She goes to bat for seniors

By Ann Treadway

If you're a Town of Bethlehem resident 60 or older, you've got a friend at Town Hall. She's Karen Pellettier, coordinator of the town's senior citizens program.

Under her guidance, the program has mushroomed in recent years, with a shift in emphasis from occasional social get-togethers to a wide array of both recreational opportunities and services for specific needs.

For the past 30 years, there has been a town-sponsored Senior Citizens organization, but until recently it consisted of about 50 people who got together once a month for card games and conversation. Today the organization has a 259-member roster, many of whom meet at Town Hall every week for various social activities.

And Pellettier's outreach efforts have helped to raise or enrich the lives of many more local residents in the over-60 age in volunteers, including many older men and women who are happy to donate their time to projects that aid their peers.

Most of the 34 volunteers: drivers of Bethlehem's Senior Van, for example, are retired men who spend one day a month picking up and delivering local Senior Citizens to the group's weekly: meetings, various clinics also held at Town Hall, or to local shopping plazas.

The 11-seat van, obtained by the town last April, travels about 100 miles every weekday and has provided "a new freedom" for many older people in our community, Pellettier said during a recent interview in her Town Hall office, a converted storage room.

A number of those who use it to do monthly shopping are relieved, she explained, that they no longer have to depend on children or neighbors for transportation. She quoted a widow from South Bethlehem as saying that her son can now visit her "because he loves me, not just because I need something."

About 10 older women volunteer their talents once or twice a month in the Senior Citizens office, helping with the typing and filing necessary to keep records up-to-date. Another indication of the program's expansion, however, is that the town has recognized the need for a secretary for the office and will hire one next month.

Karen Pellettier will also increase her work schedule starting next month from half-time to 60 percent. She expects the program's growth to continue from its "a structure" formerly employed, is a force."
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Home of hamlet's founder

George and Kathleen Bragle have made a warm and comfortable family-style home at 1575 New Scotland Rd. in Slingerlands for themselves and their three young children. Even though this house, the oldest in the village, is now their home, they cannot escape the responsibility they feel to carry on the heritage of the Slingerland family that occupied the house for so many years in the past.

Being teachers and scholars as well as concerned community-minded citizens, the Bragles appreciate deeply the heritage of their house and have a genuine desire to preserve everything that will help to tell the story of the old home and its illustrious past.

To give the reader some background of this house we must go back and take a brief look at the Slingerland family that occupied the house facing the highway is a structure and the exposed beams date back to 1790 as well as more commonplace occupants.

A receipt for a load of hay taken into Albany for sale by John I. Slingerland in March, 1861.

The earliest members of the Slingerland family settled along the banks of the Onequashau Creek above Feura Bush about 1766, on farm land that is still occupied in part by some of the descendants of Teunis Cornelius Slingerland. As well as their forebears, the urge to do better than their neighbors or the lure of changing locations and situations keeps some members moving away to new opportunities. Such was the case with John Albert Slingerland, who settled in 1766 during the colonial period in the steep-roofed stone and brick Dutch-style farmhouse sitting amid the cornfields above Feura Bush. Undoubtedly, too, had inherited the pioneer spirit of his ancestors, and at an early age he decided to leave the Onequashau and make his own passage through life on the sand flats back and take a brief look at the Slingerland farm property at 1575 New Scotland Rd. It is a structure constructed circa 1790 and adjoining the present main structure at the rear. The Bragles call it "the barn" because it has been in various stages of remodeling and restoration over the years by successive owners, but is still not habitable for today's living standards.

It is Kathleen Bragle's dream to someday make this early dwelling into a usable room for her family. The great chimney and fireplace fill the back wall of the structure and the exposed beams indicate the early construction. There is a large attic or sleeping loft in the second story. Also behind the large main block of the house facing the highway is another wing containing the present dining room and kitchen. This wing was also an addition to the 1790 structure, probably constructed when John Albert and Leah Slingerland were raising their family. Their children were: Magdalene, Elizabeth, Hester, Frederick, Albert I., John I. and Henry.

All of these male children attained positions of prominence in their community, but the one we are concerned with in this article is John and Leah's son, John I. Slingerland. He became one of the family's most distinguished members. He was born on the home farm and lived there all his days. John I. was distinguished in that he served in the New York State Assembly in 1843 and again in 1847-49. He had always espoused the cause of the Whig Party. By 1855 however, Thurlow Weed in New York united the fledgling Republican and Whig parties into a single organization, rallying all men who opposed the spread of slavery. The main issue which had called the Republican party into being was to prevent the spread of slavery into the western territories of the United States.

Slingerland had always been an advocate of temperance, the extension of the western territories and an opponent of the extension of slavery. In 1856 he was a strong advocate for the nomination of John C. Fremont for the presidency by the newly formed Republican Party. In essence we can say that John I. Slingerland was one of the founders of the Republican Party.

(To be continued)
Local residents are again being asked to join in serenading the children under treatment at capital district medical facilities. Nancy Martin of Elsmere views the organization's few fund raisers during House, doing something for the themes traditionally associated with Ronald McDonald House, which was for only a few hours a week. "I knew Phil Mahar from my weekly night out playing volleyball at the Middle School," she said, "and one day he asked me if I would like to help set up a liaison between the town and the senior citizens group that existed then."

The idea was mainly to ensure that the desires of the older population were considered in the town's recreational programming. But finding that many of these residents also need other types of services, Pellettier has added more and more over the past six years. A native of Elsmere and daughter of the Rev. and Mrs. Charles Kauflaus, the senior citizens coordinator is a graduate of Bethlehem Central High School and Green Mountain Junior College. She and her husband, John, live in Elsmere close to where she grew up and have three children, Suzanne, 13, Michael, 9, and Katie, 4.

Although Karen Pellettier typifies many young wives and mothers in our community, she also appears particularly well-qualified to fill the role she took on through a chance acquaintance. Besides being energetic and well-organized, she obviously cares very much about helping people — and the caring itself means a lot.

Betty Chesser, a long time member of the Senior Citizens group that meets every week, said Pellettier does a good job because "she has a nice office in the senior citizens' section and she also pointed out that Pellettier is concerned about the needs of all senior citizens in the town, not just those in her own group."

Pellettier said what she likes best about her job is "working with people," especially on a one-to-one basis, and what she likes least is the paperwork, so she's very glad to be getting a secretary. At the time of the census, about 4,500, or 19 percent, of the Town of Bethlehem's approximately 24,000 residents were at least 60 years old. It's probably safe to assume that by now more than one-fifth of Bethlehem residents can claim Senior Citizens status.

Many, of course, are healthy, active, and self-sufficient, but some, especially among the very aged, need various types of help to make their lives easier.

