Teen's eulogy evokes fragility of life

By Dev Tobin

More than 200 relatives, friends and schoolmates paid their last respects to Erin Cox Monday morning at the Church of St. Thomas the Apostle in Delmar.

The 16-year-old girl, who would have been a junior this fall at Bethlehem Central High School, died Thursday of injuries suffered when she was ejected from the rear of a pickup truck last Wednesday night. The truck was driven by Christopher Arnold, 17, of Delmar, who has been charged with criminally negligent homicide and driving while intoxicated.

In his eulogy, the Rev. James Daley said, "No one intended for us to be here this morning, but here we are.

Erin's death brings "all of us, especially Erin's peers, face to face with how fragile God's great gift of life to us is," Father Daley said.

Noting that Erin had been confirmed at St. Thomas in May, Rev. Daley recalled that Bishop Howard Hubbard then prayed that those confirmed would come to know the spirit of wisdom, understanding and fear of the Lord.

"I pray for the same spirit in our hearts today," Father Daley added.

"We believe Jesus took Erin's hand and said, 'Little girl, arise' ... to life everlasting," he said.

After the service, Erin's classmates, eyes red from crying, consoled each other outside the church.

With school set to start next week, Bethlehem Central Superintendent Leslie Loomis said the BCHS crisis intervention team will be ready to provide support for students troubled by Erin's death.

"We also want to be sensitive and respond to the Cox family and friends should they desire some kind of memorial for Erin," Loomis said.

Il an interview with The Spotlight Saturday, Erin's mother, Corinne Cox, said, "Erin was an absolute joy for 16 years. I feel blessed that I had 16 great years with that kid."
Ross blasts county Dems for patronage bloat

Instances of apparently major overstaffing in three Albany County departments were reported Tuesday by the County Legislature's Republican leadership.

James C. Ross of Elsmere, minority leader in the Legislature, said that a comparison of the county's payrolls in the Social Services, Public Works, and Real Property Tax offices with those in five other counties combined showed substantially larger numbers of employees needed here for parallel workloads. "It is a blatantly patronage-laden bureaucracy," he declared. "This is what really made the newest sales tax appear to be necessary."

In Social Services, he said, Albany County pays 42.7 percent more people than Rockland County does, though it has a 30 percent smaller welfare budget to administer and its Medicaid caseload is less than 45 percent of Rockland's. Compared with Niagara County, whose road system of 287 miles is virtually identical with Albany's, Ross said, the Albany DPW budget is more than twice as large (100 percent) and the work force is 95 percent greater.

Albany County's 38 employees in the Real Property Tax office are almost identical in size with those of five other counties combined — Broome, Niagara, Rockland, Orange, and Oneida. W. Gordon Morris of Delmar, ranking Republican member of the Legislature's finance committee, noted that the office has two additional employees to maintain tax maps but still paid $149,000 to an outside consultant for the work.

"Nowhere is the patronage bloat more evident than in this office. The Albany County Democratic machine's patronage traditions are at the root of the county's fiscal problems. Providing jobs for the party faithful has been the driving theme of county budgets for a number of years," Ross said.

The Republican legislators enumerated more than a dozen recommendations which they said would assist County Executive Michael J. Hoblock in "reducing the work force, eliminating 'perks', privatizing services, and consolidating county services."

Among these were three relating to the departments studied. These recommendations were:

• "Social Services should be downsized by eliminating long-term unqualified employees who hold provisional Civil Service status; a 10 percent reduction in management; and consolidation of general services with other county departments."

• "Federalize utility-grant and nursing home contracts."

• "Provisional Civil Service status; a 10 percent reduction in management; and consolidation of general services with other county departments."

Other recommendations included actions and transfers that would reduce Medicaid costs to the county and reducing the size of the automobile fleet, with the cars to be plainly marked as public property.

Town board of appeals to meet in September

The town of Bethlehem Board of Appeals will meet on Wednesday, Sept. 9, at 7:30 p.m. It will be the only meeting in September.

For information, call 439-4955.

Designer to discuss drying flowers, herbs

The Bethlehem Public Library, 451 Delaware Ave., Delmar, is sponsoring a class on drying flowers and herbs on Wednesday, Sept. 16, at 7:30 p.m.

Colette Caiza, a local floral designer, will discuss various methods and materials used to dry flowers and herbs. Simple decorative arrangements will also be demonstrated.

The program is free. For information, call the reference desk at 439-9314.
Recycling starts in New Scotland, V'ville

By Dev Tobin

In compliance with a state mandate, New Scotland and Voorheesville began compulsory curbside recycling programs this week.

Although solid waste collection in both municipalities is contracted out to the Robert Wright Refuse Service of Glenmont, the programs differ in how recyclables should be separated.

In New Scotland, mixed recyclables, including metal, glass and plastic, must be placed in a town-issued 14-gallon plastic bin separate from the rest of a household's trash, which must be in a clear plastic bag.

Newspapers must be placed in a separate plastic bin, and other paper recyclables, including brown grocery bags, cardboard, magazines, junk mail (except envelopes with plastic address windows) and high grade office and computer paper, must be separated and dropped off at one of five sheds throughout the town.

In Voorheesville, plastic, metal and glass recyclables must be placed in a separate clear plastic bag, and newspapers should be put out in paper bags as before. The rest of the trash must also be in a clear plastic bag.

In Voorheesville, the plastic bags containing refuse and/or recyclables may be placed in garbage cans.

Now that’s progress!

Women’s club tends town’s future

By Mel Hyman

Just in case you missed it, there was a time in Delmar when there was no home delivery of mail, garbage was buried in the backyard and a public library was nowhere to be found.

But the Delmar Progress Club, formed in 1901, saw to it that all of these callous realities were rectified. In fact, the contributions of this all-women organization over the years probably filled up a small volume, let alone a half page in the newspaper.

The club’s 305 members are not sitting on their laurels, however. They are just as active now as they were 90 years ago when meetings were held on someone’s porch and you had to bring your own lantern.

The club’s top priorities for 1992 include clean environment, a sound educational system, veterans’ benefits and senior citizen services.

Most recently, club members have been volunteering at the Glenmont Job Corps where they’ve been helping with literacy and equivalency diploma programs.

And political concerns are definitely not out of their realm. “We were very involved with the garbage-burning facility” proposed earlier this year, said club president Mary Tinney.

The switch to an outside contractor for solid waste pickup will save the town around $30,000, according to Supervisor Herb Reilly. Two of the three town employees who used to do trash pickup have been laid off, Reilly added.

Enforcement of the mandatory recycling law will be lenient at first, but those who chronically refuse to separate will not have their trash picked up, town officials said.

For information on New Scotland’s recycling program, call the highway department at 765-2681.

In Voorheesville, plastic, metal and glass recyclables must be placed in a separate clear plastic bag, and newspapers should be put out in paper bags as before. The rest of the trash must also be in a clear plastic bag.

Other paper recyclables, including magazines, cardboard, paper bags and junk mail (except envelopes with plastic address windows), should still be separated and brought to the firehouse on Altamont Road.

“The will be lenient for a couple of weeks until people get used to it,” noted Village Clerk Phyllis Robillard. “Then people who don’t comply with the law will not have their trash picked up.”
Retired mailmen leave posts with fond memories

By Susan Graves

Collectively, Bert Campbell and Tom O'Connor have come through in snow, sleet, rain and hail for 60 years.

Both letter carriers for the U.S. Post Office in Delmar have retired, and both have fond memories of their long careers.

O'Connor, a Delmar native who retired on a medical disability after 35 years of service, grew up right across the street from the Delaware Avenue branch.

"When I started, we worked 13, 14-hour days, seven days a week," he said.

O'Connor, who started as a custodian, clerk and carrier, remembers it all, especially the big snow storms in '58 and '69.

A native of Stratton Place in Delmar, Campbell also recalls the storms and said the post office used to provide the carriers with unusual footwear. "Remember we put chains on our feet," he said.

Campbell, 60, is retiring after 35 years of delivering mail on six or seven routes. "It keeps your weight down," he said.

For O'Connor, working Route 8 that covers Fernbank, Wellington and Elmere avenues was a joy. "I loved everyone, and they loved me," he said. "When I took sick, I never saw so many cards or got so many calls."

Although Campbell admits he was bitten twice by dogs in '69 or 70, he hasn't seen a recurrence of that problem since he started carrying Mace. There was one incident where he did use it — on a squirrel — but he said he hasn't quite lived that one down yet. "I sprayed a squirrel once and took a lot of ribbing for it."

Both carriers have had their share of more serious happenings over the years.

Once, O'Connor said, he saved a man from being electrocuted. A wire had fallen on the man's car during a storm, and O'Connor yelled for him to stay in the car until help arrived.

Campbell said he helped rescue a boy who had gotten his too-caught in the chain of his bicycle, taking control of the situation until the ambulance came.

"A lot of things happen," to letter carriers, he said.

Both retirees have witnessed many changes in the postal service in their respective careers. O'Connor, for example, said he started when an air-mail stamp was 6 cents and postage for first-class mail was a whopping 3 cents. He also said he initially walked from the Delaware Avenue office to his route and back. It wasn't until later that he used his car and then a post office jeep to deliver the mail.

For O'Connor, the old days were tougher because of the bulky magazines such as Life, Look and the Saturday Evening Post.

But Campbell thinks carriers still have their loads, considering the amount of fourth-class mail they must deliver.

Both men also served in union offices during their careers. Campbell was a shop steward twice, and O'Connor was president, treasurer and sergeant-at-arms before the Delmar postal union workers merged with the Albany union.

O'Connor, 54, said he is hoping to regain his health before making any long-term retirement plans. "I miss the people and the postal department."

Campbell said he will look for a part-time job to keep occupied.

Job search workshop to focus on strategies

The Bethlehem Public Library, 451 Delaware Ave., is offering a two-part Job Search Strategies workshop on Saturday, Sept. 12, and Sunday, Sept. 13, from 1 to 4 p.m. each day.

The free program will be led by Barry Schwartzberg and will cover job search methods, self-evaluation, the hidden job market, resumes and interviewing skills.

The program is funded by a grant from the Upper Hudson Library System. For information, call 439-9314.

Fire unit seeks dealers for craft, flea market

The Selkirk Fire Department Ladies Auxiliary is looking for exhibitors and dealers for a craft fair and flea market on Saturday, Sept. 12, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Space cost is $15. For information, call 767-2841.

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V'ville heart recipient touched by community support

By Dev Tobin

Christian Scharl is home in Voorheesville after receiving a new heart last month, and he is overwhelmed by the support of the community.

"Chris doesn't know how to thank everybody for their support and encouragement," his mother, Kitty, said Monday. "The community's concern and love for Chris is just wonderful."

A concert in the village park organized by retired Voorheesville music teacher Frank McDermott Aug. 20 raised almost $3,000 from the more than 300 people in attendance.

"The response from the crowd was outstanding, and I was also so impressed that 67 musicians showed up to practice for three days and play the concert," McDermott said.

Besides current students and recent grads, the ad hoc orchestra included several adults including clarinetists Jack Dirrigl and Dr. Clifford Casey, Bethlehem Central music teacher Leonard Tobler (percussionist) and his wife Lydia (flutist), and McDermott's 83-year-old son Tom, a trombonist who came back to his hometown just for the concert.

"It was a really nice tribute to Chris, who played percussion for four years in the band," McDermott said of the 1990 graduate of Clayton A. Bouton High School.

