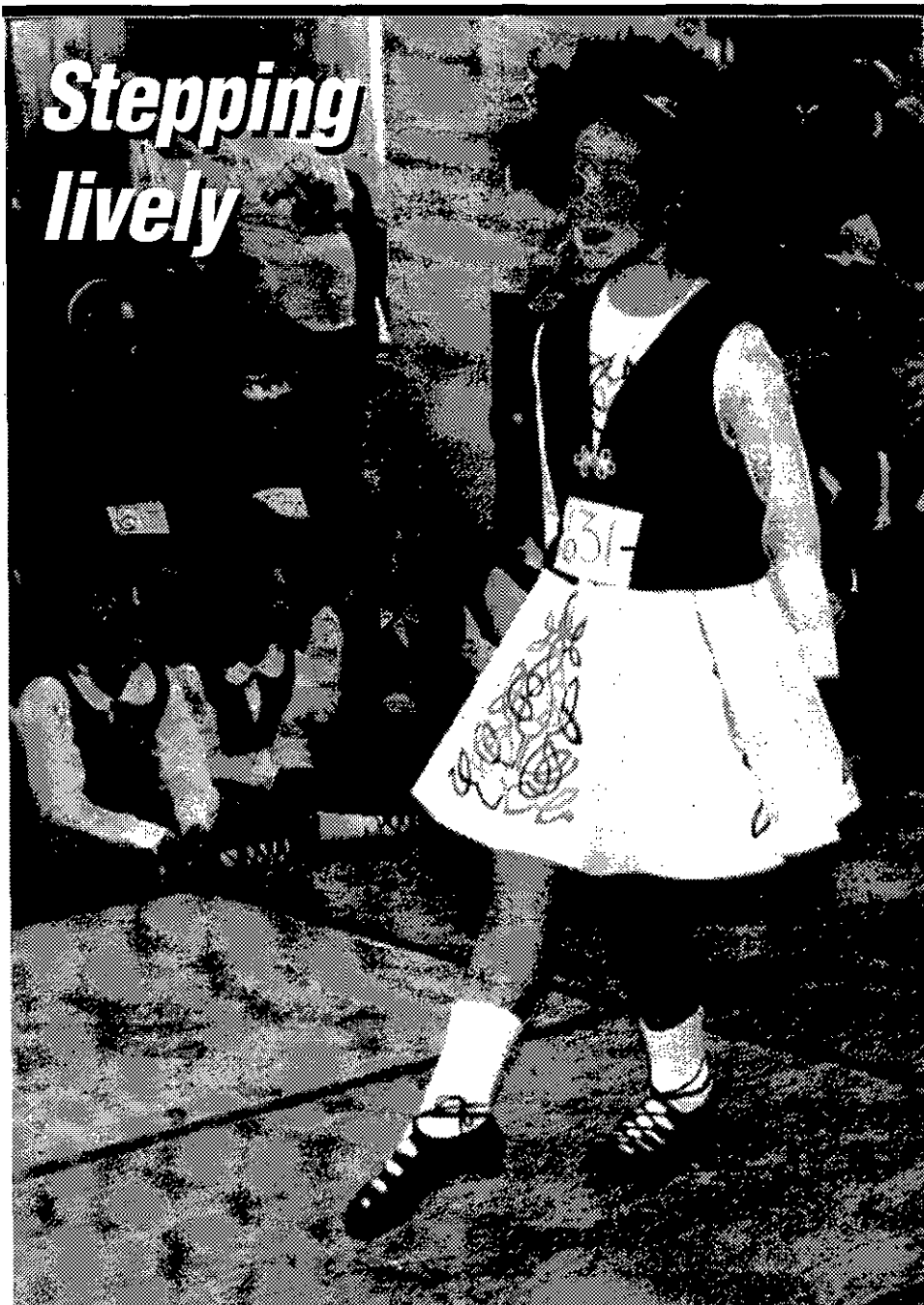
The board is in the midst of working with an architect to design more classroom space at both the high school and elementary school in order to meet current and projected enrollment.

Additions at the high school would allow sixth-graders to join seventh- and eighth-graders and create a cohesive middle level program. The board maintains that it is financially unfeasible to build a separate middle school, since the district will receive state aid amounting to 71.8 percent on a building project connected to an existing building,

if the project is approved by voters by July 1.

An addition at the high school would encroach onto current playing fields, which is why the district wants O'Connell's land. Assistant

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Stepping lively

Kendall Drew of Delmar practices for the céilí dancing event set Friday, Jan. 30, at the Blanchard American Legion Post on Poplar Drive in Elsmere.



Gregory Zorjan III gets a shave from master barber Alistair Hemingway of London. Joseph Phillips

Local barbershop proud of cutting edge products

By JOSEPH A. PHILLIPS

Gregory's Barbershop in Delmar thinks men deserve service that's a cut above—and to make the case, they imported a barber from London, who can boast of having shorn the cheeks of Prince Charles himself.

Alistair Hemingway, master barber, visited the Delmar tonsorial parlor to

help Gregory's celebrate its new locale, at Main Square on Delaware Avenue.

"It's all about looking good, looking smart, taking care of yourself," said Hemingway. "Men nowadays, I think, need to treat themselves special. Women have had it too good for a long time. Now it's a man's turn."

Hemingway is on the staff of Geo. F. Trumper, Hairdressers and Perfumers since 1875, proprietors of two upscale gentleman's barber shops

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ZBA nixes beauty parlor variance

By Joseph A. Phillips

The zoning board of appeals for the town of Bethlehem has turned down a request for a variance that would permit a Slingerlands woman to buy a home in the heart of Delmar and open a one-chair beauty parlor in the residence.

Acting on an application by Beverly Piazza, current owner of the home at 376 Kenwood Ave., less than a block from Delaware Avenue, and Yolanda Augusiak, the would-be buyer, the zoning board voted on Jan. 20 to reject the request for a use variance that would permit a commercial establishment in a residential zone. Its discussion of the request, conducted in the absence of an ill zoning board chairman Michael Hodom, was the lone item on the meeting's agenda.

The zoning board had conducted a public hearing on the matter on Jan. 6, at which it heard opposition from neighbors, principally from nearby Adams Place, voicing concern for the area's resi-

dential character.

During the discussion, board member Gilbert Brookins expressed mixed feelings on the subject. "I'm not sure this would have a major impact on the character of the neighborhood," he said. "You've got a lot of non-conforming uses in nearby buildings, and a single-chair beauty salon is not going to change that, in my mind."

But Marjorie O'Brien said, "this is clearly a residential neighborhood, and the residents want to keep it that way ... the facts are the facts. This is a residential zone, and the conditions don't justify a variance to that."

In order to grant a use variance, the zoning body must determine that there is a significant hardship imposed by the existing zoning, and that that hardship is not of the applicants' own making. It must also determine that the failure to grant the variance would impose significant economic hardship on the applicants. The board members agreed that this case

did not meet those criteria.

"A large burden is put on the applicant to show in no uncertain terms why the land cannot be used as intended" in the zoning regulations, said Richard Lewis.

The board also considered the implications of "commercial creep" in a neighborhood that is among the most restrictively zoned in Bethlehem.

Should it grant this application, Lewis said, "before you know it, you have a commercial zone created, not by the will of the town, but by the zoning board doing it inch by inch. The camel's nose is under the tent. Then the neck is under. Then pretty soon the whole hump is under."

"I hope someone will help this woman find someplace to live and do business in Bethlehem," Lewis added. "But this neighborhood isn't it."

Augusiak currently rents space at Cut 'N Curl in Slingerlands.

Bethlehem police make one DWI arrest Jan. 20

Bethlehem police have made another arrest for Driving While Intoxicated (DWI), while two previous cases were recently resolved in Bethlehem Town Court when the defendants entered guilty pleas to driving while alcohol impaired (DWAI).

The most recent arrest came on Jan. 20 at about 11:30 p.m. Officer Joseph Mosca was assisting a towtruck on New Scotland Avenue when an unidentified passing motorist pulled alongside to report a driver behind him in westbound traffic who had nearly hit his vehicle. When the same vehicle passed the officer, he observed the vehicle being operated erratically and nearly colliding with another vehicle. He gave chase, following the vehicle onto Cherry Avenue and finally stopping it near Delaware Avenue.

Mosca called for assistance and Officer Jeffrey Vunck responded, but the officers were unable to administer field sobriety tests due to the driver's extreme condition, the police report said.

Arrested was Erin Eileen Collins, 20, of 4 Old Quarry Road, Feura Bush. She was charged with failure to keep right and with DWI, and ordered to appear in Town Court Feb. 17 to answer the charges.

In recent town court action on Jan. 19, Ryan Steven Miller, 18, of 35 Par Circle, Albany, pleaded guilty to DWAI in connection with charges stemming from his Jan. 2 arrest. He was fined \$300 and a \$30 state-mandated surcharge and his license was suspended for 90 days.

Also offering a DWAI guilty plea the same day was Paul William Vasko, 37, of 28 Featherbed Lane, Ballston Spa, answering charges lodged against him on Dec. 19. He also had his license suspended for 90 days and was assessed a \$300 fine and \$30 surcharge.

In both cases, the court also required mandatory participation in a drinking-driver remediation program and a victim impact panel.

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Light agenda prompts meeting cancellation

The Bethlehem town board meeting originally scheduled for tonight, Jan. 27, has been cancelled, town supervisor Sheila Fuller announced last week. The reason: an unexpectedly light schedule.

Most board meeting agendas include a handful of budget requests and purchase authorizations, but Fuller said town department heads had earlier been asked to keep such routine business to a minimum in their scheduling for the meeting.

That was because a report was scheduled for delivery at the meeting from O'Brien & Gere Engineering, the consultants who have been conducting tests at the town's controversial Clapper Road water-purification plant and the related Schermerhorn Island aquifer that supplies it.

"I had expected that to be a long discussion," said Fuller. But O'Brien & Gere staffers contacted town officials last Wednesday requesting more time to complete their report, thereby leaving a nearly empty agenda and leading to the cancellation. Fuller did not indicate when the O'Brien & Gere report would now be heard.

The board's next meeting is now set for Feb. 10, and will include a public hearing on a proposal to erect stop signs on streets feeding into the newly-reconstructed Wemple Road in Glenmont.

Joseph A. Phillips

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BCMS eighth-graders show good citizenship

By Joseph A. Phillips

"Dear Liu," read Bethlehem Middle School eighth-grader Christina Castellanos from a letter she held in her hands. "Thank you for giving me the opportunity to think about what being a citizen means to me."

It will be several years before Liu Yang of Delmar can read the letter read to her by Castellanos from the podium of the middle school's auditorium on Jan. 22. Liu is only two years old, and it

This is a ceremony for children, by children.

Maryanne Malecki

may be that the letter's sentiments will elude her until she is an eighth-grader herself.

But Liu, decked out in a bright red dress, was present for the reading of nine such letters, all written by students from the middle school's Team 8B. The Chinese-born Liu was one of nine children naturalized as U.S. citizens in an annual ceremony held at the school, under the supervision of teacher Maryanne Malecki, and Gary Hale, officer in charge of the Albany office of the Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS).

As Malecki stressed in her remarks at the ceremony, it was really the middle-schoolers who were in charge of the proceedings. "This is a ceremony for children, by children," she said — a chance for native-born youngsters to come to grips with the meaning of citizenship.

Liu was not the youngest of the newly-minted citizens; that honor went to Jonathan Ruslan Feil, a Russian native barely 22 months old. The oldest of the group was Monir Ahmad Mukhtar, 17, one of three Afghani-born siblings. Others originally hailed from the Ukraine and Bolivia, but all now reside in the area. One, Michael Tian Yu Wan, just shy of his 16th birthday, is a student at Bethlehem Central High School, and as an

eighth-grader participated in the naturalization project a few years ago.

The Regents history curriculum for seventh- and eighth-graders centers around American history, including lessons about the turn-of-the-century wave of immigration. To help teach the lesson, Malecki and her middle-school colleagues turned to Hale and the INS five years ago. "They were trying to find a way to make the citizenship process more meaningful to their students," he said, "and my job is to try to get the message out about citizenship."

The INS frequently arranges public naturalization ceremonies for civic occasions, and Hale has performed schoolroom naturalizations at sites from Saratoga to Columbia County.

"This one's a nice ceremony," he said of the Bethlehem program, "because it's every year at about the same time, and because the children are so enthusiastic. They really get a kick out of this. It's probably the most important thing I do — the most meaningful certainly." He estimated that about 60 immigrant youngsters have been naturalized on the middle school stage in these five years.

The 120 eighth-graders on the team Malecki teaches served as hosts for the naturalization service, learning how to navigate the paperwork involved. "The nuances of the legal system are fascinating for a 13- or 14-year-old," Malecki said.

Breaking into groups, corresponding to the number of youngsters to be naturalized, they composed letters to the new inductees about the meaning of citizenship. All of these letters are bound into books to be presented to the new citizens, and each group selects one to be read at the ceremony, which the students plan and staff, right down to lighting the festivities.

At the ceremony, all in attendance stood and recited the lengthy formal citizenship oath. "We're all used to reciting a quick pledge of allegiance," Malecki said, "but this gets into all kinds of things — denying allegiance to foreign potentates and all of that."

The emphasis of the ceremony, however, is not foreign diplomacy, but children understanding what it means to be an American.

Dominique Jones told Alina Bricklin, "America is not a place, it's people like you, like me." Julia Hoffman told little Jonathan Feil that "along with freedom, you get responsibility."

Hannah Lewis likened citizenship to being in a play, where everyone has an important role to play, no matter how small. Nicholas Graziade quoted Dwight Eisenhower: "in this land, there are no second class citizens."

Educators trot out new curriculum

By Katherine McCarthy

At last week's Bethlehem school board meeting, students and teachers from the combined first- and second-grade classes at Elsmere Elementary School presented their new social studies curriculum to the board.

Teachers Robin Reed, Carol Smith, Diane Kvam and Jan Xeller created lesson plans on communities using summer curriculum writing funds earmarked for helping students meet new standards set by the state Education Department.

With some students on hand to assist them, the teachers ran a model class to demonstrate how they are implementing the curriculum in their classes this year.

Using songs, puppets, and a hand-drawn map, the children identified and described rural, urban and suburban communities; used directions accurately; talked about landforms and read sentences they had written about communities.

Reed said town board member Doris Davis had also visited the classroom to talk about communities. Kvam showed the paper-bag literature vests the children had made based on a book they read in school, and Smith described the assembly line procedure that yielded paper T-shirts, packed and ready to be shipped.

John Piechnik, the district's social studies supervisor, said the new curriculum is shared with teachers throughout the district. He explained that it helps students illustrate their knowledge, rather than simply reading a textbook and answering questions. "Students at the elementary level draw maps, and read literature about community," said Piechnik. "Kids understand what they know; it's much more than just pen and pencil."