In addition to the newly-acquired SeniorVan, the services now available to Bethlehem's 60-plus population include free legal clinics once a month, free blood pressure clinics once a month, a food pantry for emergency needs, visits to the housebound, discount passes and Loy's for a variety of uses, a foods coupons exchange, a books and magazines exchange, and pamphlets and referral information on government aid programs such as food stamps and HEAP for those who qualify.

In the summer months, there's also a "Bumper Crop" program, through which local gardeners, mostly retirees, share their overabundant supplies of fresh vegetables with others who can use them.

Free cheese from the federal government's surplus food program is also dispersed to local residents who qualify through the Senior Citizens office.

For older people who don't need goods or services, but instead friends and fun as an antidote for loneliness, the Town of Bethlehem offers trips and tours, travelogues, a crafts group, movies, bowling, sing-a-longs and seasonal parties such as the Christmas party held last Wednesday.

Anyone wishing detailed information about programs and services available to Bethlehem's senior citizens should call the office at 439-5577.

Karen Pellettier

The growth of the Senior Citizens program in Bethlehem is due in large part to its coordinator's willingness to take on new tasks, but it also reflects the aging of the community, a microcosm of this trend throughout the country.

Ring in '85 at gala

A New Year's Eve gala is planned for 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the Bethlehem Central High School, sponsored by Bethlehem Opportunities Unlimited. The rock band Alias will perform in the gym, while popular dance music will be played in the cafeteria. A buffet breakfast will be served after the new year is rung in. Tickets at $2 may be purchased at the high school, middle school, town park office or at the door.
Juniper Field is cleared for Jan. 9 public hearing

The proposed Juniper Field subdivision on Elm Ave. opposite development status. The board set Jan. 9 at 8 p.m. for a public hearing on developer "experts on" permitting a five-year subdivision on Elm Ave. opposite agreement. Both the state and the Delmar Bypass will be allowed for a public hearing on developer dential-development status.

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Board grants variances

After a lengthy public hearing to consider the installation of a drive-in window at the Elmere McDonald's, the Bethlehem town board on Wednesday tabled the issue for a Dec. 6 meeting. Under state law, any "no built" variety of brewery is taboo. The board:

* Granted a rear yard variance to Mr. and Mrs. Michael Hedman to permit an existing deck at 43 Arboridge Ln., Delmar.

* Granted a side yard variance to Stephen Bush to permit construction of a chimney at 50 Burns Pl., Delmar.

* Informally approved a special exception to permit a five-year extension of time for construction of the Woodhill subdivision, Rt. 9W and Foun Bush Rd., Glenmont.

* Tabled discussion of a public hearing to consider Donna Loe's request for a special exception to permit a dog kennel at 1691 Delaware Ave., Delmar.

* Authorized a request for the town board to reappoint Thomas W. Scherer to a five-year term on the board of appeals. The board also reappointed Scherer as secretary-treasurer to the town board and reappointed Charles Fritts as chairman for five years.

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Alcohol and cars don't mix

Bethlehem Police Chief Paul E. Currie reminds Bethlehem area motorists that having a happy holiday means moderation when it comes to the consumption of alcoholic beverages.

Currie quoted national statistics to emphasize the problem. At least half of all traffic fatalities in this country involve alcohol as a factor, he said. Moreover, a large majority of fatal holiday accidents are associated with drinking.

The chief cited a few holiday party tips that have been endorsed by the International Association of Chiefs of Police. As either a host or guest, remember that it takes the average person at least one hour per drink to eliminate the effects of alcohol. It takes time to sober up and nothing else helps.

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Elected at 5 Rivers

Five Rivers Limited recently conducted its annual meeting at the Five Rivers Environmental Education Center. New members elected to the board include Patricia Martin and Thomas Zolezzi, both of Delmar.

Martin, a former fish and wildlife technician with the state Department of Environmental Conservation, is a regional representative for the Ruffed Grouse Society, an international nonprofit organization that promotes forest and wildlife management. Zolezzi is special counsel to the State Board of Elections, and is a former state assistant attorney general.

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School track is right on track

By Charles Casey

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By other action, the board accepted the resignation of teacher Charles Abba and food service helper Mae Duncan. Gregory Medina and Thomas Mahoney were appointed to the positions of custodial worker and school bus driver, respectively.

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Holiday at the library

The holidays are in full bloom at the Voorheesville Public Library, where Hanukkah crafts and a movie will take place today (Wednesday), followed by Christmas crafts and movies on Thursday. Both programs begin at 4 p.m. and are free.

A reminder that pre-school story hour will end on Dec. 21.

The library's annual fine-free week will run from Wednesday, Dec. 26, until Wednesday, Jan. 2. During that time all overdue books—may-be returned without penalty and people who have outstanding fines on record at the library may "clean the slate" by paying half the fine after it has been rounded to the nearest dollar.

Food Bank seeks help

Christmas at village churches

In light of the true meaning of Christmas, Voorheesville's two churches will celebrate Christmas with a number of services.

St. Matthew's Catholic Church will hold masses on Christmas Eve and Christmas Day. On Christmas Eve the children's mass will be celebrated at 5 p.m., followed by a folk group playing at 7 p.m. mass and the Christmas Choir will sing at the 10 p.m. mass—only one mass will be celebrated on Christmas Day— at 11 a.m.

At the First United Methodist Church a family worship service will be held at 7:30 p.m. on Christmas Eve, including carol singing and the reading of the Christmas Story. A second service on Christmas Eve will include a traditional candlelight service at 11 p.m. On Christmas Day a worship service will be offered at 11 a.m.

In holiday concert

William Petroni, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Petroni of Slingerlands, appeared in the Elmira College Department of Music's holiday concert.

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I present budget proposals with ties.

Principal Albert Keating of the A.W. Becker Elementary School said the proposed budgets for the district’s three elementary schools reflect an increase of approximately 20 percent over last year.

Chodack emphasized the fact that the district’s budget extends beyond the buildings as being of prime importance.

Bus, car collision

A Voorheesville man, 20, who failed to yield to right turn sliding in front of his vehicle was involved in a collision with a Bethlehem Central school bus early last Tuesday on Brookley Dr. in Delmar, according to Bethlehem police reports. There were 11 children on the bus, but no injuries were reported following the 7:30 a.m. accident.
Time out for music

As Christmas gets closer and the pace seems to quicken even more, sometimes we need a little reminder to slow down and enjoy this special time of year. Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk Senior High School has been busily preparing for a winter concert for this Thursday evening, Dec. 20, at 7:30 p.m. in the auditorium. Musicans and singers hope area residents will take time from their busy schedules to attend this special program. Admission is free.

