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Decisions, decisions



Alexandra Sutherland explains to her mother Kathy why she should buy this book at Elsmere School Craft Fair last Saturday.

Jim Franco

Delaware Avenue is back to 4-lane traffic

By JOSEPH A. PHILLIPS

With a ribbon-cutting ceremony at its intersection with Mason Road, Delaware Avenue in Elsmere was reopened for a full four lanes of traffic last Wednesday.

Months of work remain before contractors for the state Department of Transportation tie up the loose ends resulting from May's landslide in the Normanskill ravine, which forced the road's closing.

Bethlehem Supervisor Sheila Fuller, Albany Mayor Gerald Jennings, state Sen. Neil Breslin, D-Delmar, and officials of the state Department of Transportation and the local business community were all on hand to celebrate the road's opening.

Fuller hailed the reopening, 10 days short of six months since the start of the landslide, with words of gratitude for the cooperation of state and local officials and residents who had awaited the

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Braverman suit dismissed

By JOSEPH A. PHILLIPS

A federal district court judge on Monday issued a ruling dismissing the civil rights lawsuit baseball coach Jesse Braverman filed last year against the Bethlehem Central School District and the Suburban Scholastic Council — but an

appeal looms, and Braverman vows a fight over the issue in the political arena as well.

Braverman's suit, filed by Delmar attorney Matthew J. Kelly, stemmed from efforts by the school district last summer to enforce a Suburban Council rule limiting off-season coaching of student athletes by school coaches.

The board had ordered Braverman to relinquish his post as coach of a Mickey Mantle baseball team in the off-season that involved many members of his varsity program — and if he failed to do so by last spring, that he would face dismissal as varsity baseball coach at Bethlehem Central High School.

After hearing oral arguments in the case Monday in U.S. District Court in Albany, Judge Thomas McAvoy granted motions for summary judgment — a ruling in their favor without further hearing — filed by all defendants, including the district and Suburban Council, school Superintendent Les Loomis, members of the school board, and Fred Powers, former high school athletic director.

McAvoy ruled that Kelly and Braverman had not sufficiently established that Braverman's civil rights

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Three leaving New Scotland town posts

By JOSEPH A. PHILLIPS

Three key department heads will be leaving New Scotland town government — and a search for their successors has been launched by the town board.

Assessor Patricia McVee, a 12-year town employee and the full-time town tax assessor since the fall of 1995, will leave her post Dec. 1.

Town Supervisor Martha Pofit received McVee's letter of resignation last month, announcing her intention to accept a post as assessor for the city of Cohoes.

The town board, sitting as a search committee, discussed the search for a replacement and established criteria for evaluating the qualifications of candidates for the post at a special meeting on Oct. 11, and met early this

week to begin reviewing applications.

Harry Duncan, parks superintendent since November 1985, will retire from the position Dec. 22, and Paul Jeffers, who became building inspector in the spring of 1989, will leave in April, though a formal severance date has yet to be set.

Applicants are currently being sought for the parks position through Dec. 1.

"We have a dozen applications in already, both internal and external candidates," Pofit said. "We especially want to reach out to people in the eastern end of our town, with a special invitation to townspeople to come forward."

A formal search for a new building inspector has not yet begun, pending an official announcement of Jeffers'

retirement date.

Rather than delegate responsibility for the search, Pofit and the town board opted to oversee the search directly. Pofit said board member Cathy Connors, deputy commissioner of human resources for Albany County, has lent particular expertise to the search process, and the board has also consulted informally with town resident Bob Conway, also a human resources professional.

The departure of Duncan and Jeffers has also afforded the town board the opportunity to re-evaluate the function of their respective departments in light of an overall review of town government, launched last winter by Pofit. A key element to the new administration's approach to the structure of town government has been greater

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Albany County DA race still not decided

By JOSEPH A. PHILLIPS

The region's most hotly contested local election, pitting two longtime assistant district attorneys against one another in the race to succeed their predecessor Albany County district Attorney Sol Greenberg, remains a cliff-hanger a week after last Tuesday's election.

It will be at least Thursday before the election's outcome is clear. Officials of the Albany County Board of Elections are in the midst of the laborious process of

recanvassing voting machines and tabulating absentee and "603" ballots — paper ballots submitted by voters whose names were missing from enrollment registers at the polls but vouched for their eligibility under oath.

Preliminary results, before absentees and 603's were factored in, gave an edge of just over 3,600 votes out of more than 120,000 cast to Paul Clyne of Delmar, running on the Democratic party line. He garnered 58,360 votes in last week's preliminary tally to 54,715 for opponent Paul

DerOhannesian, a Slingerlands resident and fellow Democrat running with Republican and Conservative backing. A third candidate, Albany's Mark Mishler,

collected 7,669 votes on the Green and Working Families lines.

But with roughly 10,000 absentee and 603 ballots in hand or anticipated,

DerOhannesian last week declined to concede the election and the Albany County Republican committee called for a recanvass, in anticipation that the absentee count could conceivably change

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Normanskill course cuts varied path

By JOSEPH A. PHILLIPS

Second in a series.

Downstream from the iron-truss bridge carrying Krumkill Road over the Normanskill, all is still in the wooded ravine that winds through New Scotland's northeast corner.

On a pleasant early-October Sunday, one sees only the occasional deer, or evidence of their hoofprints in the soft clay along the banks of the creek; a

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Assessment error proves costly for V'ville school district

By Katherine McCarthy

The Voorheesville school district has taken a \$21,000 revenue loss due to an error the town of New Scotland made in its assessment of Niagara Mohawk Power Corp. transmission lines and land.

School district treasurer Sarita Winchell said that following the implementation of a more uniform system for assessing utilities in New York, parcels on the town's tax rolls were reassessed.

New Scotland Assessor Patricia McVee erroneously reassessed NiMo's transmission lines and land separately.

According to Winchell, McVee took the more than \$2 million assessment from 1999, and split it,

which led to the town assessing something that didn't exist.

"She shouldn't have gotten into thinking about splitting it between special franchise and the utility section," Winchell said.

Winchell said that the school district bases its tax levy on the tax rolls as they receive them.

"We set the tax rate on something that was overvalued by \$1 million," Winchell said. "This has resulted in \$21,000 worth of taxes that we thought we should have gotten, but it's not there."

She said the district is not blaming the town.

"We don't want to get into finger pointing," Winchell said. "It's a mistake, unfortunately a costly

one, but there's nothing we can do. There are a lot of power lines in the district, and quite a bit of NiMo land in our district. The assessor is dealing with transmission lines throughout the town, and assessing for the five different school districts of New Scotland."

The district was unaware of the problem until mid-September, Winchell said, and is just now receiving copies of letters from Albany County about the assessment error. She was unsure who caught the error.

"This is a very hard concept, and we sat down with Pat McVee to discuss this at length," Winchell said.

Efforts to reach McVee

were unsuccessful.

Since the school district is the taxing authority for Voorheesville Public Library, the district is also liable for the \$1,600 loss the library incurred as a result of the incorrect assessment.

"This is something we should be able to manage," Winchell said. "Our goal is to manage and minimize revenue impact. We have to be reviewing expenditures, and stay in line with the amount of revenue the district expects."

Winchell said the district absolutely cannot use the capital reserve fund that it set up before beginning its current building project to compensate for the \$21,000 loss.

"The capital reserve fund can only be used for the building project," Winchell said. "However, the building proposition gave the district the ability to add a maximum of \$200,000 to that fund. We are still \$35,000 below that \$200,000."

She pointed out that this is the time of year that the district begins preparing for the next budget process.

"We review all of our estimates, know what staff's in place, and ramp up for the budget process in the spring. November and December are the first nitty-gritty months for the budget process," Winchell said. "This is part of our overall economic news."

V'ville and staff union reach tentative agreement

By Katherine McCarthy

The United Employees of Voorheesville reached a tentative three-year contract agreement with the district last Friday, Nov. 10.

UEV is composed of non-instructional staff, and its approximately 150 members include custodians, bus drivers, teacher aides, cafeteria workers and secretaries.

The organization is disseminating the details of the contract agreement to its members, and hopes to vote on the package by the end of the month. Members of the Voorheesville school board have been apprised of the agreement, and will vote on whether or not to accept it at the Dec. 4 meeting.

Assistant Superintendent for Business Anthony Marturano said the agreement was reached through informal negotiations.

"We didn't use professionals," Marturano said. "We just sat and talked informally several different times this summer and fall."

Three school board members, along with Marturano, met with 10 UEV members, headed by bus driver Chris Allard.

"Each side got some things they wanted," Marturano said. "The district was looking for concessions in health insurance, to cut costs, and freedom in hiring to help address potential shortages. We also wanted to address and beef up employee discipline."

In particular, Marturano said,

the district wanted to address bus safety issues, and be able to cut through red tape should a driver be found using drugs.

"We don't want to have to go through unnecessary paperwork or processes to discipline a driver," Marturano said.

The district offered UEV employees a package which provides for a 4 percent salary increase this year, and 3 percent increases in each of the next two years, in addition to salary increments.

"Increments vary from zero to 2 percent, depending on where employees are in the salary schedule," Marturano said. "We've also given a small retirement package, whereby employees are allowed to turn in unused sick time for a

small stipend."

In general, Marturano said, both sides cleaned up the language in the contract without favoring one side or the other, but making it easier for everybody to follow.

"We're very pleased with the way the UEV worked towards this settlement, and their willingness to help the district address problems like hiring, keeping good people, and addressing safety issues," Marturano said. "Everyone came away with a good feeling about the process and how it works."

Marturano said additional specifics would be available once UEV members and the school board have approved the package.

Five Rivers sets talk on pine barrens

Five Rivers Environmental Education Center will host a presentation on the jack pine barrens of Clinton County on Monday, Dec. 4, at 7:30 p.m.

The program will be presented by Neil Gifford, an ecologist with the Nature Conservancy, and will discuss his studies of the avian community dynamics of the pine barrens and the surrounding hardwood forest.

The pine barrens are unique in their dependence on repeated wildfires to maintain them.

Five Rivers will host a pre-talk holiday party at 7 p.m.; all are welcome.

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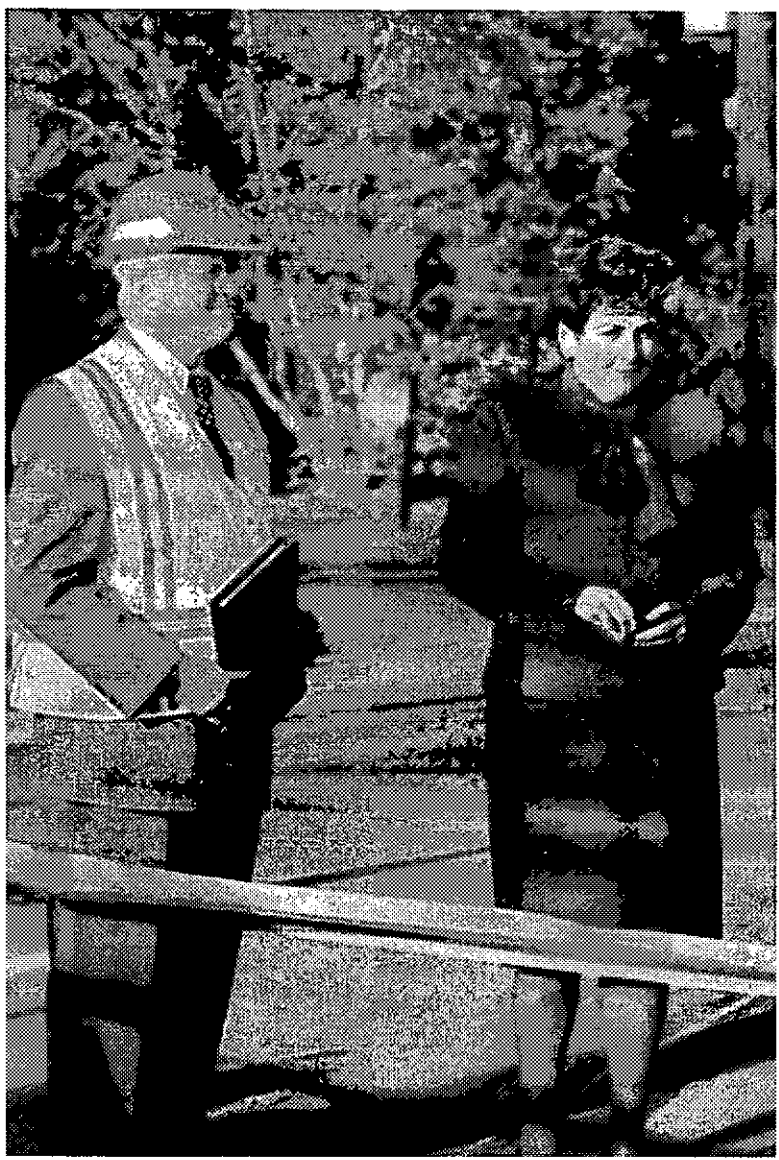
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Tom Werner, Region 1 director for the state Department of Transportation, and Bethlehem Supervisor Sheila Fuller celebrate the opening of all four lanes of Delaware Avenue.

Donna E. Aitoro

Deer hunters cited for violations in area

By Joseph A. Phillips

Local hunters may have jumped the gun, literally, on the deer season, as an incident last week in Bethlehem, one of several in the area, attests.

A Glenmont man was arrested on Monday, Nov. 6, by a state Environmental Conservation officer and charged with trespassing and taking a deer out of season after shooting a 6-point buck on private property near River Road.

Thomas M. Broader, 37, of 216 Glenmont Road, was cited after returning to the scene of the shooting on a Niagara Mohawk power line right-of-way.

The incident was initially reported at about 3 p.m. to Bethlehem police by a passing motorist, who spotted an off-road vehicle on the NiMo property pursuing and shooting the deer. At the scene, police found the dead animal, a spent shotgun shell and

two live 12-gauge rounds. Police said Broader was arrested at about 8:30 p.m. when he returned to claim his kill and admitted that he was the shooter. Broader is due in Town Court Nov. 21.

Albany County sheriff's deputies have also reported several incidents of would-be hunters trespassing on private property — which is prohibited by DEC regulations unless the hunter obtains written permission from the property owner.

On Sunday, Nov. 5, they arrested Thomas Ridgeway, 28, of 350 East Campbell Road, Schenectady, on Route 158 in Guilderland for "spotlighting" deer with the headlights of his vehicle, a loaded weapon at the ready. He has a Nov. 27 date in Guilderland Town Court.

Bow hunting season for deer officially began Oct. 15 and ends Dec. 17, and hunting with firearms began this past Sunday, Nov. 12, and ends Dec. 12.

Hunting regulations — copies of which are available from any town clerk's office — also normally bar using artificial light to hunt.

Spotlighting from a motor vehicle is permitted, but only if a firearm is secured in a case or locked in the trunk. Firing across a public highway is also prohibited. A Bethlehem ordinance also bars hunting on public park property.

V'ville board must fill seat

By Katherine McCarthy

The Voorheesville school board discussed several issues, including the resignation of a board member, during its November meeting.

Holly Desmond Debes, elected to the board in May 1999, has resigned for personal reasons. The board will decide at its Dec. 4 meeting whether to hold a special election or appoint a replacement to the board. Whether elected or appointed, that person would hold the seat until the May budget vote, when he or she could run for a full five-year term.

The board must make the decision within 90 days, and should it choose an election, must give 90 days notice. Anyone who wants to serve on the board should contact Superintendent Alan McCartney or his assistant Dorothea Pfeleiderer at 765-3314.

Elementary Principal Edward Diegel and high school Principal William Furdon reported on the district's test scores in fourth- and eighth-grade math, as well as eighth-grade English Language Arts. The tests, part of the state's Regents for All initiative, were given last spring for the second time.

The fourth-grade mean test score was 670.3, out of a possible 810. Of the 110 students who took the test, 35 percent of them scored in the top category, Level 4; 56 percent scored in Level 3; and 8 percent in Level 2. No students scored in Level 1.

The eighth-grade mean score was 731.2 out of a possible 882. Of the 119 eighth-graders who took the test, 11 percent scored in Level 4; 65 percent in Level 3; 21 percent in Level 2; and 3 percent in Level 1.

Furdon pointed out that those who scored in Level 1 were special education students, and that five of the 25 students who scored

in Level 2 came within two points of Level 3. Furdon also said the school was working hard to bring up the kids who had high Level 3 scores.

Furdon and Diegel contended that since the scoring rubric is different for fourth- and eighth-graders, the immediate conclusion is not that there is a drop-off in math achievement in the intervening years.

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Furdon said, "Last year, for instance, there were graphing problems."

The 119 eighth-graders who took the state's English Language Arts test, received a mean score of 727.4, with the highest score being 830. Thirty-eight students, 32 percent, scored in Level 4; 51 percent in Level 3; 13 percent in Level 2, and 4 percent in Level 1.

With an eye toward the state tests in art and music that all students going into ninth grade next year will have to take, Lydia Tobler, head of the art and music departments, presented an overview of the school's art and music curriculum and its adherence to state guidelines.

"We don't anticipate a problem," Tobler said.

McCartney presented information about "Safe Schools Against Violence in Education: Project SAVE," which outlined new state legislation designed to keep schools safe.

The legislation requires fingerprint checks for all new district hires, and makes assault of teachers a felony. It also offers whistleblower protection, blocking recourse against anyone who brings up issues or allegations of concern.

Board members Erica Sufrin and Joseph Pofit presented a list of questions that came out of their subcommittee meeting on talented and gifted programs.

After some discussion, the board decided to address this issue further after the board's December retreat, when many of the questions will be addressed.

Assistant Superintendent for Business Anthony Marturano said the school district is not likely to tie in with the village of Voorheesville's planned sewer expansion, as costs have risen beyond what voters approved for the building project.

The school board was initially told that the cost would be \$35,000. Before the vote, the cost had risen to \$90,000, and the most recent number is \$190,000, to which fees and inspection costs will be added.

"We have money in the building project that will be enough to cover an update of the sewer system," Marturano said, even if that does not include hooking up to the village system.

The district also increased the amount it pays substitute teaching assistants, to \$65 per day. Furdon reported that 12th-graders will again be helping senior citizens with computer skills. Seniors from the Jewish Community Center come to the high school every Wednesday to work with students.

Local voters choose incumbents

By Joseph A. Phillips

Voters in Bethlehem and New Scotland went to the polls in an unexpectedly heavy turnout, despite the lack of competitive local elections — giving a boost to incumbents, helping to elect New York's first female U.S. senator, and giving a controversial bond referendum thumbs-down.

Bethlehem Town Clerk Kathleen Newkirk reported a "very humbling" turnout of about 78 percent among registered voters on an election day with few voting-machine problems and no reported irregularities in the town's 30 electoral districts.

"Everything went very smoothly," she said.

New Scotland Town Clerk Diane Deschenes echoed that sentiment, also reporting only routine mechanical problems with voting and guessing turnout to be in the neighborhood of 80 percent.

"We had a very good turnout. Even during the day, it seemed that people had to wait in line at the polls," she said.

Despite a Republican enrollment advantage, Bethlehem vot-

ers delivered solid majorities for Democratic candidates — Gore-Lieberman on the presidential ticket and Hillary Rodham Clinton for U.S. Senate.

In preliminary figures lacking only absentees, which were due to be counted this week, the Gore ticket amassed 9,108 votes in Bethlehem to 6,477 for the Republican Bush-Cheney ticket, and 905 for Green Party candidate Ralph Nader.

The Senate race was tighter but still a walkover in Bethlehem; 8,634 for Clinton to 7,619 for Republican Rick Lazio, 149 for Independence Party nominee Jeffrey Graham and 125 for the Green Party's Mark Dunlea.

Both elections were closer in New Scotland: Gore over Bush, 2,386-2,036; Nader again third with 244; and a close call, 2,307 to 2,272 for Clinton over Lazio, with none of the other candidates drawing more than 50 votes.

Both towns returned friendly verdicts on incumbents. Bethlehem voters joined those elsewhere in the 21st Congressional District to return Michael McNulty, D-Green Island, for another term by more than a 2-to-1 margin over Republican Thomas Pillsworth of Glenmont.

In Bethlehem McNulty garnered 10,680 votes to 4,730 for challenger Pillsworth. New Scot-

land voters rendered the same verdict, 2,980-1,345.

Likewise, incumbent Neil Breslin, D-Delmar, handily turned back Republican challenger Joseph Sullivan in the 42nd state Senate District, amassing 10,202 to Sullivan's 5,139 in Bethlehem, and outpolling the challenger 2,788-1,548 in New Scotland.

John Faso, R-Kinderhook, the incumbent in the 102nd Assembly District, won re-election over token Liberal challenger Joseph Laux, including a solid 8,158-1,071 in Bethlehem.

And New Scotland voters added to the strong showing for incumbent John McEneny, D-Albany, in the 104th District, with 2,736 votes, over Republican challenger Thomas Hoey with 1,484.

Both town's voters also joined in the trend across upstate New York, handily rejecting the Transportation Bond Act by margins greater than downstate voters, despite its endorsement by most state officials.

Bethlehem's tally was 3,939 in favor, 6,887 opposed, and New Scotland voters rejected the proposition, 906-2,179.

Running unopposed with the endorsement of all major parties in the county, Catherine Doyle of Slingerlands was elected Surrogate Court justice.

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All eyes, including our kids', are focused on Florida

By Katherine McCarthy

It is absolutely unimaginable that as of this writing, five days after the election, we still have no president-elect.

Parents everywhere are telling their children: This is history. Teachers periodically turn on televisions to keep students updated on these never-before-seen developments.

When they are grown and someone asks them about the most significant political moments of their lives, this will be the first event they relate.

What will they remember? Will they remember it as a shining moment in our democracy, or a time of bitterly partisan dispute that changed everything?

I wish I could confidently predict the former; that in the time between these words jumping from keyboard to your printed page, the whole matter will be resolved, and our country will be moving forward.

The only thing we know for sure about this election, though, is that there is no "for sure." A time when we should be feeling smug at the smoothness of our decision-making process has turned into a time of self-examination, analysis and self-doubt.

How many of us realized that there's a divide so wide in our country that we could have a nearly even split between the two candidates? We all thought it would be a close election, but did any of us ever imagine that the final decision might come down to several counties in one state?

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Is that really an acceptable answer? Would it be fair to let just some Floridians vote again and decide the direction of the rest of the country for the next four years?

What are they going to do about those butterfly ballots? Never use them again, perhaps, but right now, there's the basic matter of voters taking responsibility for their actions.

The ballots weren't designed to dupe Gore voters; Democrat officials approved them.

