The freeze: anatomy of a compromise

By Tom McPheters

The meeting had been going about 20 minutes, and there were more than 200 persons in the Bethlehem Town Hall auditorium, nearly all of them supporters of the nuclear freeze resolution presented to the town board two weeks ago.

Town Supervisor Tom Corrigan explained that at 8 p.m. — about 10 minutes away — the board would have to break to hold a legally required public hearing on another matter. Was there anybody else who had not spoken two weeks ago who wished to speak now?

When one spoke up, Corrigan announced that we (the board) have a consensus that we have a consensus on.

Before the stunned crowd could react, it appeared that the board was prepared to vote by 8 p.m. on both resolutions — the original freeze resolution that had no chance of passing, and Corrigan's alternative, which at that point no one except the board had heard.

"The board has listened to everyone who has come here," said the supervisor. "We have a right to think for ourselves.

But nearly two and a half hours later, the board and the freeze activists had come up with a compromise that had both sides talking in civics books terms.

Both got enough of what they wanted to live with. Corrigan's alternative to their resolution, and they found that it wasn't quite as hawkish as they had feared.

Forty minutes later, the board was back and to were the freeze backers. "We've been working hard during the recess to come up with something we can live with and you can live with," said William Schoonmaker. The key, he said, was to retain the word "immediate" — we are asking that it stop now because nothing more is needed. We can both wipe one another out.

But for Councilman Robert Hendrick, an immediate freeze smacked of "trying to set policy. ... I think what is really at issue here is the decision to support our administration in Washington."

"I don't think there are experts in this area," replied Rev. James Van Hoven, a Delmar resident who is pastor of the First Church in Albany and a leader of the Capital District freeze movement. He listed Reagan Administration policies on SALT II (arms), the MX and Cruise missiles (for) and its budget increases for military spending. To prolonged applause, he said: "I as a citizen of the Town of Bethlehem, would really have problems with my town council saying they endorse that."

But by this point both sides were talking compromise. The board agreed to take the changes proposed by the freeze supporters, reinserting the word "immediate" and softening some of the pro-Reagan language — and look at it during another recess.

Fifteen minutes later, Corrigan was back with version number three, which drew scattered applause as he read it.

"We're not as far apart as everybody said," said Pearl Mindell of Slingerlands.

Again the freeze supporters went to work on the word "immediate." Again, they got nowhere.

How the freeze resolution evolved

How did the two sides move from confrontation to compromise? Part of the answer lies in a set of tactical miscalculations.

The freeze proponents had known for a week that Corrigan was working on an alternative to their resolution, and they had lobbied all of the board members enough, to know their basic positions on it. What they didn't appear to realize was how set the board — and especially Corrigan, who a year ago had been out voted 4-1 on the freeze initiation issue — was on "a consensus" that all five could live with.

Corrigan, for his part, had not expected the meeting to move so swiftly. "I expected some people to speak in opposition," he said later. "I guess they got cold feet."

Consequently, at 7:50 p.m., Corrigan had time to kill and no way to fill it except to get down to the vote. The result was a very angry group of citizens who suspected they were being frozen out.

The board didn't get to a vote because it was interrupted by Linda Burtis, one of the Bethlehem freeze movement organizers.

"You're going to vote without feedback or discussion from the community?" she asked. Mrs. Burtis continued to ask questions about Corrigan's resolution, and finally he read it to the crowd. By that time it was after 8 p.m., and a recess was called while the board went upstairs to listen to comments on zoning.

In the meantime, Town Clerk Marion Camp distributed copies of the Corrigan resolution, and the freeze supporters asked if there was something in it that we could live with.

Radio and television reporters record Bethlehem Supervisor Tom Corrigan as he reads his nuclear freeze resolution.

The town board members are not the only Bethlehem officials involved in the freeze movement. County Legislator Edward Sargent has quietly introduced a freeze resolution to be placed on the legislators' June 7 meeting agenda.

The resolution is identical to the one proposed by freeze proponents to the Bethlehem Town Board, with the exception that it asks only that copies be sent to President Reagan, U.S. Sens. Alfonse D'Amato and Patrick Moynihan and Congressman Sam Stratton.

Sargent said last week he purposely kept a low profile in the Bethlehem freeze debate because of his position as chairman of the town board. He said he introduced the resolution out of "strong personal feelings" and does not consider it a partisan issue. And, he said, he has no idea how the resolution will be received by the Democratic-controlled legislature.
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The board does not want to use the word immediate," said Corrigan flatly.

It was 10:55 p.m., and the mood was changing. "I think the board should be commended for a substantial degree of compromise," said Robert Alexander of Delmar. "I don't think the public press, and I don't think the folks in Washington, are going to be the point if the word immediate is not there."

The final vote was 5-0, and freeze supporters immediately announced that they would consider their next move at a meeting to be held June 10 at 8 p.m. at St. Thomas the Apostle Church.

Tipsy driver charged

A Selkirk man found in an apparently dazed condition near the shoulders of Route 9W at 4:45 a.m. Friday has been charged with felony DWI, according to Bethlehem police. William H. McGowan, 27, of Pantages Mobile Trailer Court, was treated at the hospital and showed an alcohol content of .18.