Carolyn T. Dionne

The sound of music will ring out again on Saturday, Dec. 22, when the “Adults Only” Fellowship group of the First Reformed Church of Bethlehem will be Christmas caroling through the streets of Selkirk. The group hopes to leave from the church parking lot on Rt. 9W in Selkirk at 7 p.m. Thursday, caroling and then return to the parsonage for a Christmas party. There will be refreshments and a white elephant gift exchange. The gift, which should be wrapped, is to be an item that’s been stuck away in the basement for a year. Each person will be asked to contribute 50 cents to cover the cost of refreshments. A “don’t throw off” list will be provided.

More notices...

...These notices have been especially honored by the Daughters of the American Revolution. On Dec. 8, Donn Jansen and Associates presented to Susan M. Gleason, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Gleason of Guilderland, a student at the RCS Senior High School; Edith M. Crandall, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Crandall, Jr. of Albany, a student at Albany High School; and Joseph L. Cohen, Jr., of Albany, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph L. Cohen, Sr. of Albany, a student at Guilderland High School. The students were given pins and certificates jointly by Mrs. Virginia F. and Old Heidelberg NS DAR chapters. The meeting and program were held at the Bethlehem Elks Lodge of Selkirk.

Mrs. Henry Cook, state DAR citizen chairman, was principal speaker.

DECA helping others

The RCS Senior High School DECA Chapter is involved in a community service project for the Multistate Dysphagia Association. The canister drive began on Nov. 19 and will continue until the end of April or until all the canisters are full. Each club member distributed five canisters to local businesses. By the end of the drive, the club expects to have raised between $1,000 and $1,500.

For the high school seniors, this year with election of club officers. They are: president, Steven Vast; vice president, Charles Zelez; treasurer, Tricia Sandgren; secretary, Lisa Riley; historian, Chris Flynn; parliamentarian, Pamela Schwarz.

Teens create wonderland

“Deck the Halls with Boughs of Holly”—and the youth of South Bethlehem United Methodist Church have done just that. With evergreens and an incredible 25-foot-tall Christmas tree they’ve trimmed, they have transformed what was a plain corner into a Christmas wonderland. The teens also have been helping to prepare for the many special events scheduled during the Christmas season.

One of the events planned is the youth Christmas program to be held this Sunday, Dec. 30. The covered dish supper program and the ceremony will begin at 4 p.m. at the church on Willowbrook Ave.

The RCS chapter started the year with election of club officers. They are: president, Joseph G. Keller, to be re-elected to another five-year term as commissioner, 35-0; and W. Gordon Morris was re-elected treasurer for another term, 24-0.

In the Selkirk Fire District, five-year term as commissioner, 35-0; and W. Gordon Morris was re-elected treasurer for another term, 24-0.

Two new promotions...

One is...
By Tanja Stasick

Residents of the Bethlehem area pass hundreds of very inconspicuous, suburban homes almost every day and take no notice of them. Three houses in the community—one on Delaware, one on Kenwood and one on Kinder­ lane—are very different from the inside from most of the others. They are state-operated residences for mentally retarded children, adults and senior citizens.

These homes are provided by the state for mentally retarded "clients" who used to reside in state-operated institutions, but who have been approved to be involved in community activities. The clients in these suburban residences are in a homey atmosphere and receive more personal attention than those in state institutions. They can be trained more quickly to develop personal hygiene, food preparation skills, personal skills such as shoe tying, and most importantly, socialization skills.

A volunteer group from Bethlehem Central High School assists the staff of the homes in many of these programs. Students for South Albany Clients of SSAC work on weekends and holidays with the retarded individuals. The volunteers help to develop social skills in clients by setting examples and encouraging client interaction.

SFSAC was established at Bethlehem High School eight years ago. The membership in the club peaked at more than 30. Unfortunately, with membership in the range of 10 to 12 at the present, the group is unable to provide as many volunteer hours as are necessary. Any Beth­ lehem-student aged 13 or older may join. Members can expect to help in community activities such as dancing at the Bethlehem Town Hall, bowling, swimming at the Bethlehem Central Middle School, and other learning activities.

Volunteers are especially needed for the RESPIR program over Bethlehem's winter vacation. Activities are scheduled to continue through all of next week, including dance at the town hall this Friday, pre- and after-Christmas parties and bowling programs. Anyone interested in volunteering or joining SFSAC can contact Nina Lempert at 439-6747.

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Garlic's power no myth, local researcher finds

Most 8-year-olds know that garlic wards off vampires, but Eric Block of Delmar, a professor of chemistry at the State University at Albany, has gone one step further. Block, working with other researchers, has found a chemical in garlic that is an anti-blood-clotting agent.

Block presented the findings this week at a meeting of the International Chemical Congress of Pacific Basin Societies in Hawaii. A report of the research also is to be published this month in The Journal of the American Chemical Society.

The compound Block and his colleagues discovered has been named ajene, from the Spanish work "ajo," meaning garlic. Tests with animals have shown the compound to be an anticoagulant agent that is about as strong as aspirin, but also appears to be more specific than aspirin, they said, giving promise of fewer side effects in future therapies for heart disease.

Block said a drug based on the garlic chemical could be tested clinically within a few years. Meanwhile, research may provide a more fundamental understanding of the process of blood clotting. For example, a compound related to ajene has been found to accelerate clotting, Block said.

Block, who holds a doctorate from Harvard, came to the state university in 1978. The university has filed two patent applications based on Block's discovery of the garlic-derived compound. His research team included another university chemist, Saleem Ahmed; biochemists in Newark, N.J.; two hematologists in Vene­ zuela; and a physician from the state health department.

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ENDANGERING CHARGED

An 18-year-old Glenmont man has been charged with endangering the welfare of a child, a misdemeanor, for allegedly provid­ ing an alcoholic beverage to a 13-year-old Bethlehem poli­ ce reported. The man, arrested on a warrant in connection with the Dec. 27, 1984 incident, was released on $500 bail.

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He lay motionless in the bed, wondering how he would awaken himself from a sleepless night. His body had been begging to sleep for weeks, but his mind would not grant permission. He persisted on two-hour naps from time to time. He didn't need very much energy as it were, because he made few demands on himself. He was down, deep down depressed. He had been unemployed for many months. In the beginning he had launched a fleet of resumes and phone calls to friends, colleagues, mutual contacts, newspaper want ads, anyone who would listen. He registered at the State Employment Service, visited headhunters, flipped through microfilm job files at the public library, and read books on career change.

In those early months with the buffet of vacation pay, cashed-in retirement funds and some savings, he regarded unemployment as a forced opportunity for change, for growth, for the new vistas of variety and the chance to taste some new spaces of life. Now he was chalking on the letters of rejection he received from employers he had written, met, followed up with a thank-you, called a few weeks later to see if they needed additional materials, established first-name relationships with their secretaries, and done all the right things.

