

**Chess speaker set**

FISHKILL — Gerard J. Dullea, executive director of the United States Chess Federation, will speak at a meeting of the Fishkill Historical Society set for 8 p.m. Thursday at the Van Wyck Homestead, Route 9 and I-84.

Dullea's presentation will include the history and scope of the U.S. Chess Federation and its activities, a slide show on work done at the National Headquarters in New Windsor, and a question and answer period. Further information on the program is available from Herman E. London, program chairman.

**Square Dance Club**

The Do-C-Do Square Dance Club of Poughkeepsie will hold a regular club level dance from 8 to 11 p.m. Saturday at the Oak Grove School, Brooklands Drive, Town of Poughkeepsie.

Bob Paris will call the squares while Ron Livingston will cue the rounds. A "Hot Hash" tip is set for 10:45 p.m. and a round dance workshop will begin at 7:30 p.m. All club level dancers are invited.

**Bus trip planned**

A bus trip to Washington, D.C., sponsored by Griot Productions, a Poughkeepsie-based theater company, in coordination with the Coalition For People's Rights, a Newburgh-based community service organization, is planned Thursday. The purpose of the trip is to participate in a display of unity in support of declaring Dr. Martin Luther King's birthday a national holiday.

**Republicans to meet**

HYDE PARK — Mrs. Fern Kaelber, chairman of the Hyde Park Republican Committee, has announced that the committee will hold the annual installation dinner-dance Jan. 23 at Michael's Restaurant, Route 9G, with cocktail hour beginning at 6:30 and dinner at 7:30 p.m. Matthew Ryan, former Hyde Park councilman, is event chairman. Assemblyman Stephen Saland will be the guest speaker.

Dutchess County Family Court Judge Judith Hillery will be installing officer and Town Justice Harold Mangold will be master of ceremonies. Officers to be installed include Kaelber, chairman; Gordon Kliese, vice chairman; June Desmond, recording secretary; Valerie Farrier, corresponding secretary; and Ryan,

**Sorry, but you also can't eat a bumper sticker**

ANN LANDERS



Dear Ann Landers: That letter from Sidney Jaffe critical of farmers is typical of people who find it easy to complain on a full stomach.

The challenge facing farmers today is how to continue to farm when they didn't harvest enough crops to buy seed, fertilizer, chemicals, and fuel in the coming year.

The farmer must deal with floods, drought, early frost, hail, exorbitant interest rates and the ever-increasing cost of equipment. Please tell Sid-

**Lobbying session set**

ALBANY -- The Federation of Historical Services will present a day-long workshop on "Lobbying for Museums: Access to Political Action," Monday at the Legislative Office Building.

The lobbying process on state and federal levels will be defined and ways of achieving political action will be discussed. Registration information is available from the Federation of Historical Services, Shaker Museum Road, Old Chatham, N.Y. 12136.

**'Robin Hood' slated**

The Community Children's Theater will present a contemporary interpretation of "Robin Hood" at 1:30 and 3:30 p.m. Saturday at Spackenkill High School, Town of Poughkeepsie. The Living Poem Theater will perform. Tickets may be purchased at the door.

**Mall session set**

A Lunch 'N Learn program Thursday at 12:15 p.m. on "Parliamentary Procedure" will focus on duties of the presiding officer. The program will be at the Cooperative Extension Satellite Office, 269 Main Mall, City of Poughkeepsie.

ney to relax, because in 1981 there may be no farmers. They may get fed up trying to eke out a living and head for the oil rigs, factories, big business and industry.

If this happens, I hope Sidney will enjoy his glass of gasoline, his broiled gravel and the gravy on his mashed sand. Furthermore, if he has no solutions, we don't need his screwed-up "logic" that only adds to the problem.

**- Farmer's Wife In The Midwest**

Dear Wife: If Sidney is still reading your blistering rebuttal, the following should pop his optics. It's a bumper sticker that came in the mail from St. Louis, Mo.: "PUT A FARMER OUT OF BUSINESS — STARVE!!!"

Dear Ann Landers: Could it be part of a normal growth pattern when a 13-year-old boy enjoys trying on ladies' undergarments? The boy's father insists that many physical and psychological changes occur at this age, and the lad is merely fascinated with the softness of feminine attire.

Our son shows no other signs of femininity. His physical growth this past year has been extraordinary. He has popped up six inches, gained 20 pounds and his shoe size has gone from 6½ to 10.

Please consult with your experts and rush an answer. Although my husband is not the least bit concerned, I am.

**- No Name, City Or State**

Dear N.N.N.: I suggest that you or your husband buy a paperback edition of the Ann Landers Encyclopedia (Ballantine Books, available at all Walden and B. Dalton bookstores) or get one at the public library. Like many others, you both need to read up on transvestism — as well as homosexuality, bisexuality, child molesting, transsexualism and exhibitionism. Most people don't know one from the other.

I suspect that your son has transvestite tendencies. This does not necessarily mean he is a homosexual. Many transvestites marry and have families. (Some homosexuals do, too.) Generally speaking, transvestites get their jollies from dressing as women — and this is the extent of their bizarre behavior.

Dear Ann Landers: Last week my mother-in-law came to a family gathering with a cold and sore throat. The first thing she did was kiss our 20-month-old child on the mouth.

I did a slow burn, but said nothing. Three days later the baby came down

with a cold and fever. Now he is sick, and soon the entire family will be sick also.

Do I have a right to give my mother-in-law a piece of my mind? I am so furious I can't see straight.

- Canton Couple  
Dear Canton: Wait till your anger

cools and then tell your mother-in-law it was lovely of her to come over, even though she wasn't feeling terrific, but the baby caught her cold when she kissed him on the mouth. Leave it at that.

Got those wedding bell blues over

cost ... guest list ... what to wear ... and other details? Ann Landers' completely new "The Bride's Guide" will help. For a copy, send a dollar, plus a long, self-addressed, stamped envelope (15 cents postage) to Ann Landers, P.O. Box 11995, Chicago, Illinois 60611.