"We all wanted to do something nice for a fine young man."

In an interview Monday, Kitty Scharl said that Chris, 20, is working on regaining his strength so he can return to Syracuse University to begin his junior year in the spring.

"He is undergoing physical and occupational therapy and catching up on eating and sleeping," she explained.

Chris said, "It's great to be home, but I'm still not back to normal."

Chris was afflicted with a cardiomyopathy of unknown origin that was destroying his heart muscle. Kitty Scharl told The Spotlight. "It could be a virus or something hereditary, the doctors just don't know," she added.

Chris received the heart of a 13-year-old Alabama boy in an Aug. 2 operation at Presbyterian University Hospital in Pittsburgh.

His father Karl brought a videotape of the concert to Pittsburgh Aug. 22 on his weekly visit. "It was great, we all just sat there and cried," Kitty said.

Besides the concert video, Chris also received a "stack of mail a foot high," Kitty said.

The money raised by the community was to help pay for living expenses for Kitty, who stayed in community's concern and love for Chris is just wonderful."

"They are doing wonderful things with transplants, and one person, whether an infant or a senior citizen, can help so many others with organs, corneas and skin grafts," she said. "We want to let people know that the donor cards on their driver's licenses are really important."
Face the facts on drinking

Beyond the tears and sorrow, the regrets and condolences following last week's dreadful crash that claimed one young life and scarred whole families, there were some unhappy and uncomfortable facts.

First is that of the ruined lives within a circle even larger than the occupants of the ill-fated pick-up truck. The dreams and promises of the young people involved will always be clouded by a vision of imminent tragedy; their parents' hopes for them put aside by the issue of mere survival. And recognition by all that it was entirely unnecessary and avoidable.

Then there is the matter of a community's conscience and - very possibly - awareness of guilt. Drunken driving is one issue, and the law presumably will exact its toll.

The overriding issue, however, is that of unbridled use of alcohol illegally by young people. The dimensions of the issue were fully sketched out in The Spotlight's two-part series in July for which the headlines read: "Alcohol, drugs part of growing up in Bethlehem." "Affluence eases teen access to alcohol.

The Bethlehem community as a whole tolerates illegal, under-age consumption of alcohol by teenagers, and in some instances supports it. There is an inexplicable conclusion to be drawn from our two articles.

Seeking 'the Conners seat'

The Assembly district that Dick Conners has represented so diligently for the past 16 years, is composed largely of residents of Albany, though geographically four towns are dominant by far. These are two of the "hill towns," Knox, and Berne; Guilderland; and the publican resuscitation of the late 60s.

A native of that town and now a Guilderland resident, Jack Bailey, is the Republican candidate for the vacant seat (which a member of his party held briefly in the Republican renascence of the late 60s).

But four Democrats are emerging from Albany, each claiming to be the rightful heir to Dick Conners' domain. Only one, incidentally, mentioned the interests of the towns. (All are employees of the State of New York.) Their statements of beliefs and credentials are published today on pages 8 and 9, and to Democrats in their district we offer their views as useful background for informed voting in the Sept. 15 primary.

As it is our practice, The Spotlight will publish comparable statements by all candidates of both parties shortly before the Nov. 3 election.

Your cable picture

As Gabriel Heatter might have said, there's good news tonight on the cable TV front for some Bethlehem viewers.

The new agreement reached by the town of Bethlehem and Cablevision's Galvin, under which the town of Westerlo. We have just now, after two years of negotiations, come up July 15, 1992. . . .

Vox Pop

Irogios Gas had offered a pitic for its establishment, considering the value of the property. Because of where they went through, they rendered the back two-thirds landlocked.

"We were thinking of having an 'infant,' we were not able to accept the Irogios offer. This obligated us to sue the company.

We have just now, after two years of worth of taxes have accrued. In practically the same week the property was placed on the market, we learned that the taxes had been turned over by the Town of Westerlo.

Schools fail to realize need for cost priorities

Editor, The Spotlight:

Most residents of Bethlehem realize that if we are to make this a place where people of all walks of life and the elderly can afford to live, we will have to keep the cost of local government in line. This includes the cost of education, library support, extra-curricular and extra-curricular programs — and then pays somebody $5, 400 a year to tell us we need more teachers and solid programs. It makes little sense.

I know that next week's Spotlight will be filled with the letters from educators implying that I am a sniveling grump who understands nothing about the education process. I simply wish that the Board of Education would fund traditional teaching, small classes, great art and music, solid physical education programs (have I left anything out?) and cut the costs of administration.

Delmar
Ronalin M. Berger

Orphan’s mite periled by foreclosure over tax

Editor, The Spotlight:

My name is Jennifer Luhmann. My husband Paul and I are legal guardians of an 11-year-old boy. His only living relatives are a 4-year-old half-sister in New Jersey and two half-sisters in Germany. Hence, we have become administrators of his estate.

The estate, which is the old "Student Prince" farm, consists of 135 acres of land, a stone house, and two other buildings in the Town of Westerlo.

The mother, having been on welfare for a number of years prior to her death, had not paid taxes on the property for three years.

Shortly after (3 to 6 months) her death, the Tioga & Susquehanna Corp. came through the property by condemnation. (My husband and I have been made administrators.)

The property was placed on the market, we learned that the taxes had been turned over by the Town of Westerlo.

Then there is the matter of a community's need for cost priorities.

It's time!"
They're too long at the trough

Very possibly you have happened to note news stories recently reporting that a former Congressman from the Bronx, Mario Biaggi, is trying to win the Democratic nomination in a revised district that incorporates some of his old territory. There is another Democrat holding the House of Representatives seat that had been his for nearly 20 years.

If you are unfamiliar with Mr. Biaggi, it may be assumed that this is just another case of intra-party rivalry. But research your file of political memories and you are likely to come up with a sour recollection of Mario Biaggi's wheeling and dealing.

It was as a shrewd — but not endlessly clever — politician that one of the dealer that Congressman Biaggi ended up in prison after two convictions on charges of skimming the influence of his office and accepting favors improperly.

He served time on the convictions, but only a short time ago won his conviction reinstated, not on the merits of the case against him, but rather on the plea that deteriorating health made it inadvisable for him to be sentenced to prison.

Apparantly, the former Congressman considers the House of Representatives to be more favorable to his career than one of the minimum-security prisons.

For he hardly had time to order a new suit of Civvies than he announced his candidacy for the office he had vacated only a few weeks ago.

He resigned from the House before he would have been expelled.

There were words for this kind of shabby performance, and one of the kinder among them is chutzpah. But the word would have called it brass. Arrogance is too genteel a description of the audacity that would be required to show up at the monthly session of constituents whose trust he betrayed. Shameless — perhaps that's the word I'm groping for.

Whatever you may choose to call this display of chutzpah, it stands as a new definition for the American public's disgust with the political process today. It is a disconcerting depth to which it fostered a stillborn presidential candidacy of a man who lacked the credentials for that office but provided a vocabulary of affectations and interjections that gave colorful expression to the nation's mood of revulsion.

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Mr. Luca, the writer, draws a few pointed lessons from this dreadful event, focusing on the considerations that such an unsafe car can pass a state inspection — and that this should not be so. An investigator is quoted: "The driver was unable to decide whether to take a chance with his or her life to operate a vehicle if it is rolled or has other unsafe conditions." He suggests that the vehicle was not covered by ordinary inspections. This might require an additional fee, but would yield a significant increase in safety. It is virtually impossible to read this article without deciding to have older cars meticulously reinspected — and remedied or discarded.

To me, equally serious flaws in existing laws appear. The youthfu driver, who "did not see" the stopped car until she was upon it (at 47 mph), has not been charged under criminal law. "Inattentiveness does not constitute criminal negligence," says the Dutchess district attorney, and his office hence forth. The "brassy, hearty, home (she) failed to see" the stopped car ahead. As of the time of writing, it seemed "more than likely that the driver will be suspended or revoked."

And the bereaved mother is suing her and her father for a total of $17 million.

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The second describes five B&B spots in Dutchess. All sound quite appealing: if we go far enough, and that is a pleasant arrangement.

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The Universe (always capitalized because it is the place we live) would be curved. On a curved surface we always meet each other — if we go far enough, and that is a pleasant arrangement.

Earth would still be round. If it were square or rectangular, there would be danger of falling off. Besides, a rectangular Earth would look too much like a television screen. I'd leave it pretty much as it is, probably because I have no architectural vision.

People in my Universe would be structured pretty much as they are now. Again, lack of architectural imagination. It would be useful to have a third eye planted in the back of our heads, but it might create too many problems. Our eyelashes would have to be changed, and besides, who wants to look backwards?

For people who choose, they might be offered a special type of navel which they could set for any particular size or shape or weight they wish to be — fat or thin, hairy or hairless, tall or short. Our crumbling systems might be redesigned to work more effectively, more aesthetically, and perhaps more harmoniously.

People might be designed so that they eat each other's waste materials. In that way we would be brought together constantly, would replenish and nurture each other and not be confined by its limitations.

Two genders would remain, their relationships being as unpredictable and exciting as they are now.

Recreating the universe to suit our lifestyle

The contributor of this Point of View, a Slingerlands resident, describes himself as "a sometimes economist, author, executive, and a sometimes none of these."

By Robert S. Herman

We are constantly reminded that "Life is what you make it." This may or may not be true. To a large extent our lives are conditioned by the nature of the Universe we live in. We are confined by its limitations.

Suppose we were able to recreate this Universe, to design one that would suit our lifestyle better. How would we do it differently?

This is a formidable challenge. Here are some quick thoughts on what I might like. Other readers of The Spotlight may wish to add theirs.

I probably would begin with "god." Mine would be completely anthropomorphic and self-sustaining — anthropomorphic except for gender. It would be both female and male, not sexless but ambisexual. It would be anthropomorphic so people could easily identify with it. None of this is God's "Wind" or even "God as Word." We need something more solid to relate to.

This "god" (never in capital letters to show it is one of "us," but in quotation marks to show it is a little different from "us") would be a mass of understanding and compassion and patience with a dash of whimsy added. It would be completely lacking in judgment, and it would have no memory. It is troublesome to have a "god" that judges, and even worse to have one who remembers what it has judged. This "god" would also be totally incapable of giving advice. It would be a bit misleading. It would disdain any praise from us.

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There would be day and night. The nights would be brief, and their only purpose would be to allow us to see the moon more clearly.

We need architecture for sentimental reasons, and because it does rhyme with June.

There would be heaven as well as Earth, but a strict rule against romanticizing about the heavens. That tends to degrade our beautiful Earth home.

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If this is too hard for the squeamish to take, people could be designed to feed on sunlight. The sunlight would be constantly available — an abundant source of energy and nourishment. At
**Matters of Opinion**

**Universe**

(from page 7)

**Different times of the day the sunlight would come in different flavors. These would include vanilla, mocha walnut, and ginger. Also chocolate and peppermint. Any Universe without these tastes would be deficient.**

If this failed, we might try eating our own words. In this way our nourishment would depend on ourselves, especially if each word had a different nutrient value.

Hot fudge sundaes would be a cure for cancer, and eating eggs and whipped cream would reduce cholesterol.

4 primary candidates offer statements on their positions

In the 104th Assembly District, which includes the Town of New Scotland (as well as the towns of Knox, Berne, Guilderland, and much of the city of Albany), four Democratic candidates for their party's primary nomination are on the ballot in the Sept. 15 primary election.

