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No. 1 in her book



Good Samaritan Home resident Louise Keir enjoys a visit from Kelly Spencer of Brownie Troop 578 in Delmar. The girls also sang songs to the residents.

Elaine McLain

Property owners alert: STAR deadline March 1

By JOSEPH A. PHILLIPS

As the deadline for applying for homeowner school tax relief under the state STAR program approaches, tax assessors in Bethlehem and New Scotland report that the public seems to be getting the message, despite initial confusion over eligibility.

The application deadline is Monday, March 1. Homeowners of all ages and incomes are eligible for the program, and could save as much as \$200 off this year's tax bills under the basic STAR exemption.

Bethlehem Assessor David Leafer and his counterpart in New Scotland, Patricia McVee, report that about two out of three eligible property-owners in their communities have filed so far.

Massive public information campaigns, including extensive media coverage, mass mailings and other publicity, have helped boost public awareness.

"We really kind of feel we've blanketed the information networks, and people do seem to be responding," said Leafer.



Leafer

"Within the last month there have been many reminders, so I think we're a little ahead of the game. There are maybe 6,000 potential eligibles out there, and I think we're well beyond the 4,000 mark now."

McVee said nearly 2,100 of more than 3,700 potential applications have been filed. "Frankly, I would have expected more," she said. "So far, we're holding our own as they come in. I don't anticipate we're going to need any extra help processing them."

Bethlehem, in contrast, has hired several part-timers to keep up with the expected last-minute applications. The assessor's office, however, plans no special office hours as

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Former resident donates land to Five Rivers

By KATHERINE MCCARTHY

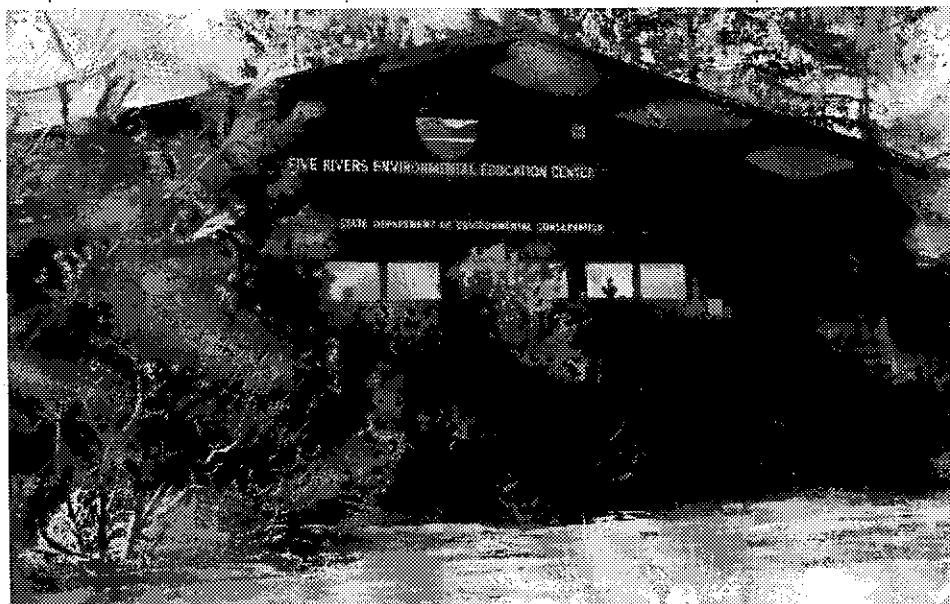
Former Delmar resident Carol Foresman has donated 6 acres of land to Five Rivers Limited, the nonprofit support group of Five Rivers Environmental Education Center.

Foresman lives on Cape Cod now, but the Delmar property, adjacent to Five Rivers' Turkey Trail, was her home for eight years.

She donated the land in memory of her husband Robert Foresman.

"I thought it would be a nice memorial for Bob," said Foresman. "We spent a lot of time hiking and cross country skiing on Five Rivers' trails, and participating in the programs. This is also nice protection for Five Rivers, too."

Foresman said she had many memories of using Five Rivers with her four children, but remembered in particular the pleasure the family's golden retriever Watson took from the property. "He'd go and join the school groups that were there," Foresman said. "I'd get a call that I should come and get my dog."



The 6 acres of land recently donated to Five Rivers Ltd. will help protect the preserve.

Debbie Eberle

Her children were in favor of the land donation, Foresman said. "None of them wanted to sell the land. We loved that property, and didn't want to see it all become a development."

Her eldest daughter, Jennifer Kaler, lives in Delmar and takes her two children, ages 3 and 5, to Five Rivers regularly.

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Chamber to present awards

By JOSEPH A. PHILLIPS

A local businesswoman and a civic action group will be honored on March 5 by the Bethlehem Chamber of Commerce at its annual Award Dinner for their respective efforts to put the best face on the community.

For the first time in the award's 15-year history, the chamber's Citizen of the Year citation for 1998 will be presented not to an individual or couple but to a group, Bethlehem First's beautification committee, in recognition of its efforts to encourage the planting of shrubs and flowers in public places and along roadways.

The only similar such citation presented by the chamber was a special Community Spirit Award presented in 1992 to employees of GE Plastics in Selkirk.

Joining the eight beautification committee members on the dais that night will be Marjorie Thurlow, named the 1998 Business Person

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IN THE SPOTLIGHT

Question

How do you fight the winter doldrums?

Getting out and enjoying it. Hiking, sledding with the kids. You don't have to have the winter blues, you can enjoy the winter.

*James Ebersold
Delmar*



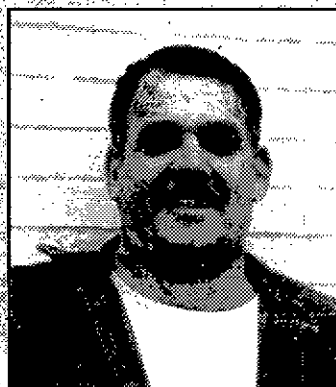
Trying to get together for dinner with friends. Laugh a lot ... occupying myself with my work and decorative painting.

*Chris McCarroll
Delmar*



Doing my income tax, being thankful it's almost done and doing my watercolors.

*Ruth McCowell
Delmar*



I like to do fun things, but unfortunately you have to work to afford it.

*Terry Whitney
Delmar*



Skiing.

*Tammie Lang
Slingerlands*

Photos by Debbie Eberle

Route 156 accident victim listed in fair condition at Albany Med

By Joseph A. Phillips

A sanitation worker remains hospitalized with massive injuries as a result of what an Albany County Sheriff's Department spokesman described as a "terrible accident" on Feb. 16 in the town of New Scotland. As of Monday, Timothy Sprung of East Bernie was reported in fair condition by a spokesman at Albany Medical Center Hospital.

Sprung's injury serves as a cautionary note for motorists to give public works crews on narrow rural roads a wide berth.

The accident occurred at about 7:40 a.m. on Route 156 in the vicinity of Picard Road when an east-bound vehicle driven by 16-year-old Arone Silverman of Voorheesville, en route to his father's house, attempted to pass a garbage truck operated by Polard Disposal Service of Altamont. Sprung served on the truck's crew.

According to eyewitness accounts reported to sheriff's investigators, Silverman's vehicle struck the rear of the truck, pinning Sprung between the two ve-

hicles. "Nobody saw it coming," said Capt. Craig Apple of the Sheriff's Department substation in Voorheesville.

"A good two-thirds of Silverman's vehicle hit the back left corner of the garbage truck," he said. "Silverman's vehicle was basically a total loss. The garbage truck basically suffered nothing."

Sprung was treated at the scene by paramedics. "It was a horrible sight," Apple said of the severe multiple injuries to Sprung's legs and lower extremities. "He suffered a great loss of blood."

Sprung was transported by a Voorheesville Ambulance crew to Albany Med for treatment, where he remains hospitalized following surgery. Silverman was also taken to the hospital by Altamont Ambulance, where he was treated for a wrist injury and released.

"At this point, everything is pointing toward sun glare," Apple said of the cause of the crash. "Silverman apparently just didn't see him." Apple said eyewitnesses at the scene confirmed a severe glare in the direction Silverman

was driving, and that investigators had calculated Silverman to be operating within posted speed limits for the area.

"At this point, there appears to be no culpability on Mr. Silverman's part at all," he said, and no charges are pending at present.

The investigation of the accident, however, is continuing. Until it is completed, Apple could not comment on whether the trash-removal crew was operating safely.

"I'm awaiting a final report from accident investigators," Apple said Monday. Although he noted an initial police report is in hand, he said, "In any accident with serious injuries involved, I have accident investigators complete a technical report. We look at everything."

"I hope this causes a greater sense of awareness on the part of motorists about passing a garbage truck with greater care," he said. "It's a shame it takes something serious like this to make that point."

Board to view O'Brien & Gere report

By Joseph A. Phillips

Topic A for tonight's meeting of the Bethlehem town board: the long-awaited report of O'Brien & Gere Engineers, the Syracuse-based consultants to the town's public works department, who have been studying the controversial Schermerhorn Island water supply system.

The consultant firm has been overseeing the installation by J. Kenneth Fraser & Associates and Rust Environment & Infrastructure of a test well and series of observation wells in the aquifer that supplies the town's newest water plant. The firm also supervised the test-dredging performed in December in the Hudson River adjacent to the aquifer.

The O'Brien & Gere report will supply data from those tests and recommendations for action concerning the plant, and may help shape the direction of the town of Bethlehem's lawsuit against Rust and Fraser over performance of the water supply plant.

The report was delivered to public works Commissioner Bruce Secor on Feb. 2, and distributed to town board members last week for their review prior to tonight's meeting.

On the suggestion of attorney David Alessi, who is representing the town in its lawsuit, it will not be publicly released until its formal presentation at the meeting, according to Supervisor Sheila Fuller.

However, Fuller said, it has been available for public inspection in her office, and several individuals have so far taken the opportunity to review it.

The meeting is set for tonight, Feb. 24, at 7:30 p.m. in the auditorium at Bethlehem town hall.

Bethlehem, DEC check out oil spill

By Joseph A. Phillips

Bethlehem town officials and the state Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) are continuing to monitor a fuel-oil spill detected on Thursday, Feb. 18, apparently coming from leaky tanks at a Glenmont garage.

At about 6 a.m., a passerby reported to Bethlehem police a strong petroleum odor in the vicinity of Oakwood Road. Responding to the call, police found an unknown substance in a streambed flowing toward Route 32. They summoned officials of the Delmar Fire Department, who in turn called to the scene DEC spill investigators and personnel of the town highway department and Glenmont-based Clean Harbors Environmental Services.

The spill was largely contained within hours and cleanup began

immediately, according to highway Superintendent Gregg Sagendorph. He said the spill was traced to a nearby culvert, the storm sewer system along the road and, in turn, to a 4-inch drain line from the property of Bailey's Garage at 23 Oakwood Road.

Clean Harbors took samples that later were determined to be No. 2 fuel oil, which DEC spill investigator William Christensen said apparently came from two 75-gallon above-ground tanks at Bailey's that were leaking.

The extent and quantity of the spill has not yet been fully determined. "Some of the product had reached as far as the Delmar Bypass (Route 32)," Sagendorph said, "but a small amount of petroleum product on top of water can look like a large spill."

Christensen said soil samples

will be taken near Bailey's property this week to determine how much contaminant remains in the area. Booms and oil-absorbent pads have also been placed in the streambed and the storm sewers to monitor and halt additional spillage.

Christensen said the staff at Bailey's has been cooperating with the investigation, and he did not anticipate any punitive action by DEC in the matter.

Bethlehem Building Inspector John Flanigan, who was also on the scene, said, "I don't know why we'd do any citations either," deferring to DEC's lead in the matter.

Though the investigation of the incident is ongoing, it appears to have been an accidental discharge.

BCHS grad had promising future

By Joseph A. Phillips

Next to his photo in the 1996 Bethlehem Central High School yearbook, Jesse Rodgers offered a quotation from James Michener for classmates to remember him by. "The permanent defeat of life," he wrote, "occurs when dreams are surrendered to reality."



Rodgers

That quotation took on a poignant irony last week when an accidental fire on Feb. 16 at an apartment near the SUNY-Geneseo campus took his life.

Rodgers, 20, a Delmar native double-majoring in English and political science at Geneseo, was one of seven members of Omega Beta Psi fraternity sharing the off-campus apartment, and one of two on hand when the 2 a.m. blaze broke out. The other young man was awakened by the fire alarm and escaped.

Maj. Joe Rychlipki, a spokesman for the Livingston County Sheriff's Department, said no official ruling has yet been made on the cause of the fire, but it appeared to be accidental.

According to Geneseo political science professor Alan Shank, the

news of Rodgers' death has been "a terrific shock" on the 5,000-student college campus. Shank said he's encountered distraught students daily since Rodgers' death.

Rodgers was scheduled to begin an internship in the Rochester offices of Sen. Charles Schumer the day after the fire that took his life.

"I'd describe him as a serious, but engaging young man," Shank said. "He was determined, seemed to know what he wanted to do. He had a nice combination of congeniality and ambition at the same time."

His entire fraternity turned out in Delmar for two days during the funeral, and the school's residence life office provided a bus for other students to make the journey from the western New York campus to pay their respects.

"It's just tragic when someone like Jesse is just stopped short in his tracks," Shank said. "It's very difficult for people to comprehend that. It's almost like when a parent loses a child, a very similar feeling on a small campus like this."

In Rodgers' hometown, the shock was no less strongly felt. BCBS principal Jon Hunter, said was "He a very well-liked kid. In the school he had a very large group of friends. A very upbeat guy."

The son of Katherine Rodgers

of Delmar and Bruce A. Rodgers of Albany, Rodgers was a long-time Boy Scout, active in church activities at St. Paul's Episcopal Church in Albany; an A student, a member of the National Honor Society and the Key Club and a two-way player on the BCBS football team who started on both offensive and defensive lines by his senior year.

"He was kinda undersized to be playing those positions," recalls his varsity coach, John Sodergren. "But there was no harder worker. He wanted to play, and made himself into a player." Even more memorable than his abilities were his intelligence and his sunny disposition, Sodergren recalled.

"I've been trying to find the words for how I feel," Sodergren said. "He was a good kid who was definitely going places. I remember him with a smile on his face most of the time. He had lots of friends."

"He was a wonderful guy," remembered Judy Condo, adviser to the youth groups at St. Paul's when Rodgers was active there. Rodgers was a leader in Happenings, a youth retreat program of the church, and Condo recalled him as "a good and close friend to other youth in the group. In many ways he was a spiritual leader too, a really good 'kid' kid. He had all kinds of promise. This is just unbelievably tragic."

Happy 100th



Louis Tartaglia's family and friends were on hand Saturday to celebrate his 100th birthday at Good Samaritan Nursing Home. Tartaglia, his wife Teresa, and their children Dr. Anthony Tartaglia of Delmar, Philip Tartaglia of Potsdam, Catherine Plummer of Albany and Louise Finkell of Delmar, grandchildren and great-grandchildren attended. Debbie Eberle

Bethlehem planners review sports projects

By Joseph A. Phillips

Last week's planning board meeting included action on two high-profile sports projects.

The board reviewed and approved a draft resolution, already OK'd in principle two weeks earlier, giving a green light to the Shanahan Fun Park, a proposed driving range-batting cage com-

We accept the board's decision. We remain concerned about public safety on (9W), but we'll trust the board's assurance that it's not going to be a problem.

John Privitera

plex on Route 9W in Glenmont.

The approval of the site plan was tempered only by a letter from Glenmont resident John Privitera of Journey Lane, raising issues about the project. A member of the Crossroads Neighborhood Association, Privitera raised safety issues as well as concerns about wetlands remediation on the Shanahan site. But the planning board dismissed Privitera's objections as "concerns we've responded to before," said chairman Douglas Hasbrouck.

Privitera said he accepted the

board's action. "We had a very positive influence on the shape of the project as it changed over the years," he said of his association, representing a neighborhood of about 100 families in an area roughly bounded by Wemple Road, Route 9W and Beacon Road. "We accept the board's decision. We remain concerned about public safety on (9W), but we'll trust the board's assurance that it's not going to be a problem."

The board also devoted nearly three hours to a presentation by Bethlehem Ice Group on plans for an NHL-size ice rink facility at 900 Delaware Ave.

"We probably spent more time on that than we might have because they're on a very tight timeline," said Hasbrouck. Developer Mike Mullen has announced his expectation to have required approvals in hand by April and to fast-track construction in time for an opening in October.

"Whether that's doable or not, I don't know," said Hasbrouck, "but we'll do everything we can to move it along."