Piechnik also gave an overview of the district's social studies curriculum, which has been revamped to meet the state Regents for All mandate. It ranges from studying self, family and communities in the primary grades, to studying global and U.S. history in high school — including upper grade electives such as Great Issues and American Wars. State standards for the study of state, U.S. and world history, geography, economics, civics, citizenship and government, have been integrated into all courses.

The biggest change in the curriculum, said Piechnik, is the inclusion of geography and economics, as national and state educators realize the need for stronger skills in those areas.

In the year 2000, the state will be social studies testing at the fifth-grade level to assess the kindergarten to fourth-grade curriculum; in 2001 eighth-graders will take a state test; in 2000 there will



Town councilwoman Doris Davis helps with a social studies lesson at Elsmere Elementary School.

Katherine McCarthy

be a Regents global history test and in 2001, a U.S. history and government test will also be given to high school students.

The board praised the teachers and students in attendance. "It helps the board and community focus on what we're about," said board member Dennis Stevens.

"All of us have had a demonstration of the special results that occur when teachers work together," said Superintendent Les Loomis. "This really was an extraordinary job."

The board also adopted an integrated pest management (IPM) policy. It has been working on the policy since the fall, after being urged by Bethlehem Pesticide Watch (BPW) to sunset use of pesticides on school property. The IPM policy was suggested by a district committee formed last fall, made up of administrators, parents, and representatives from the county Health Department, Cornell Cooperative Extension of Albany County and the state Department of Environmental Conservation. Bethlehem Pesticide Watch did not have a representative on the committee, but members attended meetings, making comments and suggestions.

"The committee and the IPM policy are a good-faith effort to achieve a gradual phase-out of pesticide use in the district," said Cay McEneny of BPW. "The district will be looking at alternatives to pesticides, but are not going to commit to all-out sunset of use."

The policy calls for Loomis to approve any application of pesticides on school grounds, and stipulates that notices of pesticide application be posted 48 hours before and after the application takes place.

"There is also a provision," said McEneny, "that if a parent has an allergic or sensitive child, or simply wants notification of a pesticide application, they will receive it. There will also be a year-end review of what exactly took place in the district in a six-month period, and there will be a record of alternatives used."

The district's pesticide committee will reconvene in June to review the practices of the prior six months.

"We've pledged to provide our support," McEneny said.

In his Superintendent's Report, Loomis said that the two snow days already used this year reduce the district's total instructional days to 181. Because school started on Sept. 10, the school year had only 183 days instead of the usual 186. The state mandates 180 days of student attendance, leaving only one more snow day available for this year. "Beyond that, we would need to schedule a school day in the April vacation," said Loomis.

Lynne and Tom Lajeunesse followed up on a letter they had sent requesting busing for all middle and high school students, not just those who live more than a mile from the schools.

Loomis and board President Happy Scherer said that such a change would require voter approval, and that the board would determine whether or not to put the matter before the public.

Board member James Schwab said his recollection was that the issue was last voted on in the '70s. "The community has grown quite a bit since then," Tom Lajeunesse said. "Maybe the board could reconsider its policy."

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Hollywood still best at providing great escape

By Katherine McCarthy

It was a real mommy moment, on a Friday night at the end of a week so busy that stacks of unread newspapers and unwashed laundry lurked in every corner of the house.

So many tiny, insignificant details had taken up so much time that I had screwed up a couple of important ones and I felt defeated and adrift. What the hell am I doing with my life anyway? How can I be in perpetual motion from the minute I wake up until I go to bed and still feel I've accomplished nothing? Why do the children argue with each other and me all the time? Why can't I make this a perfect family? Will the sun ever shine again?

There had been one bright spot on this particular Friday, during Christopher's basketball practice. For 55 minutes, Ralph Ambrosio, Mike Manning, and I had discussed books and plays and movies and even the opera, as if we were in a New York City coffeehouse instead of the Glenmont School gym.

Too soon afterward, I was home, surveying the final remains of Christmas strewn across the diningroom table. I looked at

them, and looked at the box they belonged in. The kids were watching "Who Framed Roger Rabbit?" (not a movie we'd discussed during Basketball Book Chat) for the millionth time, and Chris had just headed upstairs to check out the English soccer scores on-line. I grabbed a piece of bubble-wrap and started in on my usual "Nothing gets done if I don't do it," grumbling when I was

overcome with a moment of sanity.

If everybody else was doing something they wanted to do, why wasn't I, at 9:15 p.m. on a Friday? Do I look like Joan of Arc? Feeling burned at the stake of household chores might eventually earn me a place in heaven, but all it does in my house is remind everyone that if you just sit still long enough, mom will take care of it.

"Not tonight, buckos," I said, kissing the boys goodnight and telling Chris I was off to the movies.

He's used to my bizarre little fits — and was probably secretly relieved to not have to watch Meg Ryan find Mr. Right yet again — so only told me to take the cell phone with me.

How desperate is this, I thought

as I drove up the Northway to a movie theater whose exact location I didn't know. When you start looking for a movie at 9:30 p.m., you're kind of limited. And Latham's all malls, anyway — I was bound to find it.

Am I the only woman who fantasizes about just driving off into the distance, changing her name, starting all over to live a mysterious life in some dry desert area where even the taciturn locals notice that the new neighbor sure sticks to herself? Maybe it's the possibility of living in white adobe walls whose interiors promise sundrenched sparseness, not the gray clutter of a Northeastern house in January, that make me want to be Thelma or Louise, outcome be damned.

But my adventure ends at Hoyt's, where my great extravagance is not a new identity but a \$3.50 box of Milk Duds. I settle back in my chair, guessing Uma Thurman for the mystery star and feeling bad for Bert Lahr, typecast as a lion. There are many, many previews. I love them — they're as close as I ever get to seeing most movies.

Meg and Tom are perfect; they look like people you might know and like, and people you'd love to look like. Of course, theirs is the only on-line romance that hasn't involved someone bilking someone out of all their money or somebody already having three wives. No matter, even New York looked beautiful, and the Upper West Side trendy and quirky as ever. Those people surely spend all their time discussing great books and just-opened plays.

By the end of the movie, I was pacified enough that I even sighed at the final kiss, and didn't spit out my Milk Duds to scream: Now your life is over! Tomorrow you'll be tripping over his dirty underwear and in a few years all your cute dresses will have spit-up on them. Run! Steal one of the beautiful flowers and get out while you can!

Which is just what I had done, gotten out while I could. The house was still a mess when I got back, and there's no telling what I'll screw up this week. But maybe, please God, the breather will do me good. Instead of a husband

who needs clean socks and two children who need a fight mediated, I'll see my reasons for living.

I may not be as beautiful as Meg Ryan, but maybe my little sojourn will put things back in perspective again. Instead of saying it between clenched teeth in an effort to calm myself, I may be able to say simply and honestly: I have a good life.


And if I can't, there's always Patch Adams.

COMMENTARY: Mom's the Word

Businesswomen to hear speaker

Local author Sister Anne Bryan Smollin will be the featured speaker at Bethlehem Business Women's monthly dinner meeting on Wednesday, Feb. 3, at Normanside Country Club in Elsmere.

The evening begins with a social at 6 p.m., followed by dinner at 6:30. Dinner selections include puff pastry chicken or beef burgundy. The cost is \$15 for members and \$18 for guests. To make a reservation, call 439-2535



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Matters of Opinion

Surplus shenanigans

There's an air of surreality emanating from Washington these days, and we're not talking about the trial.

In what can only be called a conspiracy, politicians from the President on down and their mouthpieces in the national media are shamelessly promoting the lie that the federal government has a surplus, allegedly as much as \$70 billion this year.

But as John Crudele persuasively argues in the Jan. 22 *New York Post*, there is no surplus in basic government operations, which last year ran at a deficit of \$132 billion.

The "surplus" is conjured up by the fact that Social Security revenues now exceed Social Security spending by about \$200 billion — the result of tax increases in the 1980s designed to save the system by building up surpluses to pay the baby boomer retirement bill.

That President Clinton proposes using most of this "surplus" for Social Security and Medicare is a kind of shell game — that's what the money was always intended to be used for!

For politicians, a surplus, real or imaginary, is like manna from heaven, God's blessing on those wise men and women whose policies have created that pleasing paradox — a nonprofit profit.

And effective politicians have no shortage of ways to spend the windfall — tax cuts for favored constituencies and contributors, ballistic missile defense, education, roads, new federal buildings named after dead politicians, etc.

But that's not what it's for — all of this money (not just 60 percent as Clinton proposed) should be held in trust, making as much in interest as possible, so that 21st-century workers who will pay taxes to support retired baby boomers will not be overburdened.

But if politicians are doing what comes naturally in this regard, the credulity of the world's highest-paid journalists is less forgivable.

All journalists everywhere rely too much on government-handed-out information and too little on informed skepticism. But we certainly expect that experienced journalists with six- and seven-figure salaries (not just financial writers for Murdoch tabloids) could find a way to report the truth about the "surplus" and Social Security.

If lying about the federal budget were as big a deal as lying about extramarital sex, they would all be impeached — Washington politicians and journalists alike.

Let's change campaign financing

By Blair Horner
The writer is legislative director of the New York Public Interest Research Group.

Washington may get most of the headlines as the capital of campaign finance abuses, but New York state's capital is not far behind.



In Albany, the "you-scratch-my-back-I'll-scratch-yours" relationship between lawmakers and special interests is so pervasive that one state senator actually gives out backscratchers as party favors at his campaign fund-raisers held within walking distance of the state capitol.

At the very same time lawmakers are supposedly fashioning a budget and wrestling with the issues of the day, Albany's special interest lobbyists provide them with a captive audience for the more than 200 fund-raising events (sometimes as many as 20 per night) that state lawmakers will, if last year is any guide, hold this year in Albany.

For lawmakers, it's like shooting fish in a barrel — the lobbyists are based in Albany and feel duty-bound to attend the campaign fund-raisers held each night when the Legislature is in town.

New Yorkers must demand that there be a radical overhaul of the state's campaign financing as the critical way to rein in Albany's special interests. Here's a road map of issues:

1. Crack down on "soft money." The "mother of all campaign finance loopholes" is New York state's "housekeeping accounts." Despite its benign label, these accounts allow unlimited contri-

butions by special interests to state political parties.

New York state's campaign finance law prohibits corporations from making annual contributions that exceed \$5,000. Yet Philip Morris gave political parties \$180,000 in 1996 — including \$125,000 to the state GOP — and it was perfectly legal. Philip Morris was able to exceed New York's \$5,000 limit by contributing to the "housekeeping" accounts of the political parties. The governor must propose, and lawmakers must support, eliminating these "soft money" accounts.

2. Dramatically lower campaign contribution limits. It's perfectly legal for people to write \$69,900 checks to the political parties.

In Albany, the "you-scratch-my-back-I'll-scratch-yours" relationship between lawmakers and special interests is so pervasive that one state senator actually gives out backscratchers as party favors.

Unlike "soft money," these contributions can be used to directly fund candidates' races for political office. In fact, the political bosses are allowed to transfer unlimited amounts to candidates that they support.

Who gives \$69,900 contributions? Albany's powerful political elite — corporate chieftains, labor leaders and wealthy individuals. And when they give this money, what do they want? They want legislation that helps them out. Unfortunately, citizens are too often left holding the bag — higher levels of pollution, rising numbers of citizens without health insurance and an unresponsive state bureaucracy.

Moreover, contributors are also allowed to make donations of more than \$41,000 to candidates for governor. You can only contribute up to \$1,000 to candidates for president. New York's campaign finance laws allow staggeringly high contributions. No one should be allowed to contribute more than \$1,000 to anyone or anything involved in making public policy.

Unless campaign contributions are limited, the ability of average citizens to be heard in the legislative process will continue to be drowned out by the ringing up of huge contributions from special interests.

3. Replace tainted special interest campaign contributions with clean public resources.

The U.S. Supreme Court has ruled that government cannot limit the spending of candidates for office — contributions limits are OK, but no mandatory spending limits. However, states can implement voluntary programs that limit spending by candidates for office and entice them to participate by replacing special interest dollars with public resources.

Maine and Vermont have recently enacted laws that create just such a voluntary system and then go one step further. These states ban all special interest contributions for candidates who participate in their voluntary system of public financing.

4. Tighten restrictions on lobbyists and their clients. Lobbyists take lawmakers out to dinner every night that the Legislature is in session. New York must prohibit lobbyists picking up the tab for these nighttime lobbying meetings. Citizens can rarely afford to take a lawmaker out to dinner to make their case for changes in state law — why should lobbyists be allowed to do so?

Congress prohibits gifts — including dinners — from lobbyists to representatives and senators. New York should prohibit this practice as well.

In addition, lawmakers should be prohibited from holding campaign fund-raisers during the legislative session. The spectacle of lobbyists meeting with lawmakers during the day and then forking over contributions at night creates — at least — the appearance of a conflict. Let's end the practice.

5. Open up the process. New Yorkers know too little about what goes on in Albany. It's impossible to respond to policy debates when so little is known. The print media can only cover so many issues. New York state must create a New York state "C-SPAN," modeled on the federal C-SPAN. The New York C-SPAN should broadcast unedited, gavel-to-gavel coverage of legislative proceedings and other important state events.

By giving citizens a seat at the policy table, average New Yorkers will be able to express their opinions to their representatives — and can express themselves when it really matters.

It's important for citizens to let their representatives know how badly they want Albany reformed. That's why NYPIRG, Common Cause, the League of Women Voters and United We Stand America have formed a coalition known as Take Back Democracy.

If readers would like to find out how they can help change state policymaking, they can contact our effort by writing to NYPIRG, 107 Washington Ave., Albany 12210.

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STARS program chief would like to fill gap

Editor, The Spotlight:

Thank you for the Jan. 6 feature article "Senior Citizen STARS help out in RCS schools." The RCS STARS (Seniors Teaching and Reaching out to Students) work a few hours a week in a classroom under the direction of the teacher to mentor and tutor students.

The friendships that the students and their STARS form is the real magic of this program. In today's society, many extended families are separated by distance. We can no longer count on the support, love, culture and wisdom that the elders of a family pass on to children. We are now raising a generation of children that may not receive the benefits of extended family and community.

The magical connection be-

tween the generations is seen daily in the RCS school district. Through a legislative grant, we have been able to continue to expand this meaningful intergenerational program that enriches the lives of hundreds of children and numerous senior citizens. The only drawback to the program is not being able to fill the numerous teacher requests for STARS.

If you are a senior citizen with a few hours to spare and love to work with children, we want to hear from you. Any senior citizen who is interested in becoming a STARS mentor can receive a brochure and application by calling the district's administrative offices at 756-5201 or by calling me at 767-9152.

Judy Glassanos

RCS STARS program director

Scout leaders grateful for support

Editor, The Spotlight:

We would like to thank Steve Wieland, Bill Mooney and all the members of Selkirk Fire Department No. 2 of Glenmont for letting us use one of their garages for the delivery of Girl Scout cookies this year.

