Residents quiz EnCon on new chemical plant

By Mel Hyman

State environmental officials were quizzed last week by residents concerned about emissions from a $12 million formaldehyde production plant proposed for Route 144.

During a public informational meeting at Bethlehem town hall, residents asked pointed questions about the safety of air emissions from the plant, which is scheduled to go on line in September 1997 assuming the necessary permits are granted.

Sherman Gates of Van Wies Point in Clement, asked representatives of Bethlehem about emissions from a $12 million formaldehyde production plant in Virginia and Arkansas, still has to complete an environmental impact statement as part of its environmental quality review process.

Since the project is in an industrial zone, the town of Bethlehem has no say over the plant except to issue a building permit.

In response to questions by Delmar resident Margaret Shirk about Spurlock's compliance record at its other chemical plants, company president Irvine Spurlock said, "We've had a real good record." with the Arkansas Department of Pollution Control and Ecology.

"We've been at that facility since 1992, and their standards are quite stringent," he said.

The Spurlock plant would occupy only six or seven acres of the 65-acre parcel currently owned by Niagara County.

McStone Ends serves rare lunch

By Dev Tobin

As perhaps the premiere gourmet chef in the area, Dale Miller of Stone Ends restaurant in Clementon has a little secret — he likes the food and respects the consistency of fast-food giant McDonald's.

"As a kid, it was always a treat to go to McDonald's. I've enjoyed McDonald's for years, and it's still one of my regular stops," Miller said.

"And at the Culinary Institute (of America, from which Miller graduated and where he also recently earned master chef status), McDonald's is recognized as a beacon of consistency and quality."

So it was a natural for Miller to open his dinner-only restaurant for a unique lunch Friday for a score of area media types and local McDonald's owners, part of the national promotion for the new Deluxe line of chicken and fish sandwiches.

By Dev Tobin

\[Distance\]

McStone Ends serves rare lunch

With Donald McDonald serving as maître d', the tables set with fine china and crisp linen, and tuxedoed waiters providing first-class service, Miller prepared a three-course meal featuring actual McDonald's ingredients, with some personal gourmet touches thrown in.

For the main course, Miller accompanied the two kinds of Deluxe chicken breast (fried and grilled) with "caramelized onion whipped potatoes, asparagus provencal and honey tartar sauce."

With that said, Miller's energy and enthusiasm about food and cooking are certainly evident in the dishes he prepares.

End is near

Delaware Avenue should return to normal after paving of the widened road is completed.

Man needs marrow donor

Saint Rose coach hoping for match

By Mel Hyman

Bob Bellizzi has fought some big battles on the softball field, having guided The College of Saint Rose to the brink of a national championship.

But anything he's done on the diamond pales in comparison with the fight he's now waging against leukemia.

The 47-year-old Delmar resident has always been in good health and except for some headache problems earlier this year, nothing seemed out of the ordinary.

Then a doctor's visit turned up a chilling diagnosis — chronic myelogenous leukemia.

"I've always been in good health and except for headaches, nothing seemed out of the ordinary." he said.

While he is on medication now and feeling OK, there is some urgency because the bone marrow transplant should be performed before his immune system breaks down and sickness occurs.

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Legislators Young, Reed object to raises in Breslin's '97 budget

By Mel Hyman

County Executive Michael Breslin's 1997 budget has County Legislator David Young seeing red.

Despite the spending cuts and slight property tax decrease contained in the tentative spending plan, Young said, "I can't believe Breslin would make the kind of political blunder he made with his top staff. It's arrogant. When you have union workers fighting for a 2 percent raise, how do you think the legislature would react when they find out about 30 percent raises to his top aides?"

The Delmar Republican's remarks echo criticism leveled at Breslin last week by legislative Minority Leader Peter Crummey, R-Colonie. While generally supportive of the $531 million spending plan, Crummey lambasted the Democratic executive for "handing out 30 percent raises to his inner circle."

The deputy county executive currently receives a salary of $77,842. Young said Breslin's proposed budget, the deputy executive's salary rockets to $104,519, Young noted. "Breslin's 1997 budget, the executive," Pedo said. "There's no question that Breslin's proposed budget, the deputy executive's salary rockets to $77,842, which is an increase. It's ugly... I expect some heated debate over this. I for one will not be supporting these astronomical raises."

Breslin spokeswoman Susan Pedo said the criticism was unwarranted. In the executive's words, Breslin's proposed budget, the deputy executive's salary rockets to $77,842, which is an increase. It's ugly... I expect some heated debate over this. I for one will not be supporting these astronomical raises."

By Dev Tobin

GOP County Legislator Robin Reed of Selkirk said she's been receiving letters from people in her district who are employed by the county and are "quite upset" over the fact that they are receiving 2 and 3 percent raises and "looking at a 50 percent increase in the cost of living after the health insurance, while some folks in Breslin's office are getting 38 percent raises. It's not fair and it's a disservice to the people who make this county work on a daily basis." Reed is mixing apples and oranges, Pedo said, because the pay raises to his staff such outrageous pay increases? A half percent reduction is nothing more than a cosmetic change used to make the executive look good."

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Victims research polluter

By Dev Tobin

For 18 months, residents of North and Upper Flat Rock roads in the town of New Scotland have been uncertain about the future quality of their well water. Now, what was discussed about the past has deepened that concern.

The North Road site occupied by Kleen Resources and its family-related successor, Domer­nich Environmental Services, has had problems with hazardous waste contamination going back at least 15 years, according to research into news articles and records of the state Department of Environmental Conservation by Kathryn O'Rourke and Scott Andrews of Upper Flat Rock Road, which led to the New Scotland town board last week.

Kleen Resources, a family-related successor to the Domermich firm, has been identified as a responsible party for a spill which contaminated about a dozen wells with gasoline additives methyl tert-butyl ether (MTBE) and acetone in late May 1995. Domernich Environmental Services was identified as responsible for a diesel spill in 1996, when an EnCon official cited "extensive sloppy housekeeping" at the site. Domermich filed for bankruptcy in 1991, and Kleen Resources took over the site, operating the same business, hazardous waste disposal. "This is outrageous," Andrews said of the Domermich/Kleen Resources record of polluting the North Road site.

"We don't feel our wells are safe if that property is abandoned and nobody is monitoring it," O'Rourke said. "I've seen trucks there at night — on one occasion, a Domermich truck."

Spotlight sponsors debate

The candidates running for the 102nd Assembly District will square off in a debate on Wednesday, Oct. 30, from 7:30 to 9 p.m. at Glenmont Elementary School on Route 19W.

Democrat Brenda Button (who is also running on the Independence line) is trying to unseat five-term incumbent John Faso, who is running on the Republican and Conservative lines.

Sponsored by The Spotlight in affiliation with the Albany County League of Women Voters, the forum will consist of questions on forms that the audience may submit questions on forms that the audience may submit on forms that the audience may submit.
The festival will be held at the
Empire Center at The Egg. Thurs-
day through Sunday.

Brainchild of Delmar movie
maker and film promoter, Michael
D. Ellenbogen and his Passport
Cinemas, Ltd. the festival has
grown in size and reputation in
three short years to the point
where nearly 500 films were sub-
mitted for consideration by the
panel of 12 area film and video
experts.

"Within two years," said
Ellenbogen, "this festival has
achieved a status on the interna-
tional film festival circuit that
takes 10-to-15-years for other festivals
to achieve, but it could not have
been done without setting goals
and drawing support from the lo-
cal and national business
community."

To help audiences navigate
their way through this incredible
smorgasbord of movies, festival
organizers have structured the
program to group films with simi-
lar themes together. There will be
26 programs, each with a different
theme, to enable the public to pick
and choose those screenings that
suit their interests.

Each "program" is approxi-
mately two hours long and con-
tains between four and 12 films.
Families with young children or
teenagers should consider Eyes
Bright with Wonder 1 & 2, and
Electric Fritz.

Cultured and mature audiences
with an interest in foreign culture,
current events and distinguished
personalities will enjoy Early Cin-
ema, Women Behind the Camera,
African-American Experience, and
Degrees of Solitude.

Those who seek alternative life-
styless and philosophies, or the
abstract relationships between
film, culture and life won’t want to
miss Poetry in Motion, Optical
Tracks, Mass Media Manipulation,
Visions of the Apocalypse and Anar-
chy in the Cinema.

The remaining programs will
appeal to audiences based on vari-
ous themes including Road Mov-
ies, Animation Gallery, Relations-
ship Tango, The Horror..., Laugh
Out Loud, Late Night Erotic Cafe
and The Grand Finale.

The festival center will contain
a food court featuring Indonesian
and continental specialties
pared by Chef Yono Purnomo,
and a discussion area where the
public can attend special presen-
tations by participating filmmak-
ers.

"I am fascinated by the interna-
tional response to the festival,"
claims Ellenbogen, basing his en-
thusiasm, on submissions from 34
countries. "It proves that I have
created a forum that serves the
purpose of the international film
community. Many of these film-
makers will be attending in order
to see their film with an Ameri-
can audience, meet other filmmakers and
see some of the best films in
the world today."

Tickets for the festival can be
purchased for $35 (14 shows), $25
(7 shows), and $10 (3 shows) and
are available at the Empire Center
Box Office (in person or by calling
(518) 473-1845), The Book House of
Stuyvesant Plaza or at Yoko’s
Restaurant (289 Hamilton St., Al-
bany). Shows begin on Thursday
and Friday at 6:30 p.m., Saturday
at 11:30 a.m. and Sunday at 11 a.m.
For information call the festival
office at (518) 433-1000 or via the
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The Cornell Cooperative Exten-
sion of Albany County, locate1 on
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Workshop for Saturday, Oct. 19,
from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., and Tues-
day, Oct. 22, from 5 to 9:30 p.m.
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Kiwanis club launches fund-raiser

Thanks to Delmar Kiwanian Dom DeCecco, a new fund-raising effort has been launched to help raise the service organizations in the region goal of $500,000 for the Kiwanis Pediatric Trauma Unit at Children’s Hospital at Albany Medical Center over the next five years.

DeCecco said 98.5 percent of every dollar raised will go to the unit for research, education and equipment. “We needed a program where almost every penny would go toward the unit,” he said.

The basic idea behind the Kiwanis Bell of Life campaign is simple. Local businesses will be asked to offer and then display cards in the shape of a bell, with the donor’s name or message on it. Donations for each bell are $1. “We’ll be going to all businesses locally,” as well other Kiwanis clubs in the region, he said. Each club is responsible for its own area.

The Delmar club’s goal for this phase of the fund-raising campaign is $10,000, DeCecco said. The campaign will officially kick off Nov. 1 and continue throughout the month and possibly into early December.

With businesses displaying the bells, DeCecco said the public will become more aware of the trauma unit, which serves children who suffer head injuries. DeCecco said more than 15,000 children out of the 100,000 victims of traumas are killed by this type of severe injury every year. “We’re hoping all businesses will participate,” in the campaign, DeCecco said.

