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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, Winnie 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 the Center Inn, Glenmont, 6:00 P.M.

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

Glenmont Homemakers meet third Wednesday of month; Glenmont Comm. Church, 8 p.m.

Sports Car Club of America, first Wed. of each month 8:00 p.m. at the Center Inn, Glenmont, Marie Corrin, 869-6948.

Bethlehem Junior Woman's Club meets 2nd Wednesday of each month, 8 p.m., Bethlehem Public Library.

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

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Empire Motor Sports Club, every Thursday at 8 at the Center Inn, Rt. 9W, Glenmont. Lee Beauregard — 456-0019.

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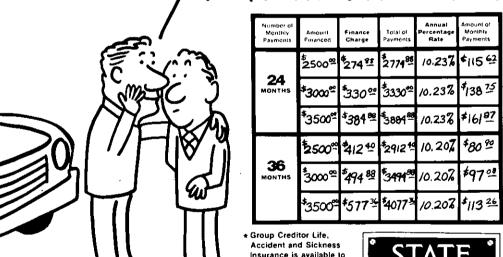
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League of Women Voters, Thursdays, 9:30 a.m., once or twice a month, at Bethlehem Public Library. Information, 767-2094.

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

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

Gam-Anon, for wives of compulsive gamblers, meets Wednesdays 8:15 p.m., St. Pius Church, Loudonville, 462-6916 or P.O. Box 23, Albany.

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

Paper Drive by Youth Groups of Methodist and Reformed Churches, second Saturday of each month. Bring papers to Town Parking Lot next to Applebee Funeral Home, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Papers will be picked up from the elderly or infirm if you call either church office.

Bethlehem Youth Employment Service, 114 Adams St., Delmar. School year schedule, Monday-Friday, 1:00 -4:30 p.m. Telephone 439-2238.

Glenmont Lions Club meets 2nd and 4th Tuesdays at La Casa Restaurant, Selkirk, 6:30 p.m. Visitors welcome. Info: Charles Sperbeck, 439-9165.

Bethlehem Lions Club meets first and third Wednesdays at LaCasa, Selkirk, 6:30. p.m.

AARP meets 12:30 p.m., third Tuesday of month, Delmar First United Methodist Ghurch, Kenwood Avelenue, Delmar.

Half Moon Button Club of Albany, third Wednesday noon of the month at Bethlehem Public Library. For information 872-0068.

THURSDAY, MAY 13

Two one-act plays, Slingerlands Players' Playhouse, Unionville, 8:30 p.m.

Ladies Auxiliary of Elsmere Fire Co., Firehouse, 8 p.m.

Program: "College for Adults," Bethlehem Library, 7:30 p.m.

Middle School Spring Music Festival Part I. Middle School, 8 p.m.

FRIDAY, MAY 14

Two one-act plays, Slingerlands Players' Playhouse, Unionville, 8:30 p.m.

Comic Book Swap-N-Sell, Buy-N-Trade, Bethlehem Library Community Room, 3:30 to 9 p.m.

Mother-Daughter Dessert Party, Glepmont Community Church, 7 p.m.

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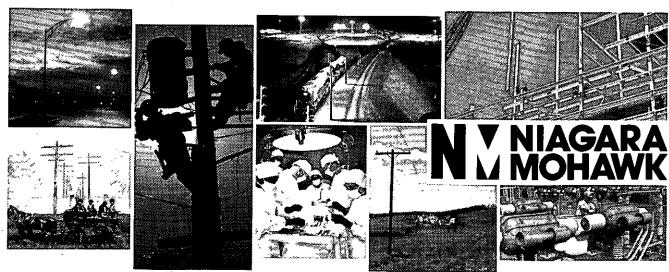
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SATURDAY, MAY 15

Two one-act plays, Stingerlands Players' Playhouse, Unionville, 8:30 p.m.

Young Adult Film Series: "The Hound That Thought He Was a Raccoon" and "Super Saver," Bethlehem Library, 2 p.m.