During this eight-hour period, they continually checked on us to make sure we had everything we needed.

Their kindness and thoughtfulness was greatly appreciated.

Cathy Hasselbach and
Joan Erickson
Neighborhood cookie managers

Reader enjoys relating to 'Mom' columnist

Editor, The Spotlight:

Just have to write to say how much I enjoy Katherine McCarthy's column. I receive *The Spotlight* in Florida during the winter months and always look forward to her musings.

As both a mother and a grandmother, I relate to her experiences.

By the way, I must also compli-

Letters

ment you on the prompt delivery here in Florida. It seems to be improved from previous years. Keep up the good work.

Liz Hotaling

Masons say thanks for support

Editor, The Spotlight:

On behalf of Onesquethau Masonic Lodge in Delmar, we wish to express our appreciation to the community, *The Spotlight*, TV-31 and the volunteer fire companies for publicizing out recent blood drive.

We have planned another blood drive for March 13 from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. Donors can call Richard Scoons at 477-5247 or Clifton Thompson at 463-1319.

Clifton Thompson

Delmar

BCMS aide asks owners to obey dog scooper law

Editor, The Spotlight:

We have a problem at Bethlehem Central Middle School! The students are allowed to use the grounds behind the school for recess everyday, however, this is where the problem lies.

Many people are walking their dogs or allowing them to run loose on this recess area. These people are not obeying the town pooper scooper law. If you choose to take your dog on BCMS property, please clean up after it.

These are your children and grandchildren who are subject to the disgusting piles of dog feces. The students at BCMS deserve to be able to play football, soccer and Frisbee without dodging these messes.

Please think of them the next

time you walk your dogs in this area. Obey the law and clean up after your dogs.

Janet Shultes
BCMS noon aide

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Ceili should lighten winter doldrums

By Katherine McCarthy

A little bit of old Ireland is coming to the Capital District at the James Connolly Celtic Cultural Association's first winter ceili on Friday, Jan. 30, at the Blanchard American Legion Post in Delmar.

"Ceili" is the Irish word for party, and you don't have to be Michael Flatley to get up and dance at this event. Local musicians The Bards will play ceili music, and the Chris Boland school of dance will teach ceili dancing.

"Ceili dancing is like round or line dancing," said Ann Drew of Delmar, a member of the James Connolly Celtic Cultural Association. "It goes way back to the days of people gathering in the evenings, and amusing each other with songs and stories, and get-

ting up to do dances like The Suites of May or the Siege of Ennis."

The group was founded about a year ago. "Our sole purpose is to promote Celtic cultural activities," Bill Drew explained. "We're not a political group, and we're not here to fund-raise for anybody else. We just got our not-for-profit status, and our goal is to eventually build a facility where we can host cultural events and have a banquet area. We also want to make our events family-oriented; the ceili is certainly a place to bring your children."

The association's first event was true to their mission, when it offered "Celtic Luminations: A Festival of Music and Dance" at the Troy Savings Bank Music Hall last October. That concert fea-

tured the Oran Mor Pipe Band; Sheiling, a traditional Irish/Scottish folk group; and Seven Nations, the popular contemporary group that mixes bagpipes and electric guitars. A second Celtic Luminations is planned for this October with the Battlefield Band.

The public won't have to wait till October for more Irish entertainment, though, as the association plans to hold three more ceilis this year. They will also sponsor the 24th annual Wolfe Tones concert on March 4, and in May, uilleann piper Paddy Keenan will perform and offer three workshops in the area.

By June, the association plans to sponsor music, history, dance and language lessons in the Capital District. It also hopes to even-

tually offer sporting events like Gaelic football.

As for naming the association after James Connolly, Drew said that they chose him because he had lived in the Capital District. Connolly was one of the martyrs of the 1916 Irish Rebellion.

Along with Drew, William Sayers, Liam Cahill, F. Alannah Fitzgerald, Donald Lindsay, Kathleen Roe and Kevin Roe serve on the board of directors.

"We have a core membership of 20," Drew said, explaining that anyone can join for \$25, which puts them on the association's mailing list.

Drew said that initial response to Saturday's concert has been positive. "We've already gotten a lot of calls, and I think this is going to be a fun, family event," Drew said.

"Geimhreadh Ceili" is the official name of the association's winter dance on Saturday, Jan. 30, from 7 to 10 p.m. at the Post at 16 West Poplar Drive in Elsmere.

To get there, turn onto Elsmere Avenue at CVS on Delaware Avenue, then take a left on Poplar Drive. Admission is \$5; free for children under 16.

Refreshments will be available. For information, call Ann Drew at 475-0939.

Author to speak at Delmar library

Scott Christianson, author of *With Liberty For Some: 500 Years of Imprisonment in America* and director of the New York Death Penalty Documentation Project, will speak on Thursday, Feb. 4, at 7 p.m. at Bethlehem Public Library, 451 Delaware Ave., Delmar.

Christianson, a Bethlehem Central High School graduate, will talk about his 20-year examination of the role of incarceration in the American experience. The former investigative reporter and state criminal justice official has lectured at several universities, served as a speechwriter for former Gov. Mario Cuomo, and published scholarly articles in numerous journals.

To register, call 439-9314.

Five Rivers sets winter trail walk

A field study of winter ecology will be the topic for a trail walk on Saturday, Feb. 6, at 2 p.m. at Five Rivers Environmental Education Center, 56 Game Farm Road, Delmar.

The walk will follow the Old Field Trail, seeking signs of animal tracks and traces as the group enjoys an outing in the winter meadow.

Participants should dress for the outdoors. For information, call 475-0291.

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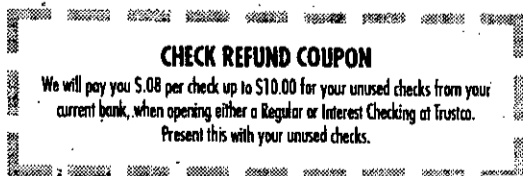
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Award-winning musician to present school program

Musician and storyteller Skip West will present an evening program for children and parents tonight, Jan. 27, from 7 to 8 p.m. at the elementary school gymnasium.

West won the Parents' Choice Gold Award for his recording "Blue Sky City." His music videos have appeared on The Learning Channel, and he has been a featured performer at the state conference of the Association for the Education of Young Children.

The free program is cosponsored by the Humanities Committee and the PTA.

West will spend the day at the school, conducting an assembly for kindergarten and first-grade and in-class workshops for kindergarteners.

For information, call the elementary school at 765-2382.

Old Songs slates sampler concert

Old Songs sampler concert, a benefit for this year's Old Songs Festival, is set for Saturday, Jan. 30, at 8 p.m. at the Masonic Temple on Maple Avenue in Altamont.

The concert features Bill Spence on hammered dulcimer, John Roberts with songs of the British Isles, the duo Whoopie Jazz, old-time band Hoppinjohn, folk duo Fixation, Celtic music with Curragh, singers/songwriters Alien Folklife and swing dance band Fiddle Free Zone.

There will be drawings for craft items and festival performers' recordings, and a bake sale.

Tickets are \$12. For information, call 765-2815.

Speaker to discuss Colonial Albany

Stefan Bielinski, founder and director of the Colonial Albany Social History Project at the State Museum will discuss the people of Colonial Albany at the next meeting of the New Scotland Historical Association on Tuesday, Feb. 2, at 8 p.m. at Wyman Osterhout Community Center on the Old Road (just off Route 85) in New Salem.

Bielinski will identify themes,

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raise pertinent issues and place Albany within larger historical contexts.

The one-hour interactive program will focus on the lives of individuals in a pre-industrial society, and will raise questions about the shape and structure of Colonial Albany.

The free presentation is open to the public.

St. Matthew's men to hear sportswriter

Sports columnist Steve Campbell will be the guest speaker at the third annual St. Matthew's Men's Association Sports Night on Wednesday, Feb. 3, at 6:30 p.m. in the church social hall on Mountainview Road in Voorheesville.

Subs, pizza and refreshments will be served, and there will be door prizes and sports trivia games.

Admission is \$5, and reservations are appreciated. For information and reservations, call 765-2805, ext. 9, or Tom Walter at 765-2769.

Helderberg Workshop offers winter break classes

Helderberg Workshop will offer hand-on classes at the high school for students in third- to eighth-grade during winter break, Feb. 16 to 19.

Classes will run from 9 a.m. to noon. The cost is \$50 and includes all materials.

Karin Demis will teach Weaving Studio to grades four and up. Participants will learn how to set a warp on a four-harness table loom and a variety of different weaves. Students who have already taken a weaving class can work independently.

Science Encounters of the Beastly Kind! is for students in grades three to five. They will study skulls, bones and skins, as well as some live animals and an-

cient fossils. Students will use microscopes and also learn some kitchen chemistry. Dee Strnisa is the instructor.

Louise Basa will teach Laboratory Archaeology to grades four and up. Students will conduct indoor excavation and microscopic analysis of artifacts.

Break-Time Theatre with Mary Liz Stewart is for grades four to eight. Students will create and produce plays inspired by traditional tales from around the world.

Sue Krug will teach Wearable Art: Jewelry Techniques to students in grades four and up.

Participants will design handmade jewelry with metallic paper and glass beads. They will also produce one-of-a-kind accessories using origami, rubber stamp techniques and bead weaving.

Kaleidoscope of Art is for grades four and up. Led by Colleen Skiff, students will sample a different art material each day.

To register, mail in the form sent home from school by Feb. 8. For information, call 765-2777.

Time for another River Rats night

Join the PTA for another Elementary School Night with the Albany River Rats on Saturday, Feb. 13, at 7:30 p.m. when the Rats play the Fredericton Canadiens at the Pepsi Arena.

Tickets are \$10 for adults and \$6 for children. Return the order form to school by Feb. 4.

For information, call Jeff Klembczyk at 765-9120.

Every child who buys a ticket will receive a free Friendly's kids meal certificate, and there will be a free raffle drawing for kids.

Boy Scouts to serve supper

Boy Scout Troop 73 will host its annual pancake supper on Saturday, Feb. 6, from 4:30 to 7:30 p.m. at the American Legion Hall on Voorheesville Avenue.

Tickets will be sold at the door and cost \$4 for adults and \$2.50 for children.

Methodist youth group to help homeless

The Senior United Methodist

Youth Fellowship of First United Methodist Church of Voorheesville will make its fifth annual Midnight Run on Saturday, Feb. 13.

The event takes youth to the streets and shelters to deliver blankets and personal care items directly to the homeless.

Donations of new blankets and trial/travel-sized toiletries are being collected in a large box in the social hall foyer of the church on Maple Avenue.

Cash donations are also appreciated.

PTA changes Fun Fest date

The PTA has changed the date of its Fun Festival to Saturday, March 6.

Volunteers are still needed to help set up, run game booths, bake, sell baked goods, sell food and drinks and clean up.

Committee chairs are also needed for the bake sale, raffle and door prizes.

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Forms are available at Beth-

lehem Library, town hall, chamber of commerce office in Main Square and the school district offices on Adams Place.

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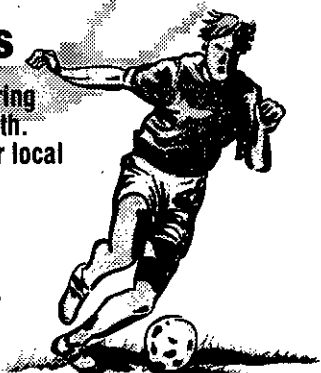
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Donations can be left at the circulation desk until the week of the sale. Books and several media formats are gladly accepted.

Head of circulation Cathy Howell asks donors to be mindful of the following guidelines:

The library welcomes donations of local history materials, recent publications (within 10 years), current best sellers, cookbooks, clean copies of the classics, books-on-tape, videos, CDs, CD-ROMS, LPs, and children's books (especially paperbacks in good condition).



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Items in poor condition can usually be recycled; the library asks that patrons please avail themselves of that option. Items in good condition are sometimes accepted by nursing homes, prisons or shelters.

Donations must be contained, preferably in boxes, but bags are acceptable. Limit donations to one or two boxes at a time.

Donations of fewer than 10 books can be left at the circulation desk. Larger donations should be reported at the circulation desk, then brought to the garage door along the driveway.

If you want a receipt for tax purposes, count your donations by type (hardcover, paperback, audiovisual). The library can only vouch for the number of donations, not their value.

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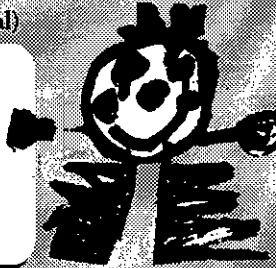
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Freight hauler to relocate to Selkirk rail yards

By Joseph A. Phillips

A major freight hauler which recently purchased Conrail's operations in the northeast will relocate its sales and marketing operation for the Northeast to Selkirk to be closer to its existing operational hub at the Selkirk rail yards.

CSX Transportation Inc. is the largest business unit of giant CSX Corporation, the shipping giant based in Richmond, Virginia. CSXT's Northeast commercial operations will consolidate elements of the merged CSX and Conrail marketing operations currently headquartered in Philadelphia and New Jersey, and the unit's vice president of northeast commercial operations, James Howarth, will relocate to Selkirk from Jacksonville, Fla., within the next two weeks.

CSX and Norfolk Southern, the two largest railroads east of the Mississippi, won government approval last summer to purchase Conrail and divide its operations between them. That move is expected to be completed by June, pending necessary labor agreements and other operational arrangements. CSX will take control of Conrail's northeastern rails and related shipping services.

Selkirk is the home of the central operational hub of CSXT's Albany Service Line, a territory that stretches from Ohio to New England and from Montreal to Philadelphia, Howarth said. Howarth said the commercial operations in the northeast involve "between 20 and 25 folks, and 7 or 8 of those will be based in Selkirk."

The new team is essentially a sales and marketing force, he said, that will concentrate on developing the company's rail transport business in the Northeast corridor, where their key competition is short-haul shippers like truckers. Michael Ryan, the company's assistant vice president for Northeast sales, will also open an office in Selkirk, as well as maintaining an existing office in Cranbury, N.J.

Though the move will create only a few new jobs in the area initially, Howarth said, "its real importance, we hope, will be in the value we bring our customers. One of the reasons CSX acquired

Conrail was to improve our operations north-south."

In the long run, he said, "to the extent that it improves our competitiveness (with trucking interests), it'll create employment in the area."

Howarth said the proximity of the business development team to the operational group would also be beneficial. "We feel it will be effective for us to deal with our operational counterparts on a real-time, one-on-one basis," he said.

The proximity of both operational and commercial divisions in Selkirk will also give CSXT a more local flavor. CSXT will incorporate its "local area management" approach to business development, in use in its southeastern operations, that creates local teams to more effectively respond to customer needs.