“This program is really Dom DeCecco’s baby,” said Delmar Kiwanian President Sue Matterson. “We’re just here to help out.” The Key Club at Bethlehem Central High School will also be working on the fund-raiser.

For information about the Bell of Life campaign call DeCecco at 439-2437 or Matterson at 449-1656.

Kiwanians Dom DeCecco and Sue Matterson are hoping to raise $10,000 in the Bell of Life campaign for the pediatric trauma unit.

RCS to host craft fair

Ravenna-Cohoes Selkirk Parent Teacher Organization will hold its fifth annual craft fair on Sunday, Oct. 27, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., at RCS Senior High School on Route 9W in Ravena.

For information, call 756-9503.

Police probing break-in at veterinarian office

Bethlehem police are investigating a weekend break-in at Delmar Animal Hospital on Delaware Avenue.

Sometime early Saturday, after attempting to pry open a side door, the intruder (a) smashed a window and gained entry, police said.

Once inside, the perpetrator(s) ransacked the office area and treatment rooms. File cabinet and desk drawers were pulled open and papers were strewn about, according to Dr. Stuart Lyman.

The burglar(s) also attempted without success to open a door to the hospital, police said.

The only missing commodity was $30 taken from the stamp drawer, Lyman said. Replacement of the window will cost about $380.

The safe will probably have to be replaced as well, Lyman said, because in their frustration to get inside, the perpetrator(s) "took a hammer to the dial, knocking it off.

“We still need to get inside,” Lyman said. "Besides cash for the office, we have our drugs to anesthetize the animals.”

Lyman, who has been with the local veterinary clinic for 24 years, said the only other break-in he recalls occurred many years ago, and the only items removed at that time were canisters of nitrous oxide, also known as laughing gas.

“They found one of the empty canisters behind the Grand Union (in Elkmere),” he said.

Votes Against Nature!

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**Foresight pays off**

At first glance, the idea of a new crosstown road in Bethlehem seems like a sensible idea, and town officials are wise to consider such an proposal now before the crunch of new growth that has been predicted occurs.

The new road would certainly be more convenient from the motorist’s perspective, and at the same time would alleviate some of the congestion on roads not designed for the traffic they already bear. For example, Feura Bush and Wemple roads are often backed up, especially during rush hour.

LUMAC deserves a pat on the back for considering this road and others in developing the town’s master plan. As Councilwoman Doris Davis said lack of foresight and planning could result in serious problems down the road. She is also right to reserve judgment until the plan has been carefully studied to better determine its feasibility, along with its phases and minuses.

**Decide dogs’ fate**

The Mohawk & Hudson Humane Society is poised to launch its annual fund drive, and this year it needs the support of the community more than ever.

Humane Society Executive Director Phil Gara writes in our letters column this week of the nightmare that has been going on at the Menands shelter since February when the dogs were seized and the shelter became responsible for them.

Gara argues, and we think rightly, that the shelter has been nearly crippled by the more than 100 dogs it has housed since February because of an abuse case brought against a Pittstown, Rensselaer County woman.

We believe that this case is just one of many that the Humane Society can get back to business as usual, which was fairly good before the abuse case, which has cost the shelter more than $140,000 for the period from the time the dogs were seized until the end of last week, which keeps the shelter in the red.

**Reuse at its best**

Last week, an 8-year-old letter writer bemoaned the loss of trees because of the construction of the new Price Chopper in Slingerlands.

This week, Windsor Corp., developer of the Price Chopper parcel, had some of the remaining trees moved to a holding area. The 20 or 25 white pines that are about 20 feet tall will be moved again when the project is complete, to form a line of trees that will border the Price Chopper property.

This fulfills the idea of reuse at its best. It’s too bad more of the trees couldn’t have been rescued, but it’s wise to save as many of still existing trees as possible.

**Time to tune up**

This week’s automotive supplement is a harbinger of sorts — in this case for tough driving conditions just around the corner.

The new cars certainly are safer and better equipped to navigate under winter conditions. But if a new vehicle isn’t what you’re shopping for just now, the time to get what ever you drive in shape has arrived.

Don’t wait until just driving to a garage for repairs or maintenance is a hassle. Remember last year, winter roared in like a pride of lions that came out of a winter with a vengeance.
Abuse case proves taxing to shelter

Editor, The Spotlight:

Since February, the Mohawk & Hudson River Humane Society has been suffering the after-effects of an animal abuse case involving more than 100 dogs. Most of the animals — the ones that survived — are still under our care.

The abuse case that occurred in Pittstown, Rensselaer County, has caused us much grief, loss of funds and an increased number of stray dogs having to suffer euthanasia, not to speak of the increased trauma for all involved.

We are not alone. Neighboring shelters in Schenectady, Columbia-Greene, Gloversville and Amsterdam and many veterinary clinics have been paying a high price for being "kind to animals."

Still, all of us are happy that we took a stand. But all of us are also extremely disappointed about how things turned out in the Rensselaer County Court system. We have been told that a court date has finally been set for Nov. 12. But then, we've been there before — many times since February, when the 138 dogs were seized.

Problems of this magnitude can be avoided in the future. Our legal system needs to pass the "bond" act that they chose to overlook in the past. Such a law will put the responsibility of paying for caring for the animals involved in cruelty cases, solely on the shoulders of the offenders. They would have to post a "bond" to assure shelters of funds to handle these situations.

I think the public should know that it is not only cruel to abuse animals to begin with, but equally cruel to condemn these innocent pets to lengthy imprisonment in those overcrowded shelters. Each day they stay confined increases their chances of becoming sick and, each day they are confined sentences other animals to being put to sleep.

I hope Spotlight readers will consider these things when they see our ads or receive our fund drive letters at home. It is not large sums from a few individuals that keep us going. It is the sacrifice of all amounts by many people that helps us survive.

Phil Gara
Executive director
Mohawk & Hudson River Humane Society

Letters

Callers should be identified

Editor, The Spotlight:

Answering the doorbell one day recently, I was greeted by a pleasant, personable young man whose opening remarks had to do with today's society.

After some verbal prodding, he said he was affiliated with Jehovah's Witnesses. He has no literature to substantiate his claim. He did produce a card with his name and address. (He is listed in the phonebook.)

If, as he stated, he was truly doing the work of that organization, it would make sense for Jehovah's Witnesses to have their personnel have something in writing to identify them.

Alexander J. Woehle
Delmar

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Woman receives gifts from unexpected sources

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Delmar voter opposes Faso on record

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- against recouping financial incentives awarded businesses if they fail to fulfill the terms of the incentive (July 10).
- against requiring auto repair shops to provide warranty for repair and service work. (March 30, 1995).
- against an effort to protect indoor air quality. (June 24).
I could continue with a long list of inappropriate nay votes that impact directly on the lives of all of us. Fortunately, many of Faso’s nays were joined by only 40 or fewer of his colleagues in a body of 150 assembly members.

For example, his vote against a proposal to provide supplemental aid to libraries placed him as one of four nay voters on May 8, 1996.

His vote was one of only 20 nays opposing establishment of health-care intervention programs in general hospitals to identify and assist persons who abuse alcohol and other drugs or who are dependent on them (May 13).

But meanwhile, he has sent me letters claiming to be concerned about DWI accidents!

It is the record that counts. A record that rejects proposals to protect consumers, to address drug abuse, domestic violence, sweatshops, environmental concerns, library aid, the rights and responsibilities of both landlords and tenants, as well as to protect children from weapons — such a record deserves to be brought to an end.

I am voting for Rena Button, who will give priority to the rights and responsibilities of real people, not just the concerns of banks and big business.

Loretta J. Carney

Delmar

Series uses literature to explore learning

From October to April, the Bethlehem Humanities Institute for Lifelong Learning will sponsor a 10-session series focusing on human learning. Each session will run from 10 a.m. to noon at the Bethlehem Town Hall on Delmar Avenue in Delmar, and will use a literary work to explore the learning process.

For example, a session on Thursday, Oct. 19, 1996, will feature Lawrence, March 17; ...from the land, Of Pioneers by Willa Cather, March 28; and ...from travelling far, Zen and the Art of Motorcycle Maintenance by William Pirsig, April 18.

For information, call 295-7313.

Cemetery Association to meet in November

The Cemetery Association will meet on Monday, Nov. 4, at the Delmar Reformed Church at 386 Delmar Ave. in Delmar at 7 p.m.

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V’ville kids get taste of native culture

By Katherine McCarthy

American Indian Joseph Bruchac enchanted second-graders at Voorheesville Elementary School last week, greeting them with “Kwai, kwai, ni'doba,” the Abenaki phrase for “Hello, hello, my friend.”

Bruchac beat a gentle rhythm on his native hand drum as he explained why Abenaki greets new people as friends, “The person you never met might turn out to be your best friend.”

Clad in a red native shirt, the storyteller quickly engaged the children in his tale of a braggard bearsnapping squirrel. Tomahawk sure the children were listening, he punctuated his story with a question “Why?” which always drew a resounding “Hey” from the audience.

The children eagerly participated, indicating the sunrise and long nights was the excitement. The children eagerly told the children as he related his lessons.

"When people did things wrong, we told a story," Bruchac told the children as he related his interactive tale. "Before TV, people told stories to entertain one another, to explain things and to teach lessons."

He said that from autumn to spring — the time of short days and long nights was the storytelling time of the Dawn Land (Abenaki) people, who are part of the Iroquois nation. “We gather around a warm and comfortable fire in a circle, adding that in a circle everybody is the same height, and nobody is closer or farther apart than anyone else.

After leading the children in a canoe song, Bruchac told them the story of why birds fly south, an old story he included in his book, The Great Ball Game, one of 60 he has written. He ended the hoarse hour by leading the children in a snake dance of the children in a snake dance that turned the gym into a whirling blur of kids singing “Wi gas wan neh,” or “This is fun.”

Bruchac does a number of school programs. “Storytelling is about the next generation,” he said. “You’re seeing the future.”

But he also said he likes the children today because they can be proud of their heritage, not matter what that is.

Bruchac said that when he was growing up, everybody was supposed to be like everybody else. With a Slovak father and American Indian mother, that was what his family tried to do. But in his late teens, Bruchac began learning the Abenaki language from tribal elders.

Today Bruchac’s sons, James and Jesse carry out the tradition he re-awakened, teaching the Abenaki language and performing with the Dawn Land Singers. The family also holds the Bruchac Land Conservancy in Greenfield Center, an American Indian Education Center, wilderness school and bookstore.

Correction

An article on a Ravena Girl Scout in the Oct. 9 issue, Meghan Smith, stated that she was the first Scout to receive the Gold Award in four years. In 1995, seven girls have competed the requirements for the award, and several others are expected to earn the award before the end of the year. In 1995, 15 Girl Scouts earned the award and 10 were recipients in 1984.
New shrine opens

Marywood, a new outdoor shrine at St. Michael’s Church in Glenmont, opened recently. The Rev. Brendan O’Keefe, left, and parishioner Fred Heidrich, among others, worked to create “a place of prayer and meditation open at all,” O’Keefe said.