Hudson Valley Chapter, Steamship Historical Society of America, Community Room of the National Commercial Bank, Delmar, 7:30 p.m.

Annual roast beef dinner, New Scotland Presbyterian Church, New Scotland Rd., 4:30 p.m.

Snack Dance, Nathaniel Adams Blanchard Post, 9 p.m.-1 p.m., \$3.

Carnival, Glenmont School, Rt. 9W, Glenmont, 11 a.m.-3 p.m. Games, rides, bake sale, flea market.

SUNDAY, MAY 16

Two one-act plays, Slingerlands Players' Playhouse, Unionville, 8:30 p.m.

Pancake and Sausage Breakfast, Bethlehem Sportsmen's Club, Dunbar Rd., Clarksville, 9 a.m.-1 p.m. \$2.25.

Bike-a-thon, sponsored by Voorheesville Central High School, starting at the Voorheesville Grade School, Altamont Rd. at Rt. 85,

Art Sale, Bethlehem Coffee House, 125 Adams St., 11 a.m.-5 p.m.

MONDAY, MAY 17

Board of Directors meeting, Bethlehem Tennis Assn., Bethlehem Library, 8 p.m.

Potluck dinner and final general meeting, Women's Awareness Group, Community Room, Bethlehem Terrace Apts., 6:30 p.m. Reservations 439-2403.

Program on Adult Education, Bethlehem Library, 7:30 p.m.

TUESDAY, MAY 18

Blood Pressure Clinic, Bethlehem Coffee House, 125 Adams St., 9-11 a.m., 1-3 p.m., 7-9 p.m. Free.

Ladies' Auxiliary of the Nathaniel Adams Blanchard Post, Poplar Dr., Elsmere, election, 8 p.m.

Literary evening offered by the Teacher Resource For Innovation Grant, featuring Dr. Donald B. Stauffer of SUNYA speaking on: "The Jeffersonian Tradition In America," Room 46, Bethlehem Central High School, 8 p.m.

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Bethlehem Tri-Village Chapter, Assn. of Retired Persons, First United Methodist Church, Kenwood Ave., Delmar. Speaker G. Carroll Lindsay, 12:30 p.m. Slides.

Hamagrael School Spring Concert, Hamagrael School, McGuffey Ln., 8 p.m.

Fiftleth Anniversary Meeting of the Bethlehem Republican Women's Club, Bethlehem Library, 7:30 p.m. Refreshments served. Public invited.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 19

Two one-act plays, Slingerlands Players' Playhouse, Unionville, 8:30 p.m.

Half Moon Button Club, program on Fabric Buttons by Mary Lou Bilancia of Berne. Bring sandwich, dessert and beverages provided by the club. Bethlehem Library, 12 noon

Glenmont School Spring Music Program, Rt. 9W, Glenmont, 7:30 p.m.

Bethlehem Board of Education, regular meeting, 90 Adams Pl., questions and answers on 1976-77 budget, 8 p.m.

Program on Adult Continuing Educational Opportunities, Bethlehem Library, 7:30 p.m.

Public Hearing, Board of Appeals, on the application of Harry O. Gochee for a variance from Art. XIV of the Zoning Ordinance to construct an addition to an existing Public Garage and Motor Vehicle Sales Agency at 325 Delaware Ave., Delmar, Town Hall, 8 p.m.

THURSDAY, MAY 20

Two one-act plays, Slingerlands Players' Playhouse, Unionville, 8:30 p.m.

Panel Discussion: "What's New In The Care Of Mother And Baby," sponsored by The Bank, 343 Delaware Ave., Delmar, 8 p.m. Public invited.

Middle School Spring Musical Festival Part II, Middle School, 8 p.m.

FRIDAY, MAY 21

Two one-act plays, Slingerlands Players' Playhouse, Unionville, 8:30 p.m.

Young Adult Film Series: "Prince Valiant," Bethlehem Library, 3:30 p.m. and 7:30 p.m.

