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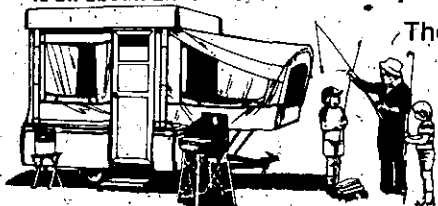
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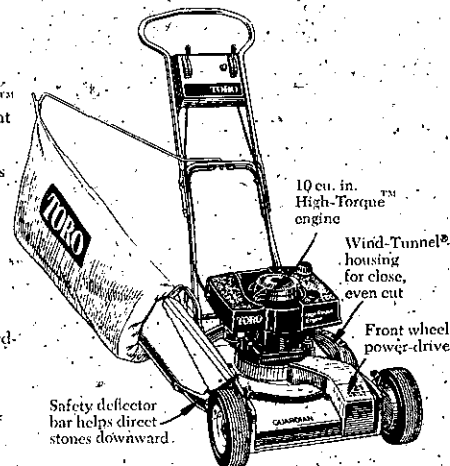
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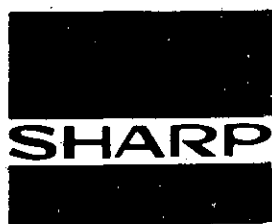
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Bethlehem Jaycees meet first and third Wednesdays of the month, 8 P.M., Center Inn, 9W, Glenmont.

Welcome Wagon — Newcomers and mothers of new babies call 785-9640, Mon. thru Sat., 8:30 A.M.-6:00 P.M. so you may have a Welcome Wagon call.

Bethlehem Memorial Auxiliary, to Post #3185, Veterans of Foreign Wars, meets the third Monday of every month, at the Post Rooms, 404 Delaware Ave., Delmar.

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.

Monarch Club of Albany meets every Tuesday night at 6 at the Center Inn, Glenmont.

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Every Thursday at 7 P.M., Delmar Reformed Church, scout meeting for handicapped, Troop 159.

Kiwanis Club of Delmar meets every Monday night at 6:15 at The Center Inn, Route 9W, Glenmont.

Bethlehem Lions Club meets 1st and 3rd Wednesdays of the month at The Center Inn, Route 9W, Glenmont, 6:30 P.M.

AARP meets 12:30 P.M., third Tuesday of month, Delmar First United Methodist Church, Kenwood Avenue, Delmar.

The Delmar Community Orchestra rehearses every Monday evening from 8 to 10 at the First United Methodist Church of Delmar.

Bethlehem Junior Women's Club meets 2nd Wednesday of each month, 8 P.M., Bethlehem Public Library.

Bethlehem Recycling Program (paper, cans, glass), Town Garage, 114 Adams St., Delmar. Mon. thru Fri., 8 A.M.-4 P.M. Papers should

be tied, cans flattened, bottles clean w/metal removed.

Rosary — St. Thomas Church, Adams Place, Delmar, every Thursday at 11:45 A.M.

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

Nathaniel Adams Blanchard Post #1040, American Legion, meets first and third Monday of month (when holiday occurs, move to Tuesday) except July and August, 8:30 P.M.

8:15 P.M., meeting, every Wednesday, Gam-Anon, wives of compulsive gamblers, St. Pius Church, Loudonville, 462-6916 or P.O. Box 23, Albany.

Onesquethaw O.E.S. meets on the first and third Wednesday of every month at the Masonic Temple in Delmar.

Glenmont Lions Club meets 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of the month at LaCasa Restaurant, Selkirk, 6:30 P.M. Visitors welcome. Info: Frank Muria, 767-2408.

Glenmont Homemakers meet 3rd Wed. of month, Glenmont Comm. Church, 8 P.M.

8 P.M., monthly meeting, last Thursday of each month, Elsmere Fire Co.

Bethlehem Lodge meets on 1st and 3rd Wednesday of every month, Ladies' Auxiliary meets on 2nd Wednesday of every month.

