Winter playland
Bethlehem's Elm Avenue Park was a winter playland last weekend as warmer temperatures brought out ice skaters, cross-country skiers and masters of the sled. At left, one skater demonstrates the proper grace, balance and glide. Below, these warm little booties all neat in a row will carry little children home to hot cocoa.

Jeff Gonzales photos

Board vetoes 5, 11, modifies No. 10
And if that's not clear...

By Theresa Bobear
Norman's Gate, the Van Eucild company's proposed development of 36 lots located off Euclid Avenue and adjacent to the Norman'side Country Club in Elsmere, received preliminary approval from the Bethlehem Planning Board last week.

While discussion centered around buffer zones for adjacent property owners, the exact nature of the conditions attached to the approval may not be available for another week — and the specifics of the board's discussion on the conditions may never be known.

The board acted on a set of conditions prepared by Chairman John Williamson and distributed only to board members and advisors at the beginning of the meeting, then hurriedly read. Williamson said later the conditions as amended by the board would be released with the minutes of the meeting, but that the original conditions were considered an "interoffice communication" and would not be released. The procedure effectively screened a majority of the audience from following portions of last Tuesday night's proceedings.

The planners rejected the Nor- (Turn to Page 14)

Connolly quits party post, runs for justice

Kenneth Connolly of Voorheesville has resigned as Town of New Scotland Republican chairman to run for village justice in November. Connolly, who had been at the party's helm a year and a half, handed in his resignation at a GOP committee meeting Monday night.

A successor could be named this coming Monday, he said. Anne Carson, who was defeated in her bid for reelection to the town board last November, is vice chairman.

Village Justice Hector Arboureportedly has decided not to run again after eight years in the part-time post, which carries a salary of $4,000.

Connolly served as New Scot- land town justice from 1979 to 1983. He was upset in his bid for reelection in 1983 by Cynthia LaFave, a Democrat.

As party chairman, Connolly guided the New Scotland Republicans, who hold a slim registration edge in the town, through a crucial election last November. The GOP held its 3-2 majority on the town board and won reelection for all its other town candidates.

He has been with the Albany law firm of Hiscock and Barclay (Turn to Page 8)

Chamber names director

Marty Cornelius of Delmar is the new executive director of the Bethlehem Chamber of Commerce. Chamber President Thomas Thorsen said Tuesday Cornelius will begin the new job Feb. 1.

The executive director's post is a new one for the chamber, although DeForest Whipple had that title when he had administrative responsibilities for the business organization several years ago, Thorsen said.

Thorsen said he expected the new executive director would be improving services for members in the areas of publicity and networking in particular, while also building membership. More contacts with business organizations outside Bethlehem also are expected, he said.

Cornelius said a goal in her new
Last Fish case lawsuit settled

The board approved a $7,000 settlement with former Police Chief Peter Fish. The town paid $75,000 to former Police Chief Fish, who was severely injured by a former Police Officer Oliva Spinoza, one of the defendants in the civil suit brought by Selkirk tow truck operator Oliva Bleau. The town paid the settlement in 1981, had its last loose end tied up by the Town Board last week.

Environmental forum

An environmental forum, entitled "There's a hazardous materials industry in my neighborhood," will be held at the Jan. 23 meeting of the Albany County League of Women Voters. The speakers will be Mike Joyce of General Electric and a representative of the state Department of Environmental Conservation. The program will be held at 9:15 a.m. at the Bethlehem Public Library.

For information call Kathy Bartzold at 439-4733.

It's finally over. The Oliva Bleau-Peter Fish case, that began in 1974 with allegations of police favoritism and misconduct, shook the Town of Bethlehem to its political foundations, went through several trials and ended in an out-of-court settlement in 1981, had its last loose end tied up by the Town Board last week.

The board approved a $7,000 settlement with former Police Chief Peter Fish, who was severely injured by a former Police Officer Oliva Spinoza, one of the defendants in the civil suit brought by Selkirk tow truck operator Oliva Bleau, to pay his attorneys fees. Town Attorney Bernard Kaplowitz said Bethle­hem's insurance company, The Hartford, would split the bill with the town.

Spinoza was one of five individ­ual defendants (including former Police Chief Fish) with the town in the 1981 trial that ended in a $75,000 out-of-court settlement to Bleau. The town paid $35,000 and The Hartford $40,000. All of the individual defendants except Spinoza agreed to cover their own legal fees, and when Spinoza balked he was severed as a defendant. His attorney, Condon A. Lyons, said he planned to take legal action against the town to recover his costs, and he later sued.

The board approved the settle­ment without comment, as it did with a continuation of the town's 1,000 subsidy for the Bethlehem Chamber of Commerce. But while the Spinoza settlement came on a unanimous vote, the chamber vote was an unusual 3-2 split, with Councilmen W. Scott Protho­ro and John Geurts dissenting.

Last month, chamber officials had presented a report to the board on the organization's activi­ties that, they said, benefit the town. The report was sent by the chamber after the meeting, "just didn't jus­tify the $3,000 expenditure in tax money."

"I think the chamber can stand on its own," said Geurts.

Supervisor Robert Prothero, who voted with them majority, said he felt "they've done a lot forts." He cited the chamber's working with neighborhood groups to resolve zoning issues as particu­larly helpful.

In other business Wednesday, the board:

• Approved to provide town water to a New Salem resident whose well went dry while the Town of New Scotland continues its efforts to form a water district for the area, which is near the Bethlehem water filtration plant. Public Works Commissioner Bruce Secor said the tap would be get on state contract.

• Set Feb. 12 as the public hear­ing date for the proposed Halter Rd. water district in Glenmont, one of the town's long-running problem areas. Secor said plans are prepared and the property owners have signed the required petitions.

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Hog farm plan gets a hearing

By Theresa Bobear

A public hearing to consider Bethlehem Councilman John Geurtze's application for a special exception for a commercial hog farm, opposed by some residents, was held Thursday night. Geurtze said he would use corn or brood sows to produce "little pigs" that would be used to feed garbage to pigs.

Renold Selkirk, who is a member of the RCS Board of Planning, said the proposal was presented to the property owners but no one spoke in opposition. Several neighbors of his former Glenmont farm testified that a hog farm would not be a problem there.

Many residents of the Selkirk area, including members of the Dowskirk Village neighborhood association, objected to the proposed swine operation because of potential problems with odors and air pollution. Residents also postulated that the "smog" attracted by "living next to a pig farm might adversely affect their property values.

A petition with the signatures of some 157 residents opposed to the proposal was presented to the board.

Geurtze outlined his plan to keep some 25 to 30 brood sows to produce "little pigs" that will be used for research at centers in Albany Medical College, the Veteran's Administration Hospital, and the University at Albany. The "pig farm" would go to "work in the farming business," said Geurtze. "That's what I enjoy doing most in the last 30 years.

Geurtze purchased the Selkirk farm four years ago. Last summer, he sold his Glenmont farm on Rt. 9N near the Bethlehem Area Laundromat and some of his Yorkshire pigs. John Geurtze Jr. of Medusa is keeping the remaining of the animals for his father.

According to Geurtze, the closest house would be located about one-half mile from the site of the proposed hog farm. He said that if Geurtze said he would use corn or wheat products to feed the animals.

Along with others, Daniel Dalrymple, former assistant commissioner for the state Department of Environmental Conservation, spoke on Geurtze's behalf. Dalrymple said that with the pig problem cleared up, clean, healthy animals, Dalrymple also reported that Geurtze was one of the first supporters of the 1972 law against feeding garbage to pigs.

The next meeting of the board will be held at 8 p.m. on Jan. 22 at Bethlehem Town Hall.

Car overruns

One driver went to the hospital and another driver was ticketed after an accident Sunday morning on Schoolhouse Rd. in North Bethlehem. According to Bethlehem police reports, Frank T. Goggins, 21, of Feura Bush tried to avoid a vehicle that was backing onto the road and his car went off the pavement and overcorrected. Goggins was taken by the Western Turnpike Ambulance squad to Albany Medical Center Hospital, where he was treated and released, a hospital spokesman said.

The driver of the van that was backing was ticketed for unsafe backing as well as for having improper plates and driving an unlicensed vehicle, police said.

Spirits' lacking

One, two, but three shoppers paid for their Christmas trees with bad checks, according to Bethlehem police reports. Police were contacted after a merchant on Delaware Ave. near the city line ended up with more than $75 in bad checks.

Scouts on the ice

Cub Scout Pack 272 of Slingerlands will enjoy an afternoon of skating, sledding, skiing and fun at Bethlehem's Elm Avenue Park on Saturday, Jan. 25 from 2 until 4 p.m.

For information call Susan Peters at 430-5215.
Redistricting plan again discussed

By Caroline Terenzini

If the Bethlehem Central school board's choice for easing crowding at Glenmont Elementary School is a total redistricting, "we can talk about it until we're blue in the face, but there's no getting away from it— somebody has to go to Clarksville."

That was the summary board member Bernard Harvish put forth when the board wrestled once again last Wednesday with the question of how to accommodate the burgeoning elementary school population in the Glenmont area.

"When push comes to shove," Harvish said, "somebody has to go to Clarksville."

Board member Velma Cousins sparked the discussion when she declared that talk about relocatable classrooms appeared to have given the public the impression that they would be the district's choice.

"It's the easy way out, but the expensive way out," Cousins protested.

The idea of attaching two relocatable rooms to the Glenmont school at a cost of about $70,000 still seemed to be the more attractive choice to the other six members of the board, however. The alternative—moving large numbers of children away from their neighborhood schools—aroused strong community opposition. Board members did, however, have more questions about the costs involved in adding space, answers to which they want to have in hand before the expected June 22 vote.

The Clarksville school, which is 10 Delaware Tampiks about eight miles west of the Four Corners, was left out of a four-school redistricting plan devised last spring by a committee of residents and staff members, because of its distance from the other four elementary schools and from the bulk of the district's population.

The committee's proposal, as predicted, brought out scores of parents who protested the plan to move some 200 children among the four other elementary schools. In a series of public hearings in the full, the parents made it clear that they did not want their children moved. As board member Major O'Brien said: "One big thing I heard was no, let's not spend any money; it was that the community likes neighborhood schools."

Feeling somewhat under the gun by the need to make a decision in time to have such classrooms ready for the fall, board members agreed that a decision had to be made at the Jan. 22 meeting.

District Superintendent Lawrence A. Zimm emphasized that the board should have an alternative plan in the event that voters reject the district budget proposal in May, which would mean that relocatable classrooms could not be purchased. Dispensing with its agenda in 10 minutes, the board also:

- Accepted the resignations for retirement of three long-time employees: Mary Vitullo, cook at the high school, 28 years; Minnie Turner, Clarksville school secretary, 13 years, and Norma Cookie, teacher aide at Hamagrael school, 19 years.
- Scheduled presentation of the draft 1986-87 budget for 7 p.m. Jan. 26, at the Educational Services Center, Adams Pl., in Delmar.
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Weaving program set

Georgiana Taylor will present a program on traditional hand weaving at 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday, Jan. 22, at the Bethlehem Public Library.

In addition to discussing and displaying traditional weaves used in blankets, table linens and coverlets, Taylor will demonstrate the use of a hand loom. All are welcome to attend the free program: Call 439-9314 to register.

Ann Pietrykowski of Delmar and her daughter Katie, 3, enjoy an afternoon of ice skating at Bethlehem's Elm Avenue Park.

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Budget cuts could start with civic center costs

By Patricia Dumas

If County Executive James J. Coyne, Jr. really wants to help the taxpayers, his proposed civic center is the place to economize.

That was the reaction of Republican legislators from the Town of Bethlehem last week after hearing Coyne's 11th annual address to the Albany County Legislature.

In his "State of the County" message, Coyne said that he faced the "critical concern that the county's fiscal stability is threatened by a variety of forces" and that he foresaw a "continued increasing welfare and municipal insurance costs, possible loss of federal fund sharing, and lower sales tax revenue."

But local legislators, Minority Leader W. Gordon Morris, Jr., James C. Ross, and Robert W. Ballato, all thought Coyne's proposed civic center was simply too much. There was even talk of a $1.5 million appropriation for the yet-to-be-built civic center in Coyne's $187.3 million 1986 budget. Morris said the civic center will cost the taxpayers $47 million over its 30-year life span.

