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League of Women Voters, Thursdays, 9:30 a.m., once or twice a month, at Bethlehem Public Li-brary. Information, 767-2094.

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The Delmar Community Orchestra rehearses every Monday evening from 7:30-9:30 at the First United Methodist Church of Delmar.

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Historical films, Community Room, Bethlehem Library, 12 noon, bring lunch, free coffee.

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Kiwanis Club of Delmar meets
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Ladies Auxiliary, Delmar Fire Dept.,
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p.m., at the fire hall.

THURSDAY, MARCH 4

Guilderland Community Theater,
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former St. Mark's Church, Guilder-
land Center, 8:15 p.m. Perform-
ances March 4-6, 18-20. Informa-
tion 456-0190.

FRIDAY, MARCH 5

Delmar Progress Club opera trip,
"Der Rosenkavalier."

SATURDAY, MARCH 6

Voorheesville Fire Dept. Auxiliary,
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Delmar Progress Club, business meeting, Bethlehem Library, 10 a.m.

TUESDAY, MARCH 9

"Town Meeting" session with State Sen. Howard Nolan Jr., Bethlehem Central High School, 8 p.m.

Legislative forum, Delmar Progress Club, John S. Dyson, state Commerce commissioner, Chancellor's Hall, 10 a.m.

Blood pressure clinic, Kiwanis Club of New Scotland at Methodist Church, Voorheesville, 9-11, 1-3, 7-9, free.

Delmar Camera Club, "Getting the Most Out of Your Print," Monica Bishop, St. Stephen's Episcopal Church parish hall, Elsmere, 7:30 p.m., also color and b&w competition, public welcome.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 10

Keith Mano, author, speaks at Bethlehem Library, 7:30 p.m.

Public hearing, Bethlehem Town Board, to consider amending Article II of the Zoning Ordinance by adding thereto an additional District to be known as Residence AAA District, together with changes in other sections of said Zoning Ordinance as recommended by the Planning Board, Bethlehem town hall, 8:20 p.m.

School budget hearing, 8 p.m., Clarksville Elementary School, sponsored by the Bethlehem Central Board of Education. All residents of the district are invited to attend this third and last hearing to offer opinions and advice on budget priorities for 1976-77.

Bethlehem Chamber of Commerce awards dinner, Schrafft's Restaurant, 6:30 p.m.

Public hearings, Town of Bethlehem, in accordance with Paragraph 3, Sec. 199 of Town Law, to consider additional authorization for the construction costs of sanitary sewers, Contracts 39, 42 and 43, Bethlehem town hall, 7:30 p.m.

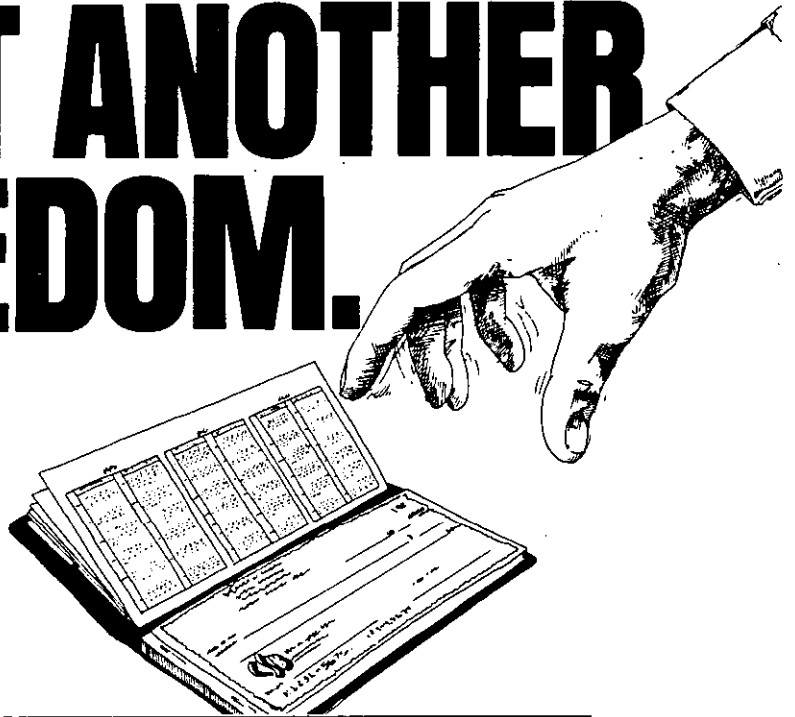
THURSDAY, MARCH 11

Pancake supper, Boy Scout Troop 72, Slingerlands Community Methodist Church, 5-7 p.m., tickets at door.

Ecumenical Bible Study, "Simon (Peter) and Andrew," Rev. George Phelps, Delmar Presbyterian Church, 10 a.m., coffee 9:30 a.m.