His appetite waned. He began to shun noise, not only in his food, but in his life. Sustenance came in silent agony, "It's not fair," he minded screaming, "I'm not a bad person. I don't deserve this. My family doesn't deserve this!"

He jolted himself out of the bed, fumbled through the nightstand drawer for a pad and pencil, and began writing, "How I'd Like To Be Remembered." The words flowed out of the part of him that would survive beyond his life. They were written to anyone who really cared.

"I would like to be remembered for winning the love of the girl I married, and holding it for the rest of our days."

"I would like to be remembered for loving my children, and liking them, and for loving them when I did not like them.

"I would like to be remembered for being an important friend to a few people who needed my friendship on occasion, and benefited from it.

"I would like to be remembered for stopping on a highway to bring home a petrified kitten, for swerving off a back road while driving alone and hitting a ditch instead of an errant dog, for catching moths in my house and setting them free out the front door."

"I would like to remember for playing, peek-a-boo with infants propped up in shopping carts, for being kind to a neighborhood kid on the street when I was in my 30's, and for being funny and silly and happily unpretentious, and for instructing serious people with a bit of joy.

"I would like to be remembered for being able to wait patiently for a stuttermmer's next word, an old person's next memory and a little leaguer's next hit."

"I would like to be remembered for not having started any violence between two people, or following any episodic uncontrolled temper at home, for choosing meekness over might, withdrawal over aggression, privately flexed inner strength over demonstrative wit, and for simply attempting to be a peaceful person to others and to myself."

"I would like to be remembered for being able to learn unfamiliar skills to hold unemployable, unsalable jobs so I could provide for my family."

"I would like to be remembered for outstanding life's outlook on feeding, and adapting the frequent temptations to turn them off, because it would have been easier."

"Mostly, I would like to be remembered for trying to hold God close to my heart, for trying to hear His words, and for trying to do what I thought He wanted because He had quite heard Him."

"On the subject of music, got a cup of water and read the favorite book and written. When he realized reading someone else's words, he realized that he was not an epitaph, but a raison d'être, a reason for living. They were written with his deep commitment or even more for others, for himself. And like the darkness he had allowed to over-shadow the love inside him, he flung open the curtains and arose with the new dawning of sunshine. And knew Him, because he was me.

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In these all-too-familiar words of the biblical account of Christ's birth, there is a sad and timely story.

"In those days a decree went out from Caesar Augustus that all the world should be enrolled. This census took place under Quirinius (Mary and Joseph) were there, the time came... And she gave birth... and laid him in a manger, because there was no place for them in the inn.

"No place for them..." What a terrible thing to say about human beings—especially when one of those human beings is a very pregnant woman. And what a place it was they had to accept as "their place" for the first birthing room—a cattle shed and outhouse of a village inn. And how timely it is for us to consider how one estimate has it—approximately 30,000 people in New York are homeless every night. Thank God for the Interfaith Shelter on Clinton Ave. in Albany, people are helping some of the homeless.

A little commentary on the "no place" of a room that Mary and Joseph were given for obstetrics—and our difficulty in taking full account of the meaning of that for this country—might be the cry of the baby. Perhaps, just perhaps, Jesus' first sound was different. I can't imagine God entering this world crying. And maybe, just maybe, Jesus' scream was for the homeless everywhere! Maybe, too, it was a comment God didn't want to make, now that he had our own voice to make it with. Or, perhaps, and more heartening, it was simply the cry of a baby upon entering the world and especially so if you are a homeless human being.

A homeless human being. That is exactly what Jesus was. Moreover, like many and of the homeless, they are not really listened to very much. Or, as in Jesus case, they are not listened to very long. Over all the noise in the inn and at a stable-smelling, yawning, crying way, it's unlikely Jesus' scream was heard by anyone outside his immediate family.

It seems even after he grew up, none of his words were heard very well until after his last word, his dying word, when strangely echoed the scream-like quality of his first word. Mark's Gospel has it: "And Jesus uttered a loud cry..."and breathed his last." Those words were heard very well until they were last heard. Mark's Gospel has it: "And Jesus uttered a loud cry..."and breathed his last.

The deprived circumstances of Jesus' birth over against who he really was and it make up the backdrop of his crucifixion. For isn't it hard to think of God Almighty as this unobtrusive in His actions? Yet, he couldn't have been born in more out-of-the-way place. It is strange to think of God Almighty in such a helpless situation—parentless, no connections whatsoever to secure a decent place for the long night. The All-Powerful One could not become in a weaker, more helpless setting than the One He chose.

This helpless-desolate theme has triumphed in the Christian faith. St. Paul, who wrote before any other New Testament writer and never mentioned the birth of Jesus, wrote that these profound contradictions were wedded to the mystery of God Almighty. He tells of God's answer to his prayer about a personal weakness as coming in these words, "My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness." And then, he goes on to write, "... for when I am weak, then I am strong." Again, these slashing contradictions are not easy to understand. But at least this much is clear: if you have felt how weak you are in this world, or how low and despised you are in this world, and how homeless you are in this world, or would be except for the grace of God, then this "no place" person is in your place. It is a God that reached way down in the pile to be sure every last one of us who has ever been near a bottom or on it wasn't there alone, whether we know it or not—or so that homeless birth seems to be telling us. It fits with Jesus' name—Emmanuel, which means "God with us." And so He is.

Who knows? During this Christmas season we may all sense how homeless we would be except for this incredible birth. And who knows? Perhaps, we may find ourselves reaching out to the countless homeless ones in this country for Christ's sake.

Allison Bennett's book, Times Remembered, has a Special Look at The Splendid Christmas.
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She breathe's life into St. Nick

By Caroline Terenzi

Few figures of myth are more beloved than kindly old St. Nicholas, aged yet ageless, with bright eyes promising a wonderful world of love and joy. While St. Nicholas appears in many forms and sizes, among the most charming St. Nicks around are the diminutive figures created by the skillful hands of Elizabeth Ellsworth of Delmar using the needle art called soft sculpture.

For Santas, Mrs. Ellsworth creates a figure that almost might breathe, with exotically hirsute plumpness enhanced with Fiberfill and dressed in velvet. Her St. NIcholas, perhaps eight inches tall, sport silky beards made from the fleece of a New Zealand Romney sheep and wear long robes trimmed in mink. Each Santa's pack is overflowing with tiny toys and treasures, also made by Mrs. Ellsworth. St. Nicholas, perfect in every detail, stands serenely under a glass dome, eternally ready to bring joy.

