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ABOUT THE CALENDAR

The information printed in this column is a FREE service to **Spotlight** readers. We neither charge nor receive any fee for publicizing these events. It is for this reason that we ask those who send in information to make sure that it is complete; we **cannot** (repeat: CANNOT) make weekly changes in running announcements.

Because the Calendar con-

denses the coming event in capsule form, it has become one of the most widely-read weekly **Spotlight** features. It was so designed to allow for more space for additional features. Therefore, organizations should **not** expect to find a duplication of facts in another place. If we were to run all of the events **twice**, we'd be cutting down on our available space and thereby defeat the whole concept.

Tri-Village FISH — Call 439-3578 for voluntary service — 24 hours a day the year 'round — offered by residents of Delmar, Elsmere and Slingerlands to their neighbors in need of help in any emergency.

Nathaniel Adams Blanchard Post #1040, American Legion Auxiliary, heets third Tuesday of month extept July & Aug., 8 P.M., Post

Velcome Wagon — Newcomers and mothers of new babies call 85-9640, Mon. thru Sat., 8:30-A.M.-6:00 P.M. so you may have a Velcome Wagon call.

Sethlehem Memorial Auxiliary to ost #3185, Veterans of Foreign Wars, meets the third Monday of very month, at the Post Rooms 04 Delaware Ave., Delmar.

rap Shooting Nassau Sportsmen's lub, Boyce Rd., Nassau, every Ved., 7-11 P.M. Non-members velcome. Information: 766-2680 or 472-5178.

Bethlehem Youth Employment Service, 114 Adams Street, Delmar. Open Monday-Friday, 1-4:30 P.M.

Bethlehem Lions Club meets 1st and 3rd Wednesdays of the month

at American Legion, Elsmere Avenue, 6:30 P.M.

The Delmar Community Orchestra will rehearse next Monday Evening from 8 P.M. to 10 P.M. at the First United Methodist Church.

The Albany County Pistol Club, Winne Place and Maewin Drive, Delmar, welcomes guests at its indoor pistol range every Tuesday at 8 P.M. Information: Dave Herbach, 439-4372 or Tom Corrigan, 439-3301.

Give and Take Shop, staffed and stocked by residents of Delmar, clothing for all occasions, all ages, all sizes, available to everyone. Basement St. Thomas Apostle Church Rectory (ent. between Church & Rectory), Mon. 9:30-11:30 A.M., Tues. 1-3 P.M., Sat. 10 A.M.-12 Noon.

Tri-Village Nursery School now registering 3-4 year olds for P.M. class. 439-6218, 439-9540.

Bethlehem Police Reserve meets Mondays, 114 Adams Street, 7:30 P.M.

Through Nov. 30: In the corridors of the Bethlehem Public Library, 451 Delaware Avenue, Delmar, a one-man show of Collographs by Mrs. Reneta Benenati of Selkirk.

. THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 30

10 A.M.-8 P.M., Annual Christmas Village Fair, St. Peter's Church, State St., Albany. Luncheon 12 to 2; Sherry 4:30-6:30; Roast Beef Dinner 5:30 and 6:30.

7 P.M. Beth. Sr. Citizens meeting, Middle School, Delmar.

Open House, 50th Anniversary of Elsmere Volunteer Fire Company "A".

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 1

1-3:30 P.M., work group, Beth. Sr. Citizens, Masonic Temple, Delmar.

8 P.M., Travelogue, Selkirk Fire House #1, Maple Avenue, Selkirk.

5 P.M., 26th Annual Christmas Greens Show opens at Albany Institute of History and Art, Albany.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 2

10 A.M.-7 P.M., Country Fair, St. Stephen's Episcopal Church, Delmar. Luncheon and dinner served. Many booths plus an "Art Corner" exhibit by local artists.

5 P.M., Roast Fresh Pork Supper. Ravena Grange Hall, Rt. 143. Coeymans Hollow. Information: 756-2548.

10 A.M.-7 P.M., St. Stephen's Episcopal Church Country Fair. Luncheon 11:30 to 1; Tea 2 to 4; Spaghetti Dinner 5-7, \$1.75 for adults; children under 12, \$1.



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- 6 P.M. Reception; 7 P.M. Thirteenth Annual Bethlehem Republican Dinner at Thruway Hyatt House, Albany. Principal speaker: Hon. Vincent Tofany, NYS Commissioner of Motor Vehicles; Neal Moylan, Commissioner, NYS Dept. of Commerce, Toastmaster. Tickets: Republican Committeemen or Merwyn K. Atwood.
- 9 P.M., Gordon Bok will sing and tell stories at Bethlehem Coffee-house.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 3

- **5-7 P.M.,** Cocktail Party, Albany Panhellenic Assoc., home of Mrs. Barbara Ingraham, 141 Westchester Drive, Delmar.
- **5 P.M.,** Channel 13 TV, youth program, "A Very Special Island," with Jack Wyrtzen.
- **2-5 P.M.,** Open House at BOCES, 431 Karner Road, Albany.
- 4 P.M., Cards and Games; 7 P.M., meeting. Mid-Singles, Channing Hall, 405 Washington Ave., Albany.
- 1-5 P.M., Art Sale, Delmar Art Group, 463 Kenwood Ave., Delmar.
- 2 P.M. & 8 P.M., film: "First Breath," Childbirth Education Association, Red Cross Bldg., Hackett Blvd., Albany.

- 2-5 P.M., through Dec. 16, Art Show, College of St. Rose Faculty, College Art Gallery, Albany.
- 2 P.M. Candlelight Concert, Music Department, College of St. Rose, 979 Madison Avenue, Albany.