Bethlehem Youth Employment Service, 114 Adams Street, Delmar. School year schedule, Monday-Friday, 1:00-4:30 P.M. Telephone 439-2238.

The second Saturday of each month there is a waste paper drive at the town parking lot on Kenwood Ave. just above the four corners. This drive is sponsored by the youth groups of the Reformed and the Methodist Churches of Delmar. They will pick up papers from Senior Citizens or shut-ins. For pick-up call the church offices during the preceeding week.

Rotary Club of Delmar meets every Tuesday night 6:15 at Schrafft's Motel.

Berne Lodge #684 of F&AM meets the 1st and 3rd Saturday of every month at 8:00 P.M. Fellowcraft every 3rd Monday 6:00 P.M. Eastern Star on 2nd & 4th Tues. of every month.

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Every Sunday at 2:30 P.M., lecture on inter personal relations at Scientology, 23 Rockefeller Rd., Delmar. Open to the public. For information 439-1810.

THURSDAY, MAY 1

12 Noon, Senior Citizens Day at Legislative Office Bldg., Albany.

SATURDAY, MAY 3

10 A.M., Puppet Show, Large Community Room of Bethlehem Library by Library Puppet Club. Ages 3 & up. Free.

10 A.M.-4 P.M., Flower & Plant Sale, at Voorheesville Grand Union, sponsored by Helderview Garden Club.

SUNDAY, MAY 4

7 A.M.-1 P.M., Pancake Breakfast and Brunch, Ravena Lions Club at

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2 P.M., Large Community Room, Bethlehem Public Library, Movie, MEET ME IN ST. LOUIS. Free.

11 A.M.-4 P.M., Spring Fair, at Delaware Plaza by Tri-Village Nursery School.

3 P.M.-5 P.M., Open House, Loudonville Christian School. Classrooms open, teachers available, work on display.

MONDAY, MAY 5

1:30 P.M., meeting, Delmar Progress Club, Music Group, at Bethlehem Public Library.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 7

8 P.M., meeting, Bethlehem Art Association, at Bethlehem Library.

THURSDAY, MAY 8

8 P.M., meeting, Elsmere Fire Co. Auxiliary.

FRIDAY, MAY 9

5 P.M.-8 P.M., Elsmere School Fun Fair, refreshments, games & crafts.

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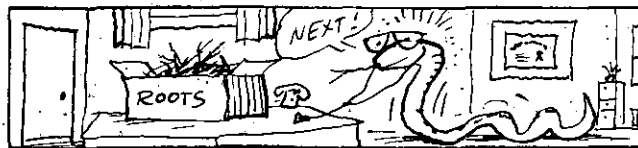
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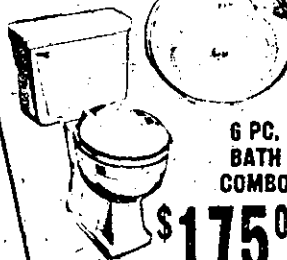
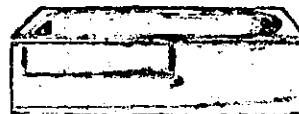
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There are many reasons why concerned citizens and Lake George lovers should fear this federal decision. For one thing, it is entirely possible that the federal government will ease the stringent laws which protected the lake under New York Jurisdiction. Under New York controls, boats with toilets are required to contain holding tanks for the purpose of pumping the sewage out after the boat is out of the water. Federal regulations are known to allow the use of "mocerators", devices that mix sewage with a percentage of chemicals, and then dump it all into the water. Any many of us drink that lake water!

Another fear is the desire of the corps to spend many taxpayer dollars on canals and locks so that Lake George could be hooked up with Lake Champlain. Lake George's beautiful clear waters would then be clogged with oil tankers as well as boat sewage. It would be the end of Lake George's unique reputation of being unpolluted.