Heather Selig, 21, has been bowling since she was 12 years old, or in her own words, “since I was knee high to a grasshopper.”

The Delmar woman recently achieved distinction by bowling the highest three-game series by a woman in the history of Del Lanes.

On Monday, Sept. 23, she rolled games of 236, 277 and 299 for a total of 812 and a four-game total of 962 at Del Lanes. Her high game of 300 was rolled in January 1995.

Selig acquired her skills by participating in the Del Lanes Junior Program.

While she doesn’t shy away from the competitive part of the sport, Selig says enjoyment is still the main reason she participates.

As far as competition goes, Selig said she “like to do a couple of the amateur tours that come here” such as the Women’s All-Star Association tour.

“This spring, I plan to bowl in the New York state (women’s) tournament with a team from this area.”

While a student at Hudson Valley Community College, she was a member of the National Junior College Athletic Association championship team in 1995, when she was elected the team’s Most Valuable Player.

Selig was a member of the Junior All-Star team for four years. Currently, she bowls in the Delmar Car Wash Classic on Monday evenings and in the Riverfront Insurance Group women’s doubles at the Bowlers Club on Thursday nights.

Bowling has always seemed “to come natural,” she said. “Even in juniors, I had a hook that went from gutter to gutter. Then once I could put some speed behind the bowl, it became real powerful.”

Mel Hyman

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N. Scotland historians sponsoring contest

The New Scotland Historical Association is once again sponsoring the E. Dayton Joslin History Prize for the best history essay by a seventh-grader living in the town of New Scotland.

This year’s first prize is a cash award of $50. Second and third prizes will be $25 and $15 respectively. The fourth-prize winner will receive a signed copy of "Voorheesville, New York: A Sketch of the Beginnings of a Nineteenth Century Railroad Town" by Dennis Sullivan, village historian.

The essay can deal with any aspect of the history of the town of New Scotland or interest to the student. Topics could be the town’s settlement, a particular industry, a key event such as the Anti-Rent War, a building or location important in the town’s history or a person who influenced the town’s development.

The essay should be no more than 500 words or two double-spaced typewritten pages. All essays must be typed. Students are allowed to use parents, teachers or other resource people only for the final copy edit — for correction of grammar and spelling.

Essays must be completed and mailed to the New Scotland Historical Association, PO Box 541, Voorheesville 12186, by the Wednesday, Nov. 27.

Contest judges are historians and teachers, Robert Parmenter and Sullivan. Winners will be notified in December and receive their prizes at the February meeting of the association.

Foundation offers free trees

Ten free white flowering dogwood trees will be given to each person who joins the National Arbor Day Foundation during October.

The free trees are part of the non-profit foundation’s Trees for America campaign.

The trees will be shipped postpaid at the right time for planting between Nov. 1 and Dec. 10 with enclosed planting instructions. The 6- to 12-inch trees are guaranteed to grow, or they will be replaced free of charge.

Members also receive a subscription to the foundation’s bi-monthly publication, “Arbor Day,” and “The Tree Book” with information about tree planting and care.

To become a member of the foundation and to receive the free trees, send a $10 contribution to “Ten Free Dogwoods,” National Arbor Day Foundation, 100 Arbor Ave., Nebraska City, Neb. 68410, by Oct. 31.

College night rescheduled

College and career night, originally set for Thursday, Oct. 17, has been rescheduled to Tuesday, Dec. 3, from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. Parents and students are urged to set aside that date to meet with representatives of colleges, local businesses and the military.

For information, call Greg Chase at the high school at 756-2155 extension 316.

There will be no PTOA meeting this month.

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There are a variety of vendors already committed to the show, but more vendors are being sought.

The show will be held at the RCS Middle School on Route 9W in Ravena, across from the Blue Circle Cement Co.

For information, call 756-3646.

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V'ville firefighters planning annual harvest dance

Voorheesville Volunteer Fire Department's annual harvest dance will be on Saturday, Oct. 19, from 6 to 9 p.m. at the firehouse on Altamont Road.

Live oldies will be played by Five Karat Gold. Tickets are $10 per person and include soda, beer, set-ups and hors d'oeuvres. The community is welcome to attend.

For information, call Mike Martin at 765-4048 or Harry Tinnis at 765-2421 or the firehouse at 765-4048.

Legion to dish up Sunday breakfast Oct. 20

Breakfast will be served at American Legion Post 1495 on Voorheesville Avenue Sunday, Oct. 20, from 8 a.m. to noon.

All-you-can-eat helpings of eggs, sausage, home fries, french toast, and beverages cost $4 for adults and $2.50 for children ages 5 to 12. Children under age 5 eat for free.

The Legion will also conduct a food drive at SuperValu for the Voorheesville area food pantry. A list of needed items comes from members from throughout the community and serves people of all faiths.

More than 50 families receive help every month. In past years, needy families were given holiday food baskets at Thanksgiving and Christmas as well as holiday gifts for children.

Because of construction at the church, space this year is very limited and the committee is asking businesses, community groups and families to donate gift certificates to SuperValu and Walmart instead.

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Story hour, farewell on agenda tonight

Parents, kids and friends are invited to a farewell party for Meg Seinburg-Hughes, young people's librarian, today, Oct. 16, at 7:30 p.m. following an evening story hour.

From 4 to 6 p.m. tonight, library archivist Susan Malbin will be available to anyone who would like to view and discuss the Stephen Van Rensselaer Indentures, which are now part of the library's collection.

Kids can now do homework at the library. A special night and time has been set aside for young people in grades-five and up in the community room. On Mondays, from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m., the room will be open and encouraged to keep the noise level down and standards of behavior up. Reference librarians and materials will be readily accessible.

Students should arrange to be picked up promptly at 8:30 p.m. before the library closes.

Michael Malbin, political science professor at the University at Albany, will present a lecture about party politics and election issues entitled "Crossroads, or More of the Same?" on Wednesday, Oct. 23, at 7 p.m. Malbin who worked for the federal government as a political analyst, is currently director of the Center for Legislative Studies at the Rockefeller Institute of Government.

The presentation will be followed by a question-and-answer period and refreshments.

Super Sunday attracted a big crowd to hear the Whispersnapers. We were happy to see the very first people to arrive were students armed with textbooks. We hope this sets the tone for the rest of the year.

Special thanks to the helpers at the "make it" station. Thanks to Jen Seay, Joany Biczko, Jo Hughes and Jane Pearson, who assisted with face painting, weaving and other activities. The 1997 Writers Market and some other new college guides are now available. Peterson's ACT Success, The Guide to Two Year Colleges and Private Secondary School and the fifth edition of The Scholarship Book are now available.

Keep in mind the library is now closing at 6 p.m. on Fridays and is open from 1 to 5 p.m. on Sundays. Friday videos are due back on Sundays.

Barbara Vink

Normanside women to hold trophy banquet and meeting

1 The Normanside Country Club Women's Organization will hold its trophy banquet and annual meeting at the club on Salisbury Road in Delmar on Thursday, Oct. 24. A cocktail hour will begin at 6 p.m. and dinner will start at 7 p.m.

Golf awards will be presented and special achievements recognized. New members will also be honored.

Vice President Judy Gilligan, golf co-chairwomen Jackie Aligier, Betty Williams and Mary Stampfli, quarterbacks Lynn Luther and Chris Prudenice, and Ringers Chairwoman Pat Meldrum will preside at the program.

Elections will also take place. Current officers are: president, Mabel Farrow; vice president, Judy Gilligan; secretary, Sue Redmond; treasurer, Ann Deitze; 18-hole golf chairwoman, Sharon Decosmo; 9-hole golf chairwoman, Betty Willams; Wednesday Night League Golf chairwomen, Pam Stampfli; bridge chairwoman, Joan Schumacher; and board member-at-large, Phyllis Howell.

For information, call 439-0632.

Decorative artists to conduct program

Technical services staff member Sue Black speaks of her art with enthusiasm. She also modestly proud that her work and that of her colleagues has been exhibited at the Smithsonian.

Chuck it Out! Bethlehem Public Library

Black's avocation is decorative painting. In the U.S., decorative painting traces its origins to New England, but is found in Bavaria and Germany. It was traditionally practiced on tin surfaces, earning the name tole painting. Today, it incorporates the folk art styles of many countries and includes tole painting, gold leafing and gilding. Its practitioners now paint on wood, fabric and pottery as well as tin.

Decorative art finds a national forum in the Society of Decorative Painters, a 25-year-old organization that exists to bring its members, Capitols, in which Black is a teaching member, is the local chapter drawing about 200 members from New York, New England and Canada.

A lovely sampling of the Capitols' work is currently on display at the library in honor of National Tole and Decorative Painting Month. The beauty of decorative painting, Black says, is the fact that no inherent artistic talent is needed. "All you need to have is the wanting to do it." Good training yields early success. With perspective and practice, "The hand starts to develop a" feel for how to shape and shade the designs so that they appear rich and luminous. As the painters become more proficient, they can add a practical examination given by the national society and become either a certified or master decorator. The local chapter has several certified artists and one master artist, which is phenomenal for the area, Black says.

Black has been painting since 1984, when she attended a class with a friend and was captivated. In 1991, when the Smithsonian invited the Society of Decorative Painters to decorate plain tin Christmas ornaments, Black produced a Nantucket winter scene — complete with cottage and whale weathervane. Her ornament, along with others from the local chapter, was selected for display that year in the Smithsonian's Museum of Natural History, right across from the original Star-Spangled Banner. "It was thrilling," she says.

The ornaments are in the museum's permanent collection and will be on display on a rotating basis. Other Capitols' ornaments graced the White House and vice presidents' houses during the holiday season last year.

Black, who works for technical services as a bookbinder, does all sorts of handwork including quilting and counted cross stitch, but her first love is tole painting. She received an invitation to the library's decorative painting presentation on Tuesday, Oct. 22, at 7:30 p.m.

Black and Nancy Scott, Capitols president, will talk about and demonstrate this time-honored craft. Call 439-0631 to register for this free program.

Louise Grieco

After-school classes to begin

Bethlehem Central Middle School pupils can register now for the new after-school activities classes.

Pupils can choose from "Paper Plus, A Whole Lot More," "Art History: Master Realist," "Creative Dynamics" and "Poetry, Pencil and Persuasion." Registration forms may be obtained from the school principal, secretary, assistant principal or counselor. The first week of classes is Oct. 22. All activities are creative and challenging. It's an opportunity for middle and high school students to learn something new and spend special time with friends.

Classes will begin the week of Oct. 22. There is a fee of $20 plus materials. Call 439-7740 to register.
Bethlehem girls roll over three opponents

By Tim Kavanagh

The Bethlehem girls soccer team ripped through another exciting week of competition, winning three games by a combined score of 12-1.

On Saturday, the team went up against Half Hollow Hills from Long Island. After two intense halves of play, the girls emerged victorious by a slim 2-1 margin. Emily Haskins and Kate Smith scored the goals. Coach Brett Miller praised Lily Corrigan for her overall effort.