Samples with explanations were mailed to people's homes well before the election. They were printed in the newspaper. People who could explain them sat outside voting booths.

Voting is a breathtaking moment. Whose heart doesn't beat a little faster, whose eyes don't move as carefully as they should once that curtain closes?

But even when there are people lined up behind you, stop, breathe, read everything. Read it again, vote, then double-check. Once it's done, though, it's done, and no one has the right to second-guess, on a double-punched or dimpled ballot, who another person meant to vote for.

There's a lot of higher ground

being left unclaimed here. Florida automatically called for a recount when the election came in so close. Why are both camps now clamoring for more?

Do Gore and the Democrats really want to slow down the result by forcing an excruciatingly slow hand count of all the ballots? Are they really prepared to live with the accusations of stealing the election that would follow them for the next four years?

For a while, Bush and the Republicans maintained the greater sense of dignity, quietly planning for the transition while Democrats scrambled to find more votes. Why did they enter the fray with a court injunction? What will the end result of that be?

Right now, I wish the candidates would stop whining, accusing and seeking court orders.

The media have been little help in this matter. It hurts to use my column to write about the press, but things have gone too far. Columnists, of course, are allowed to say what they want, but network news correspondents should report things as they are, and have absolutely no business "calling"

elections while people are still standing in line, waiting to perform their single most important act as citizens.

What good does holding a "town meeting" in an already tense situation do? For a while, it was pure bread and circuses.

Is nobody — politician, voter, media — willing to act responsibly? Are we willing to tolerate an extension of the Clinton legacy, in which our leaders go to great lengths to redefine the law to suit their self-interest?

While this could get worse before it gets better, it is a defining moment for the country. What do we believe in; what do we stand for? Smooth elections have been the hallmark of our young republic; let us not fail now.

Let us hope that those in a position to do so follow the laws scrupulously, so that we can achieve the advancement of our nation as a whole, and not just the razor-thin victory of one politician over another.

When, some day, our children tell their children about this election, let them say that it was democracy's finest hour.

Historical association selling calendars

The New Scotland Historical Association is selling 2001 calendars featuring historical photos of the town.

Included in the calendar are many previously unpublished photos from all parts of the town.

Calendars cost \$5 each, and are available in Voorheesville at Phillip's Hardware, SuperValu,

Indian Ladder Farms and the village hall.

In New Scotland, calendars are being sold at Falvo's Meats, the Robin's Nest, Crafts and Fabrics Beyond the Tollgate, and town hall.

Houghtaling's Market in Feura Bush is also selling them.

Party planned for Coach Neff

A thank-you party to honor recently retired Bethlehem Central High School boys varsity swim team coach Ken Neff is being planned for Friday, Nov. 24, starting at 6 p.m. at Normanside Country Club in Elmsmere.

Neff led varsity swim teams to 14 Sectional championships before retiring as coach earlier this year.

All members of teams coached by Neff, as well as swimmers' families, and friends and supporters of BCHS swimming are invited.

For information, call Liz Strickler at 439-5468 or Mary Fiess Shaffer at 439-7261.

Delmar couple offer dance lessons

Rich and Nancy Mendick of Delmar are teaching swing dance lessons on Tuesdays at the Troy Elks Lodge.

Beginner lessons are taught at 7 p.m., and Beginner Night Club two step lessons will be taught at 8:30.

For information, call 767-0511.

Library sets holiday closing

Bethlehem Public Library, 451 Delaware Ave., will close at 5 p.m. on Wednesday, Nov. 22, for the Thanksgiving holiday.

The library will be closed on Thursday, Nov. 23, and open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Friday, Nov. 24.

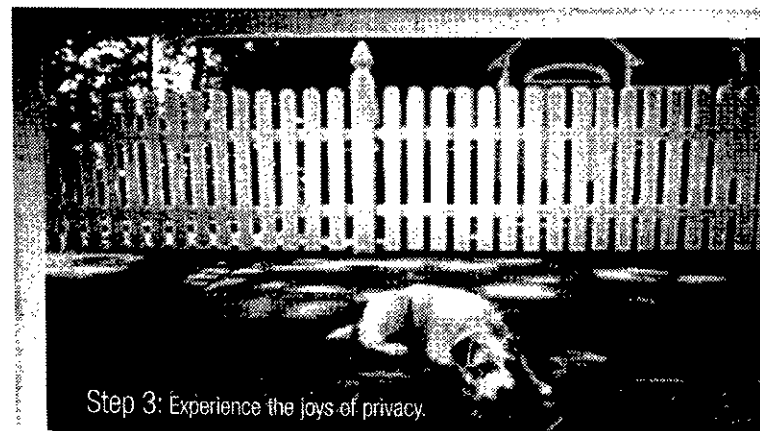
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New interior design business opens on Delaware Avenue

By Joseph A. Phillips

A new interior-design consulting business has opened its doors on Delaware Avenue, hanging out its shingle — or rather, a cluster of funky birdhouses that now decorate the eaves of the front porch — early last month.

Baisden Design, named after proprietor Terry Baisden, opened its doors for business on Oct. 1 and celebrated a grand opening Oct. 20. The new start-up occupies a housewares boutique at 264 Delaware Ave. formerly occupied by a State Farm insurance brokerage.

The modest opening was not unexpected for the business's new owner. The brightly-painted birdhouses, have already drawn the curious to her boutique, but "I think people still don't quite know what to think when they see that sign," Baisden said.

Baisden Designs will offer full-scale interior design services, covering everything from window treatments to furniture reupholstering to wallpapering. Baisden relies on subcontractors with whom she has done business for years; among them is her husband, Dean, a custom-painting contractor.

Her own specialty is decorative painting and "faux finishing" — design details like frescoe treatments, wall murals, hand-painted furnishings and faux "etchings" painted on windows. It's a craft she has pursued for nine years.

Originally based in Woodstock, Baisden built a private clientele which followed her north when she came to Albany two years ago to work as a consultant for Passonno Paints and pursue an associate's degree in interior design at Sage Junior College in Albany.

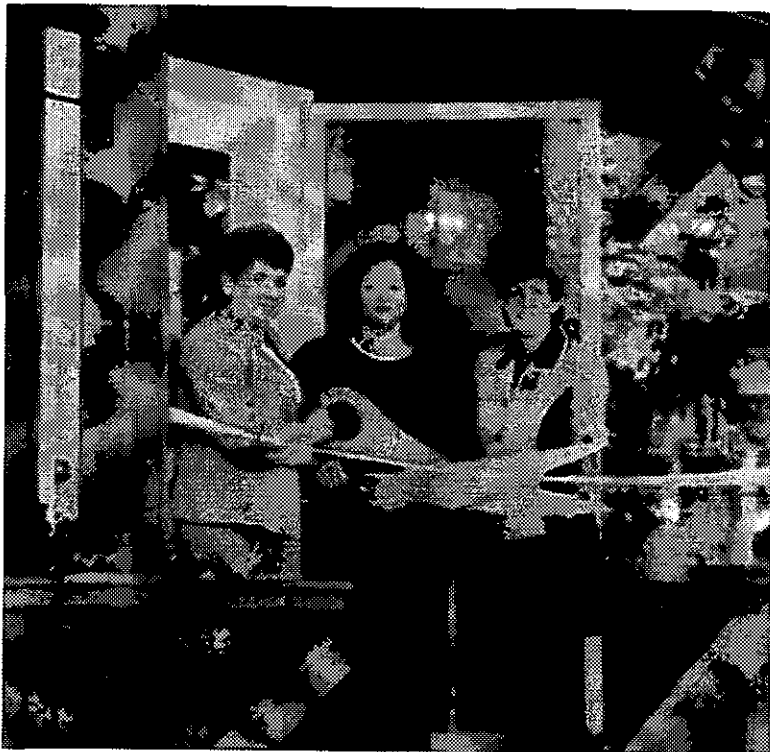
Several months ago, she put her studies on hold, and departed from Passonno, to go into business for herself.

"I thought I would just keep my clientele and work out of my home," she said. "But I found out that won't work. I've got a 2-year-old and a 4-year-old at home."

So she began searching for a permanent location to take the place of her Rensselaer home, looking initially east of the Hudson. The idea to give Delmar a try, she said, came to her "in a dream. I hadn't really thought about it."

After a brief look at available office space, she leased 264 Delaware, and is now house hunting in Bethlehem as well.

"There's a lot of interior designers around, and a lot of artists," she said. "But there doesn't seem to be any shortage of work. People are more home-oriented



Bethlehem Supervisor Sheila Fuller, left, helps Terry Baisden cut the ribbon to officially open the interior design business, while Chamber of Commerce President Marty DeLaney looks on. Joseph A. Phillips

these days. They don't want it to be just a place to put their stuff. I think people are willing to spend money on their home, and they want it to look right. There's enough work out there for all of us."

Her design studio is located behind the boutique, in which she offers an assortment of home products, from candles and custom scents to decorative housewares — "anything to make your home more comfortable and more beautiful," she said. "I think we have a lot to offer. It's a unique shop."

Many of these products are carried on consignment from local artists and craftsmen. Steve Blackwood of Nassau, for instance, is the maker of those signature birdhouses displayed on the front porch and sold inside; quilted wall hangings in the shop are made by Voorheesville's Linda O'Connor; and on sale are hand-made candies fashioned by Delmar's The Chocolate Gecko.

Some of the custom furnishings, like Baisden's design services, are on the pricey side.

"A lot of people, if they haven't done custom design before, they're not ready for custom prices," she said. "You're hand-picking details and making special items that are just for them."

She will prepare sample boards for do-it-yourselfers for a fee — "if you like my ideas but your sister does it, that's fine with me" — but prefers handling a design project from soup to nuts.

Though she utilizes subcontractors, she hasn't yet taken on any full-time design staff.

Her clientele stretches as far north as Saratoga and east to the Berkshires, but she sees a lot of likely customers in Delmar.

"There are a lot of beautiful older homes that have tons of potential," she said. "Lots of professionals, lots of women with families."

She has already joined the chamber and Bethlehem Businesswomen, for whom she displayed her boutique wares last week at their holiday bazaar.

She has showcased her work

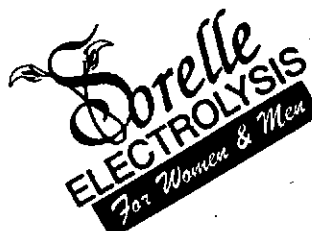
in Bethlehem before, designing a Russian tearoom for the Vanguard Show House last year.

Though she takes on one-time customers, Baisden hopes to develop longer-term relationships.

"Whether they plan it or not, it often ends up like that," she said. "I warn people, be careful about making one room look wonderful. It tends to make the others look bad by comparison."

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Matters of Opinion

What a mess

The events of the past week in Florida have cast a bright light on our electoral system.

And it doesn't look very good.

We would hope that the way we elect our leaders is like Caesar's wife, way above reproach. The basic foundation of any democratic republic is free and honest elections, at least that's what we've been telling the world for the better part of the last 100 years. But some of our own electoral practices are so anti-democratic that it's no wonder that the Russians and the Cubans are taunting us by offering to send observers to Florida.

Only when there is a really close race do the media closely examine what happens on Election Day. What they find when they kick over the rock is unsettling.

The shenanigans in Florida this year included:

- Absurd results, like 9,000 votes for a far-left fringe candidate in Volusia County, being initially reported, then sheepishly corrected.
- A former mayor of Miami, whose re-election was disallowed for absentee ballot fraud, being placed in charge of the Dade County GOP's absentee ballot effort.
- A state police roadblock set up near a polling place in a predominantly black area.
- Because of confusing paper ballots, tens of thousands of voters being disenfranchised after they voted twice.
- The infamous butterfly ballot leading to Pat Buchanan's remarkably good showing in a county heavily populated by Jewish Democrats.
- Reports of thousands of ballots "pre-marked" for Bush being given out in black precincts in Dade County.
- The networks "calling" Florida for Gore and strongly suggesting he was the winner, before most of the country's polls, and even some in western Florida, had closed.
- After the original Florida "call" was rescinded, Bush's first cousin making an early morning "call" for Bush in Florida for the allegedly unbiased "We report, you decide" network. That "call," picked up by the other networks, led Al Gore to make a premature concession phone call.
- Following the election, a rush by both campaigns to the courthouse — the Democrats to secure an unprecedented revote in Palm Beach County and the Republicans to limit the clearly more accurate hand counting of ballots.

The closeness of the election probably had more to do with two flawed candidates thrashing about in the muddy middle than with any widespread electoral irregularities.

But several things are clear. Our old-fashioned voting machines, while not perfect, work pretty well and do not permit double voting.

The hubris and arrogance of the media know few bounds. But the media are important because when no one's looking, scoundrels will try to steal elections.

And, whatever happens, it can't be worse than the way Tilden and the Democrats were robbed in 1876.

Editorials

Marriage survives, despite election

By Donna J. Bell

The writer is editor of Parent Pages.

Although my husband and I never seriously discussed our political views before we walked down the aisle, I have found it a pleasant affirmation of our marriage that we have always found ourselves on the same side of a political argument.

It's even more satisfying because neither of us affiliates with a particular party. That in mind, we are not rabid politicians; we don't actively campaign, nor do we really pay much attention to the candidates until it gets down to the wire.

As the campaign draws to its final few months, the morning papers begin to invite a storm of breakfast discussion. We watch more "Meet the Press" and MSNBC, and less "ER."

Our enthusiasm for the race comes to a head when it's time for the presidential debates. Then the real excitement starts — we look forward to those like some people look forward to a rivalry between favorite sports teams. This year was no different.

The night of the debate I hurried home from a meeting just in time to catch the action. I kissed my intelligent spouse and we dove for our favorite spot on the couch.

Roger had already popped the popcorn and we were ready for the contest to begin. About 10 minutes into the debate we both chuckled at the same time and I looked appreciatively over to him.

"Boy! Looks like it won't be much of a contest this year," he observed smugly.

"Yeah," I chuckled, "it looks like a slam dunk."

"Yessirreee," he responded. "Candidate A is really getting in some good licks."

"Huh?" I responded, startled. "You mean candidate B, right?"

"No," he said turning to me, his voice deliberate. "Candidate A is kicking some serious hiney."

Excuse my not naming the real candidates' names here, I just wanted to spare my husband the

Point of View

public humiliation of his obviously uninformed choice.

Time slowed as I fixed my eyes on him. A slight tinge of sarcasm crept into my voice as I drawled, "Are we watching the same debate here?"

He didn't answer but turned back to the TV. The rest of the debate proceeded in stony silence — which is unusual for us. There were no dog woof cheers at the cutting zingers, no hooting in glee at the obvious artful dodge of the moderator's question, no high-five slap for a clear-cut point.

Instead, I gave a sideways glance toward my hubby and paid close attention to see what he could possibly see in candidate A. Could I have misjudged his true nature all these years?

Suspiciously, I wondered just who he had been associating with lately. I could hear the wheels turning and I knew that he was thinking similar thoughts. Could the mother of his children, his trusted soul mate, seriously consider voting for B?

The next debate was viewed in separate rooms. But even when my candidate whopped all over the other guy I didn't feel like rejoicing. It was like going on a vacation by yourself — it's no fun when there's no one to share the beauty of it all. The pleasure had gone right out of the contest — like a limp balloon hissing air.

Never having been in this situation, we chose avoidance as our preferred course of action. The newspaper didn't make it to the dining room; the channel was discreetly changed when the news came on.

This continued until my 8-year-old son came home from school one afternoon and asked, "Who are you voting for in the election?"

There was a chill in the air as we exchanged glances over his head. "I'd vote for Al Gore," Kyle exclaimed.

"Why?" I asked, curious about what he had picked up on the newscasts or what politics they were teaching in third grade.

"Because he likes his pizza with the works!" he said enthusiastically. "Just like I like mine."

"It's as good a reason to pick a president as any other," my husband said drolly, one corner of his mouth turning up.

"Oh, so is that how you picked your candidate?" I cracked.

He winked and said "Darn, the secret's out."

We both chuckled and shared our first politically motivated laugh since the first debate.

Then it stuck me — we could share opposing views and still have a civil domestic life. Hey, if James Carville and Mary Matalin can have a mixed marriage, so can we. The joy was back in Mudville; Mighty Casey was still at bat.

After that day we jumped into

the political debate with force. Each faux pas, each salient point by either man made it into our daily conversations.

The paper was torn apart searching for views that would support our own. We watched the late night comedians and laughed ourselves silly at the truths they showed. We had serious conversations about the pros and cons and tried our best to talk the other back over from the "dark side."

Our marriage took on a new zest and a greater appreciation of the others ability to weigh and discuss issues. There was a little extra sparkle in our eyes when we talked — a little more sassy give-and-take in our attitudes.

Then one day, after my dear spouse had just gleefully read an editorial that tore my candidate to shreds, he noted, "Wow! Only a week until the election."

Again, silence. In seven short days one of us would be on the losing side. The country wasn't big enough to support the egos of the two stumping, and one political party would have to come out on top (or so we thought at the time).

But, the bigger question was — was our home big enough to assuage the ego of the loser? Our eyes narrowed as we sized each other up like gunfighters on a dusty street.

What would the next four years bring? Acrimonious remarks over what could have been? A division of spirit?

We went to bed last Wednesday at 2:30 a.m. The winning spouse held a victory dance — the loser groused for a few minutes before conceding defeat and the contest was over. Or was it?

The next morning Kyle came running into the kitchen, "Who won?" he demanded.

"Bush," I answered as I spread jam on toast.

He flew back into the living room to watch the news. Just minutes later he came back into the kitchen.

"No mommy, Bush didn't win. The news says they don't know who won yet."

I didn't believe it, but it was true! Like our marriage, the country had reached an unprecedented stalemate over who should be the commander in chief.

As I write this, a week later, there is still no consensus. It seems that despite polls, predictions, pundits, analysis and every other scientific method we have at our disposal, there is no way to determine in the short future who will sit in the Oval Office.

As for Roger and me, we called a truce. We have just been having too much fun and have become CNN junkies.

No matter what the outcome of this election, I'm already looking forward to 2004. Who knows, perhaps my husband and I will be defending our opinions on opposite sides of the fence again.

Next time I'll be ready. Now, where did I put that high school debaters handbook?

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Bethlehem trustee says plan best for community

Editor, The Spotlight:

I have been privileged to serve as a trustee of Bethlehem Public Library for a year and a half.

It's a grave responsibility bestowed upon each of us by the citizens of Bethlehem Central School District and one that none of us takes lightly.

I am proud to have the opportunity to be a small part of this effort.

As a retired person, a senior citizen with limited income, I am most conscious of the importance of perspective when assessing the cost/benefit of our "hoped for" renovation plans.

When my husband Dan and I moved to Delmar 13 years ago, we had an expressive but simple priority among our criteria: to be within walking distance of the wonderful library.

And we've never been sorry! The many bonuses of living in Bethlehem certainly include the wonderful services provided by the town for us all — plus the schools, adult education and remarkable services for seniors who can anticipate remaining in their own homes. All of these advantages cost tax dollars. But for us, the least of those costs, proportionately, is the library.

Since March 1999, a large citizens' advisory committee has been working closely with library trustees to determine the most sensible approaches to solving the library's space and renovation problems. With its help and with our staff and professional library consultants, we approved the proposed plan for improvement of the library's ability to serve its thousands of patrons through the enlarged and technically improved facilities for which we are to vote on Dec. 19.

Monthly public meetings since June have kept the community informed and have provided a forum to answer people's questions. Regular board meetings always have "public participation" as part of our agenda.

Now, it is time for all of us to recognize this wonderful asset we share and ensure that it will continue to be the best possible for our community.

We all make choices about how we spend our money. An extra 46 cents per thousand is a small price for the privileges the library brings us: the world at our feet — up to date, accessible to the physically challenged, beckoning to all the children.

Rena Button
Delmar

Library info session

Dec. 19 has been set as the public referendum date for Bethlehem Public Library's proposed \$8.5 million renovation.

The project would be funded by a 20 year bond. Plans include reconfiguration and the refurbishment of existing space and completion of the structure's second floor.

The referendum will be from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. in the library's community room.

The last of four public forums on the project is scheduled for Tuesday, Dec. 5, at 7 p.m. at the library. For information, call 439-9314.

Callanan deserves residents' thanks

Editor, The Spotlight:

I think the residents of the town of Bethlehem should all thank Callanan Industries for the exceptional work they performed in the reconstruction of the Delmar bypass.

Having to cope with the additional traffic at the outset due to the landslide on Delaware Avenue showed the excellent planning on their part. As a person who uses the bypass daily, never once was I stopped, even momentarily, in order for them to conduct their construction procedures.

Their planning in always working on the lane opposite the rush-hour was most beneficial to the traveling public.

As a person formerly involved in the construction world, I salute you. Now, if you would straighten out the timing of the traffic signal at Murray Avenue, all would be perfect.

Tony Giordano
Delmar

Library should renovate rather than expand

Editor, The Spotlight:

The community should be made aware of just what it is authorizing on Dec. 19 on the bond issue of \$8.5 million to fund the proposed "repair and improvement" of Bethlehem Public Library.

The current plan calls for both renovation and expansion of the library.

Voters should clearly understand the distinction between the two.

Renovation involves targeting specific, pre-determined areas to be redesigned, refurbished, recarpeted, rewired and adapted to new technology. Periodic, but temporary disruptions in service are to be expected.

Expansion, as proposed, is much more complex. It involves tearing off the roof of the library and gutting the interior, to build a second floor. This will render the current building unusable for one and a half to two years and force relocation to a smaller building in Glenmont. The projected cost just

for moving is \$500,000.

Repaying the \$8.5 million in bonds will take 20 years and cost taxpayers, at 6 percent interest, a total of \$15.4 million. Library taxes will increase by one-third.

Voters should be aware of hidden costs as well, such as the need for expanded administration and staff and increases in the annual library budget for the larger budget. Construction delays and cost overruns could also contribute to final costs.

Bethlehem Public Library has been an outstanding resource and has served our community with distinction. To continue functioning at this level of excellence, renovation is warranted and necessary.

Expansion, however, as currently proposed, is unwarranted. It is much too costly and will create intolerable upheaval.

What we need now is a plan that is tempered by a more modest vision and more financial restraint.