MONDAY, DECEMBER 4

- 2 to 4 P.M., Holiday Tea for new members of Delmar Progress Club, St. Stephen's Episcopal Church. Entertainment: Willett Bell Ringers.
- 8 P.M., Channel 13 TV, Jack Wyrtzen youth program.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 5

8 P.M., meeting, Beth. Environmental Improvement Assoc., Community Room, The Bank, Delmar. Jim Howard of The Garden Shoppe: "How to Select and Care for Bird Feeders."

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 6

- **8 P.M., open** meeting, Bethlehem Central Board of Education, budget hearing, Educational Services Center, 90 Adams Place, Delmar.
- **7 P.M., meeting,** Welcome Wagon Club of Voorheesville, Home Extension Bldg., Martin Road.
- **6-9:30 P.M.,** 3-hour Prelicensing Course, Room 115, Voorheesville High School. Learner's permit and \$5 fee required. Pre-registration: 765-2372.
- 10 A.M., meeting, Antique Study Group, Delmar Progress Club.

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PHOTO ESSAY

THIS COVER PHOTO by Allen Yarinsky of Delmar depicts the theme, "Half the World Knows Not How the Other Half Lives", a photographic essay on view at the Schenectady Museum beginning December 3 through January 1973. The photographs are of everyday people and scenes related to their activities and represent an attempt to capture segments of life that are often seen but seldom remembered.

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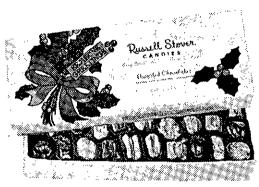
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8 P.M., meeting, Bethlehem Art Association, Delmar Public Library. Kazako Mine Orton will demonstrate Japanese painting.

8 P.M., meeting, League of Women Voters, home of Mrs. Nancy Tonetti, 104 Adams Place, Delтаг.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 7

7 P.M., meeting, Beth. Sr. Citizens, Middle School, Delmar. Allison Bennett, speaker.

5:30-8:30 P.M., Soul Food Dinner, Bethlehem High School Cafeteria: chicken, candied yams, black-eyed peas, collard greens, cornbread, dessert and beverage, benefit Pete Jones Child Supervision Center, Albany. Adults, \$2.25; children, \$1.75.

9:30 A.M., unit meeting, League of Women Voters, Bethlehem Public Library, baby sitting available. Information: 439-2210.

The Town Board of Appeals will conduct a public hearing tonight at 8:00 P.M., at the Town Offices, on an application from Marcello Tile, Terrazzo & Marble Co., Inc. The Company is seeking to rebuild following a fire with a rear yard of 18 feet instead of the required 25

9:30 A.M., meeting, League of Women Voters, Bethlehem Public Library, Delmar.

1-3 P.M., Interfaith Christmas Tea, Delmar Methodist Church featuring Helen Henshaw and Thursday Belles

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 8

1-3:30 P.M., last day for receiving toys for Christmas distribution. Work group, Bethlehem Sr. Citizens, Masonic Temple, Delmar. Toys will be distributed to needy today and next week by calling Mr. Weaver, 439-4087.

8 P.M. benefit performance for cystic fibrosis, Fort Orangemen barbershop quartet and Tri-County Banjo Band, BCHS auditorium. Tickets: Grover's Stationery, \$1.75, students: \$1.25. Sponsor: Xi Alpha Pi Chapter, Beta Sigma Phi International Sorority.

8 P.M., Wine and Cheese Party, Women's Council, Albany Institute of History and Art, Albany.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 9

8:30 P.M., Albany Symphony Concert. Williams Trio with Julius Hegyi featured.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 10

4 to 6 P.M., Annual Christmas Tea for members and quests of Beth. Historical Assoc., plus Christmas Flower Show by Beth. Garden Club. Museum, Rt. 144, Cedar Hill.

MONDAY, DECEMBER 11

12 to 3 P.M., today and tomorrow, Christmas Flower Show by Beth. Garden Club at Beth. Museum, Rt. 144, Cedar Hill.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 12

8 P.M., meeting, Delmar Camera Club. St. Stephen's Church. Photo essay contest using up to 20 slides; also pre-Christmas sale of photo equipment.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 13

8 P.M., meeting, open to public, Beth. Central Board of Education, Ed. Services Center, 90 Adams St., Delmar.

1 P.M., Christmas Tea, members and guests, Bethlehem Garden Club, at Beth. Hist. Assoc. Museum, Rt. 144, Cedar Hill.

Public Hearing, Bethlehem Town Board, at 7:30 P.M. at Town Hall, to consider proposed changes in the plans and specifications for the construction of a sewer system in Bethlehem Sewer District, and Extension No. 8 of the said Dis-

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THURSDAY, DECEMBER 14

10 A.M. Coffee Hour, parents of BCHS students, high school Administrative Conference Room.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 15

12 Noon, Beth. Sr. Citizens Christmas Party for members and friends, Normanside Country Club vance reservations: 439-4087.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 17

7:30 P.M., Annual Christmas Festival of Sacred Music, Community Methodist Church, Slingerlands.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 20

Town Board of Appeals public hearing at 8:00 P.M. at the Town Offices, on the application of Charles F. Russo, 1000 New Scotland Road, Albany, for special exception under Article V of the Town Zoning Ordinance, to operate a stable and amusement in the form of a racetrack at Pictuay Rd., Selkirk

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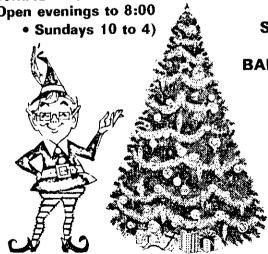
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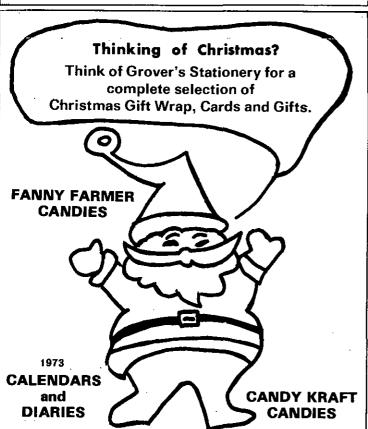




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The Spotlight Goes to School

THE BETHLEHEM Central High School Chapter of Future Business Leaders of America held its first Fudge Day sale on Tuesday, November 21, in the High School cafeteria.