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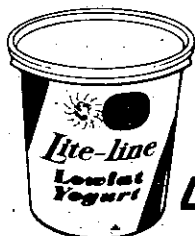
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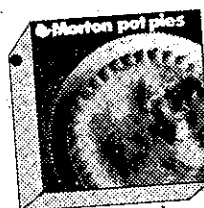


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LIBRARY NOTES

Puppet Show

Come one, come all to a free puppet show at the Bethlehem Public Library. The Puppet Show, presented by 28 youngsters in the Library Puppet Club will be at 10 A.M. on Saturday, May 3rd in the Large Community Room of the Library.

There will be four plays presented: **Elmer the Elephant**, which was written by two of the club members, **The Magic Shoes**, **The Lonely Giant**, and **The Princess and The Pea**. They plays are suitable for all ages, from three years old and up. The puppets and scenery were made entirely by members of the club.

So, for a morning of fun and entertainment attend the puppet shows at the Bethlehem Public Library May 3rd at 10 A.M.

New Periodical

The Bethlehem Public Library has begun subscribing to an exciting new periodical called the "Old-House Journal." This magazine is full of practical advice for people who are restoring old homes, or even for people who are doing their own repairs. In order to make its collection of "Old-House Journals" more complete, the Library has purchased the back issues also, so it now owns all the issues that have been published. All of the journals, except for the most recent one, can circulate. The loan period is two weeks.

Final Movie

The final movie in the Bethlehem Public Library's film series will be shown at 2 P.M. on Sunday, May 4th in the Large Community Room of the Library. The film, **MEET ME IN ST. LOUIS**, is a sentimental and nostalgic musical set in St. Louis in 1903. It runs for 113 minutes and stars Judy Garland. There is no admission charge for the movie.

The Spotlight Goes to School

Homes Needed

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On Dean's List

Paul VanRyn of Elm Ave., Selkirk has been named to the dean's list at Springfield College, Mass. according to Dean Paul U. Congdon.

VanRyn, a sophomore physical education major, is a 1973 graduate of Bethlehem Central High School. He is a member of the swimming team. Paul is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Simon VanRyn.

D.E. Course

The Bethlehem Central School District is planning to offer a Driver Education course this summer, at the High School from Monday, June 30 through Tuesday, Aug. 19. Students enrolled must have time available from 8 A.M. to 2:20 P.M.

If more students apply than can be accommodated, seniors will be given priority over juniors, and juniors over sophomores. Driver time will be assigned by the drawing of lots.

The course is open to boys and girls who: 1) Are residents of the school district, will be High School sophomores, juniors, or seniors as of September, 1975, and will be 16 years old on or before July 1, 1975.

Application forms for the course will be available in the Main Office of the High School from Thursday, May 8, through Thursday, May 15. They must be submitted, with a \$3 fee, by Friday, May 16, at 3 P.M.

Students who meet all the qualifications and attend a school other than Bethlehem Central must have their principal's approval to enroll in the course.

Anyone wishing more information about the summer driver education course may call Mr. Max Karp, Assistant Principal, BCHS, 439-4921.

Exchange Concert

The BCHS Wind Ensemble has scheduled its annual exchange concert tour for May 7, 8, and 9.

The Bethlehem students raised funds for the trip through the making and sale of submarine sandwiches on April 5.