A Bethlehem motorist suspected of pushing a car from a Kenwood Ave. driveway into the road, and two counts of reckless endangerment.

Gambling in the green

Bethlehem police are looking for a group of youths who had a beer party on the eighth green of the Colonial Acres golf course in Glensny Friday night. The vandals pulled a bench from the ninth tee to the site, damaging the green, and removed and destroyed tee markers on the course, police said. There was no estimate of the cost to repair the green.

Ball for driver

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Cuts cushion R-C-S tax hike

By Mike Mooney

Taxpayers in South Bethlehem, Feura Bush and Selkirk could see a 3.3 percent rise in their school tax rate — from $129.14 per $1,000 of assessed property to $133.41 per $1,000 — under the terms of a new $9.49 million budget adopted by the Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk Board of Education last Wednesday. The budget is subject to a vote by school district residents in a June 23 election.

Also on the election ballot, Robert Selkirk of Route 144 in Selkirk will seek another three-year term on the school board. Voters will decide between Selkirk and Diane Dunn of Ravena. Two more Ravena residents — incumbent Robert Van Attan and Wayne Fuhrman — will vie for a second position on the board.

In Bethlehem, where 36 percent of the R-C-S school tax levy is raised, the owners of a $60,000 home would get a school tax bill that costs them about $35 more, a rise from $1,044 in 1981-82 to $1,079 in the 1982-83 school year, under the terms of the budget proposal.

In other R-C-S School District municipalities a tax bill on a comparable $60,000 home would be the same, but the tax rates would be different because each locality assesses property at a different fraction of market value: New Scotland, where the 8.05 percent fraction of full value in assessments represents another substantial drop this year, would see a large rate rise, from $197.60 to $223.37 per $1,000 of assessed value; Coeymans and Ravena, from $159.92 to $160.14 per $1,000, and New Baltimore, from $127.31 to $134.40 per $1,000.

Dr. Milton Chodack, district superintendent, said the school board was able to keep the proposed tax increase fairly low — lower than last year's increase which passed by 12 votes — in spite of two recent blows to the school district's finances:

• The district will lose about $90,000 per year for the next three years, money it must pay back to the owners of the Fondu Del Sol apartment complex in Ravena as a result of a successful lawsuit challenging the assessment and back tax bills on that property.

• And Chodack reported that, though the district is expected to get some additional state aid for the next school year, it will come too late to be reflected in the terms of the budget vote, thus making for a budget funded with a higher proportion of local property taxes and a smaller proportion of state aid derived from sales and income tax.

The district had expected to get an additional $400,000 in state aid as the state legislature proposed, but Gov. Hugh Carey vetoed the increase and the legislature decided not to override. However, Chodack said he was told last week that the district would probably get about $200,000 in additional state aid in the state's supplemental budget.

Chodack said the board had hoped it could include the price of seven new vehicles in its proposed budget — part of a three-year plan to refurbish its badly deteriorating bus fleet with 18 new buses and wages — but found the effect of the proposed spending on the tax rate unacceptable.

He said the board settled for buying four vehicles, less than it needs to meet the district's replacement schedule. The district must contract for bus services because it does not own enough buses to get its mandate, he said. A referendum for new buses was defeated last year.

Chodack said the board also affected savings in existing programs to keep the budget lower:

• Eliminating one secretary's job that is currently being filled by a temporary appointee and resigning the duties of that job to others.

• Eliminating a job in the district's maintenance department, held by a man who plans to retire at the end of the school year.

• Eliminating the summer work schedules of some of the district's maintenance workers.

• Whittling down its proposed expenditures for supplies and for a prescription drug plan benefitting employees.

Before settling on the $9.49 million plan at its meeting last Wednesday, the school board looked at a larger $9.54 million plan that would have involved no cuts in staffing, and the board looked at an even larger $9.72 million proposal that would have enabled the purchase of more buses.

4-H in fashion

Albany County's 4-H Fashion Revue will feature local 4-H members modelling garments they designed themselves on Wednesday, June 2, at the Farnsworth Middle School in Guilderland. Beginning at 7:30 p.m., members from Voorheesville's Vikings and Ledyard-Leaves as well as Bethlehem's Super Sweats will display their modelling talents.

Prior to the revue, which is open to the public, all of the Fashion Revue members have participated in an evaluation session.

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A special literacy for graduating seniors will be held at the Clayton J. Bouton Junior-Senior High School gymnasm Wednesday, June 2, beginning at 6 p.m. The athletic awards program is scheduled to begin at 7:15. Richard "Doc" Sauer, head basketball coach at the State University of New York at Albany, will be the key speaker. David Cesco, Voorheesville Athletic Director, will also speak, as well as the individual head coaches of the school's sports programs. Outstanding athletes for each sport will be presented an award. In addition outstanding senior athletes will be presented a special pen and pencil set in recognition of their All Seniors. their families and friends are invited to attend. A reception will be held at the school's athletes lounge. Tickets may be purchased at noon at the high school office. 

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Members still came to meeting by horse and wagon. Storkskaper Henry Meyer bought his first car in 1918 but because of road conditions it was always put up for the winter. The roads were not plowed then as they are today—they drifted shut with blowing snow and in the spring and fall it was too muddy to drive on the highway, which consisted only of a dirt road. Sometimes the men would take the versatile bob sled and hook a land plow on the sides and use that to try to clear the road. The bob sled was used to draw logs out of the woods and also the farmer could put a large box on it and haul produce with it on the snow covered roadways.