S.L. Poneman
Delmar

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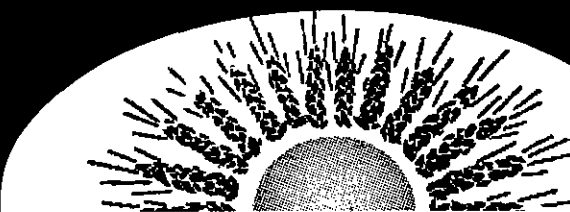
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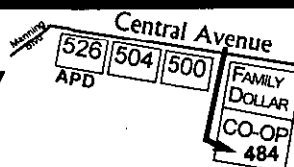
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Matters of Opinion

Parent has high praise for school bus driver

Editor, The Spotlight:

Like most parents, when I think about my child in school, I focus only on the school itself. It's easy to forget about the countless folks who see that our children get to and from school safely.

And so, the drivers of Bethlehem school buses often go unnoticed and unrecognized.

But not by me any more.

A few weeks ago, while having breakfast out, bus driver Doug (Route No. 70) came over to my family to say hello to my daughter and introduce himself to my husband and me. He explained what an honor it was to be entrusted with the care of so many delightful "angels" almost like his own grandchildren.

His affection for the children radiated. My daughter Krysta says he knows every kid by name and knows a little bit about everyone.

How wonderful it is to know that the children of Doug's school bus route start their day with a positive experience, acknowledged by name and made to feel valued.

If all our children had such healthy starts and finishes to their day, how much richer their lives would be.

So, here's to another Bethlehem hero — Doug, you know who you are.

Marlene Rosenfield-Crawford

Delmar

Teen-ager grateful for support

Editor, The Spotlight:

This Halloween, two friends — Rebecca Cariati and Emily Wistar — and I went trick-or-treating as part of a program called "Halloween for Hunger."

Jonathan White, a professor at Colby College, who we met at a Free the Children conference, started Halloween for Hunger during his sophomore year at Brandeis University.

He and his friends wanted to go trick-or-treating to act goofy, but decided that instead of asking for candy, they'd ask for a canned good.

That year, they raised more than 1,000 cans by themselves, with numbers constantly growing nationwide.

As the message keeps spreading, they have been able to raise more than one million cans a year

in one single night. We alone in an hour and a half raised more than 150 items to deliver to the Bethlehem Food Pantry.

Hunger is an enormous problem facing the world today. Currently, there are one billion people without food, not because there is not enough produced, but because there is an unequal distribution.

In fact, the amount of food produced could feed the whole world two or three times over.

Five times more people die every year due to hunger than died in the Holocaust. Even in our own country, 40 million Americans are hungry, not to the point of death, but hungry nonetheless. Forty percent of those are children, making the good old United States, the only country with that high a rate of child hunger and poverty.

But it's evident that this is not a fruitless cause. There are things we can do to help such as participating in Halloween for Hunger.

I'd like to tell you a little about our experience. As we walked from house to house, keeping these facts in mind, we were hit with eggs. It's not hard to believe that we were a good target — three teen-agers walking around Surrey Mall with a shopping cart (thanks to Price Chopper).

Yet it was with that shopping cart that we collected generous

donations from families, adding up to a full shopping cart, not including the houses we missed when it got to be too late and the Halloween tricks started to happen.

We got a lot of "thank-yous" and "You're doing such a nice thing," and frankly I'm glad.

I hope adults realize there are decent teen-agers out there, willing to do something good for the community rather than harming it.

On behalf of my counterparts, I'd like to say thank you to those people who gave donations, many even had prepared bags in response to our flier, and many were more than willing to give what they could right out of their cupboards.

I know I had an amazing time. I love doing things for other people, and it was fun running around on Halloween with a shopping cart collecting food for the hungry, rather than just candy for myself — although we were given treats for our efforts.

I hope that next year, more people in the community will take part in this great experience, and I encourage anybody interested to contact me for information or with questions.

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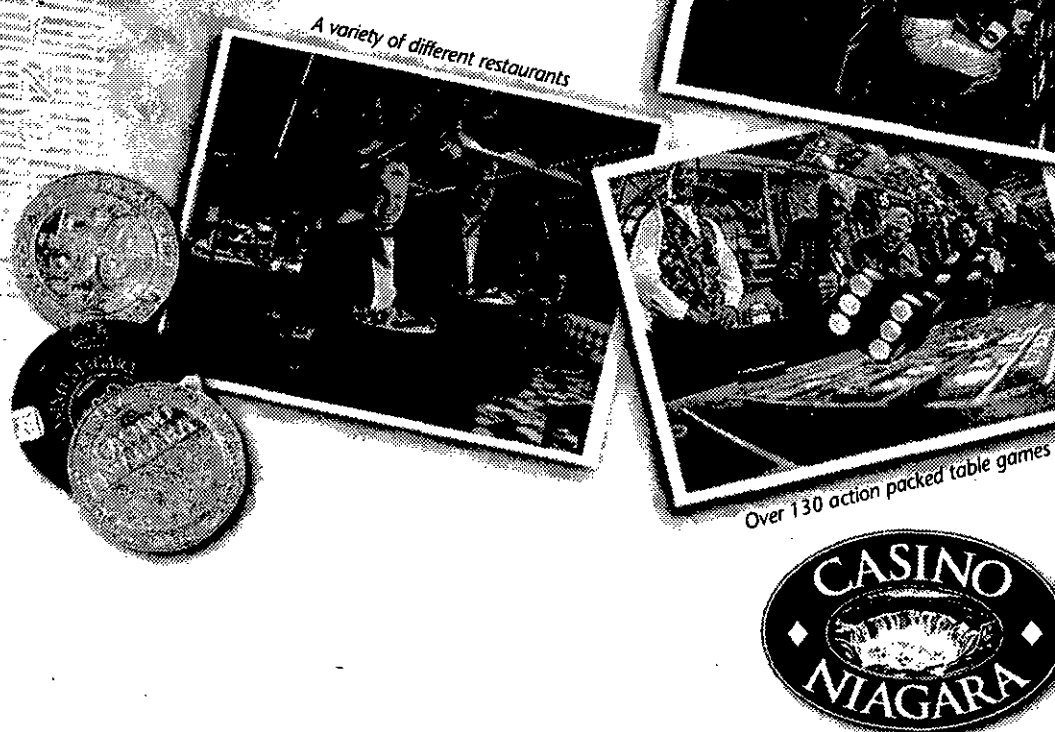
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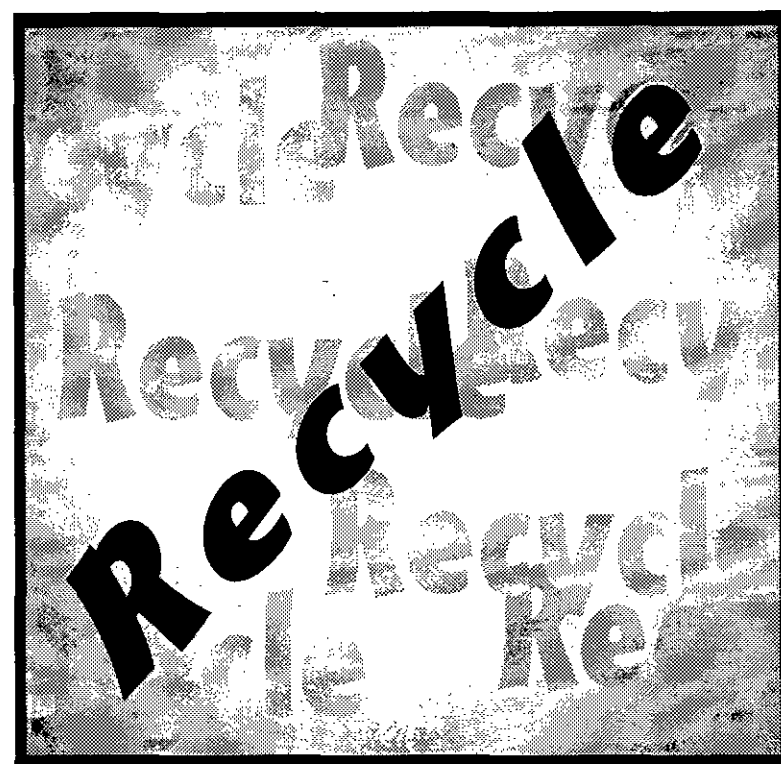
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Grange serves up much more than chicken dinners

By Katherine McCarthy

The Grange hall is the staple of every small town, a building that often overlooks the farm fields that were the reason for its existence.

In Bethlehem, now more suburban than rural, the Grange is a reminder of the importance farms have played in the town's history. Current members, while mindful of the past, work to better their community for the future.

The hall is a distinctive red building on Route 396 at Beckers Corners that Grange treasurer Parker Mathusa is trying to get on the National Historic Register.

Bethlehem Grange is 126 years old. George Sprague founded Bethlehem Grange No. 137 on March 17, 1874, in a hall on South Pearl Street in Albany.

Today, there are 93 members, age 15 and older, and eight in the



Lisle Snyder, left, Mary Starr, Randy Drobner and Dick Thayer show off the Grange emblem at the Grange hall at Beckers Corners.

Katherine McCarthy

former Grange Master Randy Drobner.

"We had a store, too," said Mary Starr, who wrote the Grange's history for its 125th anniversary.

"Harry Creble and Henry Meyer played checkers," Thayer said. "There was a foursome that sat and played checkers."

It wasn't just sitting, though, and Thayer pointed to the metal pole holding a wood square against the ceiling.

"We'd have square dancing," Thayer said, "and that pole lines up with the cellar wall, and supported the ceiling."

"We had our own band, too," Starr added.

Drobnersaid the Grange is an important part of today's community.

"We had over 100 resolutions at the state meeting," Drobner said. "We have a lobbyist, and we work on community and state affairs."

Bethlehem Grange continues its practice of paying attention to farming issues. Starr has a farm, Drobner grew up on a farm, and Thayer ran Heath Dairy until 1985.

"If you eat food, farming is important to you," Drobner said.

The greatest benefit gained by joining the Grange is the fellowship it provides.

"I joined because my parents joined," Thayer said, pointing out that in Guilford, Vt., where he first joined a Grange at age 14, "the only activities were the Grange and church."

"It's the nicest, friendliest group of people," Thayer said. "Everybody is brother and sister, and we're all concerned with our fellow man."

And woman — the Grange was the first organization to recognize women as full members; no auxiliary or separate women's organization for this group.

Children age 5 to 15 have their own organization, the Junior Grange.

Starr said that there are other benefits to Grange membership, such as hospitalization and other insurance coverage, investment opportunities, and good prices on cars.

Bethlehem Grange meets the fourth Tuesday of every month at 7:30 p.m. A key part of meetings is a lecture program. Kerry Kurtus is Bethlehem Grange's lecturer, and she covers a variety of topics.

There's one topic Kurtus won't need to talk about too much, and that's the Grange's famous dinners. Held October through December and March through June, the famous home-cooked dinners are always a sellout.

"Whether it's turkey or chicken and biscuits, the meals are always delicious," Thayer said. "People are all agog at them."

"The store is open during the dinners," Drobner said. "We sell baked goods, crocheted and knitted goods and books."

"It's a good evening out," Drobner added. "It's fun, it's entertaining, it's family-oriented, and there's a chance to serve your community."

"We're always looking for new ideas," Mary Starr added.

For information, contact Bethlehem Grange at 767-3342; Randy Drobner at 767-9165; or the Grange's new master, Lisle Snyder, at 767-2736.

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The Grange's biggest accomplishment was its organization of the Bethlehem Volunteer Ambulance Association, that it began sponsoring in the 1950s.

"We also work with needy families, and our hall is used for many things," said Dick Thayer, a 65-year member of the Order of the Patrons of Husbandry, the Grange's formal name.

"The rural landowners and the Farm Bureau have met here. We've had churches here, some of them using us as a halfway house as they start up," he said.

When the first Grange building in Bethlehem burned on New Year's Day 1920, First Reformed Church of Bethlehem let the Grange use its building. It was an even swap; the Grange had housed the church a few years earlier when its building burned.

Heating with wood caused many fires, but at the time, it was the only available heating fuel.

"There was a woodshed out back," Thayer said. "Walt Miller used to donate wood, and it was no problem to get eight to 10 people together to cut the wood."

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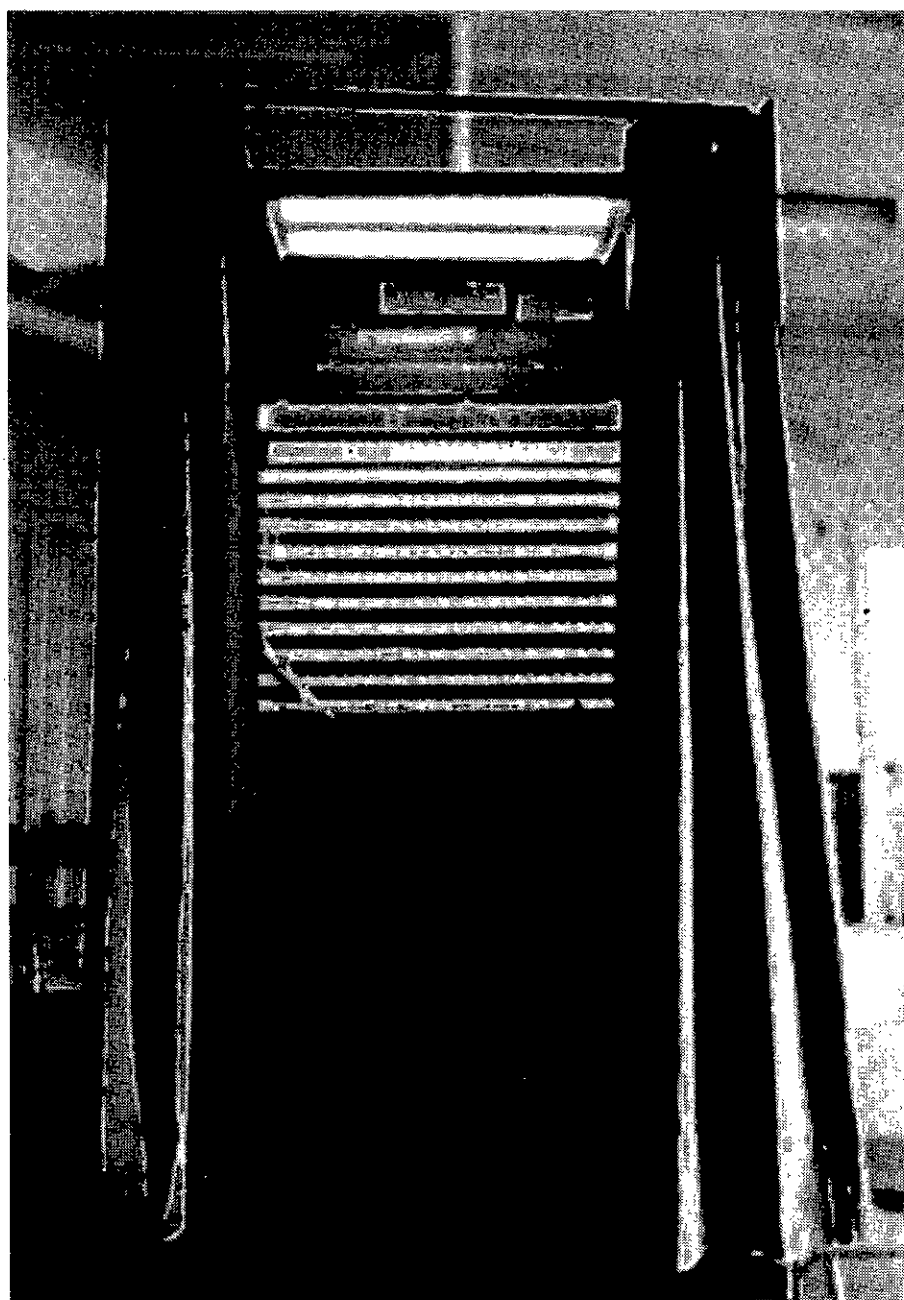
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AnimaLovers seeking volunteers for various tasks

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AnimaLovers mission is to provide housing, veterinary care and

adoption for unwanted, abandoned, and injured stray cats and dogs. The group educates the general public about the health and needs of companion animals.

Volunteers are needed to work

on the telephone committee, at local cat and dog adoption clinics, and to foster abandoned or stray dogs and cats until a proper adoption can take place.

The group is seeking individu-

als who can commit to a few hours a week, on an ongoing basis in any of these capacities.

To volunteer or learn more about the opportunities, call 448-5468.

BIG Arena offers martial arts classes

The Capital District Moo Duk Kwan Club now offers martial arts instruction in cooperation with BIG Arena.

Classes are available to students of all ability levels, age 8 and up. Classes meet on Tuesday and Thursday starting at 6 p.m.

Monthly dues are \$40 with family discounts available.

Senior instructors James Bungay and Richard Hoult have more than 40 combined years of martial arts experience, including moo duk kwan, tae kwon do and several other styles.

For information, call 767-0003 or visit the Web site at <http://cdmdk.tripod.com>.

Writers group seeks new members

The Delmar Writers Group, an organization for published and soon-to-be-published writers of fiction, nonfiction and poetry, has openings for new members.

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Physically Speaking



by Nick

Valenze, P.T.

All Bones and Muscles

It's been known that the heavier a person is, the stronger his or her bones are. Now, recent research shows it is not just how much a person weighs, but what type of weight he or she is carrying. Specifically, people with much muscle and little fat were found to have higher bone density than those with little muscle and much fat, despite the fact that the latter group weighed more. Thus, muscles are better predictors of bone mineral content or density than fat mass or weight. People who gain a pound of muscle will increase their bone strength three times more than if they gain a pound of fat. Strength training increases both muscles and bone density.

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P.S. Lifting weights can prevent some age-related muscle loss, as well as the muscle loss that often accompanies dieting.

Planning should ensure smooth transition

In anticipation of a "yes" vote on Dec. 19, the library has signed a contingency lease for 10,400 square feet of temporary space in the former True Value Hardware Store in Glenmont.

The new site will accommodate 40 percent of the collections

in use of available technology, assures a comprehensive collection and service package. In addition to interlibrary loan, the library will expand electronic reference resources through the purchase of new subscription databases accessible at the library and from remote sites.

A telephone reference help desk will provide technical support for these resources. An e-mail reference service will also be offered.

There is no intent to reduce hours of operation at the temporary site; the facility will remain open 71 hours a week.

The library plans to continue important community programs such as storytimes, school visits, Books to People and the Summer Reading Program.

In-house publications such as "Community Contacts," "Page-turners," and the "News Media Directory" will also be continued.

For community groups who have regularly used our facilities for meetings, referrals to other sites will be provided.

Bethlehem Public Library has a reputation as one of the state's flagship libraries. Trustees and staff are committed to upholding this reputation. The site may be temporary, but the commitment is permanent.

Louise Grieco

RCS library announces upcoming programs

Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk Community Library has announced a variety of activities for upcoming weeks.

• Tuesday, Nov. 21, at 7 p.m. — The adult book group will meet to discuss *Blue Highways: A Journey into America* by William Least Heat Moon.

• Wednesdays at 11 a.m. — Internet for Beginners will provide a small-group, hands-on les-

sons for Internet starters.

• Saturday, Nov. 25, at 11 a.m. — Learn a new and easy paper-folding craft, based on origami, as you create holiday greeting cards. Appropriate for crafters ages 9 through adult.

• Thursdays at 11 a.m. — Activities and crafts follow each story time for preschoolers. Programs last 30 to 45 minutes.

For information, call 756-2053.

South Bethlehem Methodist Church to host mystery dinner theater

South Bethlehem Methodist Church's South Bethlehem Players are returning with a mystery comedy, "The Case of the Mysterious Benefactor" on Friday, Nov. 17, at 6:30 p.m.

The dinner theater production will include a four-course meal featuring chicken mornay.

The courses will be interspersed with dramatic action and audience participation in solving

the mystery.

On Sunday, Nov. 19, at 3 p.m., the mystery comedy will be repeated with assorted desserts and coffee.

Reservations for both events are required and must be made by Nov. 12.

For reservations, call 767-3470. Seating is limited, so make reservations early.

Five Rivers sets activities

Five Rivers Environmental Education Center in Delmar recently announced its activity schedule for this month.

• Today, Nov. 15, 7 p.m. — Five Rivers Limited annual membership meeting, containing both a business meeting reviewing Five Rivers Limited's activities for the past year and an interpretive program.

• Saturday, Nov. 18, 10 a.m. — Indoor workshop on bird feeding in winter, both how to feed birds and what to feed them.

• Saturday, Nov. 25, 2 p.m. — Wild turkey program. Discussion of the lifestyle and habitat of the wild turkey.

Village establishes Web site

The village of Ravena has joined the Internet community. The Web site can be reached at <http://www.villageofravena.com>.

It has information on the village's rich history as well as important telephone numbers for residents. There is also a brief biography of each village board member and their e-mail addresses.

Descriptions of the various village departments are provided. Office hours and meeting dates for the village board, planning board and zoning board of appeals are also provided.

There are also other listings of community services including:

Ravena Hose Co., RCS Community Library, Mosher Park Complex, Senior Projects of Ravena and local churches. Two weather links give current forecasts.

The purpose of the site is to include an additional means of communicating with village residents. Information will be available seven days a week, 24 hours a day.

Special notices will be included on the site, such as water restrictions, hydrant flushing schedules, snow removal and leaf pickup.

The agenda for village board meetings will appear no later than the Monday before the Tuesday meeting.

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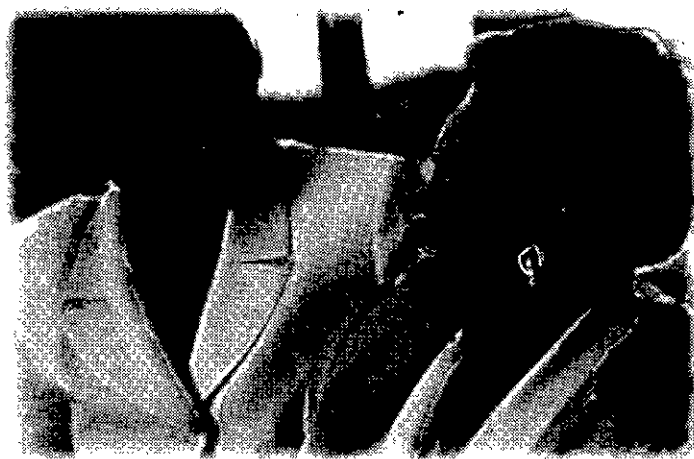


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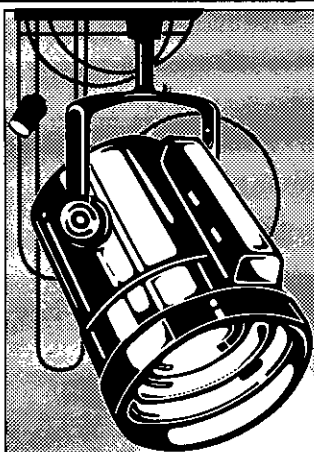


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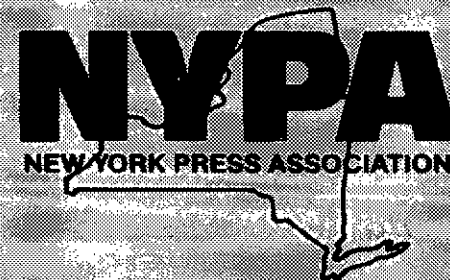
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Legion to serve Thanksgiving meal

American Legion Post 1493 will celebrate a community Thanksgiving dinner on Sunday, Nov. 19, from 2 to 6 p.m. at the Legion Hall on Voorheesville Avenue.