Spelling Finalists

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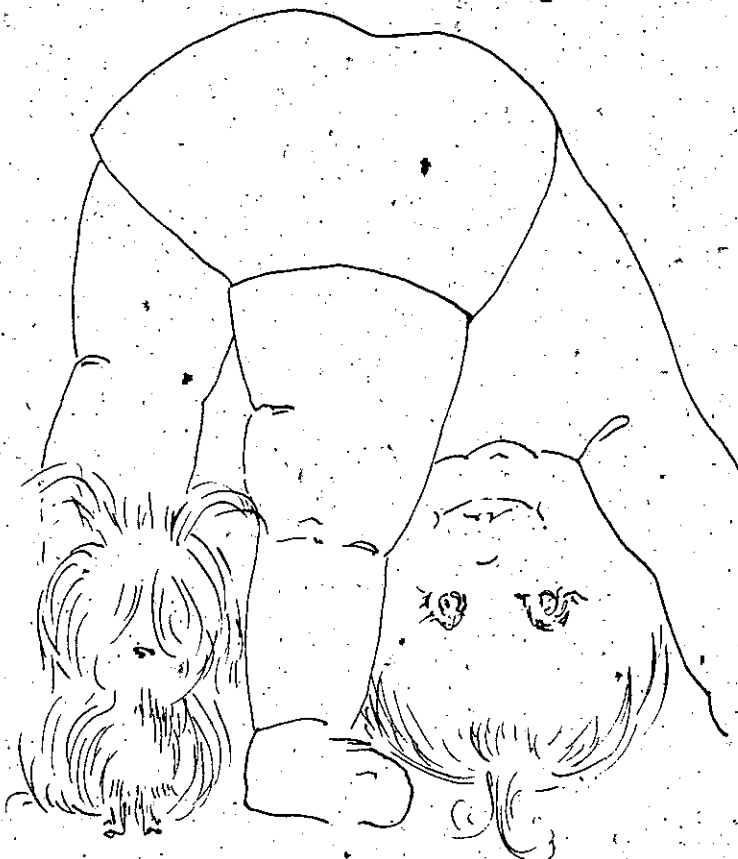
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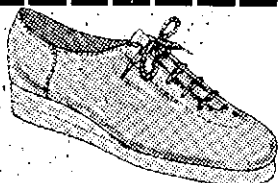
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Spelling finalists are Laurie Geel, Pat Dillon, Mary Appleby, Ann Futia, Lyn Vadney, Karen Junco, and Linda Macri.

Fun Fair

The Elsmere School is planning "A Fun Fair" on Friday evening, May 9, from 5:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. It is being formulated with a great deal of help and involvement from the children of the school. Cub Pack #258 is making Indian head bands to be given out at the "Paint an Indian Face" Booth and several Girl Scout Troops have made paper flowers which will help in decorating. Mrs. Miller's fifth grade class, in conjunction with the ecology unit, has started growing plants which will be on sale at the Fair. Mrs. Eckardt's kindergarteners have planted Marigold seeds with great hopes of having them blossom by the time of the Fair.

Sherry Einhorn, publicity chairman, in cooperation with the Art teacher Nancy O'Hara, is running a poster contest and winning posters will be placed throughout the community. Each child in the school may enter and enthusiasm is running high.

The Fair is being chaired by Kathy Lambert with assistance



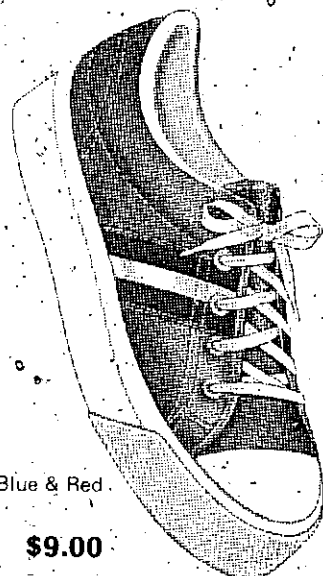
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Here & There

Superstar Tournament

The Bethlehem Police Youth Bureau, sponsoring a Superstar Tournament, has invited fifteen (15) of the finest girl athletes from the seventh and eighth grades of the Bethlehem Central Middle School and St. Thomas School to participate.

The Superstar Team Tournament, which you are invited to attend, will consist of the following six (6) sports: Basketball, Volleyball, 100 yard dash, tug-of-war, Softball throwing and Foul Shooting.

Following are the rules and dates and time and place where they will take place. Hope to see you there.