In the spring of 1920 a meeting was held at the home of Howard Lasher Sr. at the 75th anniversary of the Bethlehem Grange were Mr. and Mrs. Harris Creble, Mr. and Mrs. Howard M. Lasher and Edgar J. Osterhout, then the oldest members of the grange.

The grange is an agricultural association with social orientation. It is an organization to which the entire family can belong in that meetings are held concurrently for adults and children, who belong to the Junior Grange. Over the many years of its existence pleasurable events have been enjoyed by the families who journeyed from the surrounding farms to have fellowship with their brothers and sisters. It is not necessary to be a farmer to belong to the grange—anyone who is in accord with its objectives is welcome to become a member.

In 1929 a Junior Grange was formed, with David Mead as Master. He later served for many years as Town of Bethlehem Highway Supervisor, as had his father before him. The grange continued to prosper and in 1935 another addition was added to the east side of the building, consisting of a stage with two dressing rooms upstairs. This was used for skits and lectures which involved quite a few people in the programs.

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Spotlight

Remembered

Allison Bennett

Beckers Corner, with the intent and decision made to rebuild the grange hall, members cleaned out the old cellar hole and a new building arose on the old foundations, dedicated in 1921 practicality debt free. It was paid for by insurance and subscriptions. This present building did not have a central heating system until the 1940's and kerosene lamps were used until about 1930.

The grange organization operates under a lodge format with four degrees to be taken in the local grange. The fifth, sixth and seventh are respectively, Pomona: Albany County grange, state and national. These larger meetings are held in various areas and many Bethlehem grangers have travelled to far places to take the more advanced degrees. One becomes a life member after 50 years of membership.

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DOWNSTAIRS a new and larger dining room was added. The ladies still concoct their delicious suppers on the big kitchen coal and wood range which roasts turkeys and other goodies. These suppers are conducted as a money-raising venture and are held once a month for the public. Their menus feature such mouth-watering items as fresh strawberry shortcake or a home-style turkey or ham dinner. Clam bakes were once an annual affair that cost $2.50. Unfortunately the cost of these crustaceans now has inhibited this activity in recent years. The members also conduct card parties and dances during the winter months, but these too have fallen victim to progress and television.

Grangers have continued their interest in legislation that benefits farm and country.

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Giant flea market

A flea market and auction sponsored by Ravena's Cub Pack and Boy Scout Troop 142 has been scheduled for the weekend of June 5 and 6 on Route 9W across from the Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk High School. Professional auctioneers will auction off up to 1,000 items for 15 percent of the sale price. Donations will be accepted, and pickup service will be available, so everyone is urged to clean out their cellars and attics.

Over 150 dealers are expected, and interested seller may rent space for $15 for one day, or $25 for both days. Interested persons should call Bob Mayo at 730-8466. The rain dates for the event will be June 12 and 13.

Heartwork advice

Heartworm season is here, and area veterinarians recommend a blood test to determine whether or not your dog has the baby heartworms present in the bloodstream.

If none are found, a veterinarian can prescribe daily medication that is given during the mosquito season to prevent the pet from developing heartworm disease even if the test was done. Yet do not start using the preventive medication which may be left over from last year until the dog has been rechecked this year.

Bicycle thefts

May 25 - Elsmere Ave., unlocked garage, not registered.
May 26 - Lavery Dr., front lawn, not registered.
May 27 - Rear of Delaware Plaza, chain and padlock cut, not registered.

Students, help the blood drive

A special year-long program was held in 1974 to celebrate the 100th anniversary of the Bethlehem Grange. Events included special exhibits, a strawberry and ice cream festival, clam steam, box social, and husking bee. Each Sunday during October of that year a quilting bee was conducted by grange members at the museum of Bethlehem Historical Association in Cedar Hill. A Town picnic complete with cake walk and Dutch auction was held at the town park and country store sale was held at the grange hall, all capped by an anniversary dinner in Cedar Hill.

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Bailey named Citizen of Year

New Scotland's 1982 Citizen of the Year is William C. (Bill) Bailey of Feura Bush, town assessor and civic leader for more than a quarter of a century. Bailey will be honored at a testimonial dinner on Sept. 25 at the Polish Community Center, Albany.

A native of Albany, Bailey moved to Feura Bush shortly after his marriage to Helen Sauve in the early 1950s. They now have three sons and five grandchildren.

Bailey became active as a Boy Scout leader in 1956, and joined the U.S. Army as a private in 1963. After completing basic training at Fort Bragg, N.C., he was sent to Vietnam as a gunner in a field artillery battery, and eventually rose to the rank of captain. After his tour of duty, he served in the Army Reserve, Col. Manne, who has 36 years of service, is a member of the New Scotland Volunteer Fire Department, and was appointed town assessor. Bailey served as New Scotland's fire collector for 13 years.

**Planning for parade**

The third major event celebrating the 150th anniversary of the founding of the Town of New Scotland is slated for July 24 at Voorheesville Central High School. A parade preceding the activities at the school will form in New Salem at 9 a.m., and march to the school.