"I wouldn't make the jump that this is an actual decentralization," Howarth said. "We like to say it's an effort to be closer to our customers."

The relocation to Selkirk will be something of a homecoming for Howarth, an area native, University at Albany alumnus and former Delmar resident.

Girl Scout cookies ready for delivery

Girl Scout cookies ordered during November will be delivered this month.

Cookies will also be available for sale at several locations in the Capital District through Feb. 28.

Among the locations will be area Grand Union stores, including the Grand Union at Delaware Plaza in Delmar, where representatives will be on hand to sell the eight varieties on Feb. 6, 7, 27 and 28.

The cookies cost \$3 a box, and the proceeds benefit the Girl Scout program in Albany, Rensselaer, Columbia, Greene and southern Saratoga counties.

For information, contact the Hudson Valley Girl Scout Council at 439-4936.

Town tax bills deadline fast approaching

With property tax bills due on Jan. 31, this week is crunch time at the office of Bethlehem receiver of taxes Nancy Karins Mendick.

As of Monday, she reported less than a third of the taxes on the town's roughly 13,000 taxable parcels have been received at town hall — representing about \$1.5 million in receipts, of an expected \$15 million.

"This week is of course our busiest week," she said, "and lots of people will hold off until the last minute as usual. Everyone likes to get that interest on their money by keeping it until the last moment." To cope with the expected 11th-hour rush, part-timers are hired to accept payments, and additional hours have been scheduled, including a first-ever Satur-

day opening.

In addition, since the end of the month falls on a weekend, the receiver's office will accept without penalty any returns submitted in person on Monday, Feb. 1 or postmarked by that date.

"Approximately 3,000 payments have come in so far," Mendick said Monday. "I would say it's pretty normal." However, she said, her office has been bombarded with numerous phone calls from taxpayers confused about the implications of the STAR program for their tax bill — of which there are none, since it only applies to school tax assessments, she said.

Mendick said the extra Saturday hours, from 9 a.m. to noon, were added at public request.

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Another timely topic, the vegetarian lifestyle, will be covered at the library on Wednesday, Feb. 3, at 7 p.m.

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The Every Other Thursday Night Poets group will meet on Jan. 28, at 7 p.m.

Barbara Vink

RCS Drama Club will present "Are Teachers Human?" on Friday and Saturday, Jan. 29 and 30, at 7 p.m. at the senior high school.

Church to serve chicken and biscuit dinner

South Bethlehem United Methodist Church will dish up a chicken and biscuit supper on Friday, Jan. 29, from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m.

The event was postponed last week due to the weather.

The menu includes chicken and biscuits, mashed potatoes with gravy, cranberry sauce, vegetables, beverages and homemade desserts.

For information, call 767-2281.

Sign up for soccer at middle school

The final registration for RCS Youth Soccer's spring season is on Saturday, Jan. 30, from 9 a.m.

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to noon at the middle school.

High school plans orientation for parents

RCS Senior High School will open its doors to parents of eighth-graders for an incoming ninth-grade parent orientation on Wednesday, Feb. 3, at 7 p.m.

Parents will learn about their child's high school curriculum.

Science contest set at high school

The high school will host a mini Science Olympiad on Tuesday, Feb. 2, at 7 p.m.

Drop off books for town book swap

As part of its recycling effort, the town of Coeymans Recycling Office is gathering books for its townwide book swap on Feb. 6.

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Sports

RCS victory over Holy Names tops week's hoops action

By Len Tarricone

While the Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk High School boys basketball team continued its assault on first place in the Colonial Council with a pair of victories, it was **Bruce Stott's** girls squad that registered the biggest win of the week by handing Academy of the Holy Names its first league loss, 40-38, Jan. 22 in Albany.

The win was retribution for a 52-24 beating the Indians suffered at home to Holy Names Dec. 11.

"Our defense was the difference this time; we kept our intensity up for the entire night," said Stott. "We didn't allow any spurts, and didn't let them get away on any runs, and we played terrific man-to-man."

Of particular note defensively were guards **Leia Weidman** and **Alyssa Sebert**, who combined to hold high-scoring guard **Shannon Quinlivan** to six points. **Colleen Prior** and **Amiee Norton** took turns in the pivot on center **Brooke Rutnik**, limiting her to 11 points and keeping her off the boards.

Meanwhile, **Melissa Eissing** was the offensive star for RCS, dropping in 20 points.

"Melissa was really looking to push the action," Stott said. "She was driving to the hoop, getting to the line, and hitting big shots."

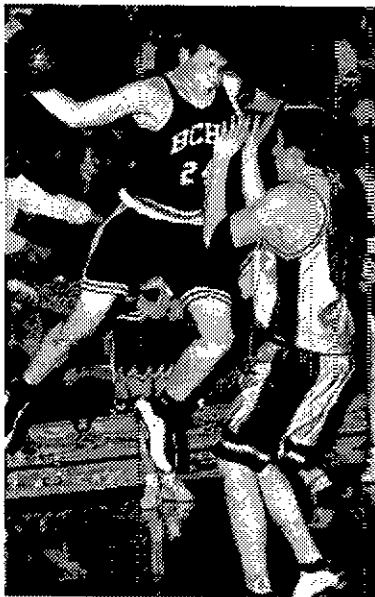
The victory improved the Indians to 5-5 in the league and 7-6 overall after a loss earlier in the week to Lansingburgh.

"This win was quite a boost for our team and our program," said Stott. "It's good to see hard work pay off, and I couldn't be happier with the result."

The boys team was involved in two remarkably similar outcomes, beating Lansingburgh 66-48 Jan. 19 and then coming back Jan. 22 to defeat Albany Academy by almost the identical score, 64-48.

Even stranger is that in each of the two games, **John Weinheimer**, **Kevin Reinisch** and **Brad Palmer** scored 15, 15 and 12 points, respectively. Junior **Nate Seaburg** chipped in with 10 against Albany Academy as the Indians moved to within one game of first place in the league after Watervliet's loss to Averill Park.

RCS will have a chance to



Bethlehem's Chuck Abba spikes the ball off a Niskayuna player before sailing out of bounds. *Jim Franco*

and Watervliet. Only one loss separates all four teams, so there promises to be plenty of excitement as that race heads to the wire.

The Indians (9-2 league, 11-2 overall) must first host Clayton A. Bouton Central High School Jan. 29 at 7:30 p.m.

The Blackbirds will enter that contest coming off a split of league contests this week, having beaten Schalmont 67-52 Jan. 19, then dropping a Jan. 22 contest 54-43 at Cohoes.

John Krajewski (24 points), **Tim Beadnell** (16) and **Pat St. Denis** (11) accounted for over three-quarters of the Blackbirds' scoring against the Sabres, while Krajewski and St. Denis combined for 27 points in the loss to the Tigers.

The Blackbirds (4-7 league, 4-9 overall) fell to the Indians in a Dec. 15 matchup in Voorheesville, cutting a 17-point halftime deficit to four in the final quarter before losing 65-56.

Bethlehem won one of three during the week, beating Niskayuna 54-43 Jan. 22 behind 25 points from senior **Pat Hughes**. In a makeup game at

Burnt Hills the previous evening, Hughes' backcourt mate **Chuck Abba** poured in 33 points, but it was not enough to prevent the Eagles from dropping a 77-61 decision to the Spartans. On Jan. 19, Hughes hit four three-pointers and scored 22 points, and Abba added 14, but Columbia and 7-foot, 1-inch sophomore center **Craig Forth** came away with the 65-57 victory.

The Eagles (3-6 league, 7-6 overall) travel to Mohonasen Jan. 29 for an 8 p.m. tilt.

Kim Wise's Lady Eagles, meanwhile, downed Columbia 45-23, as **Bridget Murray** and **Carrie Staniels** teamed for 19 points, and fell to the Silver Warriors 41-31 despite six three-point baskets, three apiece from the sisters **Bridget** and **Lauren Murray**, who combined for 19 points.

It was Bethlehem's second loss in 16 days to Niskayuna, which remains undefeated in the Gold Division of the Suburban Council.

The Eagles' record will remain even in the league (4-4) and overall (7-7) until they host Mohonasen Jan. 29 at 8 p.m.

It was a tough week for the Ladybirds of Voorheesville, who dropped a pair of decisions, 44-32 to league powerhouse Schalmont Jan. 19 and 42-41 to Cohoes three nights later.

Jessica Lindner had 10 points against the Sabres, while **Jan Rissacher** and **Jessica Stewart** combined for 21 in a losing effort to the Tigers.

The Ladybirds (7-4 league, 9-5 overall) will try to get back on the winning track at RCS Jan. 29 in a 7:30 p.m. contest.

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by Nick Valenze, P.T.

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Delmar Dolphins have successful meet at Shaker

The Delmar Dolphin Swim Club sent 17 swimmers to Shaker High School to swim in the annual Super Sunday Swim Meet sponsored by Capital District Aquatics Club.

In the 8-and-under category, **Jimmy Kivlin** took first in the 25-yard breaststroke with a time of 23:59, third in the 25-yard freestyle, fourth in the 25-yard butterfly and fifth in the 25-yard backstroke. **Katie O'Donnell** came in third in the 25-yard butterfly and second in the 25-yard

freestyle. **Kristin Gloeckler** came in second in the 25-yard butterfly, fourth in the 25-yard freestyle and fifth in the 25-yard backstroke. **Alyssa Sullivan** came in third in the 25-yard backstroke and eighth in the 25-yard butterfly. **Nate Foley** came in sixth in the 25-yard freestyle. Also swimming personal best times and/or finishing in the top 15 were **Eleanor Grady** and **Mariah Kennedy**. The relay team of O'Donnell, Gloeckler, Sullivan and Grady came in second.

In the 9- and 10-year-old category, **Larry Gloeckler** won the 50-yard freestyle with a time of 32:30 and the 50-yard backstroke with a time of 39:56. Gloeckler's time of 1:21.26 in the 100-yard individual medley qualified him for a national "A" ranking. **Ann Delucco** also earned an "A" ranking by winning the 50-yard butterfly in 37 seconds. **Martha Grady** won the 50-yard breaststroke with a time of 43:76 and the 50-yard butterfly with a time of 38:77. Her

time of 1:21.62 in the 100-yard IM was good enough for a national "A" ranking, and she finished third in the 50-yard freestyle.

Justin Murphy took third in the 100-yard individual medley, fourth in the 50-yard breaststroke, sixth in the 50-yard butterfly and seventh in the 50-yard backstroke. **Tyler Dudas** took fourth in the 100-yard individual medley, fifth in the 50-yard butterfly and sixth in the 50-yard backstroke. **Sean Kennedy** came in eighth in the 50-yard backstroke, and **Lisa Frangella** finished fifth in the 50-yard breaststroke and sixth in the 50-yard backstroke. **Alex Parker** came in eighth in the 50-yard backstroke.

The boys relay team of Kennedy, Gloeckler, Murphy and Dudas won, and the girls team of Delucco, Frangella, **Kyla Walsh** and Grady finished second.

Swimming for the first time in the 11- and 12-year-old category **Lauren Grady** finished in the top 20 in all her events.

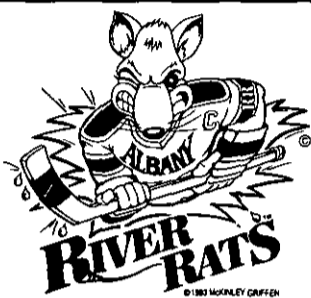
BBC action

Sue Kelly scored 20 points to lead the Sonics to a 58-33 win over the Spurs, who got 20 from **Greg Dwyer**, in Bethlehem Basketball Club play Jan. 24. The Knicks (**Sean McManus**-14 points) downed the Rockets (**Nick Hasselbach**-nine) 43-25; the Bulls (**Vinnie Berghella**-13) beat the Lakers (**Steve Moore**-13) 43-27 and Boston (**Bobby Barrowman**-13) beat Orlando (**Brian Biche**-13) 34-31.

In ACC play, **Brendan Venter**'s 16 points led Duke past North Carolina and **Jed Sigal** (12 points) 31-22. Also, Wake Forest (**Paul Dubois**-26) beat Clemson (**Brett Treator**-10) 60-28; Maryland bested Tech (**Nick Hogan**-11) 34-27 and Virginia (**Andrew Machlowski**-eight) downed Florida State (**Bridget Daley**-six) 34-25.

In the Big East, **Connor Barada** hit for 22 to lead St. John's past Boston College, who got 13 from **Rylan Conway** 48-39. Pitt got 10 points from **Dan Forrest** in beating Miami 35-15; Notre Dame (**Kevin Murphy**-16) beat Villanova (**Chris Olsen**-13) 34-25; West Virginia (**James Alesse**-8) bested Seton Hall (**Geoffrey Wilcox**-10) 39-31; Providence (**Chris Morrill**-11) topped Connecticut (**Shane Connors**-11) 24-22 and Syracuse (**Corey Warheit**-12) beat the Hoyas (**Cameron Brown**-18) 39-28.

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Tomboys schedule final registration

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Practices start in April, and league games generally run from May through early July.

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BCHS indoor track team prepping for strong finish

By Len Tarricone

Bethlehem Central High School boys and girls indoor track coach Jason Wood had a fine debut last year, but he learned a lesson that he hopes will help him in his second campaign.

"We may have peaked too early last year," he said of his boys squad, which finished a close second to Shenendehowa in the Suburban Council and in Sectionals.

Though Wood lost much of the talent from that team, he hopes to have his returnees better prepared for postseason this year. The Eagles have finished no worse than third in any league meets this year, but Wood said no one has run his best race yet.

"We want that to happen at the end of the season. Winning meets is not a big focal point right now. Last year we were expected to do well; this year we were written off but we're holding our own. This team is athletically stronger and a harder-working group," he said.

Headlining the squad is talented sprinter/jumper **Khalid Umar**, a senior who qualified for the state meet last year and has been drawing the eye of numerous colleges with his ability. He specializes in the long jump and triple jump, and also runs the 55-yard dash and the 300.

Senior **Max Anderson** is another excellent triple jumper, one of the top seven in the section, according to Wood, and also scores often in the shot put.