Wendy Furman, BCHS FBLA president, appointed Terri Conophy chairman of the event.

Each member made fudge or brownies which were purchased from club members during the lunch mods.

Joanne Campbell and Donna Grovenger headed the poster committee.

LEARNING GRAMMAR CAN be fun, as a team of seventh graders at the Bethlehem Central Middle School has recently discovered. The English pupils of Louis Gilboord quickly grasped the relevancy of proper grammarand some other valuable lessons in written expression-by making original children's books.

The four-week project began in early November for 83 of Mr. Gilboord's pupils. First they read together a number of fairy tales and popular children's books. Then they began writing their own stories for young children, finding out for themselves the importance of the various parts of speech, (colorful adjectives, for example, add sparkle and interest to any story) and learning how to express conversation within a story.

In the preparation of their rough drafts, many of the pupils changed their main characters from people to other objects-because they realized they would be illustrating their own stories and they recognized their people-drawing limitations. The results were some highly-imaginative characters and titles, such as "Adventures in Carrot Land," "Frog on a Lily Pad," and "The Pink Elephant."

After completing their rough drafts, (including page-by-page

layouts of written copy and illustrations) the young authors carefully printed or typed their stories, drew the accompanying pictures, and bound their books with heavy cardboard.

"The kids did almost all of the book-making at school," Mr. Gilboord said, "because I know parents can be overly helpful with homework." He did allow parental help with the typing, if his pupils desired it, and some mothers sewed pages together while other pupils used a heavy duty stapler for this process.

When the books were finished, the project wasn't. Any self-respecting author wonders about readership reaction to his brainchild, so Mr. Gilboord arranged with several district elementary teachers to have his pupils visit their classrooms and read their stories to primary age children. These visits, to the Delmar, Elsmere, Glenmont and Slingerlands Schools, proved to be useful, and often flattering, learning experiences for the seventh-graders.

"Some of the little kids wanted to buy a book," Mr. Gilboord said, "after discovering to their dismay that they couldn't find it in the school library." The first-time authors were also impressed with the importance to young children of three-dimensional and textured books. (Many had used felt fabric for illustrations, and this went over big.)

Mr. Gilboord, a graduate of Albany public schools and the State University at Albany who is now in his third year at the Middle School, introduced the bookmaking project this year after happening upon a children's book he had done as a seventh-grader and recalling the pleasure it had brought him. "It really served the purpose of capturing my pupils' interest in English lessons that can be very dull," he com-

mented recently.

His only problem now is trying to salvage a few of the completed books for future reference and use. They have all been on display in the front foyer of the Middle School, with pupils taking theirs out for elementary school visits. But all the young writers are anxiously awaiting that day they can take them home-either to give as presents to their younger brothers and sisters or to put in their own home collections of valuable treasures.

WENDY FURMAN, President of the Bethlehem Central High School Chapter of Future Business Leaders of America, has announced the results of the election of the club's Historian and Publicity Chairman for the coming year.

Laura Bernard, a sophomore shorthand student, was elected Historian. Linda Weber, another sophomore secretarial student, will serve as the Publicity Chairman.

DAVID DOHERTY, 1968 BCHS grad, has been selected for inclusion in the 1973 edition of "Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges" He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph W. Doherty, Glenmont.

David was graduated from SUNY at Plattsburgh in May with a BA in Speech and Theatre. He is presently employed by WHEN-TV in Syracuse. In January, he will enter Syracuse University.

His sister, Ellen, a 1972 BCHS graduate, is a freshman at SUNY in Plattsburgh where she is majoring in Psychology.



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On Saturday, December 2, Bethlehem. Republicans will gather at the Thruway Hyatt House in Albany for their 13th Annual Dinner. The reception at 6 will be followed by roast sirloin of beef at 7.

Neal Movlan, Commissioner, NYS Department of Commerce, will act as Toastmaster with Vincent Tofany, NYS Commissioner of Motor Vehicles, the principal speaker.

Tickets may be purchased from any Committeeman or Merwyn K. Atwood.

THE FIRST RECITAL this season of the Albany Music Teachers' Association took place on November 19 at the Women's Club in Albany. It was an all piano recital and Renato Rolando presented two students.

Maureen Carey, 12, daughter of Mr. & Mrs. J.F. Carey, 8 Wiggand Drive, Glenmont, who attends St. Thomas School played

"Ballade" by Burgmuller.

Christopher Frueh, 9, son of Mr. & Mrs. Peter K. Frueh, Feura Bush, who attends Becker School played "Vivace of the First Sonatina" by Clementi.

STANDARD and Advanced First Aid classes will be held at the Albany Area Chapter, Red Cross Wednesday evenings, starting December 6.

The standard class will be held for five weeks from 7-9 and the advanced first aid from 7-10 for 6 weeks. Both Programs are open to the public.

John Gosch and Mrs. Minnie Meegan, volunteers for Albany Red Cross, will instruct the class-

To enroll in the courses, contact James H. Carnahan, director, in the Safety Program department at 462-7461.

STATE UNIVERSITY Chancellor Ernest L. Boyer today announced the appointment of Harry K. Spindler as Vice Chancellor for Finance and Business in the University's Central Administration.