They are: Helen Desfosses, Josie Herrick, Joseph P. Sullivan, and John J. McEnery.

On this page and the page opposite, The Spotlight is publishing the information provided by each candidate. This is in keeping with our tradition of publishing such statements by candidates in primary and general elections.

Related commentary is also published today in our editorial columns on page 6.

By Helen Desfosses

The 104th A.D. is not just the City of Albany. All too often, we forget that New Scotland, Berne, Knox, and Guilderland are thriving areas which add to the complexity of issues facing this Assembly district.

My candidacy is based on four survival issues: jobs, economic development, access to health care, and education—all crucial concerns for each of us. But there are concerns specific to our towns that must also be addressed.

Establish a dedicated solid-waste management fund with revenues from all taxes on recyclable and disposable materials. This includes creating new markets for recyclable goods.

Town governments are unnecessarily burdened by state mandates because county government shifts the costs of these mandates onto the shoulders of local taxpayers. Both county and town governments must be given mandate relief in order to prevent soaring costs and cuts in essential services.

 Preserve current levels of revenue sharing to help hold local taxes at their present level.

Include a local road and bridge component to a dedicated highway fund to ensure the safety of our local infrastructure.

Our future depends upon quality education today. As an educator, I have seen the future of young people held hostage by budget cuts at local school districts and universities. Education must be made a priority.

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Democratic aspirants for Assembly seat state views

By Josie Herrick

On Tuesday, Sept. 15, Democratic voters in the 104th Assembly District will have an important decision to make. For the first time in 16 years, someone other than Dick Conner will represent our interests at the State Capitol—and the people who choose on Sept. 15 is likely to be the new Assembly member elected in November.

I am running for this office because of my commitment to public service and open, accessible government that serves people's needs.

I am committed to:

Creating and implementing jobs programs to put New York State back to work and to get our economy going again.

Expanding access to quality health care services through enactment of New York Health.

Preserving a woman's right to reproductive choice.

Most importantly, to being available and accessible to all the people I represent.

When you decide who can best represent you, I ask that you consider experience as one of the most important factors in making your decision. The New York State Assembly is not an academic debating society where all it takes to win a point is a good argument. It's a diverse group of individuals with different priorities and varying agendas. I know. I've worked in the Assembly as a senior legislative staffer for over 13 years. I've learned how to make the system work and I know what must change.

Next year's Legislature will have no headquarters, expensive media ads, glossy brochures or paid political consultants. Instead I present you with a candidate who has the desire, ability, experience and perspective to effectively represent you in the State Legislature.

I am a US Navy veteran, AARP member, and president of a Neighborhood Association. I have 17 years' experience in state government as a Senate staffer and administrator. Democrats and Republicans in my district respect my ability to rise above partisanism in playing a key role in enactment of legislation that has benefited veterans and farmers and addressed environmental concerns.

In contrast to the empty slogans and deceptive media ads of my foes I offer: water/farmland conservation, saving families farms, urban/rural reforestation, improving indoor air quality for public/private sector office workers, lifelong learning for all, saving Albany's State Armory Unit (NYARNG), campaign/election law reform and respect for life.

As Assembly member I will ask to serve on the aging, agriculture, veterans, environment conservation and higher education committees.

Thanks to The Spotlight for providing all candidates with an opportunity to get their messages out. This is a major step forward in campaign reform.

By John J. McEneny

Last fall, with the help of other citizens who felt the need for change in the Democratic party and the County Legislature, I took on the party organization, sued the Board of Elections over a disputed vote, and won an historic write-in election. Certainly these are not the actions of a "partisan" or an example of "business as usual."

Although elected as an independent, I firmly believe that the Democratic party is the "party of the people" and as such we are the best hope for working men and women and their families.

For 27 years I have worked in every level of government in human services, John, training, and economic development. I've seen firsthand the agony and stress New Yorkers are suffering from unemployment, underemployment, and spiraling health costs. As chief of staff for Assemblyman Dick Conner, I'm well familiar with the need for health insurance reform like New York Health that protects all of our citizens regardless of age, sex, or occupation.

We need quality, affordable eldercare and day care so that our people do not have to choose between being able to work and being able to care for their environment.

New York's future is with our young. We need to embrace the new technologies, which will rebuild New York's manufacturing base and give us the competitive work force needed to survive in a global economy. Just as we need the $800 million bond act to build public infrastructure, so, too, we must invest in our precious human resources.

New York must stop over-regulating its business and its government. We need to provide leadership and incentives to consolidate government services and encourage public/private partnerships in business and in the classroom.

Instead of investing in higher education we have all but eliminated state funding to all colleges, and now give Regents scholarships that have no value. By neglecting education, we are selling our future to achieve short-term goals that will soon be forgotten.

This state's $18-billion tourist industry — most of whose resources are located in areas of highest unemployment — is languishing. The State government, instead of helping it, is encouraging its tourism. "I Love New York" is a shadow of its former self. This trend must be reversed.

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I would appreciate the opportunity to continue working on your behalf. Please vote on Sept. 15. Remember, one vote can make a difference!
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Must orphaned children lose their legacy in this way?

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Promises for Parents' pledge campaign is offered to people who want to do something preventative

For those who would like to become more involved in prevention, the Federation can provide information and referrals to local child abuse task forces and other volunteer opportunities in their counties.

We invite every person in New York State who agrees with us that "It Shouldn't Hurt to Be a Child" to join us in taking action to prevent further abuse and neglect of children.

James S. Cameron
Executive Director

Orphan (from page 6)

Westero to Albany County. They are now giving the estate the next two months to come up with $28,000 before they foreclose and sell at auction.

We have $18,000 from the gas company settlement toward the taxes. The county, however, is refusing anything other than payment in full.

(There are only minor children involved in this estate, and no source of funds other than the estate. Because of the circumstances there was a chance this estate could have progressed any faster toward satisfaction of its debt.)

I find it such a travesty that minor children could lose their legacy in this manner.

The estate's market value is $275,000. Everyone but the children wins if it goes to auction. Once sold for taxes, the county has its money.

There seems to be no way to stop the foreclosure other than payment in full. (Oh, I forgot—getting the property sold in two months?)

As a lay person, I believe that all we need is to buy a little legal aid. Perhaps the Department of Social Services could have progressed any further toward satisfaction of its debt.

In putting all this down on paper, I am getting a little emotional. I am writing in the prayerful hope that The Spotlight can help in this dilemma.

I apologize for the length of this letter, and thank you profusely for taking the time to read it.

Any suggestions will be greatly appreciated. I am willing to go to bat any way I can.

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Police charge four with DWI

Four motorists were arrested over the weekend for driving while intoxicated, according to Bethlehem police.

John J. Malatino, 24, of 1351 Seahawk Lane, Vero Beach, Fla., was apprehended at 2:58 a.m. on Saturday, Aug. 29, on New Scotland Road for driving erratically, police said. He was charged with driving with a suspended license, DWI and possession of a controlled substance.

He was released pending a Sept. 15 appearance in Town Court.

Guy Patrick Peck, 31, of RD 2, Selkirk, was stopped on Delaware Avenue near Elsmere at 2:35 a.m. Sunday, Aug. 30, for insufficient headlights, police said.

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Teen charged with DWI in death of Delmar girl

By Dev Tobin

A Delmar girl is dead, and a Delmar boy faces charges of criminally negligent homicide and driving while intoxicated after a late-night accident Aug. 28 in Guilderland.

Erin Cox, 16, of 22 Haddington Lane, died from massive head trauma after she was ejected from the rear of a pickup truck driven by Christopher Arnold, 17, of 13 Bedell Ave.

The truck, with three people in the back and two inside, was traveling north on Route 155 near Wormer Road in Guilderland at a high rate of speed around 11:15 p.m. when Arnold lost control, crossed into the southbound lane, then swerved back across the northbound lane and went off the road into a ditch, according to State Police Senior Investigator Kevin Tuffey.

Arnold was treated and released for minor injuries at Albany Medical Center. The front-seat passenger, Christopher Cox, 15, of 28 Commonwealth Drive, Glenmont, who suffered internal injuries and was in fair condition at St. Peter's Hospital Monday following surgery Friday.

Arnold was charged with DWI based on accounts of the accident and his demeanor at the scene, according to Assistant District Attorney Cheryl Coleman. The results of the blood test should be available before the court's arraignment, she added.

The case will likely go before the grand jury in the next two weeks.

"You shouldn't consider the current charges as final, because the grand jury will ultimately decide what charges Mr. Arnold will face," Coleman told The Spotlight.

No plea bargain will be accepted without the consent of the victim's family, Coleman emphasized.

Erin's mother Corinne Cox said she "most definitely" wants to be involved in the criminal justice process.

Four other passengers in the truck, all youths from the Bethlehem area, suffered injuries serious enough to require hospitalization.

The front-seat passenger, Daniel O'Donnell, 17, of 10 Snowden Ave., Delmar, suffered a fractured skull and was in fair condition at the medical center as of Monday.

"Mark Herzog, 17, of Bethlehem Terrace Apartments, suffered a broken leg and internal injuries after his ejection from the back of the truck. He was also in fair condition on Monday.

Also ejected was the dead girl's cousin, Keri Cox, 15, of 28 Commonwealth Drive, Glenmont, who suffered internal injuries and was in fair condition at St. Peter's Hospital Monday following surgery Friday.

Erin's death robbed the world of "a real giver," according to her mother.

"She donated a quilt she had made to the Farano Center for children with AIDS," Corinne Cox recalled. "She told me she was very impressed with the center and felt so bad for the babies there."

Corinne Cox said she grew concerned Wednesday when Erin had not returned home by her 11 p.m. curfew.

"My biggest fear was her walking home along the pipeline path and running into some dangerous person," she said. "After 11:15, I went to see if she was still at Haggerty's, where she said she was going for the teen karaoke. I don't believe in kids hanging out, and Haggerty's is somewhat supervised."

Haggerty's has conducted teen nights on Wednesdays over the summer where alcohol is served. "It's a little bit of a hangout," she emphasized.

When Cox returned to her Haddington Lane home, two Bethlehem police officers were there with the news of her daughter's death in the accident.

Workshop is available on talking about AIDS

Cornell Cooperative Extension's "Talking With Kids About AIDS" project workshop is available to schools, PTAs, businesses and social groups.

The workshops concentrate on enhancing the communication skills of parents and adults working with children, and presents discussions on myths, facts and prevention skills about AIDS.

Volunteer trainers are available days, evenings and weekends.

The extension is also sponsoring workshops for adults interested in becoming trained volunteers in this project.

The workshops will be on the following dates: Thursday, Sept. 16, 5:30 to 9 p.m.; Friday, Sept. 11, 5 to 9 p.m.; Saturday, Sept. 12, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.; Thursday, Oct. 8, 5 to 9 p.m.; Friday, Oct. 9, 5:30 to 9 p.m.; and Saturday, Oct. 10, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

For information, call 765-5500.

BC reception to honor head superintendent

The Bethlehem Central School District is hosting a reception in honor of Dr. Judith Wooster, the new assistant superintendent for educational programs and instruction, on Wednesday, Sept. 16, from 3 to 5 p.m., at the Educational Services Center, 90 Adams Place, Delmar.

The reception is open to the public. For information, call 439-3650.
Apostle's creed — the pen is mightier...

By Mike Larabee

Newtonville businessman Chris Apostle says his only hope left is the power of the pen.