"We would do better by the taxpayers if they were not saddled with that appropriation," he said.

Hoffmeister termed the $1.5 million "totally inappropriate" when Coyne at the same time is complaining about the general expected to cost about $5 million this year. The county pays half the cost of the physically handicapped children's program.

"There is no question that these services must be provided and I believe that counties should remain involved," Coyne said, "but real reform is necessary to make the program workable and affordable."

Hoffmeister questioned Coyne's real interest in the services "when he is spending money on a recreation program with the county savings account." Coyne said the costs were increasing primarily because in the past specific programs for the handicapped were not mandated.

The program for physically handicapped children covers court-ordered medical treatment and education. In 1974 when it was started, it cost $500 to $600 expected to cost about $55 million this year. The county pays half the program costs.

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The Town of Bethlehem has filed a second "improper practice" charge against the Bethlehem Police Benevolent Association, and the PBA negotiator thinks it's because the town is afraid it will lose on the 20-year retirement issue if the contract dispute goes to arbitration.

The town and the police union have been locked in a public, and at times bitter, contract stalemate since late 1984. Salary issues were settled early on, but disputes over how misconduct charges should be handled and any discipline meted out appeared to have held up a settlement for much of 1985. But another issue — the union's wish for a 20-year retirement option to replace the current 25 years faced near the end of the year. Then-PBA President John Cox said the union members decided they wanted to push for 20-year retirement after learning from PERB that it would not be able to extend arbitrator Daniel Piazza's contract.

Last month, after the PBA had asked the Public Employment Relations Board to assign a new arbitrator, state Police Commissioner Thomas Kirk ordered the town to file a new proposal by Dec. 1, where it was supposed to be filed.

On Dec. 4, the town's negotiator, attorney Melvin Ostranian, filed a proposed settlement for much of 1985. The contract now pending is a "lightning rod for everything" and the "scale is aware that arbitration proceedings may take three or four more months, but the feeling is, we've gone this long, and we're not going to back down now."

Fueled that position is an awareness that the state now has a good chance of getting 20-year retirement in arbitration. According to one PERB official, more than half of all municipalities in the state now have 20-year retirement. "There is a trend in that direction," he said, and an arbitrator is bound to consider what other, comparable municipalities have in making a decision. Last week Albany agreed to a media's request for a copy of the town's contract.

"The trend is there," said Cox, "but the contract won't be in place for two years."

"It's not going to be over this year," said Cox, "but it will go next year." The contract now being negotiated would expire at the end of this year, he noted.
January 15, 1986

By Theresa

Notice of retirement was accepted by the
Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk Board of Education from seven teachers last week. The board also
accepted with regret the resignation of Charles Emery, business manager, and Angelo
Rosato, superintendent of buildings and grounds.

The total number of teachers retiring under the early retirement incentive program has now
reached 14 out of a possible 21. Superintendent Milton Chodak said the 17 people retiring have
more than 300 years of experience.

The teachers retiring are Ann Martin, William Countawary, Mary Griffin, Donna Donato, Trudi Litto, Louis Rosanilla, Norma Longo, Marie Doty, John Dupier, Howard Hubbert, Richard Neuman, Norma Smith and Shirley Briggs.

The board also referred a squabble over smoking areas — for teachers — to the
school. The board also said the 17 people retiring have
reached 14 more than the
board referred the
matter to the
PVC.

In keeping with state regulations, a discipline policy for the
district was adopted as policy and
made available to the public last
week. After laying on the table for
one meeting, the policy may be
adopted into the bylaws at the
next meeting.

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The Creator's Crusaders children choir of Bethlehem Lutheran Church, shown here at last year's telethon, will sing for the Central End Telethon to be broadcast over Channel 10, from the Marriott Hotel at 8 p.m. on Sunday, Jan. 19.

Orchestra at school

The Empire State Junior Orchestra will perform at the Doane Stuart School in Albany at 8:15 p.m., Sunday, Jan. 19.

With David Dibble as conductor, the orchestra will present the Overture to "A Life for the Tsar" by Glinka, Haydn's Symphony No. 71, D Major and "Victory at Sea" by Richard Rodgers.

Dr. Richard Balsam will be featured as piano soloist as the music of Gershwin's "Rhapsody in Blue."

Tickets may be purchased for $2 and $3 at the door.

Academy nominees

Rober t F. Roberts, II, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Roberts, Ravena, has been nominated for the U.S. Naval Academy by Rep. Samuel S. Stratton.

Peter A. McGinty, son of Mr. and Mrs. Peter J. McGinty, Glenmont, will be competing for the vacancy at the Air Force Academy.

Selections of nominees are made on the basis of school records, college entrance examination scores, extracurricular activities and personal interviews with members of the Academy Advisory Committee.

Correction

The number of acres in the former West Shore Railroad right-of-way in South Bethlehem acquired by the Town of Bethlehem two years ago is 223. The figure was incorrectly reported in last week's Spotlight.

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Scouts visit Senator

The Webelos Pack 8 recently enjoyed an interesting visit to the Senate building in Albany. Conducted by William Greer, the tour provided information for the scouts, who are preparing for a citizenship merit badge. Accompanied by scout leaders Kenny Layman and William Wilkinson, the boys not only toured the facility, but also sat in the Senate and debated two propositions of particular interest to teens that were on the agenda — lowering the age for hunting, and whether to have seat belts in school buses.

Visiting the Senate were: Michael Jordan, Jim Burns, Corey Engel, Lester McLain, Chris Stanton, Paul Kendall, Russell Wickiser, Jonathan Jassen, Kenney Layman, Willi Wilkinson and their guests, Billy Greer, Amy Paz and Tracy Layman. Head supervisor of the group were Sherry Stanton, Wynette Engel and Joyce Layman.

Grange faults

Bethlehem Grange Master Randall Drobroh and members of Grange Circle, recently attended a luncheon and awards program at the New York State Grange Convention in Corning.

Representing the Bethlehem Grange, in Selkirk, they accepted an award and a certificate for making the largest gain in grange membership statewide over the past year. Fifteen new members were welcomed into the organization during 1986. Given a choice as to the award they preferred, the group chose to receive new song books for the group.

Call out for volunteers

The Bethlehem ambulance squad needs help. If the message sounds familiar, that's because it is! For months the ambulance service has been attempting to enlist additional members. In a recent membership drive, several people joined the squad but there is still a critical shortage of help in certain time periods and areas. The South Bethlehem area in particular is short-handed.

The ambulance schedule is a rotation basis, being in Glenmont one week, Selkirk another, and South Bethlehem the third. Volunteers are asked to contribute their time only when the ambulance is in their community and only for the number of hours they themselves wish to give. The ambulance service provides all the necessary training. Only after such training has been completed is a volunteer expected to assist on calls.

If you have a few hours a few days that you'd like to contribute to a worthy cause, the Bethlehem Volunteer Ambulance Service would be happy to hear from you. Further information may be obtained from president Charles Wheeler or any member of the squad.

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Decision nears on library site

By Lyn Stapf

The current first choice site for the proposed new Voorheesville Public Library is land on Mountainview Road owned by St. Matthew's Church, it was announced at the January meeting of the library's executive board.

According to Board President Hugh McDonald, no sites have been totally eliminated but of the four sites presently under consideration the Mountainview Rd. site is the most promising.

The former top choice — the salt pile site located on Voorheesville Ave. — has waned in popularity because of the difficult time the village was having in relocating its salt. McDonald said. In addition, it was recently discussed that years of storing salt on the land may have rendered it unsuitable for building and landscaping. This would have to be determined by testing the site.

The two other sites still being considered are the corner of Route 8A and Crowders Rd. and the corner of School Rd. and Prospect St.

If these locations are a change in scope for the board, which had previously tried to keep the library building within the Main St. — Voorheesville Ave. area to accommodate patrons who walked to the library. A two-week study of this fall, however, indicated only a small number of patrons, 18 percent, walked; 4 percent rode bicycles; and the rest arrived by car.

This is not the first time the library has shown interest in the Mountainview Rd. property. The board met with the church's parish council in June concerning the possibility of obtaining land on church property.

At that time the church council had questions concerning traffic a library would create, the loss of privacy for those families who live on Stoningtonhill Rd. and Danbury Ct.; and the aesthetic effect the library building would have on the church architecture.

McDonald feels that now that Delmar architect Leslie Bender is on retainer, Bender can better address the reservations of the church council.

McDonald said that after the board meets with Bender and library consultant Andrew Geddes, a final determination on a building site could be made and the property owners contacted.

Concerning other library business, librarian Nancy Hutchison announced that the fine-free week held annually between Christmas and New Years was a success with a good number of outstanding books being returned — many of them irreplaceable. Library Director Jane Salvatore felt in the light of this it may be to the library's advantage, as well as the patrons', to hold another such clemency period during the year.

Also the book weeding-out process has been progressing under the direction of part-time librarian Lynn King. Area residents are reminded that these books and others may be purchased at the library and are located on the cart near the front door and desk.

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Snow day-outdoors
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Also participating in the fun-filled occasion will be members of the pack's newly formed Tiger Cub program for boys in grade 2. Anyone having questions concerning the outing or the cub scout program in general should call either Bob Parham at 439-6709 or Nareen Copeland at 765-2390.

Out in the cold
The older brother group to the cubs, Voorheesville's Boy Scout Troop 73, will also be busy during the next few weeks. On Jan. 11, the entire troop and parents ventured to Camp Rotary in Poultney for an afternoon of cross country skiing. That trip included those more seasoned campers in the troop who will brave the cold and snow to participate in one of the troops annual winter freeze-outs.

Winter will also bring some problems to the scouts as they too work towards their annual pancake Supper to be held on Saturday, February 8, at the American Legion Hall. According to Scoutmaster Lanny Parsons all those interested in joining the troop should give Nareen Copeland a call at 439-6709 or Harriett Hildan at 765-4955.

New holiday
Students at both the elementary school and high school will receive a one day holiday this Friday, Jan. 21, in honor of Martin Luther King Day. Classes at both schools will resume on Tuesday, Jan. 21.

Task force rescheduled
In observance of the National holiday, Senator Frank O'Brien of the Scotland Substance Abuse Task Force has moved its regularly scheduled meeting to Friday, Jan. 24, at 7:30 p.m. at the church on Mountainview Rd. Anyone who has worked with any of the church's educational, liturgical or other service ministries is invited to stop by the church during that time.

Kids Club meeting
Working parents of area grade school students are reminded that there will be a special meeting of the Kids Club on Tuesday, Jan. 21, at 7 p.m. at the elementary school to begin enrollment procedures for the 1987-88 school year. The program, which will begin next fall, will provide after school care for pupils in grades 1 through 6 at the Voorheesville Elementary School.

Those having any questions are asked to call John or Nancy Basal at 765-2637. All are welcome to attend this informational meeting.

Seniors get decorating hints
Members of the New Scotland Senior Citizens will learn in the many things that can be done with colored sheets this Wednesday, Jan. 15, at a special presentation following their craft meeting. Diane Cooper from Cooperative Extension will present the program entitled "Decorating with Sheets" at approximately 1:15 p.m. an afternoon workshop at the Old New Salem Schoolhouse. All are welcome to attend.

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WILD workshop
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Project WILD was designed to increase awareness, appreciation and understanding of wildlife, and to foster open, unbiased discussion of environmental issues.

For information call 457-6092.

In Voorheesville The Spotlight is sold at Voorheesville Pharmacy and Stewart's

BIRTHS

Albany Medical Center Hospital
Girl, Kristen Nicole, to Mr. and Mrs. David McCarthy, Delmar, Nov. 25.
Girl, Brooke Margaret, to Patricia McCluskey and Bob Hanvey, Delmar, Nov. 26.
Boy, Jonathan Robert, to Carolyn and Bruce Barker, Delmar, Nov. 29.
Boy, Christopher Broderrick, to Patricia and Thomas Smith, Delmar, Nov. 29.
Boy, Ryan Phillip, to Chris and Ken Barhop, Delmar, Dec. 10.
Boy, Andrew Paul, to Joanne and Peter Shawham, Delmar, Dec. 17.