But the planning board raised a number of issues that need to be resolved before the project can be considered. Mullen and his colleagues were asked to prepare alternative plans for water and sewer connections, taking into account Delmar Village apartments, which is also anticipated to begin construction soon.

CMI proposal inches forward

By Joseph A. Phillips

The controversial plan by CMI Healthcare Associates to build an assistive-living facility in Delmar took a small step toward approval last week with a vote by the Bethlehem planning board. That board voted 4 to 1 on Feb. 16 to recommend that the town board approve revised plans for CMI's Delaware Avenue site.

But the recommendation won't be on the agenda for tonight's town board meeting. Further action on CMI won't come up before the town board until March 10 at the earliest, owing to delays by CMI in supplying the town engineering department with certain

revised data required to complete the plan.

In the meantime, a lawsuit filed by neighbors against the town over the CMI proposal is on hold as they await the town board's next move. The lawsuit seeks to reverse the town board's approval of a zoning change that permits commercial development in what is presently a residential zone.

Member James Blendell was the planning board's lone no vote last week. But member Marcia Nelson, who abstained, went on record against the project. "In my opinion, this building is too big for the site and too big for the location," she said. "I can't in good conscience recommend it."

Blendell said later that he was not satisfied with some of the exterior design elements of the plan. "I would have liked to have seen a design that didn't call attention to itself," he said.

He also felt the proposed landscaping would not be adequate. "I think we should do as much as possible to reduce its impact on the streetscape of Delaware Avenue," he said.

Blendell opposes the town board's zoning resolution, which he has characterized as unjustified spot-zoning, and he said his no vote reflected that. "My problem here is, how do you vote yes on this when you disapprove of it

in principle?" he said.

Chairman Douglas Hasbrouck said his board "will not actually forward our recommendation to the town board" until a number of outstanding issues are resolved.

"That's not unusual," said Hasbrouck. "We frequently have outstanding conditions on items (of the site plan) where it's got discrepancies or we're simply waiting for something to fall into place. But we did not anticipate that we would have so many outstanding items to clear up."

But at the town's senior civil engineer John Fenzl, who reviews such site plans, read a lengthy statement into the record that faulted CMI's planners for the "technical errors and inconsistencies" and a "long list of deficiencies in the drainage report that are major."

While awaiting town action on the site plan, the lawsuit filed in state Supreme Court by attorney Donald Zee on behalf of a group of the site's neighbors remains in legal limbo for the moment.

Zee said he and town board counsel Ruth Leistensnider have agreed to eventually "seek some sort of summary judgment" in the matter to move the case along. However, no action is being taken on the suit until the town board moves on the site plan, he said.

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Some heavy-duty thoughts on light reading fare

By Katherine McCarthy

Should I be frightened of the Star Wars Galaxy of Fear books that my 8-year-old is devouring these days, or just delighted that he is reading them so avidly? They have certainly made the reading portion of homework easier; before these books, he read his 20 required minutes, but stopped as soon as they were over. Now he goes for hours, inspired by what I'm convinced is my mother's science fiction gene, and is delighted with himself.

Six-year-old Cormac is in love with the formulaic Boxcar children, the four orphans who enterprisingly lived in a boxcar until their grandfather found them and took them home with him. Now they travel the country solving mysteries.

I wish both boys were reading only Caldecott and Newbery winning books, but a book is a book is a book, I think. Something is catching their imaginations, I can tell by the transfixed look in their eyes, and the few moments of silence between reading and reality.

Chris and I try to read "real" books to them at bedtime. We all

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loved *The Chronicles of Narnia* — all four times that we've read the series — and the children still laugh hysterically at the scene where Tom Sawyer feeds his cat snake-oil medicine. We've had some great discussions about racism, equality, fairness and historical mores from reading about Tom and his best buddy, Huck Finn.

We also make sure the children see us read, something everyone from child-rearing experts to former Voorheesville school board member Steven Schreiber tout as essential. Last winter, the kids watched me slog through Thomas Mann's *The Magic Mountain*, a book that has tormented me since my sophomore year of college. "Mommy, why do you sigh every time you read that book?" Cormac always asked. Because it was slow, dense going, but when I finished it, I felt a sense of ac-

complishment, and knew a lot more about Europe at the time of World War I.

This winter, I am working on *Ulysses*, which, along with the Stuart Gilbert guide, have spent a lot of time resting on my nightstand since a friend brought me Joyce's masterpiece from Shakespeare & Co. in Paris, the bookstore that published it when no one else would.

My personal censor wishes that I only ever read books like those two giants, but whether it's my tiny brain, my exhausted mother self, or my need for quick and accessible fantasy, I read more than my fair share of non-classics.

I love popular fiction, and have become inordinately fond of women writers like Pamela Houston, Barbara Kingsolver and Annie LaMotte, who hit truths relative to my life with amazing ease. And my dirty little secret — I love romance novels. After a day full of dust kitties and grilled cheese sandwiches I love being swept away by a knight in shining armor.

I console myself by saying that even a book I can finish in an

evening is better than TV.

Ah, TV. I love it as much as I love romance novels. I feel like a total fraud with my children, who have spurned PBS for Cartoon Network. How can I profess disdain for Cow and Chicken, when I rush Thursday bedtimes so I can plunk myself down in the TV room and pretend that I'm at Central Park with my "Friends"? I console myself that "Friends" uses erudite phrases and references to great wines and operas, but I'm still stuck in front of a small box, watching perfectly dressed, incredibly thin people dither about their imaginary lives.

I rationalize that a little escape is OK, especially in the doldrums of a Capital District February. The danger, of course, comes when I cross over that line, and begin to think I'm an ER doctor, or a New York City detective, or that I can drink coffee at 8 p.m. and still sleep. Sometimes I think I'd like to be anybody from TV, except maybe Ally McBeal, who needs a hot meal and a neurosis-ectomy.

I'm part of the TV generation, I say defensively, able to storm "Marcia, Marcia, Marcia!" when I'm angry or "Serenity Now!" when the world seems too much.

Sometimes Chris and I will channel-surf fruitlessly, wishing Rob Morrow no success at all for

having left the fictional town of Cicely, Alaska, where "Northern Exposure" was actually a show that entertained us and did offer references to great literature and philosophy.

The best part about working from home is that sometimes, under the guise of cleaning the TV room, my peanut butter and jelly sandwich and I will catch the noon reruns of "NoEx" on A&E's daybreaks. If they ever back it up with "Thirtysomething" episodes, my fledgling writing career will fall dead on the floor.

To make up for all this TV-watching, I promise to pick up *Ulysses* again. And start reading Robert Louis Stevenson's *Kidnapped* to the boys.

"Looks too old-fashioned," Cormac said, still scarred by the antiquated language of Swiss Family Robinson, who were perpetually dropping to their knees to thank Providence for their blessings.

Still, we'll try it. And look for more Discovery and PBS shows, for both parents and children. After all, it's almost March. When PBS becomes the all-Riverdance channel. Maybe all those thundering feet will make me yearn for more quiet enjoyment of the mythical adventures of Leopold Bloom and Stephen Dedalus.



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Elderly people who experience pain, and ambulatory limitations imposed by osteoarthritic knees should not automatically assume that they will require knee surgery. Instead, they should look to moderate exercise and strength training for improvement. A report by researchers at Wake Forest University's Bowman Gray School of Medicine noted "consistent improvements in self-reported pain and disability and better function" among men and women over the age of sixty who participated in a moderate aerobic or resistance program, as compared with those who only took health-education classes. A University of Washington study noted similar results by older osteoarthritic adults who began an exercise regimen.

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P.S. According to the University of Washington study noted above, older osteoarthritic adults who began exercise regimens experienced a 50% reduction in their osteoarthritic symptoms over a period of 18 months.

Choraliers to perform at Proctor's festival

Bethlehem Central High School Choraliers, under the direction of Joseph Farrell, will be one of five area high school choral groups celebrating "Music In Our Schools" month by participating in the fifth annual High School Choral Festival on Wednesday, March 3, at 7 p.m. at Proctor's Theatre in Schenectady.

More than 200 performers will sing at the event, presented by the GE CRD Choral Society in cooperation with Proctor's. Ensembles from Shenendehowa as well as high schools in Niskayuna, Schenectady and Saratoga Springs will participate in the fest, which is the brainchild of BC Music Director Michael Tebbano, who also directs the GE chorale.

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V'ville's Hotaling to run for village board seat

By Joseph A. Phillips

Next month's elections for the Voorheesville village board will mark a changing of the guard.

Continuing the long-standing nonpartisan tradition in the village, only two candidates filed petitions for the seats. One of them would be a new face in elective office — but a familiar one in village government.

Joining incumbent Trustee Harvey Huth on the ballot will be Bill Hotaling, who retired just last month after 29 years of service as superintendent of public works. Hotaling will replace current Trustee Kevin Garrity, who decided not to seek re-election.

"I guess you could call it choices," Garrity said. "I enjoy the job very much, but my professional and personal responsibilities were cutting across my responsibilities to the village." Garrity oversees construction and surety operations for Rose & Kiernan Insurance, a job which requires extensive travel. He is also the father of 10- and 12-year-olds with whom he said he wanted to spend more time.

"If there weren't any other candidates running, I'd probably find a way to make it happen and stay," Garrity said. "But when Billy Hotaling decided to run, I said, hey, we've got a good guy coming in here."

Hotaling, who had weighed a run for office at the time of his retirement Jan. 1, saluted Garrity as a "good board member and public servant."

As for his own aspirations, he said, "I've lived here all my life, and I'm going to run the trustee spot like I ran the public works (department). It's all about the people. I'm there to do what they need."

He particularly looked forward, he said, to being an active participant in the upcoming village cen-

tenial observances in May. He has also recently spoken out about the need to study upgrading roads and sidewalks throughout the village, a project he hoped to pursue as a board member, and to continue to upgrade park facilities.

Speaking of lessons learned in his own tenure, Garrity said, "When you sit outside (public service) and look in, you think you've got all the answers. When you're inside, there aren't any right answers."

"Financing is probably the biggest single issue for the board," he said, noting the village's \$1.2 million budget. "We hold together a lot of services on a relatively modest budget. We've got to watch our pennies."

He is proud of the volunteerism he sees in public life in Voorheesville. "I think Voorheesville is a very special place, and one of the things that makes it special is the volunteers," he said, "without them, it wouldn't be the nice place it is to live."

Village residents who voted in the most recent presidential election or any subsequent general election are eligible to vote on March 9; others can register with the county Board of Elections by March 5.

In addition, the village will hold a registration day on Saturday, March 6, from noon to 5 p.m. at village hall on Voorheesville Avenue for last-minute registrants.

Polling on March 9 will take place from noon to 9 p.m. at the firehouse at 12 Altamont Road.

Library to host program for seniors

Bethlehem Public Library will continue its FYI Friday series on Friday, Feb. 26, at 10 a.m. with a program exploring Medicare and other health insurance options.

Cindy Rogan, president of Albany's Special Care Medical Claim Service, will discuss recent Medicare changes, review what Medicare does and does not cover, how to track bills, choose the best health insurance policy and read Medicare documents.

Coffee and tea will be served. For information and to register, call 439-9314.

Parks and rec offers open-gym basketball

Beginning Feb. 26, the Bethlehem Parks and Recreation Department will sponsor open gym basketball Fridays from 8 to 11 p.m. for high school-age boys and girls of all abilities.

Students must be residents of the town or the Bethlehem Central School District. Admission is \$1. For information, call 439-4131.

Correction

A recent story concerning relief efforts by various groups in Voorheesville to aid the victims of an apartment fire on Route 155 contained incomplete information.

At a fund-raiser several weeks ago at Smith's Tavern, more than \$3,000 was raised and divided equally among the three families burned out in the fire. Of that amount, \$1,300 was donated by patrons.

DWI court cases settled

Five cases involving individuals charged with driving while intoxicated (DWI) in the town of Bethlehem were resolved in Town Court on Wednesday, Feb. 17.

Four of the accused pleaded guilty to lesser counts of driving while ability impaired (DWAI), and the fifth pleaded guilty to the original charge.

The DWI guilty plea came in the case of Eric Walter Hilger, 36, of 47 McAlpin St., Albany, who was arrested on May 30 of last year. Following his plea, Hilger was granted a conditional discharge of fines and fees on the grounds of indigence, but had his license revoked for a period of six months.

Christopher Therrien, 37, of 185 Weisheit Road, Selkirk, pleaded guilty to the reduced DWAI charge stemming from his arrest last Oct. 4, when he was also cited for driving with a suspended license. He was ordered to pay a \$500 fine and a \$90 state-

mandated surcharge, and had his license suspended for 90 days.

Also pleading guilty to DWAI was Erin Eileen Collins, 20, of 4 Old Quarry Road, Feura Bush, arrested on Jan. 20, who was assessed a \$300 fine and a \$30 surcharge and had her license suspended for 90 days.

Stephen Alan Coelho, 29, of 2461 Cambridge Drive, Niskayuna, who was arrested Jan. 24, entered a DWAI guilty plea. He also faced a \$300 fine and \$30 surcharge and a 90 day suspension of his license.

Lisa Marie Baker, 28, of 34 West Shore Drive, East Berne, arrested Jan. 31, pleaded guilty to DWAI. She was also fined \$300, assessed a \$30 surcharge and had her license suspended for 90 days.

In all cases, Bethlehem Town Court also mandated participation in a drinking-driver remediation program and a victim impact panel.

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Matters of Opinion

Last chance for STAR

This is the final week New York state homeowners can file STAR application forms. Those who miss the local March 1 deadline will also miss out on savings on their next school tax bill, and that would be a shame.

Establishing proof of residency (a copy of a New York state license will do) and answering a few simple questions is a relatively painless way to reap the long overdue tax break for homeowners.

STAR application forms are available at both the Bethlehem and New Scotland tax assessors' offices.

For those who are not senior citizens, the STAR program will be phased in over a three-year period, which applies to all residential property owners regardless of age. Seniors got a jump start on the program last year.

This is a genuine across the board tax reduction for homeowners, so don't miss out on this opportunity.

Books, glorious books

The National Education Association's Read Across America campaign kicks off March 2, and Bethlehem Central Middle School students will join millions of others in the annual event.

The idea is to get kids to read by reading with an adult. As a celebration of the written word, the campaign is wonderful, but it's too bad it has to serve as a motivator. Books have formidable competition and that's one reason why they often gather more dust than young devotees.

But nonreaders pay a price, which we see firsthand at *The Spotlight*. Spelling — even with the benefit of spell check — seems more of an afterthought than an essential part of good writing in too many press releases. We see this assault on the language, alas, on *most* of the resumes and cover letters from people who want a job writing.

Another price nonreaders pay is never experiencing the wonder of the written word. Think back to those days of discovery, back to books like Betty Smith's *A Tree Grows in Brooklyn*, that brought a young girl's story so vividly to life. Or back further still to Maurice Sendak's *Where the Wild Things Are* to a land of enchantment and roaring good fun. And who could ever imagine killing a spider after the first childhood trip through *Charlotte's Web*?

So, join other Americans in Read Across America next week. What better way to rekindle a love for books than to share the moment of discovery with a child?

The law is the people's servant

By Matthew J. Kelly

The writer is the president of the Albany County Bar Association.

It usually happens at the most inopportune time. In the midst of the challenges of daily life, a word is spoken, a telephone call is received or a letter is sent. In that instant, your routine is changed and you are faced with a difficulty for which you need legal advice. In that moment, you are no longer a passive observer of our system of jurisprudence, you are a participant, willing or not.

All too frequently, lawyers are viewed in a negative way. But when you encounter the system, your view may change. The lawyer either becomes your friend and protector or a demon and your enemy. And there is good reason for that. Long ago, a citizen could be brought before a magistrate and summarily sent to prison for offenses ranging from the serious to the trivial.

And for offenses relating to commercial transactions, the crown dispatched the offender, usually a citizen of lesser means, to prison for failing to immediately satisfy his debt.

Good sense eventually prevailed. As a result, the lawyer became an important component of society. Events at Runnymede in 1215 set forth well-established procedures that still exist today. Among the 38 chapters of the Magna Carta are those that regulate the administration of justice, secure the liberty of citizens and ensure property rights.

Point of View

Lawyers established individual rights and the superiority of those rights to the crown. Today, pressures of a multi-cultural society in a country where individuals' rights are preserved by the law, have led to a proliferation of statutory changes that prohibit or regulate conduct in a fashion more widespread and pronounced than the

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founders of our society could have imagined.

Commensurate with the increased scope of rules and regulations is a presumption that the law has become the master, and not the servant, of people. But that should not be the case. The law exists to form boundaries of behavior and to level the playing field of our free-market society.