SATURDAY, MAY 22

Two one-act plays, Stingerlands Players' Playhouse, Unionville, 8:30 p.m.

Annual strawberry supper, Jerusalem Reformed Church, Feura Bush, servings 4:30, 5:30 and 6:30 p.m., adults \$4, children \$1.50, reservations: 439-2046.

Annual Strawberry Festival, ladies' Auxiliary of the North Bethlehem Fire Dept., North Bethlehem Fire Co., Schoolhouse Rd., 12 noon until dark.

area arts =

A capsule listing of cultural events easily accessible to Bethlehem-New Scotland residents, provided as a community service by the General Electric Co. plastics plant, Selkirk. Telephone numbers are for information and tickets.

THEATER

Harold Pinter's "The Birthday Party," by theater arts department, Junior College of Albany, JCA theater, May 13-15, May 20-22, 8 p.m. 445-1725.

"Androcles and the Lion," by Taconic Project touring ensemble, Page Hall, downtown SUNYA campus, May 15, 10:30 a.m. and 2:30 p.m. Tickets 50 cents to \$1. 456-5168.

'Beauty and the Beast," by Nicolo Marionettes, Albany Jewish Community Center auditorium, May 16, 2 p.m. 438-6651. Tennessee Williams' "Streetcar Named Desire," Albany Civic

Tennessee Williams' "Streetcar Named Desire," Albany Civic Theatre, Second Ave., Albany, May 12-16, May 19-23, 8:30 p.m. curtain, 7:30 Sundays. 462-1297.

MUSIC

Piano concert, Daniel Barenboim, at Congregation Beth Emeth, 100 Academy Rd., Albany, May 15, 8 p.m. Tickets at door.

"A Touch of Rodgers," featuring area theater performers Gary Aldrich, Jan Baldwin, Justine Caldes, Nancy Kent-Eliot, Betsy Normile, Scott Stringham, Tom Watthews, Cohoes Music Hall, May 12-15, 8:30 p.m. 237-7700.

Mendelssohn Club Bicentennial Concert, guest artists and chorus, Chancellor's Hall, Albany, May 14, 8:30 p.m. 436-9849.

International Festival of Chamber Music series, Amadeus String Quartet of London, Union College Memorial Chapel, May 20, 8:30 p.m.

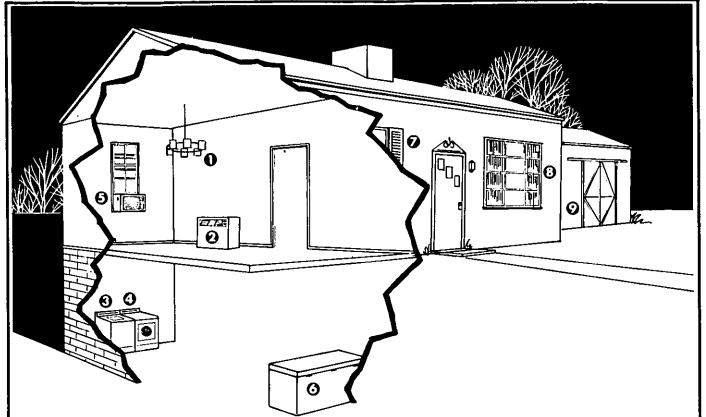
LECTURES

Wendell Garrett, editor of Antiques Magazine, at Albany Institute of History & Art, May 17, 8:30 p.m.

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BETHLEHEM

Memorial Day parade: biggest, longest, noisiest

By actual count of bands, marchers, floats and participating organizations, Bethlehem's annual Memorial Day parade will be the largest and longest in the town's history. With seven bands (and possibly more) it will also be the loudest.

The reason for all of this is basic: it's the bicentennial year and the whole community has caught the spirit.