Elsmere Fire Co., Auxiliary, fire-hall, 8 p.m.

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TOWN PLANNING

Subdivision scenario: citizen voices heeded

Citizen frustration in the continuing struggle to prevent subdivision developers from changing the quality of neighborhood life has been abated, at least temporarily, and to some degree, by the Bethlehem planning board. In granting conditional approval to preliminary plans for the 131-site Brookfield project west of Brockley Dr. in Delmar, the board gave solid evidence it had heeded the protests and

suggestions of residents, but to what degree was a matter of individual opinion.

Residents of Brockley Dr. and adjacent streets have been outspoken critics of a sequence of drawing-board proposals by the Biatess Corp. to develop single-family houses on 44 of the 77-acre tract. Last week the planning board, faced with expiration of the mandated time limit for a decision following the public hearing,

cleared the way for final approval of the project, but imposed several conditions on the developer.

Restrictions on traffic

The board specified that the access road to Delaware Ave. be built first, and that at least 10 houses be constructed between the intersections of the two proposed access roads to Brockley Dr. before opening

access to Brockley. This was a concession to neighborhood objections to anticipated traffic by heavy construction vehicles with its effect on safety of children and its impact on noise and dust levels in the area.

The board also labelled 19 lots as unsuitable for building because of sub-standard soil and drainage conditions, and designated two other lots as basically unsatisfactory as building lots. The board agreed to waive the restriction on any or all of the 19 lots when the developer applies for final approval, and indicated the remaining two might never be approved.

Jim Mulholland retires as postmaster

A man from Sugar Notch, Pa. who became a registered pharmacist retired last week as postmaster of Delmar. He is James A. (Jim) Mulholland, a World War 2 Air Force veteran and longtime member of the Elsmere Fire Co. and Nathaniel Adams Blanchard American Legion Post.

Jim Mulholland graduated from Albany College of Pharmacy in 1933, worked in the drug business and joined the U.S. Post Office in 1956. He was appointed acting postmaster in Delmar in 1961 and postmaster on April 25, 1963. Last Friday he received congratulations from 42 other members of the postal service in Delmar, put on his hat and coat and walked out into the unseasonably balmy air of Delaware Ave. for the last time. When he returned this week it was for his mail.

Mr. Mulholland was only the second postmaster in Delmar since mail delivery was instituted in April, 1938. The



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Retiring Delmar postmaster Jim Mulholland center, receives congratulations from Curtis Clark, left, who has 28 years service in the postoffice, and Donald Cooke, who has 38. Mulholland's 25 years gives this trio a total of 91 years in postal service.

first was A. I. Ryan, who took over the old postoffice at Adams St. and Delaware Ave. in 1932. Mr. Mulholland and his wife, the former Rose Doyle, have one son, James Jr.

of Saratoga Springs, and a grandson, Matthew James.

Lou J. Picarazzi, Selkirk postmaster, will be the officer in charge at Delmar until a new postmaster is appointed.

Intent to deed

This week the corporation, responding to a board request, delivered a letter of intent signifying that an undefined portion of the Brookfield tract would be deeded to the town upon completion of the project. This is the celebrated "green area" often discussed in the public sessions. It comprises a wooded ravine cradling a stream, and eventually could become a part of the town's park system. The exact acreage is yet to be determined; Biatess president Leo Biagiotti said it would depend on further studies of elevation and slope. No time period for the transfer was discussed.

The conditions of approval, particularly in respect to access roads and the ravine area, reflect board response to citizens' arguments expressed in a series of open hearings. "We feel the board has listened to us and has done what it could for us,"

observed Daniel R. Santola, spokesman for the Brockley Dr. residents association, "But naturally we are disappointed in that Brookfield will bring changes to our area."

Delwood delayed

Elsewhere on the planning and zoning front:

- The planning board cancelled a public hearing set for March 23 on the Delwood Acres subdivision project on Rockefeller Rd. Alpha Collier Ltd., a New York City developer, notified the board it was revising the plan by increasing the number of lots from 32 to 37 or 38 on the 15-acre site. The board construed this as requiring a fresh start on the application procedure.

- The board is scheduled to consider the Bicentennial Woods project in Feura Bush for action within the 45-day deadline from the date of this week's public hearing, held on Tuesday.

- The Bethlehem town board will hear citizens' views

on the proposed Residential AAA zoning classification for Bethlehem at a public session in the town hall next Wednesday. The Triple-A designation is intended to be applied in selected areas suitable for residential development on sites a half acre or more as an answer to recent complaints on housing density.

Heads leukemia drive

Frederick J. Bond, vice president of marketing for Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Northeastern New York, has been named residential chairman of the annual fund drive for the Upstate New York Chapter of the Leukemia Society of America. He is vice president of the chapter, which will conduct the campaign during March.