Algeria expedition
A slide-illustrated lecture on a recent 150-mile expedition through Algeria will be presented at the Jan. 16 meeting of the Albany County Audubon Society. Anita Sanchez, senior educator at Five Rivers Environmental Center, traveled through the uninhhabited Sahara on foot and cameback during her three-week expedition.

Her slides will demonstrate the wildlife of this unique, beautiful habitat. Sanchez will also share her experiences of traveling with the nomadic people of Algeria.
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Medicare Form Aid, sponsored by AARP, first and third Thursdays, Bethlehem Town Hall, Delaware Ave., 2 p.m.

appointments required, 439-2106.

Bethlehem Lodge 1065 F&AM, first and third Tuesdays, Dalmarian Masonic Temple.

Blood Pressure Clinic, Bethlehem Town Hall, 445 Delaware Ave., 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. and 7-7:30 p.m., 439-4955.

Dental Health Congress, orientation meeting and reception of Legislative Forum Hearing Room, Legislative Office Building, 10 a.m. - noon.

Kids Club, enrollment meeting, Voorheesville Elementary School, 7 p.m.

BCHS Organizational Meeting, Bethlehem Central High School, 700 Delaware Ave., 7:30 p.m.

Voorheesville School Budget Meeting, Claryville, N. Lockwood Junior-Senior High School, 7 p.m.


Project WILD Teacher Workshop, open to teachers and youth leaders. Five New Environmental Education Workshops, 3:30-5 p.m., gymnasium, Town Hall, 445 Delaware Ave., 2, 9, 16, 23, 30.

Multiple Sclerosis Support Group, Bethlehem Public Library, 2 p.m., Information, 439-4943.

Delmar Progress Club, "This Job Club—Resumes," 7 p.m. "Charitable Contributions: One Christian Union in Mission," 7:30 p.m., Information, 439-9314.

Weight Reduction Class, ten-week course, sponsored by Community Health Plan, designed to increase understanding of nutritional and eating habits, 585-1137, Delmar Health Center, 248-52 Delaware Ave, $45 and $55 registration, 783-3116, ext. 217.

Wednesday January 22

Slingeriders Fire Co. Auxiliary, fourth Wednesday, Slingeriders Fire Hall, 8 p.m.

New Scotland Elks Lodge, meets second and fourth Wednesdays, New Scotland Elks Post Office, 8 p.m. Pharmacy Benefit Program, sponsored by Bethlehem Community Coalition, 9 p.m. Information, 726-7682, 439-9421.

Delmar Progress Club, meeting with Mary Johnson offering instructions for making leddy bear, 10 a.m. - noon. Religious Education, sponsored by Bethlehem Central Elementary School, 7:30 p.m., Information, 439-9314.

Bethlehem Channel Cablecast, "Readings for the Visually Impaired," 4:30-7 p.m. Information, 439-9314.

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The Delmar Welcome Wagon, luncheon with Judith Long, astrologer, as guest speaker. Delmar Reformed Church, noon-2:30 p.m. Reservations, 430-0154.

Traditional Hand Weaving, with Georgia Taylor, Bethlehem Public Library, 7:30 p.m. Registration, 439-9314.

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Pen Pal Club, for children 8 and up, Bethlehem Public Library, 4 p.m. Registration, 439-9314.

Friday January 24

Recovery, Inc., self-help support group for former mental patients and those with chronic nervous symptoms, First Congregational Church, 439 Kenwood Ave, Dalmarian, Friday, 10:30 p.m.

Bethlehem Channel Cablecast, "Astrology with Judith Longley," 11 a.m.; "Jazz, Link fofh Bethlehem," 7 p.m., "няти's Room," 7:30 p.m., Information, 439-9314.

Evening Nature Outing, exploration of winter’s awe, Five Rivers Environmental Education Center, Game Farm Rd., 7 p.m. Registration, 407-6092.

Sunrise Senior Citizens, First Reformed Church of Bethlehem, 7:15 p.m.

Saturday January 25

30th Anniversary Celebration, Bethlehem Volunteer Ambulance, dinner and dancing at Bethlehem Elks Lodge, Rt. 144, Selkirk.

Club Scout Pack 272, Slingerlands, winter outing, Elm Avenue Park, 7-8 p.m. Information, 439-9315.

The Kids' Club, now accepting applications for Voorheesville Elementary School students. Information, 785-2631, 785-4913.

Sunday January 26

Hudson-Mohawk Bonai Association, meets fourth Sundays at Albany County Cooperative Extension, Martin 14, Voorheesville.

Religious Program, Delmar Presbyterian Church, adult education, 8:30 a.m., worship, 10:30 a.m. Information, 439-2963.

Potluck Supper, First Reformed Church of Bethlehem, Rt. 59, Suckir, 5 p.m.

Monday January 27

Deimar Kiwanis, meet Mondays at the Masonic Restaurant, Rt. 99, Glenshott, 6:15 p.m.

Mothers Time Out, Christian support group for mothers of pre-schoolers, Thursdays at Delmar Reformed Church, Delaware Ave., Delmar, 10-11:30 a.m. Information, 439-8005.

Al-Anon Group, support for relatives of alcoholics, meeting for former patients of Bethlehem Lutheran Church, 85 Elm Ave., Delmar, 8:30-9:30 p.m. Information, 439-4581.

Delmar Community Orchestra, Bethlehem Town Hall, Delmar Health Center, 3 p.m., "Gypsie Goldman, A Visionary Poet Speaks—At This Last Blemish," 7:30 p.m., Information, 439-9314.

Board of Education Budget Work Session, district office, Clayton A. Boul­den Junior-Senior High School, 7 p.m.

Tuesday January 28

Delmar Rotary, meets Tuesdays at Storrs Restaurant, Rt. 99, Glenshott, 6 p.m.

Psychologist, Community Health Plan, 439-2983.

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Events in Nearby Areas

Friday

January 17


AIDS Awareness Workshop for Women in Management, presented by AIDS Resource Groups, 21 McCarthy Blvd., Albany, 7-9 a.m. $45 registration, 473-2517.

Another 12th Night, with Karl Luening, composer, Albany Symphony Orchestra on Jan. 19 at Proctor's Theater, Schenectady.

Saturday

January 18


AIDS and AIDS Related Complex, 332 Massachusetts Ave., Troy, 7-9 p.m. $45 registration, 473-5017.

Workshop for Women in Management, workshop to give skills for Good Communication, Ramaz Inn, noon. Information, 473-9193.

Workshop: "Creating Moving for Adults," aka center for Dance and Movement, 201 Hudson Ave., Albany, 2:30-4:30 p.m. Information, 496-8966.

Sunday

January 19

Autobahn Family Films, Living Desert: What is a Desert? and Wildlife, the Arctic Region and its Poor Bears, Albany Public Library, 181 Washington Ave., 1 p.m. Information, 407-5900.

Films, On the Waterfront starring Marlon Brando, State Museum, Empire State Plaza, Albany, 2 p.m. Information, 474-5842.

Travel for Singles, program offered by Jackie's Jeunts, William K. Sanford Travel, Colonie, 2-3:30 p.m. Information, 401-0454.

Scottish Country Dancing, social dancing to traditional Scottish music, Colonie Center, Dutchess Athletic Club, 155 Washington Ave., Albany, 7:30 p.m. Information, 474-5987.

Lecture, Horace Spillers, scholar, author, and critic, discusses thematic, stylistic, literary characteristics of Doctor E. Caster Rep, Albany, 4-5 p.m. Information, 42-8237.

Crestor's Crossroads, children's choir from Bethlehem United Methodist Church will sing for Cerebral Palsy telethon at Mariner's House, Channel 16, Information, 439-4907.

Monday, January 20

Minorities as Homemakers, seminar sponsored by Capital-Gazette Corp, Junior League of Albany, 141 Washington Ave., 7-8 p.m. Information, 407-5903.

Sessions for Hope of Martin Luther King Jr. on March 15, 3:30 p.m. Information, 407-5903.

Films, On Martin Luther King Jr., of Albany, 2 p.m. Information, 474-5987.

Films, The Make Film, starring Isabelle Adjani, based on journals of Oceans Eleven.

WEDNESDAY

January 15

Foundation for the Arts and Odell, Capital District Art Group, St. Peter's Hospital, New Scotland Ave., Albany, 7-9:30-10 p.m. Information, 458-2219, 439-6174.

Makan Hour Lecture Series, with Karl Krenker, professor of English at Columbia University, Linda Schaffer Library, Schenectady, 11:30 a.m. Information, 357-3112.

AFL-CIO, Ave., noon. Information, 434-4988.

Martin Luther King Program, with Joseph Walker, public relations director for Police Officers Association (AFL-CIO), as host. Veterans Administration Medical Center, Holland Ave, Albany, 2 p.m. Information, 463-3311.

Thruway House. Information, 434-4988.

January 16

Martin Luther King Program, hosted by C.T. Vivian, one of Dr. King's former associates. Information, 434-4988.

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houseplants, presented by Mike Barrow, S'otomon, Albany sponsored by American Lung Assn., Thruway House, 1375 Washington Ave., Albany, 7-30 p.m. Free; information, 474-4076.

American Red Cross UnDisaster Day, volunteers will simulate real shelter operation, with emergency radio communications, first aid and nursing stations, sound effects and mass care area, to call attention to need for disaster funds. Lincoln Park Interfaith Shelter, information, 463-7410.


Self-Defense for Women, presented by Katie Wilpert, Danor Athletic Club, 8-30 p.m. Information, 371-1255 or 439-2778.

Manager Selection Workshop, offered by NYS School of Industrial and Labor Relations of Cornell University, led by Richard Stone. President of RESCO Inc. of Mass., Ramada Inn, Western Ave., Albany, 10 p.m. $10 registration, 473-1913.

Miners Hour Lecture Series, with John Topka, professor of history at Duke University, speaking about history of colonial Spanish America, Schaffer Library, Union College, Schenectady, 7-30 p.m., free; information, 370-1672.

Lunch and Lecture, sponsored by Albany-Colonie Regional Chamber of Commerce. John McEneny will speak about Quackenbush House and other Dutch houses. Quackenbush House, Albany, 12:30 p.m., $12.50 reservations, 434-1214.

Drinks for Today, Sunday Lunch, $5.95, $14.95, $32.95, including tax, tips and gratuity. Amaia's, 115 Lark St., Albany, 11:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. Information, 439-8383.

American Legion Post 617, Memorial Day Event, features food and live entertainment. Albany, 11 a.m. Free; information, 439-8383.

ASU Board of Directors meeting for 1986 season, featuring Peg Jordan, New York, Empire State Plaza, Albany, 7-8 p.m., information, 465-7000.

Legal and Disability Information Forum, orientation meeting for 1986 season, featuring Buddy Barret, Convention Center, Empire State Plaza, Albany, 7-30-90 p.m. Free; information, 474-4076.
Soil stability of the parcel was held when the State Supreme Court judge ruled on December 27. Following the meeting, Wil­liams on was refused to release a copy of the memo circulated to the board members. Last Tuesday, the board con­tinued the discussion of the proposed conditions, referring to the condi­tions by number and noting their agreement or disagreement. Ralph Mansour, counsel for the Van Euclid Company, asked for a copy of the proposed conditions so that he might follow the board's discus­sion. Williamson refused. Instead, the list was read at auctioneer's speed. The discussion continued with some of the board members making an effort to briefly refer to the conditions by content rather than by number. But, the visual aid gave a definite advantage to the holder in terms of comprehension. During the discussion, William­son entertained comments from several members of the audience. When Douglas Zenor, a member of the executive board of the Delta­wa Avenue Neighborhood Asso­ciation, asked for permission to comment, Williamson said "Just a minute," as he waved his hand in a downward motion, and went on with the discussion.

Legally, the board is not required to entertain comments from the public except during a public hearing.

After considerable discussion, the board decided to delete condi­tion numbers 5 and 11, modify condition number 10 to add the word "healthy" to condition number 4.