Though Apostle's hopes for an upset primary victory over state Senator Howard Nolan were dashed by a court decision last week, the challenger said he may wage a write-in campaign to unseat the longtime incumbent.

On Tuesday, Aug. 25, the state's Appellate Division upheld an earlier court decision that invalidated almost 900 Apostle petition signatures, leaving the candidate with only Nolan's pursuance the 61 Apostle petition pages were invalid because they did not contain the assembly district of the person who collected the signatures.

While the decision effectively ends his attempt to wrestle the lines, his appeal to overturn the Kahn decision.

For more information, call (518) 966-5182. Hours: Mon. - Sat. 9am - 5pm; Sun. 10am - 6pm.
Pressure screenings promote healthy hearts

By Susan Graves

A program that began over 17 years ago is still going strong in Bethlehem.

Former Town Board member Ruth Bickel, who was appointed to the board in 1975, said she was looking to do something of a positive nature that would provide a worthwhile service to the community. "Blood pressure screenings turned out to be the perfect project for Bickel, who is responsible for launching the program in Bethlehem. "It started out with a bang, she said, with about 400 to 500 people.

The blood screenings were originally done at a former coffee house on Adams Street, now occupied by The Spotlight.

Caroline Wirth, outreach staffer for Bethlehem Senior Services, said the program isn't designed to give medical advice, but rather to monitor blood pressure readings and provide information to the community. "We don't give medical advice, but rather refer people with high readings to their physicians."

Retired physician Dr. Bill Blackmore, who participates in the all-volunteer program, concurs. "We who take blood pressure readings are not practicing medicine or giving advice," he said. "All we are doing is taking blood pressure readings and telling what it is."

When readings are high or erratic, patients are referred to their own physicians. Wirth said. In 1991, 1,380 blood pressure screenings were taken. There were 115 referrals for unusual situations, Wirth said.

The blood pressure readings are open to all regardless of age, and there are no residency requirements.

Initially, the equipment was borrowed from the American Heart Association, but eventually the town bought its own.

The screenings are held on the third Tuesday of every month except May, July and August. Screenings are from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.at the Town Hall on Delaware Avenue.

Nutritionist Navee Pohlsande is also available at the screenings to offer basic, simple suggestions about nutrition.

Dr. Blackmore said it is very important for everyone to have his blood pressure monitored. ''Hypertension, in my opinion, is an area where there is excellent therapy, and there are many drugs available to control hypertension, he said.

Wirth said the six medical and four clerical volunteers are responsible for the screening program's success. "It wouldn't be possible without the wonderful cooperation of volunteers."

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Church plans parish family picnic at town park

The Church of St. Thomas the Apostle will have its 22nd annual family picnic at the Bethlehem Town Park from 1 to 6 p.m. on Sunday, Sept. 13.

Picnic co-chairmen Jim and Barbara Kelly have scheduled a number of family activities to take place throughout the park, including tennis, softball and nature hikes.

Entertainment will be provided by Skip Parsons Riverboat Jazz Band, magicians and clowns. Children's activities will include Mr. Bouncety Bounce, pony rides, games and races.

Volunteers from the parish will cook and serve hamburgers, sausages and onions, hot dogs and chowder. Cotton candy, beer and soft drinks will be available. For those with a sweet tooth, there will be a sale of homemade baked goods.

This year's raffle prizes include a 19-inch color TV donated by J.C. Penney's in Crossgates Mall, a $100 gift certificate from Falvo's Meat Shoppe, dinner at Nicole's the church after all Masses and at the picnic. Displaying some of the raffle prizes available at the annual family picnic of the Church of St. Thomas the Apostle Sept. 13 are Barbara Kelly (picnic co-chair), Matt and Susannah Kelly, Justin Marks, Patrick Doyle, the Rev. James Daley, pastor of St. Thomas, and Amanda Kelly.

Also, a $25 gift certificate and dried flower wreath from Baby's Breath Florist, a $25 dinner certificate from Mangia Restaurant, a $25 gift certificate from McCall's Men's Store, a shrimp, style, blow dry and manicure from the Orlo, a $25 gift certificate from Stone Ends Restaurant, Captain Morgan's Spiced Rum and matching umbrella donated by the House of Seagrams, and a garment bag donated by Mayone's Liquor Store.

Also, a $25 gift certificate from Boonie's Opticians, a pizza from Manga's Restaurant, a $10 gift certificate from Brookley's, a Big Ten Video Card donated by Delmar Video Court, and a flower arrangement donated by Verstandig's Florist.

Children's prizes include a bicycle from the Eagle's Nest Bike Shop, and other prizes donated by Thomas Newman Esq., Singerlands Sportscards, Brownell's Insurance and John J. Healy Real Estate.

Raffle tickets are available at the church after all Masses and at the picnic.

The event is open to parish members only. For information, call 439-3295.
The Spotlight remembers 10 years ago

In 1982, these stories were making headlines in The Spotlight.

- Nine-year-old Mirinda Stant from South Bethlehem was named Most Promising New Female Vocalist at the Colorado Country Music Convention in Denver.
- For the first seven months of the year, Bethlehem police recorded 155 drunk driving arrests, compared to 69 in the same period of 1981. Sgt. Richard Vanderbelt noted that less than 30 percent of those arrested are town residents "because so many people from other areas use our roads to get where they're going."
- Bethlehem Central's new football coach, John Sodergen, said he was relying on senior starters Pete Kelly, Rich Jadin, Lenny Klink, Dennis Dottino and Chris Braga to help reverse the Eagles' three-year slide from the top of the Suburban Council standings.

Five Rivers seeks adult volunteers

Five Rivers Environmental Education Center is seeking volunteers to teach fall guided lessons for school classes and other education groups.

"The lessons, each lasting two hours, are for pupils in kindergarten through eighth-grade and cover topics such as "Exploring the Outdoors," "Forest Life" and "World of the Pond."

The program runs during school hours for groups of 15 or fewer children. All volunteers will receive training from center professionals.

To apply to be a volunteer, call Anita Sanchez or Joanne Gwinn at 475-0291.

Finley wins art award at summer program

Andrew Finley, a senior at Bethlehem Central High School, recently won an award for excellence in oil painting after participating in the Sage Summer Art 1992 program.

The monthlong program is offered to high school students who want the experience of working creatively under the supervision of professional artists.

Ag districts can reduce farm taxes

Agricultural district borders, which are redrawn every five years, will be up for review and revision in February, according to Town Assessor Brian Lastra.

"The last time district lines were redrawn in 1988, only a handful of Bethlehem farmers joined because "taxes were low enough so that most of them didn't have any real incentive" for joining," Lastra said.

"I think you'll see a lot more interest on the part of farmers when the ag districts come up for renewal again," he said.

It was the town's changeover to full valuation assessment which made it a new ball game, he added. A certain percentage of farmers are bound to see their taxes rise as a result.

Quite a few farmers already benefit from a partial tax break by qualifying for an agricultural assessment. But, unless they belong to an agricultural district, they will not be sheltered from the effects of Homestead.

The status of the Homestead provision in Bethlehem is still up in the air as some Town Board members have hinted they might vote to rescind the legislation before year's end.

Local dairy farmer Douglas LeGrange of Echo-Glen Farms in Feura Bush told the Spotlight recently that unless some relief was provided, the Homestead provision as passed by the Town Board could prompt some farmers to throw in the towel and sell off all or part of their holdings.

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The effects of Homestead legislation will be up for review and revision qualifying for an agricultural assessment as passed by the Town Board of professional artists.

Ag districts can reduce farm taxes

Agricultural district borders, which are redrawn every five years, will be up for review and revision in February, according to Town Assessor Brian Lastra.

"The last time district lines were redrawn in 1988, only a handful of Bethlehem farmers joined because "taxes were low enough so that most of them didn't have any real incentive" for joining," Lastra said.

"I think you'll see a lot more interest on the part of farmers when the ag districts come up for renewal again," he said.

It was the town's changeover to full valuation assessment which made it a new ball game, he added. A certain percentage of farmers are bound to see their taxes rise as a result.

Quite a few farmers already benefit from a partial tax break by qualifying for an agricultural assessment. But, unless they belong to an agricultural district, they will not be sheltered from the effects of Homestead.

The status of the Homestead provision in Bethlehem is still up in the air as some Town Board members have hinted they might vote to rescind the legislation before year's end.

Local dairy farmer Douglas LeGrange of Echo-Glen Farms in Feura Bush told the Spotlight recently that unless some relief was provided, the Homestead provision as passed by the Town Board could prompt some farmers to throw in the towel and sell off all or part of their holdings.
Albany planetarium plans Saturday family programs

The Henry Hudson Planetarium, 25 Quackenbush Square, Albany, has announced two family programs for Saturdays in September.

At 11:30 a.m., "Bear Tales (and other Grizzly stories)" of star legend will be told. Anyone bringing their own teddy bear will be admitted at half price.

At 12:30 p.m., "The Message of Starlight," a light-hearted look at the information scientists can obtain from the light of stars, will be presented. Telescopes, spectrosopes, parallax, Doppler effect, and many other tools, concepts, and techniques will be covered.

Admission is $4 for adults and $2 for children and senior citizens. Parking is free at the Orange Street parking lot off Broadway.

For information, call 434-6311.

Price Chopper to offer equipment for schools

Price Chopper Supermarkets will again offer the "Register Tapes for Education" program this year.

To participate in the program, now in its second year, schools collect pink Price Chopper register receipts to be redeemed for educational equipment. Last year, about 1,100 schools participated, receiving more than $1 million in equipment.

The program will begin on Tuesday, Sept. 14, and last 20 weeks. For information, call 1-800-666-7667.

V'ville school board sets '92-'93 meetings

The Voorheesville Board of Education recently set its schedule for the 1992-93 school year.

All regular meetings will be on Mondays at 7:30 p.m. in the high school cafeteria. Dates of the meetings are Sept. 14, Oct. 5, Nov. 9, Dec. 14, Jan. 11, Feb. 8, March 8, April 5, May 10 and June 14.

On Tuesday, Sept. 22, a special planning meeting will be held in the superintendent's office from 5 to 7 p.m.

On Tuesday, May 11, the board's annual meeting will be held.

For information, call 765-3313.

Five Rivers schedules program on honeybees

Five Rivers Environmental Education Center, Game Farm Road, Delmar, is offering a program on the honeybee, Saturday, Sept. 5, from 1:30 to 4 p.m.

The program will feature demonstrations about the insects, their honey and beekeeping.

For information, call 475-0291.
Justice candidate faces challenge to petitions

By Mel Hyman

Tom Dexter's independent campaign for Bethlehem Town Justice is running into static before it's even gotten off the ground.

As the only non-lawyer in the race, Dexter finds himself dueling with the sharpened sabre of Saratoga attorney Francis V. Carine, a former law associate of incumbent GOP Town Justice Peter Bishko. Carine, who describes himself as semi-retired, filed an objection to Dexter's nominating petitions last week with the Albany County Board of Elections.

Dexter submitted 756 signatures for his independent Justice Party line last Wednesday. Only 600 valid signatures were needed. Carine said he plans to scrutinize Dexter's petitions more closely this week and added there are "indications that discrepancies and errors exist."

Dexter was upset with the attempt to deny him ballot access. "The voters of this town should be outraged that the lawyer-dominated Republican machine chooses to deny citizens the opportunity to vote in November for a well-qualified candidate," he said. "With all their power and money, I can't for the life of me imagine what they're worried about."