There will be attractions for all ages from children to great grandparents. Part of the program will include historical exhibits, live demonstrations of old time crafts and occupations, and favorite sports events of earlier times.

Organizers hope that all organizations in the town will want to contribute their efforts to this community celebration. Letters of information have been sent to all churches, clubs and organizations on the current roster at the town hall. If a group is not on the list or has not received the information or if any individual wishes to participate call Walter Miller, 765-3336, or Frances Vucic, 439-5721, between 9 a.m. and 1 p.m.

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**Spotlight IN RETROSPECT**

June 6, 1957

The 364th General Hospital, U.S. Army Reserve, of Albany has announced the promotion to colonel of Dr. Edward Manne of Delmar Pi. in the Army Reserve. Col. Manne, who has 36 years of continuous army service both on active duty and in reserve, first served in World War II in 1942, and was appointed to the army commission at the time he graduated from the University of Pennsylvania in 1949.

Betsy North, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George A. North, 117 Winde Rd., Delmar, has been chosen as the Empire Girls State delegate by Nathaniel Adams Blanchard American Legion Post Auxiliary. Betsy, a BCHS junior, will attend the event at the State University Teachers College at New Paltz June 21-29.

June 7, 1962

Jack Dalton of Patterson picked a shoutout against Tougher Heating in the Tri-Village Little League's opening week. Hitting stars of the week included Mike Brush of Murray-Simon, and Ricky Dumas of Mullen's with home runs, Ken Levy of Carroll's and Jeff Deansy of Patterson with three hits in a game. Mike Lephart also pitched a shutout, getting 11 strikeouts for Tougher in a win over Hilches.

Richard Rider, 33-related, Delmar, was presented with the Bergan Award for the outstanding liberal arts student at Junior College of Albany by Supreme Court Justice Francis Bergan. Richard was valedictorian of the class of 40 graduates.

June 8, 1967

Some 400 Bethlehem residents voted last week to allow the City of Albany to annex the Hurstville-Klifordt and upper Whitehall Rd. area of the town. The vote was 244 for and 113 against the proposal in an area involving approximately 1,000 acres on both sides of New Scotland Rd. between the Normaskill and the Thru­way.

June 8, 1972

Memorial Day weekend was Moving Day for the Bethlehem Public Library, and a throng of people turned out to help carry cartons and furniture from 90 Adams Pl. to the new building on Delaware Ave. A throng of Brownies, National Guardsmen in uniform with an Army truck, high school students, Senior Citizens and townspeople.

Seminofinals in the annual Bethlehem Tennis Association town championships are Philip Ackerman vs. Dave Denny, and Greg VanHeest vs. Matt Reich.

**Bus driver charged.**

Bethlehem Central school board members will discuss in an executive session tonight (Wednesday) the case of a district bus driver charged with driving while intoxicated and reckless endanger­ment after his arrest last week.

The closed session presumably will take place following the board's regular meeting at 8 p.m. at the Educational Services Center, 90 Adams Pl., Delmar.

Donald N. McKaig, 49, Clarksville, was stopped by Albany County Sheriff's deputies after he had safely discharged a lawnmower from his bus at the Clarksville Elementary School last Wednesday morning. A short time earlier a motorist had called police to report the bus was being driven in an erratic manner.

McKaig, who had a spotless driving record in the 15 years during which he has driven, suspended last week, is free on $5,000 bail. He has retained Frederick Edmunds of New Scotland as counsel.
A blot

June 2, 1982

On a recent Monday morning, New York’s two tabloid newspapers confronted the choice of two stories. On the newswires, side by side, were the big Page One heads. In the New York Daily News: Falkland Invasion Imminent in the New York Post: Michael Carey Charged with DWI.

Somewhere in transition from the strict standards of newspapering in its pre-television heyday to the profit-focused, expansion of electronic journalism, something has been lost.

It used to be that we had judged what news stories they carried each day, especially on Page One, on the importance of the story. There was always space, however, for “human interest” pieces, stories that merited a spot because they tugged at a reader’s heartstrings.

Lately we have seen a disturbing swing toward tastelessness that is shamefully unprofessional. Much of the blame can be placed on TV, news crews, many of whose members lack journalism backgrounds, but the print media, newspapers that should know better, are often right in there with the culprits.

A while ago we had Channel 6, the world’s two tabloid tabloids, with news staffs, incredibly giving open forums to Lemuel Smith, the convicted murderer, and Joseph P. Kennedy in Albany just as “an animal,” and to Bethlehem’s ousted police chief, Peter Fish, then charged with first-degree misconduct in office. News Center Six interviewed both men, permitting them to pour out their emotions, frustrations to the people and society that had caused them so much woe.

More recently, we saw the sorry spectacle of TV newsmen and cameras following Michael Carey, the governor’s son, through courthouse corridors in Albany after he was charged with tipsy driving. Before that it was the same courthouse “drama” reporting of Ted Pepper and others accused or convicted of white-collar crime.

Without minimizing the content of this kind of coverage, it seems that the electronic journalists have decided that the public wants all the emotional reactions of people charged with crimes, people burned out in fires, people bereaved in crimes or accidents, regardless of the importance of the incident in the state, national or world perspective.

