

## Childbirth Classes At Chenango Memorial

NORWICH "Training for an athletic event," and "coaching" are terms you might expect to hear in the high school locker room, but recently they are being applied to childbirth instruction classes at Chenango Memorial Hospital.

Sharon Bailey, R.N., of South New Berlin, is the new instructor in the series of six sessions run periodically by the Obstetric Department of Chenango Memorial. Sharon has a B.S. in Nursing from the University of Alabama, in Birmingham, and received her certificate as a Childbirth Educator in Decatur, Alabama in 1976.

Bailey thinks it is important that parents attend childbirth classes whether having their first child or not. She practiced what she preached by attending classes taught by her predecessors at Chenango Memorial Hospital before she had her two children, Daniel, age 4, and Charles, 2. This was after already having a prepared birth with her daughter, Kathryn, who is 10, and having taught childbirth classes for five years in Alabama.

"It's not just to gain knowledge

## Championship Team Reunion

GILBERTSVILLE On October 1, 1986, four of the five living members of the South New Berlin High School Championship Baseball team of 1920, 1921 and 1922, with their wives, met for their third reunion at the home of Kenneth Coy, Gilbertsville.

George Miner, Binghamton; Adrian Dixon, Syracuse and Howard Church of Oneonta were present, with only Bert Dixon of South New Berlin being unable to attend.

After a pleasant afternoon reminiscing about old times, all enjoyed dinner at the Old Mill Restaurant in Mt. Upton. It was agreed to meet again in next year.

## NEW BERLIN PERSONALS

Fannie Larrabee, of Terrace Heights, New Berlin, moved on Monday to 400-Apt. 224, Lamb Avenue, Canastota, NY 13032. We wish her happiness in her new home.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Rose and Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Lewis and children traveled to Akron, Ohio over the weekend. While the Lewis' attended the wedding of his brother, the Roses enjoyed a reunion with her cousin, Josephine (Fassler) Fischer, formerly of South New Berlin.

Mr. Nate Clark returned last Saturday from Strong Memorial Hospital, where he had lithotripsy treatment.

Mrs. Pearl Orallis and her mother, of Bainbridge, spent Saturday afternoon with Miss Jessie Hollis.

Monday, Mr. and Mrs. Ivan Risley, of Oneonta, joined Miss Jessie Hollis, and Walter, at the Beaver Den in Brookfield, for dinner.

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half chicken take out \$2.50

## S. NEW BERLIN WEST HILL

By Miss Lula Camp

Hi everybody! With two pussies half asleep at my elbow and the other furnishing a circus of every antic it can think of, I'm not at all sure how my news items are going to coming out.

Camm Lounsbury, a nephew of Mrs. E.H. Fredrickson, was a surprise guest at the Fredrickson home on Sunday.

Miss Gladys Almstead of Waterville was a very pleasant visitor at the home of Miss Lula Camp Thursday afternoon.

I must hasten to correct a lie I told all you people. I said there was not a blossom in the orchard. The trouble was I just couldn't see them. Some apples are now there to prove it. I'm sorry.

Much of the action these days is nothing more than a cheap anesthetic to deaden the pain of an empty life. How sad when the world is so full of wonderful people, to know and to help and to cheer, wonderful things to read about and to think about and to do and plan for.

Now for the weather watchers-- October 13, 1963, the temperature was 30 degrees and a dense fog. The next morn the temperature was 34 degrees and frost everywhere so flowers in gardens were ruined. The next day (?) 75 degrees and a perfect summer day, and over 70 degree temperatures continued that week.

October 7, 1960 says the third frost last night spoiled flowers. October 9, 1924 hard frost and cold wintery wind. First real freeze the 13th followed by Indian Summer.

Now, I'm sending a big sisterly hug to encircle the whole wonderful Gazette family. Bye!!!

## Patrick Keene Named Soldier Of The Month

KELLY AFB, TX Army Spec. 4 Patrick D. Keene, son of Celia B. Parent of Oxford and Carlton G. Keene of Edmeston, has been named soldier of the month.

The selection was based on the individual's exemplary duty performance, job knowledge, leadership qualities, significant self-improvement and other accomplishments.

Keene is a loading equipment operator with the 364th Engineer Company at Fort Bragg, N.C.

## Chenango County Historical Society Civil War Program

NORWICH The Chenango County Historical Society is hosting a program, open to the public, on the history of the 114th Regiment, by Van Mason of the Civil War Round Table, on October 16, 1986, at 8:00 PM.

This program will be preceded by a 6:00 PM covered dish dinner, with members being asked to bring a dish to pass as well as their own table service. There will be a business meeting at 7:00 PM to be followed by the presentation by Mr. Mason.

## EDMESTON

By Lucile Howard

On Sunday night, October 5, Margarette Hickling, Thelma Perkins, Grace Clark and Helen Goodspeed attended the Harvest Service of the Pomona Grange at West Laurens.

October 7, Helen Goodspeed and DeWitt Lamb were dinner guests of Reverend and Mrs. Louis Crandall of Madison.

Mr. and Mrs. Lysle Parker have returned from a vacation trip to Michigan and Alberta, Canada.