Mrs. Ellsworth made six Santas this year as gifts for family members. They are companions to dozens of other soft-sculpture figures she has created over the past five years, including an earlier St. Nicholas that was featured in the December, 1981, issue of the magazine Better Homes and Gardens. Her creations include peddler figures modeled after dolls that were popular in 19th century England, where women and girls hired themselves creating the tiny objects the peddlers were selling. For example, Mrs. Ellsworth stitched a Valentine peddler doll whose tray is filled with miniature paper and embroidered hearts. "You don't just stop with the doll!" she declared.

In fact, a doll usually "starts from something else I'm interested in and want to display," she said, such as a collection of tiny sea-shells for which she created a mermaid peddler. "I'm really primarily a designer," Mrs. Ellsworth noted. "Rather than make six of one doll, I prefer to make six different dolls. I'm really excited when I'm creating a new doll."

After graduating from the University of Kansas with a degree in interior design, marriage and motherhood followed. It was only after two more sons that she was able to indulge her interest in miniatures and needlework. Now, in addition to designing and creating soft sculptures and miniatures, and teaching classes, many sponsored by the Embroiderer's Guild and also a free-lance writer and photographer for a national magazine for miniaturists. Her teaching has taken her to distant cities, such as Denver, where she recently led a workshop for the Council of American Embroiderers.

The need to purchase supplies for a soft-sculpture workshop means Mrs. Ellsworth watches for sales at a local department store and then buys perhaps as many as six pairs of hoity-toity "The sales clerks have never asked why," she said with a chuckle, "but you can see the puzzled look on their faces!" Other parts of the dolls are harder to find, such as the New Zealand fleece that provides the silky, curly Santa's beard. And still others are serendipitous. "I have a supply of winderful things people have discarded — old face, old fur," she said. "Treasurers that can inspire a doll." For instance, the mink trim for the six St. Nick's robes came from an old mink collar. "I made six because that was the size of the collar," she explained.

She credits her parents with fostering her interest in art and design. "They exposed me to so many different things and then encouraged me in the ones I liked — that's a real art!"

A resident of Delmar for 11 years, Mrs. Ellsworth was one of the founders seven years ago of the Q.U.I.L.T. (Quilters United in Learning Together), which now has nearly 200 members. She also is active in LaMinusca, a local group for miniaturists, as well as in the Embroiderer's Guild.

For cheese lovers

The Bethlehem Channel will present a program entitled "Cheese Lovers' Holiday" on Dec. 21 at 6:30 p.m. During the hour Steve Lobel, owner of The Cheese Connection at Stuyvesant Plaza, will demonstrate the methods of preparing various types of cheeses. He will also discuss gift possibilities for various imported foods available at his store.

Grants for the arts

Two area non-profit organizations were among the 37 local cultural programs to receive grants from the state Council on the Arts Decentralization Plan for the Capital District. The Delmar Community Orchestra received $500 and the Middleberg Work shop received $1,000 out of a total of $39,000 awarded.

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Food Pantry, Selkirk and South Bethlehem area, Bethlehem Reformed Church, 456 Delaware Ave., 787-2423, 456-8289 or 787-9977.

Jewish Services, 1 p.m., Sunday, 301 Main St., Voorheesville.

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BID CANDY!” Hands-on House "Colors Count," sponsored by Capital Hill Improvement Corp., Albany Public Library, 701 Washington Ave., 1519 p.m.

High School Musical Theatre, band, choir and orchestra, 11 and 1 p.m., 41 High School, South Albany, 11 and 1 p.m.

Public Relations, Temple Beth El, 100 Green St., Albany, 9:30 a.m.; Empire State Plaza, Albany, 10 a.m.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 20

HOLIDAY MUSIC, Columns High School Choir, 1:30 p.m., Columns High School, Capital Avenue, boys and girls chorus, 1:30 p.m., concourse, south gallery, Empire State Plaza, Albany.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 21

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 22

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 23

Bible study, couples, 11 a.m., Delmar United Methodist Church, Delmar.

Friends and family, traditional service at 12 noon, Delmar United Methodist Church, Delmar, 12 noon.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 26

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The pitch man cometh

By Nat Boynton

The Jim Coyne Traveling Show is back on the road this week looking for new marks, and when it plays Bethlehem it will be interesting to see how it draws, numerically and politically.

Coyne, a very likable fellow with a strong dedication to the sports scene, comes to the Bethlehem Town Hall on Thursday night to beat drums for his favorite project, the proposed Albany County Civic Center, in the last of a series of public information hearings around Albany County.

Local constituents will see this as affable and popular politics—antiquated facility that is directly responsible for bringing minor league baseball to Albany, or shall we say the Capital District. That's a big plus, as Glenn Falls discovered when the same thing several years earlier.

Glenn Falls also discovered how nice it is to have a Civic Center with a professional hockey team. Now Jim Coyne wants one, too, only twice as big and three times as expensive. He is counting heavily on there being more sports fans in the electorate than disgruntled taxpayers, or at least, on sports fans being more vocal than traditionally apathetic taxpayers.

As a market forsburgh sports teams, Albany's track record is spotty at best. Heritage Park, delightful as it is, suffers by comparison to the late Hawkins Stadium as a baseball arena, and when Albany's alleged fans of yore turned their backs on strong Triple A and Double A baseball, including a Red Sox farm team, Albany lost the national pastime.

Professional soccer failed in Bleecker Stadium despite a quality production in a popular sport, and there is no wonder whether the Patroons in pro basketball and the now-Yankees at Heritage Park are still on a honeymoon rather than a lasting marriage.

If baseball draws an average of 3,000, which is high for a minor league franchise at this level, and basketball draws 2,000, the antiquated Armory, stratocentric for the Red Wings, is a money-losing proposition. A lot of the seats proposed of the 150 in the Civic Center will be empty a lot of the time, but Glenn Falls is a pro hockey team and the novelty wears off.

In addition to professional sports franchises these days can be attributed to a combination of factors: the increase in the league framework in the minors is shaky; certainly fragile, the financial failure of the Patroons and transplants in minor league baseball and hockey. In recent years, with the exception of a few years, we have seen such heavily populated urban areas as New York and New Jersey get their teams, and several others are on the brink. There have been similar cases where minor league franchises have been successful in the past, but there will be 10 years—or maybe more—of waiting before we see another.

If that pattern prevails in Albany, what will become of the Glenn Falls franchise? What will the Red Wings do? You can turn on a sporting life over to the Baby Ruth people, or leave the outfield for cityscapes, but a big indoor arena costs real dollars to maintain, not to mention a tax base that is.

Presumably Jim Coyne's arena in downtown Albany will not have any of these fry problems. It will have pro hockey and pro basketball, and fans who are loyal, maybe. History of attendance, baseball parks and capacity of sports facilities are not even considered. If you are a Colonie or Troy season ticket holder, think of the stigma of minor league franchises; and the fickleness of minor league fans. As you move up, don't look at even the big leagues, where Baltimore and Oakland are pro football and Philadelphia and St. Louis might.