Co-chairmen Sid Kaplan and Bob Ballentine of Blanchard Post, American Legion, which annually sponsors the march, have lined up 31 floats, some of them elaborate, 18 marching units and the seven bands - Bethlehem Central

High School, Village Fife and Drum Corps, Delmar's Continental Marines, Fort Crailo Band, Shriners' Oriental Band, Schalmont Central School band and the Riverboat Jazz Band. In the line of march. will be Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, fire departments, police, veterans, auxiliaries, sororities, Canastoga covered wagons and even teams of oxen.

The parade route has been lengthened this year to accommodate both the expanded parade itself and the additional crowds expected to view the bicentennial event. The 1976 march will assemble in the Kenaware area, start on Delaware Ave. at St. Clair Dr., east of Cherry Ave., and proceed to War Memorial Park for appropriate ceremonies.

The reviewing stand will be just west of the memorial park. Marching units will disband at the D&H underpass for the ceremony, but floats will continue on Delaware Ave. to Delaware Plaza, where they will be on display in the shopping center's parking lot for the remainder of the afternoon. A three-member committee will judge the floats and award placques to winners in several classes.

The parade is scheduled for 10 a.m. on Monday, May 31 and will step off on schedule

"regardless of the weather," according to Kaplan.

Grand marshalls will be Jesse Turner and Esther Cooke, Bethlehem octogenarians who have become known this year as"Mr. and Mrs. Bicentennial." Mrs. Elwin Becker is chairman of the judging committee. Oliver Palmer is the Blanchard Post commander.

Parking for marchers will be at the senior high school. Kaplan said, with shuttle buses looping between the school and the parade staging area off Delaware Ave.

"There is great interest in the parade this year," Kaplan added. "And we've had wonderful cooperation from everybody."

Wagon train is coming: a glimpse of 1776

For three sentimental hours on May 30 the calendar in Bethlehem will be turned back 200 years. On that day the town will salute pioneer craftsmen in an Early American Day at Elm Ave. Park, organized by a group of people in the Helderbergs and Bethlehem who have set out to recreate some of the activities that were a way of life in 1776.

Vick McCaffery of Gallupville has arranged for a train of Canastoga wagons to be at the park on this day. This covered wagon train and its pioneer families are presently and gradually making their way across New York State toward a final stop on July 4 at Valley Forge, Pa.



Canastoga wagons set out from Syracuse in March

Half-circle arena

Within a half circle of the wagon train many demonstrations of early American crafts

will take place. Steve Brown of Berne will split rails, one of his friends will split house shingles and Gene McCaffery will show how to plow with oxen. Bernie Herrington of Ballston Lake, a part-Mohawk Indian, will make arrowheads, Boy Scouts will demonstrate the smoking of fish and Girl Scouts will show the children some early American games.

There will be a chance to see how the early stocks worked on criminals. One set of stocks has been constructed by Gil Zabel of Clarksville.

In the early 1800s pills were kept in little wooden pill boxes, not in glass bottles. Wallace and Ella Quay, Roman Trzysieki and Frieda Saddlemire of the Knox Historical Society will be on hand to make and sell these boxes. The Knox Fife and Drum Corps, dressed in 18th century attire, will provide early American tunes. There will also be demonstrations of archery, making fire by friction and loading and firing early American guns.

Hosting wagoneers

Reminiscent of neighborliness 200 years ago, the Masons of Bethlehem Lodge 1096 and an organization of retirees known as the Second Milers will provide the drivers of the wagons with a comfortable bed overnight and send them off well-fed and rested in the morning. The Bethlehem Eastern Star will put on a dinner for the wagoneers and the skilled craftsmen of the afternoon events at the Masonic Lodge on Kenwood Ave., Delmar. Hay



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Ralph A. Garrison listens to church bell in Slingerlands.

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The bicentennial committee for the wagon train and for the Early American Day includes Ed Mulligan, William Bub, Bud Wilson, Alan Lewis, George Chesebro and Gardiner Bump. The town of Bethlehem has cooperated and the town Parks and Recreation Dept. has helped to handle the innumerable details involved in turning the clock back 200 years.