Mr. Spindler, 43, of Delmar, joined the University in November, 1967, as Director of University Budgets. He was appointed Assistant Vice Chancellor for Finance, Management and Business in November, 1970, and became Acting Vice Chancellor for Finance and Business last spring.

Before joining the University. Mr. Spindler held several govern-

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Harry K. Spindler ment positions in his native State of Wisconsin, including that of

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Assistant Director for Finance and Facilities for the Coordinating Committee for Higher Education. He also was the Executive Director of the Governor's Mental Health Advisory Commission in Wisconsin.

Mr. Spindler obtained his B.A. degree at Hamline University in St. Paul, Minnesota, and the M.P. A. degree at Syracuse University. He served in the U.S. Navy for four years.

Mr. Spindler and his wife, Eunice, have three children and reside at 30 Longwood Drive in Del-

The designation of Mr. Spindler as Vice Chancellor for Finance and Business did not involve a change in his annual salary of \$36,722.

INDIVIDUAL responsibility for contributing to peace in the community and the world will be emphasized in a public address in Saturday afternoon. December 9.

"If we sincerely desire a better world," a Christian Science lecturer from Urbana, Illinois, will say, "each one of us has to improve our own individual sense of the world....As we enlarge our understanding of God -- expand our sense of love to include all mankind -- our home improves

and so does our world."

Miss Nancy E. Houston will speak in Albany Institute of History and Art at 3 P.M. under the auspices of First Church of Christ, Scientist, Albany.

Miss Houston was active at one time in education, serving as assistant professor of physical education at the University of Illinois, where she received her master's degree.

Since 1954, she has devoted her full time to the healing ministry of Christian Science. She will relate in her address a number of healings through wholly spiritual means, including a young man's healing of tuberculosis.



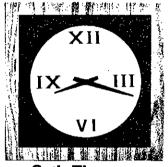


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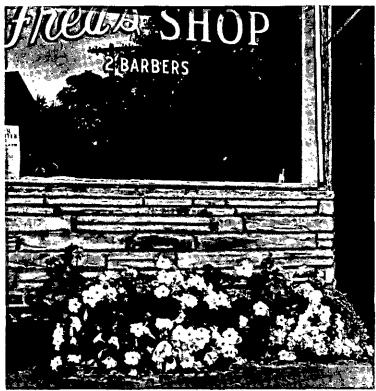


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The Bethlehem Environmental Improvement Association has announced the winner of its Community Beautification Award for 1972. Fred's Barber Shop, 371 Delaware Avenue, Delmar, was the recipient of the award, earned by having maintained the flower box/judged most attractive this past summer and fall. Edward A. Gazel of Fred's Barber Shop accepted the award at BEIA's October 24 meeting. Congratulations to Fred's Barber Shop. Photo by Alice Porter

Miss Houston is currently on extended tour as a member of The Christian Science Board of Lectureship.

"Is Anybody at Home?" is the title of her talk. Local members have invited the public to attend without charge.

THE ONESQUETHAW Volunteer Fire Company would like to thank property owners and residents of their fire district for their generous support in the annual calendar drive. This is one way in which we all can share in the protection of our lives and property.

If you did not receive a calendar or if you have not made a donation and would like to do so, please contact Ralph Carpenter, Jr., Olive Street Clarksville, New York 12041.

JOHN P. PENDLETON, of Slingerlands, chief engineer of the New York State Thruway Authority, has been appointed chairman of the Maintenance Committee of the International Bridge, Tunnel and Turnpike Association, it was announced today by



John P. Pendleton

E.R. Foley, President.

The Association represents Bridge, Tunnel and Toll road Authorities in 12 countries containing 300 toll facilities valued at more than \$30-billion.

Mr. Pendleton has served in various engineering capacities in the Thruway Authority since 1955. He began his career as assistant civil engineer in the State Public Works Department.

A licensed professional engineer, he is a member of the Institute of Traffic Engineers, and

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the Highway Research Board.

Born in Ithaca, he was graduated from Cornell University in 1949 with a degree in civil engineering.

Mr. Pendleton and his wife, Marilyn, live at 20 Bridge St., Slingerlands. They have three children...

Phillip B. Lee of Delmar, deputy Executive director of the Thruway Authority, is second vice president of the IBTTA. The president, Mr. Foley, is chief engineer of the California Toll Bridge Authority.

WILLIAM J. KUHFUSS, president, has lent the support of the American Farm Bureau Federa-

tion to the 1972 Christmas Seal Campaign against respiratory diseases and air pollution, said Mrs. Dean P. Taylor and Assemblyman (103rd district) Fred G. Field, Jr., co-chairman of the 66th Annual Christmas Seal Campaign of the Tuberculosis and Respiratory Disease Association of the Capital Dist. Inc.

Kuhfuss cited the support of Farm Bureau members in a letter to John C. Harrison, president of the National Tuberculosis and Respiratory Disease Association. He wrote, "The Association is to be complimented and deserves support for its valuable service in attempting to



ST. PETER'S CHORISTERS, a 43-piece chorus of men and boys, will present their fourth annual and second complete performance of Handel's MESSIAH at St. Peter's Church, State and Lodge Streets, Downtown Albany, Sunday, December 3. The full performance of the Christmas classic (and the only complete one in the Capitol District) will start at 4 P.M. and will feature a baked ham and beans supper interval in the church Parish House at 5:45 P.M. The second half will start at 7:00 P.M. All of the soloists are regular members of the Choristers. They will be: Richard Longley, John Snow, James and William Chenot, trebles; Scott McCarthy, Counter-Tenor; John Smead, Ward Hamlin and Bradford Logan, tenors; and Eugene Tobey, Jeffrey House and Carey Lape, baritones.

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improve the health and living conditions for all Americans."