Last week the new kind of journalism turned the full glare of its cameras on the small, inobtrusive hamlet of Clarksville.

The story here was legitimate, a school bus driver charged with driving while intoxicated, but the coverage was a blot on the news profession. All three TV stations sent a reporter and camera crew to New Scotland’s hills. They put up on camera schoolchildren, neighbors, parents and anyone they could find who would talk. Unearthing of an anguished wife and unaware of a weeping daughter who fled into a nearby field to be alone, the cameras tried to follow the children to a field day (until blocked by irate fathers).

The time allotted on the 10 p.m. newscast was dominated. It was, of course, the most important story of the day.

There was an ironic twist to this. The arrest was made shortly after 9 a.m. Wednesday, in plenty of time for TV reporters to carry the story that night. But apparently they learned of the incidents by reading a Page One item in the Albany Times-Union for the next day and the mass invasion of Clarksville was on.

It was an important story, perhaps a bit out of the routine, and certainly eligible for “human interest.” But a major TV production?

Television news has attracted large audiences, thus making premium commercials easier to sell on newsbreaks. In the case of Channel 10, just to mention one, the recent expansion of Action News at 6 p.m. from a half hour to a full hour has meant a dilution of content. Instead of highlights of the day’s top stories, professionally edited and presented, we get longer sequences less tightly edited, and excerpts of national and world news spliced in to fill the time when there is a dearth of local copy.

The Albany papers gave coverage to sex crimes that never would have made the paper at all 30 years ago. Perhaps the editors play up Ted Pepper and Michael Carey because they figure the TV boys and girls will give that junk four-star exposure.

Important stories, or stories of interest? And isn’t the public, thrusting for exposure and the sensational, to blame for a lot of it?
**Events in Bethlehem and New Scotland**

**State St.,** Red Men, second Wednesday, dealers, sponsored by Cub chronicle requisition, 10:00 a.m.

Bethlehem Public Library.

**TOWN:**

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Board of Education, 7:30 p.m.

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Area Events & Occasions
Events in Nearby Areas

Wednesday, June 2

Farmers' Market, fresh, farm produce and products. Empire State Plaza, third floor, 11:30 a.m.-2 p.m.*

Choral Program, featuring the Emmanuel Episcopal Church Choir John Phillips Sousa Jr. High School Band, performing works of classical composers in four languages. Empire State Plaza, convention center, 7:30-9:30 p.m. Free

4th Fashion Revue, with 4-H members from Bethlehem's 4-H club and Voorheesville's 4-H club, modeling garments they have made. Farnsworth Middle School, Glenmont, 7:30 p.m. Open to public.

Troy Record Newspapers Tour, for adults and families with children, to leave Broadway and Fifth Ave., Troy, at 11 a.m. Reservations, Hudson-Mohawk Industrial Gateway, 276-2507.

Epilepsy Association, election of officers. First Presbyterian Church, State and Welfare Street, Albany, 7:30 p.m. Information, 439-5079.

"Picniques" Style Lecture Series, first of five-week lecture series sponsored by Capital District Humanities Program. Sponsored by art, music, Charlotte Tourtelot discussing role of perception, style, $30 fee for series. Empire State Plaza, fourth floor, 2 p.m. Registration, 456-0977.

Empire State College Information Session and Orientation, and college representatives on hand to answer questions. Information for Wide-States Program, 20 Washington Ave., Albany, 7:30 p.m.-9:30 p.m.

Friday, June 4

Westerly Beach Dance at Afton Squier Station, for Frontier veterinarian Elementary School, Rt. 20, Western Ave., 6-11 p.m.

Saratoga National Museum of Open House, 20 Church Ave., Ballston Spa, 8 p.m.

Saturday, June 5

Jazz Age Miniconference, through June 6, "All That Jazz: The American 20th Century" course dealing with social changes of the era. Junior College of Albany, 149 New Scotland Ave., 7-10 p.m. Information, 454-1745.

Jam and Jelly-making Class, food preservation specialist to provide participants in making homemade jellies. Garden Way Living Center, 10th St. and 6th Ave., Troy, 1 p.m. Free

Bottle Collectors' Auction, including sale of bottles, storeware and go-withs. County Special Facilities Building, 96 W. High St., Ballston Spa, 7-9 p.m.

Victorian Festival, crafts, food, song and dance celebrating 200th anniversary of Rensselaer County Council for the Arts. Washington Park, Troy, noon-5:30 p.m. Rain date June 6.

Sunday, June 6

Bottle Show, with speaker Di- Luise Novak discussing suet bottles. Saratoga County Fairgrounds, Ballston Spa, 9 a.m. Information, 373-2805.

Howell Garden Tour, six private homes and two gardens. 20th anniversary of the garden tour will be open to the public to benefit the Health Care of Art and Prayer Center. Tour tickets, $5-5.50 per person. Information, 372-7878.

Wood Sculptor Frank Keyser will speak and discuss fibre sculpture "Forever Young," showing older people living active lives. Institute on Man and Science, Rensselaer, 7-9 p.m. Free

Children's Story Hour, young children invited to hear stories. Mary Murphy, Voorheesville Public Library, 10 a.m. Glenmont PTA, Glenmont Elementary School, 1:30 p.m.