After the revisions and deletions were made, the conditions were included in the board's prelimi­nary approval of the proposal. Following the meeting, William­son again refused to release the first draft of the conditions. Williamson said the revised conditions would be made a part of the record. Williamson said he was advised "by the town attorney" that the document containing the draft conditions was interoffice and could be kept confidential. Williamson further explained that if he had let the list out before the board made a decision, it would have looked like he was telling the board members what to do.

According to Robert Freeman, executive director of the state Committee on Open Government, the chairman's recommendations for the board to reject the proposal as conditions of approval could, under the state's open meeting law, be considered "intriguing" and could be kept confidential. Freeman said any action taken as a result of the recommendation would have to include the draft conditions as part of the public record within two weeks.

Freeman also noted that the Committee on Open Government has made a recommendation to the governor and State Legislature for amendment of the state's open meeting law to address just this problem.

According to the proposed amendment, "A record that is the subject of a discussion conducted by a public body at an open meeting shall be available to the public, to the extent practicable, prior to or at the beginning of the meeting during which such record was discussed, except that such record may be withheld to the extent that disclosure would constitute an unwarranted in­vasion of personal privacy or when the record is specifically exempted from disclosure by state or federal statute..."

Regarding the actual conditions, the board decided to delete recommendation number 11, which Williamson said was put in to provide for a buffer between the company on Euclid Avenue and the Normans Gate property.

"Isn't that in violation of all our zoning laws?" asked board attorney Earl Jones, noting that the proposed restriction was twice what was required for the rest of the town.

Board member William Johnson said he had never heard about a buffer between residential properties.

However, a 50-foot buffer for the Normans Gate Country Club was included in the conditions of approval.

A letter was read from Philip Murray, an attorney representing the Normans Gate Corporation, asking the board to retain a 50-foot setback and release the country club and the development.

"This concern arises from our experience that two holes of the country club abut the area and since years of golf have not eliminated the slice, many balls have gone astray in that area. While the loss of the golf balls may not be tragic to the player, the danger to the householder may be even more serious..."

In keeping with a recom­mendation from the Clough, Harbour and Associates report, another condition adopted by the board requires that no develop­ment be allowed from 10 feet inward of the defined top of slope to the rear property line.

Williamson's proposal to control development of the sloped parcel by restricting sale of the land was rejected by the board. Paul Hie, land surveyor representing the Van Euclid Company, questioned whether the board could restrict the sale of the property by sale, lease or assignment.

Hite noted that the company either had to own the land or not pay taxes and let the county take it over.

"We are establishing a real estate zone," Williamson said. "This subdivision map is not cast stone..."

Barr, an attorney and a resident of Euclid Avenue, said the situation seemed reasonable and appro­priate.

The board rejected Williamson's proposal.

The "conditional" preliminary approval of the subdivision was unanimous, with newly appointed board member Detain Corrigan abstaining.

Following the decision, Hite thanked the board for doing an excellent job in solving a difficult problem.

Barr said the board had "sold the Euclid Avenue residents down..."

Zeno thanked Williamson for giving him an opportunity to speak. Zeno assured Williamson that he would be attending future meetings.

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Voorheesville’s Main Street has scattered

By Lyn Stapf

Those phoning Ricci’s Market in Voorheesville are more than likely to hear the store’s proprietor, Mike Ricci, answer saying, “Ricci’s Market — Beautiful Downtown Voorheesville.”

And although many interpret the friendly salutation merely as a unique greeting, the family-owned market was indeed part of a once-thriving business district found on Voorheesville’s Main Street — which, as the name implies, was the primary thoroughfare of the village.

“At one time,” Ricci recalls, “there were four grocery stores on this block — all of them doing a fine business. There were also three ice cream parlors, the hardware store, beauty parlors, barber shops and even an appliance store — not to mention the bank, post office, fire house, two churches and a gasoline station. This was before the days of the malls and you didn’t have to leave Voorheesville to get anything you wanted. It was all right here!”

According to Ricci, who is somewhat of a historian on the business section of Voorheesville, having lived over the store for-
Business picture: most small, local

A Spotlight survey of local businesses reveals some unsurprising things: this is still very much the home of the small, independent businessperson. And - also not surprisingly - they’re doing very well, thank you.

The survey indicates that more than half of the businesses in Bethlehem have been in operation for more than 10 years - a remarkable testimony to the loyalty of the community to local businesses and services. And the completed questionnaires also indicate that a number of businesses are growing or are considering expansion.

For its first business supplement, The Spotlight sent out 279 questionnaires last October using a mailing list taken from the Bethlehem Chamber of Commerce membership list as well as a comprehensive review of Bethlehem businesses done by the chamber. Other businesses were invited to participate via a notice printed in The Spotlight, and a separate mailing of questionnaires was made to Voorheesville businesses.

The questionnaire was returned by 109 businesses, with 103 of those respondents coming from the Town of Bethlehem. The sampling represents a 37 percent return from Bethlehem businesses, enough to draw some significant conclusions:

- Locally owned businesses are still in the majority in Bethlehem. Thirty-five percent of the respondents said they are sole proprietors of their business, and 24 percent said the business is family owned. It should be noted that many businesses that are individually or family owned are also corporations and the figures may be somewhat variable in this regard: some respondents circled Individually Owned as well as Corporation. Others circled Individually Owned and Family Owned.
- Small business doesn’t necessarily mean small profits. As the pie chart indicates, nearly three-quarters of the businesses in Bethlehem gross more than $100,000 a year. A few businesses declined to answer this question, citing competition as the reason.

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Bethlehem using IDA to lure new commerce

By J. Robert Hendrick
Supervisor, Town of Bethlehem

It’s almost incredible to realize that the “Big Apple,” New York City, has more than 300 offices, representing cities, states and even nations, to persuade industrial and commercial companies to locate there (more than one-third of the “Fortune 500”) to relocate a new plant or an expansion of an existing facility in their area.

From this one can readily understand that the competition for industrial locations is, indeed, very strong and very well financed.

Since a necessary part of our Town of Bethlehem’s tax base flows from industrial and commercial firms, it is frequently to our advantage to seek new enterprises to locate new or expanding plants in our town. Consequently, when I became supervisor in the Spring of 1985, I sought to strengthen the excellent tool we already had to do this — our own Industrial Development Agency. Two new members, one a former New York State Commerce Commissioner and a town business leader, were added to the IDA group as directors, and we started our quest for clients.

The IDA, under a state law enacted in the 60's, enables a Development Authority (IDA), the Small Business Administration and other programs at the state or federal level. Additionally, sites for such endeavors are available as a result of the “Fortune 500” to relocate a new plant or an expansion of an existing facility in their area.

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"I feel it is equally important to expand our commercial business in order to accommodate our expanding population."

indicating the Sebkirk location of the new Honda warehouse scheduled for late summer 1986 opening. Town Supervisor Robert Hendrick uses the new Bethlehem zoning map. The map features color coding for commercial, residential and unzoned areas for the town.

Jeff Gonzales
IDA has succeeded in developing two clients needing space and has put together two sizable facilities for them, aggregating $2.5 million, with a resulting increase of 20

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Make Check & Save Your New Year's Resolution.

We surveyed the checking accounts of every bank from the upper Hudson River to the Canadian border. We wanted to find out how our Check & Save Account stacked up against the rest. Everywhere we turned, minimum balance requirements were higher than ours. Service charges were excessive. Some interest-earning minimums were beyond the reach of the average customer. Some programs were complicated enough to perplex an accountant. Come in and see how we compare!

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To apply for Amnesty, an Amnesty application must be filled out for each tax category, along with previously unfiled or amended returns, and payment of taxes and interest due.

Applications are available by calling the toll-free hotline, 1-800-554-4477. Those in the Albany area should dial 465-8318 (tone signaling phones) or 465-5566 (dial or pulse-dial phones).

Tele-Tax is a service which offers about 150 taped messages on various tax topics.

Walk-in assistance is offered in the Albany IRS office, weekdays, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. beginning this week.

Tax help numbers

There are two new numbers to call for Federal Income Tax help this year: for tax forms or any of the nearly 100 free IRS publications, call 1-800-424-3676. Monday through Friday, 8:15 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

The toll-free Tele-Tax number, so new that it does not even appear in the instruction books, is 1-800-554-4477. Those in the Albany area should dial 465-8318 (tone signaling phones) or 465-5566 (dial or pulse-dial phones).

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Tops in sales

Jeff Falvo, Delmar, has been honored for his performance in The Southwestern Company's summer marketing program for 1985.

Falvo earned the company's Top Sales award for ranking in the top percentage of students in personal sales. He also won the Growth Award for having substantial increases in business over the previous year.

Falvo has been invited to return as a student manager in the company's summer program.

Falvo is a graduate of Hudson Valley Community College and Olivet Nazarene College in Illinois.
The memories have endured in intensity. Dick Leonardo refers to a time he wanted to put a fine line on his service. Every moving job is so important. It’s the best I can give.

He introduces his workers as “partners." His work is only as good as the men who work for him. We’re not perfect, we’re still learning today. I don’t know it all, but it’s the best I can give.” Emphasis he, repeated his working philosophy while offering the details of his business expansion.

Along the years, he married Carolyn Phillipone, an Albany native, and raised three children here. “Delmar’s been my home, good to my parents, my family, my business. I have roots here.” Dick Leonardo is 51; his boys, friendly exuberance belle age. His very blue uniform hints at his service time and of his concern for neatness, for immaculacy.

Family. Until recently, a new generation Leonardo father and son team worked together on the trucks. And last year, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Leonardo celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary, with Carolyn assisting as the business secretary for 18 of those years.

Dick calls his mother “the underground saleswoman,” and smiles when he speaks of her smile, and how many of his customers come because they know her.

What does he think his opponent’s opinion of his successful business is? “This was the way she brought up kids, like it’s expected.”

As the oldest, Dick Leonardo is proud of his sisters: “The lady shoemaker — she’s just as good as Dad, but I won’t tell her that. And Josephine — every single hair is beautiful, always in place, always said, ‘Do the best you can.’ Dad died so young, we have to look after one another. We try to absorb and enjoy each other on a daily basis.”

In a 15-minute photo session with his mother and his two sister, at least five times Dick Leonardo whispered “You’re beautiful, Mom.” As to Gail and Josephine, he introduced the visitor to “My beautiful sisters.” It’s another Leonardo tradition.

Josephine Leonardo Mali has owned Leonardo Hair Designers, less than a block from where she grew up, for two years now. Before that, and since 1975, she had a shop behind Mullen’s Pharmacy, now CVS, still not very far from home.

She bought the building at 412 Kenwood to “secure the business.” Already she has extensively remodeled it, from beam supports and the cellar to plumbing and painting in the second floor. She plans to spend another $10,000 to expand the first floor beauty shop to employ five full-time hairdressers.

Her customers include people of all ages, senior citizens, mothers with young children, business people, even teenage boys. Her remodeling plans include separate rooms for specialties like men’s styling. It is her dream to be able to service “the whole family.”

Indeed, providing repairs was a family affair: her 13-year-old son painted the entire back area; sister Gail helped paper the walls. New railings were built along the entrance, “to help people in winter. I want to accommodate my customers, and it’s also decorative.”

When she hung attractive shutters, her neighbors complimented her and made some improvements of their own.

Josephine Mali

Josephine, Jo, Josie the Leonards all had nicknames — speaks of “a lot of good memories” from life at home with her parents, first generation Americans of Italian immigrants.

“My parents were both very hard workers. We all worked in the store. We all had chores to do, but they were always there for us, the business was there, and our house was there.”

Josephine, the second daughter (daughter Rose, eight years older, lives in Virginia) recalled the attention shown.

“Here I go back to my parents, again.” Josephine laughed.

Josephine Leonardo Mali kept her family name on her shop in memory of her father and to honor her mother. Josephine’s husband, Michael Mali, sales manager for Prudential in Albany, encouraged the use of her family name — “Who knows the name Mali?”

Her days are long, “I get tired. My work is very demanding, but it’s the way we were raised, from our parents. They wanted the finer things in life and for their children.”

Last year both she and her sister won awards for their Christmas decorations. She credited her husband with the idea, and her mother for the artistic example. She was fantastic. She took pride in taking care of things. And she likes to give orders. We call her The General. She’s always been in control of her life.” Josephine reflected. “It’s had a good impact on us.”