Because air pollution is no longer limited to urban areas, Kuhfuss expressed the hope that many rural people will support the 1972 campaign for clean air and good health.

Mrs. Taylor, who is also a director of the TB Association of the Capital District serving Albany and Rensselaer counties said that in American over 200 million tons of poisonous wastes are poured into the atmosphere every day. "We must dedicate ourselves to making the air clean and work towards reversing the rising number of cases of emphysema and other lung diseases. Giving more to Christmas Seals means more medical education and more research to fight these diseases. And that, Assemblyman Field said, is a matter of life and breath."

THE COLLEGE of Agriculture and Life Sciences Fund at Cornell University topped \$727,000 with a \$1000 grant from the Eastman Kodak Co., and a bequest of almost \$60,000 from the estate of an alumnus.

Kodak contributes \$250 for each academic year that one of their employees completes at a publicity supported college or institution. The grants are made if the graduate joins Kodak within five years of graduation and completes five years of employment with the company.

Anson Rowe, a 1907 graduate of the College, bequeathed \$59, 133 to the fund, with the understanding that the income from the estate be used to provide scholarships for Communication Arts students who excel in public speaking, radio and television programs.

Rowe, who died in June, 1970, owned a fruit and sheep farm in Feura Bush in Albany County. He was also chief reviewing appraiser for the Federal Land Bank, assigned to the first district which includes the Springfield (Mass.) Land Bank.

The College has set a Jan. 1, 1973, target date for reaching its million dollar goal for the Fund.

ACCORDING TO Leonard Palmer, Cooperative Extension Agent, the annual income tax school will be held November 30 at the Albany County Resources Development Center at Voorheesville.

The all-day session beginning at 9:00 A.M. is designed to help primarily lawyers accountants and those who are working with farm tax returns.

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There will be a registration fee for materials. Lunch will be available at the building. According to Palmer, about ninety are expected.

DECEMBER 8-9 are the dates set for this year's Campground Management Conference. The ninth annual meeting will be held at Cornell University by the NYS College of Agriculture & Life Sciences.

A variety of topics will be covered to interest both prospective and established campground operators, according to Professor Harlan Brumsted, conference chairman. Included are ideas on efficient size of operations, package sewage treatment systems, differential pricing, and a panel of operators discussing unique ideas helpful in their campgrounds.

Managers from throughout New York State will be in Ithaca picking up new ideas and meeting others engaged in similar activities. Speakers will include Tommy L. Brown, research associate, and Profs. Brumstead, Edward W. Foss, Bernice M. Scott, Bruce T. Wilkins and Fred E. Winch, Jr.

The conference opens at noon Friday, and will conclude by 1:00 P.M. Saturday.

Further information can be obtained from your Albany County Extension Agent, Martin Road, Voorheesville, New York. Phone 765-2331.

THREE ALBANY area residents have accepted leadership positions for the St. Peter's Hospital's \$2 million Progress Building Fund Campaign, Peter K. Kiernan, General Chairman, announced.

Richard F. Lindstrom, of Delmar, president of the Bankers Trust Company of Albany, N.A., has been named Bank Division Chairman.

Everett C. Reed, Albany, president, Albany International Corporation and Donald M. Slingerlands, Elsmere, vice-chairman, Albany International Corporation, have been named co-chairman of the industrial gifts division of the campaign.

The hospital has effected a 30 year, \$13.9 million mortgage commitment from the New York State Dormitory Authority and a one million dollar grant from the Hill-Burton Program in order to complete its \$16.9 million expansion and modernization program which includes a seven floor addition.

The situation at St. Peter's Hospital is urgent, Mr. Kiernan emphasized as he reviewed the phenomenal growth in the demand for services during the past decade with Messrs. Lindstrom, Reed and Slingerland.

Mr. Kiernan pointed out that, "since 1960, clinic visits at the hospital are up 276% and emergency room visits are up by 192%. In order to continue providing the hospital's quality patient care in these two areas, the ground floor of the seven floor planned

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Mr. Kiernan also noted that the hospital has effected a \$13.9 million 30-year mortgage committment from the New York State Dormitory Authority and has a one-million-dollar Hill-Burton Grant for the ambulatory care facility.

Mr. Lindstrom is a trustee of St. Peter's Hospital, a director of the Capital District Chamber of Commerce, and a trustee of the Christian Brothers Academy.

Mr. Reed is a director of the State Bank of Albany, the Trinity Institution and the Associated Industries of New York State, Inc.

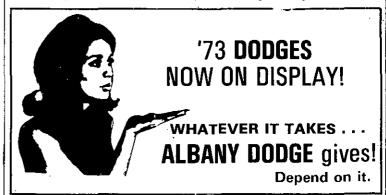
Mr. Slingerland is also a director of the State Bank of Albany and a director of Barber & Bennett, Inc.

DEER WEIGHT — "How much does it weigh?" is more often than not the first question that the successful deer hunter will ask the biologist at a deer checking station. After dragging it for what seemed like miles, he has probably become over-impressed by its size, particularly if he did not have snow to reduce the friction of the drag.

After aging the deer, measuring its antler beam diameter, and counting the number of points, the checker will put on a bit of showmanship by pounding the deer and squinting at it knowingly, before making his estimate and adding, "Give or take two or three pounds." Chances are it is well below the hunter's estimate.

If the deer checking business isn't too heavy, he will weigh it for you and for the record. Probably the two or three pounds grace bracketed the weight on the scales. It wasn't by chance that he was so close. He was probably playing the statistics established over years of checking deer through the same station.