Choir in Feura Bush

Mrs. Lydia Egy, formerly of Feura Bush, will direct an ecumenical choir from Amsterdam in "Alleluia," a praise musical, Sunday at 7:30 p.m. at the Jerusalem Reformed Church, Feura Bush. The program is co-sponsored by the Onesquethaw Reformed Church.

Slingerlands man has 100th birthday

Ralph A. Garrison rose at his usual hour last Thursday morning at his home at 27 Bridge St., Slingerlands. The day was warm and sunny, and when his son, Ralph Jr., of East Greenbush, brought the morning mail from the box at the postoffice, there was a congratulatory mailgram from President Ford. It was Mr. Garrison's 100th birthday.

At 11 Ralph Jr. drove his father to the Slingerlands Community Methodist Church, where the new centenarian had served many years as secretary of the church board. He also used to help with land-scaping and ringing the church bell on Sunday mornigs.

For a time the old bell was out of order, but Mr. Garrison saw to it that the necessary repairs were made in time so







Photos: Barbara Schultz

Prizewinners in the Bethlehem Library contest to design clothes for the Emperor's picture included, from left, Dagmar Fuhs of Delmar School, Colleen Devane of Clarksville School and Jamie Jewell of Elsmere School kindergarten.

that the bell could be rung on the church's 100th birthday in 1971. Mr. Garrison himself was on hand to do the ringing. Last week, just before his son and daughter entertained him at a special family dinner, the church bell rang just for Ralph A. Garrison. He stood quietly in front of the church steps while the bell tolled 10 times, one for each decade since May 6, 1876, the year the United States observed its centennial.

Divorce seminar

The public is invited to the last in a series of seminars on divorce sponsored by Christian Single Parents, an ecumenical group meeting at the First Reformed Church, Clinton Sq., Albany, Sunday evening at 6:30. The speaker will be Rev. Reginald Burgess of Middleburgh. Babysitters will be available. Information 436-7710.

Reunion for '71

The Class of 1971 of Bethlehem Central will hold its fifth reunion at the Center Inn. Glenmont, Saturday night, June 26. Janet Primomo Murtaugh, class secretary, says that dress is casual, reservations are required and there will be a buffet plus beer on tap. For information, contact Nancy Gill, 456-1619, or Kerrilynn Rooney, 449-7788.

Fair a fun game at Elsmere school

Those works of art in stores around town are posters proclaiming Elsmere School's annual Fun Fair, which is all set to go on Friday from 5 to 8 p.m.

Things have been busy in and around the school these few weeks. Many pupils have been making articles to be sold at the fair. Others have planted and are caring for flowers and plants. Some are making fabric flowers and others Indian head bands, which will accompany each painted face at the Paint-A-Face booth. A large selection of ceramics will be on sale, crafted by the talented hands of some of our pupils with the help of a new kiln purchased for the school by the Elsmere School Community Organization. Hand-fashioned jewelry will also be available. There are game booths and a raffle for a canary yellow fivespeed Schwinn bicycle and an 11-inch portable Sony television donated by Milton Klarsfeld of Albany, and about 50 other prizes. Co-chairpersons for this year's event are Sherry Einhorn and Ann Graf. Manning the many booths at the fair will be Elsmere parents.