Chapter officers and members include Dr. James F. Castleman of Delmar, trustee and medical consultant, Carol R. Murphy, chapter secretary and trustee, and Stewart I. Sacklow of Voorheesville, trustee.

VOORHEESVILLE

PTA quilt a masterpiece



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Linda O'Connor, left, Kay Lettau and Rosemary Zongrone admire "the" quilt.

For the luckiest person of 1976 in the Voorheesville area the highlight of the bicentennial year will surely be possession of the winning ticket on a masterpiece of handiwork — an exquisite quilt — to be drawn at the Variety Show on March 26.

The quilt, measuring 72 by 96 inches, has 50 squares depicting the 50 states in order of their entry into the Union, with the four corner squares showing points of interest in Voorheesville. The post office, beautifully conceived and appliqued by Linda O'Connor, is complete with the barber shop next door from which a flag with Clint's name flies. Asked why she included the flag, Mrs. O'Connor answered: "Because Clint is one of the friendliest faces on Main St."

In the other three corners are the First Methodist Church by Beverly Hawkins, Indian Ladder Farms by Kay Montondo and the original Voorheesville school by Linda Haff. Each of the state squares is an applique design of something distinctive representing the state, designed and executed by residents of Voorheesville.

For Massachusetts Linda Haff has translated a Winslow Homer painting of a Glou-

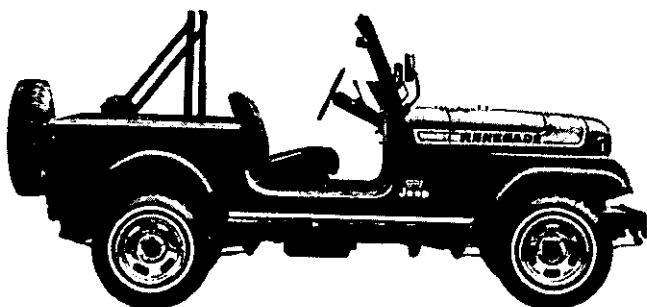
cester fisherman using a sextant into fabric. To represent Arizona, Carol Winn has taken pieces of different textured material and composed a desert landscape with rising hills in the background in such a way that it appears three dimensional. It is even complete with embroidered birds and cactus.

Embroidery was used by Kay Lettau to trace the Golden Gate bridge for California. Mrs. Lettau has cleverly used patterned fabric to suggest the city on one side and forest on the other. Mississippi is portrayed by a river boat done by Rosemary Zongrone. Each square in its own way is beautiful and it would be impossible to describe them all.

A benefit project

The quilt was done to raise money for the PTA. The idea was conceived by Mrs. Lettau who was responsible for getting together 40 women to design and make the squares which were then pieced together in the traditional quilting fashion. Mrs. Lettau explained that the design used to quilt the squares is called the egg design and the red borders between the squares was a traditional color of the Ohio Valley area. By

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the time quilts were being made in that area dyes were varied and the colors used were richer and brighter than those originally used in the East.

Not only was the quilting used traditional, but so were the sewing bees held at Mrs. Lettau's house. The quilt took 600 hours to make and many of those hours were spent in Mrs. Lettau's living room discussing, exchanging news and sewing. At the tea organized last week to display the quilt for the first time there was a general air of disappointment that the project had come to an end. Mrs. Lettau was constantly interrupted by those anxious to let her know how much they enjoyed working on the project and how grateful they were for being asked to contribute to the work. "I'm really sorry that this has come to an end," said one. "I'm going to miss meeting with all of you and keeping up on Voorheesville news," added another.

The quilt went on exhibit this week at the National Commercial Bank in Voorheesville, and will be shown there again March 17-19. Meanwhile tickets for the drawing at 50 cents each can be obtained from Mrs. William F. Hotaling at 765-2033.

Fiona Burde

THE CAPITOL

Tax break asked for the elderly

Legislation to provide real property tax exemptions to senior citizens on a sliding scale has been introduced in the Legislature. Under the plan being pushed by Sen. Dale M. Volker, R-Depew and Assemblyman Donald Cook, R-Rochester, individuals 65 or older with an income of \$10,000 a year or less would be eligible for at least a 25 percent exemption.

Those with an income of \$6,500 or less would be eligible for a 50 percent reduction. Exemptions of from 45 to 30 percent would be permitted for those earning \$6,500 to \$10,000.

The senator noted that exemptions are currently al-

lowed for those with incomes less than \$6,500, but that no provisions have been made for fixed income retirees up to \$10,000.

"By adding these new categories, we will be insuring that more senior citizens will be able to enjoy their retirement years in their homes," Volker said. "My bill would go a long way toward easing the financial burdens of those attempting to survive on fixed incomes."