Basketball — The game will be played by boys rules and there will be four six minutes quarters. All girls must wear shorts and sneakers. All Superstars do not have to play in this game but must be at the game. Monday, May 5, St. Thomas School Gym, 7:30 P.M.

Foul-Shooting — Each girl will have a team partner picked by her coach and will race against the clock. One girl will shoot from the foul line

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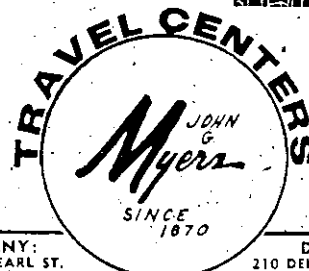
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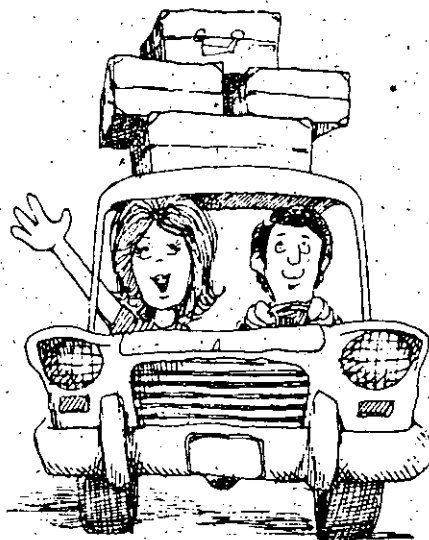
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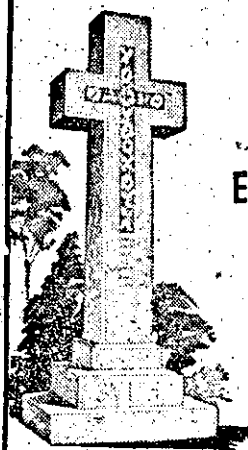


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Volleyball — All (15) Superstars from each team must participate. Nine (9) girls (per team) (Rotation) best out of 3 games: Wednesday, May 7, Saint Thomas School Gym, 7:30 P.M.

Softball Throwing (Distance) All Superstars will participate and each Superstar will throw a softball as far as she can. The team with the most total

distance will be the winner. Saturday, May 10, Bethlehem Middle School, 1:30 P.M.

Tug-of-War — All Superstars fifteen (15) on each side. Saturday, May 10, Bethlehem Middle School, 1:30 P.M.

100 Yard Dash — All Superstars will participate. Each individual Superstar girl will be timed. The team using the least amount of time will be the winner. Saturday, May 10, Bethlehem Middle School, 1:30 P.M.