The law does not distinguish between those who have property and those who do not. The law looks equally upon Microsoft and Bill Gates. It just as readily takes a corporation to task as it would the individual who believes that income taxes are an infringement upon his personal liberty, or that helmets should not be required for motorcycle riders.

In order for us to survive in a society with different customs, languages and religions, we must have a framework to govern conduct and behavior.

Those who study the law and seek to practice it are bound by common goals and rules. A lawyer must be zealous on behalf of his client, but may not argue matters that he or she knows are without merit.

Putting those principles into practice, however, can be difficult and can make even the more forthright and responsible lawyer subject to criticism and condemnation. In that regard, lawyers who take on unpopular causes can take pride in the vilification that they receive.

The true test of a lawyer is whether he can give his utmost to

unpopular as well as popular causes. Because it is easy to represent the favored, a lawyer's hero is one who represents the underdog or the mistreated.

The lawyer is the citizen's protector. For that reason, Shakespeare wrote, "the first thing we do is kill all the lawyers." Those words set in motion a conspiracy to ensure that evil could triumph, for in Shakespeare's time, the powerful determined the lot of the majority.

Good judgment has prevailed, and we now have a system where judges, elected by the people and separate and distinct from the executive and legislative branch of government, rule on legal issues. They are assisted by the modern day equivalent of the barons at Runnymede — attorneys.

These are important thoughts, for all too often the system of justice is faced with pressures that can compromise its effectiveness. A trip to any courthouse will show that deficiencies exist in physical facilities which affect the quality of justice dispensed.

More compelling is the incessant call to change not the physical characteristics of the court, but the placement of citizens within it. That call comes from those who seek to obtain competitive advantage in our free market system, and who have in the past, do today, and will in the future, seek to remove citizens from determining the fate of their peers.

It also seeks to prevent free access to the courts, which allows anyone, from the most admired to the most despised to have their day in court.

These thoughts have consequences in daily life. After all, the advent of safer products has as much to do with the presence of lawyers as it does with advances in science.

Positive changes in race relations have as much to do with enforcement of civil rights laws as with an enlightened public. And the right of every person to remain silent and be protected from the vagaries of the state, has as much to do with today's lawyers as it does with those who wrote the Bill of Rights.

It is far too easy, and the ads on TV make it more so, to criticize and joke about lawyers. But don't underestimate the value of a lawyer's advice in a time of crisis, when the waters are rippled or rocked by others' actions or omissions.

Resolving people's legal crises is what we are sworn to do in our modern-day attempt to uphold the legacy of those at Runnymede and Philadelphia.

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Fostering animals saves lives **DAR says thank you**

Editor, The Spotlight:

I enjoyed the Point of View article by Kim Harvey relating her experience raising a puppy for Guiding Eyes for the Blind.

She deserves a lot of credit for the mature sense of humanity and initiative she has shown by taking on the time-consuming responsibility of raising a puppy for the next year while attending college.

Individuals who would enjoy working with an animal, but on a much shorter-term basis, might consider fostering a dog or cat awaiting a home. In addition to local animal shelters, there are several animal rescue groups comprised of volunteers who find homes for displaced animals. The rescue groups place their animals in foster homes, with all expenses paid by the organization until permanent homes can be found.

Foster homes, however, are in short supply, and many animals

have to be turned away because of lack of space. The availability of a foster home for periods as short as two-to-three days could mean the difference between life and death for an animal, including puppies and kittens.

If you are thinking about adopting a pet now that spring is coming, but are not sure what kind of cat or dog to get, fostering is a great way to learn more and to test the suitability of an animal in your household.

Fostering an animal is a rewarding way to help a worthwhile cause.

To volunteer or to provide a foster home for animals, call AnimaLovers at 518-383-2184 or Pepper Tree Rescue at 477-2181. Those who are considering fostering or adopting a specific breed can call me at 439-1505.

Karen Chamberlain Harmon
Glenmont

Editor, The Spotlight:

The Tawasentha Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution is grateful to all who recently attended our 28th annual Antiques Show and Sale, which was a great success.

This event enables us to give scholarships, American history awards and Good Citizen awards to local students, as well as funding summer programs for children in the community. Our local efforts advance the national DAR objectives to promote historical, educational and patriotic endeavors.

We invite those who would like to pursue membership in the DAR, the Teunis Slingerland Society or the Children of the American Revolution to a lineage workshop on Saturday, Feb. 27, from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at Bethlehem Public Library on Delaware Avenue in Delmar.

For information, call 439-1855.

Elizabeth A. Kraus
Antiques Show coordinator

Business event is big success

Editor, The Spotlight:

On Feb. 3, the Bethlehem Business Women's Club hosted nationally known speaker Sister Anne Bryan Smollin at Normanside Country Club.

We want to thank our members and the many guests who attended this wonderful event filled with laughter and inspiration! A special thank-you also goes to area merchants who graciously allowed us to display our invitations on their counters; and to The

Spotlight writer Donna Bell for her wonderful feature on BBW published in the Jan. 20 edition.

We signed on many new members that evening and encourage anyone who would like information about the club to call Dorothy Williams at 439-2535.

BBW is a nonprofit, community service and network driven organization for women.

Dorothy Williams, president
Leslie Trosset, vice president

Parents say thanks to coach

Editor, The Spotlight:

We would like to take this opportunity to thank Sean Gnat, coach of the diving team at Bethlehem Central High School. Mr. Gnat worked very hard with the team this season. The members of the diving team this year were senior Mark Bassotti and sophomores Dan Kohler, Brendan Jordan and Scott Lipnick.

The divers participated in Sec-

tion II finals at Amsterdam High School on Feb. 12 and 13. Bassotti's fourth place along with Kohler's seventh place and Jordan's eighth all contributed to Bethlehem's overall Section II team win.

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Church men's group to dish up pancake breakfast

St. Matthew's Mens Association will dish up a pancake breakfast on Sunday, Feb. 28, from 7:30 to 11:30 a.m. in the parish center on Mountainview Road.

The cost is \$4 for adults and \$3 for children. Proceeds support parish activities.

Firefighters serving Friday fish fries

New Salem Fire Department is serving fish fries Fridays in Lent from 4:30 to 7 p.m. at the firehouse on Route 85A. Takeouts are available.

Historical group sponsors talk on genealogy

John Moak will answer the question What Can You do to Look into Your Genealogy? at the next meeting of the New Scotland Historical Association on Tuesday,

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March 2, at 8 p.m. at Wyman Osterhout Community Center on the Old Road in New Salem.

Moak, who lives in Niskayuna and is president of the Moak Family Reunion, has spent three years researching Moak family genealogy and his association with the Moaks of New Scotland.

He will share information on the large collection of products and tools available to assist in genealogical research. They include — handwritten accounts, computer aids, maps, family memorabilia, census records and local reposi-

tories of collections and archives as well as a broad selection of general reference material and guides.

Everyone is invited to attend.

St. Matthew's to host final night of mission

St. Matthew's Church on Mountainview Road will hold the final program in its parish mission tonight, Feb. 24, at 7 p.m.

It will focus on community for the 21st century and is subtitled "Building a New World." For information, call the church at 765-2805.

Library to host senior nutrition program

Cornell Cooperative Extension of Albany County will offer a program entitled Getting Older, Feeling Younger: Nutrition for Seniors on Friday, Feb. 26, from 1 to 2 p.m. at Voorheesville Public Library at 51 School Road.

For information or to register, call 765-2791.

PTA sponsoring Scholastic Book Fair

The PTA is sponsoring a Scholastic Book Fair Thursday, Friday and Saturday, Feb. 25 to 27, on the gymnasium stage at the elementary school.

The book fair will be open after school on Thursday and Friday

from 3:30 to 8 p.m. and from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Saturday.

All money raised through book sales will go toward buying new books for the elementary school library.

Kindergarten info meeting slated at elementary school

Parents who have a child entering kindergarten at the elementary school in the fall are invited to attend an informational meeting on Thursday, March 4, at 7:30 p.m. in the large gymnasium.

Administrators will explain the kindergarten registration and screening program. To enroll, children must be 5 years old on or before Dec. 1.

Parents should call JoAnn Donohue at 765-2382, ext. 514 to confirm that their child is slated for kindergarten.

Junior high dance set for Saturday

The junior high student council will host a dance on Saturday, Feb. 27, from 7 to 10 p.m. in the high school gymnasium and cafeteria.

For information, call the high school at 765-3314.

Transportation requests due April 1

Parents of children who will

attend private schools during the 1999-2000 school year must submit written transportation requests to the Voorheesville Central School District by April 1.

Call the business office at 765-3314, ext. 102 for an official request.

St. Matthew's men accepting applications

St. Matthew's Men's Association is accepting application for its college scholarship until Feb. 28.

High school seniors who are members of the parish are eligible.

Nominations for the Jim McDonough Award for outstanding service are also being accepted until Feb. 28.

Applications and nomination forms are available at the entrances to the church.

Village Stage selling 'Carnival!' tickets

Tickets for Village Stage's upcoming production of "Carnival!", slated for March 11 through 14 at Academy of the Holy Names on New Scotland Avenue in Albany, will go on sale next Monday.

Performances are set for Thursday through Saturday, March 11, 12 and 13, at 8 p.m., and on Sunday, March 14, at 2 p.m.

Tickets will be available at four locations in Bethlehem and one in Voorheesville.

They include I Love Books at the Four Corners in Delmar, The Paper Mill in Delaware Plaza, Ultimate Video Plus in Glenmont and the Village Shop in Slingerlands.

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With the approach of spring, groups are beginning to think about setting meeting dates for



the year 2000. Here are a few guidelines.

Our space has become "the place to meet" in recent years. In fairness to town residents, we have had to limit nonlibrary use to groups based in the town of Bethlehem. That some members of a group reside in the town does not necessarily mean that the group may meet at the library. We maintain a list of other meeting spaces in the Delmar area. This list is available upon request.

In keeping with our status as a nonprofit entity and our availability as a public space, we require that groups meeting here do so for civic, cultural or educational purposes.

Political groups, business representatives and social gatherings need to seek space elsewhere.

Meeting rooms are reserved

in advance. We prefer a month's notice, so that our custodians can work the setups into their schedule and the meeting can be entered on our various calendars. Some of our audio visual equipment can be reserved as well.

The larger room has a maximum capacity of 100, a pull-down screen and a stage area. The smaller room has a maximum capacity of 40. We generally reserve space for a minimum of 10 people.

Meetings can be scheduled during the hours the library is open, and the space must be vacated promptly at closing time — again to allow the custodians time to do their magic and secure the building.

To give all groups a fair shot at the space, any single group is limited to one meeting per month. Groups scheduling meetings a year in advance may submit reservation forms beginning April 1 of the preceding year. Requests

are held in order of receipt until July 1 to allow us to reserve dates for staff meetings and library programs. After July 1, we will either accept the dates submitted or work out alternatives with the group's contact person.

To book a room for your group, call me at 439-9314. If your group meets the guidelines, I will send our policy and reservation form for you to fill out and return. About a month before your meeting, I will send back the pink copy of the form as confirmation.

We ask that you read the policy carefully and fill out the form as completely as possible. With foresight and cooperation, arrangements can be made to provide Bethlehem groups with a pleasant, convenient and well-ordered meeting place.

Visit our Web site at: <http://www.crisny.org/libraries/capreg/bethlehem>

Louise Grieco

One-act plays slated at Methodist Church

The Harlequin Players of Slingerlands will present a pair of one-act plays on Fridays, Feb. 26 and March 5, and Saturday, March 6, at 8 p.m. at Community Methodist Church on Route 85 in Slingerlands.

There will be a special dinner theater performance on Saturday, Feb. 27, beginning at 6 p.m., and a matinee on Sunday, Feb. 28, at 2

p.m.

Tickets for the double bill of "Hide and Seek," directed by Dan Roberts, and "The Temp," directed by Pat Ahearn, cost \$7. Dinner theater tickets are \$15.

To reserve dinner theater tickets, call 439-1766.

For all other reservations, call 478-0405 or 346-1147.

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Historican to discuss Dutch ancestors *Educators to teach parenting workshops*

The third in a series of historical lectures sponsored by the village of Voorheesville Centennial Committee is set for Tuesday, March 2, at 7:30 p.m. in the community room.

Charles Gehring, director of



the New Netherlands Project, will answer questions such as 'Was Manhattan really sold to the Indians for \$24?'

Gehring's lecture is called "Getting the Facts Straight: Ten Mis-

conceptions about our Colonial Dutch Ancestors."

David Diligent, environmental issues agent for Cornell Cooperative Extension, will give a talk entitled, "Commercials are Selling More Than You Think," tonight, Feb. 24, at 7 p.m.

The workshop will illustrate common methods advertisers use to sell products.

"Don't Forget Fridays" especially for seniors on Feb. 26 will feature a program on diet and nutrition. "Getting Older, Feeling Younger" will be presented by Kathy Greenwood of Cornell Cooperative Extension. Join us at 1 p.m. for an informative talk, com-

plete with taste-testing.

Learn test-taking strategies at the March 3 SAT Preview by the Princeton Review. High school juniors and their parents are welcome. Sign-up is necessary so call the reference desk at 765-2791.

Last call for the Wednesday, March 10 book discussion on *Snow Falling on Cedars*. Sign-up is required.

Barbara Vink

RCS students compete in Science Olympiad

Several Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk Senior High School students took winning places in the annual Science Olympiad held last week at the school. Nine schools entered a total of 24 teams into the competition.

Butch Boehlke and Anthony Ceella won first place in the Egg Bungee contest and Mike McGraw and Jesse Felter won second place in chemistry. Courtney Endres and Emily Whalen placed fourth in cell biology, Melissa Andritz and Matt Collins took 10th place in Earth, Sun, and Sky.

Jim and Barbara Hoffman will offer the first in a series of parenting workshops, entitled "Listening and Talking With Kids" on Thursday, Feb. 25, from 7 to 8 p.m. at RCS Community Library.

Jim is principal at RCS Middle School and Barbara is the parent educator at CHOICES. The workshop is free and child-care will be available. All parents are encouraged to attend.

Pop Warner slates information meeting

The Ravena Mid-Hudson Pop Warner Association will hold an organizational meeting on Wednesday, Feb. 25, at 7 p.m. at the Ravena village office on Mountain Road.

Dance to benefit library

There will be a dance to benefit RCS Community Library on Friday, Feb. 27, from 8 p.m. to midnight at the Knights of Columbus hall in Ravena.

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Coeymans sets hearing

The town of Coeymans zoning board of appeals will hear a proposal by Donald Trickey to bring sludge to the town of Coeymans for separation into oil and water.

The public hearing is tonight, Feb. 24, at 7 p.m. at town hall.

School board to meet

The RCS school board will hold its regular meeting on Monday, March 1, at 7 p.m. at board offices on Thatcher Street in Selkirk.

Sports group to meet at high school

The RCS Sports Association will meet on Wednesday, March 3, at 7 p.m. at the high school.

New restaurant to open

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The clinic will feature the Colgate men's and women's tennis teams and focus on a series of drills found especially effective for team practices. There will also be a question and answer session following the clinic.

Dallis is a Level I USPTA pro with over 12 years of college coaching and teaching experience, including four summers working with Pete Sampras' late coach, Tim Gullikson, at the nationally-known Tennis School at Ocean Edge on Cape Cod. Before coming to Colgate last year, Dallis coached for 11 years at Boston University where he earned his undergrad and graduate degrees including a Ph. D. in sports psychology.

For Information Call Colgate Coach Bob Dallis
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Sports

Ladybirds earn top hoops seed

By Len Tarricone

Clayton A. Bouton Central High School's defending state Class C champion girls basketball team was awarded the No. 1 seed in Class CC for the Section II tournament, which starts Feb. 24. Coach **Jack Adams**' squad will meet the winner of the Corinth-Granville matchup in a 7:30 p.m. home game Feb. 27.

The Ladybirds, who enter the post-season at 12-8, did not lose to any CC teams this year, and only one of their losses was to a Class C team, Cambridge. Nevertheless, Adams said he was surprised to gain the favorite's role, which he thought would go to Catskill, the 15-4 Patroon League champions.

At any rate, Adams is hopeful the rigors of the tough Colonial Council schedule of Class A and B schools his team faces will be solid preparation for the post-season.

"We had a good, strong second half, and the break (before the tournament) has been good for us and has given us a chance to refocus," he said. "I hope we'll be competitive."

League rival Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk was given an

eighth seed in Class B, and if it gets past Gloversville Feb. 23 in Ravena, will travel to Adirondack Community College to meet the winner of top-seeded South Glens Falls and Cohoes Feb. 26 at 7:30.

In Class A pairings, Bethlehem Central High School's Lady Eagles, the No. 6 seed, faced 11th-seeded Albany High School Feb. 23 in Delmar. If victorious, **Kim Wise's** team will take on the Colonie-Troy winner Feb. 26 at 6 p.m. in Niskayuna.