The senator said that all real property tax exemptions are granted on a permissive basis by the individual municipalities across the state. He said the legislation would permit the state to reimburse each municipality for the revenues lost by granting the exemption.

There was no indication this week what action the Legislature might take on the proposals.

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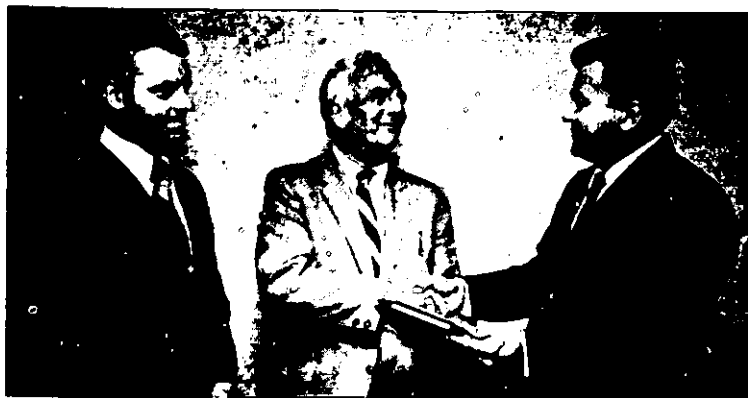
Hearing Wednesday on sewer costs

Inflation has pushed the cost of three proposed additions to the Bethlehem Sewer District beyond the legal limit of appropriations under the original approval. The consequence: the town must hold a public hearing for each expansion project before it can appropriate new funds to cover the higher costs.

The town board has been told that the inflated tab for the three additions is running some \$110,000 above sums previously appropriated. The largest overrun is for the Murray Ave.-Darling Green system, estimated at \$75,000 above the \$200,000 pegged after the series of sewer district hearings between 1969 and 1971.

For the others an additional \$25,000 is needed for the Tamrack Dr.-Village Park project, originally \$65,000, and another \$10,000 for the McGuffy Lane-Wisconsin Ave. area, set at \$45,000 six years ago.

The hearings will be held one-two-three next Wednesday at the town hall, starting at 7:30 p.m.



Ralph Hammersley, president of Blue Cross and executive director of Blue Shield, presents the Plans' annual sales achievement award to Guy Murphy. At left is Christopher P. Long, assistant vice president of sales.

Carrier post open

Mrs. Maurie G. Flanigan, postmaster of the Slingerlands postoffice, has announced that applications for the examination to be given for the position of substitute rural carrier at the Slingerlands postoffice are available at the postoffice. The examination will be given in Albany.

DAR antique show

Mrs. Robert H. Taylor of Delmar is general chairman of the fourth annual antique show and sale of the Tawasentha chapter, DAR, scheduled for Saturday and Sunday at the Bethlehem Middle School, Kenwood Ave. Proceeds will go to the Lt. Henry Klein Memorial youth fund.



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"Closing an elementary school can have a dramatic effect and we want to make the people aware of this," she said. "We do not feel the \$1.65 savings in the tax rate is an accurate figure. We now have our committee and we are ready to work."

SA names leaders

Maj. Robert A. Watson has been appointed commander of the Salvation Army's Eastern New York Division with headquarters in Albany. He is a



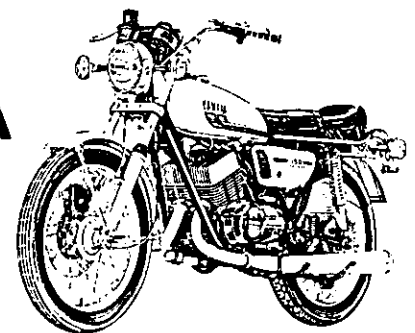
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Mrs. Watson will serve as director of women's services. The Watsons and their three children, Robert, 17, Carol, 15, and Charles, 13, have settled in their new home at 43 The Crossway, Elsmere.

90s mellerdrummer next at playhouse

A thriller from the 1890s, "Love Rides the Rails, or Will the Mail Train Run Tonight," is in rehearsal at the Slingerlands Community Players Playhouse, Unionville. Christopher Dammer is the producer for performances scheduled March 24-28 and March 31-April 3.

Louise Alfasso is cast as the heroine, Tylor Wymer as the hero, and Tracy Trimm as the villain. Supporting roles are filled by Joan Deanahan, Patrick Fattibene, Richard McGrath, and Francine Sidoti.

Between-act entertainment in Gay Nineties style will feature song and dance routines by Jacqueline Edson.

Girl Scout basketball

Girl Scout troops from 10 area communities in five counties in the Hudson Valley Girl Scout Council will compete in a council-wide basketball tournament Saturday at Bethlehem Central High School. Some 14 troops from Albany, Castleton, Chatham, Hudson, Loudonville, Menands, Stillwater, Troy, Waterford and Water-vliet will play in the day-long competition.