Tuesday, June 15

Bethlehem Sportsmen's Club meet first Tuesday at Five Rivers Environmental Center, 3:30 p.m. Guests welcome.

AARP, regular meeting with installation of officers and directors. First United Methodist Church, Kenwood Ave., Delmar, 1-15 p.m.

Bereavement Resolution Discussion Group, religious, psychiatric, medical and group therapy representatives discuss how to come to terms with grief over death. Bethlehem Public Library, 7-9 p.m.

Wednesday, June 16

Glenmont Homemakers, third Wednesday, SiksirK Fire House No. 2, Glenmont, 7:30 p.m. Information, 355-6213.

Bethlehem Board of Education Meeting, Bethlehem Town Auditorium, 9 a.m.-noon. Information, 355-6213.

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I started by saying we live in an era of the "I" syndrome. Yet hopefully this is disappearing in the greater concern of society - the work for the nuclear freeze, the greater establishment of food pantries and increased donations. Maybe we are finding out that when we lose ourselves, we truly save ourselves. For the world to be a place we like to live in, we need to give ourselves and not only take.

To speak on freeze

V. Lawrence Parishen, a professor at Renaeller Polytechnic Institute, will speak at a nuclear arms freeze discussion to be held on Wednesday, June 9, from 7:30 to 9 p.m. at the Glenmont Community Church on Chapel Lane. In addition to answering questions, Mr. Parishen will show the movie "War Without Winners." Anyone interested in the issue of nuclear arms control is invited to attend.

Trinity program

Trinity Sunday, June 6, will be marked by a special musical offering at Saint Paul's Church, 21 Heckett Boulevard, Albany, during the 11 a.m. service. The choir, under the direction of Kenneth M. Keough, organist and choirmaster, and Scott Castrelli, assistant, will present a mostly Mozart program.

Thanks to

The end of May brings to a close our first year as owners of Delmar Printers and Delmar Compographics.

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Tom and Linda Thorsen
Delmar couple wed
Jennifer Tice Drew, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Roger T. Drew, 13 Wicklow Terrace, Delmar, and Mark Richard Gebhardt, son of Mr. and Mrs. John P. Gebhardt, 12 Oakwood Pl., Delmar, were married May 8 at the First United Methodist Church, Delmar. Rev. Raymond Stors and Rev. James Daley officiated at the 6 p.m. ceremony.

The bride was given in marriage by her father. Diana Drew of Hudson, Mass., was her sister's maid of honor. Bridesmaids were Mrs. Gary Geary of Albany and Mrs. Patty Bryant of Schenectady, sisters of the groom; Lina Krantz of Selkirk, Mrs. Irene Serrows of Little Rock, Ark., and Colleen Drew of Marietta, Ga., niece of the bride. Jezz Methodist Church, Delmar. Rev. ..

Button fans
Members of the Half Moon Button Club will next meet at the Bethlehem Public Library community room on Wednesday, June 9, to discuss the role of buttons as a motif for buttons. Mrs. Velma Bushell, president of the club, will lead the "Fluster of Fans" program. Mrs. Prudence Crafton will be the hostess of the luncheon, and members of Vermont button clubs and tri-city area groups are also expected to attend.

Driver ed time changed
The dates of the three-hour driver education course required of all new drivers has been changed for the month of June at Bethlehem Central. The course will be on Tuesday and Wednesday, June 8 and 9, at 7:15 p.m. in room IRA. Participants must attend both nights.

White-Marshall
Mr. and Mrs. Philip T. White of Selkirk have announced the engagement of their daughter, Leslie Marie, to Peter S. Marshall, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Paul Marshall of South Bethlehem. The couple are graduates of Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk Central School. Miss White is employed by O.B. Heck Development Center in Delmar, and her fiancée is employed by Marshall's Auto Exchange, Ravena. A July 10 wedding is planned.

Piano recital Sunday
Mrs. Ann Brandon's piano students will present a recital for the public on Sunday, June 6, at 3 p.m. at the Delmar Reformed Church. Featured pianists at the recital will be Laurie Alexander, Mary Davis, Sarah Dearynt, Molly DeFazio, Laura DeGari, Susan Donovan, Emily Fawcett, Michael Lobo, Donna McAndrews, Erin Mitchell, Christine Popp, Kevin Schoonmaker, Randi Wofford, and Jessica Welpaw. Gabe Borthwick and Maria DeGari, both students of Mary Davis, will also perform at the keys.

Playing for friends
Students of Marie M. Tompkins, ranging in age from 7 to 83 and traveling from as far as Worcester, N.Y., played the kettle drums for their relatives and friends May 21 and 22 at Marie's Organ Studio on Delaware Ave. The organ recitals are an annual event.
Their phones ring round the clock

By Caroline Terezini

Tom Carlson has what looks like the makings of a R2D2 in his office. There's a rack of circuit boards where lights flash occasionally, and two consoles emit discreet beeps from time to time. These are flanked by several species of radio, not to mention burglar alarms. But, put all together, it doesn't become R2D2 — it becomes the Business and Professional Telephone Exchange, on Delaware Avenue in Elmere. Carlson and his wife, Ellie, own the answering service, which they recently switched from the old-fashioned "cord board" to this impressive array of electronic gadgetry.