Was there ever any desire to live somewhere else? Somewhere new, somewhere secrets unknown? “I’ve always been happy here.” Josephine mused. “Seeing people I’ve known from years, being able to reminisce about the town. You have so much in common. It’s a good feeling.”

Josephine is mother to three children. Her adult daughter lives behind the Delmar Green with grandmom Jessie. Her two sons are in their teens. This generation, the Leonards, works too, they have their chores, “don’t want to have a lot of time on their hands. I feel like I’m in general too. I stay on top of it.”

“Here I go back to my parents, again.” Josephine laughed.

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We do more than make a product in Delmar, New York

What is Owens-Corning Fiberglas doing in Delmar, New York? We think it’s an ideal location to manufacture products like building insulation for use in homes, businesses, apartment buildings, and mobile and manufactured homes.

The citizens of this community are some of the best in the country, and we are proud to have many of them helping us meet customer demands. But, Owens-Corning wants to do more than make a product and provide employment. We want to be a good citizen as well.

We offer support to community groups and programs such as the United Way, Junior Achievement, WMHT, TV/17, the Boy Scouts and a host of others who need our help.

We encourage all of our employees to lend their support to the community in any way they can to help make this an even better place in which to live.

What’s Owens-Corning doing in Delmar? Making a product, providing employment, but most of all, helping others to a better life.
Taking the agony out of zoning changes

By Peter Staniel

Having lived in the area since 1964, and being a home owner here in Delmar, as well as a manager of a local business for over 10 years, I have strong feelings for this town. Like so many other people, I chose to live and raise my family because of the quiet, safe environment and numerous services that are not offered in most other areas of the Capital District. I am very happy to be a resident here and plan to stay for many years to come.

Like so many other local residents, there are times when I would like to close the door to the newcomers and halt some of the growth, both residential and commercial, which is changing our community. I would like to keep Delmar a nice, small town.

As long as Delmar is such an enjoyable place to live, it will be desirable to other people from outside the area. As these people continue to move into the area, occupying existing houses or creating demands for new homes to be built, the need for change is increased by the laws of supply and demand. Many residents propose expansion of commercial districts only into certain areas along the eastern edge of the town — Rt. 9W, for instance.

Many businesses would not succeed in such a location because they would be too far removed from their customers. As a result, with no new practical areas for growth, the supply of available business sites is held in check.

The ever-increasing population means an increased demand. With the supply stagnated and the demand increasing, the value of business property and the rents they command are increasing dramatically. The result is that today's towns see larger commercial

businesses taking over the limited commercial locations — i.e., banks, medical clinics, fast food housing. When the town denies an application for a business to grow, it may be doing so for political reasons (i.e., pressure from citizens' groups) as well as interpretations of zoning ordinances. The legal reason is not strong enough, the large business or company will eventually get what they want through the courts. The true effect is to set up an obstacle which is insurmountable to the small businessman and allows only the larger one to grow. This is directly contrary to what most of us feel is best for Bethlehem.

We must accept the fact that growth is inevitable, both residually and commercially, and try through our town officials to work with that growth and direct it into acceptable channels rather than try to stop it. As the adage says, "Nothing has more momentum than an idea whose time has come," and the Capital District is the area where "time has come.

Peter Staniel, a Delmar resident, is vice president of Roberts Real Estate Properties/Rent Real Estate Group.

Library can help business

By Elizabeth Levy

Books, microfilm, and magazines, in nearly every area of business knowledge you'll need, are all in Bethlehem Public Library's Reference Department. If you want to know the names, statistics, theories, projections, and tips are just a part of what the library has for businesses.

Get current information on new management trends and techniques, or, think commercial competition. There is material on marketing, advertising, public relations and commercial management. We have indexes to help you track down that magazine article (Modern management/Reader's Guide to Periodical Literature) or newspaper address (Urisch International/International Periodicals, 50 Q D, America's Corporate Families, R 650 D). Demographic, population, and maps are also at your service.

Because an answer you can't reach is no answer at all, we have people to help you get the data you need on specialized

librarians who deal daily with the logic of information sources and can relate your question to the sources available.

Services at the library include quick reference by phone or in person, photocopying, interlibrary loan, microcomputers for library use and some that can be checked out, cassettes video and audio, federal and state tax returns, small business and job openings.

If you are a business person in the Bethlehem area and would like to know more about the Bethlehem Public Library's Business Collection, you are invited to breakfast at the library on Friday, Jan. 24, at 9 a.m. We will give you a tour of the resources and answer any questions you might have.

For more information, or to register, call the Reference Desk at 439-9314.

Elizabeth Levy is head of Reference and Adult Services at the Bethlehem 'Public Library.

Tenth anniversary

Ches Kore and Derek Restaurant, Glenmont, celebrated its tenth anniversary on May 24, 1983.

LOOKING FOR A JOB WITH GROWTH POTENTIAL??

Key Services Corporation, a large cata processing organization located at Corporate Woods (Exit 5A off I90), is now hiring Proof Machine Operators.

No training is necessary; just the desire to succeed. Monday through Friday, 3:30 - 9 p.m. workweek. Applicants must be 17 or older.

Call 436-2107 or visit: KEY SERVICES CORPORATION
17 Corporate Woods Boulevard
Albany, N.Y. 12211

Those wanting to fix their own jalopies may purchase parts at Village Auto Wrecker, which also has a machine shop. And if it's that's needed, Stewarts or Voorhees can fill the bill and the tank.

For those with a breakdown problem, BUD welding or Taylor Welding and Sandblasting may be useful.

Need a hair cut or set? Al's Barbershop, located at 237 Main St., is run by Marilyn Fields; the Voorhees Village Beauty Salon, owned by Janet Maltese, is run by Mychelm; are at your service.

Those in need of anything from a cold, quick relief medication may stop in at the Voorheesville Pharmacy, while its neighbor the Voorheesville Masonic Temple, stocks wines and spirits.

And it's comforting to know that when the time arises Reilly and Sartori and the Bruck-Myers Funeral Home are there.

In any area, there are those specialty services in Voorheesville that provide much-needed services. For example, there is Metrodict Scale, which deals in sales and service, and Roman's, Day, specializing in forklifts.

ATLAS Copco provides Voorheesville's main home to its growing army of air compressors. Another unique business located in Voorheesville is Royce W. Day, specializing on "New England craftsmen of metal." His useful, but-not-normally-used products are available to the public.

Beautiful downtown Voorheesville may have changed a lot from the beauty that Mike Reilly remembers but it still provides a large number of services to keep area residents shopping close-to-home — and if that's not enough the large number of businesses in surrounding towns such as Voorheesville, East Greenbush, and Slingerlands are available to fill in the gaps.

Wahl wins GE award

Stephen E. Wahl has been named the winner of the 1982 General Electric's sterling award. Gerald L. Phillippe Award for Plastics Business Group for General Electric Co. This award, made to 25 individuals company-wide, includes $1,000, one of which is donated to the college of the winners to the charity of their choice. Wahl has selected the Lutheran World Relief Fund to receive this donation.

The award recognized Wahl's sustained contribution to the community, particularly on behalf of the aged, sick and disadvantaged.

Wahl has been an active volunteer worker at the Delmar Samaritan Lutheran Home if the past five years. He has also served as elder, on a number church boards and is current president of the Bethlehem Lutheran Church.

Wahl joined Noryl Products 1975 and was promoted to Sales Resin Quality Control in November 1980.

Instructors trained

Delmar Athletic Club recently recognized six outstanding members for Aerobic Dance Certification. The entire staff is CI certified.
Chamber restructures forward

By Thomas Thorsen

We are delighted to have this opportunity to talk about our Bethlehem Chamber of Commerce. We feel that our Chamber is a vital leadership organization in the Town of Bethlehem. This leadership responsibility has led us to focus our efforts in areas of benefit not only to the business membership, but to all of the people who reside and work in the community. Obviously, if we are successful in that focus, everyone benefits.

In this past year we have made a number of decisions that have put our Chamber in a stronger position to serve our membership and the community. A major decision was the restructuring of forward structure of standing committees.

These committees and their chairmen are:

- General Electric Plastics
- Selkirk Site
- is proud to belong to the Bethlehem Community
- We send our best wishes for a prosperous and Happy 1986 to all our Neighbors

To choose the right bank, it may not be only what you know but who you know.

Luczak honored

Peter F. Luczak of Voorheesville was recently honored for outstanding sales achievement by Waddell and Reed, Inc., a financial services organization.

A registered representative of the company, Luczak was one of 29 salespersons out of a nationwide sales force of 3,000 to qualify for the Pacesetter Award.

The award was presented at the company's national headquarters in Kansas City, Mo.

Second generation

Brownell Agency, Inc. a commercial and personal insurance company at The Four Corners, Delmar, is now serving the community with the second generation of the Brownell family.

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What really makes one bank different from another is its people.

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Discount Brokerage Services
IRA/Keogh Plans
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New laws benefit business, consumer

By Lorraine C. Smith

At least nine new bills passed by the State Legislature this past year will affect business in some degree. Some laws have been in effect since early 1985, while others only became effective just two weeks ago, on the first day of 1986.

Whether or not the laws favor business directly, commented State Sen. Howard C. Nolan, Jr., a Democrat who represents the 42nd Senate District, all the legislation will benefit business ultimately.

"What is helpful to the consumer is helpful to business," said Senator Nolan, who, as partner in HMC Associates, 163 Delaware Ave., Delmar, is an active businessman in the area, with interests ranging from Delaware Plaza and other shopping malls to real estate development in Bethlehem.

In a recent interview, the senator offered his views on some of the bills, which were selected by his office staff from the almost 100 new laws passed by the legislature in 1985.

Nolan identified the dishonored check law (No. 1, below) as particularly important to small businesses, which might previously have had to sue in court to recover bad check charges. Now the small businessman "is armed with the right to collect" a fair charge that has already been levied against him by the servicing bank rather than incur the loss.

New credit card legislation (No. 2, below) "is helpful to the consumer is helpful to business." Since it is not uncommon for restive consumers to cease trading at a business when unpopular policies are introduced, credit cards provide a "cup of safety" in an uncertain time, posting requirements offering explanations of store practices will serve to promote a healthy business atmosphere.

1. Credit Card Notice: Chapter 777, an amendment to the general business law, effective Sept. 1, 1985. Anyone (individual, corporation, partnership, or association) that honors credit cards must post their rules close to the store's entrance. The rules must also be posted in any customer areas that mention the acceptance of credit cards. Most stores do post these notices, but all are often discovered by the customer only at the time of payment. If a minimum purchase was required, the customer then finds he has overspent his credit limit, or is not sure whether to use his credit card to obtain the original item. This bill allows the customer to know the credit card's payment requirements so he can plan his charge as soon as he enters the store.

2. Check Charge Notices: Chapter 198, effective Aug. 1, 1985. Any small business, agency, or other checking account holder who receives a check that is returned for lack of funds now has the right to collect a charge of up to ten dollars from the individual who wrote the bad check. The maximum fine is raised to a limit that a fee would be collected, but a business that received checks from customers not on their premises (such as a small department store, a credit card agency, etc.) could not protect themselves with such a notice. This bill allows the charge to be levied if the check were presented to the bank by someone other than the individual who wrote the check.

3. Bankruptcy Law: Chapter 384, effective May, 1985. The purpose of the New York Business Development Corporation (NYBDC) (created 30 years ago) is to increase productivity and competitiveness of New York's economy. It does this by providing financial and other assistance to new or existing businesses which can provide additional jobs and other economic benefits. The NYBDC can offer small businesses special terms not normally available from banks such as long-term fixed rate loans and $50,000 and less. This amendment increases the NYBDC's lending amount to $250 million and permits negotiation with pension funds for loans. It also raises the total number of shares of stock for sale from 2 million to 5 million and reduces the lending limits of NYBDC's members.

4. Disability Benefits Notice: Chapter 271. Effective Jan. 1, 1986. An employer must provide his employees a written statement of their disability benefits law when one of his employees loses work for more than seven days due to a disability. Since many employees are not aware of their entitlement to disability benefits when they are absent from work due to a disability or illness unrelated to their occupation, this law requires the employer to send his employee the information he needs. The employer must send this written statement within five business days.