For almost 20 years I have been watching bucks coming out of southern Chenango and northern Broome Counties. Three out of four are yearlings. Those 17 months averaged 109 pounds, 18 months have averaged 116 pounds, and those 19 months have averaged 123 pounds. If the





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A great variety of deer go into making up these averages. I recall one year when the Howland Island yearlings averaged 127 pounds, but included a petite 97 pounder and an enormous 167 pounder. A 10 percent deviation from the average, however, will probably cover eight out of 10

There are three factors determining the weight of a deer: its age, the quality of the basic soil of its range and the amount of good winter food available.

Since bucks continue to grow until they are about five years old, it is obvious that older ones will outweigh their vounger brothers from the same range. Going back to those Chenango-Broome County averages, the yearlings averaged 116 pounds, those two and a half were 137 pounds, those three and a half averaged 156 pounds, and not enough lived to be four and a half to give a good figure.

If you want a big deer, your best odds will be where they have a chance to grow up. In the Adirondacks, during periods when we have a normal age composition, about one-quarter of the bucks are four and a half or over. while in the southern tier only about two percent live that long.

Agriculturists have long recognized that basic soil fertility is transferred through plants that grown on the land to animals feeding on them. The best soils have maintained a good agricultural economy while poor soils have not. Land that will produce the best cows will also produce the best deer. This shows clearly in the review of our figures from the Chenango-Broome area and the Howland Island Wildlife Management Area in more fertile Cayuga County where yearling bucks average about 10 pounds heavier.

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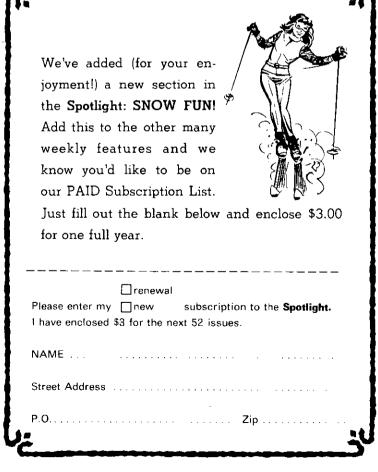
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The contents of the stocking at the left cost less that \$4 and illustrate some of the items appropriate for children aged 8-12. Included are:

Whitman Comic Books (15¢ each); Whitman paper money and coins (39¢); Whitman Help Yourself New Math Flash Cards (\$1.00); Whitman Crazy Eights and Authors playing cards (39¢); Fantastic Four, a Whitman jigsaw puzzle (39¢); Golden American History Stamp Book (59¢); 50 Card Games For Children (50¢); and edible treats.

The fillings for the stocking at the right were selected for teens and adults. The representative assortment costs about \$4 and includes:

Whitman's Chessman Set which features an instruction booklet containing the History of Chess (\$1.29); a deck of Crusader poker cards (59¢); Betty Crocker's Cookbook for Family Camping (\$1.00); Whitman Double-Six Dominoes (79¢); Whitman's Make-A-Picture Stencil Book (39¢); and fruits, nuts and sweets.

THE BLACK BEAR

CATSKILL BLACK BEAR — The bear kill in the Catskills has been extremely variable over the years, no doubt due in part to weather conditions, food availability and hunting pressure. If Catskill female bear exhibit the snychronous biannual breeding behavior which occurs in the Adirondack population, this would account for and further magnify the irregularities in the reported kill. Until a decade ago, the kill averaged about 75-80 bear, with variations of as much as 50 percent not unusual.

During the last decade, however, the kill appears to have dropped, particularly in the northern portion of the Catskills. Not enough information is available about Catskill bear to know how serious this decline is, so the Department has turned a great deal of attention in that direction during the last three or four years.

Successful bear hunters can help fill in the gaps in our knowledge by reporting their bear by telephone to the answering service as directed on the back of their license tag. The 800 number listed there is a toll-free number which you can dial at any time. Regulations require that the report be made within 48 hours after getting the bear to the highway.

The telephone reporting system makes it possible for biologist from

the Big Game Project at the Wildlife Research Laboratory to quickly contact the hunter and arrange an interview which details are still fresh in his mind, and to collect jaws and other needed tissue before they have been discarded. Last year it was possible to get back in the woods, using the hunters' directions, and collect reproductive tracts from two female bear. Since an understanding of population dynamics of a species in a given area is vital to its proper management, collection of this kind are invaluable.

What are some of the questions that the biologists hope will be answered by this information? 1)How many bears inhabit the Catskills? 2)How are they distributed? 3)What sort of movements occur among bears in different areas of the Catskills? 4)What is the reproductive potential of the population? 5)What are the ages and sex ratios?

Some key bears wandering the Catskills have tags in their ears, offering a \$25 reward on the return of their skulls to the Department. These bears have been live trapped and released over the last three years. At the time of its initial capture each bear was anesthetized and checked for sex, weight, physical measurements, parasites, disease and reproductive condition. While the bear was out cold, one of its small teeth was extracted so that its age could be determined.

Studies have revealed that a mammal's tooth root continues to grow throughout life, laying down rings just like the rings seen on the stump of a tree. In late life these rings are very close together and must be counted with care. Incidentally, at some Department deer checking stations, front teeth are being removed from deer for aging to confirm or correct information gathered by visual observation of wear on the molars.

Ear-tagged bear that are taken by hunters are particularly valuable because they will give data about growth and movements that could not be obtained any other way. Information from these bears has revealed an amazing ability to put on weight—as much as two to four pounds a day during the summer. One bear actually gained 92 pounds in 24 days between captures.

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year, given birth to their first young on or about their fourth birthday. This sets the stage for an interesting phenomenon across the northern states where most young are born in odd calendar years. Since yearlings make up a large part of the annual kill, that means that over the years, the bear kill on the even-numbered years is high.

No one knows just how this selfperpetuating imbalance in the age composition of the bears got established, but it is there. And this should be a big year again.

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Congratulations to all our people of Bethlehem! On Election Day, 92.37% of the eligible voters went to the polls and voted! This may be a record! Of the votes casi, 65.5% were for President Nixon.