Earlier in the week, the girls hit the road to play Schenectady and came away with a 7-0 victory, after scoring the only goal for Bethlehem. Katie Smith scored the top goal scorer for the team, with three goals, but Miller said “no one player stood out” in the effort.

The girls also blanked a tough Colonial squad. Smith and Haskins once again led the way offensively. The defense was backed by another shutout performance by Winnie Corrigan, who had three big saves.

Miller said that the entire team played well and that this was “one of the best efforts of the year.”

With two weeks left in the season, the team faces one of its most challenging stretches yet, with games against Saratoga on Thursday and Burnt Hills on Saturday.

Eagles tie Shen to qualify for sectional tournament

By Annette Grujny

The Bethlehem kickers were hoping for another miracle win last week against sectional rival Shenendehowa.

The Eagles started out strong, finishing the first half with a 5-0 lead. Kevin Russell, Jason Seymour, and Brian Schwartz scored the first three goals. Ben Samelson-Jones crossed the ball over to Schwartz for the assist.

Shen came back with a vengeance in the second half, however, as they scored four goals to take a 4-3 lead. With 15 seconds left in the game, Seymour scored off a penalty kick to keep Bethlehem alive and send the game into overtime.

With the Plainsmen up 5-4 in the second overtime period, Russell’s goal knotted the score and the game ended in a 5-5 tie.

“Going into the game we were focused and intense,” said BC captain Dave Maher. “We had beaten Shen before, and we knew that we had the potential to do it again. It meant a lot to us since we qualified for sectionals with that tie, and we did it on their own turf.”

Earlier in the week, the Eagles tied Saratoga 1-1. Kevin Smith scored the only goal for Bethlehem.

On Thursday, the Eagles beat Shaker, 3-1. Seymour, Maher and Greg DeMarco tallied the goals. Excellent play in goal by Dave Levine helped secure the win.

Bethlehem defensiveman Greg Cooper fights to gain possession during a recent Suburban Council matchup.

Stefanik & Boomhower roll 300s

Mike Stefanik of Albany and Larry Boomhower of Selkirk both bowled perfect 300 games last week at Del Lanes.

Other high scorers include Senior Circuit Men: Steve Walley 244 and 801 four games; Dick Neuman 563 triple.

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Check qualifications before choosing an auto mechanic

Fall is the perfect time to undo the damage done by summer driving and to get ready for the rigors of winter driving ahead. So it should come as no surprise that October is National Car Care Month. But given the complexity of today's vehicles, many motorists, including professional technicians, as "tune-ups" have become "engine performance diagnosis" and on-board computer systems, electronic climate control, anti-lock brakes, digital dashboards and other advanced systems grow popular.

The following tips from the National Institute for Automotive Service Excellence (ASE) should make finding a qualified automotive technician easier.

- Ask a number of friends or business associates if they can recommend someone; a consensus is usually more reliable than counting solely on one person's judgment.
- Be sure to call the local Better Business Bureau or consumer organization and inquire about the reputation of professional technicians, as well as ASE肩上的肩膀徽章。 ASE offers these tips:
- Those who pass and fulfill the two-year work experience requirement are awarded ASE credentials and the blue and white ASE shoulder insignia.
- Not only are these credentials meaningful to the technician, they are also reassuring to his employer and important to you. They are the extra assurance that your technician knows his or her stuff. And all ASE-certified technicians must recertify every five years in order to remain current with technology and to stay in the program.

You can lose time and money by leaving your keys inside a locked car. To help you avoid this, Shell Motorist Club (SMC) offers these tips:

- Develop a key removal routine. Make key removal an automatic reflex. Remind yourself to always double-check for the keys each time you leave your car.
- Carry an extra-large key ring. This will help make your keys harder to ignore. It's also easier to find when you're in a hurry.
- Learn to only lock your car from the outside with your key.
- Give an extra car key to your spouse or a friend. Ask your spouse or friend to bring you the extra car key if you should accidentally lock yours inside the car.
- Hide a spare key in a magnetized holder under your car. Ask your mechanic to help you locate a secure spot in which to hide a key holder.
- Join an automobile club. Many offer an emergency lock service which reimburses members for locksmith charges.

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Experience, craftsmanship guide local body shop owners

By Mel Hyman

Scott Blodgett, co-owner of The Recovery Room, a complete autobody and collision repair shop on Adams Street in Delmar, used to run the body shop at Smith Pontiac in Latham.

Over the 20 years he's been in the autobody repair business, he's worked for a number of other people, and it's given him perspective on the way things should be done. He was even an autobody insurance appraiser for two years.

Partner Chris Williams, 25, also worked in the field prior to the startup of The Recovery Room last year. "It's the only thing I'm trained to do," he readily confessed. And like Scott, he's something of a perfectionist.

"We always go the extra mile to make sure a car is restored to pre-accident condition," he said. "We try to give them just what they expect and a bit more."

Autobody repair is not simply just knowing how to patch a rust spot or fix a dented fender. Blodgett and Williams have spent many hours taking courses on the latest techniques and equipment used in their profession, and are both certified auto body repair, Blodgett and Williams said they have it.

They employ a laser frame measuring system, mix all of their own paints on the premises and generate their repair estimates via computer.

They have also installed a filtering system so that fumes from the shop are neutralized before being released into the environment. Any paints that go unused are recycled.

Born and raised in Delmar, Blodgett still lives in town and when he's not working restoring vehicles, he's out walking and hiking the woods near the Normanskill.

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How to avoid parking lot accidents

Here's a surprising statistic: Parking lot accidents are a major source of auto insurance claims.

In response, the AARP Auto and Homeowners Insurance Program, provided by ITT Hartford Insurance Group, conducted a national survey of parking lot accidents to try to understand why they happen. Some of the study's highlights include:

- Most of the accidents involved a driver hitting a parked car or being hit by another vehicle while parked, and 35 percent of the accidents occurred when drivers were backing out of a space.
- A disproportionate number of accidents occurred in small lots where there's less room to maneuver.
- The percent of accidents related to a driver's ability to maneuver a car increased with age.
- Some ways to avoid parking lot accidents are:
  - Slow down before proceeding across aisle intersections and turn into an aisle with caution in case there's a car back out of the space.
  - Crack open your window and turn off the radio to be sure you can hear pedestrians and cars you can't see.
  - Use your directional signal when parking. When entering an angled parking spot, be sure your left front bumper and right rear bumper clear neighboring vehicles.
  - When possible, park so you can pull out head first rather than back out.
  - Tap your horn twice before backing up. Check your rear- and side-view mirrors and look over both shoulders. Recheck after backing a short distance.
  - Back out of a space very slowly.

Internet is the latest tool for savvy cyber-car buyers

The information superhighway is becoming a route that can save car shoppers thousands of dollars.

An impressive new stop on the World Wide Web called AutoSite may be the ultimate buyer's guide—over 24,000 pages of current pre-purchase information, from competitive model comparisons to detailed prices and specifications.

The site was created by Automotive Information Center, a leading supplier of product research data to the auto industry.

Unlike other similar-sounding automotive sites, it's not a front for a car broker, enthusiast, publication, dealer network or manufacturer—it's genuinely consumer-friendly.

The site compiles loads of independent buying information, including dealer invoice prices, crash test results, lists of reviews from popular magazines, performance results, insurance premiums and projected residual values. You can compare any two vehicles side by side and, once you narrow down your search, you can interactively equip any car, van or light truck sold in the U.S. to build an accurate "window sticker."

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In short, there's something at AutoSite for anyone who's buying or maintaining a car or track, and it's easy to find your way around. To reach it, online consumers should point their browsers at http://www.autosite.com. As a convenience to ComputeServe, America Online and Prodigy members, AutoSite offers its information in both Netscape table format and plain text.
AAA offers common-sense winter preparation tips

**Batteries top auto club's list of preventive maintenance musts**

Properly maintained vehicles can usually weather winter's chilly temperatures, but special steps are required to protect cars from the season's fiercest arctic blasts, according to the American Automobile Association (AAA).

As part of National Car Care Month, AAA is urging motorists to prepare now for the severe cold snaps that strand millions of motorists each winter.

"In 1994, AAA received nearly 27 million calls for emergency road service," said George Giek, managing director of AAA's Automotive Services. "Much of that record volume is directly attributable to periods of single-digit and subzero temperatures in many parts of the nation."

The best strategy to combat severe winter weather is to make sure your car's battery is in proper working condition.

If the temperature has been extremely low and the battery is weak, the battery could be frozen. Motorists should not attempt to jump-start a frozen battery.

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Motorists who live in areas prone to extremely cold temperatures, such as 5W-30, which performs better in cold weather.

Basic vehicle maintenance also plays a vital role in cold-weather vehicle performance. In addition to the battery, ignition and engine cooling systems should be inspected and engine oil changed before frigid temperatures hit. Be certain the engine coolant is a 50/50 mix of antifreeze and water.

Motorists who live in areas prone to severe weather may want to change to a winter-grade oil, such as 5W-30, which performs better in cold weather.

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- If you often hit a patch of rough road in your daily drive (especially after severe winter weather), you’re not alone.

- Three out of every five major highway miles we travel need immediate repair or rebuilding or will need repair soon, according to a study by the federal government.

- Bad roads are a factor in nearly one out of every three highway accidents and cause each motorist to spend more than $100 extra per year in vehicle operation costs.

- Fixing the backlog of decaying major roads and bridges will cost taxpayers $290 billion. That’s $3,000 per household.

- But America needs to fix highways and bridges now before more accidents occur and repair costs soar, according to the American Society of Civil Engineers. Delaying maintenance beyond a road’s normal life span can drive up future repair costs by as much as four to five times, civil engineers warn.

- Citizens can help by telling their local department of public works when they see poor road conditions or major potholes, and also by supporting local and national road maintenance and investment.

Keep fuel system in tune for winter

- Review your car care checklist. Anti-freeze. Battery. Oil change. Snow tires. When getting ready to drive through winter weather, most of us will remember the basics.

- But what about that high-tech fuel delivery system? The one where microscopic particles of sediment or deposit can throw a wrench into the works?

- Winter starting is challenging enough without a dirty fuel system. Low temperatures can cut your battery’s available power in half. Thick oil puts more drag on an already stiff engine. Chilled gasoline doesn’t vaporize as readily for combustion.

- If your fuel injectors or carburetor jets, valves and combustion chambers are fouled with deposits, you might have three strikes against you when you turn the key some frigid morning. Auto clubs and service organizations report up to 80 percent of wintertime service calls are for cars that won’t start.

- Modern fuel-injected engines are at extra risk from deposits caused by gasoline and combustion. Dirty injectors may stream the fuel instead of misting it or may even become plugged. Deposit buildup on the intake valves and in the combustion chambers can cause trouble too by actually absorbing some of the fuel needed for starting.