Several questions might be asked at this point. What about the Civic Center, or, if they are making a deal, they will be pressed to find out how much of the taxpayer money are you-kidding? (I'm not sure)

• If the Civic Center is a good deal, as Coyne claims, why hasn't private enterprise always been looking for profit and capital gain, jumped in to build the center? (The answer, they will never be a profit, and it's going to have the taxpayers paying the money.)

• Who will "benefit" from the center? The two counties, a few percent of the population who will go to games, movies, circuses, and it will bring in a lot of money into the area.

• Who will get the money? (as a lower tax, that's two or three percent of the people who will go to games, movies, circuses, and it will bring in a lot of money into the area)

• Who will build the Civic Center? (The Colonie Chamber)

• Will the Bethlehelm Chamber endorse the project at Thursday's board meeting, as they have to, in the interest of the taxpayer? (Answer, probably, although, they shouldn't add to a tax burden)

• Will the Chamber of Commerce assist them, and there is no guarantee they are going to be the financial force to cash in on tax dollars, they can't do it alone.

• Is there any chance of having a referendum on this issue in the county?

• At one time the Colonie Chamber was actively competing for the Civic Center in Colonie. Is there any chance Rensselaer County taxpayers can be persuaded to support the Albany area? (Answer: are you kidding?)
Chamber elects officers

Thomas Thorsen was elected president of the Bethlehem Chamber of Commerce at the chamber's Board of Directors meeting last week. Thorsen is president of Delmar Printers.

Dan Formica, owner of Mc-Donald's Restaurant on Delaware Ave, was elected vice president. Lee Faulkner, owner of the New Delmar Health Club, was elected secretary, and George Gibson, vice president of Home and City Savings Bank, was elected treasurer.

The new officers will take office December 1.

Newly elected members of the Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors are Jim Conheady of General Electric, Deborah Morris of the Village Frame Factory, Ken King of the Lanes, and Arne. Yate, of Key Bank.

Chamber meets

The Bethlehem Chamber of Commerce has scheduled its general membership luncheon for noon on Thursday, Dec. 20, at the Normanside Country Club. During the meeting, Albany County Executive James Coyne will speak about the Albany Civic Center. The Bethlehem Area Business Association members will meet in the afternoon. All members are urged to attend and bring a gift of approximately $10 in value for exchange.

For reservations call 439-0512.

Health plan deadline

The deadline for state and local government employees to select from available health plans has been set for the end of December. Employees of New York State and local municipalities and school boards will not have another opportunity to change their health plans until next fall. Government employers cannot obtain information about their health care options from their own personnel offices.

Among the options available are three health maintenance programs: the Capital District Community Health Plan, the new Physicians Health Plan and the Mohawk Valley Plan.

C of C health choice

The Bethlehem Chamber of Commerce is offering its members an opportunity to join the Community Health Plan (CHP). Any nonprofit chamber member or member from employer groups of three or fewer are eligible for CHP membership through the chamber.

CHP, based in Latham, has seven health centers and is opening a new one in Delmar in January. CHP's federally qualified health centers provide comprehensive care and emphasizes preventive services. For more information contact the chamber office weekday mornings at 439-0512 or CHP at 783-1864.

Six trees stolen

Six Scotch pine Christmas trees, valued at $25 each were reported stolen last Monday from a Delmar Ave. market, according to Bethlehem police reports. The store owner also reported a $200 chainaw was missing, police said.

Holiday closings are set

With Christmas and New Years falling on Tuesdays, area municipali­ties, banks and other institutions are making different deci­sions about Monday hours.

Bethlehem Town Hall, Voorhe­sville Village Hall and New Scotland Town Hall will be closed Dec. 24 and Dec. 25 for the Christmas holiday. Bethlehem Public Library will close at 5 p.m. on Dec. 22 and will remain closed through Dec. 25.

Bethlehem Town Hall will remain open Dec 31, while Voor­hessville Village Hall will be closed on New Year's Eve.

Area post offices will remain open Dec. 24 and Dec. 31.

Area banks will be open for regular or limited banking hours on Dec. 24 and Dec. 31.

Bethlehem's senior citizens van will operate on Dec. 24 but will not operate on Christmas Day.

The Town of Bethlehem's land­fill on Rupert Rd. will be open on Dec. 24. Tuesday garbage pickups will be scheduled for Dec. 26 because of the holiday.

The Town of Bethlehem's 1985 organizational meeting will be held at 4:30 p.m. on Wednesday, Jan. 2, at Bethlehem Town Hall. The Town of New Scotland's 1985 organizational meeting will be held at 1 p.m. on Tuesday, Jan. 1, at the New Scotland Town Hall, Rt. 85, New Scotland.

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Win in OT is first for BC

Andy Kasius (34), Bethlehem Central's leading scorer, goes up for two points against Shaker in a Suburban Council basketball matchup in Delmar. Piled for the rebound is Paul Stracke (54) amid Bison defenders. R.H. Davis

In the scorebook Mike Miller had only one basket to seven for Tim Belden, but those two points came with four seconds left in overtime and gave Bethlehem Central's struggling team its first victory after four losses.

Miller's jumper from the sideline with Shaker up by 62-61 stranded the Indians with a 6-2 deficit that sent the home audience into a frenzy Friday night. It was a see-saw game, tied at 60-60, and Shaker and Delmar deadlocked again at the end of regulation time after BC had interestingly scored the tying 6-0 lead. The Eagles missed the front end of a 1-1 free throw attempt and BC couldn't come up with the rebound.

Most of the dramatics came in the final few seconds of the three-minute tiebreaker. After Andy Kasius had missed a 10-foot jumper that would have given BC the lead, Shaker got the rebound and played with extreme caution.

With a minute remaining Shaker connected for a 61-59 margin, but Kasius meshed two free throws to tie it up again.

The action quickened as Shaker drove downtown and missed a shot with 14 seconds left. Bethlehem got possession on a loose ball that went out of bounds, and Coach Gary Przybysz called time to set up a play. The strategy went awry when the inbound pass went to a Shaker player. The Bison made the first free throw but missed the second, and BC, now trailing by a point, pulled a fast break as the clock wound down. There were four seconds left when Miller let fly from the baseline.

"Our kids are coming along," said Przybysz in the glow of that first win. "Shaker is a good team."

But it was a different story last Tuesday at Scotia. Bethlehem led virtually the entire game and was ahead by eight points midway in the final quarter. As Przybysz tells it: "We took a couple of bad shots and let them back in the game. We scored only eight points in the fourth quarter, and when they at what, we had to foul, and they made their foul shots."

By Dan Tidd

The Albany Academy Cadets came into Ravena Friday night, with a 7-1 record and 8-0 in Council play. They left the gym with a 7-0 record but not before the 'Vcas Indians put a scare into them.