5. Record Keeping Concerning Toxic Substances: Chapter 577. Effective Jan. 1, 1986. An employer must now keep a record of social security numbers of employees who handle or use certain toxic substances. To distribute health hazard warnings or to conduct epidemiological research, an employer has been required to keep for 40 years the name and address of his employees who handle or use toxic substances. If an individual is no longer employed there, or if the business is no longer active, the addition of a social security number will make it easier to locate anyone involved.

6. Staggered License Renewal: Chapter 497. Effective January 1, 1986. Affixing barbers, cosmetologists, real estate brokers, real estate salespersons and notary public commissions, this bill provides for staggered license renewals. Before, regular license cycles caused heavy concentrations of renewal applications to be completed within a short period of time. Now, half of one type occupational licenses may expire in an odd-numbered year, with the other half expiring in an even-numbered year. This staggered process will simplify the procedures to the benefit of both state personnel and license holders.

7. Lemon Law For Used Vehicles: Chapter 794, effective Aug. 1, 1985. This legislation clarifies the Used Car Lemon Law (effective Nov. 1, 1984) coverage to include vans and light trucks used for personal use. It excludes motorcycles, motor homes and other off-road vehicles, classic cars, vehicles driven over 100,000 miles and those sold for less than $1,500. The bill also requires prompt payments awarded under the Lemon Law to be set aside without interest.

8. Air Pump Requirement: Chapter 101, effective February, 1985. Any service station with four or more gasoline nozzles must have motor driven air compressors capable of inflating automobile tires. The law does not state that the air pump be offered without charge, but it does require the equipment to be available for use by customers during operating hours. A fine of up to $25 a day will be levied for each day an air compressor is unavailable, with consideration for repairs to be done within a reasonable time.

9. Sulfites Prohibited: Chapter 77d, effective Aug. 5, 1985. Any food, grocery, retail or wholesale distributor, resident or non resident, may not add sulfiting agents to their products. Sulfiting agents are used to keep foods intact to keep the food fresh in appearance. These chemicals can cause severe reactions to persons suffering from asthma or with a hypersensitivity to sulfites. This law applies to any establishment where food is prepared on the premises or where a salad bar is offered. It also includes any distributor who sells food to any person for the purpose of resale.

Lorraine C. Smith

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Owens-Corning Fiberglas Corporation, Delmar, has been named recipient for four of the last seven quarters of Safety Awards for reducing injury by at least 50 percent the rate of injuries in the plant.

The Delmar Plant has also been awarded the Three Star Safety rating in the advanced program of the International Safety Rating System Program, administered by the Corporate Safety Staff last May. The award was presented to Owens-Corning in May, 1985, by the International Loss Control Institute.

In addition, Owens-Corning was recipient of an award from the National Science Teachers Association for sponsoring Science Greenprints.
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other. Rose lived in Virginia. Josephine had her own business, then everything was settled: Gail Leonard Sundling would be Delmar Bootery's proprietor. "Dad didn't plan insurance, so my rest for running my Mom's business would continue to take care of her expenses. That is my responsibility. I'm looking to the future. When is it my business, I'll reap the benefits of it.

Gail Leonardo Sundling is attractive, mid-thirtyish. Her hair is short, casual, yet efficient. The mascara and light lipstick distorts her from her leather stained hands. Animated, enthusiastic about the shoe care items she market—boot trees, shoe saver cufs, fleece warmers — Gail Sundling continues her parents' tradition of creating a local atmosphere in the shoemaker's shop.

The Delmar Bootery increased production 42 percent over last year. Last month brought in 1,100 tickets. "We have gone beyond superior, I am now. I feel good about that."

A 1970 graduate of BCBS, Gail — nicknamed Torpedo — wanted to travel. One time a model, she became a tour director for Hirt Tours, then a service representative for Amtrak. She visited the Amish country in Pennsylvania, traveled to California and Hawaii.

Thirteen years ago she married Tom Sundling, a textile consultant with Ayers, Ltd. Four children complete their family, two girls, two boys, age five to eleven. Tom Sundling has refused job opportunities elsewhere so that Gail can remain here.

"Why? Give up her dream of travel, and the excitement of a different land, a different life? Gail acknowledges the difficulties of "walking the even keel of my own family... of maintaining my standards."

"Yet, "This is a marriage, it's how it grew up," Gail asserted, with the determined conviction she must have mobilized to master her dad's, her mom's, now her business.

"The business keeps me here. It is a commitment. It's the pride of the family business. I know that at any time our roots were here. I want my children to know that they have a home here. Where else would I go? Who would know me?"

Her enthusiasm is pervasive. "I keep the work. It's challenging and unique. It took me ten years to get to where I am now. I feel good about that."

As the North Bethlehem area begins to develop it is important to review this area to determine whether or not it would be appropriate to designate a portion there for commercial development.

Presently, because of a lack of commercial facilities, town residents must travel miles to purchase a loaf of bread or a quart of milk. As this section of our town develops further, it becomes our governing responsibility to provide residents with the conveniences of shopping near their homes.

Ideally, such commercial areas should be designated before industrial, commercial growth occurs so that property buyers will be afforded a choice of determining whether or not they wish to locate in the vicinity of a commercial area. They should be aware of such locations before rather than after the fact.

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Glaccone promoted Philip Giacone, Jr. of Delmar, has been promoted to Sales Manager for Prudential Insurance Company in the Albany South District. Giacone joined The Prudential in February, 1983, and has been the leading agent in this office for the past two years. He has qualified for the Distinguished Gold Record award along with the agency of outstanding sales and service with Prudential.

A nationwide agent Stanley L. Smith, Delmar, has been appointed agent for Nationwide Insurance Company. He will handle the full lines of service including auto, fire, life, health, business and group insurance.

Smith is a graduate of Potomac College where he received a B.A. in economics. He has been associated with the insurance industry since March, 1982.

Garage expanding

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Residents of the towns of Bethlehem and New York have witnessed many changes in local businesses during 1985. A few favorite businesses closed their doors, and some new businesses opened. A number of businesses were moved, sold or expanded.

One notable change was the expansion of the Professional Insurance Agents headquarters on RT. 9W in Glenmont, with ground broken at the end of August. The project was the first to be financed through the Bethlehem Industrial Development Agency.

Eastern Ingredients Inc. was also granted FDA financing to build its Wemcpl Rd. food storage facility. At year's end the IDA was preparing to act on yet another warehouse plan on Long Lane in Selkirk, and a major renovation project was in the works concerning an eight-acre warehouse south of the Conrail yards in Selkirk, and for a 96-bed psychiatric hospital on RT. 9W. 1986 promised to be a very good year for commercial growth in Bethlehem.

For the second year in a row, Delaware Plaza and the adjacent mini mall were the scenes of a number of changes, large and small:

- Horticulture Unlimited, with owner Ginger Herrington offering floral arrangements, plants, floral supplies and plant care products, opened at Delmar mini-mall;
- Plaza Causals, store featuring men's and women's brand-name casualwear, opened at Delaware plaza. O'Connor's, next to TEa's Restaurant; Golden Krust bakery-closed; John's Normaside hair care center moved from Delaware Plaza to combine with the second store of John's Beauty Salons, located at 2 Beaver Terr., to the rear of 339 Delaware Ave.; Brooks Drugs, a chain store, expanded into space vacated by John's and Honeycomb; Sue's Lunchette, owned by Sue Shaefer, opened at Delmar mini-mall; Hair 2000 opened at Delaware Plaza; Discount Foam and Comfort Center, 1548 Delaware Ave., closed.

Other business changes during 1986 included:
- Heath Dairy, RT. 9W, Glenmont, was purchased from the Heath family by Dr. Barry Dancy of Montclair, N.J., with continuity maintained in butting plant, store and farm operations.
- Villa Italia Restaurant, family-style Italian restaurant opened by Frank Maiorana at site of former P1, Brieny's, 1300 New York Rd., Slingerlands.
- Flea Market, owned by Jean Goldman, moved from East Greenbush Plaza to Town Square Shopping Plaza, RT. 9W and Four Bush Rd., Glenmont.
- Grbil Brothers auto body shop moved down RT. 9W to a new building just north of the Delmar Bypass.
- Hartford Insurance Company, at 161 Delaware Ave. plans to move Corporate Woods at site of Allied Insurance Co., opened by Charles Houghtaling. The store reopened under the new ownership of Yolanda and John Fritze Jr.
- Taylor and Vadney Sporting Goods, opened by Dave Gill at Four Corners site formerly occupied by The Golden Acorn.
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Thomas J. Morton of Delmar was recently appointed treasurer of Sager-Spuck Supply Co., Inc., by the company board of directors.

Morton has been with Sager-Spuck for three years as assistant treasurer.

A graduate of Bethlehem Central High School, Morton attended Clarkson University where he majored in finance, economics and management information systems.

Morton is a member of the National Eagle Scout Association. He is marking his tenth year as assistant scoutmaster with the Emsley Boy Scout Troop. He is also vice president of Morton Stamp and Coin Company.

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This shot by Geoff Mackey (white shirt) broke a 48-48 deadlock in the waning seconds and turned out to be the winning basket for Bethlehem Central in a home game with Mohonasen. It was BC's first Suburban Council victory and broke a nine-game losing streak.

R.H. Davis

Tom Boy registration

All girls who live in the Town of Bethlehem and who will be between 12 and 21 before Sept. 30, 1986, are eligible to register for the Bethlehem Tom Boys softball league.

The Home Team

By Tom Kurk
Broker-Owner

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A strong finish for BC

By Charles Henrikson

The Bethlehem Central basketball team played last week with a strength and vigor rarely seen in the Bethlehem gym in recent years. The team won its first league game in what can be called its first successful week of play.

Last Tuesday night the team's season-long hard work finally paid off in the form of a 53-48 victory over Mohonasen. The game started off in a pattern familiar to most BC fans. BC was down, 19-4, at the quarter, but trimmed the deficit to five at the half and two with one quarter left.

BC played a strong fourth quarter, outscoring Mohonasen by 15-8 to clinch the victory. This game showed that the Eagles have some promise and will no longer just give up if they are outscored early.

The game came down to the wire, with BC leading by two with 25 seconds left. Bethlehem fans, expecting the team to collapse at this point, found that this year's team can play with under pressure, and it did not make the mistakes that have lost many games in the past.

Coach Jack Moser was ecstatic after the game. He felt that everyone who got into the game played better than they had previously. John Peyrebrune led the point in the middle quarter, with 11 points. Mike Gibbons had 16 with Geoff Mackey contributing nine, and Ray Dobbert and Mike Gibbons, two with one quarter left.

In the first part of the season, about 10 players got equal playing time. During the second half of the Mohonasen game, however, the same five players were in for almost the entire half--Ed Perry, Karin Takahashi, Peckewa, Gibbons and Mackey. This is a good sign, indicating that BC is now playing as a team instead of as individuals.

On Friday night BC hosted Colonie, who came into the game with a six-game winning streak. The teams were well matched, the game hard fought, and, as Moser said, "I wish the ball could have bounced the other way."

The Eagles were down 11-4, 14-10, at the quarter, but a strong second quarter made it 27-21 BC at the half. BC was ahead by 10 at one point in the middle of the game, but the lead was cut to 62-59 early in the fourth quarter. It was 40-24 with 3:39 to play when John Doebert made a three minute overtime trial, and BC held fast and did not succumb to the pressure, but a last-second rebound and shot by Colonie gave them the victory, 49-47.

In spite of the loss, BC has improved greatly. Earlier in the season these two teams met, with Colonie winning handily, 56-33. This shows the improvement, and shows that "the kids are working," according to Moser.

Colonie had a distinct height advantage, but BC still managed to rebound better than usual. Moser also was pleased with the high level of intensity that his team showed, and he liked the way that the team played in a high pressure situation.

Dobbert, foreground, and Mike Gibbons.

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Blackbirds breaking even

Voorheesville starts the second round of the Colonial Council boys basketball chase at 4-0, 6-0 over, and alive to stay that even the Blackbirds get more scoring from the backcourt.