"Joyful Noise" choir sings in Slingerlands

The "Joyful Noise" choir sponsored by the Reformed Churches of New Scotland will put on a concert in the Community United Methodist Church, 1499 New Scotland Rd., Slingerlands, Sunday, at 7:30 p.m. Following the concert there will be a "Coffee Hour" in Fellowship Hall. The public is cordially invited.

"The Joyful Noise," was organized in the Spring of 1973, to provide an opportunity for Christian witness through the means of folk music for young people. Since that time the group has put on concerts in New York, Connecticut, New Jersey and Michigan. The choir is made up of 48 teenagers and was founded and is directed by William E. Womer, minister of music for the Onesquethaw Reformed Church and choral music teacher at Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk Central Schools.

Pancake supper set

If all the pancakes served by Slingerlands Boy Scout Troop 72 were stacked on top of each other, they would interfere with orbiting spacecraft. The 25th anniversary serving of this popular event will be next Thursday, March 11, at the Slingerlands Community United Methodist Church, where more than 40 active scouts are preparing to deliver another thousand or more flapjacks.

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A dispatcher at the railroad's Albany yard said there were 15 auto-carrier cars in the consist, but conceded "it wasn't a very long train."

Meanwhile the bright colors of VW "bugs," microbuses, campers, Rabbits and other models gave "downtown" Slingerlands a bright, busy look at the Rt. 85 underpass and along Kenwood Ave. from Font Grove Rd. to the Bridge St. turnaround.

Report on tree survey

Two students of the State University College of Environmental Science and Forestry who took the Bethlehem tree census last summer will present their report to the Garden Club Tuesday at 7:30 p.m. at the Bethlehem Library.

Jim Tate of Delmar and Mary Lamonde of Rotterdam made a complete survey of every tree on town property last year.

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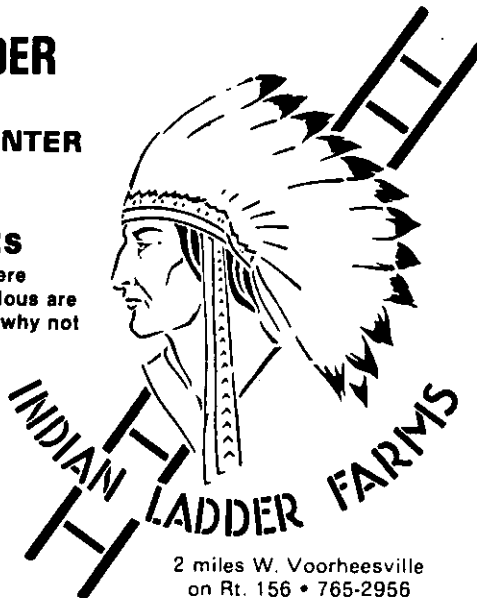
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Life Art

Lucy Verardi in the Forget Me Not shop

Gift shop opened by Lucy Verardi

Lucy Verardi, a lifelong Delmar resident and member of a well known local family, has opened a new gift shop on Rt. 9W just off the main lobby at Howard Johnson's Motor Lodge north of Glenmont.

The shop is somewhat smaller than her former shop, Delaware Gardens Florist & Gift Shop, which opened several years ago on Delaware Ave. and later was located at Four Corners and still later in the Crannell building near the Elsmere underpass. "This one is a friendly shop," she says, "with the personal touch so hard to find in the large discount

chains. I had always wanted something a little smaller."

The new shop features jewelry, glassware, pewter, plants and custom dry arrangements. Although the shop is open now, the formal "grand opening" will not be held for several weeks because, Ms. Verardi says, "there are many beautiful things still coming in."

Joint play ready

The Albany Academy and the Albany Academy for Girls will present Arnold Ridley's "The Ghost Train" in the boys' Academy Chapel Friday and Saturday at 8 p.m.

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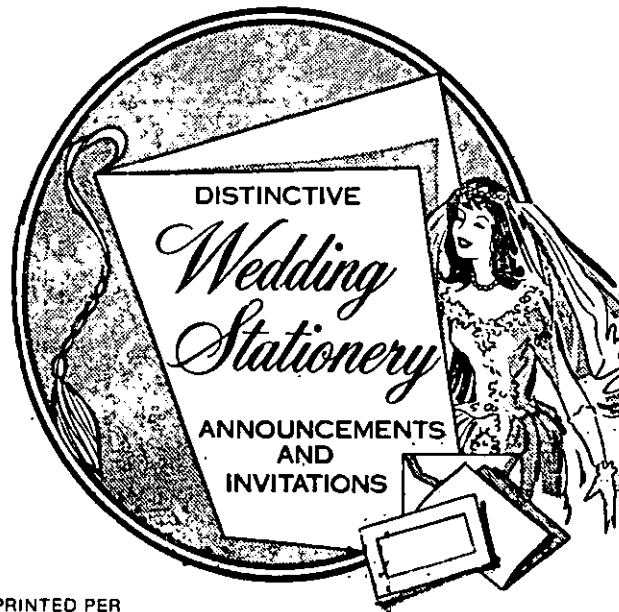
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Colin W. Getz