Meanwhile, on the boys side, the Eagles have a tough draw as the Suburban Council seventh seed, facing the Big 10's No. 2, Schenectady High School Feb. 24 at 7 p.m. in Schenectady.

In Class B, Ravena coach **Bryan Wood** felt his team deserved a three-seed, and that is what it got. They will take to their home floor for a 7:30 p.m. first-round game against 14th-seeded Broadalbin-Perth Feb. 24.

In Class CC, the Clayton A. Bouton Blackbirds traveled to Greenville Feb. 23 for their first-round game against the sixth-seeded Spartans. A No. 11 seed, the Blackbirds would most likely have familiar foe Watervliet waiting for them in round two should they pull off the opening-round upset.

That game would be Feb. 26 at 6:45 p.m. at Hudson Valley Community College.

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BCHS to send 3 to states

Bethlehem Central High School senior **Khalid Umar** emerged from the Section II indoor track state qualifying meet at Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute Feb. 20 as the only boys athlete to qualify for three events at the state championships Feb. 28 at the Carrier Dome in Syracuse.

Umar will run in the 55-meter dash, along with competing in the long jump and the triple jump. His stellar performance highlighted an impressive showing by BCHS coach **Jason Wood's** sprinting and jumping contingent. **Max Anderson** qualified second in the triple jump, and will also make the trip to Syracuse, and sprinter **Lee Ansaldo** won the 55 meters at RPI to qualify in that event.

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Local girls hockey star headed to Lake Placid

By Len Tarricone

When Carrie Getz, as an eighth-grader, told her parents that she wanted to play competitive ice hockey, they were not too warm to the idea.

Playing pick-up games with her older brother Keith, who now plays for Siena's hockey team, was one thing, but organized action was a more serious step in the potentially volatile sport.

But Carrie flashed some ability on skates, and her folks relented. Now a junior at Bethlehem Central High School, Getz has progressed so much that she is one of only two local players chosen to represent the Adirondack team in the Empire State Games.

The competition, to be held Feb. 26-28 in Lake Placid, will mark the first appearance of girls ice hockey in the games. Getz was

selected as a result of her play for the Troy-Albany Ice Cats of the Troy-Albany Youth Hockey Association. A left wing on the club's No. 1 line, Getz has scored 36 goals and tallied 30 assists in helping the team to a 25-14-3 record.

Getz said her main attribute is quickness, and her Ice Cats coach, **Richard Scammell**, concurs.

"Carrie is a great skater, very graceful with long strides," he said. "This is only her fourth year of organized hockey, but her speed, determination, and athleticism make up for any lack of experience."

Getz's athletic prowess extends beyond hockey. She is a three-year varsity soccer player, and earned second-team all-Suburban Council honors this last season.

After hockey wraps up, Getz will start preparing for her third



Carrie Getz, shown here in action with the Troy-Albany Ice Cats, will participate in the Empire State Games Feb. 26-28 in Lake Placid.

season of varsity softball. She was named to the all-league first team last season in that sport. Getz will play softball this summer for the Tri-City Rage travel team, but for now her mind is strictly on the ice.

"We had a game in Buffalo (with the Ice Cats) and I missed the only scheduled practice for the

(Adirondack) team. They'll probably put me on the third line," she said.

Regardless of where she plays, Getz is prepared to make the most of her opportunity.

"I'm very nervous about it, but I'm also excited," she said. "It should be a lot of fun."

Eagles fall in hockey Sectionals

By Christine Potter

The Bethlehem Central High School hockey season came to a close after an 8-0 loss to Shenendehowa Feb. 16 in the first round of the Section II, Division I tournament.

The Plainsmen came out strong, scoring five goals in the first period.

"We got in a rut in the first period, but we played a spirited third period," Bethlehem coach **John Battaglino** said.

In spite of the disappointing end to the season, captain **Billy Noonan** said he was pleased with the team's effort throughout the year.

"We came together at the end and I'm looking forward to a winning season next year," he said.

Assistant captain **Mike Griffiths** said he had hoped for better results this year.

"The team wasn't really into it game after game. Our on-ice chemistry was hit-and-miss, mostly miss, and it was so frustrating because given the skill level with **Kenny Porter**, **Trevor McNiven**, **Billy Noonan** and all the guys, going into the season I was so optimistic, but despite my optimistic prediction, we had a rough season," he said.

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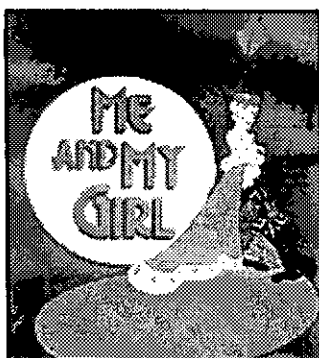


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Delmar Dolphins host meet at RPI

The Delmar Dolphins swim team had over 50 swimmers participate at the February Freeze at Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute Feb. 20. The Dolphins sponsor the annual invitational meet.

In the 8-and-under category, **Katie O'Donnell** won the 25-yard backstroke in 18.55 seconds, finished second in the 100-yard individual medley, third in the 50-yard freestyle and fifth in the 25-yard breaststroke. **Alyssa Sullivan** came in fifth in the 25-yard backstroke, sixth in the 100-yard IM, fifth in the 50-yard freestyle and seventh in the 25-yard butterfly. **Kristen Gloeckler** took sixth in the 50-yard freestyle, 25-yard butterfly and 25-yard breaststroke, and also placed seventh in the 100-yard IM.

Jimmy Kivlin won the 25-yard breaststroke with a time of 24.64 seconds and took seventh in the 25-yard backstroke and 25-yard butterfly. **Nate Foley** took fifth in the 25-yard freestyle and eighth in the 25-yard backstroke. **Kiersten Swete** finished third in the 25-yard freestyle, and **Nicholas Lavada** took seventh in the 25-yard freestyle. The relay team of O'Donnell, Sullivan, **Ellie Grady** and **Gloeckler** took first place with a time of 1:28.86. **Stephanie Clement**, **Mariah Kennedy** and **Grady** all swam personal-best times.

In the 10-and-under-category, **Martha Grady** took fourth in the 100-yard IM and eighth in both the 50-yard backstroke and the 50-yard butterfly. **Larry Gloeckler** won the 100-yard IM with a time of 1:18.71, the 100-yard freestyle with a time of 1:11.75 and the 100-yard backstroke with a time of 1:22.23. He also finished third in the 50-yard freestyle.

Justin Murphy came in third in the 100-yard freestyle, fourth in the 100-yard backstroke and fifth

in the 100-yard IM. **Tyler Duda** came in fourth in the 100-yard freestyle, fifth in the 50-yard backstroke, sixth in the 50-yard breaststroke and seventh in the 100-yard IM. **Sean Kennedy** placed fifth in the 100-yard freestyle, and **Paul Caifero** came in third in the 50-yard breaststroke. **Matthew Shaffer** took second in the 50-yard butterfly and third in the 50-yard freestyle.

The relay team of **Grady**, **Lisa Frangella**, **Laurel Heighton** and **Kyla Walsh** took third place, while **Molly Moriarity**, **Sydney Lane**, **Ava Byer** and **Emma Walsh** took eighth place. **Heighton**, **Sydney Lane**, **Emily Shade**, **Moriarity**, **Byer**, **Emma Walsh**, **Hader Koren-Roth**, **Kristianna Russo** and **Kyla Walsh** swam personal bests.

In the 11- and 12-year old category **Lizzie Walsh**, **Melissa Taub**, **Natalie Singer**, **Lauren Grady** and **Tim Pasquini** swam personal bests.

In the 13- and 14-year-old category, **Teresa Rosetti** won the 200-yard butterfly with a time of 2:14.22, came in fourth in the 200-yard IM, sixth in the 100-yard freestyle and fifth in the 50-yard freestyle. **Courtney Arduini** won the 400-yard IM with a time of 4:58.50, and came in third in the 200-yard IM. **Meredith Singer** came in fifth in the 100-yard freestyle and third in both the 100-yard breaststroke and the 50-yard freestyle.

Matt Pasquini took second in the 200-yard IM and eighth in the 100-yard freestyle. **James Traylor** took third in both the 100-yard freestyle and the 100-yard breaststroke and fourth in the 50-yard freestyle. **Caleb Bonnell** came in fifth in the 100-yard breaststroke. The relay team of **Rosetti**, **Arduini**, **Singer** and **Kathleen Shaffer** came in third, while the team of

Katie Parafinczuk, **Larissa Suparmanto**, **Caitlin Sousa** and **Jessie Szczech** came in eighth.

Shaffer, **Sousa**, **Suparmanto**, **Szczech**, **Hannah Gold** and **Parafinczuk** swam personal bests.

In the senior category, **Chris Shaffer** won the 100-yard freestyle with a time of 48.56 seconds, establishing a new meet record. **Jay Sousa** came in third in the 100-yard backstroke and sixth in the 50-yard freestyle. **Jon Sousa** won the 200-yard IM with a time of 2:05.17, and came in third in the 50-yard freestyle. **Ellen Bandel** came in second in the 400-yard IM and seventh in the 100-yard breaststroke. **Lauren Sullivan** and **Sarah Szczech** swam personal-best times.

Sectional wrestling results

Clayton A. Bouton Central High School's **Mike Cavanaugh** won the Class D 275-pound wrestling title, and four other area grapplers advanced to final matches in Section II tournaments Feb. 20. In Whitehall, Cavanaugh pinned Schenectady's **Leonard Price** in only 29 seconds, while teammate **Ryan Spanswick** lost in the final at 160 pounds.

In Class B action in Averill Park, **Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk's Anthony Ceella** (145) and **Jared Lackie** (160) lost decisions in their final-round matches, and Bethlehem's **Sean Altamari** made it to the last match before falling at the Class A tournament in Amsterdam.

Swim club schedules tryouts

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Delmar resident sings school's praises RCS board to consider information law policy

By Katherine McCarthy

In 1987, Delmar resident Mechthild "Mady" Alarcon was looking for a place for her sons to practice speaking German. She found it at the German American Language School of Albany and has been involved with the school ever since.

Today, she helps direct the school, which holds classes for children and adults at McKownville United Methodist Church on Western Avenue and Bethlehem Lutheran Church in Delmar.

The Alarcon household is a multilingual one; Alarcon is a native of Germany, and her husband, Jose, is from Spain. Still, Alarcon found the reinforcement of formal language classes helpful for her children.

"We try to be bilingual at home," she said, "but children don't pick up another language unless they have the support of extended family, or unless there's a perceived need."

Alarcon said that there is a real window of opportunity for children to learn another language that peaks at about age 10.

"At a young age, children are open to new experiences," said Alarcon. "They're more adept at picking up new languages... We use an activity-centered approach, and the children enjoy the playful, relaxed atmosphere."

At the middle and high school levels, Alarcon said, knowing a foreign language helps students increase their vocabulary and also helps raise SAT scores.

The German American Lan-

guage School also offers Regents and AP courses for high school students.

The staff at the German American Language School come from various backgrounds; many have master's degrees in German, and some have doctorates. The preschool teacher, who works with children ages 3 and up, has special skills, with both a doctorate in German and Montessori experience.

Students come for many different reasons, said Alarcon. "Sometimes people come for family reasons, or to search for their roots, or in preparation for a visit to Europe. A lot of our adults come because they want to learn German for business or other professional reasons."

Alarcon grew up in Siegen, Germany, after her family left East Germany in 1945. Eventually, she came to the University of Pennsylvania as a teaching fellow. Her husband attended Washington University in St. Louis, then Boston University, studying medicine. They later moved to Rochester, then the Capital District.

Alarcon has found her niche at the German American Language School of Albany. She said the reason she has worked with the school for the past 12 years is simple: "I do it because I like it." For information and class schedules, call Alarcon at 439-8003.

By Joseph A. Phillips

The Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk Central School District will consider a proposed set of policy guidelines governing public access to records at its board meeting on March 15.

Copies of the draft access policy are currently being circulated to parent groups and in the community for public comment.

According to Susan Kurp, RCS public information officer, the district currently observes existing state Freedom of Information Law (FOIL) procedures. The draft policy would simply codify existing procedures for handling student and administrative records.

"Although we've granted access in accordance with FOIL all along, our attorneys advised us to put it on the books," Kurp said.

The proposed policy would recognize the requirements of the FOIL law, designate the school business administrator as records access officer, and authorize that officer to make available a form for written requests for records. The officer would also be able to charge nominal fees for producing such records in accordance with FOIL law provisions.

The proposal also specifies that

personal information exempted by public officers law can be deleted from such records. "If production of the record without such deletion would constitute an unwarranted invasion of personal privacy." Home addresses and phone numbers of officers, employees or former employees, or applicants for employment, will not be disclosed under the new policy.

School Superintendent William Schwartz has recommended the procedural change for adoption at the March 15 meeting.

The policy draft was distributed Feb. 9. "We send it out to the media, to parent groups, to our buildings, and we circulate it in the community," Kurp said.

Interested parties can comment in writing prior to the meeting (by mail to the superintendent at 26 Thatcher St., Selkirk 12158) or at the meeting itself.

Kurp said there hasn't been any negative response to the policy as proposed so far. "As far as I know, we haven't had any comment to date," she said. "We may at the next board meeting."

Association to meet

The New Scotland Onesquethaw Union Cemetery Association will meet on Monday, March 1, at 7:30 p.m. at Clarksville Community Reformed Church on Route 443. The meeting will be open to the public.

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Obituaries

Jesse M. Rodgers

Jesse M. Rodgers, 20, of Geneseo and formerly of Delmar died Tuesday, Feb. 16, at SUNY Geneseo of injuries he sustained in a fire.

Born in Hanover, N.H., he was a 1996 graduate of Bethlehem Central High School, where he was a member of the National Honor Society, the football team and Key Club.

Mr. Rodgers was a member of St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Albany and was active in its youth group. He was also active in Boy Scouts.

Survivors include his parents, Katherine Liegler Rodgers of Delmar and Bruce A. Rodgers of Albany; a sister, Hannah Rodgers of Boston; his maternal grandmother, Marion Liegler of Racine, Wis.; and his paternal grandmother, Erma Rodgers of Bradenton, Fla.

Services were from St. Paul's Lutheran Church.

Arrangements were by the Applebee Funeral Home in Delmar.

Contributions may be made to Capital District Habitat for Humanity, 277 S. Pearl St., Albany 12202 or Albany Happenings, c/o St. Paul's Lutheran Church, 21 Hackett Blvd., Albany 12208.

Howard F. Miller

Howard F. "Red" Miller, 78, of Glenmont died Thursday, Feb. 18, at Stratton Veterans Administration Medical Center Hospital.

He was a graduate of Syracuse University and a member of Phi Gamma Delta. He received master's and doctoral degrees from Harvard University.



Mr. Miller was an Army veteran of World War II. He was the recipient of the Purple Heart and the Bronze Star.

He was deputy director of the state Division of the Budget under the late Gov. Averell Harriman. He became director of the department before he retired. He served as secretary of the Assembly Ways and Means Committee and executive director of the Scott Commission in New York City.

Mr. Miller was a member of the faculty of the Maxwell School of Public Affairs at Syracuse University from 1947 to 1969.

Mr. Miller received Syracuse University George Arents Award and the Nelson A. Rockefeller Award for distinguished public service.

He was a senior fellow of the American Society of Public Administrators, a fellow of the state Academy of Public Administration

and a member of the Sigma Delta Chi professional journalism fraternity.

He was a former member of the board of directors of the Delaware & Hudson Railroad.

He was a member of First United Methodist Church in Delmar.

Survivors include his wife, Martha Wright Miller; two sons, Dr. Howard E. Miller of Burlington, N.C., and Mitchell W. Miller of Schenectady; and eight grandchildren.

Burial was in Bethlehem Cemetery.

Arrangements were by the Applebee Funeral Home in Delmar.

Contributions may be made to Bethlehem Senior Projects, 445 Delaware Ave., Delmar 12054.

Hollis A. Swett

Hollis Ashley Swett of Delmar died Friday, Feb. 19, at St. Peter's Hospital in Albany.

Mr. Swett worked for the state Department of Equalization and Assessment.

He was a Navy veteran of World War II.

He was a member of the American Institute of Real Estate Appraisers, the American Legion Post 1040, the Life Story writing group in Voorheesville, the Second Milers in Delmar and Delmar Presbyterian Church.

Survivors include his wife, Eleanor May Swett; a son Eric Swett of Colorado Springs, Colo.; a daughter, Susan Swett Hunter of Fairfax, Va.; three sisters, Jean Sherman of Steel, N.D., Anabelle Kubic of Dickerson, N.D., and Dakatoa Soules of Madras, Ore.; a brother, Darwin Swett of Trinidad, Colo.; and three grandchildren.