The Blackbirds lost twice last week by breaking even in two league outings, winning on the road, but遭受ing a loss at home to Cohoes.

This week's league-leading Mechanicville (8-0) comes to the Holdersbergs Friday, and Coach Bob Crandall is grateful for Tuesday's boys in the Colonial schedule. Crandall was able to get the gym for practice for only an hour on Thursday and Wednesday and, when Cohoes sprung a surprise defensive strategy Friday, the Blackbirds weren't ready.

Instead of the 3-2 defense they are noted for, the Tigers showed a triple defense.

"We didn't have time to prepare for it," said Crandall, "but I take the loss.

The Blackbirds recovered from a cold first quarter to play the Tigers fairly evenly, then cut the deficit to 31-24 on a three-point play by David Dunning with 4:40 on the clock. They had a chance for another basket, but a handout from nobody under the hoop for the rebound. Cohoes, having a hot shooting night, ran off the next five points. Then came the parade to the foul line and a 68-57 final.

As if it weren't bad enough to have Cohoes shoot an incredible 70 percent in the first half, the Tigers also shredded Voorheesville's guards and put the Birds in the hole from the start. It was 19-11 after the first eight minutes and 41-21 at the half before the Birds rallied to narrow the gap.

Jerry Borg had one of his best games ever, hitting for 20 points and 19 rebounds. "We outrebounded a bigger team, but it was a disappointing loss," Crandall said.

Justin Corcoran had 12 points and Vinnie Foley 14, giving the front line of the team's 57. Kyle Larabee, still in a scoring slump, and the playmaking guards must become more productive if the Blackbirds are to make a strong run for the flag the second time around the circuit.

On Saturday the Blackbirds escaped with a 56-48 triumph, but it came harder than expected against a team that has not won a game all season. Voorheesville scored 14 points in each period, but permitted Ravena's Tony Williams to score 14 of his game total of 16 in the first half, all on jumpers. The Birds fell behind early, had to put up a shot to climb even at intermission, then held the Indians to eight points in the third period.

In this one the front line, divid­ ing 35 points fairly evenly, got help from the supporting cast. Larabee got eight, as did Dean Decker, playing one of his best games. "He had seven assists, controlled the ball, and played good defense," said Crandall.

Crandall is hoping for a new life starting with the Mechanicville game this weekend. "We only lost to them by four points on their court," he points out, hoping the team will get the message.

No victories yet for Indians

By Dan Tidd

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Birds shine on the mats

By Tanya Severino

"It was one of the highlights of my coaching career," says veteran mentor Dick Leah of his Voorheesville wrestling team. The Blackbirds drove to the top of the Colonie Invitational last Thursday with a convincing victory over Schalmont, 43-18. "It was all a team effort," he said. "Everyone wrestled exceptionally well. We matched our kids up the way we wanted to and they knew what they had to do."

Individual wins came from Pat Ryan, Jason DePasquale, John Layou, Mark Chryrwaty and Mark Gillerwalters. Senior Bill Kelly swept up his opponent with only two seconds remaining and Rich Kane at 215 finished the evening with a pin in just 19 seconds.

"It was a great win for our team and the program." Leah enthused. He praised the "triumphant crowd participation that included parents, students and teachers, which helped build momentum for the team."

Last Tuesday the Birds went to Schalmont to gain another success. Matt Ellis, Brian DeDe, Rick Gillerwalters, DePasquale, Layou and Kane contributed to a 66-17 final outcome.

On Saturday the Blackbirds wrestled at the Schalmont dual meet tournament. Voorheesville's first match ended in a close 34-33 victory over Arlington (Poughkeepsie). Later, the Birds lost by 37-26 to Shenendehowa, the eventual winner, and Averill Park, 29-25. Voorheesville finished fourth out of eight teams in the tourney. Senior tri-captain Gillerwalters was all three of his matches to remain undefeated with a 15-0 record.

"I give the kids a lot of credit. They deal with a lot of tension with training and practices. Last week was one of the highlights of hard work," states Leah.

The Blackbirds have a lot to face in the week ahead. Yesterday they went to Cobskill and tomorrow (Thursday) hope to be victorious over second place Watervliet.

On Jan. 18 they will go to the Suffern Invitational Tournament.

In this jungle Saba fought his way to the top of his weight class, where he finished 7-2, to again win Section 2A championship. Jeff Jarvis of Salem, a senior, defeated Saba by pin to win the 43rd annual tournament.

"It was clearly the toughest of the entire field in the tournament loaded with unbelievable credentials."

In this season's opening weekend Saba lost a takedown in the last 30 seconds. His 15-4 record date to a double-dual where he lost a 3-2 decision in what a top level of wrestler in his weight class, 112 pounds.

"Our team ended up second at Fort Plain Saturday, where the 112-pound contingent had talles Poplaski won and got back to the top of the team."

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Individual wins came from Pat Ryan, Jason DePasquale, John Layou, Mark Chryrwaty and Mark Gillerwalters. Senior Bill Kelly swept up his opponent with only two seconds remaining and Rich Kane at 215 finished the evening with a pin in just 19 seconds.

"It was a great win for our team and the program." Leah enthused. He praised the "triumphant crowd participation that included parents, students and teachers, which helped build momentum for the team."

Last Tuesday the Birds went to Schalmont to gain another success. Matt Ellis, Brian DeDe, Rick Gillerwalters, DePasquale, Layou and Kane contributed to a 66-17 final outcome.

On Saturday the Blackbirds wrestled at the Schalmont dual meet tournament. Voorheesville's first match ended in a close 34-33 victory over Arlington (Poughkeepsie). Later, the Birds lost by 37-26 to Shenendehowa, the eventual winner, and Averill Park, 29-25. Voorheesville finished fourth out of eight teams in the tourney. Senior tri-captain Gillerwalters was all three of his matches to remain undefeated with a 15-0 record.

"I give the kids a lot of credit. They deal with a lot of tension with training and practices. Last week was one of the highlights of hard work," states Leah.

The Blackbirds have a lot to face in the week ahead. Yesterday they went to Cobskill and tomorrow (Thursday) hope to be victorious over second place Watervliet.

On Jan. 18 they will go to the Suffern Invitational Tournament.
Two clutch foul shots by Peg Bassler gave the St. Thomas girls basketball team a 26-24 win over St. John's of Schenectady in a hol­iday tournament at Clifton Park, but the Delmar quietness fell to the host team in the semifinals. They lost to St. Edward's, 45-16, unable to match the basketball clinic put on by Laura and Deborah Barnes in the St. Edward's Christmas Invitational.

Goud netted eight points in the first game and four in the second. Against St. John's, Cassie Jerge scored eight and Kelly Ryan six. Karyn Mendel had four points against St. Edward's.

Back in CYO league action, St. Thomas topped St. Theresa's, 27-18, Saturday, and this weekend will entertain St. James at 1 p.m. Saturday.

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**Indians capture early leads**

**By Bart Gotteshman**

The secret to scoring in this game is to get in front fast, as witnessed by the 18-5, 14-6, and 18-4 leads taken by the Voorheesville girls basketball team in the first quarter of their three contests during the past week.

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Eagles swim to two triumphs

Bethlehem Central’s pool powerhouse got back in the competitive swim last week and it was business as usual, two dual meet triumphs.

The Eagles overwhelmed Shenendehowa at home Wednesday in a 46-36 carnival that included a giveaway in the final relay, and took Queensbury by 58-31 in the last six-weeks’ dual. This week it’s a trip to Johnstown today (Wednesday) and a home meet Thursday with Guilderland, which regularly gives the Eagles a pretty good push.

In the Shenendehowa splashdown, John McCarthy produced a 5:30.65 in the 500, which clipped a few fractions off his time last month as the meet leader for the Sectionals. Justin Baird, BC’s 14-year-old freshman, won the 1M in 21:69.9, his third meet win and his second in the 50 free and the backstroke. Hall had some pressure in the diving, but won. Drew Doody, Megan McCarthy and Cam O’Connor went 1-2-3 in the 500 and Alex Hall and Scott Reed dived into the team.

Despite the final scores, the Queensbury meet was closer. The Eagles maintained a slender lead after tying last year’s scores, but had the back end with several firsts. Baird taking the 200 and 500 free and the 200 medley relay and the 50 free and the backstroke. Hall had some pressure in the diving, but won. Drew Doody, Megan McCarthy and Cam O’Connor and Kate Fish.

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Among the high points for Dolfin parameters was the first-place sweep of the two 13-14 girls relay events by the team of Jill Cleve­land, Jennifer Mosley, Maritza Mercado and Kimberly Williams. O'Connor was 2nd in the 500 and 500 medley, fourth in the 200IM, and fifth in the backstroke.

Justin Baird and Lisa Ogawa, both standout swimmers on the Bethlehem Central swimming team, had a busy day. Baird came close to a sweep in freestyle events among the 13-14 boys, taking the 100, 500 and 1650-yard races, and a second in the 50.

He also placed fourth in the 200 IM. Ogawa, swimming among the senior girls, placed fourth in the 50 free, 100 and third in both the 200 backstroke and 200 IM.

Pat Fish placed second in a closely contested butterfly event among 11-12 boys. Jonathan Church, an 8-and-under swimmer, took Queensbury by 98-71 in the diving, but won. Drew Doody, Megan McCarthy and Cam O’Connor and Kate Fish.

Dolphins net 39 medals at meet

Delmar Dolphins returned from the Albany Starfish Invitational swim meet at Albany State over the weekend with 39 medals, a strong performance at a highly competitive meet.

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Ellen Westcott
Ellen Barnet Westcott, 74, of Selkirk died Jan. 9 at Albany Medical Center Hospital. Born in New York City, she was a resident of Selkirk for several years. She was a homemaker. Survivors include her husband, Charles Westcott; a daughter, Mrs. William (Mary) Makin of Selkirk, five grandchildren, and seven nieces and nephews. Arrangements were by the Daniel Keenan Funeral Home, Albany. Burial will be in Grace-land Cemetery, Albany.

Blanche Miller
Blanche A. Miller, 91, of Scotia, formerly of Delmar, died Jan. 11 at St. Clare's Hospital, Schenectady, after a brief illness. Born in Sharpshill, Ill., she lived most of her life in the Albany area. She was a graduate of the Eastern Illinois State Teachers College and a former teacher for the Bul­ pitt Public School System in Illinois. She was a member of the Del­ mar Progress Club, the Delmar Antque Study Club and the Gar­ sevoort Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution. She is survived by her husband, Russell S. Miller; a son, Philip A. Miller of Scotia; a twin, Gladys, Angelton of Illinois, and a brother, Keith Angelton of Idaho.

Mary Lourdes Montgomery, 79, of Delmar died Jan. 8 at St. Peter's Hospital, Albany. A native and lifelong resident of the Albany area, she moved to Delmar last year. She was a retired adjudicator for the state Department of Motor Vehicles. She is survived by her daughter, Jeanne M. Granger of Ballston Spa; six sons, Nicholas J. Mont­ gomery of Delmar, Daniel J. Montgomery of St. Petersburg, Fla., Lt. Gerald Montgomery of Fort Devens, Mass., James W. Montgomery of Tampa, Fla., John D. Montgomery of New York City and Joseph E. Mont­ gomery of Tulsa, Okla., and three brothers, Joseph Cunningham of Albany, Frank Cunningham of Troy and William Cunningham of Lyndhurst, N.J.

Arrangements were by the Marshall W. Tephurt's Sons Fun­ eral Home, Ballston Spa. The ashes will be interred in Our Lady of Angels Cemetery, Colonie.

Harold L. Payne
Harold L. Payne, 60, of Feurn Bush, area Alto Hill, died Jan. 4 at Cobb General Hospital, Mar­ nettia, Ga., after a brief illness. Born in Winter, Ga., he had lived in Feurn Bush for many years. He was manager of M. and G. Trans­ port, Selkirk. A licensed pilot, he was former manager of the airport in Feurn Bush. Survivors include his wife, Helen Keiper Payne, and four daughters, Mrs. Susan Shafheen of Troy, Mrs. Nancy Stojka of Feurn Bush, Mrs. Linda Sprinig of Ninhev and Patricia Payne of Fairport. He also survived by six grandchildren. Arrangements were by the Bab­ cock Funeral Home, Ravena. Burial will be in Pleasant Lawn Cemetery, New Baltimore.