Board names Getz

Colin W. Getz of Delmar, vice president of the New York Telephone Co., has been named chairman of the board of trustees of St. Peter's Hospital.

Getz is also a director of the State Bank of Albany and of the Albany Area Chapter of the American Red Cross, a trustee of Siena College and a consultant with the United Fund. He is a graduate of Michigan State University, is married to the former Delma Snyder of Detroit and has three children.

Library spotlights science fiction

March 7-13 is Science Fiction Week at the Bethlehem Public Library and, smoking laser beams, all kinds of things are going on!

There is a spaced-out science fiction and Star Trek display by Steve Cook, Shirley Huang and Sandy Yingling. It will be up all week for all "trekkies."

On Wednesday at 7:30 p.m. D. Keith Mano, author of the science fiction novel, "The Bridge," will speak.

On Friday, March 12, the Library will show the science fiction film, "Rocketship Flash Gordon." There will be a 3:30 p.m. showing for general audiences and a 7:30 p.m. showing for high school students.

One exciting aspect of the week is the science fiction short



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story contest sponsored by the library. Try your hand at spinning a tale of starships or the future and you may win a prize. Entries must be submitted to the library by Saturday, March 13 in one of two categories: if you want to win a Star Trek fleet manual, indicate that on your entry. The other prize is a copy of Arthur Clarke's new book, "Imperial Earth." Entries will be judged by James Guiliano, science fiction teacher at Bethlehem Central High School.

Delmar nurse cited

Cathleen Svenson of Delmar was one of 11 new primary care nurses graduated recently from the Primary Care Nurse Program at Albany Medical College. The one-year program is sponsored by the Department of Preventative and Community Medicine at the medical college and by the Russell Sage College Department of Nursing.

Program on hunger

A program on world hunger is being co-sponsored at Delmar United Methodist Church by the social concerns committee, Mr. and Mrs. Club, and United Methodist Women Sunday at 6 p.m. Martha S. Brown, Albany County Co-operative Extension agent, will speak, and a film will be shown.

Families are asked to bring a high-protein non-meat casserole or vegetables or salad along with table service. Beverage and dessert will be provided. A special feature will be offered for younger children.

Jack Weaver honored

Bethlehem Senior Citizens presented a plaque to W. Jack Weaver, 85, retired president of Bethlehem's first centralized board of education, at a luncheon in his honor Thursday at the Normanside Country Club.

Mr. Weaver initiated the centralization of Delmar public schools in 1955, was a charter member of the local Masonic Lodge and served four years on the U.S. State Department operation mission to Israel. He is a past president of the Bethlehem Senior Citizens and long active in Delmar civic organizations.

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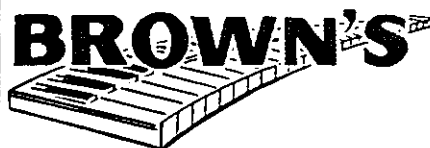
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The need will continue to exist, so those wishing to pledge their eyes may secure a pledge card by calling or writing The Lions Eye-Bank of Northeastern New York, 628 Madison Ave., Albany, 12208 (518) 445-5199 or The Bethlehem Lions Club, Paul McFarland, 439-2027.

Local students on dean's list

Cited for academic honors for the first semester of the current academic year were these students who have made the dean's list on their respective campuses:

Jamie Hornberger, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Hornberger, Delmar, Lesley College, Cambridge, Mass.

Charles M. Milham, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles O. Milham, Delmar, Emerson College, Boston.

Robert G. Brockley, son of Mr. and Mrs. James C. Brockley, Delmar, Albany College of Pharmacy.

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William R. Eberle, 35 McKinley Dr., Bryant College, Smithfield, R.I.

Degree from Arizona

Drue A. Morgan, 45 Montrose Dr., Delmar, has received a bachelor of science degree in biology from the University of Arizona, Tucson.

Elected to Phi Beta

Marcia E. Kraft, a Bethlehem Central High School graduate majoring in psychology at Clark University, has been elected to membership in Phi Beta Kappa, the prestigious honor society. She is a senior.

Chooses St. Lawrence

Susan L. Eliot, 20 Heather La., Delmar, has been accepted by St. Lawrence University under its early admission plan.