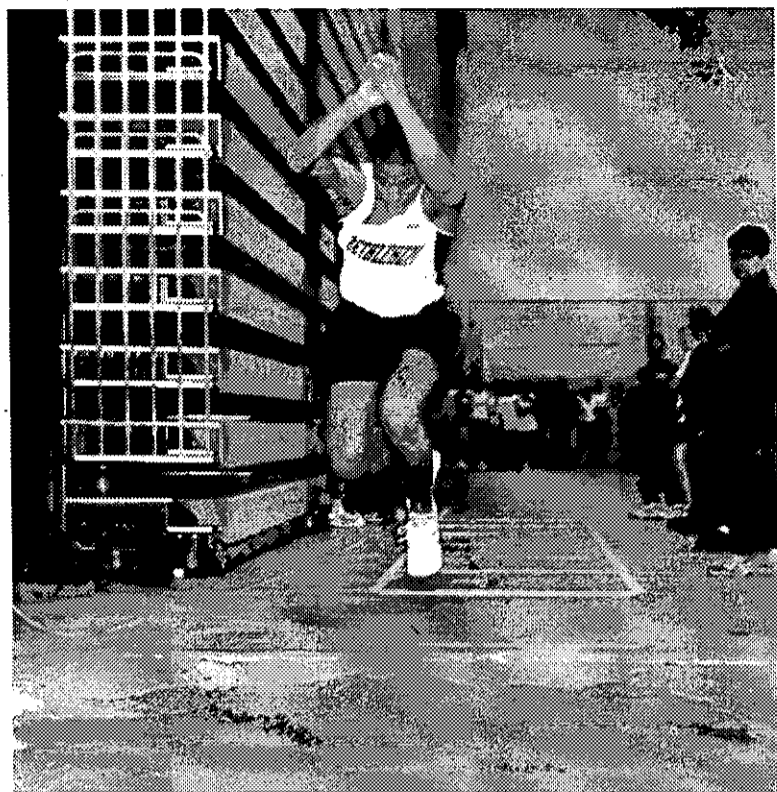
"Max is enjoyable to coach; he'll do anything you ask," said Wood.

Rounding out the jumpers is a third senior and top quality athlete, high jumper **Mike Leczinsky**, who consistently clears six feet and was undefeated through the Eagles' first four league meets.

Junior **Lee Ansaldo** is a solid sprinter who regularly scores in the 55, is a key member of Bethlehem's 800- and 1,600-yard relays and competes in the 300.

Junior **Dan Rosenthal** runs the 300 as well, and is also part of an experimental combination in the 800 relay with Ansaldo, senior **Matt Wreb** and sophomore **Chris Denkers**.

The Eagles had the top 800-yard relay team in Section II and



Khalid Umar competes in the triple jump in a recent meet. Len Tarricone

the fifth best in the state last year, but are struggling to find the right unit this year.

"We're not close to last year's speed, but the times are coming down," said Wood.

There are no hurdlers, but Wood hopes the quality in the other events will make up for it.

"The talent is pretty spread out on the boys team," he said. "Our jumpers, sprinters, and distance

people will all produce."

The latter category is headed by senior **Clarke Foley** and junior **Alex Voetsch**, both stalwarts of the Eagles' cross-country team last fall. Both will run the 1,000, the 1,600, the 3,200 and the 3,200-yard relay.

Freshman **Adam Rodriguez** also will fit into the 3,200 relay and/or 1,600 relay mix.

While the boys have a tough

act to follow, the girls have a good chance to improve.

"The girls finished in the middle of the pack last year (fifth in Suburban Council), which I was pleased with because we did not have the strongest team in the world," said Wood. "The majority of them are back, and the potential is there this year."

A strength of the squad is the 800-yard relay, consisting of juniors **Kim Link** and **Liz Cappiello**, senior **Caryn Leonardo** and sophomore **Lindsay Strogatz**. This group has won most of its meets, and with sophomore **Kathy Herman** added to the mix, has also won two 1,600-yard relays.

Cappiello and Strogatz are the Eagles' two top 55-yard dash specialists, while junior **Rachel Gajewski** is the No. 1 hurdler, ahead of sophomores **Erica Stupp** and **Kelly Boyea**.

Leonardo, Link, and Strogatz run the 300, and Herman and sophomore **Erica Brunner** fill the 600.

Freshman **Katherine Adams**, Brunner and junior **Erica Wasserstein** lead the Bethlehem contingent in the 1,000, with senior **Kristen Kvam** and sophomore **Jessica Blackwell** tackling the 1,500.

Freshman **Madeline Anderson** and sophomore **Caitlin Crowley** run the 3,000.

In the field events, juniors **Theresa Kansas** and **Beccah Maskins** are the long and triple jumpers, and the duo will also take a stab at the pole vault, a new event this year for Section II girls.

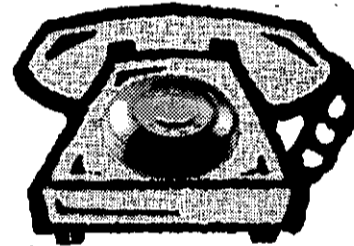
No one currently enters in the high jump, and Gajewski is the main shot putter.

Wood said he is pleased with the overall results so far.

"I have no complaints about the standings of either of our teams. We are young, but the kids have been responsive and eager to learn," he said. "Our main goal is that we put our best team on the track at the (Suburban Council and Sectional) championships."

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Relief

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got tired of working at 1995 wages and the district was no longer negotiating with us."

According to Gill, the main points of the contract represented both gains and losses for the support staff, with the biggest hits being taken by transportation workers.

Gill said the contract covers five years, starting with the 1996-97 school year and ending in 2000-01. The support staff will receive a 2.2 percent salary increase for each of the first two years of the contract, a 2.3 percent the third and fourth year of the contract and 2.5 percent the last year.

Pay increases for the first three years of the contract will be awarded retroactively and the staff will receive percentage increases on overtime pay as well. "We had to fight for that one," said Gill.

The union also fought to keep health insurance costs at 2 percent — the same as the teachers negotiated. Gill said the board had at first asked the support staff to pay 10 percent of health insurance costs. The health insurance

increase will take place one year retroactively.

The last issue to come off the table was the use of subcontractors to bus children to some after-school athletic events. When subcontractors are used they will now stay with the students at the event and to drive them back to the home school. The district felt strongly that the stipulation was necessary for the health and safety of the students. BCUEA wanted its drivers to be called to drive students back from events.

In addition to the subcontracting issue, the drivers also lost some ground on how they are paid when they are called back to work. Previously, when transportation workers were called back within three hours, they received a stipend for their time. That time is now cut to two hours.

Overtime for all support employees used to be calculated daily, and workers received overtime for all hours worked over their normal schedule. For example, if an employee was scheduled to work a seven and a half hour day, every hour in addition to the seven and a half hours would be overtime. Now employees will receive overtime only if they work

more than 40 hours in a week.

The district also won the right to reassign employees in custodian, maintenance and groundskeepers positions. Historically, people in these positions worked Monday through Friday, now workers can be assigned Tuesday through Saturday or Wednesday through Sunday. "This pretty much eliminates overtime for those people," Gill said, adding that current employees were grandfathered in, and only new employees will be assigned to these hours.

Other gains for employees are: the addition of an extra bereavement day, from three to four days; the district will now reimburse bus drivers for the actual cost of their commercial drivers license (CDL), which could be as much as \$150 each time it needs to be renewed; and drivers and bus monitors who work during the summer will be compensated at the regular rate instead of at a reduced summer rate.

Both Assistant Superintendent John McGuire and board President Happy Scherer deferred discussing details of the contract until the school board vote.

Maureen Geis, president of Bethlehem Central Community

Organization (BCCO), the high school's parent-teacher group, felt that people were glad to see the end of what she called the "long struggle."

Geis, who is a speech aide in the school district said, "It's hard to understand all sides of the issue and it's been difficult for both the district and the support staff. It's a relief that it's all over with. It would be nice if steps were put in place so (the long contract debate) wouldn't happen again."

Custodian Tom Stephany, who works at the high school, said that he felt "most people were happy with (the contract)."

"It's been a long haul," Stephany said. "But on the whole I think it was a fair contract." In the 20 years Stephany has been with the district, he has never seen a negotiation last so long.

Wayne Johnson, a part-time bus driver, also said he was "relieved" that some agreement had been reached but felt that the district and employees had paid dearly for the long drawn-out negotiations. "My feeling is that the loyalty and the spirit have been wounded and that (the board members) have absolutely killed the morale by the length of time it

took to debate this all."

Scherer said the board valued the job the support staff does "day in and day out."

"You hate to see morale issues," Scherer said. "There was a sense that the board did not respect the work of the BCUEA members, but nothing could be farther from the truth."

Scherer added that since the contract will be in place through the end of 2001, she hoped there would be time to "repair bad feelings."

Johnson, who was unhappy about the cuts transportation workers took, said, "In the back of member's minds (will be the fact) that now we have acquiesced and by allowing the district to do subcontracting, they will be looking for other areas where they can subcontract, whether kitchen, clerical or maintenance. You have that cloud hanging over your shoulder."

Johnson, who is a long-time Bethlehem resident, was also pragmatic about the outcome. "It's been a strain on everyone, but now we can go on and get down to the business of running the school district," he said.

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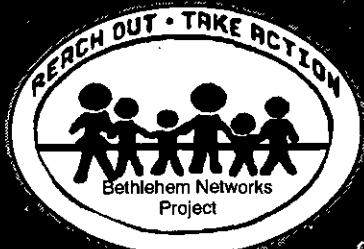
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Eve and Jonathan Bassett

Yanda, Bassett marry

Eve Carlyn Yanda, daughter of Albert and Carlyn Yanda of Cleveland, Ohio, and Jonathan D. Bassett, son of Charles and Betty Bassett of Delmar, were married Oct. 11.

The Rev. Gene Kendall performed the ceremony at Peaceful Valley Chapel in Peaceful Valley, Colo. A reception followed.

The maid of honor was Nancy Holt. The bridesmaid was Heather Yanda, sister of the bride.

The best man was Brad McRae. Ushers were Scott Bosse and Andrew Legg.

The bride is a graduate of the

University of Vermont and has a masters in environmental planning from the University of Wisconsin.

She is an open lands specialist for Larimer County, Colo.

The groom is a graduate of Bethlehem Central High School and has bachelor's and master's degrees in mechanical engineering from Clarkson University.

He is a development engineer for Hewlett-Packard Co. in Loveland, Colo.

After a wedding trip to Portugal, the couple lives in Fort Collins, Colo.

Births

St. Peter's Hospital

Boy, John William Murphy, to Marianne and William Murphy of Delmar, Dec. 23.

Boy, Cooper James Smith, to Jennifer and James Smith of Voorheesville, Dec. 24.

Girl, Hannah Rose Sossner, to Wendy and Edward Sossner of Delmar, Dec. 25.

Boy, Mason Edward Green, to Rhonda and Timothy Green of Delmar, Dec. 29.

Girl, Lindsay K. Vincelette, to Elizabeth and Dan Vincelette of Glenmont, Dec. 31.

Boy, John Michael Mastrianni, to Mary Beth and John Mastrianni of Slingerlands, Jan. 7.

Girl, Margaret Elizabeth Barnes, to Sheila and Richard Barnes of Delmar, Jan. 9.

Dean's List

Boston College — Emily Spooner and Katie Tobin, both of Delmar.

Hamilton College — Sarah Cook and David Shaye, both of Delmar.

Lafayette College — Peter Kvam and Timothy Wenger, both of Delmar.

Maria College — Claudia Depue (president's list), Cynthia Morrison (president's list), and Lori Frazier, all of Delmar, and Eileen Marks of Slingerlands.

SUNY Cortland — Kelly Dobbert of Delmar and Leigh Stevens of Selkirk.

Tufts University — Sarah Svenson of Delmar.

University of Denver — Cynthia Dunn of Delmar.

Correction

The engagement announcement of Stacey Lyn Parsons and David Plante in the Jan. 20 edition contained inaccuracies.

The bride-to-be is a graduate of Bethlehem Central High School, Sage Junior College of Albany and Montserrat College of Art. She is a graphic designer for Deloitte & Touche in Boston.

The future groom is a graduate of Salem State College. He is an operations analyst for New England Securities in Boston.



Amy and Andrew Kirby

Conway, Kirby wed

Amy Portia Conway, daughter of Thomas and Kathryn Conway of Delmar, and Andrew Winans Kirby, son of Irene Kirby of East Berne, were married Sept. 5.

The Rev. William Pape performed the ceremony at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception in Albany.

A reception followed at the Terrace Gallery of the New York State Museum.

The maids of honor were Amanda Conway and Molly Conway, both sisters of the bride. Bridesmaids were Mary McCarthy, cousin of the bride, Sheila Zinck, sister of the groom, Jill Kirby, sister-in-law of the groom, and Cynthia Kirby, sister of the groom.

The best men were Timothy Kirby and John Kirby, both broth-

ers of the groom, and Robert Zinck, brother-in-law of the groom. Ushers were Thomas Conway and Michael Conway, both brothers of the bride, and William Conway and Gerard Conway, both cousins of the bride. The ring bearer was Andrew Zinck, nephew of the groom.

The bride is a graduate of Bethlehem Central High School, the University of Rhode Island and Albany Law School.

She is a clerk at the Appellate Division of state Supreme Court.

The groom is a graduate of the University of Richmond and Pepperdine Law School. He is an attorney in private practice in Albany.

After a wedding trip to Napa Valley, Calif., the couple lives in Albany.

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There will be an introduction to ceili dancing, followed by an evening of music performed by The Bards. Light snacks and refreshments will be available. Tickets will be sold at the door for \$5 each. Children and teen-agers under 16 can attend free of charge. For information, call Ann Drew at 475-0939.

Obituaries

Jean Lyon

Jean Murray Lyon of Cedar Hill, Selkirk, died Wednesday, Jan. 20, at home.

Born in Saskatoon, Saskatchewan, Canada, she graduated from the former St. Agnes School, attended Skidmore College and graduated from the Tobe-Coburn School of Fashion in New York City.

She worked for radio station WOKO and also as administrator of the Medical Personnel Pool.

She was a member of First Reformed Church of Bethlehem in Selkirk, where she was a past member and clerk of the consistory.

She was a member of the Bethlehem Historical Association, the Junior League of Albany, the Delmar Progress Club, Zonta Club International, the Friday Morning Club, the Bethlehem Archaeological Group and the St. Agnes School Alumnae Association, where she served as president and board member.

She also volunteered for the American Red Cross, the Multiple Sclerosis Society and the United Way.

Survivors include a daughter, Lisa Evans of Selkirk; a son, Michael Lyon of Mercer, Pa.; and two grandchildren.

Services were from First Reformed Church, with burial in Albany Rural Cemetery in Menands. Arrangements were by the Tebbutt Funeral Home in Delmar.

Contributions may be made to First Reformed Church, PO Box 186, R.D. 1, Selkirk 12158.

Buren Rechnitzer

Buren Rechnitzer, 90, of Slingerlands died Thursday, Jan. 20, at Good Samaritan Nursing Home in Delmar.

He worked for the General Electric Co. for many years as an engineer specializing in the microwave field. He held several patents for microwave devices.

He also owned and operated Rex Radio & Electronics Co. in Delmar for several years.

He was a member of Onesquethau Masonic Lodge in

Delmar.

Survivors include his wife, Marilyn Hazzard Rechnitzer; a son, Philip Rechnitzer of Clifton Park; a daughter, Lila Apgar of East Windsor, N.J.; a brother, Tordin Yates of Florida; four grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

Spring services will be in Bethlehem Cemetery.