Schoenthal to Coordinate Meeting

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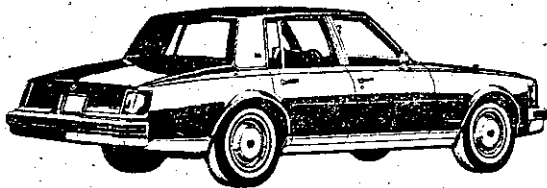
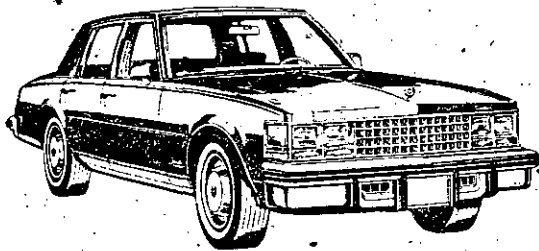
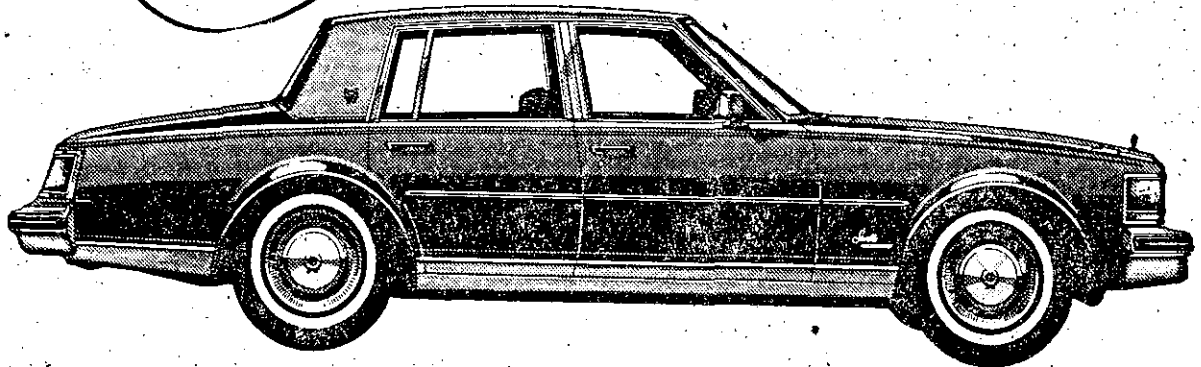
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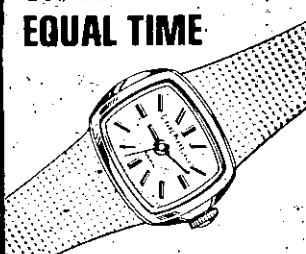
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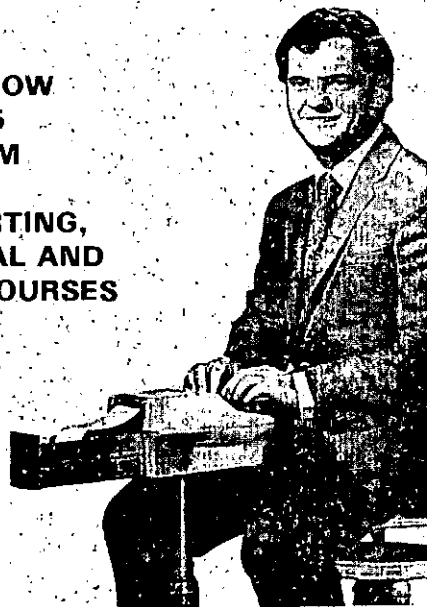
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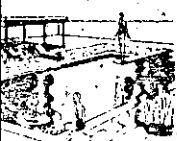


RICK KNIGHT, Albany County March of Dimes Walkathon Chairman; Jamie Weaver, March of Dimes National Poster Child; Harry Sheaffer, Bethlehem Town Supervisor. Photo by Gail Rathburn.

COVER STORY

20 YEARS OF SERVICE

Left to right — Frank Markus Sr. (charter member and head usher), Pastor Paul Gassmann, and David Reville looking at a sketch of the Bethlehem Lutheran Church. The church will be celebrating 20 years in the community during the whole month of May. The first event will be a special Anniversary worship service on May 1st at 10:30 A.M. when our former pastor, Rev. Harold Scheibert will be the guest preacher. The public is cordially invited to attend. On the 11th of May the Sunday School will have an Anniversary celebration and on May 18th the young people will be honored on Youth Recognition Sunday. This is also Confirmation. The final celebration will be on May 31st, when there will be a 20th Anniversary Dinner for the whole congregation and friends at the American Legion Hall. Besides the dinner, there will be unique entertainment and live music. Jim Fuller Photo



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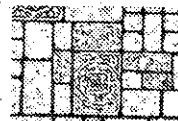
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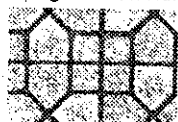
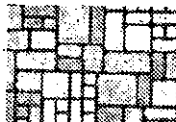
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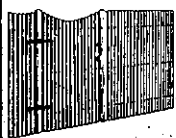
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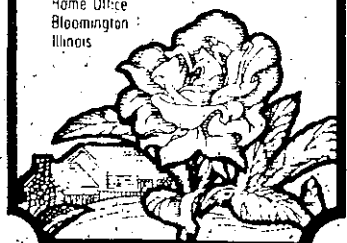
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WHEREAS, these contributions have made possible a broad spectrum of programs which provide prenatal care, treatment of birth defects, genetic services, and intensive care nurseries for critically ill newborns; and