The Cadets escaped with a 50-30 win and maintained their hold on first place in the Council race. Ravena had its chances to pull off the upset by one point, but both Indian missed layups and offensive turnovers ended the dream.

"It was very pleased with our kids," said Indian Coach Jim Garham. "We had four or five shots that could have put us on top, but it just wasn't meant to be, I guess."

After a 64-46 drubbing at the hands of the Comets three nights earlier, Ravena came into the game with a list of problems both offensively and defensively. "We played a super game against Watervliet, then we just plain fell apart against Watervliet and Schalmont," said Garham.

The first quarter on Friday night was a dead heat as both teams played passively with Academy on top, 12-10. Behind the play of 6-4 senior Dimitri Yavis and Tony Gaddy, the Cadets dominated the second quarter and built up a 12-point bulge with 5:21 left in the half. But two jumpers by the Indians' John Waddingham cut the lead to 25-17 at intermission.

A tough full-court press exasperated the Indians to cut the deficit to 40-32 after three quarters. Two Cadet turnovers cut the spread to 4:47-34 with a minute and a half to play. After an Academy miss, Ravena got two free throws from Steve Bernacki to make it 47-45 with just under a minute to play. Once again good Ravena defense forced the Cadets to miss and the Indians had a chance to tie. Indian guard Kevin Hoffman caught the Cadet defense flat-footed and scooted down the left lane and dished off to a cutting Don Baker, who fouled out of the game on the play.

Two free throws and it was tied at 47-47.

Academy's Tony Owens hit what proved to be the winning bucket with 40 seconds left as he drifted it from 18 feet. The Indians couldn't come up with the rebound, and played with extreme caution.

The final score was 39-34 for Scotia, which made 13 of 24 shots from the penalty stripe to Bethlehem's 4-for-6. Kasius had six baskets and was the only Eagle in double figures on a night BC shot 15 for 52 from the field, a lowly 29 percent. It was a good defense that kept them in the game.

Przybysz, still searching for a cohesive starting unit, gave Paul Stracke his first start on Shaker's game, and the 6-foo-1 junior came through with nine points and 10 rebounds. Belden had a lot to do with, breaking Shaker's pressure by scoring two points, but Kasius was again the key to the offense; scoring 15, and Fox came off the bench to put in 14 points in the second and third periods.

This week the Eagles were at Niskayuna last night (Tuesday) and will be at home Friday with Burnt Hills. After Thanksgiving, the Heldeberg Holiday Tournament, at Albany, State, with Voorheesville, the first night and Guider, Canastota or Cattskill the second night.

Badminton starts

The Bethlehem Falls and Recreation Department will offer a badminton program for adults from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m., beginning Jan. 8 and ending April 9, at the Bethlehem Central Middle School girls' gym. This program is open to residents of the Town of Bethlehem and Central School District residents over 18 years of age. Registration, which is required, can be made at the Elm Ave. Park Office, in person or by telephone, 439-4131, between 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. weekdays. There is a fee of $16 per player.

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Eagle coach is cautious

By Bart Gottesman

BC wrestling coach Rick Poplaski believes that his young team's undefeated status after the first four meets of the season, but he also has been aware of the Indian Division's success.

"I know they've had some good matches," Poplaski said. "But during the matches we've been doing the same thing, just doing what we're supposed to do, making it a little bit tougher to win.

"They've been good, but we've been good too."

By the Bethlehem fans read this, Poplaski and his Indians will have had a much better indication of where they stand in the Suburban Council. They were scheduled for a dual meet Tuesday at Saratoga, also undefeated, termed by Poplaski as "one of the toughest matches in the Indian Division (Large school) team.

From there the Eagles go to the Richwood Union for the prestigious Oxford Turnamen-

ment, which annually attracts a dozen or more of the best wrestling teams in the state. In that fast company Poplaski can't hope for many trophies, but he can count on his pupils gaining a lot of experience, and with such a young team that is a key ingredient.

The Eagles had only one dual meet last week, a 24-4 win over Columbia that produced the unusual result of 10 pins against the varsity weight-class bouts. Bethlehem got six of the 10. One of them came from Stewarts' victory over one of Poplaski's half dozen freshmen starters who earned his first varsity win in the 138-pound matchup.

Guymon's pin heartened Poplas-
ski and will be one of those good young people coming up who will help us a lot as our young team will have good and bad days this year, as most freshmen will, but it makes a good adjust-
ment to the varsity, and that takes a while. He will be a good one.

The other BC pins were registered by Dan Coni (112), Jim Dayer (132), Tim Dobert (145), Brett Zick (177) and Mark Hoffman (heavyweight). Chris Saba scored a 4-0 win at 98 pounds, and Alex Timson got a decision at 119.

Leach offers no excuses

By Peter J. Fisch

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By Tamie Statuk

A season of hard work, commitment and post-season downturns ended Saturday for Bethlehem's volleyball team. After defeating Columbia in pool play games Friday at the Sectional tournament, EC lost to the Blue Devils in the final round, 11-5, 15-6, 15-10.

Friday's games were relatively easy. The Eagles defeated Altar, 15-4, 15-7, Columbia, 15-11, 15-9, and Troy High, 15-7, 15-5, in pool play.

Saturday's first match against Groton Land was one of the most nerve-wracking of the tournament. Bethlehem won the first game 15-11, and lost the second, 15-7. The third and deciding game was, according to the girls, "wicked tough," but audience support helped boost BC to a 15-16 win.

While Bethlehem was toughing it out against Groton, Columbia was busy defeating Lin- taa, 15-7, 10-15, 12-18.

The final game, Bethlehem played less aggressively, and could not bring their momentum up. Bethlehem was defeated by a 2-0 match score, 15-10.

Coach Nancy Smith said she was pleased to finish the Suburban Council dual meet season undefeated at 16-0, including seven wins over Columbia. They also defeated the Blue Devils in Sectional pool play, but lost to the Eagles in the finals of both the Council tournament, and in the Section 2 championship.
Gymnasts strong and ready

By Nina Barringer

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Robert J. Fraim

Robert J. Fraim, 47, of Delmar died Dec. 11 following a hunting accident in the Town of Wyoming. He was the owner of the former Fraim House of Carpets and Tri-City Carpets, Albany. He was a commissary at St. Thomas the Apostle Church, Delmar, a member of Bethlehem Elks Lodge No. 125, and the Sports Haven Bowling League and a former member of the Normandy Country Club.

He was survived by his wife, Dolores (Agosta) Fraim of Delmar, and three sisters, Rita Mangiellini, Carol Sawitzki and Mary Ann Marcotte of Amsterdam.