Arrangements were by the Applebee Funeral Home in Delmar.

Grace Moak

Grace A. Moak, 77, of Feura Bush died Thursday, Jan. 21, at home.

Born in Westerlo, she was a lifelong Capital District resident.

She was a member of Jerusalem Reformed Church in Feura Bush and was very active in the church's Helping Hands group.

Survivors include her husband, William A. Moak; two sons, Roger Moak of Earlton and William Moak of Ravena; two daughters, Karen Boeri of Catskill and Laurie Kelly of Saugerties; three brothers, Kenneth Peck, Charles Peck and Robert Peck, all of Westerlo; three sisters, Terry Willsey of Foster, Ky., Hazel Arsenault of Ravena and Alice Loucks of Clarksville; 10 grandchildren; and 15 great-grandchildren.

Services were from Jerusalem Reformed Church, with burial in Jerusalem Cemetery in Feura Bush. Arrangements were by the the Cunningham Funeral Home in Greenville.

Contributions may be made to the Jerusalem Reformed Church Fund, PO Box 70, Feura Bush 12067, or to St. Peter's Hospice, 315 S. Manning Blvd., Albany 12208.

Catherine Pollen

Catherine Rose Fricke Pollen, 92, of the Good Samaritan Home in Delmar, died Sunday, Jan. 10, at the home.

Born in Manitowoc, Wisc., she graduated from Lincoln High School there.

She was employed as a secretary by the National Tinsel Fac-

tory until her marriage in 1934.

She was a communicant of Holy Innocents Roman Catholic Church for many years until moving to Delmar in 1994.

She was wife of the late Charles Pollen.

Survivors include a daughter, Polly Hartman of Delmar, and three grandchildren.

Services were in Manitowoc, with burial in Calvary Cemetery.

Contributions may be made to the Good Samaritan Lutheran Health Care Center, 125 Rockefeller Road, Delmar 12054.

James Hausmann

James Hausmann, 63, a former Bethlehem resident, died Saturday, Jan. 16, in Sarasota, Fla.

He lived in the Capital District for many years until moving to Florida five years ago.

He was a sheet metal worker, retired from Local 83 of the Sheet Metal Workers Union.

He was a member and former exalted ruler of the Bethlehem Elks Lodge.

He was an avid golfer and was also active with Alcoholics Anonymous in Florida.

Survivors include his wife, Geraldine Macken Hausmann; two sons, James Hausmann Jr. of Averill Park and John Hausmann of Albany; four daughters, Joyce Carpenter of Venice, Fla., JoAnn Stannard of Glenmont, Geraldine Dottino of Voorheesville and Jennifer Hausmann of Selkirk; a brother, Robert Hausmann of Feura Bush; and 11 grandchildren.

Services were from the Applebee Funeral Home in Delmar. Burial was in Calvary Cemetery in Glenmont.

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

Joan Goldstein

Joan D. Goldstein, 68, of Sunset Drive in Delmar, died Friday, Jan. 15, at St. Peter's Hospital.

Born in Albany, she was a lifelong Capital District resident.

She graduated from Milne School and attended Syracuse University and Russell Sage Col-

lege.

She worked for the state Legislative Bill Drafting Commission for 15 years.

She was a member of Congregation Beth Emeth in Albany.

She was an active volunteer with the Crohn's and Colitis Foundation.

Survivors include her husband, Donald Goldstein; a son, Jerry Goldstein of Delmar; two daughters, Lynda Shrager of Slingerlands and Sandra Karlin of Suffern, Rockland County; a sister, Marilyn Goldie of Slingerlands; and four grandchildren.

Services were from Congregation Beth Emeth, with burial in Beth Emeth Cemetery in Loudonville.

Arrangements were by the Levine Memorial Chapel in Albany.

Contributions may be made to the Crohn's and Colitis Foundation, 4 Normanskill Blvd., Delmar 12054.

William Tougher

William H. Tougher Sr., 88, formerly of Bethlehem, died Saturday, Jan. 16, at Eddy Memorial Geriatric Center in Troy.

Born in Belfast, Northern Ireland, he came to the United States when he was 18.

He served in the Navy in the Seabees.

He and his two brothers founded Tougher Plumbing and Heating in Menands. The firm, now Tougher Industries, is operated by his two sons.

He was a member of Delmar Reformed Church, where he was a deacon and an elder, Onesquethau Masonic Lodge, the Nathaniel Adams Blanchard American Legion Post, the Second Milers, the Slingerlands Fire Department and the Retired Men's Fraternity of Albany.

He was also a member of the Plumbers and Steamfitters Union Local 7.

Survivors include his wife, Elizabeth Roselle Tougher; two sons, Robert Tougher and William H. Tougher Jr., both of Delmar; a daughter, Sandra Dreihaupt of Alpharetta, Ga.; two brothers, Stanley Tougher of

Glenmont and the Rev. Eric Tougher of Whittenville, Mass.; a sister, Elizabeth White of Delmar; 11 grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

Services were from Delmar Reformed Church, with burial in Bethlehem Cemetery. Arrangements were by the Applebee Funeral Home in Delmar.

Contributions may be made to Shriners Children's Hospital, 516 Carew St., Springfield, Mass. 01104, or to Eddy Memorial Geriatric Center, Burdett Avenue, Troy 12180.

Lawrence Kleinberg

Lawrence Kleinberg, 85, of Slingerlands died Thursday, Jan. 21, at St. Peter's Hospital.

Born in Brooklyn, he was plant manager of Flair Manufacturing in Smithtown, Suffolk County, for many years.

Survivors include his wife, Ruth Kleinberg, two sons, Joel Kleinberg of Albany and Jonathan Kleinberg; and two grandchildren.

A service will be held at the family's convenience.

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

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

Kathleen B. Lauder

Kathleen Bedell Lauder, 77, of Selkirk died Sunday, Jan. 24, at St. Peter's Hospital in Albany.

Born in Saranac Lake, she was a former bookkeeper.

Survivors include her husband, Lambert D. Lauder; a son, Robert S. Lauder of Selkirk; three sisters, Clare Duquette and Martha Bleir, both of Florida, and Alberta Haskell of New Orleans; and three grandchildren.

Services are scheduled for 11 a.m. today, Jan. 27, at the Applebee Funeral Home, 403 Kenwood Ave., Delmar.

Contributions may be made to the Bethlehem Volunteer Ambulance Service, Selkirk 12158.

Grover Kling Jr.

Grover Cleveland Kling Jr., 83, of Voorheesville died Sunday, Jan. 24.

He was a bricklayer for the Bricklayers Union in Albany.

Mr. Kling was Navy veteran of World War II.

Survivors include his wife, Olive Windelspecht; a brother, Paul Kling of Barefoot Bay, Fla.; and two sisters, Catherine Betty Simonton of Oxford, Fla., and Jeannette Coughtry of Slingerlands.

Spring burial will be in St. John's Lutheran Cemetery in Colonie.

Arrangements were by the Meyers Funeral Home in Delmar.

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By Joseph A. Phillips

When I was growing up, kids used to get labeled from a very early age. People would say: 'You can't sing. You're not very musical. You haven't got rhythm,' recalled musician and composer Don Knaack, who begs to differ.

"Everybody has rhythm," he said without reservation.

And just what qualifies him as an expert on the subject?

For starters, he's a classically trained percussionist, a graduate of the University of Louisville and the Manhattan schools of music; a veteran of the Military Academy Band at West Point and two orchestras; a onetime artist-in-residence at the Center for the Creative and Performing Arts at the University at Buffalo, a haven for contemporary music stars like composers John Cage and Lukas Foss.

But his credentials are mostly a bunch of junk.

"Not everybody has rhythm that would make them a professional musician," he said. "But one of the things about a junk jam is, once you've gotten into it, you really understand that nothing is wrong musically. Nobody is going to look weirdly at you for playing a wrong note."

A "junk jam" is Knaack's stock in trade. He holds, literally, a trademark on the term "Junk Music." He calls himself the Junkman and he has devoted his musical career to finding the innate musicality in found objects and the people who bang, beat, rattle and pound them.

He'll be dragging a lot of his own junk instruments to The Egg at Empire State Plaza next week. Junkman Knaack will trash the place for two shows on Wednesday, Feb. 3 — one a school groups-only appearance in the morning, the other a 12:15 p.m. public performance.

There is a story, perhaps apocryphal, that The Egg got its distinctive profile thus — during an early-morning design session with the architects working on his under-construction Empire State Plaza, then-governor Nelson Rockefeller overturned an empty styrofoam coffee cup, plunked an already-eaten grapefruit half on top and demanded, "Why can't it look like *that*?"

A building designed to mimic breakfast refuse has since become a distinctive feature of the Albany skyline. So there's a nice symmetry to the notion of this performance artist cluttering up the stage at The Egg with reused trash and making beautiful music.

"I'm always collecting materials," he said, recalling rooting through junkyards and visiting demolition sites for instruments-to-be. "There's no limit to the timbres out there. Take pots and pans, for instance." Or take old auto parts, pieces of rotten old decks, awnings, old gasoline cans, sheets of metal, empty bottles. In fact, people are constantly approaching Knaack and saying: take my old junk, please.

"I absolutely adore when people think enough about what I'm doing to bring me something they've used and ask me to make music with it," Knaack said. "Everywhere I go, anytime I look anywhere at anything, I see sound-producing objects."

"I try as much as possible to use an object as it was in its found environment and not tamper with it in any way," he said. "Even when I build something like a xylophone, I don't try to tune it, at least not to any particular temperament."

Instead he juxtaposes his cast-off objects with others that

complement and harmonize with one another.

There is more than a hint of environmentalist fervor in his life's work. He was a featured artist for a World Environment Day observance a couple years back at the United Nations.

Preceding the Junkman's performances before school groups, he sends out a study guide asking students to think about "recycling the functionality" of objects found around their homes — pencils turned into drumsticks, an automobile brake drum a musical instrument, a garbage can bottom for a drum. He asks his young charges to take in the sounds around them of rain or people talking or auto horns, to find the music within.

Knaack's musical career took a turn to the junkheap during his stint with the Louisville Symphony. One composition he performed as the symphony's lead percussionist called for playing on big pieces of metal.

"I didn't know where else to find big pieces of metal except a junkyard," he said. "So I went to one and started beating on things with drumsticks. I discovered all these wonderful sounds."

Later at the Buffalo arts center, he met Cage, the iconoclastic minimalist who'd been composing music for tin cans and scrap metal since the 1940s. Cage taught Knaack about the musicality of chance, of not planning too hard nor taking his work too seriously.

"The most important thing is to communicate with people," Knaack said. "I want people to come to a performance, I want them to feel good, I want them to experience something."

Sometimes that experience is little more than a good chuckle. He appreciates the inherent humor in what he does, a point underscored by appearances with the likes of Conan O'Brien.

"I'm very serious about what I do," he said, "but I don't take myself too seriously."

Can he help it if others do? He is at work on a commission to create a concerto for junk percussion and orchestra. He scored a ballet for Twyla Tharp and the American Ballet Theater in November that is now part of their touring repertoire. He has recorded Cage's work and performed on motion picture soundtracks.

Last August, he hosted a junk jam at Stratton Mountain, near his home in Manchester, Vt., that involved heavy hitters, as it were, in the world of percussion, including Arnie Lang of the New York Philharmonic, David Samuels of Spyro Gyra and former drummers for Living Colour and Hot Tuna. He has performed his music on college campuses and at jazz festivals, with the rock group Phish and at the classical Zagreb Biennale two years ago, where he made a political point by rounding up the refuse of the Balkan wars and making music with it.

"It works in all of those settings," he said. "What that says to me is that it is really accessible. To me, it speaks about the power of percussion. Everybody likes to beat on things. There's a freedom in it, no inhibitions."

At heart, his art is for Everyman. He recently installed several "musical playstations" at Stratton Mountain, including a piece consisting of a long rack strung with old tin cans called "Candemonium." Passersby quickly got the idea.

"I've seen as many as 40 people at a time playing the thing," he said.

Weeks after he erected the piece, resort managers called Knaack and asked him to move it. Guests at the resort's restaurant were complaining that people never stopped banging on the darn thing.

"It's really all about possibility. I find something half-buried in a junkyard, starting to rust," Knaack said. "I look at it and say, what else could this possibly be?"

Tickets for Junk Music with the Junkman at the Egg, Feb. 3, at 12:15 p.m., are \$5. For information, call 473-1061.



MAKING MUSIC WITH JUNK

ARTS and ENTERTAINMENT

THEATER

GRACE AND GLORIE

comedy by Tom Ziegler, Capital Rep., 111 N. Pearl St., Albany, through Feb. 14. Information, 462-4531.

DIAL 'M' FOR MURDER

murder mystery, New York State Theatre Institute, Schacht Fine Arts Center of Russell Sage College, Troy, through Feb. 13, \$17, \$14 for students and seniors, \$8 for children. Information, 274-3256.

MOON OVER BUFFALO

starring Gavin MacLeod, Proctor's Theatre, State Street, Schenectady, Jan. 30, 8 p.m., \$32.50-\$36.50. Information, 346-6204.

THE SENSELESS KILLING

modern drama set in Boston, North Pointe, Route 9, Kinderhook, Jan. 30, 8 p.m., \$10. Information, 851-6840.

PLAZA SUITE

starring Lee Meriwether, Proctor's Theatre, State Street, Schenectady, Feb. 6, 2 and 8 p.m., \$34.50-\$39.50. Information, 346-6204.

MUSIC

WYNTON MARSALIS

jazz concert to benefit music education, Troy Savings Bank Music Hall, State and Second streets, Jan. 29, 7 p.m., \$40 and \$75. Information, 273-0038.

STEPHEN HOUGH

pianist performs works by Liszt and Tsoontakis, Troy Savings Bank Music Hall, State and Second streets, Jan. 30, 8 p.m., \$22. Information, 273-0038.

OLD SONGS SAMPLER CONCERT

with John Roberts, Bill Spence, Whoopie Jazz, Allen Folkife, Hoppin' John, Curragh, Fixation and Fiddle Free Zone, Altamont Masonic Temple, Route 146, Jan. 30, 8 p.m., \$12. Information, 765-2815.

DOC DAY DANCE: 20 YEARS OF SWINGIN'

with Doc Scanlon's Rhythm Boys, eba Dance Theater, Lark and Hudson streets, Albany, Jan. 30, 7:30 p.m., \$20.

DIE FLEDERMAUS

Strauss operetta performed by London City Opera, Proctor's Theatre, State Street, Schenectady, Jan. 31, 8 p.m., \$34.50-\$39.50. Information, 346-6204.

ARNALDO COHEN

pianist performs works by Debussy, Chopin, Liszt and Schumann, Union College Memorial Chapel, Schenectady, Jan. 31, 8 p.m., \$15, \$8 for students. Information, 388-6131.