Patrick Hill has returned from the MIB Hospital in Cooperstown.

Glenn Morton, of Illion, a resident here before operating a beauty parlor in Illion for many years, and one day a week here for many years was brought here for burial in the Union Cemetery on Friday. His death occurred early last week.

The Edmeston Volunteer Firemen held their annual family picnic last Saturday night at the Firehouse.

Mrs. Blake Knight, of Stratford, and Mr. and Mrs. Joyce Hill and Thelma Blessing were recent visitors at Lucile Howards.

Mrs. Fannie Larrabee, of New Berlin, recently visited Mrs. Harly Goodspeed.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Convis, of the Chenango Trailer Park, spent the weekend here with Mr. and Mrs. Carl Convis, and Sarah, and Mr. and Mrs. Dale Convis and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Stevens, and family, and Irving Stevens visited Mrs. Addie Smith at the Streeter Adult Home, Maryland, to help her celebrate her 80th birthday.

Mrs. Charles Rider has returned home from spending a few weeks with her daughter.

## GARRATTSVILLE

By Rosalie Smith

This has been a week of very dark, dreary weather with almost constant drizzle to heavy showers. The streams are filled, the leaves have nearly all fallen. On October 6 the first snow flakes were reported by many in the surrounding area.

The Rockwell Bridge has been removed with no plans at this time for a facility allowing people who use it with any means of crossing the Butternut, for whatever reason. It has been discussed that these bridge railings should have been used in some way to preserve our heritage. The two bridge structures now removed were about 100 years old. In an early account of Garrattsville, a reference of an "iron bridge" and a cotton factory on the Butternut, at this point, and the Hammer Factory, often mentioned, was located near the Cole Bridge.

A special Town Board meeting was held October 2 to discuss the existing budget and the changes in the 1987 budget.

The large open bin will be at the landfill on October 18, 8-3 PM, for those large items to be disposed of. This is likely to be the last opportunity for this type of disposal this fall.

Mr. and Mrs. Vivan Card, of Delhi, were dinner guests of her sister, Mr. and Mrs. Clesson Hickling, on Sunday.

Tick and Dorothy Pardee have returned from a vacation in Europe. They were met in Geneva, Switzerland, by their daughter, Patricia, who has been in Jakarta, Indonesia, for the past two years. Together they traveled through Switzerland and Italy. The weather was beautiful, in Italy it was very hot.

In a letter to landowners dated October 1--the subject "The Marcy-South Transmission Lines" informs them that "in accordance with Section 402 of the Eminent Domain Procedure Law, steps have been taken to acquire interest in the subject property. These steps have been recently completed with the filing of a certified copy of the subject map in the office of the Otsego County Clerk. Title to the interest in the

property is vested in the People of the State of New York for use and benefit of the Power Authority." This involves 9 parcels in the proposed path of the Transmission Line without agreement, signatures or settlement for same.

Mr. and Mrs. Steve Eggleston and family, of Ballston Spa, were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Chase.

## GARRATTSVILLE PAST:

In July 1884 it was decided that the iron bridge near Garrattsville would be taken down and rebuilt in cement. In August, 12 barrels of cement and a quantity of spiles were gotten together. By September, it was reported that Commissioner Mills had the abutments of the iron bridge well underway. They were laid in cement, driven down below the water mark, planked on top and the abutments laid on top of that. The spiles and planks are covered with water. It was thought it would last for many years to come.

In early October, the following account appeared regarding its completion: 99 spiles had been driven for the abutments to rest upon and then double planked, and through the wall, at intervals of three feet, was laid a tier of large flat field stone, thus forming three platforms of solid stone. It was graded and complete. It cost the town \$400.00.

October 1884: J. Hall has rented the old Barton store in Garrattsville and put in a stock of groceries.

The areas around New Lisbon and Garrattsville have been visited repeatedly by burglars recently. At the stone house near Garrattsville items were reported taken from the cellar and a quantity of corn, oats and potatoes were taken. In Garrattsville, the Hotel was entered, a silver watch, money, boots, stockings and a quantity of cigars were taken. The home of E.S. Hoag was entered where a silver watch, silver spoons and money was missing.

A large monument for the Mather family of Garrattsville was delivered. It was learned it weighed 22 tons and came from Troy, by rail, to Mt. Upton. One piece weighing eight tons was drawn by three pair of horses.

## 55 Driving Alive Program Offered

COOPERSTOWN The 55 Driving Alive Program is once again being taught in Cooperstown at the Cooperative Extension Office, 123 Lake Street. Classes will be held from 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM on Wednesday and Thursday, October 22 and 23.

Everyone 50 years and older is encouraged to attend the sessions which teach the rules of the road, accident prevention measures, adverse driving conditions and local driving problems.

Participants who complete the course would qualify for a discount of up to ten percent for three years on auto liability insurance. In addition, participants qualify for a 3-point reduction on their driver's licenses, that were previously accrued for moving violations, during the 18 months prior to taking the course.

Joseph Videsic, trained AARP Instructor, will conduct the safe driving program. To enroll, send \$10.00 per participant to 55 Alive, Cooperative Extension, 123 Lake Street, Cooperstown, NY 13326.



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