Arrangements were by Rossi Funeral Home, Amsterdam. Burial was at St. Mary's Cemetery, Fort Johnson.

Lawrence M. Monette

Lawrence M. Monette, 76, of Ellmsore died Dec. 12 in Albany Medical Center Hospital after a long illness.

Born in Rutland, Vt., he was the son of a native Annie. He attended state Equalization and Assessment in Albany until he retired in 1978.

He was a communicant at St. Thomas the Apostle Church in Delmar and a member of the Nathaniel Adams Blanchard Post 109, American Legion.

He served as a field artillery captain in the Pacific theater during World War II. He was survived by his wife, Lois Monette, and two sisters, Cecile Derby of Bennington, Vt., and Marie A. Monette of Englewood, N.J.

Arrangements were by Applebee Funeral Home, Delmar. Burial was at Albany Rural Cemetery, Menands.

Charles Otten

Charles Otten, 61, of Selkirk, a retired truck driver for the Pacific Molasses Company, died Dec. 12 in Freehold after a long illness.

He was survived by his mother, Cora Osterhout Crawford; three sons, Raymond Otten, Charles Otten and Donald Otten; three daughters, Mrs. John (Sharon) DiDiole, Patty Ann Otten and Mrs. Harry (Marion) Dudley, and a sister, Mrs. Delbert (Ella) Powers. He was also survived by 16 grandchildren.

Arrangements were by A. J. Monette Funeral Home in Greenwich.

William Laremore

William H. Laremore of Guil- derland died Dec. 9 at Albany Medical Center Hospital after a brief illness.

He was born in Ottawa, Canada, and had lived in the capital district most of his life.

He was a toll division assistant supervisor for the State Thruway Authority in Albany for 26 years before retiring in 1981. He was previously employed as the lead supervisor for the New York Central Railroad signal construction department for 16 years.

He was a charter member of Boy Scout Troop 75 in Delmar, founded in 1939. He also served as a deacon and trustee of Hamilton Union Presbyterian Church in Guiderland and as a tax aide to senior citizens in the Guiderland area.

He was a member of the American Association of Retired Persons, Chapter 290 in Guiderland.

He is survived by his wife, Shirley Otten; two daughters, Douglas Alan Laremore of Guiderland; three daughters, Barbara Laremore of Phoenix, N.Y. and Deborah Laremore of Guiderland, and four grandchildren.

Arrangements were by F. S. Frederick Funeral Home. Burial was in Bethlehem Cemetery.

Joseph Kryzowki

Joseph Kryzowki, 60, of Selkirk, a supervisor for Conrail in Selkirk, died Dec. 12 at Van Alst's Administration Hospital, Albany, after a long illness.

He was a veteran of World War II and a life member of St. Thomas the Apostle Church in Delmar.

He is survived by two brothers, Walter Kryzowki of West Coxsackie and Victor Kryzowki of South Bethlehem, and three sisters, Mrs. Arnold (Estelle) Northrup of Selkirk, Mrs. Orlan- do (Margaret) Liberatore of Delmar and William (Elaine) Delaney of Albany.

Arrangements were by Applebee Funeral Home, Delmar. Burial was at Our Lady of Angels Cemetery, Colonie.

Jeffrey Edwin Gilliam

Jeffrey Edwin Gilliam, 2, died from a neurological disease on Dec. 4 at his parents home on Kiah Island, S.C.

He is survived by his parents, Cynthia Webster Gilliam, a graduate of Bethlehem Central High School, and William J. Gilliam of New Iberia, S.C.; maternal grandparents, Eugene E. and Mary Jo Webster of Delmar, and great-grandparents, Joseph and Tina Gilliam of West Plam Beach, Fla.

Services were held at the Cathedral of St. John the Baptist, Charleston, S.C. In lieu of flowers, a donation may be sent to the Ronald McDonald House, Charleston, S.C.

Allison Benoit's book Times Remembered was recently made available at The Spotlight.
Mr. and Mrs. Lee Faulkner
30 years wed

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Faulkner of Slingerlands, owners of the Nautilus Total Fitness Center, Inc., Delmar, celebrated their 30th wedding anniversary on Dec. 18. The Faulkners were the first couple to be married in the First Presbyterian Church, Madison, N.J.

When Mr. and Mrs. Faulkner graduated from Colgate University, the couple lived in England while Mr. Faulkner served in the Air Force. He was employed as a general contractor and a real estate salesman before opening the Nautilus Total Fitness Center in Delmar.

Mr. and Mrs. Mark A. Pearson

Mr. and Mrs. Mark A. Pearson, of Albany, are parents of the following children:

Maura Seery married

Maura Eileen Seery, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Vincent Seery of Setkirk, and Mark Alan Pearson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Pearson of Tannersville, Calif., were married Sept. 22 at St. Patrick's Church in Ravena.

Sheila Seery was maid of honor for her sister. Wayne Pearson, the groom's father, served as best man, and the bride's brothers, Mark Seery and Terence Seery, served as ushers.

The bride, a graduate of RCS High School, attended North Country Community College in Saranac Lake. She is currently employed as a secretary in El Segundo, Calif. The bridegroom, a graduate of California State University at Dominguez Hills, is employed in the public relations department of R.J. Bradbury, Los Angeles, Calif.

After a wedding trip to Maine, the couple will reside in Hawthorne, Calif.

Moak - LaBelle

Mr. and Mrs. William J. Moak of Slingerlands have announced the engagement of their daughter, Sharon Lee, to Kenneth LaBelle, son of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur LaBelle of Setkirk.

Sharon Lee is a graduate of Bethlehem Central High School and the Westchester School for Paganoprofessionals. She is employed by Albany Medical Center. Her fiance is also a graduate of Bethlehem Central High School and is employed by Albany Medical Center. A Feb. 2 wedding is planned.

Service on radio

St. Peter's Episcopal Church, 07 State St., Albany, will present a Christmas Eve festival service at 11 p.m. on Dec. 24. The service will be preceded by a musical prelude with choir and instrumentalists at 9:30 p.m.

Free parking will be available at the Mall and the Chase Manhattan Bank. The service will be broadcast over WWCN radio.

Mr. and Mrs. Russell H. Putz

50 years celebrated

Alvina and Russell H. Putz of Elsmere will celebrate their 50th year together on Dec. 22. They have lived in the area since their wedding at Trinity Methodist Church, Albany, in 1934.

Mr. Putz, an electrical engineer, served as superintendent of maintenance at Cargill Grain Co., Port of Albany. He is a member of the Bethlehem Masonic Lodge, the Albany Area Senior Citizens Orchestra, the Delmar Community Orchestra and the Cyprus Temple Shrine Band.

The couple has two children, David Putz and Barbara McGinnis and four grandchildren.

Merry Christmas

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