A memorial service will be at 11 a.m. today, Feb. 24, at Delmar Presbyterian Church, 585 Delaware Ave., Delmar.

Arrangements are by the Meyers Funeral Home in Delmar.

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

Helen R. Stewart

Helen Rossman Stewart of Delmar died Friday, Feb. 19, at Good Samaritan Nursing Home in Delmar.

Mrs. Stewart was a homemaker.

She was a member of Delmar Reformed Church.

She was the widow of William Stewart.

Survivors include two sons, David Stewart of Delmar and Richard Stewart of Bakersfield, Calif.; five grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

Services were private.

Arrangements were by the Meters Funeral Home in Delmar.

Contributions may be made to the Delmar Reformed Church Building Fund, 386 Delaware Ave., Delmar 12054.

Saul Heckelman

Saul Heckelman, 71, of Kenaware Avenue in Delmar, died Sunday, Feb. 28, at Albany Medical Center Hospital.

Survivors include his wife, Dvorah Smolensky Heckelman; daughter, Leora Heckelman of Kew Gardens; a son, Daniel Heckelman of Silver Springs, Md.; a brother, Joseph Heckelman of Charleston, S.C.; a sister, Judith Lax of Summit, N.J.; and four grandchildren.

Services were from Temple Israel in Albany.

Arrangements were by the Levine Memorial Chapel.

Burial was in Temple Israel Cemetery in Guilderland.

Charles C. Myers

Charles C. Myers, 91, of Delmar died Friday, Feb. 19, at his home.

Alongtime resident of Delmar, he worked for the town of Bethlehem Water & Sewer Department, retiring in 1973.

Mr. Myers was a member of the Rensselaer Elks 2073, the Rensselaer Odd Fellows Lodge and the Lutheran Church of the Holy Spirit in Albany. He was a former member and chief of the Delmar Fire Department.

He was the husband of the late Anna Menz Myers.

Survivors include a son, Robert E. Myers of Stephentown; two sisters, Thelma Longacker and Elizabeth Lewis, both of East Greenbush; and three grandsons.

Services were from the Applebee Funeral Home in Delmar.

Contributions may be made to the Delmar Rescue Squad, 145 Adams St., Delmar 12054.

Howard F. Martin

Howard F. Martin, 70, of Route 9W in Selkirk died Monday, Feb. 15, at St. Peter's Hospital in Albany.

Born in Moriah, Essex County, he was a graduate of Mineville High School.

Mr. Martin was a clerk for Republic Steel Corp. in Mineville before he retired. He also worked for the state Department of Conservation.

He was an Army veteran of World War II, serving in the 7th Armored Division.

He was a communicant of All Saints Catholic Church in Mineville.

He was a member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 5802 and the American Association of

Retired Persons.

Survivors include his wife, Jane Stone Martin; a son, James H. Martin of Selkirk; a daughter, Barbara Ann Bart of Gardiner, Ulster County; a brother, Joseph Martin of Keene, N.H.; six grandchildren; and a great-grandson.

Services were private.

Arrangements were by the Dunn Funeral Home in Mechanicville.

Contributions may be made to Ravena Hose Co., 172 Main St., Ravena 12143 or Bethlehem Ambulance, 1121 Route 9W, Selkirk 12158.

Mary Ellen Gill

Mary Ellen Gill, 71, of Delmar died Tuesday, Feb. 16, at home.

Born in New York City, she was a graduate of Lasell Junior College and attended Syracuse University.

Mrs. Gill was co-owner of Taylor & Vadney Sporting Goods in Albany for 16 years. She retired in 1986.

She was a member of the Tawasentha Chapter of the Daughters of American Revolution and LaMini Scala Miniature Club. She was also a volunteer at Albany Medical Center Hospital.

She was the widow of George H. Gill III.

Survivors include two sons, A. Scott Gill of Queensbury and David R. Gill of Albany; a daughter, Nancy Bowne Gill of Rosendale; a sister, Woodis Bent

of West Chester, Pa.; a brother, Hugh Roberts Jr. of Las Vegas, Nev.; and six grandchildren.

Services were from St. Stephen's Episcopal Church in Elsmere.

Arrangements were by the Tebbutt Funeral Home in Delmar.

Contributions may be made to the Leukemia Society, 83 Watervliet Ave., Albany 12206.

Leon Rosenberg

Leon Rosenberg, 93, of Delmar and formerly of Albany died Wednesday, Feb. 17, at Good Samaritan Nursing Home in Delmar.

Born in Russia, he moved to New York City as a teen-ager. Mr. Rosenberg was a tailor before he retired.

He was an Army veteran of World War II.

Survivors include a sister, Betty Steinberg of Livingston, N.J.

Arrangements were by the Levayah Chapels.

Business women plan dinner meeting

Bethlehem Business Women will meet on Wednesday, March 3, at Normanside Country Club in Elsmere. A social time starts at 6 p.m., with dinner at 6:30 p.m.

Ernie Walk, host of a radio garden show for more than two decades, will discuss indoor and outdoor gardening.

Guests and new members are welcome. For information, call 439-8012

- DEATH NOTICE -

Jay Reid Gould, 92, of Beechwood Apartments Burdett Avenue in Troy, died Monday, Feb. 8, after a short illness.

Born in Aylesford, Nova Scotia, he was son of the late Lealon Benjamin and Eleanor West Gould and husband of the late Rebecca Potter Gould. He had lived in Troy since 1929 and was educated at the University of British Columbia; Acadia University, Nova Scotia; and Harvard University.

Professor Gould taught at Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute in Troy for 50 years. He was Louis Ellsworth Laffin Professor of English in the Department of Language, Literature, and Communication when he retired in 1972. He was also a visiting Professor in Communication at the University of Massachusetts and New South Wales Institute of Technology; consulted widely in business; and taught numerous seminars in the United States and abroad.

He was widely recognized for his pioneering efforts in establishing professional degrees in technical communication. He co-wrote two of the earliest textbooks in the field; wrote more than 50 articles on communications; founded the annual Technical Writers' Institute; set up the first Master's in Technical Communication program in the country at RPI in 1953; and helped set up the first Ph.D. program in rhetoric and communication in the country at RPI in the late 1960s.

He was a founding member of the Society for Technical Communication, which made him a Fellow in 1965, honored him with President's Award in 1992, and gives an annual Jay R. Gould Award for excellence in teaching technical communication. He was also a Fellow of the American Business Writing Association. He received the IEEE Professional Communication Society's Award of Distinction in 1989 and a Certificate of Appreciation from the Association of Teachers of Technical Writing. He was also an early member of the American Medical Writers Association.

He was founding editor of the Journal of Technical Writing and Communication and founding editor of the Baywood Publishers book series in Technical Communication. He co-founded the RPI Campus Players, where he directed numerous plays. He also published several short plays, one of which was recently performed by St. Paul's Players.

Survivors include a son, Lee Potter Gould of Niskayuna; a daughter, Emilie West Gould of Troy; and a daughter-in-law, Jeanne P. Dross of Niskayuna.

Funeral services were from St. Paul's Episcopal Church in Troy with the Rev. Canon Simon Justice, Rector, officiating. A reception followed in the church Guild Hall. Interment will be in the spring in St. Mary's Anglican Church, Auburn, Nova Scotia.

Awards

(From Page 1)

of the Year in honor of 27 years of service as a home-visit representative for Welcome Wagon.

As a Welcome Wagon representative, Thurlow was the first face many Bethlehem residents saw upon their arrival over the past three decades. Welcome Wagon recently announced that it will phase out its home visit services, and as a result Thurlow will be retiring.

The citizenship award is presented to recognize "individuals who have made extraordinary contributions to the quality of life in our community." Chamber board members and employees and their relatives are ineligible for consideration. Nominations are solicited from community members.

Specifically cited for this year's



Thurlow

award were beautification committee Chairman Robert Horn of Delmar and members Faith Fuller of Selkirk, Edward Kleinke III of Slingerlands, and Karen Kermani, Joanne Lenden, Elaine Loder, Joan Persing, and Shirley Seyler, all of Delmar.

The Bethlehem First task force was formed in 1994, and the beautification committee is the last of four standing committees created by the task force still actively in operation. "This was very unexpected," said Horn of the recognition. "It's good to have the recognition, not for us but because it's good publicity for the work we're doing."

He noted in particular the group's recent efforts to plant daffodils along D & H Railway embankments, and to give bulbs to Bethlehem's elementary schools for children to plant. The committee will also sponsor garden tours in the community this summer.

Thurlow said being named Business Person of the Year was "pretty unbelievable, an absolutely lovely honor." The award is presented annually to the owner or representative of a business in good standing as a member of the chamber. As with the citizen



Members of the Bethlehem Beautification Committee members, bottom row, from left, are Elaine Loder, Joan Persing and Shirley Seyler and top row, from left, Ed Kleinke, Faith Fuller, Joanne Lender, Karen Kermani and Bob Horn. Committee members will become Bethlehem's newest Citizens of the Year.

award, board members and employees and their relatives, and past recipients, are not eligible.

Thurlow, a onetime nursery

school teacher at Slingerlands Elementary, joined Welcome Wagon in 1972 believing, she said, that "It must be fun to meet new people."

At a retirement celebration given by the Delmar Welcome Wagon Club in her honor in December, one speaker estimated that Thurlow had personally welcomed almost 6,000 individuals to the community since. "I almost fell off my chair," she said. "I said, oh no, that couldn't possibly be."

She never envisioned remaining so long with the group, she said. "If anybody had ever told me in the beginning I'd last so long ... but I figured, after 15 years, why stop?"

Her chief regret is that she will not see a 30th anniversary with Welcome Wagon. The format change last fall, she said, came

about as a result of societal change. "I'm sure in the major cities it would be very difficult nowadays for a stranger to show up at your door," she said. The group will now rely entirely on the mail to greet newcomers to the communities it serves.

Thurlow was offered an opportunity to remain, but she declined. "To me, the joy of the job was making the home visits," she said. "I'd like to continue to do something that will really count."

The awards dinner is set Friday, March 5, at Normanside Country Club in Elmsmere, with a cocktail reception beginning at 6:30 p.m. and a buffet at 8 p.m. Tickets are \$42.50 per person and reservations are requested by Thursday, Feb. 25. For information and tickets, call the Bethlehem Chamber of Commerce at 439-0512.

Youth Network

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Coalition needs help from parents

The Parent Involvement Coalition is a newly formed Community Partnership task force.

It is working on a variety of positive initiatives and needs help from community members.

The group is planning to hold events at local firehouses for high school students on Friday evenings. Students and adults are needed to help create a coffee house right here in town.

Parents of students in grades 11 and 12 face unique challenges. Experienced parents are working to create a survival course to help parents of high school juniors and seniors.

The Parent Involvement Coalition will also be forming a preschool parent committee. The group will publish a newsletter and sponsor training sessions for parents of preschoolers.

If you would like to help with these and other initiatives, attend the next meeting of the coalition on Saturday, March 13, at 9 a.m. at Bethlehem Central Middle School on Kenwood Avenue.

For information, call 439-7740.



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Todd Kelafant and Colleen Biche

Biche, Kelafant engaged

Colleen Ann Biche, daughter of Gerard and Patricia Biche of Selkirk, and Todd Kenneth Kelafant, son of Seward and Jeanette Kelafant of Feura Bush, are engaged to be married.

The bride-to-be is a graduate of Bethlehem Central High School. She is a child-care worker.

The future groom is also a graduate of Bethlehem Central High School.

He is a crane operator for the International Union of Operating Engineers, Local 106 in Albany.

The couple plans an April 17 wedding.

Wagar, Crean to wed

Colleen Michele Wagar, daughter of James and Carol Wagar of Grafton, and Matthew B. Crean, son of Thomas and Susan Crean of Holbrook, Suffolk County, are engaged to be married.

The bride-to-be is a graduate of Berlin Central High School and

Boston University. She is a supervisor and manager at Nicolla Physical Therapy in Delmar.

The future groom is a graduate of the University at Albany. He is an inventory analyst at Appelton Paper in Feura Bush.

The couple plans a May 22 wedding.

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And Susan Derda, Joanne Kratz and Brian Walsh, all of Feura Bush; Donald Dawson Jr., Scott DeFeo, Deborah DePuccio, Tara Nash, Joseph Shortsleeve and Courtney Silver, all of Glenmont; and David Martone, Sean Ostrander and Randy Ross, all of Selkirk.

And Mark Barrett, John Bujak, Thomas Flynn, Barry Isbister, Jeongbae Kim, Stephanie Osterhoudt, Kristen Rider, Matthew Securo and Richard Vara, all of Slingerlands; and James Adams, Mary Flansburg, Thomas Hoyt and Joseph Sheehan, all of Voorheesville.

Dean's List: Michelle Van Alstyne of Clarksville; James Azaceta, Michael Caruso, Adam Holligan, Mari Kaymakcian, Matthew Lotz, Wendy Malhenzie, Kristina McShane, Thomas Moran Jr., Jeffrey Rings, Andrew Pludrzynski, Kevin Salhoff, Lisa Sammon, Sherri Shafer and Jane Ursprung, all of Delmar.

And Jeremy Kawczak and Tracy Mc Grail, both of Feura Bush; Andrew Browne, Gavin Burt and Anne Livoti, all of Glenmont; Lill-Anne Green, Preston Lambert, Scott Royce, Jeffrey Sorell Jr., Peter Speziale and Carlos Torres, all of Selkirk.

And Seamus Gallagher, Latricia Gay and Christopher Osterhoudt, all of Slingerlands; and Maria Brett, Rebecca Cavaleri, Debra Czajkowski, Summer Deitz, Sarah Glock, AnnMarie Pierro, Jason Pitcher, Nurhan Ozmat and Seth Pompei, all of Voorheesville.



Mabel and August Brate in 1944 and now.



Brates celebrate 55th

August and Mabel Brate of Voorheesville celebrated their 55th wedding anniversary on Jan. 1.

The couple was married Jan. 1, 1944 at St. Lucy's Church in Altamont.

August was a labor foreman for Hudson River Construction. He now works at the New Scotland Transfer Station.

The Brates owned and oper-

ated the Voorheesville Food Market for many years.

The couple has eight children, Beverly Meacham, August Brate Jr., Thomas Brate, John Brate and Ann Dieckmann, all of Voorheesville; Ronald Brate of Colonie; Mary Rarick of Clarksville and Mabel Parpeggia of Asheboro, N.C.; 18 grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

Community



Hockey boosters to hold drawing

The Bethlehem Hockey Boosters will hold its sixth annual raffle drawing to support the high school varsity hockey program on Saturday, Feb. 27, at 10 a.m. at Bethlehem town hall.

First prize in the drawing will be \$10,000 cash, with 10 additional \$100 prizes to be awarded. Winners need not be present.

Tickets can be purchased for \$10 at Grand Union in Delaware Plaza from Wednesday to Friday, Feb. 24 to 26, from 5 to 9 p.m., or by calling 439-5223.