Louise Reamer
Louise Frances Reamer, 74, of Voorheesville died Jan. 5 at Albany Medical Center Hospital. A lifelong resident of Voor­ heesville, she was a retired secre­tary for the Watervilet Arsenal. She was a member of the New Scotland Senior Citizens and the New Salem Reformed Church. Survivors include a sister, Mrs. Sude of Cocoa, Fla., and friends, Craig and Robin Shufelt. Arrangements were by the Bruk­ Meyers Funeral Home, Voorheesville. Burial will be in Mount Pleasant Cemetery, New Salem.

The accessible Egg
ESIPA at the Egg was distin­ guished as the "without" and by a wide margin, the most accessible theatre in the United States," according to a recent study conducted at the University of Maryland. Of the 240 regional theatres involved in this study, ESIPA was the only theatre which fulfilled 100 percent of the criteria necessary to be con­ sidered fully committed to accessibility.

CPC network set
Jeanne Shaw Berman of Glen­ mont was one of the volunteers responsible for establishing the New Citizens Advisory Network for the Capital District Psychi­ atric Center in Albany. The network is being formed so that the center can be assured of being responsive to the needs of area citizens.

Chorale is back
The Center City Chorale of Albany has resumed meeting after a break for the yeararound holidays. The group is open to interested persons, without audition, and meets on Monday from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. at St. Peter's Church, State and Lodge streets in downtown Albany. Under the direction of My­ rga Bon and Neil Keen, the chorale sings a variety of choral music. Its next performance is scheduled for March. For information call 434-1502.

Chasser rewarded
Rich Chasser of Ravena was awarded a Special Merit Award for his work at巢own-Corinna Fiberglas, Delmar. Chasser, a metal, bath and chemical supplier for the plant, established a better method of cooling the furnace ladle in case of a glass leak.
Mid East mission
Matthew H. Elbow of Delmar recently returned from a two-week study mission to the Middle East. Elbow was one of 14 academicians representing various disciplines from 13 universities and colleges throughout the United States.

As Professor of History at the State University of New York in Albany, among the courses Elbow teaches is a seminar-long course on the History of the Middle East and a semester-long course on the Arab-Israeli Conflict.

His fact-finding mission focused on the politics of the region, inquiring into the nature and direction of recent developments in the Arab-Israeli Conflict.

Doane Stuart grants
The Doane Stuart School, Albany, has received two grants totaling $5,000 from two area companies for improvements to the college-preparatory school's athletic and community service programs, according to Headmaster Lucie Nordmann, RSCJ.

A $3,000 contribution from a Rensselaer-based firm will be added to an endowment fund established by the company in 1984.

An additional $2,000 has been granted to the co-educational day school by Norstar Bank, manager of the Frederic McDonald Trust, Albany. The McDonald Trust funds are associated with the Upper School's community service program. Currently, several Doane Stuart volunteers devote their time assisting the elderly, sick, hungry...and,ihoseless-in the Albany community.

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Hospital praise
Editor, The Spotlight
Your story on the Jan. 1 issue on the Hospice at St. Peter's Hospital and John Pendleton was particularly significant. My wife almost lost my lovely wife, Ethel, at the Hospice Jan. 3. After a courageous battle with cancer covering over three and a half years. Her passing was with dignity and in keeping with the teachings of a friend who was disappointed about their. Her caring for both Ethel and me was without measure. We are certainly fortunate, in our lovely town, to have such a place available to us.
Robert H. Bencherone
Slingerlands

Pre-school helps
Editor, The Spotlight
The shocking levels of educational skills reported for the Clarksdale schools prompts me to ask about preschool opportunities in that area of our town of Bethlehem, as well as in our County of Albany.
I offer Resource and Referral for Child Care, and am aware of the lack of preschool or nursery school programs in that area. Mothers may be at home in Clarksdale or mothers may be in the workforce in Clarksdale, yet some preschools are now serving the second generation of children whose parents want them to be able to have a preschool experience. Including a combination of educational instruction and socialization.

The following year 80 percent of Clarksdale's third graders scored above the reference point in reading, with 82 percent at Elmert, 87 percent at Glenmont and 100 percent at both Hamagrael and Slingerlands. In math, 92 percent of Clarksdale third graders passed, compared with other BC elementary schools.

Last year Clarksdale third graders scored at 84 percent in reading and 86 percent in math, compared with 89 and 96 percent respectively. Depending on subject and age, 50 percent in both subjects, and third grade students. Some students scored as well as some scored above the average. The class, which emphasised the importance of reading and writing, was given extra help. The small number of students at Clarksdale also means that an individual has a greater effect on the group's performance than would be the case in a larger group. Ed.

Class for parents
Systematic Training for Effective Parenting of Teens (STEP): To be held probably at the Bethlehem area on Thursday evening, Oct. 9 and continuing for ten weeks. The class, which emphasised communication and discipline methods that encourage respect and responsibility, will meet at the Bethlehem Christian Church, 585 Delaware Ave.
A parent handbook is included for the registration fee of $27. To register or for further information: call Christine Deyne, 439-2754.

Mr. milk for life
Editor, The Spotlight
Milk For Life, Inc., the organisation that provides human milk to allergic infants and children, would like to express its gratitude to all of the people who have supported us this past year.
We would like to thank the mothers who have donated their time and milk to help our children and the other children for whom milk donation has made a difference.
We would like to express our appreciation to all the newspapers, television and radio stations for airing our public service announcements.

We would also like to acknowledge the American Red Cross, the hospitals, doctors, nurses, and3, Stewart for Creamers Stores for their support.

We have provided approximately 15 children with our service of milk and 300 mothers with counseling on breastfeeding and emotional support this past year. In 1985, we provided milk, counseling and support to six New York State children. They are The Lloyd girl in Rochester, the DeCicco boy in Hudson, the Roberts twins in Roxbury, the Wheeler girl in Edenburg and 12-month-old Jessica Amell of Rochester. All the children are doing well at this time. Jessica Amell is on a limited diet of Progessstant and nubia foods at this time.

We are still in need of mothers to donate milk to help the ever-increasing need of allergic infants and children. We are still in need of mothers willing to pick up milk, do bookkeeping, donate craft items, help with craft fair and garage sales and volunteer their time to help.

For more information or for help with problems associated with breastfeeding, please contact Nancy at 645-5666 or Ann at 398-2601 day or night.
Nancy Boice

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is open to all letters in good taste on matters of public interest. Letters longer than 200 words are subject to editing and all letters should be typed and double-spaced if possible. Letters must include phone numbers; names will be withheld on request. Deadline is the Friday before publication.

What do SAT's show?
Editor, The Spotlight
The state's mandated reporting of elementary level and Regents test scores shows Bethlehem Central students doing extremely well, based on national comparisons. This would be the Dec. 4 board meeting was limited and difficult to interpret, with numerous pencilled corrections. The quality of the reporting is much less than one would have anticipated.
One might only speculate as to why Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT) scores were not included in this Comprehensive Assessment Report to the board, as well as other pertinent data.

Although the Bethlehem verbal and math means exceed state and national averages, the differences are much less than 10 years ago. Bethlehem shows a 10-year decline of 40 points in verbal and 33 points in math.

The BC scores for 1976, 1982, 1983 and 1984 and 1985 are:

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A 73 total point decline between 1976 and 1985.

Verbal scores showing a 10-year decline, but with an encouraging 8-point increase in the last year.

Math declining 33 points in the last 10 years with a 5-point drop in the last year.

In 1976 over 67 percent of BC students scored over 500 in math. This dropped to 54 percent of the 264 tested students in 1985.

The Bethlehem mean math score shows a continuing decline in the last 10 years, whereas state and national math scores show increases.

The 1985 BC average math SAT score of 507 compares to a Suburban Council score of 508, Niskayuna 542, Guilderton 532 and Schenectady 528.

Between 1967 and 1980, our (math plus verbal) mean score exceeded 1000. In three of the last five years—1981, 1984 and 1985—we have fallen below this level.

The SAT is designed to predict the performance of students during the first year of college. Inasmuch as 80 percent of BC students are expected to attend college, it is obvious that the decline should be evaluated.

Some educators indicate that a downward trend in scores should be a warning of possible problems in the teaching of academic skills. Other educators assert that the most important cause of the SAT score decline has been changes for the worse in the quality of teaching and learning.

Before anyone puts the rap on teaching, the percent of students testing above the state and national means, of the group tested, the results of this change. It behooves educators to decline has been changes for the worse in the quality of teaching and learning.

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Barrie play on Stage

The Village Stage will present J.M. Barrie's "The Twelve Pound Lobster" at 7:30 p.m. through Jan. 16 at the Bethlehem Reformed Church, noon until 2:30 p.m. Members should bring their favorite soup. Soup will be provided.

For information write to P.O. Box 208, Delmar, N.Y. 12054.

Barrie's "The Twelve Pound Lobster" will be held in the Bethlehem Town Hall auditorium, beginning at 7:30 p.m.

The Village Stage has begun rehearsals for their March 7 and 8 performances of Jerome Kass's "The Soup," beginning at 7:30 p.m.

For information, please consult the show program call 457-0692.

Middle School musical

"My Fair Lady," the Lerner and Loewe musical featuring such favorites as "On the Street Where You Live," and "Get Me to the Church on Time," will be presented at the Bethlehem Central Middle School, 8 p.m., Friday, Jan. 31, and Saturday, Feb. 1.

Megan Mitchell and Joshua Levenson head the cast directed by Marc Green.

Tickets for the regular performances are being sold for a $2 donation during school hours at the Bethlehem Central Middle School during the week of January 27.

Senior citizens are invited to come and enjoy the dress rehearsal on no charge on Tuesday, Jan. 28, 7 p.m.

Time Out! Spotlight photographer R.H. "Red" Davis takes a moment during half-time to get on the other side of the camera with Bethlehem Boosters Barbara Hodam, left, Pat Gunner and Shells Fuller. Judge Roger Fritts snapped the picture. The boosters had something to cheer as BC's basketball team played two good games last week.

Preserving art

A series of free noontime presentations about the art and science of conservation will be offered at the Albany Institute of History and Art, 125 Washington Ave., beginning Jan. 27.

Jonathan Thornton of Buffalo State College, Cooperstown, will speak about the conservation of ceramics and glass on Jan. 16. A program, entitled "Know What You See," will be offered on Jan. 23 by Joyce Zucker, conservator of paintings for the Bureau of Historic Sites, Pebbles Island.

Finaly, on Jan. 30 Sharon Moody, historic conservation technician for the New York State Archives, will speak about the preservation of photographs.

"Tot saver" course

"Tot-Saver," a course developed by the American Heart Association, will be offered at the Saratoga Community Health Plan, 60 Congress Street, Saratoga, on Wednesday, Jan. 29, from 9 to 9:30 p.m.

Participants will learn to recognize the symptoms of choking, obstructed airways and stopped breathing and will learn to perform cardiaopulmonary resuscitation on infants and children.

Call 583-1855 by Jan. 22 to register.

Field study set

A field study of coniferous trees will be held at Five Rivers Environmental Education Center, Game Farm Rd., Delmar, on Saturday, Jan. 18, beginning at 2 p.m.

For information about the free program call 457-6092.
Celebrating local businesses

These five people are representatives of some of the local hometown businesses that have been around for decades building a sense of community in the villages and hamlets of Bethlehem and New Scotland. Pictured on the steps of the Delmar Post Office are 240 years of business experience. From left: Jim McCarroll, The Village Butcher, 64 years; Jacoba Applebee, Applebee Funeral Home, since 1904; Bill and Fred Weber, Weber Brothers General Contractors and Pagano Weber Real Estate Services, continuous for 36 years; and Tony Cazzato, Cazzato's Custom Cleaners, with 22 years of tailoring here. The Spotlight's special business supplement begins on Page 15 of this issue.

Jeff Gonzalez

Connolly's hat back in ring

Bethlehem C of C names executive

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