The menu will include turkey, ham, sweet potatoes, gravy, dressing, vegetables, beverage and dessert.

The meal is free and open to New Scotland residents. Good will offerings will be accepted to benefit the local food pantry.

Takeout meals will be available. Help is needed on Saturday and Sunday from 10 a.m. on to carve turkeys and peel potatoes.

St. Matthew's Church bazaar set Nov. 18

St. Matthew's Church will hold its annual bazaar on Saturday, Nov. 18, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the parish center on Mountainview Street.

A main drawing, including two airline tickets to any destination served by Southwest Airlines, a weekend get-away for two in Boston, and an Adirondack weekend for two on Lake Algonquin will be offered.

A Chinese raffle with more than 20 items will be held. Area professional crafters and parishioners will sell crafts.

DeLaCruz Photo Imaging will offer a special \$10 portrait during the bazaar.

Crafts and games will be available for children. Freckles the Clown will be face painting, and pictures with Santa Claus will be taken from 10 a.m. to noon. Refreshments will be served.

Community church service slated for Nov. 19

The annual community Thanksgiving service will be held on Sunday, Nov. 19, at 7:30 p.m. at First Presbyterian Church in New

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Scotland. The Rev. Arthur Toole from St. Matthew's Church will deliver the Thanksgiving message. Music will be under the direction of Ken George of First United Methodist Church.

A fellowship time with refreshments will follow the service. The offering will benefit the New Scotland food pantry.

Methodist church to hold bazaar

First United Methodist Church of Voorheesville will hold its annual mission bazaar on Saturday, Nov. 18, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the church on Maple Avenue.

The bazaar will include homemade crafts, plants, baked goods, and a white elephant thrift shop. Lunch, snacks and beverages will be available.

Mammography van to visit area

The mobile mammography van from Bellevue Woman's Hospital will be at Wyman Osterhout Community Center in New Salem on Thursday, Nov. 16, from 1 to 4 p.m.

Qualifying women can have a low cost or free breast health screening. For information or to make an appointment, call 1-888-423-3366.

PTA to meet

The PTA's next meeting is on Thursday, Nov. 16, at 7:30 p.m. in the elementary school cafeteria.

Activity night on deck

Activity night for Voorheesville students in fifth and sixth grade

will be held on Friday, Nov. 17, from 7 to 9 p.m. at the elementary school.

Early dismissal Friday

Students at the elementary school will be dismissed at 11:50 a.m. on Friday, Nov. 17, for parent-teacher conferences.

Children in the afternoon kindergarten will follow a regular schedule.

Roller-skating set for Nov. 17

PTA-sponsored roller-skating will be held Friday, Nov. 17, from 12:15 to 2:15 p.m. at the elementary school.

Parents are reminded to sign their children out in the cafeteria.

Dollars for Scholars to meet

Dollars for Scholars will meet tonight, Nov. 15, at 7 p.m. at the high school.

Parents are welcome to attend. For information, call Tim Kelly at 765-3314 ext. 205

Thacher Park to host geology walk

Thacher Park will host a geology walk with Thom Engel on Saturday, Nov. 18.

For the meeting time and place, call the park office at 872-1237.

Five Rivers to offer bird feeding program

Five Rivers Environmental Education Center on Game Farm Road in Delmar will offer a program on bird feeding on Saturday, Nov. 18, at 10 a.m.

Center naturalists will offer an in-depth indoor workshop on how to feed birds, what to feed them, and how to deal with health and safety issues involved in feeding them.

For information, call Five Rivers at 425-0291.

Historical association hosts schoolhouse museum events

The Bethlehem Historical Association will sponsor a variety of programs in upcoming months at the Cedar Hill Schoolhouse Museum on River Road in Selkirk.

• Nov. 16 at 7:30 p.m. — Allison Bennett will discuss the Dutch St. Nicholas.

• Dec. 3 from 1 to 4 p.m. — annual Holiday Silver Tea.

• Jan. 18 at 2 p.m. — Supervisor Sheila Fuller will present the State of the Town of Bethlehem.

• Feb. 15 at 2 p.m. — Jean Tomlinson will talk about souvenir spoon collecting.

• March 15 at 2 p.m. — Charles Semowich will present a program on American furniture.

• April 19 at 7:30 p.m. — Lois Dillon will be the guest speaker. Her topic will be "Remembering the China Traders."

For information about any of the events, call 767-9432.

Girls softball league sets registration date for 2001

Bethlehem Tomboys Softball League will hold registration for the 2001 season on Saturday, Dec. 2, from 9 a.m. to noon at Bethlehem town hall.

The league is open to girls grades one to 12. First-time registrants must have a copy of their birth certificate.

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

Parent volunteers are needed to serve on the board of directors, or to serve as boosters, managers/coaches, groundskeepers or fund-raisers. For information, call 439-0904.

Hamagrael sets craft fair, bake sale and auction

Hamagrael Elementary School PTA will sponsor a craft fair on Saturday, Dec. 2, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the school.

There will be more than 75 vendors, as well as refreshments, in-

cluding a bake sale, and a bucket auction.

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by John Quirk

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Ravena church to host holiday fair

Christian Congregationalist Church in Ravena will hold a holiday fair on Saturday, Nov. 18, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

It will feature holiday shopping, a silent auction, baked goods, candy, a white elephant sale and crafts.

The church is on Main Street in downtown Ravena.

PTSA to meet

RCS Senior High School PTSA will hold its next meeting on Thursday, Nov. 16, at 7 p.m.

Academic requirements for extracurricular activities and sports will be discussed.

Business group plans breakfast meeting

The Business Association of Ravena-Coeymans will hold its next meeting on Thursday, Nov.

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16, at 2 Orchard Ave. in Ravena.

Sue Pedro, director of planning and conservation for Albany County, will talk about economic development and the \$500,000 Canal Corridor Loan Fund.

Doors will open at 7:45 a.m. Breakfast will be available for \$5.

For information, contact Pam Moore at 756-3178.

Church to present dinner theater

South Bethlehem Methodist Church's South Bethlehem Players are returning with a mystery

comedy, "The Case of the Mysterious Benefactor," on Friday, Nov. 17, at 6:30 p.m. Eunice Hunter is the director.

The dinner theater production will include a four-course meal featuring chicken mornay.

The courses will be interspersed with dramatic action and audience participation in solving the mystery.

On Sunday, Nov. 19, at 3 p.m., the mystery comedy will be repeated with assorted desserts and coffee.

For reservations, call 767-3470.

Grange to serve roast pork dinner

Ravena Grange will serve a roast pork dinner on Saturday, Nov. 18, starting at 4 p.m. and continuing until the food is gone.

Scouts to collect food for pantries

Boy Scouts and Cub Scouts from Troop 67 will help feed the hungry by collecting bags of food on Saturday, Nov. 18.

Book group slates discussion

RCS Community Library book discussion group is reading *Blue Highways* by William Least Heat Moon. Copies of the book are available at the library.

It describes a jaunt through the back roads of America.

The discussion group will meet on Tuesday, Nov. 21, at 7 p.m. at the library in village hall on Mountain Road in Ravena.

Origami workshop set

RCS Community Library will host an origami workshop on Saturday, Nov. 25, at 11 a.m.

Crafters age 9 through adult are welcome.

Fellowship group provides nursery care

The Christian Fellowship Group for mothers of preschool children will provide nursery care from 9:30 to 11 a.m. on Mondays at Delmar Reformed Church on Delaware Avenue. For information, 439-9929.

Popcorn Day set at library

Bethlehem Public Library will hold "Popcorn Day" on Saturday, Nov. 18, at 10:30 a.m.

Offerings will include stories, games, songs, crafts and popcorn.

This program is for children ages 3 to 6.

Call 439-9314 to register. The library is at 451 Delaware Ave. in Delmar.

Library youth council schedules meeting

Bethlehem Public Library's youth council will be holding a recruitment meeting for middle schoolers on Thursday, Nov. 16, at 7:30 p.m.

Council members provide input on youth-related library materials and activities.

Call 439-9314 to register.

Church to host Christmas bazaar

First United Methodist Church of Voorheesville will hold a Christmas bazaar on Saturday, Nov. 21, from 9 a.m. until 2 p.m.

Handcrafted gifts, baked goods, and white elephant items will be for sale and lunch will be served.

The church is on Maple Avenue, Route 85A, in the center of Voorheesville.

For information, call 765-2693.

Zoning board to hold hearings

Bethlehem zoning board of appeals will hold a public hearing on the application of Theodore Smith, 14 Laurel Drive, Delmar, today, Nov. 15, at 7:30 p.m. at town hall on Delaware Avenue.

There will be a second public hearing at 7:45 p.m. on the application of Daniel and Patricia Peters, 48 McCormack Road, Slingerlands.

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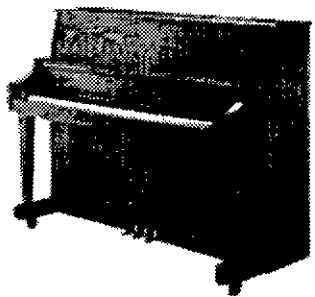
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The November/December newsletters are out. This little publication regularly provides adult and children's program information, book and magazine reviews, Friends of the Library updates and display and gallery schedules.

This issue highlights new non-fiction in the collection, as well as new CDs and videos. If you are not on our mailing list and would like to be, call and leave your name and address with us.

A reminder to caregivers: story times have ended and will resume after the holidays.

Barbara Vink

Library posts December activities

Bethlehem Public Library at 451 Delaware Avenue in Delmar has slated the following events for December.

• Dec. 1, 10:30 a.m.: The short films, "The Little Engine That Could," "Charlie Needs a Cloak," "Goodnight Gorilla" and "Brave Irene" will be shown for children age 3 to 6. The program lasts about 30 minutes.

• Dec. 1, 2:30 p.m.: "Homeschoolers' Intro to the Big 6" is designed to help students learn homework strategies. For homeschoolers in grade four and up with their parents.

• Dec. 3, 2 p.m.: Singers for Enjoyment — a 30-voiced mixed choir, directed by Bob Carruthers, will perform holiday favorites.

• Dec. 4, 7:30 p.m.: Local author and College of Saint Rose professor Hollis Seamon will read from her book *Body Work*.

• Dec. 8, 10:30 a.m.: Mother Goose classics will be retold for children 22 to 35 months.

• Dec. 9, 10:30: Winter Tales — Saturday Storybreak songs and a craft for children 3 to 6.

• Dec. 14, 7:30 p.m.: Great Books Discussion Group of Delmar will discuss portions of Aristotle's *Politics*. Copies are available at the reference desk for in-library use.

• Dec. 17, 3:30 p.m.: "The Boy Who Went to Visit the North Wind" — Bells and Motley will

perform this participatory folk tale accompanied by Celtic harp. Families and children in pre-K and up. No babies.

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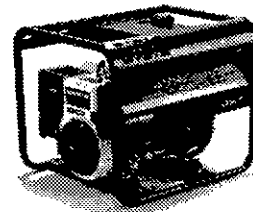
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Five Rivers center plans December programs

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• Saturday, Dec. 2, 2 p.m. — Trees of the Season. An examination of evergreen trees and lessons on how to tell tree needles apart.

• Saturday, Dec. 16, 2 p.m. — Not a Creature Stirring. An outdoor study of winter survival strategies for various animals.

• Wednesday, Dec. 27, 10 a.m.

— Naturalists as Reading Partners. Reading of a short nature story and an outdoor exploration of signs of the seasons. Parents and children must accompany one another, and should dress for the outdoors.

There is a \$1 fee per person, and pre-registration by Dec. 21 is required.

• Friday, Dec. 29, 10 a.m. — A repeat of the Dec. 27 program.

Pre-registration is required by Dec. 21.

Bethlehem business activity picks up

By Joseph A. Phillips

October was a good business month for the town of Bethlehem. A long-awaited senior housing project was officially dedicated, and a name change — and change of emphasis — was announced for a pharmacy once associated with the Kaiser-Permanente Medical Group.

Van Allen Senior Apartments on Route 9W in Glenmont, a 110-unit complex built by American Housing Foundation and financed via loans from the state Housing Trust Fund Corp. and bonds through the Bethlehem Industrial Development Agency, was com-

pleted last month and held a ribbon-cutting ceremony on Oct. 18.

The facility was designed to meet the demand for independent apartments for middle-income seniors. Seventy-five percent of the one- and two-bedroom units are reserved for seniors with incomes up to 90 percent of the median, 15 for those with incomes up to 50 percent of median, and 10 percent are leased at market rates. Ground was broken for the \$9 million project a year ago.

The former Kaiser-Permanente pharmacy in Delmar was acquired last January by Arrow Corp. of Farmington, Conn., along with other local pharmacies in Colonie, Clifton Park, Saratoga, Castleton and Bennington that once served the health plan's patients, all now redubbed Familymeds Pharmacy. The Delmar office celebrated a grand-reopening in October to highlight the name change.

"Over the last year, Arrow had

acquired several new store chains, so in conjunction with that, they rolled out the name change," said Familymeds regional manager Kathy Stark.

The Familymeds chain now has more than 120 stores in 15 states and is the 12th largest retail pharmacy chain in the nation. Familymeds.com is also a well-established online pharmacy, and the chain also offers mail-order service.

"It means a big change for our service," Stark said. "We can now accept all insurances, like other retail pharmacy chains."

The pharmacy retains ties to some of the physicians who once shared the building under Kaiser-Permanente.

"We hope to grow," Stark said, establishing relationships with other nearby medical practices.

"We know there's a lot of potential there in Delmar," she added.

Nelson House dedicates library

The Joseph Ryan Library was recently dedicated at Nelson House, an independent senior housing complex, in Albany.

Special recognition was given to Barbara Mladinov of Delmar

for the many hours she spent organizing and cataloging the books for the residents.

The library is dedicated to the memory of Joseph Ryan, who was a cartoonist/writer and an avid reader.

It contains several hundred books, a computer with Internet access, and a new reading system for the visually impaired.

Ryan's family, also of Delmar, attended the dedication.

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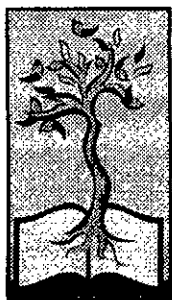
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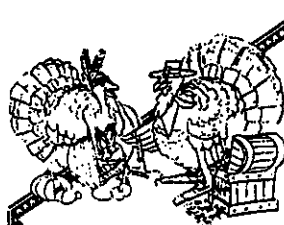
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Normanskill

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flight of geese making their way southeast can be heard long before they become visible above the treetops. A blue heron suddenly breaks from the canopy of trees to alight on the surface of the water.

But in two-plus hours of kayaking down the creek, only three other human souls are encountered — two trudging upstream, dragging a canoe, and a lone fisherman working the banks about a mile from where the Normanskill crosses into Bethlehem.

In the remote woods of New Scotland, the gently meandering stream hardly seems capable of the damage it caused last May in Elsmere. But if the landslide there came as a surprise, it is the creek's very anonymity, its remoteness along much of its length, that provides that element of surprise.

In fact, its remoteness and relatively unspoiled character is one of its most important features here and upstream — where the Normanskill has, so far, mostly resisted the encroachment of developers. The Normanskill covers a lot of ground, largely unseen by the public.

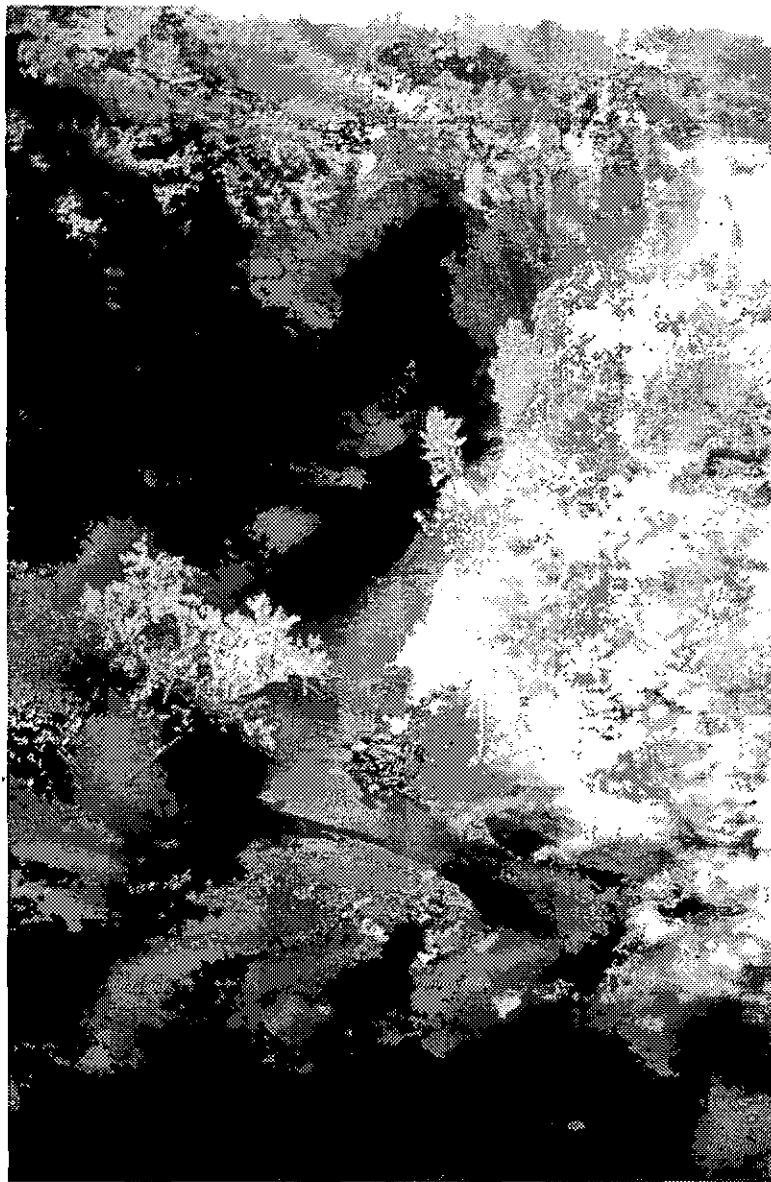
It begins in the eastern half of Duanesburg with the confluence of several smaller drainage creeks, mostly dry except for spring runoff and heavy rain. By the time it crosses Princetown and Rotterdam — its volume fed by the playfully-named Bonny Brook — and heads south into Guilderland, the Normanskill has become a substantial, slow-moving creek passing through farmland near Parkers Corners.

It is joined by the Poentic Kill and the Wildehausen Kill before entering a body of water that can be seen by motorists passing along Route 20 — the Watervliet Reservoir, matted over with the greenery of water chestnuts.

The reservoir is formed by the damming of the Normanskill near what was once called French's Hollow, where for more than a century, until the early 1900s, the Normanskill powered a series of mills and factories. The reservoir, created by the city of Watervliet in 1915, is "two or three times larger than the Tomhannock or Alcove," the respective reservoirs that supply the cities of Troy and Albany, said Nicholas Ostapovich, Watervliet's deputy general manager.

In fact, Albany once considered creating its principal reservoir here by damming a spot not far downstream.

The reservoir gathers water not only from the Normanskill but also the Bozenkill — which par-



The Normanskill cuts a dramatic path throughout the region.

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tially forms the western border of Guilderland and drains the Helderberg foothills as it passes by Altamont — and its tributary Black Creek, which winds through Guilderland Center, past the Northeastern Industrial Park and French's Hollow Fairways golf course.

In all, the reservoir stores the drainage of a watershed of nearly 112 square miles — enough to completely meet the drinking water needs of Watervliet's 11,600 citizens.

"We typically use 2.2 to 3.5 million gallons a day, depending on the season," said Ostapovich.

And in its 85 years of operation, he said, "We've lost only a limited amount of capacity, less than 10 percent (due to siltation), so there's no immediate plans to address that issue anywhere in the near future" by dredging.

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on water use, Watervliet has never to Ostapovich's recollection declared a water-shortage emergency.

"It recharges rapidly, and maintains a charge for a long time," he said.

For Watervliet, the reservoir provides not just a stream of potable water, but an important revenue stream as well. There's enough water to supply the town of Guiderland's treatment plant in the Guiderland Industrial Park.

And in 1982 — after the state Public Service Commission first required public utilities to purchase the output of any small electrical generating plant with power

to sell — the city opened a 1 megawatt hydroelectric plant that operates on a run-of-the-river basis, which is to say whenever there is sufficient volume in the reservoir to pump water through its turbines. Sales to Niagara Mohawk Power Corp. of its output bring the city \$300,000 a year.

Boating on the reservoir is prohibited, but shoreline fishing is permitted. Below the dam in French's Hollow, the Normanskill is reduced most of the year to a shallow, rocky drainage creek; there is no continual release of water from the dam.

Heavy rains or spring runoff, however, routinely overflow the dam and fill the channel. In fact, in the aftermath of Hurricane Floyd

in 1999, seven feet of water, an estimated 1 million gallons per second, cascaded over the dam for two days, Ostapovich said.

Rocky most of the year and hazardous at high water, the creek in French's Hollow is largely inhospitable to canoeing. But, it's technically not accessible; the land belongs to the Watervliet Public Works Department, though that fact doesn't stop the occasional swimmer or fisherman.

Downstream, in the Vale of Tawasentha, the creekbed deepens and the Normanskill pools, bisecting the town park. The resulting placid creek is accessible to canoers seeking a calm stretch of water for a family paddle, though that fact is not widely known to the public. There is no formal canoe launch at Tawasentha Park, but canoers can put in by way of the winter use area or by a trail below the baseball fields in the main section of the park.

Southeast of Tawasentha, the occasional crack of gunfire can be heard on quiet mornings, emanating from a steep, rocky gorge through a 238-acre reservation managed since 1938 by the state Division of Military and Naval Affairs, which oversees the New York National Guard.