Facing big rate hikes by Ma Bell, from which the old "cord board" was leased, the Carlsons looked for over a year before deciding to install the sci-fi-like equipment. "Computerized equipment is sexy," Carlson said, "but it doesn't have the reliability this has."

C&R Electronics of Canastota, makers of the equipment, arranged new hookups and handles repairs, though the Carlsons keep a supply of circuit boards on hand in case of a power failure, and these could keep the equipment going for 24 hours, Carlson said.

The exchange leases a block of numbers from the phone company and assigns them out on a first-come, first-served basis. Customers who want to have their phones answered by the exchange, they simply dial their assigned number and call for answering customers. When they want to have their phones answered by the exchange, they simply dial their assigned number and call. This system is more formally known as "Direct Inward Dialing." In other cases, customers' phones are hard-wired to the exchange, "like an extension phone," Carlson said. The circuit boards, which cost $500 apiece, have an on-off switch so when the phone is being answered in a client's office it needn't ring in Carlson's. The circuit also can be set so that the first three rings are silent, for clients who are in and out frequently but will answer their own phone when they're in.

Fire and ambulance companies like those in Rensselaer, New Salem and Berne, which can't man their phones 24 hours a day, use the Carlson exchange. A button on the receiver in Carlson's office can activate the sirens, and the first fireman in can talk to Carlson over a radio hook-up. Similarly, the exchange keeps 24-hour watch over some burglar and fire alarm systems, with hook-ups as far away as New Hampshire. "We've been responsible for catching some burglars," Carlson said, though most of the buzzes are triggered incorrectly. All the buzzes and beeps are answered by two full-time employees or by the Carlsons, including Ellie, who is a Bethlehem Central senior, or Dan, who's a junior. Matt, 11, is so far exempt. The busiest days are Mondays, though Saturdays are heavy too. Carlson recalled Christmas of 1980 as the "worst day of his life," when he was the only one in the family who knew how to handle the old cord board. "There were 'no-head' calls, people couldn't get their cars started," he said. "I had no Christmas at all." When there's no holiday, the exchange keeps the Carlsons busy. Ellie noted wryly that "their big vacation last year was an afternoon at the flat track." The business has also kept them from the pleasure of the dog show circuit, where they used to show Scottish terriers. "We had more fun," said Ellie. "We'd like to get back to it if we ever have time." Two handsome terriers, Candy and Angel, are keeping the family happy till then.

The Carlsons came to the business of answering other people's phones by a round-about route. A graduate of State University College at Fredonia, Carlson taught in western New York for a few years, then joined the Central Intelligence Agency. With the CIA, the family was in Nigeria for a while, then Carlson spent 20 months in Vietnam in the early 70's. After 14 years with the CIA, though "when more time came, they decided to make one more move, and that was to Delmar." They bought the answering business and moved to Delmar.

Now they are settling into the community, even sponsoring the Little League team called Matt's All-Stars. However, Business and Professionals Telephone Exchange is bit long, so the T-shirts sport "Phone Delmar". Ellie Carlson laughed at the fans on the sidelines who, lacking a team nickname, must use "Carlson," Delmar Answering Service, go!"
By Julie Ann Sosa

The Bethlehem Central track team will have no representatives at Cornell for this week's co-ed state meet. Surprisingly, the 3,200-meter race, run by two new and promising members of BC's track team, proved to be the one event that saved face for the Eagles at last Friday's state qualifying meet at Columbia High School in East Greenbush.

With fellow Eagles turning in mediocre performances, the determined 3,200-meter duo of freshman Christine Amsworth and sophomore Pete Hammer smashed their own personal bests to finish among the prestigious field of athletes. Amsworth poured it on to finish the grueling 3,200 meters in 11:05, besting her record by two seconds. By finishing the run in 9:54, Hammer lowered his best by 15 seconds and succeeded in shattering Bill Street's sophomore record at BC by five seconds.

Meanwhile, Street disappointed expectations that he would qualify for the state meet by breezily dropping out of the two-mile race just past the halfway point. He came back to place among the top 10 in the mile.

Marissa Weaver, BC's long jump hopeful, injured her Achilles' tend and faulted on her first two jumps, while Laura Koban was left wanting with a 43-second finish in the 400-meter race.

Freshman Jenny Warren's 800 run ended in 2:34.5, over a second off her best time. Perhaps freshman track coach John DeMeo and his team, mostly eighth graders, deserve the most credit. The freshmen coach of having been the last BC spring team to fall from undefeated status, thanks to excellent performances by Katie Kinsley in the half mile, Matthew Donnmore and Matt Oshner in the sprints. Jeff Meyers in the hurdles, and Joe Louderbach in the mile.

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The split gave the Eagles a 3-1-1 record for the season.

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This notice being published for the information of the public, will be referred to the Town Clerk of the Town of Bethlehem, for publication.

Given under my hand and the Seal of the Town of Bethlehem in and for the County of Albany, New York on this 26th day of June, 1982.