Carine refused to engage in verbal fisticuffs with Dexter and said his only reason for challenging the petitions was that he felt Bishko was a superior candidate. "I was associated with (Bishko) over in Colonie for many years. He's a no-nonsense guy and the best qualified candidate for the job."

Bishko was appointed by the Republican-dominated Town Board in January to fill the vacancy created when Justice Roger Fitts left to become an Albany County public defender. Democrat John Dorfman, who waged an unsuccessful race for the $25,580-a-year position last year, is running again.

Dexter, 59, has touted his extensive background in criminal justice, experience as a probation officer in four counties, a county probation director and a family court advisor.

In addition, he has served as executive director of Community Corrections, district supervisor of Berkshire Farm Youth Services, deputy state director of probation and assistant deputy state commissioner of correctional services.

Dexter promises to work full-time as town justice and to conduct outreach activities to familiarize the community with the criminal justice system on the local level.

Sarah Davis rides a horse from Happyjack Cherokee Ridge Pony Rides of Coeymans Hollow, while Judy Beachler, left, and Sue Peters keep her company during the Ravena Friendship Festival along Main Street in Ravena recently.  Michele Bintz
Overdue fine increase slated Sept. 8

A time-honored way libraries encourage borrowers to return materials on time is by assessing overdue fines.

Libraries are helped in the effort by New York state which has made the keeping of overdue materials for more than 30 days a violation of the State Education Law as an unclassified misdemeanor, punishable by up to six months in jail or a fine of up to $250.

The library is grateful that most borrowers do return materials promptly, making it possible for overdue children's book has been returned to any area library, an overdue children's book will be charged the same amount, regardless of where returned.

In an effort to be good stewards, the library has in recent years referred chronically delinquent borrowers to a collection agency.

This summer the library offered a free fines month if the long overdue materials were returned. More than $680 worth of long overdue materials were returned with that offer.

While it is true that card holders lose their borrowing privileges when materials charged out to them are overdue, the primary interest of the library is return of the materials, not the collection of fines or penalizing anyone, says Library Director Barbara Mardison. "We simply want our materials back, so that others may use them. All card holders and library users should have full access to the wealth of materials owned by the library."

The library will be closed on Saturday, Sunday and Monday, Sept. 5, 6 and 7 for the Labor Day holiday. Also in September, the library will return to a seven day week service schedule, beginning on Sunday, Sept. 13.

Berne bridge to close for construction work

The bridge carrying County Route 2 over the Fox Creek in Berne will be closed to traffic beginning today, Sept. 2, according to the Albany County Department of Public Works.

The closing will allow the replacement of the existing bridge by the county. The department estimates the work will take approximately 10 weeks.

A detour will be supplied and maintained as part of the project. For information, call 785-2055.

Delmar woman pleads guilty in June accident on Route 85

A Delmar woman faces jail time after causing a two-car accident on June 27 in which a Cazenovia couple sustained serious injuries.

Patricia Windelspecht, 44, of 12 Longwood Drive, pleaded guilty in Albany County Court to second-degree vehicular assault and a misdemeanor charge of driving while intoxicated.

The accident occurred in Bethlehem at 4:30 p.m. on Saturday, June 27, on Route 85 near Blessing Road. Under a plea bargain agreement, Windelspecht will receive six months in jail and five years' probation. Her driving license will be suspended for the duration of probation.

The plea bargain was entered into with the consent of the victims, said Cheryl Coleman, an assistant Albany County district attorney.

Edward Holly, 31, suffered serious, multiple leg fractures and his wife was operated on for internal injuries, Coleman noted.

Windelspecht is free on bail pending her formal sentencing on Sept. 22 before state Supreme Court Justice Thomas W. Keegan.

Artist's work on display

Raymond Decker of Slingerlands will display his oils and watercolors at the library this month.

Decker who enjoys painting flowers, has had shows throughout the Capital District and has exhibited at the Waterfall Gallery in Rensselaerville, Colonie Town Hall, Schenectady City Hall and many other local sites.

Now retired, Decker has studied with a number of local art teachers and attended workshops in the area. He is on the board of the Albany Artists Group and is a past officer and a member of the Bethlehem Art Association.

Also on display this month is an exhibit entitled "The Arts and Crafts Movement: America and Abroad." Works from some of the most important artisans of the movement both here and in England including pottery, metalware and books from the Roycroft, Mission, Stickley, Griggs, Fuller and Roseville potteries are on display. Both exhibits can be seen Monday through Friday from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. and, after Labor Day, on Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

The library will be closed for Labor Day on Monday, Sept. 7. The board of trustees will meet on Tuesday, Sept. 8, at 7:30 p.m. due to the holiday. No story hours are scheduled this week but will resume on Monday, Sept. 14, at 10:30 a.m.

Take a break, recreate!

The town of Bethlehem Parks and Recreation Department is now accepting registration forms by mail for fall recreation programs.

Forms submitted will be chosen at random and placed in classes beginning Thursday, Sept. 3. Phone registration will not be accepted until Wednesday, Sept. 9.

Program information is contained in the recently mailed Bethlehem Report. Programs are open to residents of the town of Bethlehem and the Bethlehem Central School District.

For information, call 439-4131.

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Bethlehem Recycling Corner
By Sharon Fisher, town recycling coordinator

Composting is a practical way to recycle yard waste and some food wastes by returning these organics to the soil in a form which provides extra nutrients for plant life.

The compost pile is a teeming microbiological farm of bacteria, fungi and protozoans and, later, centipedes, beetles and earthworms which all do their part to break down the plant matter into a dark rich additive.

Anything that was once live plant matter can be composted. Leaves, grass clippings, weeds, garden plants and small woody wastes are the best items.

Food items can be added if care is taken to omit those organic things which tend to attract pest animals. For example, meat, bones, fish, fatty food, cheese, salad dressing and leftover cooking oil should never be put in the compost heap. Adding these items attract dogs and wild animals into the area and composter. Compost should be turned frequently, short clippings are created, steam should be visible.

The ideal compost heap contains layers of ingredients. Green material, such as grass clippings, provides nitrogen. Brown items, such as dry leaves, chipped twigs and branches are bulking agents or the carbon source. Innoculants are compost, garden soil and manure. If fruit and vegetable wastes are added, that is the fourth layer in this biodegradable concoction.

Microbiological activity, such as composting, requires air and water. Compost should be turned about every two to three weeks to get the process to distribute the moisture content. The faster the composting, the hotter the pile will be. When piles are turned, steam should be visible. The final result will be dark, rich, soil-like material to mix into the garden.

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For information, call 767-9432 or 767-2247.

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For information, call 966-4636.

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More than 30 vendors will have booths on the firehouse grounds. A snack bar will be open during the event and a spaghetti dinner will be served at the firehouse from 4:30 to 7 p.m. The cost is $6 for adults and $3.50 for children.

For information, call 767-3581 or 767-3841.

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Jeffrey Diehl, who maintained a perfect attendance record from kindergarten through sixth grade at the Voorheesville Elementary School, holds the special certificate and award he received at the end of the school year.

Church announces schedule of events

The Grace United Methodist Church, 16 Hillcrest Drive, Ravena, has announced its schedule of events for this week.

The co-pastor committee will meet at 7:30 p.m. on Thursday, Sept. 3.

On Sunday, Sept. 6, morning worship and community will begin at 11 a.m. Coffee and fellowship will follow at 11:30 a.m.

On Monday, Sept. 7, there will be an A. M. meeting at 7 p.m., and the Widowed Support Group will meet at 7:30.

The United Methodist Women will meet at noon on Wednesday, Sept. 9, the TOPS club meeting will be at 6:30 p.m., and Al Anon at 7.

For information, call 756-6688.

American Legion sets welcome back party

The American Legion Post 1040 in Delmar will host a welcome back party for members of the post and the auxiliary on Sunday, Sept. 13, at 2 p.m.

The event will feature a buffet and free drinks.

There will be a post meeting on Tuesday, Sept. 8, at 8 p.m. The auxiliary will meet at 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, Sept. 15, at 7:30 p.m.

For information, call 439-7661.

Recycling now a must

Mandatory recycling is now in effect. Recently a meeting was held to discuss new procedures and policies.

Newspapers will continue to be collected in paper bags. Tin, aluminum, plastic and glass containers should be rinsed clean and labels do not have to be detached. It is important to remove lids and caps.

All this material can be placed in a clear plastic bag. Garbage should be placed on one side of the driveway and recyclables should be placed on the other side.

Clear plastic bags can be obtained at supermarkets or else clear grocery bags can be used. Cereal boxes are not recyclable and need to be placed with the garbage.

For information, contact the Village Hall at 765-2692.

Kiwanians to resume blood pressure clinics

The New Scotland Kiwanis will resume its blood pressure clinic at the Voorheesville First United Methodist Church on Maple Avenue on Tuesday, Sept. 8, from 9 to 11 a.m. and 7 to 9 p.m. Blood pressure examinations will be conducted at the church social hall.

Media women schedule career planning lunch for college students

The Capital District chapter of American Women in Radio and Television will host its annual brown bag luncheon for students from local colleges planning careers in the communications industry on Thursday, Oct. 1, from noon to 1:30 p.m.

The event will take place in the conference room at WTEN, 341 Northern Boulevard, Albany.

The purpose of the luncheon is to offer students the opportunity to learn more about the field and to make connections in the industry.

Among those tentatively scheduled to appear are Joan Marino, president of Marino Advertising and Media Service, Chloe Brothers, vice president and general manager of WGY Radio, Vera Hope, regional sales manager for WTEN-TV, and Carolyn Jones, director of advertising sales for the Capital District Business Review.

There is no charge to attend. Seating is limited and early reservations are recommended. For information, call 458-2377.
The Bethlehem Soccer Club is gearing up for the fall Intraclub season.

Nearly 800 children and more than 50 volunteer coaches have been divided into teams, which will practice and play games for eight weeks this fall at the Elm Avenue Park.

Hundreds of parents are given tasks throughout the season such as field lining, coffee and doughnut sales and fundraising.


Many children who come to love the sport and wish to play competitively join the soccer club’s travel program. Registration times for the travel teams are Sunday, Sept. 13 and Saturday, Sept. 19 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Bethlehem Town Hall.

All girls and boys must bring a photo for ID purposes or it can be taken at registration time for a $1 dollar fee. Also needed is a commitment level form signed by player and parent.

The travel registration fee will be about $80. You must register before trying out. Tryout dates will be announced at registration.

The Bethlehem under-12 girls travel team completed a highly successful 1992 spring season by finishing first in the A Division of the Capital District Youth Soccer League. The team had a 9-1 record with two ties.

They scored 39 goals, while limiting the opposition to eight goals for the entire season.

Bethlehem’s under-8 travel team took first place in the league’s C Division with a record of 11-0 with one tie coming against Clifton Park.

Since the club began 12 years ago, the number of children and adults involved in the various programs has grown tremendously.

This summer the Club purchased about 20 acres off Wemple Road between Route 5W and the Thruway.

Work on the new fields is already under way, with drainage, leveling, seeding and construction of a parking lot going on this summer.

The “soccerplex” as it’s called, should be ready for use in the fall of 1993.

The soccer club is asking for community support for its fundraising efforts. The Club offers fall and spring intracلب programs, competitive (travel) soccer, spring and summer training camps and indoor/outdoor tournaments.

Further information about the Bethlehem Soccer Club is available by calling club president Bill Silverman at 439-6465.

