

## CETA sets courses

Carlton L. Doane, Director of the County Employment and Training Department has announced that the following courses offered to County Employees through an Intergovernmental Personnel Act are available to CETA participants, as well as NCOA enrollees: Job Effectiveness Tuesdays 7:00 to 10:00 p.m.; Commencing 9-27-77; Ending 12-6-77.

For local government personnel at every level of responsibility. The acquisition of on-the-job skills, valuable in both daily job performance and long-range job perspective, is stressed. Content includes organization of tasks, time utilization, anticipating needs, indicators of a need for change, motivation to work, using organizational patterns, employee groups and the image of the public employees.

Fundamentals of budgeting Thursdays 7:00 to 10:00 p.m.; Commencing 9-27-77; Ending 12-6-77.

Provides a basic understanding of budgeting, the budgeting cycle and process, types of budgets, budget practices and control, accounting systems and methods, accounting techniques, entry methods and audit requirements. Special emphasis is given to budgeting and accounting as related to municipal government activities. Intended for budget analysts and others involved in the preparation of budgets or municipalities.

Working: A Human Relations Process Mondays 7:00 to 10:00 p.m.; Commencing 9-26-77; Ending 12-5-77 (Potsdam).

Stresses the principles and practices of human relations, including the study of human nature, personal efficiency and social and vocational motivations. Content also includes motivation and personality development, attitudes and beliefs, emotion, social relationships and behavior and perception and learning.

All employees of county, city, town, and village governments and administrative employees of school districts are eligible for attendance at these courses. Employees whose salaries are only partially derived from local funds are also eligible.

Participants who are interested in filing applications should contact the County Personnel office at 379-2228 as soon as possible.

## People

### EVENING CALLERS

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Jenkins spent an evening recently at the home of cousins, Mr. and Mrs. Donald Scott, Woodlawn Drive, Raymondville.

### RETURNED HOME

Mr. and Mrs. Alton LaRue, Brookdale Road, returned home Tuesday night, August 16 after more than a three week's trip to Vermont and Pennsylvania. They expect to be gone for three weeks, but Helen LaRue became ill at Hazelton, Pennsylvania, near Scranton, with a virus, so they returned home.

### WEEKEND VISIT

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Cooper, Chester, spent the weekend at the home of Mrs. Cooper's mother, Bertha Sutton, Sanfordville.

### RECOVERING

Elizabeth Flint, Pickle Street Road, entered the Potsdam Hospital on Wednesday where she underwent surgery on Thursday and she returned home on Friday, August 19.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles (Dorothy) Denman, Hubert and Rebecca, Ithaca, are spending a few days at the home of Mrs. Denman's mother, Mrs. Elizabeth Flint.

### IN HOSPITAL

Wendell Page, Buckton, is a patient at the Potsdam Hospital.

### AIRMAN GRANDATES

An official at Chanute AFB, Illinois, has announced the graduation of Airman Timothy G. Howie from the U.S. Air Force's aircraft maintenance specialist course conducted by the Air Training Command.

Airman Howie, son of Mr. and Mrs. Vincent Howie of 65 Waverly Street, Potsdam, is now training to maintain, repair and service aircraft currently in use by the Air Force, and will serve at Dyess AFB, Texas. Completion of the course earned the individual credits towards an associate in applied science degree through the Community College of the Air Force.

The airman is a 1975 graduate of Potsdam Central High School.



SIGMA DELTA PHI fraternity house, Pleasant Street, was heavily damaged in a fire which broke out early Saturday morning. The attic was destroyed, and there was smoke and water damage to the rest of the house. The fire is believed to have started when a cigarette ignited a chair. (Betsy Baker photo)

## Mulches help to control garden weeds

Weed control can be controlled by the use of mulches.

Mulches also tend to conserve soil moisture, prevent erosion, do away with root damage caused by deep cultivation or hoeing, and keep the fruits of such crops as tomatoes, cucumbers, and melons clean.

Straw, old hay or grass, leaves, sawdust and wood shavings are most common organic materials.

Any organic mulch is especially desirable on light sandy or heavy clay soils.

With light sandy soils, they improve the water holding capacity, and with clay soils they tend to reduce soil compaction.

Organic mulches keep the soil several degrees cooler than bare soil. Mulches reduce heat radiation from the soil and thus increase the chances of frost damage on a cold spring night. Organic mulches are best applied after the soil has become warm and as soon as the crop plants are large enough not to be buried by the material, that is, usually just after the first cultivation.

Sawdust can be used as a garden mulch when the vegetables are two to three inches high.

Weeds should be removed before the sawdust is applied. Any weeds that remain in the soil will grow through the sawdust but they can be easily removed by hand.

Apply one to one and a half inches of

sawdust over the entire garden. Approximately one cubic yard of sawdust will provide one inch of mulch over 324 square feet of area.

About four cubic yards are needed for a garden 30 feet wide and 40 feet long. A garden 50 feet by 50 feet will require about eight cubic yards.

Wood shavings, fine wood chips (do not use coarse wood chips), and peat moss can be used in the same manner and quantity as sawdust.

Apply these materials when the young plants have become established and are several inches tall.

Old straw or hay that is free of weed seed is ideal. Straw mulch is applied like sawdust.