Proceeds will benefit Elsmere's Outdoor Learning Cen-

Voter registration drive

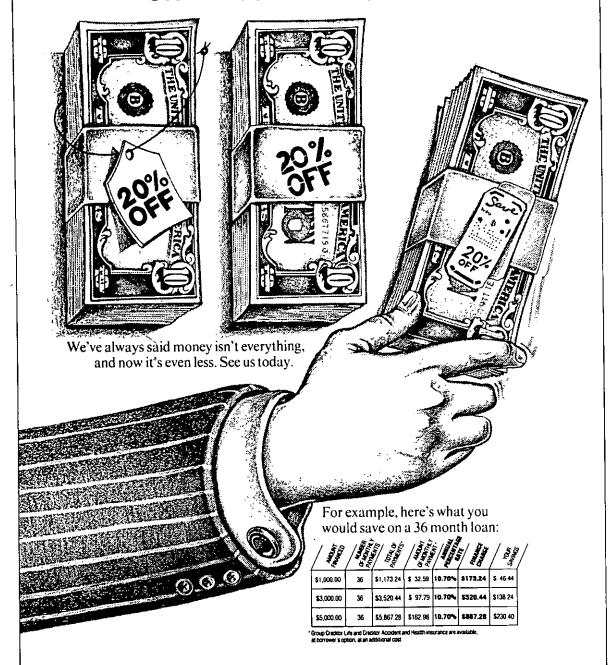
The government and politics class at Bethlehem Central High School is sponsoring a drive to encourage voter registration for the fall elections. The drive is aimed particularly at citizens who will be 18 years old on or before Election Day, Nov. 2.

Class members will be on hand at the Social Studies Resource Center, Room 61 at the school, between 8:10 a.m. and 3:10 p.m. each weekday through May 21 to help new voters register, or to enroll in a political party if they wish.



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Teenagers get a glimpse of town hall in action



For a few hours last week there was a change in administration at Bethlehlem town hall: 13 high school students took over the government as an exercise in citizenship.

The students from Bethlehem Central High School



Town Assessor Gilbert Houk inspects tax records with his assistant for the day, Lori Cleary. Left, Supervisor Harry H. Sheaffer greets Charmaine Tocci, his stand-in. On the cover, Acting Superintendent of the Sewer District Bob Eckhardt gets pointers from Merwyn K. Atwood, who holds that job for the rest of the year.

were participants in Youth in Government Day, sponsored by the Bethlehem Elks Lodge. Simultaneously nine students from Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk High School were having the same experience in the town of Coeymans.

At 393 Delaware Ave. the group began the day by meeting Supervisor Harry H. Sheaffer and drawing slips, lottery style, to determine their jobs for the day. The drawing put these students in office: Lori Cleary, assessor; Mike Messina, building inspector; Mark Bryant, comptroller; Mary McNary and Donna Ure, highway superintendents; Judith Gates, police chief; Tom O'Hern, receiver of taxes; Bob Eckhardt, superintendent of the sewer

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district; Cathy Howell, town clerk; Tara McKenzie, parks and recreation administrator; Charmaine Tocci, supervisor; Doug Craw, director of operations for the water district, and Matt Goodman, director of the Youth Employment Ser-

The students learned about the jobs they drew, then were feted by the Elks at a luncheon at the Elks Club.

Assessment roll open

The tentative assessment roll for the town of Bethlehem has been completed for the current year. A copy of the roll is on file in the assessor's office at town hall, 393 Delaware Ave., Delmar. The roll will be available for inspection from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, June 1-15.

Grievance Day is scheduled for June 15. The board of assessment review will hear and examine all complaints regarding assessments from 9 a.m. to noon and from 6 to 8 p.m. on that day.

Becker concert Friday

Children of the A. W. Becker Elementary School will present their annual Spring Concert Friday at 7:30 in the RCS High School auditorium.

Residents oppose apartment project

Approximately 20 residents of North Bethlehem have voiced opposition to a petition by Andrew Chainyk, North Bethlehem, to convert a twofamily residence to a four-unit apartment.

Chainyk, a builder, owns the structure at 7 Elm Pl., North Bethlehem. The protests were voiced at a public hearing on the petition held last week by the Bethlehem board of appeals.

Opponents told board members they feared approval of Chainyk's plan would lead to more apartments and more conversions of existing dwellings in the area. They contended this would lead to increased traffic and would lower real estate values in the vicinity.

The board withheld its decision.

Ballet on stage

The Empire State Ballet Company will present a bicentennial performance, celebrating its 10th anniversary, at 8 p.m. Sunday at the Palace Theatre, Albany. The program will consist of "Swan Lake" second act, with original choreography by Marius Petipa, and the comedy ballet, "The Girls School."



Auxiliary Chief L. F. Hauf Jr., right, with Kiwanis President John G. Easton Jr., left, and Supervisor Harry H. Sheaffer.