The Guiderland Rifle Range is used, according to spokesman Scott Sandman, for occasional land-navigation training and light off-road maneuvers in the dense

woods, but primarily for small arms training. The only guard training post between Fort Drum and Peekskill's Camp Smith, the range is busy March through November, manned by a full-time range commander.

It is used by "guard and reserve units as well and many police agencies — sheriff's departments, local police departments, Department of Correctional Services, all of them from time to time," Sandman said.

Nestled in behind the Western Turnpike Golf Course, its unobtrusive entry gate fronts onto Grant Hill Road in Guiderland.

"We've had a good relationship with the folks who live back there," Sandman said. "We do make every effort to try to keep the range as little of an impact on the local community as possible."

A dramatic 300-foot high canyon walls off the Normanskill ravine as it cuts through the range reservation.

"What makes it a well suited area to use as a range is because it's a low-lying area, well contained by hills," Sandman said.

Even so, Sandman said, "There is actually a standing policy requiring training units when the range is 'hot' to post two lookouts at two specific spots, one upstream and one downstream" — with orders to halt fire if a stray recreational canoer drifts into range.

It's not much of a problem, as

the rocky creekbed is too shallow to support canoeing most of the year, apart from a brief spring runoff window. Downstream, it becomes both rocky and clogged with fallen trees and sudden bars of sandy shallows created by the spring floods. There is plenty of visible evidence in the Guiderland back-country of how easily high flood stage undermines the clay banks of the creek, which as it breaks off and falls away exposes neatly-stratified layers of clay.

In southeast Guiderland, the Hunger Kill flowing south from Glass Pond links up with both Kaikout Creek and Blockhouse Creek southwest of Westmere before emptying into the Normanskill.

Shortly after crossing under Route 155, the Normanskill then comes into first contact with development in newer subdivisions — where the stream borders the backyards of some homes on an aptly named cul-de-sac called Normanskill Place — before being joined by another major tributary, Vly Creek.

Vly Creek, which travels north-easterly through Voorheesville before linking with the Normanskill, is substantial enough to be an annual flood threat in parts of the village.

The Normanskill takes an abrupt southward turn near another development called Covington Woods and crosses the New Scotland town line, returning to wilderness once it passes beneath Krumkill Road. In a steep ravine knifing through farmland, the woods contain few evergreens, mostly elm and maple trees.

The creek approaches within a quarter mile of the growing subdivision of Elmwood Park in North Bethlehem before finally emerging dramatically into sight of a public road — alongside Blessing Road.

It is from that point southeast that the Normanskill is most visible — and has been the most troublesome, because of its proximity to development.

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ably fit in the palate where the thumb fits. Some retainers work by acting as a spacer to insulate the pleasurable sensation that researchers think kids derive from the finger touching the palate. Other retainers can undo the damage that thumbsucking may cause.

Q.) Should parents enforce the "No Thumbsucking Rule"?

A.) No! The child needs the gentle positive reminders. Parents should not resort to pulling the thumb out - that will make matters worse.

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Posts

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coordination with the village of Voorheesville on related functions, like the decision to coordinate more closely the work of the town and village's respective animal control officers last summer.

The implications of such coordination for the positions soon to become vacant will be evaluated by the board before personnel decisions are made, Pofit said.

"I'm delighted the village has offered to meet with us and look for areas of collaboration in these efforts," she said. "I'm delighted that Mayor Ed Clark is sitting in with us in our search effort."

For the time being, Pofit said, the parks department has been assigned to report to Highway Superintendent Darrell Duncan, and is being given greater oversight of recreational programs and of maintenance of public buildings.

"Our hope is we'll have a very strong role for the parks superintendent, particularly in long-range planning for parks," Pofit said.

An advisory committee launched last spring is particularly focusing on the needs of youth for programs and activities.

As for the building inspector's post, former town board member Mark Dempf, who is serving as a special engineering adviser to the town board, has been asked by Pofit to conduct a management engineering analysis of the function of the town's building and code enforcement department.

He will prepare recommendations to the town board stemming from that analysis before a formal job search begins.

Employment service available at town park

The Youth Employment Service is a free community service helping young people between the ages of 14 and 21 find employment and community residents and businesses find reliable workers.

The service's office is located at the Bethlehem Parks and Recreation building at Elm Avenue Park.

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Race

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the outcome.

Voting patterns in the DA race ran counter to the overall county results last week, which otherwise underscored the continuing erosion of the traditional Republican strength in the towns of Albany County.

"It's been closing down for the last 10 years," said county GOP Chairman Peter Kermani of Delmar. "It's 50-50 now."

Yet despite strong showings in the suburbs last week by the Democratic slate for president, U.S. Senate and various legislative offices, from Colonie to Guilderland to the Hilltowns, DerOhannesian carried the towns by a nearly 8,500 vote margin.

Even in Bethlehem, where Clyne's brother Matthew is Democratic Party chairman and the Gore/Clinton tickets won handily, DerOhannesian finished more than a thousand votes ahead, with 7,980 votes to Clyne's 6,930 and Mishler's 917.

Likewise, DerOhannesian carried New Scotland, 2,327-1,825-237, in the preliminary figures.

"Paul DerOhannesian was a great candidate," Kermani said. "I feel very good that when we reach out and get a quality candidate like Paul DerOhannesian, we do well. We got a lot of Democratic votes, and that's what we need to do to win in Albany County."

Clyne's would-be margin of victory came from traditionally heavily Democratic strongholds in Albany, Cohoes, Watervliet and Green Island.

As the recanvass continues, counts were completed Monday in Guilderland and in the Hilltowns.

The recanvass was expected to be wrapped up yesterday in Bethlehem and the rest of the county except for Colonie, scheduled for recounting today, and the city of Albany, slated for tomorrow.

In the meantime, Clyne has

retained the services of Thomas Spargo of Berne, a leading election law attorney, to observe the recanvassing effort.

Kermani said he was unsure what that meant.

"There is no call from anything I'm aware of for hiring an attorney," he said.

But he added that the controversial election "has uncovered whole cans of worms we can't even imagine. Something may be up."

Efforts to reach Clyne, Spargo and Albany County Democratic Chairman Michael Burns were unsuccessful.

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Delaware

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restoration of Bethlehem's key road link with the city of Albany. "This was a real community effort that couldn't have happened without the work of many, many people," she said. "We thank everyone in our community who hung in there for so long."

Thereopening was particularly good news for the more than 200 Bethlehem businesses most directly impacted by the road closing last May. DOT officials had pledged to a full reopening before the post-Thanksgiving launch of the Christmas shopping season.

Marty DeLaney, executive director the Bethlehem Chamber of Commerce, attended the Wednesday afternoon ceremony — and spent the morning spreading the news among her members.

"Everyone we spoke to was ecstatic, relieved, thrilled to be able to tell their customers there was no longer a problem on Delaware Avenue," she said.

Some 35 of those businesses await formal notification of emergency grants totalling \$290,000, applied for under the Bethlehem Landslide Recovery Program announced in July by Gov. George Pataki. According to Fuller, those grants are still being processed by officials of the Governor's Office for Small Cities (GOSC), but she anticipated notification of the awards to individual businesses soon.

According to DOT spokeswoman Paula Kelly, the decision to reopen Delaware Avenue came late Tuesday, a full day after contractor James J. Maloy of Loudonville completed work on placing the stone buttress that shores up the hillside. That task was accomplished ahead of the projected schedule, in just 10 days.

Maloy's crews, Kelly said, "worked around the clock a few nights, and when they weren't working round the clock, they worked very long days. And we actually had weather cooperating, something that didn't happen a lot

on this job. We had to make allowances in our schedule for visits from Mr. Murphy (as in Murphy's Law) because any time we've taken the optimistic route, it hasn't worked out. This time, reality was better than our vision."

DOT geotechnical engineers monitored the buttress for 24 hours before giving the go-ahead to reopen.

The screen obscuring the view of the repaired hillside, damaged by winds over the weekend, was removed Sunday.

"We still have to install whatever we're going to use as the barrier at the top of the scarp," Kelly said. "I believe it's going to be guide-rail, but I'm not sure. It's being designed right now by the DOT staff."

Relocation of the Niagara Mohawk gas line that crosses the ravine was completed last Friday, and additional work remains to be done to complete the new water line for the city of Albany. And DOT's crews continue to backfill the old Normanskill channel in the ravine.

Landscaping of the now buttressed hillside is still to be completed, most likely in the spring, along with restoration of the Community Gardens plot on the Albany side of the creek, repairing creekside walking trails in the ravine, and other finishing details.

As for long-range monitoring of the hillside to guard against a future slide, "a great deal of our instrumentation is still there," Kelly said, "and it's gonna be there permanently."

V'ville woman earns promotion

Price Chopper announced the promotion of Carol Cillis of Voorheesville to the position of corporate controller.

Cillis now manages all accounting functions within the company.



Cillis

She has been with Price Chopper for 13 years and has held several positions as senior project accountant, senior financial analyst and most recently assistant controller in the finance department.

Cillis has a bachelor's degree in accounting from the University at Albany.

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Historical group sets meetings

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Sports

Eagles advance to state Class A semifinals

By Phil Blackwell

At every practice, the Bethlehem boys soccer team works on penalty kicks, to be ready for them in a game situation, or a post-season shootout.

Mike Nuttall, the Eagles' goalkeeper, was struggling to stop them. So the coaches told him, when in doubt, he should dive to the left to stop a potential shot.

Good advice, as it turned out, for Nuttall's stop of a penalty kick was the defining moment in the Eagles' dramatic 2-1 victory over Section III champion Cicero-North Syracuse Friday night in the Class A regional finals at Liverpool High School, near Syracuse.

With 21:33 left in regulation,

the Eagles held a slim 1-0 lead, but were under attack as the Northstars aimed to tie the match.

Desperate, Bethlehem defenders tackled CNS' star player, William Arnault, in the 18-yard box. He was awarded an automatic penalty kick.

So here it was, a great goalie (Nuttall) meeting one of the state's top players (Arnault). As the CNS senior ran toward the ball, all fell silent. Most expected Arnault to convert and tie the game.

Nuttall made his guess to the left — right to where Arnault was hitting the ball. The Bethlehem goalie deflected it, survived more CNS scoring attempts, and was mobbed by his fellow players when the ball was cleared out.

"The coach told me to go to the left side," said Nuttall. "Luckily, he took a shot right there."

Without Nuttall's excellent play throughout the night, Bethlehem would have headed home lacking a regional trophy to go along with its Section II title.

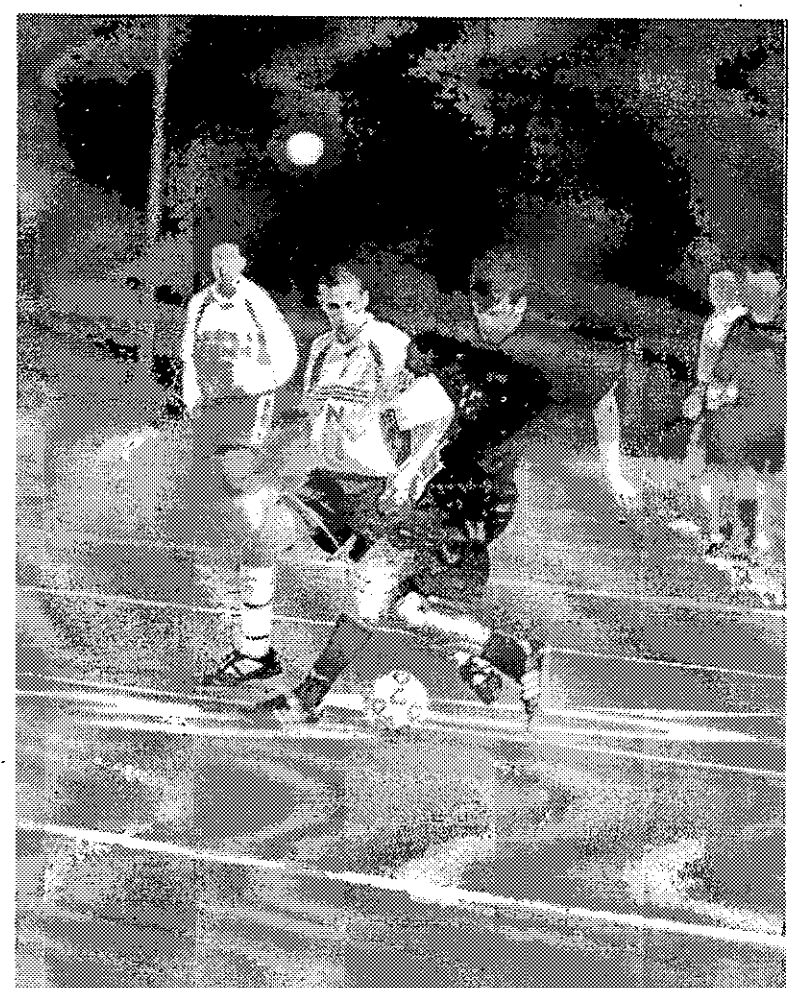
Less than seven minutes into the game, Bethlehem took a lead it would not relinquish. As a cold, misty rain fell, Steven Hoghe got free on a solo breakaway. When CNS goalie Daniel Birklin came out to challenge him, Hoghe laced a shot past Birklin and into the net, putting the Eagles ahead 1-0.

Much of the game, though, was spent on the other end of the field. The Northstars made a point of constantly attacking the Bethlehem defense, hoping the constant pressure would lead to goals.

Instead, it led to Nuttall constantly robbing Arnault. Twice in the first half, Arnault hit free kicks bound for the net, but Nuttall tipped them both away at the last moment. Just before halftime, younger brother Bryan Arnault had an open shot at the net that drifted wide. Bethlehem carried its 1-0 lead to halftime.

The second half replicated the first, except for the early Bethlehem goal. The Eagles did a poor job of clearing attempts, and the wave of CNS chances frustrated everyone except Nuttall. The junior played the game of his life, piling up 11 saves.

In the waning minutes, Bethlehem finally broke out. With 5:12 left, three Eagles got free and charged Birklin, who had idled for most of the half. He made one



Bethlehem's Ben Felson (12) controls the ball while a Cicero-North Syracuse player marks him during last Friday night's regional boys soccer playoff game in Syracuse. Dave Garrett

save, but could not hold on to the ball. Oleg Levchenko charged in and fired the ball into the net, making it 2-0.

Nuttall finally proved human as CNS' Matt Biondi broke up the shutout with just 3.1 seconds left on the clock — too late for CNS to do anything else.

"CNS is the toughest team we played all season," Nuttall said. "We got a few lucky breaks and we held strong."

"You can control the game and lose," said CNS coach Mike McCaffery. "Soccer is a cruel game."

The Eagles will take on Section I champion John Jay-East Fishkill Saturday at 1:30 p.m. in the state Class A semifinals at CNS' home field, Bragman Stadium.

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Eagle runners battle elements at state cross country meet

By Rob Jonas

Clark Foley couldn't put the past behind him Saturday.

The Bethlehem senior fell back two places in the final 500 meters to finish 12th overall at the New York State Public High School Athletic Association Cross Country Championships at SUNY Utica/Rome.

For Foley, it was an unfortunate reminder of his performance on the same course at the New Hartford Invitational earlier this season.

"I just had a flashback to New Hartford, and that was bad," Foley said. "I was all right at the beginning, but I went up that (first) hill and I was back in that race."

Foley and teammate Dan Kohler faced rough conditions at SUNY Utica/Rome. The course was a mud bog by the time the boys Class A race began at 11:30 a.m., which made traction difficult.

"It was just awful. That's all I can say," said Foley, who won the Section II Class A title one week earlier in Saratoga Springs. "It was by far the worst conditions I've ever run in. There was mud everywhere."

"I was tired the whole time," Kohler added. "There was mud six inches deep (in spots)."

Foley stayed with the leaders through the first half-mile, but began fading after the climbing the hill above the starting line area. He was still in the top 10 until the final stretch, where Section II teammates Jaime Julia of Amsterdam and Justin Corelli of Shaker passed him. Foley finished with a time of 17:37.6.

"Conditions like this make you



Bethlehem's Clark Foley charges down the course during last Saturday's New York State Public High School Athletic Association Cross Country Championships at SUNY Utica/Rome.

Rob Jonas

lose your focus," Foley said. "You're not concerned about running. You're concerned about just standing up."

Bethlehem coach Dave Banas was no less proud of Foley after the state meet than he was after the Section II meet.

"Clark had a good day," Banas said. "He's going to be disappointed with his place, but this is the big meet. Many of the top runners were here. I think when he looks back on this race in a few days, he'll realize he did well."

The conditions also played havoc with Kohler, who was taking part in his first state meet. The senior had mud kicked into his eye and slipped on the course, but he still managed to finish 31st

overall in a time of 18:03.4.

"It's great," Kohler said. "I missed (the state meet) by one place last year, so I really wanted to come this year."

"Dan caught a big chunk of mud in his eye in the first mile... but that's what happens in these conditions," Banas said.

Foley and Kohler earned a state championship as part of the Section II team. Helped by a third-place finish from Saratoga in the Class A team competition, Section II won the sectional title with 263 points.

Foley and Kohler will be joined by the rest of their Bethlehem teammates at this Saturday's Federation meet at Bowdoin State Park near Poughkeepsie.

Bantams win tourney title

The Bethlehem Youth Hockey bantam team won its division of the first-annual Fall Classic Tournament last weekend at the BIG Arena.

The Eagles opened with a 5-5 tie against Saratoga, and then defeated Adirondack 10-2 and Clifton Park twice to win the title.

In the opener against Saratoga Nov. 10, Bryan Ira and Chris Dudek scored goals 18 seconds apart to give Bethlehem a 2-0 lead in the first period. Dillon McNiven then scored less than a minute into the second stanza off assists from Taylor Bourque and David Farber to make the score 3-0.

Saratoga tied the game at 3-3 later in the second period, but Chris Jerome knocked in his first goal of the year to give Bethlehem a 4-3 lead. The Blue Knights scored twice more to take a 5-4 lead before Mike Szoke tallied midway through the third period to tie the game at 5-5 for the Eagles.

Party planned for Coach Neff

A thank-you party to honor recently retired Bethlehem Central High School boys varsity swim team coach Ken Neff is being planned for Friday, Nov. 24, starting at 6 p.m. at Normanside Country Club in Elmsmere.

Neff led varsity swim teams to 14 sectional championships before retiring as coach earlier this year.

All members of teams coached by Neff, as well as swimmers' families, and friends and supporters of BCHS swimming are invited.

For information, call Liz Strickler at 439-5468 or Mary Fiess Shaffer at 439-7261.

Dudek, Ira and Mike Dunn recorded two goals apiece in Bethlehem's 10-2 win against Adirondack Nov. 11. Farber, Jerome, Garrett Leigh and Brian Maher also contributed goals.

Later that day, Szoke and McNiven each scored two goals in a 5-2 victory against Clifton Park. Dudek added a goal for Bethlehem, which rallied from a 1-0 deficit.

The Eagles finished their run with a 5-4 win against Clifton Park in the championship game Nov. 12. Dudek recorded two goals, and Maher scored the game-winner with 1:30 left.

The Fall Classic Tournament continues this weekend with the pee wee division.



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Bethlehem quartet qualifies for state swim meet

By Rob Jonas

The Bethlehem girls swim team knew it would be tough to compete against Shenendehowa or Saratoga for the Section II title this year.

So rather than worry about standings points, the Eagles focused on putting forth their best effort at last weekend's championship meet at RPI's Robison Pool.

As it turned out, the strategy paid off for Bethlehem in the form of numerous personal best times and a third-place finish in the team standings.

"My team swam very well," Bethlehem coach **Anthony Ferro** said. "The kids were very focused on their swims."

Four Eagles — juniors **Becky Corson**, **Teresa Rosetti**, **Meredith Singer** and **Jen Rodgers** — earned bids to the New York State Public High School Athletic Association meet this weekend in Buffalo by hitting qualifying marks in their events.

Corson and Rosetti punched their tickets to Buffalo by finishing second and third in the 100-yard butterfly finals, respectively. Corson swam the race in a time of 1:00.77, less than half a second ahead of Rosetti.

"They both had great swims," Ferro said. "Teresa had a phenomenal swim. She hadn't been below a 1:03-high this year before this meet."

Singer earned her spot on the Section II team by being part of one of the fastest 50 freestyle finals in recent memory. Singer fin-

ished sixth overall, but her time of 25.02 seconds was fast enough to get her under the magic mark of 25.03. She later placed fifth in the 100 freestyle with a time of 55.67.

"She did a good job," Ferro said. "She had a great turn (at the 25-yard mark) and a phenomenal finish."

Section II coordinator **Pat Seligman** said she couldn't recall a time when six swimmers from Section II qualified for one event.

"We've had eight divers before, but I don't think we've had that many swimmers go to states," Seligman said.

Nearly as many divers as sprinters earned a trip to states. Rodgers was the final diver to qualify with a score of 396.4 points, good for fifth place.

Sophomore **Courtney Arduini** also had a big day for Bethlehem. She finished fourth in the 100 backstroke with a time of 1:01.4, less than a tenth of a second off the magic qualifying mark. She also set a personal best time of 2:16.83 in winning the consolation final of the 200 individual medley.

Arduini teamed up with Corson, Singer and junior **Ellen Bandel** to give Bethlehem an early jump start with a third-place finish in the 200 medley relay. The quartet swam a time of 1:54.2, less than two seconds off the winning mark recorded by Saratoga.

The other Eagle relay teams reached the championship finals in their races. Arduini, Rosetti, Singer and freshman **Liz Walsh** took sixth in the 400 freestyle with



Bethlehem's Becky Corson, left, and Teresa Rosetti, right, celebrate with Niskayuna's Danielle Korman after they qualified for the state meet in the 100-yard butterfly Saturday at Section II Swimming and Diving Championships at RPI. Corson finished second to Korman, while Rosetti placed third.

Jim Franco

a time of 3:48.46. Rosetti and Walsh earlier teamed with Bandel and senior **Katie Richardson** for a seventh-place finish in the 200 freestyle relay with a time of 1:48.

Richardson added a season-best time of 5:37 to win the consolation final in the 500 freestyle. The senior knocked seven seconds off her qualifying time from the preliminary round.

Bethlehem's individual performances helped the Eagles finish third overall with 235 points.

Shenendehowa won the team title for the eighth straight year with 333 points, while Saratoga placed second with 328 points.

"Shenendehowa and Saratoga are very strong teams," Ferro said. "We didn't have the depth to really compete with the other top teams."