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College. He did graduate work at North Carolina State while a 1st. Lt. in the 23rd Field Artillery stationed at Fort Bragg, N.C. He is presently employed in Management Training at the National Commercial Bank and Trust Company.

A May 4, 1973 wedding is planned.

Spotlight Weddings

THE MARRIAGE of Miss Nancy Ruth Williams and Edmund Ignatius Kiley, Lieutenant, United States Coast Guard, took place Saturday, November 25, at two o'clock in Bethlehem Christian Church, Suffolk, Virginia.



Mrs. Edmund I. Kiley

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thaddeus Thomas Williams of Suffolk. The bridegroom is the son of Dr. and Mrs. John Edmund Kiley of Slingerlands.

The double-ring ceremony was performed by The Reverend Antonio R. Maslabad assisted by The Reverend John W. Wilder.

Immediately following the ceremony, Mr. and Mrs. Williams entertained the wedding guests at a reception at the Elk's Club in Suffolk.

Following the reception the couple left for a short wedding trip after which they will reside in Middletown, Conn.

ON NOVEMBER 5, the Clarksville Community Church was the scene for the wedding of Frances Jane Parks and Robert J. Spadaro. Rev. Melchior VanHattem officiated. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Parks, Jr., Feura Bush. The groom's parents are Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Spadaro of Altamont.



Mrs. Robert J. Spadaro

Immediately following the ceremony, a reception was held il the Church Hall, after which the couple left for the seashore.

The bride is a BCHS and Junior College of Albany graduate and is presently employed by the NYS Environmental Conservation Department. Her husband was graduated from Guilderland Central High School and Paul Smith's College. He is a member of the US Army Reserve and is employed by the NYS Department of Taxation and Finance.

WANDA J. SUSSER, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Calvin J. Sus-



Mrs. Alan R. Whitney
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ser, Selkirk, became the bride of Alan R. Whitney, son of Mr. and Mrs. Roland Whitney, Delmar, on November 18 at the South Bethlehem Methodist Church with Rev. Russell Goodwin officiating.

The reception was held at Nathaniel Adams Blanchard Post, American Legion, in Delmar, after which the couple left on a motor trip to Florida.

The bride is a graduate of R-C-S High School and is presently employed by the NYS Department of Taxation and Finance. Her husband is a BCHS grad, has an honorable discharge from the US Marine Corps and is presently employed by Histed Construction, Delmar.

MARGARET M. COONEY, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Richard J. Cooney, Rensselaer, became the bride of Richard M. Syrett, son of Mr. and Mrs. George Syrett, 12 Brookview Avenue, Delmar, at St. Joseph's Church, Rensselaer, November 17, with Rev. Robert Buckley officiating.

The reception was held at the Aurania Club in Albany after which the couple left on a trip to Mexico.

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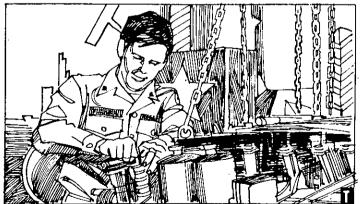
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VERY REV. JAMES D. Daley officiated at St. Thomas' Church, Delmar, for the November 25 wedding of Martha M. Dole and Richard L. Johnson. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs.



Mrs. Richard L. Johnson Ray Thorne Photo

Gregory J. Dole, Sr., 45 Delmar Place, Delmar. Mr. Johnson is the son of Mr. and Mrs. John Stowell, East Greenbush.

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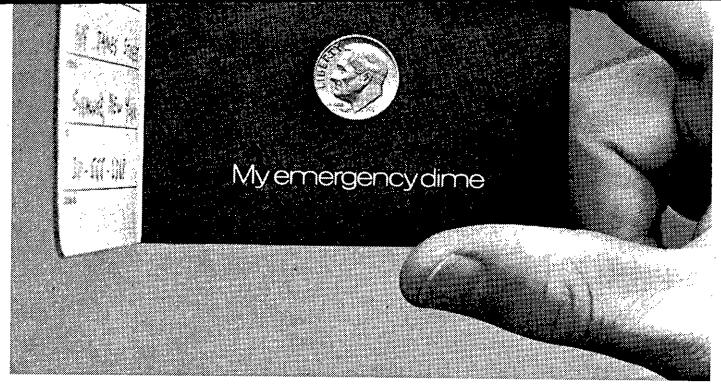
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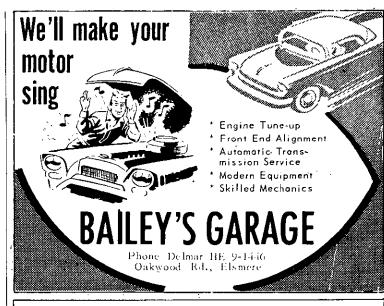
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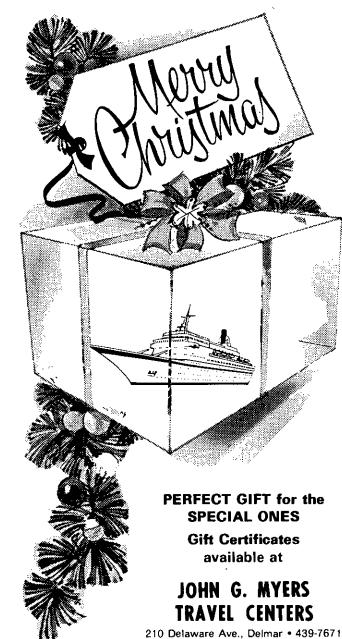
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Cross Country Skiing - Saturdays and nights - at local Town Park (Elm Avenue); cross country trails - trips to ski areas.

Competitive events for those interested. Instructor will be Brian Gallagher.