- Many auto professionals now recommend regular use of fuel additives, especially during cold weather — even for motorists who use a detergent gasoline. That’s because not all detergents and fuel additives are alike. Some gasoline detergents and fuel injector additives create deposits on the valves or in the combustion chambers.

- New-generation, advanced deposit-control additives can remove built-up deposits from all parts of the fuel system and keep them off for several thousand miles. They also have much better cold-weather performance to help cold engines start easier and run smoother.

- You’ll find a wide range of formulations, potencies and prices on the shelf. Many still use less expensive, older technology from the 1950s that can cause deposits. As a rule of thumb, look for a reputable brand and expect to pay about $10 for fully concentrated, up-to-date deposit control.

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Buying a used car? Make sure to check up on its pedigree

The used car business is in a bad state, passing new cars on at a surprising rate. For budget-conscious shoppers, a late-used vehicle, especially one that has been well-maintained, is a viable alternative to a new one.

There's less risk in buying a used car today, according to Charles Pitts of the National Independent Automobile Dealers Association, the nation's fastest growing trade association. "Newer cars hold up better and last longer than their predecessors," he claims. "Reputable dealers are fatter about their merchandise; warranties are better, too."

Whether buying from a dealer or private party, ask for maintenance and repair records. When available, they're akin to a pedigree and add to the value of a vehicle. Documenting the car's history also enhances the vehicle you're selling, a good case for keeping records.

For used car shoppers, The Used Car Buyer's Manual takes the reader step-by-step through the buying process.

Written by expert auto broker David J. Buechel, the 17-page book helps you avoid lemons, locate bargains and sell your old car. Also included are car care tips, a directory of reputable used cars and an inspection checklist.

The book is available for $9.95 plus $2.50 shipping and handling ($12.45) from the Car Care Council, Used Car Dept., One Grande Lake Drive, Port Clinton, Ohio 43452.

Low-mileage cars can have problems

When young Jack Porter bought a beautiful 1977 Ford from his Aunt Maude, he figured it ought to be a really good deal. Having been driven only 23,000 miles in all those years, it should be in great shape.

By all outward appearances it was, and certainly Aunt Maude was honest. But Jack soon learned the hard way that a car that's been driven about 35 miles a week — little more than Sunday trips to church — can be filled with problems waiting to occur.

Consequently, driving the car the way it was designed to be driven, one thing after another arose. First it was the engine overheating. She hadn't had the cooling system flushed since Uncle Crandall died back in the mid-1980s. "He always took care of everything," she lamented. Jack inherited the results of her ignorance.

Next, a ticking noise came from the engine. It turned out to be a sticking valve lifter, the result of not having changed the oil in 4,000 miles. For most drivers, that's a reasonable interval, but for Aunt Maude, it was more than two years of stop-and-go driving, the kind that can turn the oil to sludge. That sludge really messed up the inside of the engine and resulted in an expensive repair bill.

Also expensive was the replacement of the heater core, which disintegrated as a result of the neglected cooling system — not to mention a complete braking system overhaul because no one had looked at the brakes since before Maude and Crandall had taken their vacation trip.

For anyone who drives relatively few miles a week, automotive experts suggest it's a good idea to turn to the "severe" or "unique driving conditions" sections of your owner's manual. Its maintenance recommendations, which include more frequent service intervals for drivers who do a lot of short-trip driving (under 10 miles), should be taken seriously.

The Car Care Council offers a brochure on the fundamentals of car care entitled How To Find Your Way Under the Hood and Around the Hood. For a free copy, send a stamped, self-addressed envelope to Car Care Council, Dept. UH, One Grande Lake Drive, Port Clinton, Ohio 43452.

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Be prepared for the worst—test your winter driving IQ

A severe winter can be tough on a car. To be prepared for Mother Nature’s worst, be aware of your car’s needs. In recognition of National Car Care Month (October) the Car Care Council offers a multiple-choice quiz on this timely topic.

For maximum protection, antifreeze mixture should be:
(a) half antifreeze, half water.
(b) pure antifreeze.
(c) 70 percent antifreeze, 30 percent water.

2. A common cause of damage to an automatic transmission is:
(a) driving too fast in second gear.
(b) excessively harsh use when stuck on ice or snow.
(c) too much city driving with the shift lever in low.

3. A battery loses some of its power as the temperature drops. At 0°F it produces only:
(a) 80 percent of its original power.
(b) 50 percent of its original power.
(c) 40 percent of its original power.

4. When the sun goes down the chances of being involved in a fatal accident increase by:
(a) 100 percent.
(b) 200 percent.
(c) 400 percent.

5. The best grade of oil to use in your car is:
(a) the type recommended in the owner’s manual.
(b) the highest viscosity index available.
(c) any oil carrying an API rating.

Answers:
1. (c) is correct. Although a 50/50 mixture will protect to -34°F, the 70 percent mixture will protect to -85°F. Do not use a stronger solution than that.
2. (b) is correct. Transmission shops report an increase in burned transmission components after a snowstorm due to drivers trying to “rock” out of snow drifts by rapidly shifting from drive to reverse. This can cause trouble by overheating the transmission.
3. (c) is correct. Even a strong battery produces only 40 percent of its power at 0°F, at which time the starter may need twice as much electrical power to start a cold engine.
4. (c) is correct. And the risk increases as driving conditions deteriorate. Driving after dark places extra demands on vehicles and their drivers.
5. (a) is correct. Higher viscosity oil is thicker, which makes the engine harder to turn over in cold weather.

Safety checklist makes winter driving easier
Basic car care and early preparation are the keys to safe and enjoyable cold-weather driving, according to the American Automobile Association.

“Winter breakdowns are more likely to occur when batteries are weak and when regular maintenance is neglected,” said George Giek, managing director of AAA Automotive Services.

Based on a review of 27.5 million calls for emergency road service in 1995, AAA makes the following suggestions for avoiding winter-driving headaches:

• Have your vehicle thoroughly inspected. The engine oil, radiator, tires, battery and ignition system all must be in top condition to perform properly in cold weather. Windshield wipers, brakes, tires and exterior lights also should be checked.

• Prepare a winter survival kit. Suggested items include: a flashlight, blankets, booster cables, a warning device (flares or reflective triangle), a small bag of abrasive material (sand or non-clumping cat litter), cloth or roll of paper towels and a small shovel.

• To prevent fuel line freeze-up and to avoid running out of gas in dangerous, cold conditions, keep your fuel tank at least half full.

• Before attempting to jump-start a vehicle, always consult your owner’s manual for hook-up instructions and safety information.

• Consider carrying a cellular phone or CB radio to summon assistance in case of an emergency.

The Car Care Quiz Book, containing 110 multiple-choice questions and answers is available from the Car Care Council. In addition to the challenging questions, each of the 11 chapters includes informative text plus an auto fact cartoon.

With a cover price of $7.95, the 91-page publication is offered during National Car Care Month for $5.95 including postage and handling.

Send a check or money order to Car Care Council, Dept. BOOK, One Grande Lake Drive, Port Clinton, Ohio 43452.
Falcons beat Albany

The unbeaten Bethlehem Pop Warner PeeWee Falcons, using a ferocious defense, shut down the Albany Titans' high-powered offense and came away with a 20-6 victory Saturday.

The Falcons defensive charge, led by Nate Pannucci, Devin Nolan, Anthony Liveri, Josh Goldberg and Josh Rucinski, held the Titans below their scoring average of more than 30 points per game.

John Sterrett and Kevin Neubauer were special team standouts with their well-placed punts and kickoffs.

Offensively, Liveri rumbled for two touchdowns while Rucinski added the third score on a pass from Goldberg. Goldberg brought the large crowd to its feet with a diving catch of a Zach Brandow pass.

Don Ballard, Mark Gansky, John Hamm, Robin Singh and John Davis had big games as well.

-Bethlehem's Junior Midget Hawks defeated the visiting Brunswick Bulldogs 29-0 on a night that was made for football.

On the Hawks' opening possession, Aaron Griffin scored on a 1-yard touchdown run by eluding numerous Brunswick defenders. The Hawks struck again late in the second quarter as Mark Bulger hit Brian Gurze with a 10-yard pass.

The Hawks secondary, lead by Paddy Reagan, Brendan Munnelly, Dan Flansburg and Matt Melnikoff kept the Bulldog running game in check while Eric McCabe, Brendan Hughes, John Cameron, Jon McCord, James Wheeler and Brian Dansereu controlled the inside ground game. The final six points were added on a four-yard dive by Dan Hazen.

In Saturday's Junior Pee Wee action, the Condors traveled to Rensselaer where they won a hard-fought 7-0 game against the Rams. Scott Fraser, Josh Mack and Brian Nolan repeatedly harassed the Rensselaer runners.

Pressure on the Rams' quarterback by Mark Zimmer and Shawn Bukowski resulted in a key reception by Brendan Ratigan. Chris Abriel, Ryan Hepstall and Brandon Allardice also played solidly on defense.

The Condors only score came in the second quarter on a 49-yard touchdown run by Greg Pankow. Zach Patnode converted the extra point.

Linemen Ryan Murphy, Jeff Hines, Matt Carroll and Ryan Eder helped Bethlehem dominate the line of scrimmage, while Kyle Digrum and Mike Wordmann keyed the blocking for Pankow and Matt McKenna. Brad Roberts and Greg Cameron also contributed offensively.

Another tough loss for Eagles

By Jessica Fein

Bethlehem kept Guiderland close, but they just couldn't capitalize on enough of their chances as they dropped a 24-21 decision.

The Eagles got off to a rocky start when senior standout Matt Quackenbush was injured halfway through the first quarter. The second quarter turned out better with junior Dave Raab scoring on a three-yard touchdown run.

Junior Scott Kind converted a field goal, but it was nullified by a penalty on the Eagles, who did not have enough players on the line of scrimmage. The loss of these points proved to be the three point difference in the game.

By Alison Leonard

The Voorheesville Blackbirds defeated Bishop Gibbons 12-6 Saturday at home for their second win of the season.

"We were down 6-0 at the half before junior Kevin Griffin scored on a three-yard run late in the third quarter to tie the score," said Eagles coach Dennis Fagan.

"They made a good job of coming back in the second half," said Fagan. "But I'm not complaining with how well we played. Pat St. Denis did a good job of coming up from the junior varsity level."
Key injury hurts V’ville

By Jonathan Abrams

The Voorheesville boys soccer team received some bad news last week when co-captain Steve Pilatzke injured his ankle in the game against Averill Park.

Challenging an opponent on defense, Pilatzke got tangled with a Warrior player, twisting his ankle. Pilatzke is expected to be out for the rest of the season, which is a major blow to the Voorheesville offense.

The Blackbirds were unsuccessful against two strong teams last week. The first game against Schalmont resulted in a 9-1 loss. Pat Fidel scored the only goal for the Blackbirds.

RCS boys soccer team hoping for league title

By Meghan Smith

The Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk soccer team is fighting to capture first place in the Colonial Council. The Indians trail Albany and Watervliet by only a half game in the standings.