The Guilderland/Voorheesville swim team finished 10th overall with 86 points.

"They did a very good job," Guilderville coach **Drew Thomas**

said. "They worked hard, they tapered well, and they performed."

Megan Was led Guilderville with a third-place finish in the 100 backstroke with a time of 1:00.89. The mark was good enough to qualify Was for the state meet.

"She's been a key swimmer all year long ... very competitive," Thomas said. "She did a lot of work all year."

Was added a 10th-place finish in the 200 individual medley with a time of 2:19.7.

Lozman appointed to National Ski Patrol post

By Rob Jonas

Six years ago, **Dr. Jeffrey Lozman** combined his passion with his profession to open an orthopaedic facility at Ski Windham.

Now, the Delmar resident has a much bigger responsibility in the skiing industry. He was appointed to serve as the medical adviser to the Eastern Division of the National Ski Patrol.

"It's a tremendous honor," Lozman said. "I've really enjoyed the job I have down at Windham. It certainly is different than my daytime job."

Lozman, who is also a senior partner with the Orthopaedic Group in Albany, will be available to consult and offer advice on mountain related injuries and treatment for ski areas through-

out the Northeast, New York and Pennsylvania. His hope is to encourage other ski areas to work with local surgeons to give injured skiers quality care.

"I think as the industry and the technology both improve, there will be a standardization of care and quality of care," Lozman said. "When an injury occurs — and they happen less frequently than before — people can expect a high level of medical care."

Lozman's family is also heavily involved in the sport of skiing. His son Joshua is a member of the National Ski Patrol, and his daughter Rebecca is an instructor with Ski Windham's adaptive skier program.

Lozman said he intends to continue working at his orthopaedic facility at Ski Windham.

Youth Network

Community task forces set goals

Once again Bethlehem Community Partnership has brought a spirit of cooperation to our community by bringing together parents, police, government, school district, business and community leaders.

On Saturday, Nov. 4, 29 people gathered for Bethlehem Community Partnership Workshop Day and developed action plans.

Task forces plan to:

- Explore mentoring and how it can help improve social and academic skills.
- Work to promote Respect for All, an initiative which began at BCMS three years ago.
- Create a Web site which would list student activities and provide information about time, dates and contacts.
- Promote civic responsibility.
- Raise community and parental awareness about sites where students "party."
- Recognize students who "do the right thing."

Thanks to everyone who participated, including Diane Alston, Mary Bayham, Tim Beebe, Mary Brosnan, Sue Corlett, Doris Davis, Christine Edwards, Gwen Guillet, Polly Hartman, Phyllis Hillinger, Ray Houghton, Karen Kissinger, Nan Lanahan, Lynne Lenhardt, Steve Lobban, Les Loomis, Becky Marvin, Helene Meckler, Sue Nachbar, Bruce Oliver, Mona Prenoveau, Vince Rinaldi, Bob Salamone, Happy Scherer, Anita Stein, Joyce Strand, Diane Teevan, Rhona Vigars and Rob Wing.

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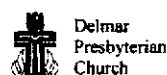
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Births

Albany Medical Center

Girl, Emma Elizabeth Anderson, to Tasha and Drew Anderson of Delmar, Sept. 6.

Boy, Nicholas Patrick Dwyer, to Jennifer and Steven Dwyer of Selkirk, Sept. 12.

Girl, Molly Elizabeth Mullaly, to Ann and Patrick Mullaly of Delmar, Sept. 15.

Bellevue Hospital

Boy, Austin Daniel-Thomas Carter, to Stephanie and Kenny Carter of Slingerlands, Oct. 15.

Delmar student helps manage play

Tasha Borys, a SUNY Brockport freshman majoring in theater technical design, is the assistant stage manager of the school's production of "You Can't Take it With You."

Performances are Nov. 17 to 19. The show starts at 8:30 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays, and 2 p.m. on Sundays.

Tickets are \$10 for adults and \$7 for seniors 62 and over, SUNY Brockport students and children under 12.

For tickets, call 716-395-ARTS.

Borys is the daughter of Theodore and Melissa Borys of Delmar.

Slingerlands man earns book award

At a recent meeting of the Western History Association in San Antonio, William Fenton of Slingerlands was chosen to receive the John C. Ewers Award for his book, *The Great Law and the Longhouse: A Political History of the Iroquois Confederacy*.

The award commemorates the best book on North American ethnohistory published in 1998 or 1999.

Fenton is distinguished professor emeritus of anthropology at the University at Albany.

BCHS graduate completes basic

Pvt. Shawn Martin, son of Paul Martin of Delmar, recently completed basic training at the Marine Corps Recruit Depot at Parris Island, S.C.

Martin successfully completed 12 weeks of training designed to challenge new Marine recruits both physically and mentally.

He is a 1995 graduate of Bethlehem Central High School.



Sandra and Daniel Hanifin

Blackman, Hanifin marry

Sandra Ellen Blackman, daughter of Robert and Martha Blackman of Delmar, and Daniel P. Hanifin, son of Daniel and Janice Hanifin of Gloversville, were married Aug. 5.

The Rev. Elaine Woroby of Loudonville Presbyterian Church and the Rev. Leo O'Brien of St. Vincent de Paul Church, performed the ceremony at Westminster Presbyterian Church in Albany.

A reception followed at Albany Country Club in Guilderland.

The maid of honor was Kristen Healy.

Bridesmaids were Pam Voorhees, aunt of the bride; Christie Nowlin, cousin of the bride; and Taryn Bryden.

Clara Hanifin, niece of the groom, was the flower girl.

The best man was David Hanifin, brother of the groom.

Ushers were John Hanifin, brother of the groom; Peter Blackman of Albany, brother of the bride; and Eric Gloo.

Stace Contompasis, cousin of the bride, was the ring bearer.

The bride is a graduate of Albany Academy for Girls and Nazareth College.

She is a second-grade teacher at Albany Academy for Boys.

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

He is associate director of development at Proctor's Theatre in Schenectady.

After a wedding trip to Vancouver, British Columbia, the couple lives in Guilderland.

BCHS graduate to edit research journal

Moddy Gentile McKeown has been named the new editor of the "American Educational Research Journal."

McKeown, an educational research specialist at the University

of Pittsburgh, is a graduate of Bethlehem Central High School.

She is the daughter of Dominick and Margaret Gentile of Elsmere.



Sarah Bylsma and Rudy Samyn

Bylsma, Samyn to wed

Sarah Kathryn Bylsma, daughter of Steven and Karen Bylsma of Glenmont, and Rudy Armand Samyn, son of Robert and Jacqueline Samyn of Ajax, Ontario, are engaged to be married.

The bride-to-be is a graduate of Bethlehem Central High School and SUNY Potsdam.

She is assistant general manager at the Cactus Club restaurant in Boston.

The future groom is a graduate of the University of Pretoria in South Africa.

He is senior restaurant manager at Movenpick Marché in Boston.

The couple plans a June 2 wedding.

Silk, Behar engaged

Jill Dana Silk, daughter of Dr. Paul and Ann Silk of Delmar, and Adam Scott Behar, son of Max and Sandra Behar of Fort Lee, N.J., are engaged to be married.

The bride-to-be is a graduate of Emma Willard School and George Washington University.

She is a credit analyst for Deutsche Bank in New York City.

The future groom owns ASB Produce Corp. in New Jersey.

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Scouts to present annual Sportsmart

Boy Scout Troop 75 presents the 27th annual Sportsmart on Saturday, Nov. 18, at Bethlehem Central High School. Use the Van Dyke Road entrance.

Skiing, camping, running, skating and biking items will be sold. Bring sale items from 9 to 11:30 a.m. The public is invited to purchase items from 1:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. Pick up proceeds and unsold items from 5 to 5:30 p.m.

Admission is a \$1 donation to benefit local food pantries.

Obituaries

Vicki Adler

Vicki Adler, 56, of Adams Station in Delmar died Wednesday, Nov. 8.

She received a bachelor's degree in English from Carnegie Mellon University. She also received certification in records administration for Northeastern University, receiving top honors in the program.

Ms. Adler was part of the original methadone program at national Heart Hospital in London. She also worked for Albany Medical Center Hospital in the medical records department and the state Department of Social Services.

She was an avid reader and traveler.

Survivors include her parents, Helen and Fred Adler of Delmar; and two sisters, Deb Adler Cole of Delmar and Rachel Hayes of Arlington Heights, Mass.

A memorial services will be held in December at a date to be announced.

She donated her body to Albany Medical College.

Contributions may be made to the American Civil Liberties Union, the Food Pantry or WAMC radio.

Florence Riddell

Florence S. Riddell, 80, of Woodlawn Commons in Saratoga Springs and formerly of Delmar, died Friday, Nov. 10, at her home.

Born in Greenwich, she worked for Socony-Mobile in Albany for 37 years before she retired.

She was a longtime member of First United Methodist Church in Delmar. She enjoyed gardening and traveling.

Survivors include a sister, Eleanor Riddell of Saratoga

Springs; and a brother, Grant Van Patten of Saratoga Springs.

Services were private.

Burial was in Bethlehem Cemetery in Delmar.

Arrangements were by the Applebee Funeral Home in Delmar.

Contributions may be made to Community Hospice of Saratoga, 179 Lawrence St., Saratoga Springs 12866.

Beverly DiClementi

Beverly M. DiClementi of Glenmont died Thursday, Nov. 9, at her home.

Born in the Thousand Islands, she had lived in Brooklyn before moving to Glenmont in 1967.

Mrs. DiClementi had operated Sheppard Sisters Gift Shop with her sister before her marriage.

She was a 30-year member of the Bethlehem Garden Club and an avid tennis player.

Survivors include her husband, Frank DiClementi; a daughter, Deborah DiClementi of Manhattan; and a sister, Virginia Kelly of Springfield, Ill.

Services were from the Applebee Funeral Home in Delmar.

Burial was in Highland Park Cemetery in Alexandria Bay.

Contributions may be made to the Beverly Sheppard DiClementi Scholarship Fund at the Fashion Institute of Technology, Attn: Jacqueline Veneble, Corner of 7th Avenue and 27th Street, New York, N.Y. 10001 or Capital Rescue Mission, 259 S. Pearl St., Albany PO Box 1999, Albany 12201.

C.M. Rudzinskas

Catherine M. Rudzinskas, 74,

of New Scotland Road in New Salem died Monday, Nov. 6, at St. Peter's Hospital in Albany.

Born in Manhattan, she was a longtime resident of New Salem.

Mrs. Rudzinskas was a homemaker.

She was a member of Christ's Church of the Capital District.

She was the widow of Victor Rudzinskas.

Survivors include three daughters, Catherine Handy, Anna Mohan and Haidee Smith, all of Voorheesville; three sons, Robert Houck of Latham, Victor Rudzinskas of Voorheesville and Alan Rudzinskas of East Berne; and seven grandchildren.

Services were from Christ's Church of the Capital District.

Arrangements were by the Reilly & Son Funeral Home in Voorheesville.

Contributions may be made to Christ's Church of the Capital District, 2 Charles Blvd., Guilderland. 12084.

Donald Ahern

Donald W. Ahern, 69, of Selkirk died Sunday, Nov. 5, at his home.

Born in Brooklyn, he was a Marine Corps veteran of the Korean War.

Mr. Ahern worked for Dorsey Millwork and Rutland Lumber, both in Colonie, before he retired.

He was a member of Ravena-Coeymans American Legion Post 114 and the William Lesch chapter of Disabled American Veterans.

Survivors include his companion, Marilyn Anderson of Selkirk.

Services were from Grace United Methodist Church in Ravena.

Arrangements were by the Babcock Funeral Home in Ravena.

Contributions may be made to Grace United Methodist Church, 16 Hillcrest Drive, Ravena 12143.

Dorothy Sheehan

Dorothy M. Dykeman Sheehan, 83, of Delmar died Monday, Nov. 6, at St. Peter's Hospital in Albany.

Born in Albany, she was a graduate of Vincentian Institute.

Mrs. Sheehan worked for Travelers Insurance Co., prior to her marriage.

She was a communicant of the Church of St. Thomas the Apostle. She was a member of St. Thomas seniors and Bethlehem Senior Citizens.

She was the widow of Vincent M. Sheehan.

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

Burial was in Our Lady of Angels Cemetery in Colonie.

Arrangements were by the Zwack & Sons Funeral Home.

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

Max Eugene Ludwick

Max Eugene Ludwick, 80, of Waldorf, Md., and formerly of Selkirk, died Tuesday, Sept. 19, at Malcom Grow Hospital in Maryland.

Born in Mount Carrole, Ill., he was raised in Texas.

Mr. Ludwick was a graduate of Medill School of Journalism at the U.S. Naval Station in Great Lakes, Ill.

He was a Navy veteran of World War II. After the war, he was assigned to the Fleet Public Information Office and the office of the chairman of the joint chiefs of staff at the Pentagon.

After retiring from the Navy in 1967, he was an administrative assistant for Pacific Gas & Electric Co. in San Francisco.

He was a past exalted ruler of Elks Lodge 2421 in Waldorf.

Survivors include his wife, Margaret Mary Ludwick; a son, Lance William Ludwick of Arlington, Va.; two grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

Services were from Our Lady Help of Christians Church.

Burial with full military honors was in Trinity Memorial Gardens.

Arrangements were by the Hunt Funeral Home in Waldorf.

Contributions may be made to Our Lady Help of Christians Building Fund, 100 Village Drive, Waldorf, Md. 20602.

Five Rivers to host evening sky program

Five Rivers Environmental Education Center at 56 Game Farm Road in Delmar will host an evening of sky watching and star lore with the Albany Area Amateur Astronomers on Friday, Dec. 1, at 7 p.m.

The program will feature the quarter moon. Club members will focus on seasonal deep sky objects, planets and common constellations with telescopes and naked eye observations.

For information, call 475-0291.

Parks & rec sets family swim dates

Bethlehem Parks and Recreation Department will hold Sunday family swims on Nov. 19 and Dec. 3 and 10, from 1 to 3:30 p.m. at Bethlehem Central Middle School.

For youth 5 to 13, the fee is \$2, for ages 14 to 61, the fee is \$2.50. Those under 5 and over 62 swim for free. Pay as you go each week.

Swimmers must be residents of the town of Bethlehem or the Bethlehem Central School District.

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Church slates annual bazaar

St. Matthew's Church will hold its 20th annual Holiday Bazaar on Saturday, Nov. 18, from 9 a.m. until 2 p.m. in the parish center on Mountainview Street in Voorheesville.

The main drawing will be the highlight of the day. The top three prizes are two airline tickets to any destination served by SouthWest Airline, a weekend getaway to Swissotel in Boston, and an Adirondack weekend for two on Lake Algonquin.

There will also be a Chinese drawing with 20 items.

New this year will be a crafters consignment area offering handmade items by professional craftspeople.

Families can also have their portrait taken for \$10.

Entertainment will be available for the kids, with crafts, games, treats and an appearance by Freckles the Clown, who will do face painting. Santa Claus will visit from 10 a.m. to noon and pictures will be taken.

Fried dough, beverages, hot dogs and chili will be served.

The event is open to the public. For information, call 765-2805.

Tri-Village Squares to host dance Nov. 18

Tri-Village Squares will hold a square and round dance on Saturday, Nov. 18, from 8 p.m. to 10:30 p.m. at First United Methodist Church on Kenwood Avenue in Delmar.

Admission is \$9 per couple. For information, call Joe Kunkel at 456-6987.

BCMS plans talk for parents

Bethlehem Central Middle School guidance staff invites parents of students in grades six through eight to a discussion group on monitoring student progress on Thursday, Nov. 16, from 9 to 10 a.m. in the BCMS cafeteria.

Guidance staff members and parents will discuss how to get and keep your child organized and how to use five-week reports.

Register by calling Bethlehem Networks at 439-7740.

Extension to vote on amended bylaws

Cornell Cooperative Extension of Albany County will hold a special meeting on Dec. 13 to vote on amended by-laws.

Changes in the by-laws have been developed by a committee of the board and approved by Cornell University as required.

For information, call 765-3500.

Death Notices

The Spotlight will print paid Death Notices for relatives and friends who do not or have not lived in the Towns of Bethlehem and New Scotland. The charge for a paid death notice is \$25.

We will continue to print Obituaries of residents and former residents of the Towns of Bethlehem and New Scotland at no charge.

In Memoriam, and Cards of Thanks will also be printed for \$25.



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SIMMONS - The family of Edmund J. Simmons would like to express sincere thanks to everyone for all the kindness, love and support they have shown during this difficult time. Your prayers, cards, calls, flowers, food and generous contributions were appreciated.

A special thanks to the Wynantskill Fire and Ambulance services, the North Greenbush Police Department and Reverend Chad Schuritema of the First Reformed Church.

Many thanks also to the Colonie EMTs and Colonie Police Department. Coroner Phillips H. Furie and Investigator Christopher Carey were especially kind and considerate.

To each of you, please know that your presence at the wake and funeral were deeply appreciated.

Sincerely,
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DINO—MITE!

*Barney & pals bring fun & friendship
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By DONNA J. BELL

What is it about one certain big purple dinosaur that preschoolers swoon over? Whatever the magic, if the toddler in your household can't seem to get enough of Barney the dinosaur, the must-see event of the season is hitting town this weekend. Starting Friday and running through Sunday for five shows, Barney is coming to the Pepsi Arena in a live-action musical production. Starring Barney and his friends Baby Bop and BJ, "Barney's Musical Castle" is produced by the same folks who bring us the No. 1 rated preschool television series "Barney & Friends." The T.V. show, which has been going strong for almost 10 years, first burst onto the small screen in 1992. This year's stage show alone may be seen by as many as four million children.

The songs are tailor-made for one to four-year-olds and the tunes are interactive. The children can be a part of the entertainment.

Christine Finnegan

"Barney is a provider of unconditional love," said Christine Finnegan, media manager of "Barney's Musical Castle," explaining the lasting appeal of Barney. "The songs are tailor-made for one to four-year-olds and the tunes are interactive. The children can be a part of the entertainment."

"Barney's Musical Castle" show doesn't stray far from the formula that made it a successful children's television show. It highlights Barney and perennial saurian favorites BJ and his little sister Baby Bop. Throw in four elementary-aged children and a good dose of familiar music and you've got an evening that will get toddlers dancing in their seats.

The show takes Barney, BJ and Baby Bop and their four new friends, Andy, Justin, Penny and Jessica, on an adventure that starts with the cast building sandcastles, and ends up at a real castle. Their excursion takes them through an enchanted forest where sunflowers dance and a bunny, fox and bear pave a path to a castle on the horizon. Once they reach the castle, Barney and his pals dance with armored knights, have a costume parade and put a smile on a king's face. With elaborate sets and Broadway quality production, "Barney's Musical Castle" will also appeal to accompanying adults and older siblings.

"B.J. sings a jazzy hip-hop song that the older kids really take to," Finnegan said. "It's quality family entertainment. The parents get so much joy from seeing their children smile."

The 70-minute production takes the children in the audience on a fanciful trip that allows them to sing along to classic Barney songs and discover a few new tunes and dances. Familiar nursery rhymes are brought to life as the show's children place their faces into paintings representing Jack & Jill, Hickory Dickory Dock, Little Bo Peep, Pat-A-Cake, Mary Had A Little Lamb and This Little Piggy Went To Market.

"Barney's Musical Castle" features 30 songs, including the favorites that Barney devotees wait for: "Hey Mr. Knickerbocker," "Castles So High," and "If All The Raindrops." All of Barney's friends are encouraged to participate in such classic tunes as: "If You're Happy And You Know It," "The Green Grass Grew All Around" and "I Love You."

The show is also participating in a philanthropic mission. Part of the proceeds from the tour will go to benefit the National Children's Alliance (NCA), a national nonprofit membership organization whose

mission is to improve the community's response to child abuse. With over 400 affiliated Children Advocacy Centers nationwide, the program works with teams of professionals from medical and mental health services, child protective services, law enforcement, criminal justice and other victim advocacy specialists.

Barney, B.J. and Baby Bop bring music and wonder to Albany's Pepsi Arena in Barney's Musical Castle. The show is scheduled for five performances starting Friday, Nov. 17 and running through Sunday, Nov. 19.



Barney's Musical Castle

"We are thrilled that Barney has chosen NCA as the beneficiary of his stage show tour, and we look forward to working together to make the future brighter for children at risk," said Nancy Chandler, executive director of NCA.

While the rest of the world may make fun of Barney's signature song, those of us with toddlers to snuggle know that when it gets to the lyric "with a great big hug and a kiss from me to you" a little part of us melts as we receive a smudgy little kiss on the cheek.

Barney's Musical Castle will have five performances: Friday, Nov. 17 at 7 p.m.; Saturday, Nov. 18 at 11 a.m. and 2:30 p.m.; and Sunday, Nov. 19 at 1:30 p.m. and 5:00 p.m. Tickets are on sale now, for \$25, \$17.50, \$12.50 and \$10.00. They can be purchased at the Pepsi Arena box office, all Ticketmaster outlets, including Armory Center, or via Ticketmaster charge-by-phone at 476-1000. For group discounts of 20 or more, call 487-2100.

ARTS and ENTERTAINMENT

Theater

THE SERVANT OF TWO MASTERS

Goldoni commedia dell'arte play, Foy Theater, Siena College, Nov. 15 to 19, \$10, \$8 for seniors and students. Information, 783-2527.

MASS APPEAL

religious drama, Curtain Call Theater, 210 Old Loudon Road, Latham, Nov. 17 to Dec. 23, \$15. Information, 877-7529.

WIT

cancer drama, North Pointe Cultural Arts Center, Kinderhook, through Nov. 19, \$14 and \$18. Information, 822-9667.

THE MERRY WIDOW

Opera Northeast production, The Egg, Empire State Plaza, Albany, Nov. 19, 4 p.m., \$23, \$19 for seniors, \$12 for children. Information, 473-1845.

Music

DIAZ TRIO

string trio performing works by Mozart, Hindemith and Fine, Troy Savings Bank Music Hall, State and Second streets, Nov. 17, 8 p.m., \$10 to \$22. Information, 273-0038.

VITAL INFORMATION

The Van Dyck, 235 Union St., Schenectady, Nov. 17, 7 and 9:30 p.m., \$20. Information, 381-1111.

RICHARD SKIPPER

as Carol Channing, The Egg at Empire State Plaza, Albany, Nov. 17, 8 p.m., \$19, \$17 for seniors. Information, 473-1845.

STEVE FORBERT

singer-songwriter, Valentine's, 17 New Scotland Ave., Albany, Nov. 17, 9 p.m., \$12. Information, 432-6572.