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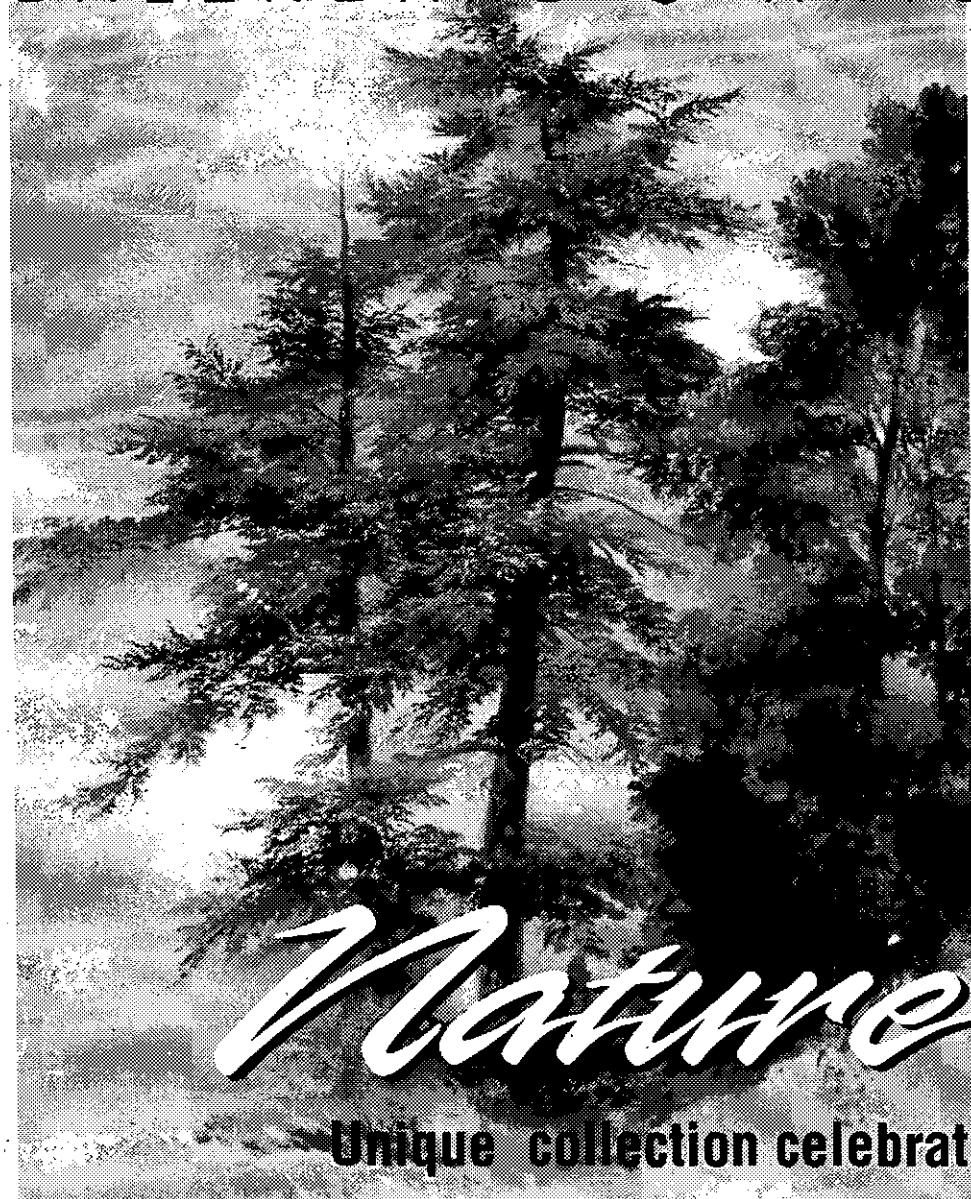
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Nature's glory

Unique collection celebrates Hudson River School

By JOSEPH A. PHILLIPS

Nearly every major art collection in the Northeast, including such local stalwarts as the Albany Institute of History and Art and the Canajoharie Art Museum, contains a few examples of the Hudson River School, the celebrated 19th-century landscape movement that included Frederic Church, Thomas Cole, John Frederick Kensett and Albert Bierstadt.

Every major collection, that is, except the Clark Art Institute in Williamstown, built by the Singer Sewing Co. heirs whom the gallery is named.

"Sterling and Francine Clark did not buy Hudson River landscapes," said Brian Allen, assistant to the director of curatorial affairs at the institute.

The Clarks' tastes ran less to figurative studio painting and more to impressionism or more "modern" American artists.

"They did buy Winslow Homers," Allen said. "They loved that feeling of fresh paint."

Had they but joined the mid-19th century fashion for collecting sketch art rather than studio paintings, the Clarks might perhaps have appreciated the Hudson River artists more. The work of these landscape artists out in the field, many of these sketches in oil possess a gestural, documentary, impressionistic, almost photographic, first-take quality.

"One sketch Frederic Church made in 1850 is very, very similar to late Homer seascapes," Allen said.

Alas, most of these sketch works were not regarded as exhibitable

finished paintings, so they ended up in private collections and therefore were not widely seen or appreciated by the public.

That gap in public appreciation is being filled now by a touring exhibit, organized by the Dallas Museum of Art, that is currently on display at the Clark through May 9.

"The Painted Sketch: American Impressions from Nature, 1830-1880" brings together some 90 works — "all the heavy hitters of American landscape art in the 19th century," said

Allen, who oversaw the Clark installation.

The exhibit includes 29 works by Columbia County resident Church, arguably the leading landscape painter of his day.

"An artist like Frederic Church was an inveterate sketcher, sketching for pleasure," Allen said. He lazed away many an afternoon at his Olana estate south of Hudson observing the clouds passing by and the changing light.

Others were more purposeful. "Some artists, like Asher Durand, used their sketches to catch a vignette, for later use in a finished painting," Allen explained. "Others, like Albert Bierstadt, sketched for future reference."

Allen cited Durand's "Nature Study: Trees", with its intense focus on the play of light and shadow on a pair of hemlocks. "He may or may not have used it for later work," he said.

It was the work of Cole, Bierstadt, Durand and their colleagues that helped mythologize the wilderness of nineteenth-century America, which they were able to observe thanks to evolving technology.

"The early 1840s invention of paint

in tin tubes really liberated the artists and allowed them to paint outdoors and travel more freely, without worrying about mixing paint at the easel," Allen noted.

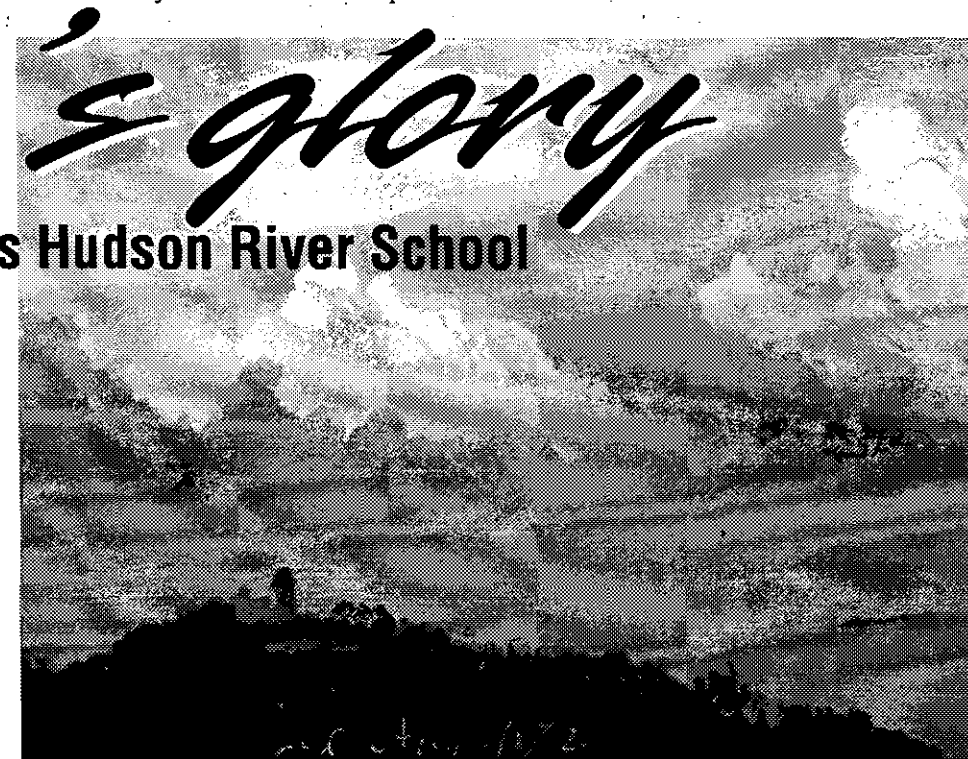
One piece in the exhibit, in fact, is Cole's decorated portable sketchbox, at once both work of art and tool for making art.

Portable paint liberated them not only from considerations of time and space, but the constraints of public perception as well.

"Kensett and Bierstadt and the others worked very hard to change the perception of artists as elite urban sophisticates, reinventing artists in the public mind as individualists, willing to go anywhere and see everything," Allen said.

As such, they were kin to the Europeans like Monet. "I like to think of impressionism and the painted sketch movement in the U.S. as parallel movements," Allen said. "One may not have directly influenced the other, but they sprang from the same impulse."

(The Clark is scheduled to host an exhibit of Impressionist sketch art in 2001.)



Top left: Sketches like Asher Durand's "Nature Study: Trees" from 1849 often provided source material for later studio canvasses. Center: Purely for his own amusement, Frederic Church spent many a lazy afternoon sketching the vistas from his Olana estate in Columbia County, like the 1872 "Clouds Over Olana." Bottom: Like many a present-day tourist, Church stood on the deck of the *Maid of the Mist* in 1858 to capture this "snap-shot" of the view "Under Niagara" -- only not on film, but in oil.

Unfortunately, as private collectors soaked up the sketches, the public came to possess only the finished studio works of these artists.

"Very often when you have the elements of sketches reworked into finished paintings, they lose that freshness and spontaneity," Allen said.

So the current exhibition is a kind of rescue of the Hudson River School painters' deserved reputation among contemporaneous collectors for creating a vivid first impression.

Unfortunately, as the works remain largely in private hands, the current tour may be a rare opportunity to see these works as a whole. The Clark installation is the last venue for the exhibit.

"It's a beautiful show and it's sad to see them broken up and sent back to their owners," Allen said. "They're more beautiful together."

The Clark Art Institute is off Route 2, south of the village green, in Williamstown. The museum is open Tuesday through Sunday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. For information, call 413-458-2303, ext. 505.

ARTS and ENTERTAINMENT

THEATER

THE MALE INTELLECT: AN OXYMORON

one-man comedy, Capital Rep., 111 N. Pearl St., Albany, through March 21, \$10-\$35. Information, 445-7469.

THE GLASS MENAGERIE

Tennessee Williams classic, Home Made Theater, Spa Little Theater, Saratoga Springs, Feb. 26 and 27 at 8:15 p.m. and Feb. 28 at 1 p.m., \$14-\$16. Information, 587-4427.

MACK AND MABEL

musical about silent movies, Schenectady Light Opera Co., 826 State St., March 5 to 7 and 11 to 14, \$16, \$8 for children under 14. Information, 377-5101.

THE POPE AND THE WITCH

satire by Dario Fo, Albany Civic Theatre, 235 Second Ave., March 5, 6, 12, 13, 19 and 20 at 8 p.m., March 7, 14 and 21 at 3 p.m., March 13 and 20 at 4 p.m., \$12. Information, 462-1297.

ME AND MY GIRL

musical comedy by Gateway Theatrical, The Egg at Empire State Plaza, March 5, 8 p.m., \$24, \$20 for seniors, \$14 for children under 13. Information, 473-1845.

AN EVENING OF BECKETT ONE-ACT PLAYS

University at Albany theater department, Performing Arts Center, Feb. 24, 25, 26 and 27 at 8 p.m., \$10, \$7 for students and seniors. Information, 442-3997.

ALICE IN IRELAND

by Alice Sheehan, Siena College theater group, Foy Campus Center Theater, Route 9, Loudonville, March 5, 6, 11, 12 and 13, 8 p.m., \$10, \$8 for seniors and students. Information, 783-2527.

SUNSET BOULEVARD

romantic musical starring Petula Clark, Proctor's Theatre, State Street, Schenectady, Feb. 26 at 8 p.m., Feb. 27 at 2 and 8 p.m., Feb. 28 at 2 and 7 p.m., \$36.50-\$42.50. Information, 346-6204.

HIDE & SEEK and THE TEMP

Harlequin Players' production, Community United Methodist Church, Route 85, Slingerlands, Feb. 26 and March 5 and 6 at 8 p.m., Feb. 28 at 2 p.m., \$7, dinner theater on Feb. 27 at 6 p.m., \$15. Information, 478-0405.

LIGHT UP THE SKY

by Moss Hart, Circle Theater Players, The Church of the Covenant, Route 43, Averill Park, Feb. 26 and 27 at 8 p.m., \$10, Feb. 28 at 2:30 p.m., \$7. Information, 674-3761.

MUSIC

ROD STEWART

Pepsi Arena, South Pearl Street, Albany, Feb. 25, 8 p.m. \$30-\$60. Information, 487-2000.

ORPHEUS CHAMBER ORCHESTRA

with pianist Richard Goode, works by Mozart, Boccherini, Lieberman and Martinu, Troy Savings Bank Music Hall, State and Second streets, Feb. 26, 7:30 p.m., \$23. Information, 273-0038.

AMERICA'S FAVORITE SONGS

Opera Excelsior house concert in GE Realty Plot, Schenectady, Feb. 28, 3 p.m., \$18. Information, 346-4187.

PATRICK STREET

Old Songs concert, Altamont Masonic Lodge, Route 146, March 1, 8 p.m., \$12. Information, 765-2815.

THE WOLFE TONES

with Tara Hall Pipe Band, 24th annual benefit concert, The Egg at Empire State Plaza, Albany, March 4, 7 p.m., \$15-\$20.

DOYLE'S TRADITIONAL IRISH CABARET

song, dance and comedy from Dublin's Burlington Hotel, to benefit the Irish American Heritage Museum, Troy Savings Bank Music Hall, State and Second streets, March 6, 8 p.m., \$20. Information, 273-0038.

THE CANADIAN BRASS

classical music with a light touch, Proctor's Theatre, State Street, Schenectady, March 6, 8 p.m., \$29.50-\$36.50. Information, 346-6204.

FAMILY FUN

JIM SNACK

noted magician, The Egg at Empire State Plaza, Albany, Feb. 28, 1 and 4 p.m., \$8, \$6 for seniors and children under 13. Information, 473-1845.

VISUAL ARTS

NEW YORK STATE MUSEUM

Pop Art: Selections from the Museum of Modern Art, through May 2, 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

Recent Acquisitions, through March 15, Designer Crafts Council Members Show, through May 2, 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.

JOSEPH RAGGIO

paintings and drawings, Learning Resources Center Gallery at Hudson Valley Community College, through Feb. 25. Information, 266-8072.

ETCHINGS ON BIBLICAL THEMES

by Joan Bohlig, Visions Gallery, 40 N. Main St., Albany, March 5 to May 3, 8 a.m. to 8 p.m., Monday through Friday. Information, 453-6600.

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.

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.

AUDITION

for Capital Hill Choral Society's April 25 performance, rehearsals begin Feb. 23. For appointment, call 465-3328.

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 Capital 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. 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.

Area FREEBIES

Thursday, Feb. 25

■ Douglas Starr, author of "Blood: An Epic History of Medicine and Commerce," reads from and discusses his work, Recital Hall, Performing Arts Center, University at Albany, 8 p.m. Information, 442-5620.

Friday, Feb. 26

■ Organist Christian Finke plays works by Bach, Bruns, Scheidt and Mendelssohn, Memorial Chapel of Union College, Schenectady, 8 p.m. Information, 388-6785.

■ Jennie Stearns, Borders Books & Music, 59 Wolf Road, Colonie, 8 p.m. Information, 482-5800.

Saturday, Feb. 27

■ Songwriters Forum, with Michael Eck, Mikki Bakken, Tom Ross and John Powhida, Borders Books & Music, 59 Wolf Road, Colonie, 8 p.m. Information, 482-5800.

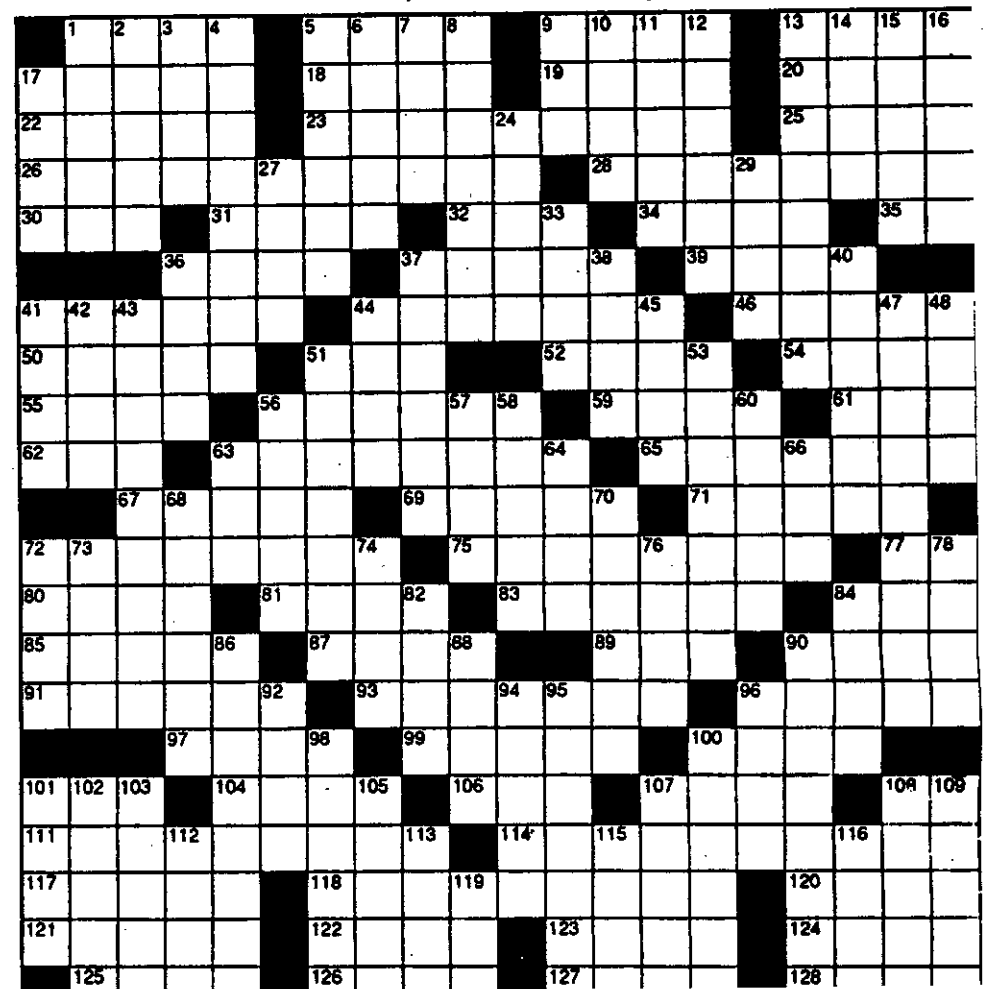
Wednesday, March 3

■ High School Choral Festival, Proctor's Theatre, State Street, Schenectady, 7 p.m., obtain tickets from box office.