Under coach Steve Freeman, the boys team has displayed a stingy defense throughout the season, which has helped them prevail in many close games.

The defense is led by seniors Mike Muscic and Mike O’Connor along with junior Mark Foulger. Senior Shawn Kelly is the Indians top scorer with nine goals.

The game against Averill Park was similarly one-sided as Voorheesville lost, 10-0. The Blackbirds played well during the first half, allowing the Warriors to score only two goals. However, the long season started taking its toll on this inexperienced team as the Warriors erupted for eight more goals in the second half. Mark Panthen and Matt Melewski had 10 saves for the Blackbirds, whose record fell to 2-11.

Voorheesville coach Bob Crandall said he is not discouraged with the season because he believes the team is gaining more experience and maturity with each game.

Loss to Shaker doesn’t dull a great season for Bethlehem

By Andrew Hartman

Despite a loss to Shaker in the finals of the Section II team girls tennis tournament, Bethlehem has much to be proud about.

Led by the consistent play of seniors Annette Grajny and Nancy Ann Oberheim, the girls finished with a impressive 14-3 record, and were the Suburban Council gold division champions.

In the week preceding the sectionals, the girls recorded a 9-0 shutout of rival Niskayuna. Coach Grace Franz said she was looking to this match to determine how well the girls would perform in the sectionals.

In the first match of sectionals, the Eagles rolled over Amsterdam, 9-0. This cleared the way for Bethlehem to meet unbeaten Shaker in the finals. girl’s hard play and determination were not enough, however, as Shaker emerged with a 6-3 victory.

Bethlehem’s Annette Grajny and Francesca Bracaglia won the singles matches, while Marni Hillinger and Jenessa Burroughs claimed a victory in the doubles play.

“The girls showed that they were good losers, and they showed a lot of class,” Franz said after the loss. “Overall, I’m happy with the season.”

Six girls have been chosen to go to the upcoming Section II tournament for individual players.

This year’s graduating seniors include Oberheim, Grajny, Bracaglia, Carrie Danziger, and Megan Sellnow with 10 attacks, including three kills, led the Lady Eagles’ offense. The team got strong serving from Stephanie Goldner, who had eight points.

Heading into the sectional tournament in two weeks, coach Sandy Vorise said “The team has been learning a lot to improve their level of play.”

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cancer of the blood, where the white blood cells "basically go out of control," said Rob's wife Kim. "That's where the bone marrow comes into play."

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Bob Bellizzi has lived in Delmar for the past 40 years. He's taught at Albany High School for the past 18 years, and in addition to coaching at Saint Rose, also runs summer baseball and softball camps at Elm Avenue Park.

"When you're diagnosed with something like this it certainly grabs your attention," he said during an interview on Monday. "All of a sudden you're feeling good and then you're facing something that sounds pretty bad.

"It's a tricky process getting a donor," he continued, "but I feel lucky in a couple of respects. I'm lucky to have been diagnosed in 1996, because it wasn't until 1997 that they realized that bone marrow transplants could help. And I'm lucky to be living in the U.S. where I'm only three hours away from being able to get the best care possible (in Boston)."

For information, call Catherine Halar at The College of Saint Rose (454-5282) or Tom Yovine at 439-2062 regarding the Delmar screening.

Timber theft workshop scheduled in V'ville

Local farmers and woodlot owners are invited to attend a "Woodland Workshop" on timber theft scheduled at the Cornell Cooperative Extension of Albany County headquarters on Main Road in Voorheesville on Thursday, Oct. 17, from 9 a.m. to noon. Timber theft occurs when timber is illegally removed from public or private land without the owner's knowledge or consent.

For information, call 753-4336.

Ribbon-cutting opens Thacher Park play area

Saturn of Albany is building and donating a "Kids Kingdom" playground at John Boyd Thacher State Park in New Scotland.

All are invited to attend a ribbon-cutting ceremony at the Park Orchid Picnic Area in the park on Sunday, Oct. 20, at 4:30 p.m.

For information, call 664-5000.

Tri-Village AARP to meet at town library

The Bethlehem Tri-Village Chapter 1508 of the American Association of Retired Persons will meet on Tuesday, Oct. 22, at 1 p.m., at the Bethlehem Public Library at 451 Delaware Ave. in Delmar. New members can attend a social hour at 12:30 p.m.

For information, call 439-6694.

Rare

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whole grain mustard jus."

Preparing a Stone Ends-style McDonald's lunch was "fun, and challenging, casting a whole new light on fast food for me," Miller said.

Mark Magliocca, owner of the Glenmont McDonald's and two other stores, served as host for the lunch.

"We decided to have some fun with it, do something unique to focus attention" on the new Deluxe sandwiches, which were developed to appeal to the adult market, Magliocca said.

Magliocca said customer reaction has been "great" to the first product in the Deluxe line, the Arch Deluxe cheeseburger. "It's almost as nice to serve if there was a pent-up demand."

Beth Bullock, a Bethlehem Central High School and Hamilton College graduate who now works as regional marketing manager for McDonald's, agreed that customers have responded positively to the new sandwiches, even though they are priced higher than the products they replaced.

"Our customers are more value-oriented, and when quality meets the price, there is no negative reaction to a price increase," she said.

In Glenmont The Spotlight is sold at Cumberland Farms, CVS, Glenmont Deli, Grand Union, Stewarts and Van Allen Farms

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Donohoe, Donohue, to marry

Kimberly A. Donohoe, daughter of Brian and Carol Donohoe of OriaKindy, Oneida County, and Edward A. Donohue Jr., son of Edward and JoAnn Donohue of Voorheesville, are engaged to be married.

The bride-to-be, a graduate of SUNY Geneseo, is employed as a registered nurse by St. Elizabeth Hospital.

The future groom is a graduate of Clayton A. Bouton High School, Maria College and SUNY Geneseo. He is employed by Healthsouth Physical Therapy.

The couple plans a Nov. 16 wedding.

Youngsters from area win equestrian awards

Several local youths were recently honored at the Albany County 4-H Horse Leaders Fall Show at the Altamont Fairgrounds. The show is designed to give youth the opportunity to develop and improve their horsemanship skills. A total of 53 youths participated in the show.

Local winners are: English Walk Trot Reserve Champion Amanda Dionne, Slingerlands; English Walk Trot Reserve Champion Katie Lemieux, Voorheesville; Western Walk Trot Reserve Champion Brittany Livingston, Voorheesville; Beginner English Reserve Champion Anne Bishko, Delmar; Beginner Western Reserve Champion Jen Schooneberc, Glenmont; Champion English Krista VonRonne, Delmar; and Reserve Champion English Katie Filipone, Slingerlands.

Extension seeking community volunteers

The Cornell Cooperative Extension of Albany County is seeking volunteers to assist in providing information and services to the community in areas such as family life education, nutrition and health, food safety and preservation, financial management and home maintenance.

For information, call 765-3500.

Workshop to focus on raising teens

"Parents for Parents" is a new and exciting initiative to provide support and survival skills for parents who are having difficulty with the challenges of raising an adolescent.

We are looking for parental volunteers willing to attend four hours of training and then spend approximately two hours a month providing support, guidance and help with discipline, setting limits and school problems.

Are you an experienced parent who has faced some difficult moments? Are you interested in helping other parents? Please call Mona at 439-7740 to volunteer or for information.

Parents of children with special emotional and/or behavioral needs are invited to a brown bag lunch workshop on Saturday, Oct. 19, from 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at St. Catherine’s Center for Children. The topic of the workshop is "How to Get What Your Child Needs — Negotiation Training for Parents."

The workshop is free and on-site child care will be provided. For information, call Joan Valery at 426-2619.
Margaret and Gregory Lagan

Gould, Lagan marry


The Rev. Edward Racergos performed the ceremony in the Church of St. Thomas the Apostle in Delmar, with the reception following at The Desmond in Colonie.

The maid of honor was Cynthia Becker, the bride’s sister, and the flower girl was Alicia Gould, the bride’s niece.

The best man was Michael Moore, and ushers were Brent Lagan and Keith Lagan, brothers of the groom.

The bride is a graduate of Bethlehem Central High School and SUNY Plattsburgh. She is employed on the fitness staff of Club Fit in Jefferson Valley, Westchester County.

The groom, also a graduate of SUNY Plattsburgh, is employed as a sales manager by Poritzky’s Food Service in Peekskill, Westchester County.

After a wedding trip to Aruba, the couple lives in Somers, Westchester County.

The Spotlight remembers

This week in 1986, these stories were making headlines in The Spotlight.

• The Bethlehem town board voted 3-2 to deny approval for a controversial 56-bed psychiatric hospital on Route 9W in Glenmont, across from Glenmont Elementary School. Councilman Scott Prothero, who voted against the hospital, said, “Whether you agree with the residents or not, they have real fears.”

• Plans to add a convenience store and restaurant to the gas station at the corner of Delaware and Elm avenues met with strong opposition from the Upper Delaware Avenue Neighborhood Association.

• The Voorheesville football team moved into sole possession of first place in the Colonial Council with a 14-8 win over Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk. Leading the stingy Blackbird defense were Chuck Gianatasio, Rich Kane, Frank Donnelly, Jeff Mazzaferrro, Brian Smith and Bruce Kinisky.

• The Voorheesville girls tennis squad finished the regular season undefeated and won the sectional tournament. Top players were Paige Holting, Donna Mensching, Betsy Zeh, Cathy Tarullo and Audrey Fitzgerald.

Mail weddings, engagements

The Spotlight would like to publish your engagement, wedding or anniversary announcement and photo. There is no charge for this community service.

Black and white photos are preferred, but color photos are acceptable. Polaroid photos cannot be printed.

For information and submission forms, call 439-4994. Mail announcements to 125 Adams St., Delmar 12054.

Here’s to a Wonderful Wedding!

St. Peter’s Hospital

Girl, Kali Elizabeth Hagen, to Michelle Marie Hagen of Selkirk, Oct. 1.

Girl, Isabella Edta Stratmann, to Sandra and Frederick Stratmann of Slingerlands, Oct. 2.

Girl, Nicole Claire Fredericks, to Ellen Sweeney and Ronald Fredericks of Delmar, Oct. 4.

Bellevue Hospital

Girl, Janine Le Anne Alaxanian, to Lisa and Darryl Alaxanian of Selkirk, Sept. 10.

Samaritan Hospital

Boy, Christopher Harrison Poole, to Margaret and James Poole of Delmar, Aug. 20.

Adoption


Pumpkin, sunflower champs earn awards

The annual big pumpkin and giant sunflower contest sponsored by the Men’s Garden Club of Albany and the Cornell Cooperative Extension’s 4-H Program recently took place at the Five Rivers Environmental Education Center during its fall festival. Pumpkins were judged by weight and sunflowers by diameter. Spirit pumpkins are judged by the quality of their size, shape, color and condition.

John Sobli of Slingerlands received third place in the Big Pumpkin category for his 114-pound pumpkin. Carrie Lyman of Delmar received first place in the Giant Pumpkin category for his 114.5-pound pumpkin. Carrie Lyman of Delmar received first place in the Giant Pumpkin category for his 114.5-pound pumpkin.