Figure Skating — Saturday mornings - Elm Avenue Park - 10 A.M.-12 A.M. - Open to all ages. Instructor will be Brud Adams

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Hockey Instruction - Saturday mornings 8:00-10:00 A.M. Elm Avenue Park.

League - Establishment of a Jr. & Sr. Hockey League made up from teams from the following areas where there will be ice rinks: Elm Avenue Park, Glenmont School, So. Bethlehem, Bethlehem High School and Selkirk School.

Winter Carnival (Feb. 3-24) - festivities, dances, competitive events in skiing, cross country, speed skating, figure skating, snowmobile, etc. Election of a snow queen and king. Snow sculpture contest.

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rear," say Ski-Doo snowmobile engineers. "Ropes are totally inadequate."

A WELL-KNOWN Michigan biologist says that "compaction of residual annual accumulations of plant materials caused by snowmobiles results in highly beneficial condi-

Dr. Dale Gleason, biologist at Lake Superior State College,

tions.'

Sault Ste. Marie, Mich., told a U.S. Forest Service hearing that "the compaction speeds decomposition during winter months, providing a more ready source of nutrients for the annuals which predominate in the snowbelt region."

A result of this compaction, Dr. Gleason says, is "an early spring emergence of these annuals, primarily the grasses." This in turn forms "early

spring nutrition for rough grouse, white-tailed deer and many of the smaller rodents."

Dr. Gleason claims that snowmobile trails over ice surfaces also are environmentally helpful. "Compaction of snow on lake ice greatly increases the amount of sunlight transmission through the ice," he notes. "This increase in light transmission could help alleviate the 'winter kill' that is so common to the smaller eutrophic lake systems."

mobiling may be beneficial. When 164 inches of snow fell in thu Saulte Ste. Marie area during the early months of 1972, "the snow depth resulted in serious confinement of deer and moose and the threat of over-population in these areas," the Michigan biologist said. But "where snowmobiles had entered these areas, the deer were capable of escaping the continued harassment by covotes and wild dogs."



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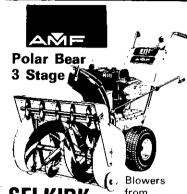
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Wandering & Wondering ...

WE GOT TO THINKING — a very bad habit — after we had written our column for last week we wondered just what Bill Fischer meant when he said he was sorry we hadn't attended the Retired Men's Fraternity luncheon meeting. Maybe he was trying to tell us something!

THAT FIRST SNOW STORM OF THE SEASON was certainly a disaster. We haven't talked with anyone who was prepared for what happened. Our son, Jim, had been running a snow removal ad in the Spotlight that produced phenominal results and he was leisurely collecting the equipment he needed. He wasn't ready when it hit — but he had lots of company.

Before you can go into the snow removal business there's a matter of at least \$2,000 investment in reliable equipment. If it's only a truck with a plow you run the risk of doing real damage to shrubs or flower beds that may border the driveway — so Jim decided to put a rather large snowblower on the front of his garden tractor. This called for a truck to transport the tractor and a method of loading and unloading that would be reliable and reasonably speedy. And this was the part that failed him. By improvising, he managed to get all of his contracted-for driveways taken care except one — and that one called for completion at an early hour.

As soon as the crisis was over, he got the rest of the equipment necessary and has been able to make the changes that spell the difference between failure and success.

One of the necessary ingredients in a crisis like that first snow storm is understanding on the part of people—and because the unpreparedness was universal, the people did understand whether it was the highway, a street or a home driveway. Most people bend over backwards to be understanding in time of stress—and this was no exception. Everyone we've talked with who was responsible for handling the snow said the same thing: people are wonderful.

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THERE ARE NO ORGANIZATIONS in the area we'd rather help than our volunteer fire companies. Because they are so well organized and self-sufficient unto themselves, we don't often get a call for aid. This week we have one from Delmar Fire Commissioner and old-time friend, By Turner. A call from By is equal to a command — we admire him and value his friendship that much. But our wandering isn't solving the problem - a very real problem.

Every fall, the three Tri-Village (Elsmere, Delmar and Slingerlands) fire companies order hydrant markers. By lumping the three orders into one, they are able to buy these 4' steel rods with the fluorescent reflector on the top for \$1.75 each. When the order is received, volunteers fasten the markers to every hydrant. Thus, if a fire occurs before the hydrants are dug out, the marker shows the exact location of the water source.

This year, everything went as usual. The costly (repeat: \$1.75 each) markers were fastened to the hydrants but - here's the exception: This year most of them have already been destroyed; some were bent and twisted to the extent that they are of no use; many were completely torn off and lost. By observing what is going on, the firemen have determined that the vandalism is being done by juveniles.

What we're asking is this: will parents please explain to their youngsters the importance of these markers? It may also be necessary to explain the biggest un-natural natural horror (fire) to them — and what importance the local volunteer fireman and his ability to function quickly and efficiently plays in the saving of lives — and property.

Thank God that we live in an area where fires and loss of life from fire are held to a minimum. Now thank yourself that you can communicate with your youngster and make him see the supreme importance of leaving those hydrant markers strictly alone!

OUR POLLY, that Spotlight super-sale person, had a "different" Thanksgiving experience. She invited an out-oftown brother and his family for dinner on the Holiday. Her prother refused unless she'd promise NOT to cook. If our brother made such a stipulation, we'd rightly conclude that it was because he couldn't stand our cooking! Polly swears he made the stipulation only because she works so hard selling advertising. Of course, we agree with him — and Polly!

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Where: St. Stephen's Episcopal Church. Elsmere Avenue, Delmar.

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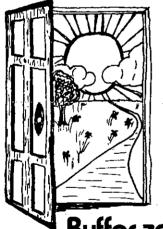
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