Anyone wishing to send a donation for the “soccerplex” can send a check to the Bethlehem Soccer Club, P.O. Box 305, Delmar, N.Y. 12054.

Members of Bethlehem’s Under-8 Travel Team, which took first place in the Capital District Youth Soccer League’s C Division for the ’92 spring season, included the following players: (front) Bob Barrowman (1), Eval Gall, Matthew Swiatowicz, Jamie Collins, Nath Roper, Kevin Neuhauser, Stephen Perazclli, John Thibideau, (rear) coaches Ted Swiatowicz, Padraic Hennessey, Stephen Hoghe, Andrew Swiatowicz, Padraic Hennessey, Stephen Hoghe, Stephen Perazclli, John Thibideau, (rear) coaches Ted Swiatowicz (l) and Ken Gall.
Returning players boost hopes for girls volleyball

Smith says "the Suburban Council is getting stronger in all sports. All the girls are excelling."

Smith feels good about this season. She is impressed with the nucleus of good players on hand and attributes the incoming talent to the coaches working under her.

The freshman coach, Keith Gunner, does an excellent job teaching his players the basics, she said. For many years, the freshman team has been successful in having winning seasons.

Sandy Collins, the junior varsity coach, goes a little beyond the basics and teaches plays and game strategies. Collins plays in leagues, is up to date, and knows the game very well, Smith said.

When Smith was asked how well the team would work together, she was unsure, but said that after a few games, it would probably jell.

With the returning players and a "cooperative, cohesive and trusting" team, Smith is confident that they will again have a winning season.

What rain?

Bicyclist Bernard Schunick was spotted in Voorheesville recently training in a rather unconventional fashion.

Elaine McLain

Hoop club holds registration

The Bethlehem Basketball Club will hold registration for 10-13 year old youths at the Bethlehem Town Hall Thursday, Sept. 17 from 6-10 p.m. and Saturday, Sept. 19 from 9-10 a.m.

Club membership for the 1992-93 season is open to all residents of Bethlehem and students of the Bethlehem Central School District.

New players should bring a non-refundable six-year copy of their birth certificate at the time of registration.

The registration fee is $30 or $75 for a family with more than one child enrolled.

Registration is on a first-come, first-serve basis and is limited to 48 youths in each age division (10, 11, 12, and 13 years of age).

For additional information contact 439-7284 or 439-5320.

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To order, call 765-3560.

Unserviceable flags burned at ceremony

Alexander Woebrle, American Legion Post 1040 committee coordinator for the disposal of American Flags, reported recently that 135 unserviceable flags were burned in a ceremony this past Flag Day at the Bethlehem Town Park.

The Gansevoort Chapter of the National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution also participated in the ceremony.

Unserviceable flags are collected each year at Blanchard Post, the Bethlehem Public Library and the Bethlehem Town Hall.

For information, call 439-7861.

Free boater's guide available to public

The Hudson River National Estuarine Research Reserve is offering a publication for recreational boaters titled "Boater's Guide to the Hudson River Estuary."

To receive a copy, write to Dennis Milnder, Education Coordinator, Hudson River NERR, 534 Lodge Road, Bard College Field Station, Annadale, NY 12504.
Returning players boost hopes for girls volleyball

In the past, the Bethlehem Girls Varsity Volleyball team has been strong and it looks like they will be strong again this year.

Although the team lost some outstanding players because of graduation, those moving up from junior varsity could fill the spots nicely. The girls who graduated are Lisa Dommermuth, Jen Grand, Dana Hulst, Kristen Mickey, Debbie Robbins and Stacey Parsons. Returning from last year are seniors Erin Murphy, Heather Selig, Lynda Smith and junior Jessica Murphy.

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Arsenal city run to jog through Watervliet.

The City of Watervliet's 11th Annual Arsenal City Run will take place Sunday, Sept. 27. The 5K race will be run at 10 a.m. and the 10K race at 11 a.m. Both are sanctioned by The Athletic Congress.

A $5 entry fee may be paid Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the city hall, 15th Street and Broadway. Day of the race registration is $11, and is available from 8:30 to 10 a.m. the day of the race.

Race packets may be picked up at the city hall from Sept. 21 to Sept. 25, between 9:30 and 4 p.m. Shirts are not guaranteed for day of race applicants.

Last year, over 1,200 runners participated in the event. For information, call Watervliet City Recreation Director Chris Daus at 270-3811.

A-C Yanks playoff tickets go on sale

Ticket reservations for Eastern League playoff games involving the Albany-Colonie Yankees are on sale at the team's office at Heritage Park.

The first playoff date scheduled for Heritage Park is Friday, Sept. 4.

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BC sports this week

Tuesday, Sept. 8
Boys soccer — Colonie Tournament

Wednesday, Sept. 9
Boys soccer — Colonie Tournament

Thursday, Sept. 10
Girls volleyball — at Ravena, 6 p.m.
Boys volleyball — Shenendehowa, 4 p.m.
Field hockey — at Burnt Hills, 4 p.m.

Friday, Sept. 11
Football — Schenectady, 7:30 p.m.
Boys volleyball — Columbia, 4 p.m.
Girls tennis — Niskayuna, 4 p.m.

Saturday, Sept. 12
Boys soccer — at Gloversville, 2 p.m.
Cross Country — Johnstown Invitational

Monday, Sept. 14
Golf — at Guilderland, 4 p.m.
Field hockey — at Scotia, 4 p.m.

Tuesday, Sept. 15
Girls volleyball — Colonie, 4 p.m.
Boys volleyball — at Shaker, 4 p.m.
Boys soccer — Shenendehowa, 7:30 p.m.
Girls tennis — Guilderland, 4 p.m.
Golf — at Scotia, 4 p.m.

Wednesday, Sept. 16
Golf — at Colonie, 4 p.m.
Field hockey — Shenendehowa, 4 p.m.
Lori Loux, daughter of Beatrice and Winfield Maille of Delmar, was married to Addison Richard Maille, son of Carol Finkle of South Glen Falls and Richard A. Maille of Middleburgh, on June 20.

The bride is a 1982 graduate of the State University of New York at Oneonta, Union College and Albany Law School.

The service was conducted by the Rev. Mark Ennis at the Third Reformed Church in Albany. A reception followed at the Chariot Restaurant in Guilderland.

The matron of honor was Joanne Ormsbee-Wendell, sister of the bride. Bridesmaids were Janet Strominger, Kathy Trott and Vida Beha.

The best man was Gary Tyndell, Ray Baldwin, Chris Finkle and Robert Finkle Jr., brothers of the groom, were ushers.

After a honeymoon cruise in the Caribbean, the couple lives in Cohoes.

**Births**

**St. Peter's Hospital**


Girl, Andrea Gabrielle, to Brenda and Christopher Warner, Glenmont, Aug. 5.

Boy, Nicholas Bauer, to Penny and Robert Bonanno, Delmar, Aug. 11.


**Area students attend state music camp**

Nicholas Sattinger, Kristen Jones, Colleen Welsh and Sarah Kennedy, all of Delmar, recently attended the New York State Music Camp and Institute at Hartwick College in Oneonta.

The institute included daily instruction and performance practice in choral and instrumental music.

**James and Dorothea Schoep**

Dorothea M. VanAlstyne, daughter of Michelle and Robert VanAlstyne of Clarksville, was married to James A. Schoep, son of the Rev. Arvin and Nancy Schoep of Clarksville, on Aug. 15.

The bride is a 1982 graduate of the State University of New York at Plattsburgh.

The groom is a 1982 graduate of the State University of New York at Plattsburgh and is a senior at SUNY Plattsburgh.

The Rev. Schoep conducted the service at Clarksville Community Church. A reception followed at the VanAlstyne home.

Maid of honor was Danielle Thibault. Bridesmaids were Nancy VanNosdal, Angela Schoep, the groom’s sister, and Robin VanAlstyne and Theresa VanAlstyne, the bride’s sisters.

The best man was Greg Schoenbaum. Ushers were Tim Teichout, Shawn Stuts, Rob D’Alessandro and Rem Davis.

After a wedding trip to Virginia Beach, the couple will live in Plattsburgh.
Tocci to teach pre-ballet at ADI

Charmaine Tocci, owner/director of the Classique Dance School in Delmar, will be teaching pre-ballet classes at David Otto's Albany Dance Institute starting this month.

"Pre-ballet is an introductory class for the very young child, age five to six years old, in which creative movement and the basic elements of ballet are presented," Ms. Tocci said. "Expression, creativity and imagination are encouraged as the child becomes familiar with music, develops flexibility and coordination, and, most of all, experiences the joy of dance."

A graduate of Skidmore College, Ms. Tocci has performed with the Skidmore Ballet, Bill Quirk's Albany Dance Theatre Company, and interned at the Empire State Youth Theatre Institute.

Teaching locally since 1981, she has been on the faculties of the New York State Ballet Summer Dance School and the Ballet School of New York. As a graduate of the Manhattan School of Music, she has performed with the New York City Opera and the Manhattan Lyric Opera. She has been a member of the New York City Dance Ensemble and has performed with the New York City Ballet, American Ballet Theater, and the National Ballet of Canada.

Federation to award scholarships

The National Federation of the Blind of New York State Inc. has announced its 1992 Scholarship Program. Three scholarships will be awarded at the organization's State Convention Banquet in Binghamton on Oct. 17. Awards range as high as $500. Applicants must be residents of New York, legally blind, currently accepted or enrolled in a certificate or degree program at a two-year college, junior college or college.

Shelmerdine, Heineman wed

Barbara Ann Shelmerdine, daughter of James and Shirley Shelmerdine of Clarksdale, was married to Matthew Scott Heineman, son of Robert and Beverly Heineman of Delmar, on June 20.

The bride is a graduate of Bethlehem Central High School and the College of Saint Rose. She is employed by MTS Inc. in Westfield, Mass., as an operations analyst.

The groom is also a graduate of Bethlehem Central High School and the College of Saint Rose. He is employed by MTS Inc. in Westfield, Mass., as an operations analyst.

The wedding was performed by the Rev. Thomas Peterson on the lawn of the Heineman's Lake George home, "The Meadows." The bride was given in marriage by her father.

A reception took place at "The Meadows."

The matron of honor was Deborah Kitchen.

The best man was Evan Cornell Thorne. Ushers were Ronald James Shelmerdine, brother of the bride, and Robert Keith Heineman, brother of the groom.

After a wedding trip to the Poconos, the couple lives in Boston.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Arthur

Arthur's celebrate 65th

Mr and Mrs. Harold Arthur of Margate, Fla., formerly of the Village Area, celebrated their 65th wedding anniversary on May 8.

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**Obituaries**

**Eleanor H. Vogel**

Eleanor Hudson Vogel, of Green Oak Road in Delmar, a former elementary school teacher, died Tuesday, Aug. 25, at her home.

Born in Chicago and a graduate of Buffalo State Teachers College, she was a resident of Delmar for 42 years. She taught in the Bethlehem Central School District for 24 years.

Mrs. Vogel was a member of the Delmar Reformed Church.

Survivors include her husband, Willis R. Vogel; a daughter, Ellen Taylor of Dunwoody, Ga.; a son, David W. Vogel of Phoenix, Arizona; and two brothers, Alexander F. Hudson of Cleveland Heights, Ohio, and William J. Hudson of New Bern, N.C.

Service were from Tebbutt Funeral Home, Kenwood Ave., Delmar. Burial was in Memory’s Garden, Colonie.