(Signed) J. Michael Driscoll, Town Clerk.
Thanks for the tour
Editor, The Spotlight:
The girls at Browse Troop #266 would like to express our appreciation for your tour of our newspaper. We especially liked seeing the dark room and our names in print.
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The whole enrollment as shown. The correct 1981-82 figures should be 3,838 rather than 3,822 figure that is given. When this revised enrollment is divided into the total budget amount, a per pupil cost of $3,932.40 results.

Taken together we see that the range of per pupil expenditures for the three districts (Niskayuna, Bethlehem and Guildersville) is about plus or minus three percent of one another. The ranking of the three districts based on this parameter remains precisely the same as it was in 1977-78. Thus, the article and its conclusions have no real meaning.

We would, therefore, greatly appreciate the table of data being correctly reprinted and the textual misinformation retracted. Finally, we would appreciate your continued support for all our fine school districts in the area. Please keep in mind, however, that this support should be based on merit, accomplishments, and individual values of a particular district and not upon imagined expense or defects of other districts.

William McColl, Clerk
Board of Education
Niskayuna

Mr. McColl is correct in his first premise, that the article erred in comparing the cost-per-pupil of the current (not the new) Bethlehem budget, but we stand on the other two figures he cites.

The figure for the Guildersville enrollment (4,552), is the figure given by the Spotlight by the Guildersville school administration. Likewise, the figure for Niskayuna (3,822), was furnished by the school administration. Both figures are correct in the table.

Our error in dividing the 1981-82 Bethlehem school budget by 14,197,494. was divided by the 1977-78 enrollment (4,085) giving a per pupil cost of $3,475.52. When correctly divided by the 1981-82 enrollment (3,715), a per pupil cost of $3,821.67 is obtained.

In addition, there is a typographical error in the Guildersville 1981-82 enrollment data. The figure given (4,552) should in fact be 4,352. When this corrected enrollment is divided into the 1981-82 budget amount of $16,098,691, a per pupil cost of $3,699.15 is determined.

Further, there is a minor error in the Niskayuna enrollment as shown. The correct 1981-82 figures should be 3,838 rather than 3,822 figure that is given. When this revised enrollment is divided into the total budget amount, a per pupil cost of $3,932.40 results.

A telephone response
Editor, The Spotlight:
J udging by his letter in the May 26 Spotlight, County Executive James Coyne appears to be quite disturbed by the 1977 report clarifying the proposed telephone contract with American Telephone and Telegraph.

1. I gladly admit to a bias in favor of doing business with American companies and American workers, particularly in these times of high unemployment.
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The home birth choice

Editor, The Spotlight:

I wish urgently to correct what to me is an unfortunate inaccuracy in reporting in the otherwise excellent article which appeared in the Spotlight on alternatives in childbirth by Caroline Terenzini on May 12.

I am quoted as believing home birth to be an unsuitable way to give birth. As Diane Balog, whose letter is the editor appeared in the following week’s paper, pointed out, why would anyone interested in information on home birth follow the suggestions printed in the box (that they consult the Family Life Center for information) if I did not believe home birth to be a “suitable” form of birth? Clearly, this is a total non sequitur, and, indeed, totally untrue and very disappointing. Objective criteria for suitability have been established by such home birth support groups as H.O.M.E., and the absence of one or more of such criteria can be understood by people seeking home birth as in no way a reflection upon their fundamental candidacy for successful birth, nor to the continuity of support for all couples who come to us emerges from our belief that for every family there is a good birth to be found, whether at home, in a birthing center, or with an obstetrician in a hospital, but that what is required to find that suitable alternative is time to explore, to become informed, to exchange information and experience with other couples, and finally, to learn how to communicate effectively with whatever birth attendant one chooses, with our support and mediation if desired.

Mary Leat
Family Life Center
Albany

Keeping deer away

Editor, The Spotlight:

I have finally dug up the article on deer repellents which appeared in the Dec., 1980, issue of House & Garden. Too long to condense here but hilarious reading — she found creosote rugs effective but don’t let them drip on grass, also creosote wax will not completely freeze around the garden. However, a Weyerhauser Co. researcher developed a deer repellant used on tender seedlings of hemlock, pine, etc. A derivative of rotten eggs, it is available to the home gardener as MGK Big Game Repellant and protects woody plants one to four months. Write McClaughlin Gormley King Co., 880 Tenth Ave., Minneapolis, Minn., 55427.

Now I know why I keep clippings, articles, recipes, etc. — they might come in handy someday.

Jane Wilson Jones
Slingerlands

True democracy

Editor, The Spotlight:

The last two meetings of the Town Board have been very enlightening. Commendations are in order for both the members of the board and members of the community for engaging in a useful, educational and lengthy dialogue concerning a nuclear freeze. The board patiently listened to the people who spoke and sincerely considered the arguments and points presented. The people who attended maintained respect for the board and the democratic process in their eloquent pleas for a nuclear freeze.

The opportunity to speak directly with our elected officials and feel that we are having an effect on their decisions is an awesome and truly great blessing of our society that should never be underestimated or ignored.

Although a resolution was passed in favor of a nuclear freeze, the deletion of the word “immediate” in the context left the freeze proponents without the feeling of total victory. However, we must remember that this is not the end of the freeze movement but rather should be considered a boost forward for continued support and dialogue with each other and elected officials. Grass roots does live and is extremely healthy.

Linda Russell
Delmar

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