Town cites 18 auxiliary police

The Town of Bethlehem honored its auxiliary police at a testimonial dinner Monday at the Bethlehem Coffeehouse, Adams St., Delmar. Each of the 18 auxiliary officers received a certificate of commendation from Supervisor Harry H. Sheaffer.

Bethlehem's auxiliary police unit began in 1971. All members have received first aid training and assist in crowd control at local sports events that require traffic control. The auxiliary meets Monday nights at 7 at the town's Adams St. garage, adjacent to the police department.

Honoring the officers were members of the Bethlehem Kiwanis Club, Police Department and town officials. Members of the auxiliary who received commendation are Louis Hauf Jr., Chief; John Rapp, Richard Beckmann, Jonathan Van-Derpoel, Donald Guertze, George VanWormer, Frank Hans, Elmer Dering, Joseph Porter, Luther Fourman, Orville Hannay, Norman Mokhiber, John Tunny, Richard Boissy, Joseph Steger, Raymond Draper, James Haker and Joseph Rappazzo.

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Fifers at Mendelssohn

Village Volunteers Fife and Drum Corps of Delmar will be among the featured attractions at the bicentennial-oriented Spring concert of Albany's famed Mendelssohn Club Friday at 8:30 p.m. at Chancellor's Hall, Albany.

Others on the program are Douglas and Marlene Cole, musicians and filmmakers, and John Cimino, bass-baritone and winner of the 1975 Dolven-Mendelssohn Club vocal award.

President of the 75-voice choral organization is Henry F. Marks of Delmar.

Contest winners

Four Elsmere School pupils have been chosen from Grades 4 and 5 to make an announcement on Station WOKO by station manager William Musser as an award for posters in the contest for the school fair Friday. They are Amy LaForte, Chris Graf, Lisa Haven and Steve Davidson.

Other poster awards from more than 100 entries went to Jody Jones, Susann Giordano, Rick Einhorn, Doug Pratt, Stephen Ainsworth, Tommy Heffernan, Jennifer Riley, Chris Hodges, Susan Gotti, Ann Dorsey, Beth Culbert, Pat Neary, Craig Gallagher and Scott Turner.





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tant states as Virginia, Georgia, Colorado and California. They range in age from 9 to 90, and work in every conceivable craft medium — leather, fabrics, metals, glass, ceramics, wood, oil, pastels, watercolor, pen and ink, paper, macrame — you name it. The experience continues to be a rewarding one for Ruth and, she hopes for her "suppliers" as well.

Assisting Ruth is her husband, Bob, recently retired from a career in advertising, who will tell you he is only the "friendly bookkeeper," janitor, shipping clerk, stockboy and sometime publicity agent. Bob is quite literally "raising cane" by attending the adult education class in chair caning to go along with his hobby of refinishing furniture. This provides one more way for him to complement Ruth's activities in the business.

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Ralph Hammersley Jr., who has been president of the Plan since 1955, will serve as chief executive officer until his retirement in August, 1977.

Dr. Thorne held a number of positions at State University at Albany before his appointment as vice chancellor, including director of Graduate Studies, dean of men, director of the School of Freshman Studies and dean of University College.

Dr. Thorne is on the boards of directors of the Albany Area chapter, American Red Cross, Banker's Trust Company of Albany, the Albany Academy and the New York State Rural Development Advisory Council.

A cum laude graduate of State University of New York at Albany, Dr. Thorne received bachelor and master's degrees from SUNYA and the doctorate degree from Columbia University, where he was Romeitt Stevens Scholar. He is a recipient of the Philodoxia Honoraries Award, the SUNYA Distinguished Alumni Award and the Outstanding Service Award, Association of Council Members and College Trus-

tees, SUNY. He served in the U.S. Navy, Pacific Theater, during World War II. He and his wife, the former Vivian A. Hillier, and their three children have resided in Delmar for the past 20 years.