FRANK VIGNOLA/FRANK WESS QUARTET

The Van Dyck, 235 Union St., Schenectady, Nov. 18, 7 and 9:30 p.m., \$18. Information, 381-1111.

JOHN HARTFORD AND VASSAR CLEMENTS

with Tut Taylor and Norman Blake, Troy Savings Bank Music Hall, State and Second streets, Nov. 18, 7:30 p.m., \$24. Information, 273-0038.

MOSE SCARLETT, KEN WHITELEY AND JACKIE WASHINGTON

folk/blues/swing combo, Old Songs concert at Altamont Masonic Temple, Route 146, Nov. 18, 8 p.m., \$12. Information, 765-2815.

ROCKAPPELLA

a capella rock group, Troy Savings Bank Music Hall, State and Second streets, Nov. 19, 3 p.m., \$15 and \$17. Information, 273-0038.

CHARLIE HADEN AND QUARTET WEST

jazz bassist and group, Troy Savings Bank Music Hall, State and Second streets, Nov. 19, 7:30 p.m., \$20. Information, 273-0038.

Visual Arts

NEW YORK STATE MUSEUM

The Collector as Bookbinder, through Dec. 31, plus permanent collections, Empire State Plaza, Madison Avenue, Information, 474-5877.

SCHENECTADY MUSEUM

Through our Eyes, works by black photographers, through Jan. 7, plus permanent collections, Nott Terrace Heights. Information, 382-7890.

ALBANY CENTER GALLERIES

23 Monroe St., works by Deborah Zlotky, Mimi Czajka Graminski and Robert Longley, through Dec. 29. Information, 462-4775.

ALBANY INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT GALLERY

Sankota: 25 Years of Black Dimensions in Art, through Nov. 27. Information, 242-2240.

HYDE COLLECTION

Warren Street, Glens Falls, "Picturing Gentility: Portraits of Women in American Art," through Dec. 3. Information, 792-1761.

LOCAL COLOR ART GALLERY

961 Troy-Schenectady Road, Latham, featuring works by Colonie Art League artists. Information, 786-6557.

Call For Artists

DELMAR COMMUNITY ORCHESTRA

openings in the string, horn and percussion sections. Information, 439-7749.

COLONIE TOWN BAND

several openings, rehearsals on Mondays at 7:30 p.m. at town hall, Route 9, Newtonville. Information, 783-2760.

COLONIE CENTENNIAL BRASS CHOIR

openings for brass players, rehearsals on first Thursday and third Tuesday of the month, at 7:15 p.m., town hall, Route 9, Newtonville. Information, 783-2760.

SIENA CHAMBER ORCHESTRA AND CHOIR

rehearsals Thursdays at 7:30 p.m. for orchestra, Wednesdays at 6 p.m. for choir, Siena College, Route 9, Loudonville. Information, 783-2325.

CLIFTON PARK COMMUNITY ORCHESTRA

openings in all sections, especially strings, rehearsals Tuesdays at 7:30

p.m., Clifton Common Senior Center. Information, 783-2511.

SINGERS NEEDED

for Electric City Chorus, training provided, rehearsals at Faith United Methodist Church, Brandywine Avenue and Eastern Parkway, Schenectady, Tuesdays, 7:30 p.m. Information, 785-4807.

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

rehearsals at Columbia High School, Luther Road, East Greenbush, 7 to 9 p.m., Tuesdays. Information, 477-8308.

Classes/Lectures

MUSIC CLASSES

in many folk instruments, Old Songs, ROI Center, Route 155, Gunderland. Information, 765-2815.

Recycle

Art Show & Sale

Delmar Artists Group's 28th Winter Art Show

10am - 5pm Sunday, November 19th at:

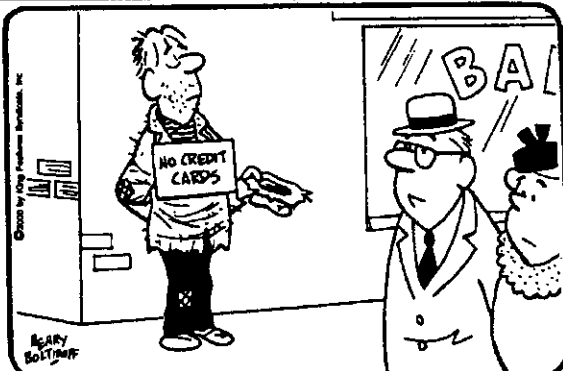
ROGER SMITH'S

340 Delaware Avenue (Route 443) Delmar, N.Y.

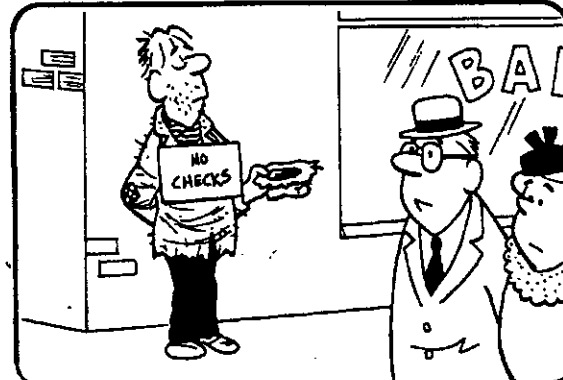
Artists: Bob Lynk • DiAnne Tracy • Barbara Wooster Pottery: Ulla Sattinger

HOCUS-FOCUS

BY HENRY BOLTINGOFF



Find at least six differences in details between panels.



Differences: 1. Hat is raised. 2. Patch is missing. 3. Glasses are different. 4. Sign is changed. 5. Bricks are higher. 6. Window is wider.

MAGIC MAZE ENDING WITH "U"

WUQMIEAWSPLIEAX
TQNJGCZWHTQNJGD
AXUROLJSOGDAXVS
PNKUIFMENUCAXVS
QOLJSUHEOACAUXV
TRPNLTABLEFUFJHF
DBYXVTIEURMUTUT
RPOMKRPLJLUIGOOE
DBPLATEAUBRYFZU
XWUCTRRMZJAUQNO
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Find the listed words in the diagram. They run in all directions - forward, backward, up, down and diagonally.

Saturday's unlisted clue hint: SOUTH AMERICAN COUNTRY

Bayou
Bureau
Caribou
Gnu
Guru
Honolulu
Jujitsu
Menu
Muumuu
Plateau
Snafu
Tableau
Tofu
Tutu
Zulu

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The Super CROSSWORD

ACROSS

1 "Instinct" (92 film)
6 Biblical region
11 Dryden's "for Love"
14 — Zedong
17 Hercule's creator
19 Schedule
21 "Dizzy" singer
22 Oklahoma city
23 Wood-working tool
24 Riddle: Part 1
27 Auxiliary verb
28 Skates
30 Ornamental vine
31 See
35 Down
32 French cheese region
33 Sports-shoe features
37 Is it?
39 Lamb product
42 High-flying Wally
44 Utah city
45 Help with the dishes
46 Skater
50 Riddle: Part 2
56 Perfect
58 Bando of baseball

59 Brooks or Schreiber
60 Foil kin
61 Brindisi bread
62 Stickpin locale
64 Claude of "The Invisible Man"
67 Gaunt
69 Nautical rope
71 Trick-or-treater, perhaps
75 Bank statistics
76 On the QE II
78 Pass into law
79 Seize
81 It may be common
82 Competent
84 Famed fabulist
86 "Sea Hunt" shocker
89 Actress
90 Answer to riddle: Part 1
95 Fit to feast on
97 Panatella kin
98 Itches
99 Trusting sort
100 Dismal
102 Herring
103 Derr
106 Islamic greeting

107 Little lake
109 Wells creatures
110 Vixen's offspring
111 Emilia's husband
112 Shopping ctr.
115 Answer to riddle: Part 2
122 Parmesan alternative
124 Spare tire
125 Inflatable item?
126 Herman or Reese
127 Afterword
128 Summer abroad
129 Morning moisture
130 Dwelling
131 Black Sea city

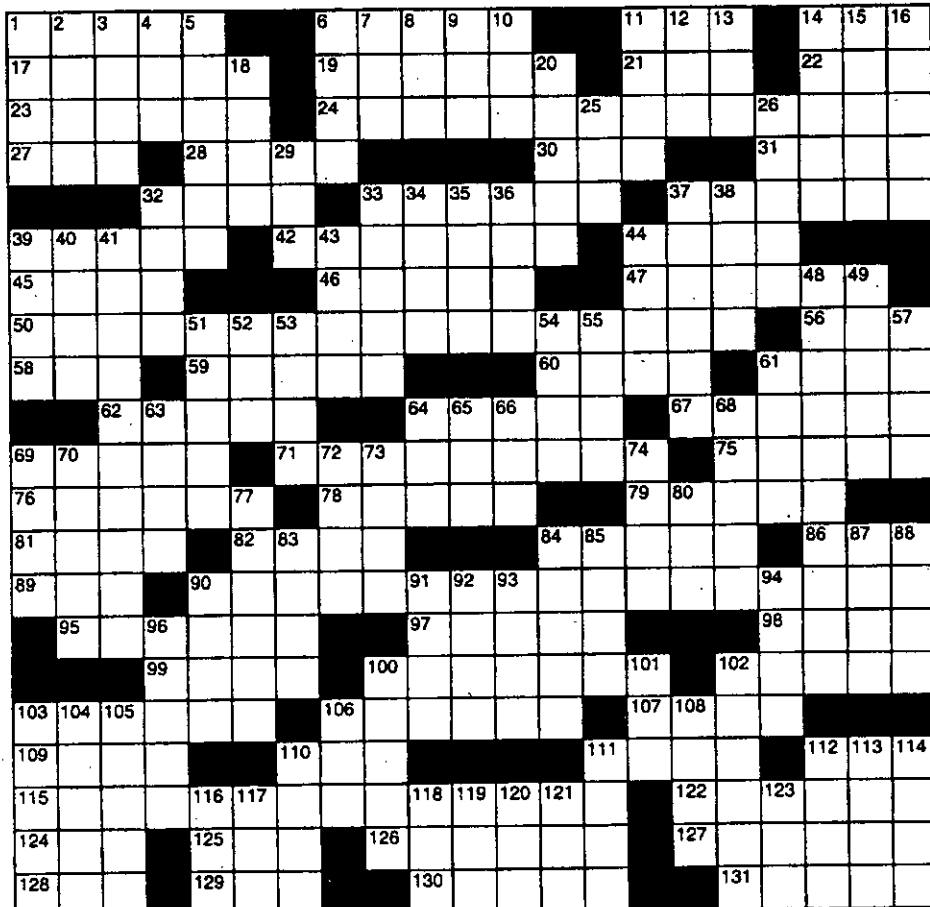
DOWN

1 Big name in Baroque
2 Eastern leader
3 "You — it!"
4 "My Party" ('63 hit)
5 Word with bomb or tomato
6 Biting film?
7 "Gross!"
8 "The Partridge Family" actress

9 Remnant
10 Bustle
11 Bunch of battalions
12 Christie or Costello
13 Moon crawler
14 "Upstairs, Downstairs" extras
15 Simpson of fashion
16 Desert refugees
18 Jai —
20 Singer O'Day
25 Family-room features
26 Orange Bowl site
29 "By all means!"
32 Boxer Max
33 First name in comedy
34 Director Wertmuller
35 With 31 Across, Monty Python member
36 Bailiwick
37 Sticks one's neck out
38 Layers
39 Lambs' dams
40 Hindu deity
41 '45 Hitchcock film

43 "Bang Bang" singer
44 Hautboy
48 Head
49 Apostle
51 Come to a point
52 Broad st.
53 Iodine source
54 "Circus Boy" prop
55 "dixit"
57 Harpsichord features
61 Leg-puller
63 Rachins or Thicke
64 Genetic info
65 Canine grp.
66 Adherent: suffix
68 Legendary drummer
69 Town in Galilee
70 "... her poor dog —"
72 Depend (on)
73 Once again
74 Autumn color
77 Showy flower
80 Boar's beloved
83 Fast-food favorite
84 Pertinent
85 Seth's son
87 Sicily's highest point

88 Like some sheep
90 It'll give you a lift
91 Word form for "eye"
92 Forearm bone
93 Tra —
94 TV's "Blue"
96 Where to eat biryani
100 Took in the late show
101 Bath, e.g.
102 "Peanuts" pooch
103 It suits many
104 Indigenous Alaskan
105 Nick of "The Prince of Tides"
106 Silly Caesar
108 Grimm creature
110 Feel certain
111 "— fixe"
112 Shopper's paradise
113 Clove hitch, for one
114 Forum wear
116 Made one's mark
117 Season firewood
118 Teachers' org.
119 — page
120 — Jima
121 Beatty or Brooks
123 Actress Sara



The Spotlight CALENDAR

Wed. 11/15
BETHLEHEM YOUTH EMPLOYMENT SVCS.

Parks and Recreation Office, Elm Avenue Park, 6:30 - 9 p.m. Also Tues., Thurs., 2-4:30 p.m. Information, 439-0503.

BETHLEHEM LIONS CLUB

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

BETHLEHEM ELKS LODGE 2233

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

SOLID ROCK CHURCH

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

FIVE RIVERS ANNUAL MEETING

Annual business meeting for members and interpretive program. Five Rivers Environmental Education Center, Game Farm Road, Delmar, 7 p.m. Information, 475-0291.

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

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

BINGO

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

BOY SCOUT TROOP 58

Elsmere Elementary School, 247 Delaware Ave., 7:30 to 9 p.m.

BC SCHOOL BOARD

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

ONESQUETHAU CHAPTER, ORDER OF THE EASTERN STAR

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

TESTIMONY MEETING

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

NEW SCOTLAND V'VILLE PLANNING COMMISSION

village hall, 29 Voorheesville Ave., 7:30 p.m. Information, 765-2692.

FAITH TEMPLE

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

PRAYER MEETING

evening prayer meeting and Bible study, Mountainview Evangelical Free Church, Route 155, 7:30 p.m. Information, 765-3390.

NEW SCOTLAND SENIORS

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

AA MEETING

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

Thurs. 11/16
BETHLEHEM RECOVERY, INC.

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

AMERICAN LEGION LUNCHEON

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

BETHLEHEM SENIOR CITIZENS

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

BETHLEHEM LUTHERAN

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

LIBRARY YOUTH COUNCIL

Recruitment meeting for middle-schoolers; provide input on youth-related library materials. Bethlehem Public Library, 451 Delaware Ave., Delmar, 7:30 p.m. Information, 439-9314.

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 HISTORICAL ASSOC.

Monthly meeting, with presentation by Allison Bennett on "The Dutch St. Nicholas." Route 144 and Clapper Road, Selkirk, 2 p.m. Information, 439-3916 or 239-0632.

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.

NEW SCOTLAND NEW SCOTLAND KIWANIS CLUB

New Scotland Presbyterian Church, Route 85, 7 p.m.

Fri. 11/17
BETHLEHEM LIBRARY BABIES

Storytelling, songs and play for babies 15-21 months. Bethlehem Public Library,

LEGAL NOTICE
ARTICLES OF ORGANIZATION OF ROUTE 9 REALTY, LLC

Under Section 203 of the Limited Liability Law
FIRST: The name of the limited liability company is ROUTE 9 REALTY, LLC.
SECOND: The county within this 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:
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 P.O. Box 1317, Latham, New York 12110.
FIFTH: The name and street address within this state of the registered agent of the limited liability company upon whom and at which process against the limited liability company can be served is Joseph W. Zappone of Zappone & Fiore Law Firm, 6 Century Hill Drive, Latham, New York 12110.
SIXTH: The effective date of the Articles of Organization are effective as of the date of filing.
SEVENTH: The limited liability company is to be managed by one or members.
EIGHTH: If all or specified members are to be liable in their capacity as members for all or specified debts, obligations or liabilities of the limited liability company as authorized pursuant to Section 609 of the Limited Liability Company Law, a statement that all or specified members are so liable.
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this certificate has been subscribed this 30th day of October, 2000, by the undersigned who affirms that the statements made herein are true under the penalties of perjury. Bryan J. Goewey, Organizer (November 15, 2000)

ARTICLES OF ORGANIZATION OF PRIMARY FOIL SERVICES, LLC

Under Section 203 of the Limited Liability Company Law
FIRST: The name of the limited liability company is: Primary Foil Services, LLC.
SECOND: The office of the limited liability company is to be located in Albany County in the

451 Delaware Ave., Delmar, 10 a.m. Information, 439-9314.

DINNER THEATER

South Bethlehem Players present "The Case of the Mysterious Benefactor"; four course meal with chicken mornay; South Bethlehem Methodist Church, 65 Willowbrook Ave., 6:30 p.m.; repeated Nov. 19, 3 p.m. Reservations, 767-3470.

AA MEETING

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

CHABAD CENTER

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

NEW SCOTLAND PIONEER CLUBS

For children grades 1 through junior high; Mountainview Evangelical Free Church, Route 155, 3:45 - 5 p.m. Information, 765-3390.

YOUTH GROUP MEETINGS

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

Sat. 11/18
BETHLEHEM 'POPCORN DAY' AT LIBRARY

Stories, games, songs, crafts and popcorn for children aged 3 to 6. Bethlehem Public Library, 451 Delaware Ave., Delmar, 10:30 a.m. Information, 439-9314.

PROGRAM AT FIVE RIVERS

Indoor workshop on bird feeding in winter. Five Rivers Environmental Education Center, Game Farm Road, Delmar, 2 p.m. Information, 475-0291.

LEGAL NOTICE

State of New York.
THIRD: 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 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: Attn: Stephen J. LaPoint, 10 Lois Lane, Loudonville, New York 12211.
FOURTH: The Articles of Organization are to be effective upon filing.
FIFTH: The limited liability company is to be managed by one or more of its members; provided, however that the managing members may only bind the limited liability company in accordance with the terms of the operating agreement of the limited liability company.
SIXTH: The business purposes of this limited liability company are to engage in any lawful act or 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.
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this certificate has been subscribed this 9th day of June, 2000, by the undersigned who affirms that the statements made herein are true under the penalties of perjury. S. Stephen J. LaPoint, Organizer 10 Lois Lane Loudonville, New York 12211 (November 15, 2000)

LEGAL NOTICE

ABODE BLUE CHIP, LLC, Notice of formation of a domestic Limited Liability Company (LLC). Articles of Organization filed with the New York Secretary of State on October 4, 2000. 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 52 Corporate Circle, Albany, New York 12203. (November 15, 2000)

AA MEETING

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

TRI-VILLAGE SQUARES

Square and round dance, admission \$9 per couple; First United Methodist Church, Kenwood Ave., Delmar, 8-10:30 p.m. Information, 456-6987.

NEW SCOTLAND HOLIDAY BAZAAR

20th annual Holiday Bazaar; food, drawings, craft consignments, family portraits, entertainment for kids; St. Matthew's Roman Catholic Church, Mountain View Road, Voorheesville, 9 a.m.-2 p.m. Information, 765-2805.

Mon. 11/20
BETHLEHEM MOTHERS' TIME OUT

Christian fellowship group for mothers of preschool children, Delmar Reformed Church, 386 Delaware Ave., nursery care provided, 9:30 to 11 a.m. Information, 439-9929.

DELMAR KIWANIS

Days Inn, Route 9W, 6:15 p.m. Information, 439-24377 or 439-6952.

INDOOR PISTOL SHOOTING

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

R-C-S SCHOOL BOARD MEETING

School district offices, 26 Thacher St., Selkirk, 7:30 p.m. Information, 756-8190.

EXPLORER POST 157

For boys and girls 14-21, focusing on environmental conservation. Weekly, 310 Kenwood Ave., Delmar, 7:30-9 p.m. Information, 439-4205.

LEGAL NOTICE
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Articles of Organization for Stuff Etc., LLC were filed with the Secretary of State of New York on August 3, 2000. Office located in Albany County. The Secretary of State has been designated as agent upon which process may be served and the Secretary of State shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 42 Montrose Drive, Delmar, NY 12054. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. (November 15, 2000)

LEGAL NOTICE FOR FIRE DISTRICT ELECTION

Annual Election of Elmwood Park Fire District
December 12, 2000
PLEASE TAKE NOTICE, that the Annual Election of the Elmwood Park Fire District will take place on December 12, 2000, between the hours of 6:00 p.m. and 9:00 p.m. at the Elmwood Park Firehouse located at 589 Russell Road for the purpose of electing one (1) Commissioner for a five-year term, commencing on January 1, 2001, and ending on December 31, 2005.
All duly registered residents of the Elmwood Park Fire District shall be eligible to vote.
ELMWOOD PARK FIRE DISTRICT
Debbie Cohen, Secretary/Deputy Treasurer (November 15, 2000)

LEGAL NOTICE FOR FIRE DISTRICT ELECTION

Annual Election of Slingerlands Fire District
December 12, 2000
PLEASE TAKE NOTICE, that the Annual Election of the Slingerlands Fire District will take place on December 12, 2000, between the hours of 6:00 p.m. and 9:00 p.m. at the Slingerlands Fire Station located at 1520 New Scotland Road, Slingerlands, New York, for the purpose of electing one Commissioner for a five (5) year term, commencing on January 1, 2001 and ending on December 31, 2005.
In addition, the qualified voters will be asked to approve a resolution passed by the Board of Fire Commissioners of the Slingerlands Fire District adopted on September 26, 2000; to issue Serial Bonds and/or Bond Anticipation

DELMAR COMM. ORCHESTRA

rehearsal, town hall, 445 Delaware Ave., 7:30 p.m. Information, 439-7749.

TEMPLE CHAPTER 5 RAM

Masonic Temple, 421 Kenwood Ave.

AA MEETING

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

NEW SCOTLAND QUARTET REHEARSAL

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

Tues. 11/21
BETHLEHEM TREASURE COVE THRIFT SHOP

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

SOUTH BETHLEHEM THRIFT SHOP

South Bethlehem United Methodist Church 65 Willowbrook Ave., South Bethlehem, 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. (through Election Day)

TAKE POUNDS OFF SENSIBLY

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

TOWN BOARD

Rescheduled due to Thanksgiving. Bethlehem town hall, 445 Delaware Ave., 7:30 p.m. Information, 439-4955.