**Laurence L. Clough**

Laurence L. Clough, 88, formerly of Delmar, a former state worker, died Monday, Aug. 24, at his residence in Friendship Village, Colonie.

Born in Randolph Center, Vt., he was educated at Randolph High School, the University of Vermont and the State Agricultural College in Burlington, Vt., as well as at Montpelier Seminary in Vermont and Cornell University in Ithaca.

Mr. Clough worked for the state Department of Agriculture for 35 years. Later, he worked as a consultant to the New York State Senate Committee on Agriculture for four years.

He was a past president of the National Dairy Division and served as secretary/treasurer of the International Association of Milk Control Agencies for 10 years. Mr. Clough was also a member of the First United Methodist Church in Delmar until 1975, when he joined the First United Methodist Church in Kalamazoo.

He also belonged to the Masonic Lodge of Delmar, the Masonic Lodge and the First United Methodist Church in Kalamazoo.

**Verna H. Miller**

Verna H. Miller, 68, formerly of Dawson Road, Delmar, a former telephone company worker, died Tuesday, Aug. 25, at St. Peter’s Hospice, Albany.

Born in Albany, she moved from Delmar to York Harbor, Maine, in 1968. She worked for New York Telephone Company in Albany, first as an operator, then as a supervisor and later as a service representative. She was a past treasurer of the Telephone Traffic Union of the Capital Region.

Survivors include her husband, William “Bud” Miller; her mother, Mildred Miller of Delmar; and a brother, Raymond John, of Centralia, Mo.

Services were from Meyers Funeral Home, Delmar.

Contributions may be made to St. Peter’s Hospice, Albany.

**Beatrice Potter**

Beatrice Potter, 80, of Delmar, a former Girl Scout neighborhood chairman and a member of the Bethlehem Association of Retired Persons died Tuesday, Aug. 25, at St. Peter’s Hospice in Albany.

A native of Brooklyn, she moved the Albany area after living in Cairo for 11 years. She was a member of the Albany High School Class of 1930.

In 1944, Miss Potter joined the Elmire Fire Company’s ladies auxiliary, and served as its president in 1947 and 1962. For six years, she was the organization’s treasurer and chaplain.

An active member of Girl Scout- ing, she worked as a district and neighborhood chairman, receiving the scouts’ highest adult award, the “Thanks Badge.” She became employed by the Hudson Valley Girl Scouts in 1960 and continued to serve on the staff for 11 years.

In 1973, she became a charter member of the Bethlehem AARP and was its first corresponding secretary for two years. She edited its newsletter for six years.

She was an active member of the Presbyterian Church in Delmar and served in the capacity for six years. She also was very involved with the Christ Church, recently writing the entire history of the church.

She is survived by her husband, Edwin (Ted) Potter; a daughter, Elizabeth Ann (Betty) Lemon of Springfield, Mo., and two grandchildren.

Services were from the Delmar Reformed Church. Interment was in the Bethlehem Cemetery.

Contributions may be made to the Delmar Reformed Church Endowment Fund.

**Grace D. Witbeck**

Grace D. Witbeck, 80, of Indian Fields Road, Feura Bush, former postmistress, died Wednesday, Aug. 25, at St. Peter’s Hospice, Albany.

Born in Albany and a resident of Feura Bush since 1945, she was postmistress of the Feura Bush post office from 1962 until her retirement in 1979.

Mrs. Witbeck was a communicant of St. Thomas the Apostle Catholic Church, Delmar. She was the widow of James M. Witbeck, Jr.

Survivors include a son, David J. Witbeck of Feura Bush; two sisters, Frances Earl of Watervliet and Mildred Derbyshire of Albany.

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Stockbridge museum shows Rockwell’s slices of American life

By Michael Kagan

Through his work, Norman Rockwell communicated the vision Americans want to have of themselves more articulately than possibly any other artist.

In a time when many people are questioning the health of the nation and its culture, his paintings are particularly relevant. While his paintings and their reproductions are still displayed in a variety of places, it’s difficult to view any quantity of his work at one time, short of poring through piles of old Saturday Evening Posts.

Capital District Rockwell-seekers have an advantage over their counterparts in the rest of the country, as the only significant public collection of Rockwell’s work lies just over the state border in Stockbridge, Mass., in the Norman Rockwell Museum.

The museum houses about 500 of his works, approximately half of which were donated by Rockwell himself.

"We know that he did about 4,000 in his lifetime," said museum director Laurie Norton Moffatt, who published Norman Rockwell: A Definitive Catalogue, the culmination of a ten-year research project at the museum.

"Many are in private collections. Some have disappeared. We probably know where about half of them are."

Born in 1894, Rockwell entered the Chase School of Fine and Applied Art when he was 14, and also studied at the National Academy of Design and the Art Students League. He was hired for his first formal art job, as art director for Boys' Life, while still in his teens.

On May 20, 1916, his first Saturday Evening Post cover appeared. Over the next 47 years, he filled their front pages with 320 more works.

Some of his most critically acclaimed pieces, including "The Four Freedoms," illustrations of Franklin Roosevelt’s “Freedom from want, freedom from fear, freedom of speech and freedom to worship,” are on display in the Stockbridge museum.


Two county fairs slated for Labor Day week

By Dev Tobin

The last weekend of summer is county fair time for two of our neighboring counties to the east—Rensselaer and Columbia.

Beginning mid-week and running through Labor Day, the fairs celebrate agricultural production during the peak of the summer harvest, and also provide a variety of old-fashioned entertainment.

Country music highlights the 173rd Schaghticoke Fair, the third oldest fair in the state.

On Wednesday, Josie Waverly and her Genuine Country Band will entertain in the park area of the fairgrounds.

On Thursday, country pioneers Smokey Green, Lee Moore, Art Anderson and Al Bain will be in the spotlight.

The working man’s hero, Johnny Paycheck, will sing his trademark "Take This Job and Shove It" and other hits Friday in the park.

Local country-blues rocker Mirinda James will return from Nashville with a new show Saturday night, with opening act Alex Craig.

On Sunday and Monday, Mel McDaniel will sing his number-one single "Baby’s Got Her Blue Jeans On" for fairgoers.

Strolling the grounds, Reggie’s Red Hot Feet Warmers and the Cedar Ridge Blue Grass Group will entertain throughout the weekend.

Aside from the agricultural demonstrations ongoing at the fair, scheduled competitions in front of the grandstand include draft horses and jalopy football (Wednesday), farm tractor and pick-up truck pull...
**WEDNESDAY**  
**SEPTEMBER 2**

**ALBANY COUNTY**  
**EPILEPSY SUPPORT GROUP**  
Sponsored by Epilepsy Association, monthly meetings; First Presbyterian Church, State and Willett Streets, Albany, 7:30 p.m. Information, 456-7601.

**Lymphedema Support Group**  
Women's HealthCare Plus, 2093 Western Ave., Guilderland, 7:45 p.m. Information, 452-3455.

**FARMERS’ MARKET**  
Through November, Evangelical Protestant Church, Alexander and Clinton streets, Albany, 11 a.m.-2 p.m.

**BABYSITTING**  
Albany Jewish Community Center, 340 Whitehall Rd., Albany, 5:30-8 p.m. Information, 436-6651.

**SENIORS LUNCHEON**  
Jewish Community Center, Whitehall Road, Albany, 12:30 p.m. Information, 436-6651.

**APPLE COMPUTERS USERS CLUB**  
Farrar-Winthrop Middle School, State Farm Rd., Guilderland, 7 p.m. Information, 482-2609.

**Rensselaer County**  
**CHORUS REHEARSAL**  
Capital Chorus, Trinity Episcopal Church, 11th Street and 4th Avenue, Troy, 7:30 p.m. Information, 436-4300.

**SCHENECTADY COUNTY**  
**RIVER VALLEY CHORUS MEETING**  
Glen Warden School, 34 Warden Rd., Scotia, 7:30 p.m. Information, 355-4924.

**ALBANY COUNTY**  
**FARMERS’ MARKET**  
Through November, Townsend Park, Central and Washington avenues, Albany, 11 a.m.-2 p.m.

**SENIOR CHORALE**  
Albany Jewish Community Center, Whitehall Rd., Albany, 1 p.m. Information, 436-6651.

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**CONCERNED FRIENDS OF HOPE HOUSE**  
Meeting, support group for families of substance abusers, Child’s Nursing Home auditorium, 26 Hackett Blvd., Albany, 7:30-8:45 p.m.

**FRIDAY**  
**SEPTEMBER 3**

**ALBANY COUNTY**  
**FARMERS’ MARKET**  
Through November, Ten Broeck Farm, 9410 Washington Ave., Albany, 4:45 p.m. Information, 436-6651.

**MOTHER’S DROP IN**  
Captial District Mothers’ Center, First Congregational Church, Quail St., Albany, 9:30 a.m.-noon. Information, 462-4506.

**SENIORS LUNCHEON**  
Jewish Community Center, Whitehall Road, Albany, 12:30 p.m. Information, 436-6651.

**ALBANY COUNTY**  
**HOLocaust Survivor**  
Personal account and video of childhood in a concentration camp, Dr. Titi Nastbaum, State Museum, 3 p.m. Information, 474-5801.

**Scottish Dancing**  
Uniontown Church, Washington Ave., Albany, 7:15 p.m. Information, 377-8792.

**Monday**  
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**RECOVERY, Inc.**  
Self-help group for former mental and nervous patients. Unitarian Church of Albany, 405 Washington Ave., Albany, 7:30 a.m. Information, 364-6956.

**SUNDAY**  
**September 5**

**ALBANY COUNTY**  
**YWCA GARAGE SALE**  
10th annual, 28 Ten Broeck Ave., Albany, 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Information, 436-6651.

**FARMERS’ MARKET**  
Through November, First Congregational Church, Quail Street and Mazole Avenue, Albany, 9 a.m.-noon.

**SCHENECTADY COUNTY**  
**SIBLING PEP CLASSES FOR EXPECTANT FAMILIES**  
For children ages 3 to 10, Bellevue Hospital, 2292 Troy Road, Schenectady, 9:30 a.m.-10:45 a.m. Information, 346-4110.

**Sunday**  
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**Scottish Dancing**  
Salvation Army, Smith St., Schenectady, 10 a.m. Information, 783-6477.

**RECOVERY, Inc.**  
Self-help group for former mental and nervous patients. United We Stand Avenue, Schenectady, 7:30 p.m. Information, 346-8956.

**SCHENECTADY COUNTY**  
**FRENCH CONVERSATION LUNCHEON**  
Sponsored by French Federation, Musio’s Theater Restaurant, cost $10, registration deadline Sept. 7, noon. Information, 785-6219.

**WOMEN’S HEALTH CLINICS**  
Prenatal symptom and infertility, Women’s HealthCare Plus, Guilderland, 7:30 p.m. Information, 425-3405.

**SCHENECTADY COUNTY**  
**RIVER VALLEY CHORUS MEETING**  
Glen Warden School, 34 Warden Rd., Scotia, 7:30 p.m. Information, 436-4924.

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**Museum sets fall exhibits**

The New York State Museum will feature several exhibits this fall.

* "Visions of Washington Irving," on display through Sunday, Sept. 2, honors Irving, who was an important force in the development of American art in the early 1800s. The exhibit was organized by historic Hudson Valley and funded, in part, by the National Endowment for the Arts.