A three-inch to six-inch layer of straw or hay is required, whereas a one- or two-inch layer of peat moss, grass clippings, composted leaves, or sawdust is enough.

If a large quantity of organic mulch is plowed under or worked into the soil, it may cause a temporary shortage of nitrogen so that the crops become yellow.

This shortage can be prevented by adding about one pound of nitrate of soda or one-half pound of ammonium soda or one-half pound of ammonium leaves make an excellent economical mulch if gathered in the fall into flat-topped piles so that they become thoroughly soaked with rain and

melted snow during winter and spring. When the crops are harvested, do not remove the organic mulch. Let it decompose in the garden and then work it into the soil the following spring.

## Firemen battle frat house blaze for three hours Sat.

Fire broke out in the Sigma Delta Phi fraternity house early Saturday morning causing extensive damage.

The fire, which was fought by Potsdam Volunteer Firemen for approximately three hours, was attributed to a burning cigarette left smoking in a chair.

The firemen were called to the scene at approximately 4 a.m. Smoke-eaters reported back on station at 7 a.m.

The Pleasant Street fraternity house had 20 students living in it at the time of the blaze, according to fire department spokesmen on the scene. Smoke alarm detectors prevented any injuries, departmental spokesmen added.

The students evacuated the building without incident immediately upon hearing the alarm.

Spokesmen for the department commented that the fire was difficult to contain due to the fact that there was only one doorway leading to the ignition point of the blaze—a converted attic which was serving as a bedroom area. Assistant chief Robert Williams said that firemen were forced to use fire escapes and an aerial truck to combat the blaze.

The attic sleeping quarters were "completely destroyed" according to sources at the scene. Part of the house' roof caved in during the three hour battle to save the structure.

Department sources did note that because the house was "well partitioned" the lower two floors of the building might be usable when smoke water damage have been repaired.

The top floor will have to be rebuilt or closed permanently, according to Williams.

No cost figures relative to the damage which the building suffered were immediately available. Students spent part of the day Saturday carrying out articles.

In all a total of 20 Potsdam firemen were on hand to fight the blaze.

Potsdam chief Steve Davis was also at the fire.

The Norwood Volunteer Fire Department pulled standby duty during the three hours the Potsdam department was on the scene. According to department sources the Norwood firemen were not, however, called upon to assist in fighting the structure fire.

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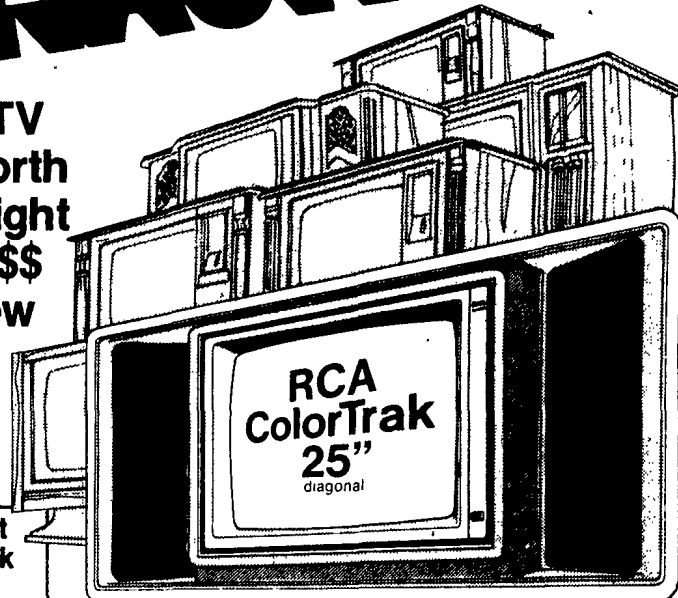
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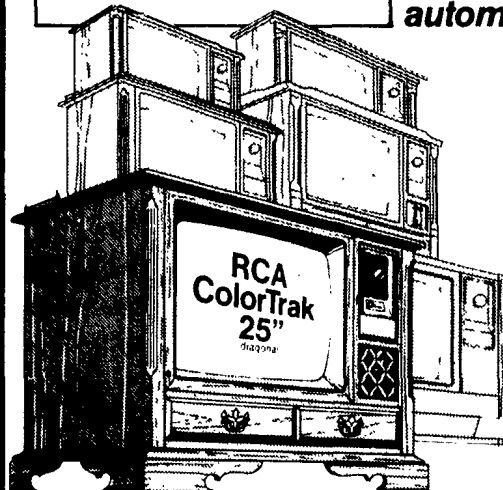
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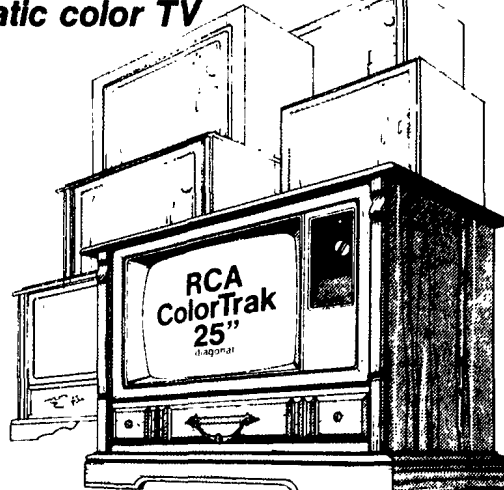


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