Cynthia L. VanWie

Accepted at Delhi

Cynthia L. VanWie, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert W. VanWie, Clarksville, has been accepted for admission in September to the nursing program at State University Agricultural and Technical College at Delhi. She is a member of the June graduating class at Bethlehem Central High School.

Hope House graduates 8

Graduation ceremonies for eight residents of Hope House will be held Saturday at 6 p.m. at the Center Inn, Glenmont.

Invitations may be obtained by contacting Hope House, 261 No. Pearl St., Albany (465-2441).

Principal speaker will be Bishop Edwin Broderick of the Roman Catholic Diocese of Albany. Al Kellert, board member, will act as toastmaster. Members of the judiciary and the Legislature have been invited.

On Navy assignment

Navy Boiler Technician Fireman Apprentice Keith G. Albano, son of Mr. and Mrs. John S. Albano, 18 Ridge Rd., Ravena, has recently visited the United Kingdom while serving aboard the aircraft carrier USS Independence. His ship, homeported at Norfolk, Va., is deployed with the U.S. Sixth Fleet and he and his shipmates were participating in a NATO training exercise involving 17,000 men aboard 65 ships from 15 countries.

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For information on the club contact Mrs. Fusae Burroughs, RD 1, Delmar, 768-2261.


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For tickets by mail for the Bethlehem bicentennial pageant, the address is: Box 1776, Delmar, N.Y. 12054. Sorry about that zip, its digits add up to one fewer than the 13 original colonies.

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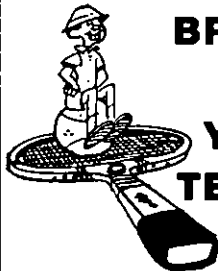
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BC swimmers place in Easterns

Diver Craig Lindell and two Bethlehem Central relay teams, fresh from placing high in the Eastern Interscholastic swimming championships at Lawrenceville, N.J., last weekend, will lead the BC tank squad into the Section 2 championships at Albany State this weekend.

Lindell flipped and twisted his way to a highly skilled third place in a field of 52 divers at the Easterns, the highest finish by a New York State diver. A year ago he was fourth in the state championships.

Overall Bethlehem was No. 7 in the final team standings, a respectable performance among 84 schools from Atlantic seaboard states. Nova High School of Florida was the team champion. The Eagles were fifth in the freestyle relay and seventh in the medley relay. The major disappointment was that seventh-place finish in the medley, in which another

Adirondack League team, Shaker High School of Latham, placed third. The Shaker finish was a surprise in that BC had beaten them in the regular season.

"They lowered their time and we didn't," said BC Coach Jack Whipple. There will be a head-on splash between the two rivals at the Sectionals Saturday.

The freestyle relay team at Lawrenceville was composed of Marc Ugol, Lorren Elkins, Kirk Harmon and Dennis Fitzpatrick. In the medley it was the latter three and Kenny Neff.

Voorheesville mat team in sectionals

Voorheesville High School wrestlers are heading for the Section 2 meet as champions of the Central Hudson Valley League tournament. Four Blackbird wrestlers took top honors in their classes, Keith Kodra at 98 pounds, Jim Rafferty in the 132-pound class, John Raiti in the 167-pound class and Steve Beals the 177-pound class. Voorheesville won the tournament by a record 20-point margin over second-place Averill Park.

Raiti went through the tournament without a loss. After a first-round bye he pinned his second-round opponent and won the finals by a lopsided 13-2 margin. For this he was named "most valuable wrestler" of the tournament.

Beals, the top Blackbird performer this season, was not so much of a surprise. Going into the tournament he was undefeated, with a 15-0 record. He sailed through his first two matches, pinning both opponents. In the championship match he faced Rodney Thomas of Averill Park in a contest of two unbeaten wrestlers. The next 6 minutes of wrestling was a closely fought battle, won by Beals, 9-6.

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Joseph Kilgallen

Kilgallen speaker at chamber fete

Joseph Kilgallen of Albany, whose career includes stints as actor, stage producer, high-level state administrator and newsman, will be the speaker at the Bethlehem Chamber of Commerce annual awards dinner next Wednesday. Roger DiNucci of Slingerlands is dinner chairman of the event, which will start with cocktails at 6:30 p.m. at the former Schrafft's Restaurant on Rt. 9W.

Kilgallen, a former United Press legislative reporter at the Capitol in Albany and retired after 25 years' of New York State service, is currently in the cast of "A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum" at the Italian-American Community Center, Albany. He has been active in productions of Schenectady Civic Players, Young People's Theater at Cohoes Music Hall, Theatrical Services Unlimited and area TV and radio shows, including "Playwright's Puppet Shop" and "FBI in Action." He served as special assistant to former Gov. Nelson Rockefeller and was program secretary to former Lt. Gov. Malcolm Wilson.