JAZZ BRUNCH

with Skip Parsons' Riverboat Jazz Band, Albany Elks Lodge, 25 S. Allen St., Jan. 31, 11:30 a.m. to 2 p.m., \$16 includes all-you-can-eat brunch. Information, 768-2310.

MARDI GRAS FESTIVAL

with Terrance Simien and Gino Delafosse & French Rockin' Boogie, Proctor's Theatre, State Street, Schenectady, Feb. 5, 8 p.m., \$20.50. Information, 346-6204.

CELTIC MAYHEM

with Seven Nations, the Paperboys, the Prodigals, the McKrells, Hair of the Dog, Hadrian's Wall and the Jimmy Kelly Band, Palace Theater and McGeary's, North Pearl Street and Clinton Avenue, Albany, Feb. 6, 7:30 p.m., \$18.50. Information, 465-4663.

VISUAL ARTS

NEW YORK STATE MUSEUM

We Shall Overcome: Photographs from America's Civil Rights Era, through Feb. 28, stoneware and antique furniture exhibits; plus permanent collections, Empire State Plaza, Madison Avenue. Information, 474-5877.

ALBANY INSTITUTE OF HISTORY AND ART

200 Years of Collecting, through May 30. Shining Objects from Our Past, silver from the Institute Collection, through May 30. The Iconography of George Washington, through May 30. 125 Washington Ave. Information, 463-4478.

SCHENECTADY MUSEUM

Model Train Village, through Jan. 31. Curator's Choice, through Feb. 14. Recent Acquisitions, through March 15, plus permanent exhibits, Nott Terrace Heights. Information, 449-4756.

ALBANY CENTER GALLERIES

Mohawk-Hudson Regional Invitational, through Feb. 26, 23 Monroe St. Information, 462-4775.

PAT CAHILL

paintings, Learning Resources Center Gallery at Hudson Valley Community College, through Jan. 28. Information, 266-8072.

CALL FOR ARTISTS

AUDITION

for all roles in March Opera Excelsior production of "The Magic Flute," by appointment only. Information, 372-7455.

DELMAR COMMUNITY ORCHESTRA

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

AUDITION

Feb. 8 and 9 beginning at 6:30 p.m., for eight adult roles in "Eggs for Easter: A Bunny's Tale" performance at The Egg on April 3. Information, 473-1061.

COLONIE TOWN BAND

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

COLONIE CENTENNIAL BRASS CHOIR

openings for trumpet players, rehearsals on first Wednesday and third Tuesday of the month, at 7:15 p.m., town hall, Route 9, Newtonville. Information, 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 WOMEN'S CHORUS

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.

CAPITAL COMMUNITY VOICES

singers needed, rehearsals at Columbia High School, 7 to 9 p.m., Tuesdays. Information, 477-8308.

CLASSES/LECTURES

MUSEUM ART CLASSES

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

DANCE CLASSES

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

ART CLASSES

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

DANCE CLASSES

all forms of dance, winter session, Jan. 18 to April 1, registration Jan. 13 and 14 from 6 to 8 p.m., eba Center for Dance & Movement, 351 Hudson Ave., Albany. Information, 465-9916.

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Area FREEBIES

Friday, Jan. 29

- "The Rainbow" by D.H. Lawrence, lecture and discussion, Bethlehem town hall, 445 Delaware Ave., Delmar, 10:15 a.m. to 12:15 p.m. Information, 439-9661.
- Michael Eck, Borders Books & Music, 59 Wolf Road, Colonie, 8 p.m. Information, 482-5800.

Saturday, Jan. 30

- Songwriters Forum, with Michael Eck, Joanne Redding, Fran Mandeville and Bobby Sweet, Borders Books & Music, 59 Wolf Road, Colonie, 8 p.m. Information, 482-5800.

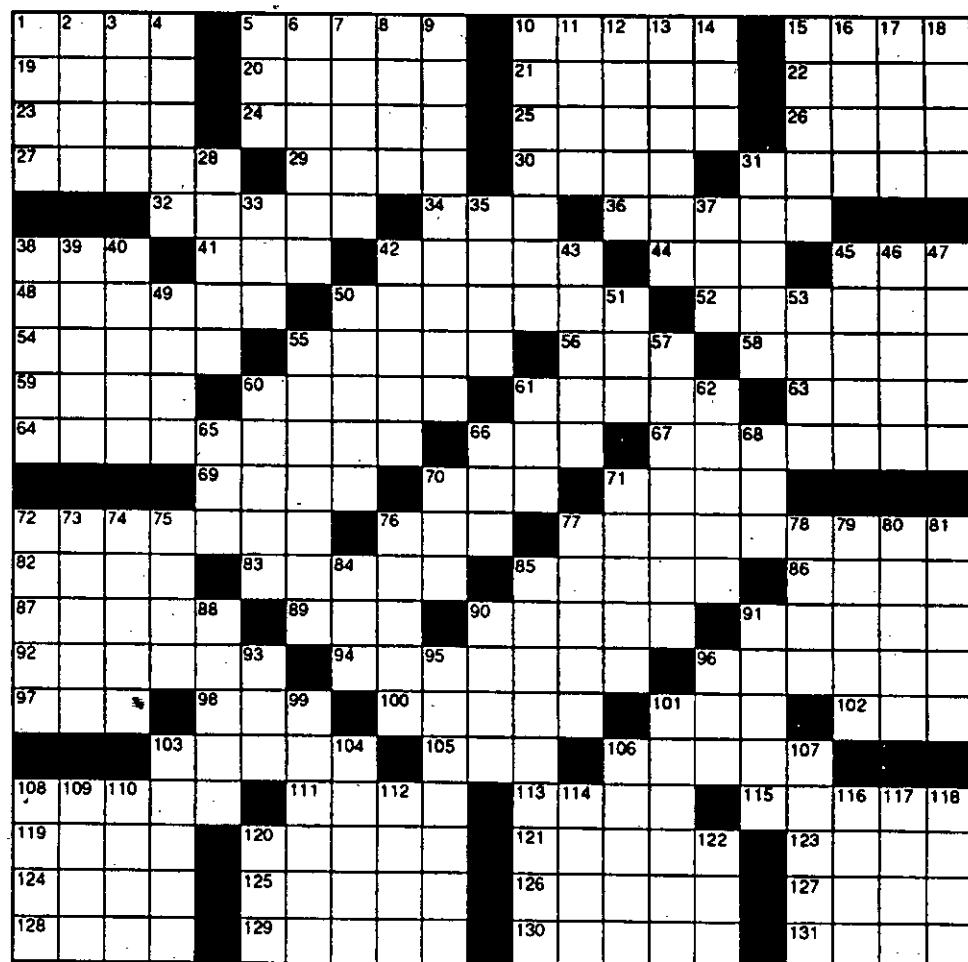
Monday, Feb. 1

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- Staged reading of "Blackjack," a new play by Erin Marie Tschantret and Stephen de Seve, Capital Repertory Theater, 111 N. Pearl St., Albany. Information, 442-5620.

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| 1 President and decorated | 55 Vaguely | 94 Cone-bearing tree | 1 Hand | 40 Stage whisper | 79 Cognizant |
| Navy pilot of WWII | 56 Malleable metal | 96 Dry, red wine | 2 Luggage | 42 Fortified | 80 In the — (wealthy) |
| 5 Fragrant wood | 58 Discharges | 97 Egyptian god of pleasure | 3 Father | 43 Brazilian seaport | 81 List of candidates |
| 10 Dulled or satiated | 59 Nothing, in Madrid | 98 Headlong flight | 4 President who was governor of Ohio | 45 Japanese and English | 84 Cul-de — |
| 15 President and U.S. Chief Justice | 60 Danube feeder | 100 Marine hazards | 5 Elevator cage | 46 Fist fight | 85 President who drafted the Declaration of Independence |
| 19 Opera highlight | 61 Minor woodland deity | 101 Hebrew letter | 6 Harming it up | 47 City in the Ruhr valley | 88 Burden bearer |
| 20 Pedro's pal | 63 Network | 102 Ball or brow lead-in | 7 Marching coins? | 49 Serb or Croat | 90 Bridge support |
| 21 Fragrant seed | 64 President born in New Jersey | 103 Chess and checkers | 8 Matures | 50 Charred stems of heather | 91 Santa's helpers |
| 22 River in Belgium | 65 Nothing, in Jersey | 105 Wrath | 9 He was the only four-term president known as "Old Hickory" | 51 — picker (fussy one) | 93 Sweet potato |
| 23 Cooper or Busey | 66 Mountain pass | 106 Takes a supporting position | 10 Presently | 53 King of Israel | 95 Whinnied |
| 24 Ill-starred lover | 67 President who helped frame the Bill of Rights | 108 Scorches | 11 Hickory | 55 "The — Anne Frank" | 96 Bouncer |
| 25 Tale of adventure | 69 Russian communities | 111 Marionette maker | 12 Wined and — | 57 Of dryads or oreads | 99 Minnesota iron range |
| 26 Rich source | 70 Mortar | 113 Actor O'Neal | 13 Regard highly | 60 Base-stealer's play | 101 Tinged |
| 27 Weather word | 71 Washer cycle | 115 Office force | 14 Ruby or Frances | 61 Square of turf | 103 Avarice |
| 29 Hardy heroine | 72 President assassinated in office | 119 Rich fabric | 15 President who was governor of Virginia | 62 Pours steadily | 104 Transparent wrapping |
| 30 Cap or hole lead-in | 73 European gull | 120 Mother of Isaac | 16 Hebrew lyre | 65 Dutch uncle | 106 Famous jockey |
| 31 Succinct | 74 President who signed the Declaration of Independence | 121 A votre — (to your health) | 17 Govt. agents | 66 Intimidate | 107 Dismantle |
| 32 Gluts | 75 European gull | 122 Coin of Iran | 18 "A — Grows in Brooklyn" | 68 Genetic substance | 108 Miscal symbol |
| 34 Latin conjunctions | 76 President who signed the Declaration of Independence | 124 Nobelist Wiesel | 28 California/Nevada lake | 69 Farm layer | 109 Nimbus |
| 36 Have scruples | 77 President who signed the Declaration of Independence | 125 Lessen | 29 Fine silk netting | 70 Underwater detecting device | 110 Moslem prince |
| 38 Bikini top | 78 European gull | 126 More ancient | 31 Fine silk netting | 71 Barbecue specialty | 112 Appraise |
| 41 Oscar-winner for Patricia Neal | 79 President who helped frame the Bill of Rights | 127 Amazon cetacean | 32 Large wine cask | 72 Escape detection | 114 Ivy League college |
| 42 Par — (by air mail) | 80 Red dye | 128 Amazon cetacean who was originally named Leslie Lynch King Jr. | 33 Very small | 73 Plants used in fragrant ointments | 116 Japanese aborigine |
| 44 Wire measure | 81 Dr. Saik | 129 Requires | 35 Russian plane | 74 Legai conjunction | 117 Go bankrupt |
| 45 Prom follower | 82 Mil. infraction | 130 Kind of code | 37 Mel of many voices | 75 Lesser in importance | 118 Antiaircraft fire |
| 48 Unit of instruction | 83 Pouchlike cavity | 131 President who was governor of Tennessee | | 76 Casey or Chuck | 120 It flows in the spring |
| 50 Eileen or Walter | 84 Pouchlike cavity | | | | 122 Stammering sounds |
| 52 Baseball mitts | 85 Pouchlike cavity | | | | |



The Spotlight CALENDAR

WEDNESDAY
JANUARY 27

BETHLEHEM

HEALTHY SNACKS, HEALTHY KIDS
nutritional tips for parents, Bethlehem Public Library, 451 Delaware Ave., Delmar, 7 p.m. Information, 439-9341.

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

BETHLEHEM TOASTMASTERS
The Clubhouse, Adams Station Apts., 1 Juniper Drive, Delmar, 7:30 p.m. Information, 439-0871.

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

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

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, 439-8009.

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
JANUARY 28

BETHLEHEM

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

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

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

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

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

BETHLEHEM COMMUNITY CHURCH
women's Bible study, 9:30 to 11:15 a.m. in a local home, children's program and nursery provided for morning session, 201 Elm Ave. Information, 439-3135.

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

FRIDAY
JANUARY 29

BETHLEHEM

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

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

NEW SCOTLAND

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

SATURDAY
JANUARY 30

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 31

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.

NEW SCOTLAND HISTORICAL ASSOCIATION MUSEUM (SEPTEMBER AND OCTOBER)
in the Wyman Osterhout Community Center, New Salem, 2 to 4 p.m. Information, 765-4446.

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

FAITH TEMPLE
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.

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
FEBRUARY 1

BETHLEHEM

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

MOTHERS' TIME OUT
Christian support group for 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
FEBRUARY 2

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
FEBRUARY 3

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.



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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 the agent of the Company upon whom process

LEGAL NOTICE

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
(January 27, 1999)

LEGAL NOTICE

ARTICLES OF ORGANIZATION OF CZAR PROPERTIES, 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 CZAR PROPERTIES, LLC (hereinafter referred to as the "Company").

SECOND: The business of the company is to engage in the ownership, leasing renovating and managing of real estate and any and all things necessary, convenient or incidental to that purpose.

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

FOURTH: The effective date of the Articles of Organization shall be the date of filing with the Secretary of State.

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

SIXTH: The Secretary of State is designated as the agent of the Company upon whom process against the company may be served. The post office address within or without the State of New York to which the Secretary of State may mail a copy of any process against the Company served upon such Secretary of State shall be CZAR Properties, LLC, c/o Waite & Associates, P.C., 90 North Pearl Street, Albany, New York 12207.

SEVENTH: The name and street address within the State of New York of the registered agent of the Company upon whom process against the Company may be served is:

Waite & Associates, P.C., 90 North Pearl Street, Albany, New York 12207

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

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NINTH: None of the members of the company, in their respective capacities as members, shall be personally or individually liable for any debts, obligations or liabilities of the Company.

TENTH: A member, acting in his or her capacity as a manager of the Company, shall not be personally liable to the Company or its members for damages for any breach of duty as a manager, except for damages that, in addition to any and all other requirements for such liability, are found to have come about by any reason of one or more act(s) or omission(s) of such manager and proximately resulting in a judgment or other final adjudication which establishes that: (a) such manager's acts or omissions were in bad faith or involved intentional misconduct or a knowing violation of law; (b) such manager personally gained, in fact, a financial profit or other advantage to which such manager was not otherwise legally entitled; or (c) with respect to a distribution which is the subject of Section 508 of the Limited Liability Company Law of the State of New York (the "LLCL"), such managers acts were not performed in accordance with Section 409 of the LLCL. Neither the amendment nor the repeal of this Article "TENTH" shall eliminate or reduce its effect relative to any matter occurring, or any cause of action, suit or claim that, but for Article "TENTH", would accrue or arise, prior to such amendment, repeal or adoption of an inconsistent provision. This Article "TENTH" shall neither eliminate nor limit the liability of a manager for any act or omission occurring prior to its adoption.