WHEREAS, a comprehensive research program seems to uncover basic causes of birth defects; and

WHEREAS, much still needs to be done to help the quarter of a million American infants born each year with physical or mental damage;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Harry H. Sheaffer, Supervisor of the Town of Bethlehem do hereby proclaim Sunday, April 27, 1975,

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I know the citizens of the Town of Bethlehem will join me in supporting this cause which will benefit our children and our children's children.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the Town of Bethlehem to be affixed this 27th day of March, 1975.

Harry H. Sheaffer

Supervisor, Town of Bethlehem

YOUTH WEEK PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks has designated the week beginning May 1st, 1975, as YOUTH WEEK to honor America's Junior Citizens for their accomplishments, and to give fitting recognition of their services to Community, State and Nation; and,

WHEREAS, BETHLEHEM LODGE No. 2233 will sponsor an observance during that week in tribute to the Junior Citizens of this Community; and,

WHEREAS, no event could be more deserving of our support and participation than one dedicated to these young people who represent the nation's greatest resource, and who in the years ahead will assume the responsibility for the advancement of our free society; and,

WHEREAS, our Youth need the guidance, inspiration and encouragement which we alone can give in order to develop those qualities of character essential for future leadership; and, go forth to serve America; and,

WHEREAS, to achieve this worthy objective we should demonstrate our partnership with YOUTH, our understanding of their hopes and aspiration and a sincere willingness to help prepare them in every way for the responsibilities and opportunities of citizenship;

NOW THEREFORE, I, HARRY SHEAFFER, Supervisor of the Town of Bethlehem, do hereby proclaim the week beginning May 1st as YOUTH WEEK, and urge all departments of government, civic, fraternal and patriotic groups, and our citizens generally, to participate wholeheartedly in its observance.

Harry H. Sheaffer

Supervisor, Town of Bethlehem

57th ANNIVERSARY

Mr. and Mrs. Russ Miller, of Kenwood Ave. are being congratulated on their fifty-seventh Wedding Anniversary. The Millers were married in April, 1918, in Springfield, Illinois. They have resided in Delmar, at 528 Kenwood, since 1929.

They were entertained at a dinner, followed by attending the Cohoes Music Hall, hosted by their son Phil and his wife Judy Miller.

"The Father"

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This classic piece of theatre is being presented by Slingerlands Players for their spring production May 7-11 and 14-17. It is being directed by W. A. Frankonis.

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GARAGE SALE

When: Sunday, May 4, 11:00 A.M.-4:30 P.M.

Where: Residence: 36 Alden Court, Delmar

The Bethlehem Jaynees will be sponsoring this sale of many household items and plants. The proceeds will benefit their numerous projects.

THREE SALES IN ONE

What: Barn Sale, Bake Sale, Book Sale

When: Saturday, May 10, 10:00 A.M.-3:00 P.M.

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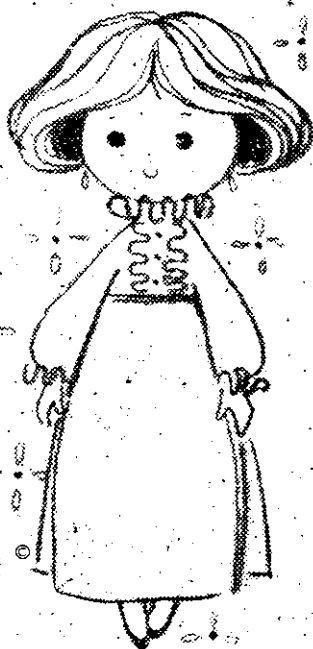
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