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Philip J. Thompson

Philip J. Thompson, 65, of Delmar died Monday, Oct., 7, at his home.

Born in New York City, he graduated from Clarkson College and attended the graduate school of management at Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute.

He worked for the New York Telephone Co. since 1954 in various executive positions, including chief engineer and general manager. He retired as vice president and director of Upstate operations in 1991.

At the time of his death, he was chairman of the Service Corps of Retired Executives and served on the board of directors of Albany Memorial Hospital and Trustco Bank.

He was a former board member of Empire State College, the University at Albany Research Foundation, the N. A. Rockefeller Institute of Government, Albany-Colonie Chamber of Commerce, Northeast Business Alliance, the former Home City Savings Bank, United Way, Capital Region Technology Council and the Council for Community Services.

Mr. Thompson, who had been named a recipient of one of the Third Age awards from Senior Citizens Council in Schenectady International.

He was a member of Normanside Country Club and the Telephone Pioneers.

Survivors include his wife, Joan Geller Thompson; two sons, Paul Thompson of Delmar and Philip Thompson of New Hartford; Oneida County, two daughters, Janet Josselyn of New York Mills, Oneida County, and Elizabeth Zappia of Manlius, Onondaga County; a brother, George Thompson of Wakefield, R.I.; and 11 grandchildren.

Services were from the Daniel Keenan Funeral Home in Albany and the St. Stephen's Episcopal Church in Delmar.

Burial was in Bethlehem Cemetery in Delmar.

Contributions may be made to Memorial Hospital Foundation, Project Horizon Capital Campaign, 60 Northern Blvd., Albany 12204.

Eleanor J. Walton

Eleanor J. Walton, 77, of Indian Fields in Fears Burgh, died Friday, Oct. 11, at St. Peter's Hospital in Albany.

She was born in Ravenna, where she was educated there.

Mrs. Walton had worked for former A&P Co. in Albany. She was an avid bowler.

Survivors include her husband, Frank J. Walton, two sons, William H. Walton of Selkirk and Frank R. "Bob" Walton of Fearn Bush; three sisters, Mamette Wickham of Greenville, S.C., Vivian Hotaling of Coeymans Hollow and Minnie Gould of Voorheesville; four grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

Services were from the Caswell Funeral Home in Ravena.

Contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society or Jerusalem Reformed Church.

Hippolito Lopez

Hippolito Lopez, 88, of Appleblossom Lane in Voorheesville, died Wednesday, Oct. 9, at St. Peter's Hospice in Albany.

Born in Puerto Rico, he was a longtime resident of Voorheesville.

Mr. Lopez worked as a car inspector for the Penn Central Railroad in Albany, retiring in 1972.

Survivors include his wife, Magdalena Hitter Lopez; a daughter, Lolita Ribley of Ghent; two sons, Paul Lopez of Clarksville and Francis Lopez of Voorheesville; and two grandchildren.

Services were from Reilly & Son Funeral Home and St. Peter's Church in Delmar.

Burial was in Calvary Cemetery.

Contributions may be made to Voorheesville Area Ambulance, PO Box 238, Voorheesville 12286.

John J. Moran

John J. Moran, 90, of Bloomer Road, Voorheesville, died Wednesday, Oct. 9, at his home.

Born in New York City, he was a longtime resident of Voorheesville.

After graduating from Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, Mr. Moran was an engineer for the state Department of Transportation from 1931 until he retired in 1969.

He was a member of the Civil Service Employees Association and a former member of the New York State Highway Association.

He was a communicant of St. Matthew's Church in Voorheesville and a member of the men's group at the church.

He was husband of the late Flurine Woodard Moran.

Survivors include a daughter, Virginia Dynes of Howes Cave; two sisters, Blanche Shearer of Cortland and Gladys Smith of Long Island; a brother, Marion Freer of Cortland; five grandchildren; and nine great-grandchildren.

Services will be private.

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

Contributions may be made to Voorheesville Area Ambulance, PO Box 238, Voorheesville 12286.

Harry Buker

Harry J. Buker, 69, of Belldale Road in Slingerlands, died Monday, Oct. 7, at Stratton Veterans Affairs Medical Center in Albany.

Born in Guilderton, he was a longtime resident of Slingerlands.

He was co-owner and operator of the A & H Sheetmetal Co. in Albany for ten years before he retired in 1989.

He was an Army veteran of World War II.

Mr. Buker was a member of the General O'Neill American Legion Post in Rensselaer.

Survivors include his wife, Rosalie Collanda Buker; a daughter, Deborah Demarest of Menands; and three grandchildren.

Services were from the Frederick Funeral Home in Albany.

Burial was in Our Lady of Angels Cemetery in Colonie.

Clara Lucile Runyan

Clara Lucile Runyan, 91, of Slingerlands died Wednesday, Oct. 9, at St. Peter's Hospital in Albany.

Alongtime resident of Tacoma, Wash., she recently moved to Slingerlands.

Survivors include a daughter, Merle Welch of Slingerlands; three grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

Services were from the Meyers Funeral Home in Delmar.

Burial was in Bethlehem Cemetery in Delmar.

Norma Freer Lane

Norma Freer Lane, 88, of Joslin Avenue in Voorheesville, died Monday, Oct. 7.

Born in Cortland, Cortland County, she was a longtime resident of Voorheesville.

Mrs. Lane worked for many retail clothing stores in the area since 1931, retiring from the former Town & Tweed in Elsmere in 1985.

She was a communicant of St. Matthew's Church in Voorheesville.

She was the widow of Elmer M. Lane.

Survivors include a daughter, Virginia Dynes of Howes Cave; two sisters, Blanche Shearer of Cortland and Gladys Smith of Long Island; a brother, Marion Freer of Cortland; five grandchildren; and nine great-grandchildren.

Services will be private.

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

Contributions may be made to Voorheesville Area Ambulance, PO Box 238, Voorheesville 12286.

Businesswomen slate Delmar trunk sale

The Bethlehem Business Women's Club will hold a trunk and bake sale on Saturday, Oct. 19, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Key Bank parking lot on Delaware Avenue near the Four Corners.

In the event of rain, the sale will take place at St. Stephen's Church in Delmar on Nov. 9.

For information, call 478-0421.

Fall wildflower walk take place in Delmar

A fall wildflower walk will take place at the Five Rivers Environmental Education Center, 56 Game Farm Road in Delmar on Sunday, Oct. 20, at 2 p.m.

Naturalists will lead the walk.

Participants should dress for the outdoors and bring field identification books if possible.

For information, 475-0291.

Mothers' Time Out to try flower arranging

Mothers' Time Out will host its weekly meeting on Monday, Oct. 21, from 9:30 to 11 a.m. at the Delmar Reformed Church at 386 Delaware Ave. in Delmar.

Child care is provided.

Flower arranging techniques will be discussed.

For information, call 439-9929.

Composting classes to begin this weekend

Home composting workshops are scheduled on Saturdays, Oct. 19 and Nov. 2, at 10 a.m. at the Cornell Cooperative Extension of Albany County's headquarters at Route 85A in Voorheesville.

The workshops are designed to familiarize the community with home composting techniques.

For information, 765-3500.

Iris society to peek at summer gardens

The Capital-Hudson Iris Society will allow members to view summer gardens at a meeting on Sunday, Oct. 20, from 2 to 4 p.m. at the Bethlehem Public Library at 451 Delaware Ave. in Delmar.

All are invited for coffee at 1:30 p.m.

For information, call 587-2834.

Mohawk Power Corp., which has a steam generating plant nearby. The undeveloped area will remain wetlands or green space.

Company officials said they would do whatever is required by EnCon to clean up the petroleum contamination existing on the property. The site has been classified a "brownfield" as a result of soil and water contamination from the former corn farm that operated there for many years.

Spropulk said the main reason the company chose to build a new plant in the Capital District was that it already had a major customer in Schenectady International.

Bethlehem was the only site considered in the region, mainly because of the site's proximity to the deep channels of the Hudson River which will be used for the shipment of large quantities of pellets and the prime ingredient in the production of formaldehyde.

Besides liquid formaldehyde, the company's other main product will be adhesive resins used in the manufacture of thermosetting resins are made by combining formaldehyde with urea.

When asked about the flammability of the chemical feedstocks, Spruack acknowledged that it was considered quite flammable, but to deal with any fires or explosions, the company plans to have several remote water cannons equipped with various firefighting apparatus.

Dana Levy of Delmar asked company officials if they had a plan to deal with "a worst case scenario" of an accident resulting in a wholesale discharge of chemicals into the environment.

"I'd like to request that the company consider a spill containment, and give the people an opportunity to review it in an open and public forum," Levy said.

Responding to a question from a representative of the new plant, Betty Albright of Corning Hill Road, company officials said that for 25 to 30 chemical-laden trucks per day would be traveling area roads.

Allbright, who noted that truck traffic on Route 144 is nothing new, said "Obviously, your product concerns me...I wonder if the Volkswagen coming from the Port of Albany."

Christian Scientists to sponsor lecture

A free Christian Science lecture will take place on Friday, Oct. 25, at 7:30 p.m. at the Johnson Lodge on Route 9W in Glens Falls.

The Church of Christ Scientist in Delmar is sponsoring the lecture with the Jodd Gooding from Hampshire, England, will present the lecture. She has spoken extensively in Europe, as well as in the United States, India, Japan, South Korea, Australia and New Zealand.

For information, call 439-2022.
By Dev Tobin

Even if it was funny 55 years ago, is serial killing by a couple of little old ladies still funny today?

The answer is yes, according to Ed. Lange of Delmar, director of the New York State Theatre Institute’s production of Arsenic and Old Lace.

The institute staff chose Arsenic and Old Lace to kick off its 1996-97 season because of its resilient popularity, Lange said.

“People enjoy the play because there is so much very funny truth in it,” he explained. “Even though it was written 55 years ago, a lot of the humor works today.”

As a staple of community and scholastic theater, and the subject of a popular movie directed by Frank Capra and starring Cary Grant, the dark farce of the Brewster sisters and their poisonous elderberry wine is one of the most famous American plays.

Lange said that audiences familiar with the play from amateur productions will find the institute version almost a different play.

“This is a very professional production — the sets, lighting and costumes are spectacular. Also, we don’t have 17-year-olds playing 70-year-old women,” Lange said. “It’s more realistic than some productions, with the farce springing from reality.”

Lange said school audiences will learn about the early 1940s generally through the play, and about Teddy Roosevelt through the antics of the Brewsters’ manic nephew Teddy.

Aside from the lessons inherent in a period piece, Lange said he knows of one teacher who is using the play to explore the contemporary issues of euthanasia and the right to die.

Starring in the play are Carole Edie Smith and Eileen Schuyler of Delmar as Martha and Abby Brewster; Joel Arose as Teddy; John McGuire as Jonathan and Joseph Quandt as Mortimer, the other two nephews; John Romeo of Feura Bush as the sinister Dr. Einstein; and Mychelle Lee Vedder as Mortimer’s love interest Elaine Harper.