Super CROSSWORD

Super Crossword

ACROSS				DOWN			
1 Lovers' quarrel	54 Bring disgrace on	96 Pilotless airplanes	128 Mardi —	40 Breathe in	84 Computer-screen image	92 Tunisian measure	98 Urge into action
5 Nipa palm	55 Eat into	97 Daytime TV fare	DOWN	41 Singer	86 More untidy	94 Small jazz ensemble	100 Tour guide and lecture
9 Jose's house	56 Darkens	99 British prisons	1 Play the guitar	42 Moslem ruler	88 Wood sorrel	95 Stritch and May	101 RBI or ERA
13 Title for 57	59 Brings forth lambs	100 River in Scotland	2 Couples	43 Eli Whitney's 1793 invention	90 Drinker/Sla. invention of 1928	96 David Copperfield bride	102 French painter
17 Barrel part	61 Southwest wind	101 Political student org.	3 Declare to be true	44 Portuguese folk tune	92 Tunisian measure	98 Urge into action	103 Point of view
18 Lytton heroine	62 Museum commodity	104 Remove the rind	4 Communications invention of 1928	45 Of a time period	94 Small jazz ensemble	100 Tour guide and lecture	105 January, to Juan
19 TV comedy	63 Lanston's 1887 invention	106 Diminutive, in Dundee	5 Bridal paths	47 Hunt's 1849 invention	95 Stritch and May	101 RBI or ERA	107 Alan King, one
10 Iliad and Odyssey	65 Walton's 1860 floor covering	107 Pepper or barley follower	6 Aggregate	48 Flightless bird	96 David Copperfield bride	102 French painter	108 "The Prisoner of —"
12 The Little Mermaid	67 Lincoln Center offering	108 State-trimming tool	7 Dill weed	49 Suffix meaning skin	98 Urge into action	103 Point of view	109 Feeds the kitty
13 Fulton's pride	69 One of the Muses	111 Bell's 1876 invention	8 Female peacocks	51 Elected official	100 Tour guide and lecture	104 RBI or ERA	110 Peter or Iv
15 Papal vestment	71 French painter	114 Ben Franklin's 1780 invention	9 — Calloway	53 Brutes	101 RBI or ERA	105 January, to Juan	112 Miss Kett
16 Fitch's invention	72 Nobel's 1866 invention	117 The pea tree 1816	10 Minor prophet	55 — acid	102 French painter	107 Alan King, one	113 Harrow's rival
18 Oughtred's 1620 invention	75 Westing-house's 1868 contribution	118 Maelzel's 1816 contribution to music	11 Zoo favorites	57 Pianist Hess	103 Point of view	108 "The Prisoner of —"	115 Goller's cry
10 German river	77 Thus far	120 — Mountains; a range of the Rockies	12 Pranks	58 Iberian country	104 RBI or ERA	109 Feeds the kitty	116 Ananias, fo one
11 Sesame	80 Chinese and Persian	121 Pierre's aunt	13 Protective resources	60 Plumber's tool	105 January, to Juan	110 Peter or Iv	119 Scott Joplin opus
12 Stamming sounds	81 Intimidates	122 Malayan outrigger	14 On — (equivalent to)	63 Hebrew letter	107 Alan King, one	112 Miss Kett	
14 Look at closely	83 Cuddle snugly	123 Emerald Isle	15 Negative quantity	64 French verb	108 "The Prisoner of —"	113 Harrow's rival	
15 "I'll — You in My Dreams"	84 — facto	124 Consumer advocate	16 French school	66 Lonely number?	109 Feeds the kitty	115 Goller's cry	
16 Stains	85 Falls to include	125 Play the lead	17 Glut	68 Library adhesives	110 Peter or Iv	116 Ananias, fo one	
17 Marsh bird	87 Western city	126 Chinese association	21 Snicker follower	70 Preoccupy greatly	112 Miss Kett	119 Scott Joplin opus	
19 "In Spain they say —"	89 Some M.I.T. grads	127 Splinter	24 Worth	72 Mail slot	113 Harrow's rival		
11 Summarizes	90 Cake topper		27 Golf gadgets	73 Arizona Indian	115 Goller's cry		
14 Joyous	91 Soft saddles		29 Speaker's platform	74 Female sheep	116 Ananias, fo one		
16 Felt intuitively	93 Much-sought outcome		33 Short drive	76 Road map abbr. (pl.)			
10 Ham it up			36 Tropical fruit	78 Serf			
11 Jaffe or Wanamaker			37 Hebrew or Arab	79 Clothes			
12 Ibsen heroine			38 Bacchanalian cry	82 Warm and			



The Spotlight CALENDAR

**WEDNESDAY
FEBRUARY 24**
BETHLEHEM
YOUTH EMPLOYMENT SERVICES

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

SOLID ROCK CHURCH

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

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.

TESTIMONY MEETING

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

NEW SCOTLAND
NEW SCOTLAND SENIOR CITIZENS

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

"MEDIA LITERACY" PROGRAM

Sponsored by Cornell Cooperative Extension, Voorheesville Public Library, 51 School Road, 7 p.m. Information 765-3500.

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.

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.

**THURSDAY
FEBRUARY 25**
BETHLEHEM
RECOVERY, INC.

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

BETHLEHEM SENIOR CITIZENS

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

YOUTH EMPLOYMENT SERVICES

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

VOLLEYBALL TOURNAMENT

fundraiser for Slingerlands Elementary School and DARE, sponsored by Slingerlands PTA, 6:30 p.m., \$2 adults, \$1 students, information 439-7681.

ALBANY MEN'S GARDEN CLUB

Days Inn, Route 9W, Glenmont, 6:30 p.m. Dinner \$14. Information 237-8572 or 438-7550.

BETHLEHEM LUTHERAN CHURCH

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

CLASS IN JEWISH MYSTICISM

Delmar Chabad Center, 109 Elsmere Ave., 8 p.m. Information, 439-8280.

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 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.

**FRIDAY
FEBRUARY 26**
BETHLEHEM
FYI FRIDAY AT LIBRARY

Program on Medicare and other health insurance options, Bethlehem Public Library, 451 Delaware Ave., Delmar, 10 a.m. Information, 439-9314.

FIVE RIVERS CENTER

"Hunger Moon" outing, program on nocturnal life in late winter, Five Rivers Environmental Education Center, Game Farm Road, Delmar, 7 p.m. Information, 475-0291.

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.

OPEN GYM BASKETBALL

Bethlehem Central High School Lower Gym, sponsored by the Bethlehem Parks & Recreation Department, 8-11 p.m., \$1. Information, 439-4131.

NEW SCOTLAND
NUTRITION FOR SENIORS PROGRAM

Sponsored by Cornell Cooperative Extension, Voorheesville Public Library, 51 School Road, 1-2 p.m. Information 765-2791.

YOUTH GROUP MEETINGS

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

**SATURDAY
FEBRUARY 27**
BETHLEHEM
REV'S COUNTRY KITCHEN

Country-Style Roast Ham Dinner, South Bethlehem United Methodist Church, Servings 4:30-6:30 p.m. Information, 767-2281.

AL-ANON MEETING

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

AA MEETING

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

**SUNDAY
FEBRUARY 28**
BETHLEHEM
CHURCH OF ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE

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

ST. 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 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.

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.

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 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.

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.

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.

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.

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.

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.

GLENMONT COMMUNITY CHURCH

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

SOLID ROCK CHURCH

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

NEW SCOTLAND
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.

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.

BETHEL BAPTIST CHURCH

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

UNIONVILLE REFORMED CHURCH

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

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.

MOUNTAINVIEW EVANGELICAL FREE CHURCH

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

ONESQUETHAW REFORMED CHURCH

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

FAITH TEMPLE

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

JERUSALEM REFORMED CHURCH

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

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.

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.

THE DRAGON'S EGG

Welsh language group of the Saint David's Society of the Capital District, New Scotland Presbyterian Church, 2010 New Scotland Road, 2:30 to 5 p.m. Information, 861-6976.

HOME-STYLE BREAKFAST

Clarksville Fire House, County Route 301, Clarksville, 7 a.m. to noon. Adults \$4, children \$3, under 5 free.

**MONDAY
MARCH 1**
BETHLEHEM
ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE SCHOOL

Registration grades K-8, 42 Adams Place, Delmar, information 439-5573.

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.

DELMAR KIWANIS

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

INDOOR PISTOL SHOOTING

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

DELMAR COMMUNITY ORCHESTRA

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

BLANCHARD AMERICAN LEGION POST MEETING

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

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
CHICK-HATCHING WORKSHOP

Sponsored by 4-H, William J. Rice Jr. Extension Center, Voorheesville, 24 Martin Road, 4-6 p.m.

QUARTET REHEARSAL

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

CEMETERY ASSOCIATION MEETING

New Scotland Onesquethaw Union Cemetery Association, Clarksville Community Church, Route 443, 7:30 p.m.

**TUESDAY
MARCH 2**
BETHLEHEM
ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE SCHOOL

Registration grades K-8, 42 Adams Place, Delmar, information 439-5573.

TREASURE COVE THRIFT SHOP

First United Methodist Church, 428 Kenwood Ave., 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.

THRIFT SHOP AND LUNCH(SUMMER ONLY)

sponsored by the South Bethlehem United Methodist Women's Organization, at the church on Willowbrook Avenue, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., with lunch from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Information, 767-9953.

YOUTH EMPLOYMENT SERVICES

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

SAT PRACTICE TEST

Administered by Kaplan Education Centers, for high school seniors and juniors, Bethlehem Public Library, 451 Delaware Ave., Delmar, 5:30 p.m. Information 439-9314.

TAKE POUNDS OFF SENSIBLY

Glenmont Community Church, Weiser Street, 6 p.m. weigh-in, 6:30 p.m. meeting. Information, 449-2210.

INDOOR PISTOL SHOOTING

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

ELSMERE FIRE DISTRICT COMMISSIONERS

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

PLANNING BOARD

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

BINGO

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

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
NIMBLEFINGERS/QUILTERS

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

PLANNING BOARD

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

NEW SCOTLAND HISTORICAL ASSOCIATION

Genealogy program with John Mook, in the Wyman Osterhout Community Center, New Salem, 8 p.m. Information, 765-4446.

**WEDNESDAY
MARCH 3**
BETHLEHEM
ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE SCHOOL

Registration grades K-8, 42 Adams Place, Delmar, information 439-5573.

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Articles or Organization for a New York LLC, to wit, Communications to Go, LLC, whose office is located in Albany County, were filed with the New York State Department of State on December 29, 1998. The Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any process against it served upon him or her is: Communications to Go, LLC, c/o Jeffrey Aussicker, 28 Spice Mill Boulevard, Clifton Park, New York 12065. The purpose of this LLC is to engage in any lawful activity to which the LLC may be organized under the LLC Law of New York State.

(February 24, 1999)

APPLICATION FOR AUTHORITY OF THE MELLER FAMILY LIMITED PARTNERSHIP UNDER SECTION 121-902 OF THE REVISED LIMITED PARTNERSHIP ACT

1. The name of the foreign limited partnership is The Meller Family Limited Partnership.

2. The fictitious name of the Partnership will use in New York State is The K.R. Meller Family.

3. The Partnership was formed on December 8, 1998 under the laws of the State of Delaware.

4. The office of the Partnership will be located in the County of Albany, New York.

5. The Secretary of State is designated as its agent upon whom process against the Partnership may be served. The post office address within the state to which the Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any process against it served upon the Secretary of State is: The K.R. Meller Family Limited Partnership, c/o Kathryn R. Meller, 37 Buckingham Drive, Albany, New York 12208.

6. The address of the principal office of the Partnership is 37 Buckingham Drive, Albany, New York 12208.

7. The name and business address of all general partners is Albany KRM CORP., 37 Buckingham Drive, Albany, New York 12208.

8. The Partnership is in existence in Delaware at the time of filing of this certificate of existence.

9. The name and address of the authorized officer in Delaware where a copy of its certificate of limited partnership is filed is Secretary of State, Townsend Building, P.O. Box 898, Dover, Delaware 19903.

The undersigned general partner has executed this application for authority on February 4, 1999 and affirms under penalties of perjury the truth of all the foregoing statements contained herein.

ALBANY KRM CORP.
By: s/ Susan L. Mellen,
Secretary

General Partner

(February 24, 1999)

ARTICLES OF ORGANIZATION OF HFF CLOSING COMPANY LLC

Under Section 203 of the Limited Liability Company Law

FIRST: The name of the limited liability company is HFF Closing Company LLC.

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

THIRD: The latest date on which the limited liability company is to dissolve is December 31, 2049.

FOURTH: The secretary of state is designated as agent of the limited liability company upon whom process against it may be served. The post office address within or without this state to which the secretary of state shall mail a copy of any process against the limited liability company served upon him or her is:

105 Old Niskayuna Road
Loudonville, New York 12211

FIFTH: The effective date of the Articles of Organization shall be the date of filing with the Sec-

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retary of State.

SIXTH: The limited liability company is to be managed by 1 or more members.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this certificate has been subscribed to 25th day of January, 1999, by the undersigned who affirms that the statements made herein are true under the penalties of perjury.

s/ E.J. Vandergrift, Attorney in Fact

(February 24, 1999)

ARTICLES OF ORGANIZATION OF NINE DRAGONS CITY ASSOCIATES, LLC

Under Section 203 of the Limited Liability Company Law

FIRST: The name of the Limited Liability Company is: NINE DRAGONS CITY ASSOCIATES, LLC

SECOND: The County within this State in which the principal office of the Limited Liability Company is to be located is Albany County.

THIRD: The limited Liability Company shall continue until the occurrence of an event set forth in the Operating Agreement which causes the termination of the Limited Liability Company.

FOURTH: The Limited Liability Company hereby designates the Secretary of State of New York as agent of the Limited Liability Company upon whom process against the Limited Liability Company may be served. The post office address of the limited liability company, to which the Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any process against the Limited Liability Company served upon the Secretary of State, is: 120 Washington Avenue, Albany, New York 12210.

FIFTH: The limited liability Company is to be managed by one or more of its managers.

SIXTH: The business purposes of this limited liability company are to engage in any lawful activity for which limited liability companies may be organized under the Limited Liability Company Law; provided, however, that the limited liability company is not formed to engage in any act or activity requiring the consent or approval of any state official, department, board, agency or other body without first obtaining the consent of such body.

SEVENTH: None of the Members of the Limited Liability Company are liable for payment of any debt, obligation or other liability of the Limited Liability Company.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this certificate has been subscribed this 7th day of January, 1999, by the undersigned who affirms that the statements made here are true under the penalties of perjury.

s/ Raymond Xu

Sole Organizer

STATE OF NEW YORK

SS:

COUNTY OF ALBANY

On this 7th day of January, Nineteen Hundred and Ninety Nine, before me the undersigned, a Notary Public in and for said state, personally appeared RAYMOND XU Personally known to me or proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence to be the individual whose name is subscribed to the within instrument and acknowledged to me that he executed the same in his capacity, and that by his signature on the instrument, the individual, or the person on behalf of which the individual acted, executed the instrument.

s/ Patrick J. LaPorta

Notary Public, State of New York

No. 4962675

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Commission expires Feb., 26, 2000.

(February 24, 1999)

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

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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 in 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.

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, 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.