BINGO

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

DELMAR ROTARY

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

LEGAL NOTICE

Notes in an amount not to exceed \$400,000.00 at the prevailing rate of interest and pledging the full faith and taxing authority of the Slingerlands Fire District as security for said sum to be used for the purpose of an addition to the firehouse.
All duly registered residents of the Slingerlands Fire District shall be eligible to vote.
SLINGERLANDS FIRE DISTRICT
Board of Fire Commissioners (November 15, 2000)

LEGAL NOTICE

Name of LLC: THRU VIEW, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed NY Sec. of State 9/13/00. Princ. off. loc. in ALBANY Cty. Sec. of State designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. The Secretary of State shall mail a copy of process to: Blakeman & Associates, 108 S. Franklin Ave., P.O. Box 188, Valley Stream, NY 11580. Purpose: Any lawful activity. (November 15, 2000)

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Application for Authority of BellSouth Cellular National Marketing, LLC, a foreign limited liability company (LLC). App. for Auth. filed with Secy. of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 10/13/00. LLC organized in Georgia (GA) on 10/2/00. NY office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to: c/o Joaquin R. Carbonell, 1100 Peachtree St., Suite 1000, Atlanta, GA 30309, the office address of the LLC in the jurisdiction of organization. The registered agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. The Prentice-Hall Corporation System, Inc., 80 State St., Albany, NY 12207. Copy of Arts. of Org. on file with GA Secy. of State, Corps. Div., Two Martin Luther King, Jr. Drive, Suite 315, West Tower, Atlanta, GA 30334. Purpose: telecommunications. (November 15, 2000)

Spotlight on Dining

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Notice of Application for Authority of AIMCO Chelsea Member, L.L.C., a foreign limited liability company (LLC). App. for Auth. filed with Secy. of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 10/11/00. LLC organized in Delaware (DE) on 10/10/00. NY office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to: Corporation Service Co., 80 State St., Albany, NY 12207, the registered agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. Office address of LLC in DE: 2711 Centerville Rd., Suite 400, Wilmington, DE 19808. Copy of Arts. of Org. on file with DE Secy. of State, Div. of Corps., Townsend Bldg., Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: acquisition and management of real property. (November 15, 2000)

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Notice of Application for Authority of nii communications, Ltd., a foreign limited partnership (LP). Fictitious name in NY State: nii communications, L.P. App. for Auth. filed with Secy. of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 8/15/00. LP organized in Texas (TX) on 6/26/00. NY office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LP upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to: c/o CT Corporation System, 111 8th Ave., NY, NY 10011, the registered agent of LP upon whom process against it may be served. Office address of LP in TX: 1717 N. Loop 1604 East, Suite 250, San Antonio, TX 78232. Name and address of each general partner is available from SSNY. Copy of Cert. of LP on file with TX Secy. of State, Corp. Section, James E. Rudder Bldg., 1019 Brazos, Rm. 105, Austin, TX 78701. Purpose: any lawful purpose. (November 15, 2000)

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Notice of Application for Authority of Exostar LLC, a foreign limited liability company (LLC). App. for Auth. filed with Secy. of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 10/3/00. LLC organized in Delaware (DE) on 7/13/00. NY office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to: c/o Andersen Consulting, 11951 Freedom Dr, Reston, VA 21090. The registered agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served: Corporation Service Co. (CSC), 80 State St., Albany, NY 12207. Office address in DE: c/o CSC, 2411 Centerville Rd., Ste. 400, Wilmington, DE 19808. Copy of Arts. of Org. on file with DE

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Secy. of State, Div. of Corps., 401 Federal St., Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: any lawful purpose. (November 15, 2000)

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Notice of formation of limited liability company (LLC). Name: NEW YORK MARKER, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 10/3/00. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to: Frank R. Rinaudo, Jr., 152 W. 57th, 46th Fl., NY, NY 10019, the registered agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. Purpose: any lawful purpose. (November 15, 2000)

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Notice of Application for Authority of Dialysis Services, L.L.C., a foreign limited liability company (LLC). App. for Auth. filed with Secy. of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 10/4/2000. LLC organized in Maryland (MD) on 7/29/1993. NY office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to: c/o Corporation Service Co., 80 State St., Albany, NY 12207, the registered agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. Office address in MD: 1589 Sulphur Spring Rd., Bldg. E, Ste. 109, Baltimore, MD 21227. Copy of Arts. of Org. on file with State Dept. of Assessments & Taxation, 301 W. Preston St., Baltimore, MD 21201. Purpose: any lawful purpose. (November 15, 2000)

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Notice of App. for Auth. of Sullivanhayes Companies Northeast, LLC, a foreign limited liability company (LLC). App. for Auth. filed with SSNY on 8/15/00. LLC org. in CT on 12/16/99. NY Off. Loc.: Albany Co. SSNY designated as agt. upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to: The LLC, 10 Waterside Dr., Ste. 200, Farmington, CT 06032. Off. address in jurisdiction of org.: CT SOS, Div. of Corp., P.O. Box 150470, Hartford, CT 06115. Copy of Cert. of Org. on file with S/SCT. Purpose: all lawful purposes. (November 15, 2000)

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OZERADVANCED TECHNOLOGIES, LLC was filed with SSNY 09/01/00. Office: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process against may be served. Purpose: any lawful purpose. The address which SSNY shall mail any process against the LLC is: 12 Overlook Drive, Voorheesville, NY 12186. (October 11, 2000) (November 15, 2000)

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R. PATEL ENTERPRISES, LLC, Notice of formation of a domestic Limited Liability Company (LLC). Articles of Organization filed with the New York Secretary of State on September 11, 2000. 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 Secre-

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tary of State shall mail a copy of any process against the LLC is 1500 Second Avenue, Watervliet, New York 12189. (November 15, 2000)

LEGAL NOTICE

The limited liability company, Capital Region Senior Health System, LLC was formed on September 25, 2000 by Michael A. Blase, Jr. The address of the company 200 Truax Lane in the Town of Guilderland and County of Albany. The Secretary of State is designated as agent of the company upon whom process can be served. The purpose of the company is to provide management services to assisted living facilities. (November 15, 2000)

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VANGUARD-FINE RETAIL STORE LEASING, LLC was filed with SSNY on 10/26/00. Office: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process against may be served. The P.O. address which SSNY shall mail any process against the LLC served upon him: The LLC, 2050 Western Ave., Suite 201, Guilderland, NY 12084. Purpose: any lawful purpose. (November 15, 2000)

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY

NAME: BANAHAN CONSTRUCTION, LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 10/13/00. Office location: Albany County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of process to the LLC, c/o William H. Banahan, 551 Old Quarry Road, Selkirk, New York 12158. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. (November 15, 2000)

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY (LLC)

Name: Port Jefferson 2000, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 10/27/00. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to: Corporation Service Co., 80 State St., 6th Fl., Albany, NY 12207. Purpose: any lawful purpose. (November 15, 2000)

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY

The name of the limited liability company is FTHG DEVELOPMENT, LLC (hereinafter referred to as the "Company"). Articles of Organization of the Company were filed with the Secretary of State on October 3, 2000. The office of the Company is to be located in Albany County. The Secretary of State has been designated as agent upon whom process against the Company may be served. The post office address to which the Secretary of State shall mail process is 46 Swatling Road, Latham, New York 12110. The purpose of the business of the Company is ownership and operation of a mobile home trailer park, and any other lawful purpose. (November 15, 2000)

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

The name of the LLC is FIRST COLUMBIA SAMARITAN, LLC. The Articles of Organization of the LLC were filed with the NY Secretary of State on October 30, 2000. 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 26 Century Hill Drive, Suite 101, Latham, New York 12210-2128. (November 15, 2000)

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY

NAME: BARBI ZAKIN EVENTS, LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 10/13/00. Office location: Albany County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of process to the LLC, c/o Kenneth Zakin, 370 East 76th Street, Suite B503, New York, New York 10021. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. (November 15, 2000)

LEGAL NOTICE**NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY (LLC)**

Name: Empire Management Services, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of N.Y. (SSNY) on 9/28/00. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to: Empire Management Services, LLC., Business Office, 1529 Central Ave., Suite 101, Albany, NY 12205. Purpose: any lawful purpose. (November 15, 2000)

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

The name of the LLC is JMJ REALTY LLC. The Articles of Organization of the LLC were filed with the NY Secretary of State on August 17, 2000. 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 1716 Central Avenue, Albany, NY 12205. (November 15, 2000)

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY

NAME: 1207 CENTRAL REALTY LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 09/28/00. Office location: Albany County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of process to the LLC, 22 Schuyler Road, Loudonville, New York 12211. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. (November 15, 2000)

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY

OBERHEIM FAMILY LLC. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the above named Limited Liability Company has been formed for the transaction of business in the State of New York and elsewhere. 1. The name of the Limited Liability Company is Oberheim Family LLC. 2. The Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State for the State of New York on September 13, 2000. 3. The county within the State of New York in which the office of the Limited Liability Company is to be located is Albany. 4. The Secretary of State of the State of New York is designated as the agent for the Limited Liability Company upon whom process in any action or proceeding against it may be served and the address within the State to which the Secretary of State shall mail a copy of the process in any action of proceeding against the Limited Liability Company which may be served upon him is c/o the company, Upper Font Grove Road, Slingerlands, New York 12159. The Limited Liability Company does not have a registered agent within the State of New York. 5. The character of the business to be transacted by the Limited Liability Company is to engage in any activity for which a limited liability company may be lawfully engaged under the laws of the State of New York. (November 15, 2000)

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402 PROPERTIES, LLC was filed with SSNY on 9/11/00. Office: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process against may be served. The P.O. address which SSNY shall mail any process against the LLC served upon him: The LLC, c/o PMB 229, Brooklyn, NY 11211. Purpose: any lawful purpose. (November 15, 2000)

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TOMAS CONSULTING LLC was filed with SSNY on 10/20/00. Office: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process against may be served. The P.O. address which SSNY shall mail any process against the LLC served upon him: The LLC, 46 State Street, 3rd Floor, Albany, NY 12207. The Registered Agent is USA Corporate Services Inc. at the same address. Purpose: any lawful purpose. (November 15, 2000)

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WATERFORD SERVICES LLC was filed with SSNY on 10/20/00. Office: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process against may be served. The P.O. address which SSNY shall mail any process against the LLC served upon him: The LLC, 46 State Street, 3rd Floor, Albany, NY 12207. The Registered Agent is USA Corporate Services Inc. at the same address. Purpose: any lawful purpose. (November 15, 2000)

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TOPAZ TRADING LLC was filed with SSNY on 10/24/00. Office: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process against may be served. The P.O. address which SSNY shall mail any process against the LLC served upon him: The LLC, 46 State Street, 3rd Floor, Albany, NY 12207. The Registered Agent is USA Corporate Services Inc. at the same address. Purpose: any lawful purpose. (November 15, 2000)

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ELECTRONICS WORLD LLC was filed with SSNY on 10/20/00. Office: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process against may be served. The P.O. address which SSNY shall mail any process against the LLC served upon him: The LLC, 46 State St., 3rd Fl., Albany, NY 12207. Purpose: any lawful purpose. (November 15, 2000)

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NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

REAL ESTATE MANAGEMENT LLC was filed with SSNY on 10/18/00. Office: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process against may be served. The P.O. address which SSNY shall mail any process against the LLC served upon him: The LLC, 30 East 40th Street, New York, NY 10016. The Registered Agent is Company Filings Int'l LLC at the same address. Purpose: any lawful purpose. (November 15, 2000)

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TARGET SERVICE LLC was filed with SSNY on 10/2/00. Office: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process against may be served. The P.O. address which SSNY shall mail any process against the LLC served upon him: The LLC, 46 State St., 3rd Fl., Albany, NY 12207. The Registered Agent is USA Corporate Services Inc. at the same address. Purpose: any lawful purpose. (November 15, 2000)

NOTICE PURSUANT TO LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY LAW §206

(1) The name of the Limited Liability Company is: EMD Holding Co., LLC
(2) The Articles of Incorporation were filed with the Secretary of State on October 17, 2000.
(3) The limited liability company is located in Albany County.
(4) The Secretary of State has been designated as agent of the limited liability company upon whom process against it may be served and the following is the post office address to which the Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any process against it served upon him or her: 23 Elk Street Albany, New York 12207
(5) the character and/or purpose of the limited liability company is to own, lease, rent, and maintain real and personal property. (November 15, 2000)

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Town Board of the Town of Bethlehem hereby invites sealed bids for the furnishing of Uniforms for the Bethlehem Town Departments. Bids will be received up to 3:00 p.m. on the 29th day of November 2000 at which time such bids will be publicly opened and read aloud at the Town Hall, 445 Delaware Avenue, Delmar, NY. Bids shall be addressed to Mrs. Sheila Fuller, Supervisor, Town of Bethlehem, 445 Delaware Avenue,

LEGAL NOTICE

Delmar, NY 12054. Bids shall be in sealed envelopes which shall bear, on the face thereof, the name and address of the bidder and the subject of the bid. ORIGINAL AND ONE COPY of each bid shall be submitted. Copies of the specifications may be obtained from the town Clerk at the Town Hall, Delmar, NY. The Town Board reserves the right to waive any informalities in or to reject any or all bids. BY ORDER OF THE TOWN BOARD
TOWN OF BETHLEHEM
KATHLEEN A. NEWKIRK, CMC
TOWN CLERK
Dated: November 8, 2000
(November 15, 2000)

PUBLICATION NOTICE OF REGISTRATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY PARTNERSHIP

FIRST: The name of the Registered Limited Liability Partnership is TOBIN AND DEMPFF, LLP (hereinafter referred to as the "Partnership").
SECOND: The Partnership is filing a registration for status as a Registered Limited Liability Partnership, under Section 121-1500(a) of the Partnership Law.
THIRD: The Certificate of Registration of the Partnership was filed with the Secretary of State on September 29, 2000.
FOURTH: The county within New York State in which the office of the Partnership is to be located is Albany.
FIFTH: The Secretary of State has been designated as agent upon whom process against the Partnership may be served. The post office address to which the Secretary of State shall mail process is: Tobin and Dempff, LLP, 33 Elk Street, Albany, New York 12207.
SIXTH: The purpose of the Limited Liability Partnership is to practice the profession of Law. (November 15, 2000)

RESOLUTION

BOARD OF EDUCATION
BETHLEHEM CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT CALLING FOR SPECIAL SCHOOL DISTRICT MEETING AND CONCERNING MATTERS RELATING THERETO
WHEREAS, the facilities of the Bethlehem Public Library are in need of repair and improvement; and
WHEREAS, the Bethlehem Public library Board of Trustees requested that the Bethlehem Central School District call a Special School District Meeting of qualified voters for purposes of voting on proposed alterations, repairs and improvements to the Bethlehem Public Library; and
WHEREAS, the Bethlehem Central School District desires to call a Special School District Meeting of qualified voters for the purposes set forth below;
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the Bethlehem Central School District, Albany County, that a special school district meeting of the qualified voters of said School District shall be at the Community Room of the Bethlehem Public Library, 451 Delaware Avenue, Delmar, New York, in said School District on the 19th day of December, 2000, for the purpose of voting by voting machines upon the proposition hereinafter set forth. Polls for the purpose of voting will be kept open between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 9:00 p.m., prevailing time; and
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the Bethlehem Central School District, Albany County, that the notice of said special school district meeting, including the proposition to be voted upon, shall be in substantially the following form, to wit: NOTICE OF SPECIAL SCHOOL DISTRICT MEETING
Bethlehem Central School District
Albany County, New York
The Board of Education of the Bethlehem Central School District, Albany County, New York hereby gives notice that a special school district meeting of the qualified voters of said School District shall be held at the Community Room of the Bethlehem Public Library, 451 Delaware Avenue, Delmar, New York, in said School District on the 19th day of December, 2000, for the purpose of voting by voting machines upon the proposition hereinafter set forth. Polls for the purpose of voting will be kept open between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 9:00 p.m., prevailing time.
"Shall the School District be authorized to make alterations, re-

pairs and improvements to the Bethlehem Public Library including renovation of the existing library facility and completion of its second floor, together with temporary relocation expenses, purchase of furnishings or equipment, and the grading or improvement of the site within existing property boundaries, at a maximum estimated cost of \$8,500,000.00, appropriating said amount therefor and authorizing the issuance of not more than \$8,500,000.00 serial bonds of the School District to finance such cost, and that the cost of financing such improvements shall be raised by the levy of a tax to be collected in annual installments, which tax may be partially offset by state building aid that might become available therefor?"
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the Bethlehem Central School District, Albany County, that the aforesaid proposition will appear on the ballot labels of the voting machines and on the absentee ballots for qualified voters of said School District;
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the Bethlehem Central School District, Albany County, that qualified voters of said School District may apply for absentee ballots at the School District clerk's office and that a list of persons to whom absentee ballots have been issued will be available for inspection in the School District clerk's office during each of the five days prior to the day of the election, except Sundays, and that this same list will be posted at the polling place.
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the Bethlehem Central School District, Albany County, that in accordance with Local Finance Law Section 41.10, the maximum estimated cost of the aforesaid proposition is \$8,500,000.00 and, assuming approval thereof, said School District will appropriate said amount therefor and authorize the issuance of \$8,500,000.00 serial bonds to finance said cost and that the cost thereof shall be raised by the levy of a tax to be collected in annual installments.
BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the Bethlehem Central School District, Albany County, that this Notice of Special School District Meeting shall take effect immediately and be published in full at least forty-five (45) days prior to the Special School District Meeting once each week for four (4) weeks in two (2) newspapers of general circulation within said School District.
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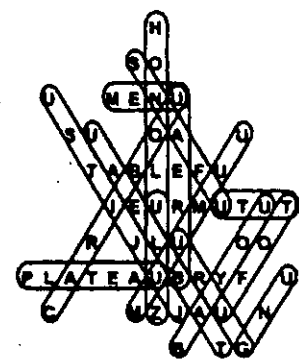
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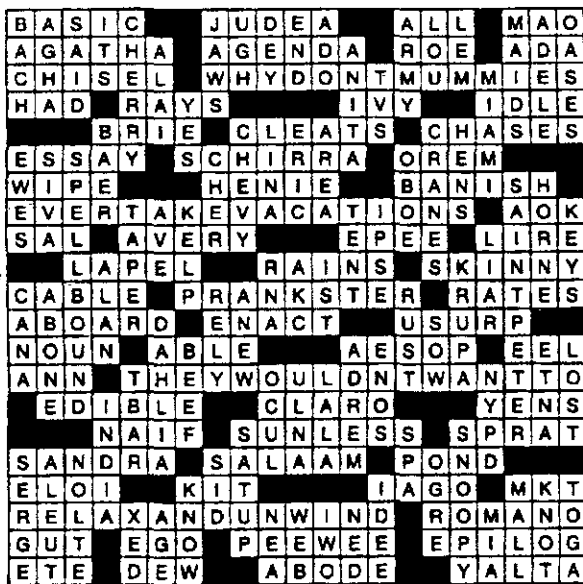
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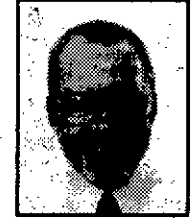
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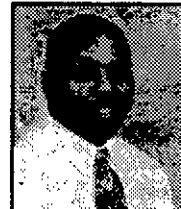
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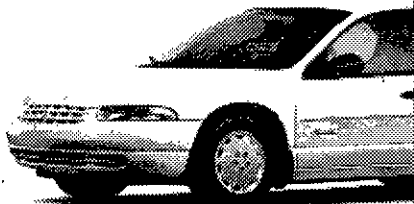
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Braverman

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— to free speech, free association, due process and equal protection — had been denied when the school district attempted to enforce the rule which bars a school coach from coaching an off-season team made up more than 50 percent of members of his school program. The rule is designed to protect coaches and athletes alike from undue pressure to participate in off-season programs in the sport they coach.

Kelly had argued that numerous coaches at Suburban Council schools are in technical violation of the rule. He contended that Braverman, who has cited a contentious relationship with Powers in the past, was being singled out for enforcement not routinely carried out against coaching colleagues.

"The judge ruled that the plaintiff did not meet the burden of proof with regard to the constitutional issues, and as a result, the complaint was dismissed," said William Ryan, the attorney who represented the Suburban Council. "The whole case came down to the equal protection issue, in my view — the selective enforce-

ment issue."

A written transcript of the judge's pronouncement from the bench is not likely to be available until later this week.

"He was not passing judgment upon whether the coaching regulations themselves were good policy or bad policy," said Fred Hutchinson, the attorney who argued on the school district's behalf before McAvoy. "What he ruled on was whether those rules violated Jesse Braverman's constitutional rights. The court has decided there was no violation of Jesse Braverman's rights by the school district or Suburban Scholastic Council."

McAvoy ordered the defendants to prepare a motion for his review enacting his decision. His ruling will not take effect until the draft motion is approved by the court, and Braverman will very likely then have 30 days to decide whether to file an appeal with the Second Circuit Court of Appeals.

"I'm disappointed the judge ruled the way he did," said Kelly. "Most likely Mr. Braverman will be filing an appeal to the second circuit ... We have not been provided an opportunity to take depo-

sitions of the defendants yet, so obviously this was premature."

For his part, Braverman expressed anger at the decision. "I very much disagree with it. It's not in the best interests of the children," he said; Braverman maintains that the Mickey Mantle program would cease to exist if he did not continue to coach it.

"Jim (Kelly) will probably file an appeal, but I really don't care what happens in the legal theater," he added. "I don't think the solution to this is in the legal theater. I never thought it did. It's in the political arena ... we're going to take this issue into the community and have the community express to the board its view of how this should be resolved."

Barring a successful appeal, enforcement of the rule rests in the hands of the school board, whose quit-or-be-fired resolution still stands.

"They have been dedicated members of the community who have been subjected to criticism by Mr. Braverman and some of his supporters," Loomis said of the board. But he declined to comment on what action the board might now take, saying only, "We

sincerely hope this matter can be put behind us as soon as possible."

Kelly hoped the council would act to rectify the rule or to enforce it more even-handedly. "To the extent our paperwork has demonstrated a consistent number of violations, I would expect the Suburban Council to take some action to combat those violations," he said.

Ryan offered little hope of that. "The guideline's constitutional. It remains as drafted," he said. "It's going to be up to the school board to follow through on this. I cannot speak for them, but my observation is, I hope they do what is right."

Braverman, harbors little doubt what that means. "They will fire me from the baseball team, that's what they will do next," he said.

The threat to dismiss Braverman if he failed to comply has stirred controversy among town residents who have appeared before the board to air their views.

"It would not be difficult to put a voting bloc together of about a thousand people that would see the issue the way I do," Braverman said. "If the community wants me to continue working with the children, and I think they do, we have to point them in the right direction to achieve that goal."

He declined to be specific about what form his challenge to the board might take, but said, "It's pretty obvious what kind of challenge would get the matter done. I think there has to be accountability when a school board does not act in the best interests of children."

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