* "A Summer’s Day: Photographs by Joel Meyerowitz" will be on display through Oct. 3. The exhibit includes 64 color photographs of summer life in Cape Cod, New York and California. The exhibit was originally organized by the Brooklyn Museum.

* "Remember the Children," a display organized and circulated by the United States Holocaust Museum, illustrates the experiences of children living during the Holocaust. The story is based on historical events from 1933 to 1945 and includes artifacts, photos, re-creations of historical interiors, videos and an interactive exhibit area; it will be on display through Sept. 18.

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**Friends of the Libraries to visit Historic Mohonk Mountain House**

The Friends of the Libraries of the University at Albany are sponsoring a visit to the Mohonk Mountain House in New Paltz on Sunday, Oct. 3, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Cost is $33 per person, and the registration deadline is Sept. 21. The trip will depart from the university’s uptown campus parking lot, across from the Alumni House.

For information, contact Charles Cioccio, P.O. Box 85, Altamont 12009, or call 861-8780.

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MOVIE
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State Museum, A Boy from Moscow, Sept. 6, 8 p.m. Information, 459-6517.

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CLASS IN JEWISH MYSTICISM every Thursday, Bethlehem Congregational Center, 109 Elmere Ave., 8 p.m. Information, 439-0503.

BETHELHEM SENIOR CITIZENS every Thursday, Bethelhem Town Hall, 445 Delaware Ave., Delmar, 12:30 p.m. Information, 439-4943.

OVEREATERS ANONYMOUS every Thursday, First United Methodist Church, Kenwood Ave., Delmar, 7 p.m. Information, 439-9916.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 4

BETHELHEM

FAITH TEMPLE every Thursday, Bible study, New Scotland, 7:30 p.m. Information, 765-2870.

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FEURA BUSI FINISHERS every Thursday, 6-9 p.m. group for ages 1-19, Jerusalem Church, Feura Busi Road, Feura Bush.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 5

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BETHELHEM URBAN CHURCH worship services, 8 and 10:30 a.m.; Sunday school, 9:15 a.m.; nursery care, 9 a.m.-noon, Elm Ave., Delmar. Information, 439-4328.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 6

BETHELHEM

YOUTH GROUP MEETINGS every Friday, United Pentecostal Church, 109 New Scotland, 7 p.m. Information, 765-4610.

NEW SCOTLAND

BETHEL BAPTIST CHURCH worship service and Sunday school, nursery care provided, 10 a.m. Information, 439-9529.

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GLENVALE REFORMED CHURCH worship, 10 a.m., nursery care provided; Sunday school, 10 a.m., 1 Chapel Lane, Glenmont. Information, 439-7170.

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MOUNTAINVIEW EVANGELICAL FREE CHURCH worship service, 11 a.m., nursery care provided, 4807 Route 85, Voorheesville. Information, 439-6179.

NEW SALEM REFORMED CHURCH worship service, 11 a.m., nursery care provided, corner Route 85 and South Road, New Salem. Information, 439-6179.

OGERHOUTCHUW CHURCH worship service, 10:30 a.m., Farm school, 10 a.m., 4054 Mamont Road, Tarrytown. Information, 765-2133.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH in NEW SALEM worship, 10 a.m., church school, 11:15 a.m., nursery care provided, Route 85, New Scotland. Information, 439-4444.

UNITED PENTECOSTAL CHURCH Sunday school and worship, 10 a.m., Sunday service, 4 p.m.; evening service, 6:45 p.m.; Route 85 and Fairgrounds. Information, 765-4410.

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 7

BETHELHEM

MOTHER'S TIME OUT every Monday, Christian support group for mothers of preschool children, Delmar United Reformed Church, 24 Delaware Ave., Delmar. nursery care provided, 9:30 a.m.; Information, 439-9929.

NEW SCOTLAND

4-H CLUB first and third Mondays, 7:30 p.m., 4-H building, Route 85, North New Scotland.

STORY HOUR every Monday, Voorheesville Public Library, 51 School Road, 10:30 a.m. Information, 765-2791.
Rockwell
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his life in Stockbridge, dying in 1978.

The museum was originally instituted to preserve a historic building. In 1967, several Stockbridge citizens, including Rockwell and his wife, formed the Stockbridge Corner House Corporation for the purpose of saving the Old Corner House from demolition.

The organization, which changed its name to the Old Corner House Historical Society, opened its first exhibits featuring a historical display in 1973. Rockwell left his collection of paintings to the museum, and in 1976, he did so with his studio and its contents.

In 1986, Rockwell's studio was moved from the center of Stockbridge to this location at the Stockbridge site of the museum's new building.

Stockbridge Historical Society, opened the house as a small museum in 1969. The first floor featured a historical display from the local library and a few of Rockwell's paintings.

Not surprisingly, the paintings became the main attraction of the museum. In 1975, Rockwell left his collection of art to the museum, and in 1976, he did the same for his studio and its contents.

Five thousand people toured the building its first year. Now, more than 150,000 visitors a year come to view the collection of idealized and humorized illustrations of American life.

Even people who are familiar with Rockwell's work in the Post will find that the paintings often have a more striking impact when viewed in their original form.

"It's quite astonishing and breathtaking. It's always a surprise to see, first of all, how large they are," said Moffatt.

Apart from the Rockwell paintings, the museum features several temporary exhibits throughout the year. Currently, works by other illustrators are on display, including Howard Pyle, Edwin Austin Abbey, J. C. Leyendecker and Thomas Fogarty, one of Rockwell's instructors.

In the late 1980s, construction of a larger museum building was started, two miles from the center of Stockbridge. That site also includes the Rockwell studio, with all its original contents, open for visitation. The studio was moved from the town center in 1986, in keeping with Rockwell's wishes to have it preserved.

The museum, located on the corner of Main and Elm Streets, is one hour from Albany. Take Route 1-90 east to the Route 22 exit. Go south on New York Route 22 to Massachusetts Route 102. Follow Route 102 west to Stockbridge, approximately five and a half miles to the flashing light at the intersection of Route 183. Turn right and drive six-tenths of a mile to the museum entrance on the left.

The new building and the Rockwell studio are at 2 Glendale Road in Stockbridge, off Route 183. Admission is $10 for adults, $5 for children and $4 for members. For information, call (413) 298-4065.

SEPTEMBER
6 Sunday - 3:00 p.m. Gallery Talk: The Story Behind the Illustration The Old Corner House, 3 p.m. Free
13 Sunday Grandparent's Day All grandparents admitted to the museum at half-price in honor of this special day.
20 Sunday - 3:00 p.m. Gallery Talk: Norman Rockwell Paints the Candidates The Old Corner House, 3 p.m. Free
27 Sunday Family Day Families are invited to tour the museum using a children's gallery guide. Special admission on this day for families is $2 per adult and child. For details, call (413) 298-4065. Museum members are free. The Old Corner House, 1-4 p.m.

OCTOBER
4 Sunday - 3:00 p.m. Gallery Talk: Tools of the Trade The Old Corner House, 3 p.m. Free
18 Sunday - 3:00 p.m. Gallery Talk Autumn Scenes The Old Corner House, 3 p.m. Free

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The State Museum exhibit on Washington Irving, featuring this painting of Ichabod Crane dancing up a storm, closes Sunday.
The end of summer vacation means different things to different people. There are those who go through a denial period which lasts until they get their first homework assignment or have to study for their first test. There are those who reason that school was bound to start anyway, so they might as well deal with it. Some students are those who strangely, are glad when classes begin again. They might as well deal with it.

Nevertheless, some things are fairly universal at the end of the summer. Like buying school supplies. In elementary school, and even to some degree in middle school, teachers tell pupils exactly what to get: four pocket folders and spiral notebooks, or a three-ring notebook with dividers and a small assignment pad.

In a way, this system is comforting. You don't have to stand in a store staring at a pile of note cards, saying, "Hmmm. Do I want wide ruled or college ruled?"

Also, if you're supposed to wait until you get a list of required materials, it's easy to get out of going supply shopping in the summer with your folks.

Shopping for clothing, another common pre-first day of school ritual, is based on the premise that you want to make a good first impression. This excursion can come down to a battle between what the parent thinks kids should wear to school, and what the kid actually sees other kids wearing. In this eternal battle of fashion forces, parents easily gain the upper hand because, generally, they hold the credit cards.

Often, however, the kid in this shopping scenario hasn't seen what most people are wearing because he or she's most likely just been around friends for the summer. Since friends often dress in similar styles anyway, this isn't much to go on.

Most kids have enough pens, paper and pants in their closets to get through the first few days of school. Therefore, it might be more practical to do the majority of shopping after school starts.

Continuous entertainment at the fair includes rides, games of skill and chance, a backyard circus for the kids, McHale's racing pigs and the Hill Country Cloggers.

Thursday will be Youth Day at the fair, when, for $9 with a coupon from Pepsi, children under 12 can ride all day. Other attractions Thursday include harness racing, the Peaceful Country Singers at 3 p.m. and the Hugo Sound Show, a car thrill show, at 7:30 p.m.

Senior citizens will be admitted free to the fair on Friday, when the special attractions include harness racing and a variety circus.

Tuesday will be Firemen's Day, with a gala parade of more than 40 units scheduled to step off at 1 p.m. in the evening. The Durbin Bethany group will entertain at 5 and 7:30 p.m.

Sunday, the winner of the Schoolgirl Queen contest will be crowned at 7 p.m., and the Dutton Family Singers entertain at 3 and 8 p.m.

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Museum sets month's events

The New York State Museum has announced its schedule of special events for September.

- "Tyvi Nussbaum: A Boy From Warsaw," part of the Remember the Children video series, will be presented on Sunday, Sept. 6, at 3 p.m. The program features Nussbaum, a Holocaust survivor, who is now a physician living in New York State. Cost will be $2 per person. Children 12 and under are admitted free.

- "The Children of Izieu," also part of the Remember the Children video series, will be shown on Sunday, Sept. 13, at 3 p.m. The film documents the story of the transportation of 44 children from the French village of Izieu to the Auschwitz concentration camp by the Gestapo in 1944. The cost is $2 per person. Children 12 and under are admitted free.

A one-day conference on Saturday, Sept. 19, "Rensselaer Seminars: The Dutch in the Age of Exploration," will feature discussions of recent research about the Dutch contribution to the Age of Exploration. The conference, sponsored by the New Netherland Project of the state library, will run from 8 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. The cost is $25 per person.

For information, call 474-5877.

Area musicians to swing today in State Plaza 'Big Band Bash'

Area bands will play at the Empire State Plaza in the "Big Band Bash" today, Sept. 2, from 7 to 10 p.m.

Participating groups include the Phil Ponte Orchestra, Vito's Little Big Band, Markowe and Company Big Band and Al Cavalieri and His Orchestra.

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Hours: 10am - 6pm Daily • Refreshments Available

50-75% Off all Skis and Boots
Plus select from a group of 100 pairs of Demo Skis from
Rossignol, K-2, Kastle, Olin, Pre and Dynastar

This Sale Has Something For Everyone!! DON'T MISS IT!!!
Skiing Doesn't Have To Be Expensive — Just Shop This Sale And Save!!

The Sale Goes On Rain Or Shine Shop And Save Big, Under Our Big Tent!

At the Hi-Way Drive-In
Route 9W

Look for the Big Tent. We're 5 minutes South of Coxsackie (Exit 21B) of the N.Y.S. Thruway. 25 min. from Albany, 10 min. North of Catskill (Exit 21), 30 min. from Kingston.

*Not all sizes and models available