THE UNDERSIGNED, being

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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
(February 24, 1999)

CERTIFICATE OF LIMITED PARTNERSHIP

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

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

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

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

4. The names and business addresses of the general partners are:

Schuyler Development Co., LLC

c/o Schuyler Companies
582 New Loudon Road
Latham, New York 12110

5. The latest date upon which the limited partnership is to dissolve is January 1, 2098.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned have executed this Certificate of Limited Partnership on the 20th day of January, 1999, and verify and affirm under penalties of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct as of the date hereof.

CATSKILL PARTNERS, L.P.
BY: SCHUYLER DEVELOPMENT CO., LLC
By: s/ Kenneth B. Segel,
Member

(February 24, 1999)

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CERTIFICATE OF REGISTRATION OF A DOMESTIC REGISTERED LIMITED LIABILITY PARTNERSHIP OF TROIDLE & DELEHANTY, L.L.P.

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

It is certified that:

1. The name of the registered limited liability partnership is: Troidle & Delehanty, L.L.P.

2. The address of the principal office of the partnership without limited partners is:

Troidle & Delehanty, L.L.P.
1484 Western Avenue
Albany, New York 12203

3. The partnership without limited partners practices the profession of Dentistry, each partner of which is a professional authorized by law and the New York State Education Department to render professional dental services within New York State. The partnership without limited partners is eligible to register as a registered limited liability partnership pursuant to Section 121-1500 (a) of the Revised Limited Partnership Act.

4. The Department of State is hereby designated as an agent of the Partnership upon whom process against said Partnership 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 Partnership served upon the Secretary of State is:

Troidle & Delehanty, L.L.P.
1484 Western Avenue
Albany, New York 12203

5. The Partnership without limited partners is filing this registration for status as a registered limited liability partnership.

6. The registration of the partnership without limited partners is to be effective at the time of filing.

7. All partners of the Partnership are to be liable in their capacity as partners for all or specified debts, obligations or liabilities of the registered limited liability partnership as authorized pursuant to Section 26(d) of the New York

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Partnership Law.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned have executed this Limited Liability Partnership Registration of Troidle & Delehanty, L.L.P. this 10th day of December 1998.

s/ Paul E. Troidle, D.D.S.

Partner

s/ Janice M. Delehanty, D.D.S.

Partner

(February 24, 1999)

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.

(February 24, 1999)

NOTICE OF FILING

The limited liability co., Woodstock '99, LLC ("LLC"), was formed for any lawful business purpose. LLC's articles of organization filed with sec. of state ("SOS") on 12/17/98. LLC's office located in Albany County. SOS designated as agent for services of process. SOS shall mail copy of process against LLC served on it to Whiteman Osterman & Hanna, 1 Commerce Plaza, Albany, NY 12260, att.: Philip H. Gitlen, Esq. (February 24, 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. (February 24, 1999)

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

The name of the LLC is CATSKILL ASSOCIATES, L.L.C. The Articles of Organization of the LLC were filed with the NY Secretary of State on February 10, 1999. The purpose of the LLC is to engage in any lawful act or activity. The office of the LLC is to be located in Albany County. The Secretary of State is designated as 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 582 New Loudon Road,

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Latham, New York 12110.

(February 24, 1999)

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF THE MCLAUGHLIN LIMITED PARTNERSHIP UNDER SECTION 121-201 OF THE REVISED LIMITED PARTNERSHIP ACT

Notice is hereby given that the persons named below have formed a limited partnership for the transaction of business in the State of New York by filing a Certificate of Limited Partnership of which the substance is as follows:

1. The name of the limited partnership is The McLaughlin Limited Partnership (the "Limited partnership").

2. The office of the Limited partnership is to be located in Albany County.

3. The Certificate of limited Partnership of the McLaughlin Limited Partnership was filed on the 4th day of February, 1999.

4. The Secretary of State is designated as agent of the Limited partnership upon whom process against it may be served. The post office address to which the Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any process served on him against the Limited Partnership is 389 State Street, Albany, New York 12210.

5. The name and the street address of the general partner is:

Name
William F. McLaughlin
Address
389 State Street
Albany, New York 12210

6. The latest date upon which the Limited Partnership is to dissolve is December 31, 2049 unless sooner terminated at a prior time in accordance with the Limited partnership Agreement.

7. The Certificate referred to above has been sworn to by the general partner.

(February 24, 1999)

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF SOMMER FOUR, LLC

Under Section 203 of the Limited Liability Company Law

Sommer Four, LLC has been formed as a domestic limited liability company and states the following:

1. The name of the limited liability company is Sommer Four, LLC.

2. The date of filing of the Articles of Organization of the Limited Liability Company with the Secretary of State is February 10, 1999.

3. The county within the State of New York in which the office of the limited liability company is to be located is Albany County.

4. The Secretary of State is designated as the agent of the limited liability company upon whom process against it may be served. The post office address within or without the State to which the Department of State shall mail a copy of any process served against it is c/o Donald Sommer, 2056 Central Avenue, Albany, New York 12205.

5. The purpose of the business of the limited liability company is to provide engineering services and to engage in any lawful act or activity for which limited liability companies may be organized under applicable law. (February 24, 1999)

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY

Articles of Organization of Ekstein Consulting, LLC ("LLC") filed with the Secretary of State of New York ("SSNY") on February 1, 1999, effective upon the date of filing. Office Location: Albany County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY may mail a copy of any process to the LLC c/o 25 Partridge Road, Delmar, New York 12054. The purpose for which the LLC is formed is to engage in any lawful act or activity for which limited liability companies may be organized under the LLCL. (February 24, 1999)

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

The name of the LLC is NW Partners, L.L.C. The Articles of Organization of the LLC were filed with the NY Secretary of State on January 21, 1999. The purpose of the LLC is to engage in any lawful act or activity. The office of the LLC is to be located in Albany County. The Secretary of State is designated as the agent of the LLC upon whom process against the LLC may be served. The address to which the Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any process against the LLC is 30 Corporate Circle, Albany, New York 12203.

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whom process against the limited partnership may be served.

6. The names and the business or residence street address of each general partner is accessible from the Secretary of State.

7. The latest date upon which the limited partnership is to dissolve is January 1, 2028, unless otherwise terminated in accordance with the limited partnership agreement.

8. The character of the business is to conduct any lawful business activity for profit that is not otherwise prohibited by the laws of the State of New York.

(February 24, 1999)

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY

Articles of Organization of Kellington Arts, LLC ("LLC") filed with the Secretary of State of New York ("SSNY") on January 20, 1999, effective upon the date of filing. Office Location: Albany County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY may mail a copy of any process to the LLC c/o 64 Railroad Avenue, Albany, New York 12205. The purpose for which the LLC is formed is to engage in any lawful act or activity for which limited liability companies may be organized under the LLC.

(February 24, 1999)

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

The name of the LLC is WEST-ERN CORNERS REALTY, L.L.C. The Articles of Organization of the LLC were filed with the NY Secretary of State on January 14, 1999. The purpose of the LLC is to engage in any lawful act or activity. The office of the LLC is to be located in Albany County. The Secretary of State is designated as the agent of the LLC upon

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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 582 New Loudon Road, Latham, New York 12110.

(February 24, 1999)

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

The name of the LLC is KARNER CORNERS REALTY, L.L.C. The Articles of Organization of the LLC were filed with the New York Secretary of State on January 14, 1999. The purpose of the LLC is to engage in any lawful act or activity. The office of the LLC is to be located in Albany County. The Secretary of State is designated as the agent of the LLC upon whom process against the LLC may be served. The address to which the Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any process against the LLC is 582 New Loudon Road, Latham, New York 12110.

(February 24, 1999)

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**TOWN OF BETHLEHEM, ALBANY COUNTY**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Town Board of the Town of Bethlehem, Albany County, New York will hold a public hearing on March 10, 1999 at 7:45 p.m. at the Town Hall, 445 Delaware Avenue, Delmar, NY to consider proposed Local Law No. 4 of 1999, amending Chapter 111, Taxation, Article I, Partial Exemption for Aged Persons.

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

The Town of Bethlehem provides reasonable accommodations for the disabled. Disabled individuals who need assistance in order to participate should con-

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tact David Austin at 439-4131. Advanced notice is requested.

BY ORDER OF THE TOWN BOARD

Kathleen A. Newkirk, CMC/AE
TOWN CLERK

Dated: February 10, 1999
(February 24, 1999)

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TOWN OF BETHLEHEM,
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BY ORDER OF THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF BETHLEHEM

Kathleen A. Newkirk, CMC/AE
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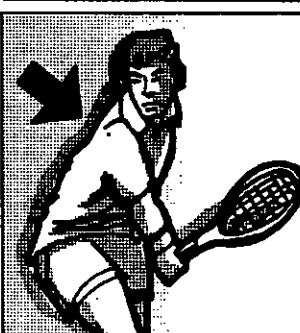
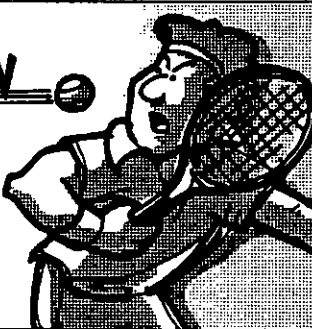
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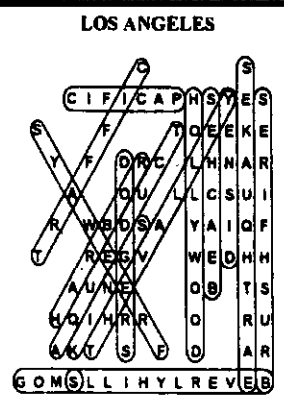
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and alcohol use. Today I am mar-
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have been sober and drug free for
more than 8 years, and I will never
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street and on drugs. I have been
sober and drug free for two years.
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apartment and a close loving rela-
tionship with my dad, mom and
brother. I will never drink or drug
again. If you need help with a
drug or alcohol problem call the
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2204.

Hi, I started drinking and drugging
when I was 12. At 16 years old, my
parents sent me to a 9 month long
therapeutic community. The ther-
apeutic community did little to per-
suade me not to drink and drug
which I planned to do just as soon
as I got out. However, I didn't drink
or drug. Instead I found a solution
for my drug and alcohol problem
that no therapeutic community
could offer- a solution that will last
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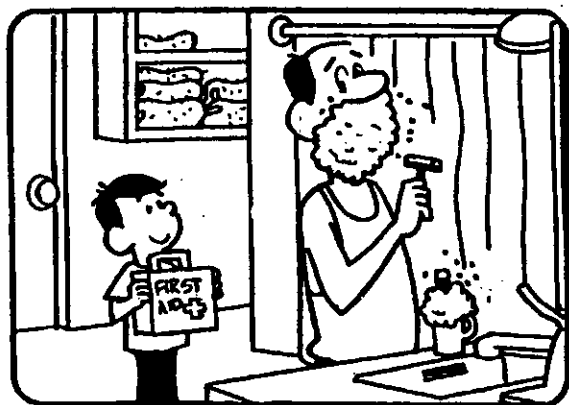
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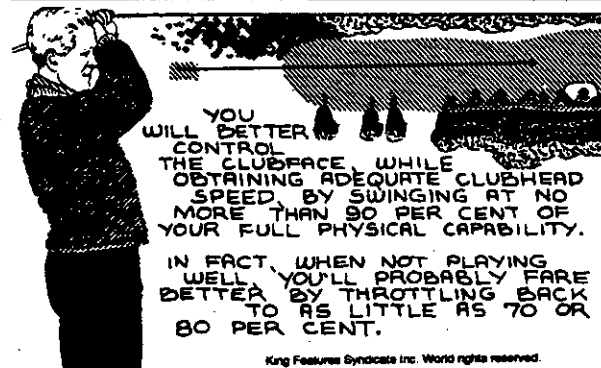
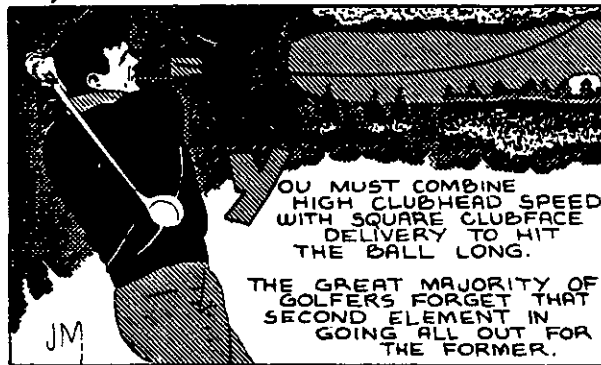
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FIND AT LEAST 6 DIFFERENCES BETWEEN PANELS.

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all directions-forward, backward, up, down and
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STAR

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the deadline approaches. "We'll take anything that is postmarked March 1 as well," Leafer said.

Both officials report confusion over eligibility, stemming in part from the enhanced STAR program, for which only seniors with an income of less than \$60,000 are eligible.

That program was launched last year, and many property owners eligible for basic STAR remain under the belief they are not eligible if they do not fit the enhanced STAR criteria. "We did a mass mailing, and we've heard from quite a few people, 'Oh, I received that, but I threw it away,'" McVee said.

"Some of the initial confusion had people under 65 thinking they couldn't apply," Leafer said. "There'll be some people who will probably miss the deadline or fail to apply entirely."

Applications can be obtained in the assessors' offices and are also available on the Internet. The basic application is a one-time-only filing, but enhanced STAR applications must be filed annually.

Voorheesville sets informational meeting for parents

Parents with children entering kindergarten next fall at Voorheesville Elementary School are invited to attend an informational meeting on Thursday, March 4, at 7:30 p.m.

To enroll, children must be 5 years of age on or before Dec. 1. At the meeting, the school will explain the kindergarten registration and screening process.

To confirm that a child is slated for enrollment, parents can call JoAnn Donohue at the elementary school at 765-2382, ext. 514.

Delmar library plans SAT program

Representatives from Kaplan Educational Centers will conduct a free SAT practice session on Tuesday, March 2, at 5:30 p.m. at Bethlehem Public Library, 451 Delaware Ave., Delmar.

The practice test, intended for high school seniors taking the test this spring and juniors taking it next fall, will be administered in a simulated test environment.

Students may bring calculators; all other materials will be provided. To register, call 439-9314.

Historical group to hear speaker

New Scotland Historical Association will meet Tuesday, March 2, at 8 p.m. at Wyman Osterhout Community Center in New Salem.

The evening's program, "What Can You do to Look Into Your Genealogy?" will be presented by John Moak of Niskayuna, president of the Moak Family Reunion. The Moak family has extensive roots in New Scotland.

He will share his collection of tools for genealogical research, including handwritten accounts, computer aids, maps, family memorabilia and census records.

The presentation is free and open to the public.

Donates

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"I remember going to Five Rivers to hike the trails and cross country ski," Kaler said. "I take my kids to the summer program; it's a wonderful place."

So wonderful, in fact, that after her parents had sold their house near Five Rivers, Kaler married her husband on the Vlomanskil Trail in August 1984.

Marge Farrell, president of the board of Five Rivers Limited, is delighted with the donation. "The land is varied," she said. "Some is wooded, some is brush, but all of it is undeveloped. There's an enormous amount of development in that area now, on Orchard Street and Fisher Boulevard. Whenever development comes close to a natural environment, wildlife flee from the area. Even though the edges might be protected, if the land is adjacent to a developed area, the creatures won't stay there. You always want a bigger border as development comes in."

Five Rivers Limited is a non-profit citizens group dedicated to supporting the Five Rivers Environmental Education Center, which is administered by the state Department of Environmental Conservation.

"We support Five Rivers in ways that are difficult for the state to do," Farrell said. "There are classes that couldn't be run by Five Rivers' educators, so we hire people trained by the state to do that."

In addition to teachers, Five Rivers Limited provides volunteers who serve as receptionists, gardeners, assistant naturalists, photographers and generally relieve the Five Rivers staff.

The volunteers help at special events like the Fall Festival, and provide funds for items, such as animal skulls for educational programs, that might not be funded by the state.

"Our biggest project in the last few years was the creation of the handicapped-accessible trail," Farrell said. "It was all done in collaboration with the Five Rivers staff."

Farrell said the Foresman land donation is a step in the right direction for the preservation of Five Rivers, which 100,000 people visit annually. The center also provides educational programs for more than 15,000 children each year.

"This is a signal to other land owners who are making decisions about disposal of property near the environmental center," Farrell said.

Parks and rec offers CPR course

Bethlehem Parks and Recreation Department will offer a free adult CPR course on Saturday, March 6, from 8 a.m. to noon at Bethlehem town hall.

In lieu of a fee, instructors will accept nonperishable donations to the Bethlehem Food Pantry.

Preregistration is requested. For information, call 439-4131.

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