ELEVENTH: 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 these Articles and do hereby affirm the foregoing as true under the penalties of perjury, this 17th day of November, 1998.

s/THERESA L. EGAN, ESQ.
Waite & Associates, P.C.
Attorneys for CZAR Properties, LLC, 90 North Pearl Street, Albany, New York 12207
(518) 463-4257

(January 27, 1999)

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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 ARVUS, 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 the 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
(January 27, 1999)

BOND RESOLUTION

It was moved by Mr. Dennis Stevens and seconded by Mrs. Pamela Williams that the following resolution be approved:

A RESOLUTION of the 20th day of January, 1999 authorizing the issuance of a Statutory Installment Bond in the amount of Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$504,000) for the purpose of School busses.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE BETHLEHEM CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT, ALBANY COUNTY, NEW YORK, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Pursuant to Section 63.00 and Section 62.10 of the local Finance law, the President (or the Vice-President in the absence of the President, in which provision shall apply wherever the president is empowered or required to perform any act set forth hereinafter) of the Board of Education is hereby authorized to sell at private sale, a statutory installment bond in the amount of \$504,000, for the purchase of four (4) sixty-six (66) passenger school buses; one (1) twenty (20) passenger school bus; one ten (10) passenger bus; (2) Two wheelchair; One (1) seven (7) passenger 4-wheel drive suburban; One (1) twenty (20) passenger bus; one (1) thirty (30) passenger bus, provided the period for the estoppel notice has run.

SECTION 2. The bond shall be signed by the president of the

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Board of Education and shall have the corporate seal of the School District affixed thereto and attested by the Clerk or the assistant Clerk of the Board.

SECTION 3. Such statutory installment bond shall be designated "School Bus Bond of 1998-99" and shall be dated a date to be designated by the president of the Board of Education. It shall be payable in five (5) annual installments of \$100,800, commencing in the year 2000 and in each of the years 2001 to 2004 inclusive, and shall bear interest at a rate to be determined upon sale on bond. Said bond shall be issued in registered form to the purchaser with no privilege of conversion into coupon form.

SECTION 4. The full faith and credit and taxing power of the District are hereby irrevocably pledged to the punctual payment of the principal and interest on said bond as it becomes due and an amount sufficient, together with other funds available for such purposes, to pay the principal and interest on said bond as the same becomes due, shall be included in each annual budget of the school district for each year in which any installment of said bond or the interest thereon remains outstanding and unpaid.

SECTION 5. The president of the Board of Education or the Vice-President shall deliver said bond to the purchaser thereof upon payment of the purchase price thereof without the necessity of further action being taken by said Board and the receipt shall be full acquittance to said purchaser.

SECTION 6. The President or Vice-President of the Board of Education is hereby authorized to designate this bond as a "qualified tax exempt obligation" pursuant to Section 265(b)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 as amended. The District will not be issued in excess of \$10,000,000 of its general obligations in the calendar year ending December, 1998 nor does it reasonably expect to do so during its fiscal year ending June, 1999. The District covenants that it will take any necessary action, do all things and not take any prohibited action to insure that the interest on the bond will be exempt from Federal income taxation at all times.

SECTION 7. The validity of the bond herein authorized may be contested only if:

A) such obligation is authorized for the District or purpose for which the District is not authorized to expend money;

B) the provisions of law which should be complied with at the date of publication of this resolution are not substantially complied with and an action, suit or proceeding contesting such validity is commenced within twenty(20) days after the date of such publication; or

C) such obligations are authorized in violation of the provisions of the Constitution.

SECTION 8.

The foregoing resolution published herewith has been adopted on the 20th day of January, 1999, and the validity of the obligation, authorized by such resolution may be hereafter contested only if such obligations were authorized for an object or purpose Bethlehem Central School District is not authorized to expend money, or if the provisions of law which should have been complied with as of the date of this publication of this notice were not substantially complied with, and an action, suit or proceeding contesting such validity is commenced within twenty(20) days after the date of publication of this notice or such obligations were authorized in violation of the provisions of the Constitution of the State of New York.

Steven O'Shea, Clerk
Board of Education
Bethlehem Central School District

(January 27, 1999)

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NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on January 5, 1999 HMT ASSOCIATES, LLC filed Articles of Organization with the Secretary of State, of a limited liability company, effective January 1, 1999, its principal office is to be located in Albany County. The purpose of HMT ASSOCIATES, LLC's Business is to engage in all lawful business for which a limited liability company can be formed pursuant to Section 201 of the Limited Liability Company Law. The Secretary of State is Designated as agent of HMT ASSOCIATES, LLC upon whom process against it may be served and the Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any such process to Pine West Plaza, Bldg. 2, Albany, New York 12205.

(January 27, 1999)

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.

(January 27, 1999)

NOTICE OF ARTICLES OF ORGANIZATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY

Please take notice that (1) a limited liability company named "EAC MRC, LLC" has been formed under the New York Limited Liability Company Law; (2) the office of such company is located in Albany County; (3) the New York State Secretary of State has been designated as agent of such company upon whom process against the company may be served; (4) the post office address of such company to which the Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any process against the Company served upon the Secretary of State is 79 North Pearl Street, Albany,

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New York 12207; (5) the purpose of the business of such company is to acquire a partnership interest in Materials Recovery Company, a New York partnership, and to hold and otherwise deal in such interest and participate in such partnership and do all things necessary, convenient or incidental to the foregoing.

(January 27, 1999)

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF A FOREIGN LIMITED PARTNERSHIP (FLP)

The name of the FLP is Rosewood Plaza, L.P. The application for authority to do business in New York State of the FLP was filed with the NY Secretary of State on December 22, 1998. The jurisdiction of organization of the FLP is the State of Georgia. The date of organization of the FLP is December 14, 1998. The principal office of the FLP is located at 427 New Karner Road in the County of Albany. The NY Secretary of State is designated as the agent of the FLP upon whom process against the FLP may be served. The address to which the Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any process against the FLP is c/o Rosetti Associates, L.L.C., 427 New Karner Road, Albany, New York 12205. The purpose of the FLP is to engage in any lawful act or activity. A list of the names and addresses of all general partners of the FLP is to engage in lawful act or activity. A list of the names and addresses of all general partners of the FLP are available from the Secretary of State. The name and address of the authorized officer of the FLP in the State of Georgia where a copy of its Certificate of Limited Partnership is filed is the Georgia Secretary of State, Suite 315, West Tower, 2 Martin Luther King, Jr. Drive, Atlanta, Georgia 30334-1530.

(January 27, 1999)

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

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filed with the NY Secretary of State on December 17, 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 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.

(January 27, 1999)

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 the LLC 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.

(January 27, 1999)

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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(January 27, 1999)

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.

(January 27, 1999)

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

TOWN OF BETHLEHEM
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a public hearing will be held by the Town Board of the Town of Bethlehem on the 10th day of February, 1999 at 7:30 p.m. to consider a proposed Local Law, Amending the Code of the Town of Bethlehem as follows:

**Town of Bethlehem
Concession Stand Operation
Request for Proposal**

The Town of Bethlehem invites proposals from food service vendors to operate the concession stand at the Elm Avenue Park for the 1999 Summer season. Interested parties may receive information by contacting David Austin at the Parks and Recreation Office, 439-4131.

Deadlines for submitting proposals is February 26, 1999.

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AMEND VEHICLE AND TRAFFIC ARTICLE VI, Section 119-32, Schedule VI, Through Streets, as follows:

Wemple Road from Feura Bush Road to NYS Route 9W, add stop signs on following streets entering Wemple Road:

- Eileen Drive
- Windham Hill Road
- Somerset Drive, Harwick Drive.

All interested persons and citizens will have an opportunity to be heard at the said hearing.

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

BY ORDER OF THE TOWN BOARD
TOWN OF BETHLEHEM
KATHLEEN A. NEWKIRK,
CMC/AE
TOWN CLERK

Dated: January 13, 1999
(January 27, 1999)

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF RECEIPT OF TAX ROLL AND WARRANT

TAKE NOTICE, that I, Nancy Mendick, the undersigned Receiver of Taxes and Assessments for the Town of Bethlehem, have received the tax roll and warrant for the collection of taxes and will receive payments thereon Monday through Friday from 8:30 A.M. to 4:30 P.M. at the Bethlehem Town Hall, 445 Delaware Avenue, Delmar, New York for the properties assessed upon such roll.


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- 1% collection fee during February
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TAKE FURTHER NOTICE, that pursuant to the provisions of law the tax roll of the Town of Bethlehem will be returned to the County of Albany Director of Finance on April 1, 1999.

Dated: January 1, 1999
Nancy Mendick
Town of Bethlehem
Receiver of Taxes & Assessments
(January 27, 1999)

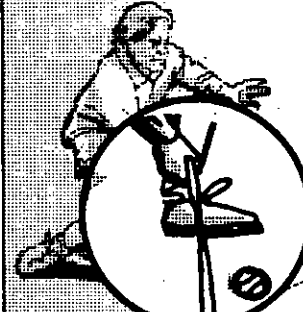

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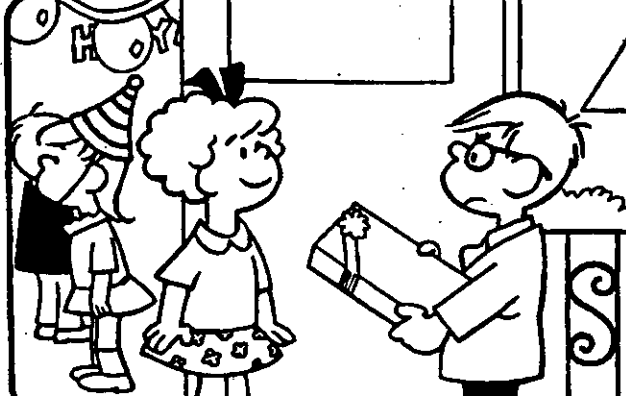
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BETHEHEM BUSINESS WOMEN'S CLUB
Normanside Country Club, Salisbury Road, Elsmere, 6 p.m. Information, 439-3791.

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 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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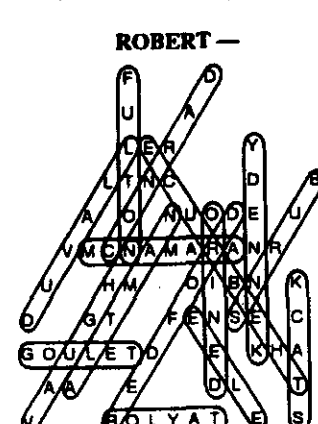
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Superintendent for Business Anthony Marturano said the district has looked at other noncontiguous sites for those fields, and a proposed bus maintenance facility where the baseball field is now, but none have been satisfactory.

The district's current land acreage is below the state recommendation of a basic 10 acres at the high school, with another acre for each 100 students.

Superintendent Alan McCartney said that the planned work by the administration, a facilities committee and more recently, Collins & Scoville, Architects, is a real need.

"We have expanded use of our facility by community groups," McCartney said. "We send teams to other areas to practice. Houses are going up in Voorheesville all the time. When you look all the way down to grade two, there are more than 100 students at each level, and they all will be coming to the high school. If building continues, that number will grow. We're having trouble scheduling high school students now, not because we don't have the program, but because we don't have the space."

Justin Corcoran, a lawyer who is also O'Connell's nephew, raised several objections to the eminent domain procedure.

"I am sympathetic to the needs expressed here," Corcoran said. "I'm a Voorheesville graduate; I played basketball and was the soccer captain. I'm supportive of Voorheesville's programs, but I do have some concerns."

"There is no building planned that I've heard of that justifies this acquisition," he said. "There are real physical limitations to build-

ing out here, like the lack of potable water sources. There's also a question about moving sixth-graders to the high school. My sense is that that's not a clearly stated opinion. This is the first time I've seen the land acquisition document handed out tonight. When the state statue of eminent domain was approved, Gov. Carey said that the public needs to be informed, the environmental and community effect need to be shown, and every effort must be made to negotiate with the landowner. That hasn't happened."

Corcoran pointed out the potential tax effect, even with the high level of state aid. Eminent domain, he said, requires just compensation to the landowner for the best possible use of the land. Corcoran also warned that once the school district acquired the land, it could use it as it sees fit, and could change its potential use at some time down the road.

Corcoran also asked if eminent domain was the best way to acquire the land. "If the owner refuses to sell," Corcoran said, "litigation can take a long time. If public interest is not shown, years could transpire before this is settled. Eminent domain is the most serious, severe, egregious step that can be taken by a government against its citizens. Voorheesville is a blue ribbon school of excellence; this is not how it should treat its citizens."

Several school board members stated that the public need is strong enough to justify the situation, but also expressed their readiness to negotiate a fair price with O'Connell. McCartney and the district's lawyer, William N. Young, said they have negotiated in good faith with O'Connell, first in person and then through Corcoran.

However, Corcoran told Young that he could not negotiate a price for his uncle, although he could receive an offer on his behalf.

Although Corcoran said his uncle is not interested in selling his land, the board moved to continue the hearing, and will attempt to negotiate with O'Connell before the next board meeting. Young said that a determination to proceed with eminent domain must be made 90 days following the hearing.

Board vice president Robert Young objected to the suggestion that the board was railroading anyone by holding an eminent domain hearing. "We're driven by the taxpayers," said Baron.

He added that the project began with facilities planning four years ago. "The public says it wants this project. We can't walk away because it's tough. This is serious; I'm willing to negotiate. 'No' is not negotiating," he said.

After continuance of the eminent domain hearing, Paul Scoville of Collins & Scoville presented the latest plans for adding on to the schools. An additional 75,000 square feet is planned at the high school, with a group of new middle school classrooms to be built down the hill towards Martin Road.

Since its first presentation in the fall, architects have modified the plans to limit shared space between middle and high school students.

Barbershop

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in London.

The grand old firm is also purveyor of The Trumper Collection, a line of shaving goods, skin treatments and colognes specially designed to give men some of the pampering their distaff counterparts have long enjoyed at the local beauty salon.

Gregory's of Delmar hopes to be that kind of place in the Capital District. Weller-Pouley said he could hardly suppress a laugh when Greg Zorian Jr., proprietor of Gregory's along with his namesake son and daughter Nikki, first contacted him about visiting the shop. But Gregory's proved to his satisfaction that it ain't no clip joint.

"My father started out in this business doing shaves and traditional barbering," said Greg Zorian III. "It's all come full circle. We're bringing it back. A lot of barbershops got into the assembly-line services and forgot about quality of service."

Gregory's offers facials, pedicures, hair replacement services, private rooms, barbering-by-appointment, and a full stock of Trumper products, which are otherwise distributed at upscale men's wear outlets and tony department stores like Bergdorf-Goodman.

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