The institute in general, as well as its production of Arsenic and Old Lace, show will also be featured in “Arts Along the Hudson,” a half-hour TV show produced by Time Warner Cable of Troy. The show can be seen on Channel 31 of the Bethlehem/New Scotland cable system at 6:30 p.m. tonight (Wednesday), and at 11 a.m. on Thursday, Oct. 17.

Arsenic and Old Lace plays Oct. 16, 17, 18, 22, 24 and 25 at 10 a.m.; Oct. 19, 25 and 26 at 8 p.m.; and Oct. 20 at 2 p.m. Tickets are $13; $13 for seniors; and $8 for children under 13.

The rest of the institute’s 1996-97 schedule includes a new musical production of The Snow Queen, the third installment in the institute’s collaboration with Warner Music, in December; Agatha Christie’s Witness for the Prosecution in January; a new play written by Lange, Sherlock’s Secret Life, in March; and Oscar Wilde’s The Canterville Ghost in late May and early June.

Institute performances are in the Schacht Fine Arts Center of Russell Sage College in Troy, just over the Congress Street Bridge from Watervliet and Troy. For information, reservations and/or directions, call 274-3526.

Schenectady Light Opera Company preps for 70th year celebration at Proctor’s

With more than 70 performers now in rehearsal, Orlando Pliaglentino is bringing the Schenectady Light Opera Company’s “70th Birthday Bash: A Musical Celebration” to the Proctor’s stage where it will be presented Saturday, Oct. 26 at 8 p.m. and Sunday, Oct. 27 at 2 p.m.

Right now, Pliaglentino who, with his wife and daughter, runs a dance studio in Schenectady, is conducting rehearsals pratically all day each day, bringing in performers individually or in small groups to hone a song, dance or musical routine.

“This Friday night, we will bring together the whole company for the first time and it will be then that the present day performers will realize what one of the past 40 years, many of whom are returning from out of town to do a number from a show for which they are remembered,” Pliaglentino said.

Typical are Bob and Mary Bergs who are coming up from their Connecticut home to perform. Both are veterans of a number of shows when they lived in Schenectady including 1776; Miss Saigon; The Skin of Our Teeth; and A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum.

Martin P. Kelly

Draper who is one of Pliaglentino’s daughters, has dance in many Broadway musicals and has directed a number of shows on the road.

“The opening scene is the dance number from 42nd Street in which Mr. Draper appeared and which will feature many of Pliaglentino’s students.

Tickets are available at 777-5101.

Another large musical show due at The Egg early in November

A collection of almost 90 award-winning singers will appear in Autumn Options. Another Show, a collection of music from Broadway, big bands, the Beatles, Motown and country will be presented at The Egg Sunday, Nov. 2 at 2:30 p.m.

The production will feature The Capitaland Chorus, a choral group of 55 area singers who are members of the Sweet Adelines International and the 1996 regional champions.

The show will also include The Ritz, an international gold medalist men’s quartet, and Fanfare, 16 gold medalist women’s quartet which is also part of the Capitaland Chorus.

The chorus is under the direction of Kathy Mendeloff of Saratoga Springs.

The Capitaland Chorus, chartered in 1979, has members ranging in age from 21 to 70 plus, representing seven counties in the Albany region.

Tickets and information available at 783-3567.

Albany Civic Theater opens sextet of American comedies Friday

As the opening production of its 1996-97 season, Albany Civic Theater will present David Ives’ All in the Timing, a collection of six short, smart comedies. The production, staged by Robert Goepfert, opens Friday, Oct. 18 and runs weekend through Nov. 3.

Goepfert, the executive director of the Palace Theater and an associate producer of A Christmas Carol which will play for two weeks at the downtown former movie theater, is directing for the first time at Albany Civic Theater.

The playwright for Chicago, Ives has been influenced by his fellow windy City resident, David Mamet. He is a former playwright in residence at Williamstown Theater Festival.

He began writing short plays and combined some of his efforts into a full evening of theater for this production. His plays deal with the foibles of people using language. They even have difficulty ordering an aspirin.

Among the cast members are Benita Zahn, a television anchor on WNYT in Menands, and Doug DeLue who has been working with ACT since 1979.

Reservations and information on the production are available at 462-1297.
**THEATER**

**JACKIE MASON - DIRECT FROM BROADWAY**

"Jackie Mason - Direct From Broadway" is a hilarious murder-mystery, performed by Jackie Mason at the Palace Theatre, Albany, Saturday, 3 p.m., Oct. 18.

**JUDEVINE**

Join us for a special presentation of "Judevine," a play by Isaac V. I. Stevens, at the Palace Theatre, Albany, November 15.

**MUSIC**

**OMNI-POP BAND NRQ**

The new OMNI-POP BAND NRQ will perform a wide range of music on Monday, November 16, at the Palace Theatre, Albany.

**THEATRE**

"The Glass Menagerie" by Tennessee Williams will be performed at the Palace Theatre, Albany, on November 17.

**ARTS AND ENTERTAINMENT**

For more information on upcoming events, contact the Palace Theatre, 61 Broadway Ave, Troy, 454-5143.
SCOLIOSIS SUPPORT GROUP for adults and families. Conshohocken Conference Room, Albany Memorial Hospital, Northern Boulevard, Albany. 7:30 p.m. Information, 457-5069.

ALZHEIMER'S SUPPORT GROUP University Heights HealthCare Center, 235 Northern Blvd., Albany. 1 p.m. Information, 438-2217.

FARMERS MARKET Tuesday W. VeCA, 28 Colvin Ave., Albany. 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Information, 438-4638.

FARMERS MARKET corner of Pine Street and Broadway, Albany. 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Information, 292-2972.

SILENT SHARE ROAD Marlborough Jewish Community Center, 340 Whitehall Road, Albany. 1 p.m. Information, 438-6651.

EATING DISORDERS SUPPORT GROUP Albany Public Library, 161 Washington Ave., Albany. 7:30 to 9 p.m. Information, 465-9650.

ALBANY COUNTY

GUEST SPEAKER Stuyvesant Free State College's 25th anniversary celebration. Nick Giovanni, Behavioral Arts Center for the Performing Arts Center, Stuyvesant Free State College, 465 Central Avenue, Albany. 7:30 p.m. Information, 457-2010.

COAL MINERS' RESPONSE WORKSHOP focusing on adult children of dysfunctional families, led by Justine Collier, Pastoral Center, 40 North Main Avenue, Albany. 7:30 p.m. Information, 458-4231.

MOTHERS' DROP in sponsored by the Capital District Mothers' Center, East Congregational Church, Quail Street, Albany. 9:30 a.m. to noon. Information, 417-1997.

SENIOR LUNCHEON St. John's Congregational Church, 405 Quail St., Albany. 9 a.m. to noon.

ALBANY COUNTY

MILITARY RETIREE COUNCIL St. James Conference Room, 304 West Ave., Albany. 7:30 p.m. Information, 437-5846.

LUPUS FOUNDATION ANNUAL MEETING includes exhibits, presenters, and festivities. 304 West Ave., Albany. 9 a.m. Information, 438-2217.

HIKE IN OLD MAIDS WOODS PRESERVE sponsored by Save the Pine Bush, SUNYA Campus Center Circle, Washington Ave., Albany. Information, 458-6500.

MARCH AGAINST ALZHCMER Albany's Townsend Park, Washington and Central Avenues, Albany. 1 p.m. Information, 434-4037.

RUN/WALK Child's Hospital and Nursing. Home, Hoekstra, Albany, 8:30 a.m. to 10:45 a.m. Information, 487-3741.

NEXT STEP ANNUAL DINNER La Salle Restaurant, 1600 Central Ave., Albany. 6:30 p.m. Information, 465-2156.

CHILDREN'S MUSEUM dollhouse and miniature show, 36 Peach Street, Saratoga Springs. 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Information, 587-1379.

FARMERS MARKET Third Reformed Church, Kate Street and Whitehall Road, Albany. 3 to 6 p.m.
**NEW SCOTLAND SENIOR CITIZEN CENTER**

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**AA MEETING**

First Methodist Church of Voorheesville, 8 Miager St., 10 p.m. Information, 449-6779.

**ANON MEETING**

First United Methodist Church of Voorheesville, 40 Maple St., 7:30 p.m. Information, 439-6669.

**MOUNTAIN VIEW EVANGELICAL FREE CHURCH**

Evening Service, Bible study and prayer. Route 155, 7:30 p.m. Information, 436-6650.

**VOORHEESVILLE PLANNING COMMISSION**

Village Hall, 29 Voorheesville, 7:30 p.m. Information, 765-2950.

**MRS. MEG’S FAREWELL PARTY**

Voorheesville Public Library, 61 School Road, 10 p.m. Information, 765-2971.

**STORY HOUR**

Voorheesville Public Library, School Road, 10 a.m. Information, 765-2971.

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**CIVIL WAR ROUNDTABLE**

Route 144, 7:30 p.m. Information, 676-2886.

**ONESIE CHAUFER**

Order of the Eastern Star Masonic Temple, 421 Kenwood Ave., 8 p.m. Information, 419-2181.

**TESTIMONY MEETING**

First Church of Christ, Scientist. 555 Delaware Ave., 8 p.m. Information, 439-2151.

**SOLID ROCK CHURCH**

1 Kenwood Ave., evening prayer service. Thursday, 7 p.m. Information, 439-4314.

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Bible study, New Scotland, 7:30 p.m. Information, 765-2970.

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**BETHLEHEM HISTORICAL ASSOCIATION**

Rock Hall, 40 Clapp Road, Selkirk, 8 p.m. Information, 439-2914.

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Self-help for chronic nervous symptoms. First United Methodist Church, 497 Voorheesville Ave., 10 a.m. Information, 439-9255.

**YOUTH EMPLOYMENT SERVICES**

Parks and Recreation Office, Elm Avenue Park, 10:30 a.m. Information, 439-5090.

**BETHLEHEM SENIOR CITIZENS**

School Hall, 450 Delaware Ave., 12:30 p.m. Information, 439-4905.

**AMERICAN LEGION**

Formers, guests and membership applicants, Blanchard Park, 16 Poplar Drive. Information, 439-6200.

**CLASS IN JEWISH MYSTICISM**

Deborah Chabad Center, 109 Ellenville Ave. 6 p.m. Information, 439-6200.

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**BETHLEHEM**

**BROOKS BAR-B-Q**

Benefit Bethlehem Soccer Club, Route 144, Elsmere Park Pavilion, 11:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Information, 415-1960.

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**ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS**

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COLUMBIA WASHINGTON VENTURES, LLC

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York, the undersigned, being a natural person of at least 18 years of age and residing
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The purpose of the Company is to engage in any lawful activity for which limited liability
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By: Kathleen England

Witness: John Q. Public

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The address of the registered office of the Company is 2244.

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