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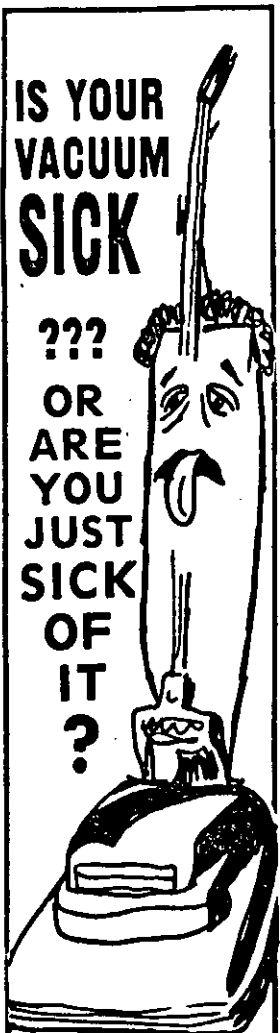
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By Perry Galt

Seldom has a New York State newspaper taken such commendable advantage of a public service opportunity as has the Albany Times Union in calling for interment of the "lulu." By now it should be fairly common knowledge the "lulu" is short for "in lieu of," which in turn stands for the added-on boodle given legislators and selected other public officials for expenses that do not have to be accounted for . . . like \$3,000 for travel to and from Albany whether you live in East Greenbush, East Aurora or East Hampton.

It probably wouldn't be such a notorious practice if New York legislators hadn't voted themselves a steady succession of pay raises that makes them the most overpaid in the nation, plus having a plush-lined pension of such proportion as to be embarrassing to the more conscientious of its members. A relatively few years' service in the Legislature (a part-time job) assures a member of a lifetime pension at public expense that is greater than the straight-time earnings of most hard-working citizens. A kudo to the TU for encouraging a deserved public outcry against Lulu.

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Channel 10's Action News, as professional as they come in the industry that has made the "anchor man" a modern hero, was in Delmar last week, but the product was somewhat off-standard. After some 15 months of the developing controversy over the closing of the Delmar school, AN treated the story as though it were a journalistic discovery, and then proceeded to swallow whole-nog the line fed them by the so-called SOS organization, "Save Our School."

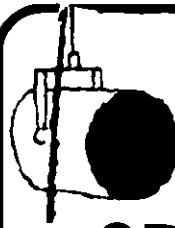
The airing was a PR super-coup by Mrs. Carole Rosen-

bloom, who not only sold WTEN on the pitch but produced, according to Ten's Alfreda Graves, a reporter of growing competence, a "parent of another school, a senior citizen and so on as representative of the whole school district."

Because the filmclip represented a small segment of a small group, and possibly a minority view of the district as a whole, and because the TV piece had no "balancing" statements by school board members who had voted for the motion to close the school, the story fell flat. Small matter the station spelled Mrs. Rosenbloom's name wrong in the screened caption.

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In case you missed it: an excellent piece in the Knick last Wednesday by Sydney Harris, whoever he is, wondering who gets the profits on the high cost of food when everyone — the producer, the distributor, "middlemen" and the grocer himself — claims to be squeezed by inflated prices . . . the New York Times kept the Nixon China trip off Page 1 as unworthy of such coverage, and editorially censored the deposed president for acting like an official representative when he has no stature as such . . . an irresponsible Times Union obituary writer identified Mrs. Matthew Bender III as the beneficiary of a large bequest instead of the matriarch of a prominent Albany family who devoted a lifetime to community service and philanthropy . . . our Assemblyman Larry Lane's suggestion that the state consider building the 1980 Olympic facilities now to avoid inflated costs later and to provide earlier public use, and to locate the indoor arena in the Capital District instead of the more remote Lake Placid makes much sense, but someone should tell Larry that basketball is not on the winter Olympic agenda . . . Knick News' comparative-price guide for shoppers a real service to the consuming public.



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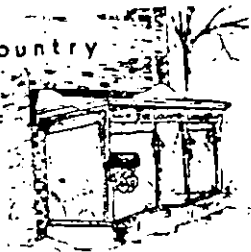
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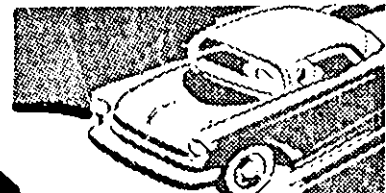
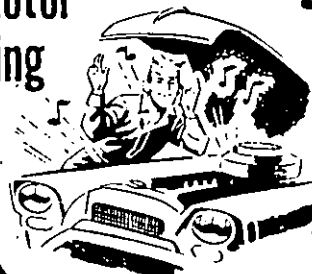
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