Program on employment

Are you looking for a job or thinking about changing your job? The Bethlehem Library is presenting a program on getting and changing jobs at 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday, May 12.

Participating in the program will be Lorna Havener of Snelling and Snelling, an employment agency, Sister Catherine Daly of Educational Options For Adults, and Barbara Lindford, who will speak on resume writing.



Richard L. Newman

Elected Phi Bete

Richard L. Newman, son of Mr. and Mrs. Donald Newman, 103 Berwick Rd., Delmar, who will graduate from State University of New York at Albany this month, has been elected to Phi Beta Kappa for academic excellence. He plans to enter law school in September.

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Mood of a swamp on Picard Rd., town of New Scotland, is caught in early springtime by Spotlight photographer Barbara Schultz and her lens.



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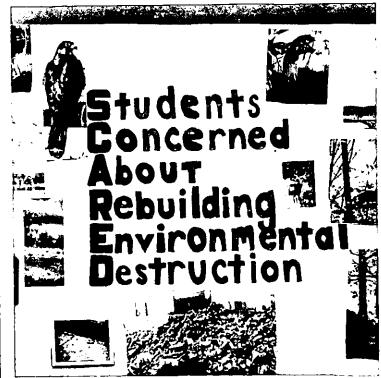
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Poster by Mary Fulston, Richard Hotaling and Layne McMillen.

Poster contest winners named

Students in Neil Brown's Social Studies class and Helen O'Connor's English class at Bethlehem Central High School competed in a poster contest recently. The posters were made as part of a unit on propaganda techniques and semantics.

Winners of the sophomore group's contest were Dawn Kneeland, Lori Kavoukian and Cary Fish, whose joint effort earned them first prize for the most original entry and a tie for first place in the public service category. Mary Fulston, Richard Hotaling and Layne McMillen also won first place in public service with their poster on environment.

Winning posters for humor were by Mark Brady, Andy Appleby, Alan Crabtree and Vic Cipressy. There was a tie for second place between John Cook and Dave Blair's poster and one by Robin Cole. Posters showing the use of leisure time were submitted by Joe Wagner and George Cook, who won first prize, and second prize went to Clay Teevan, Kevin McMillen and Gina Micare.

Second prize for most original poster went to John Caswell for his skimobile ad. For layout of the posters, first prize went to Michelle Scholer and Donna Osterhout; second was awarded to Ed Downes.

Mrs. O'Connor, who teaches the 10th graders along with Mr. Brown and Karen Rothaupt in a team effort, was pleased with the students' enthusiasm for the contest. For four days the group worked for two-hour periods for four days to create their eye-catching posters.

Literary series continues

Dr. Donald B. Stauffer of the SUNYA English Dept. will talk on "Robert Frost and Democracy" Tuesday at 8 p.m. in Room 46 at Bethlehem Central High School. The lecture is the second in a series of four literary evenings offered by the Bethlehem school system under a grant awarded Mrs. Helen Adler of the BCHS English faculty.

An open discussion will follow the talk. The series, which continues on May 25 and June 2, is free to the public.

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Tri-Village Little League opens another season.

SPORTS

Ballplayers back in Magee Park

Baseball, Little League version, has returned to Magee Park with a full schedule, bringing a revised family timetable to some 400 Bethlehem households.

The Blanchard Post American Legion color guard was on hand, Bud Wilson, town administrator of parks and recreation, threw a high, inside one as the ceremonial first ball, and a chill wind blew from right field as the Tri-Village Little League launched its new season Saturday. An overflow crowd was there to get things started.

When the ballpayers took the field, GE turned back McCarroll's, 9-6, while Mc-Carroll's Intermediates ran up an 18-7 score on GE on the next diamond. In other games in the majors' inaugural tripleheader Farm Family Insurance toppled Price Greenleaf, 11-3, and Kiwanis took Cohn Yaguda Cronin, 8-4. In the intermediates Farm Family won. 16-6, and Cohn Yaguda, 9-8.

Kevin Elliott, 12-year-old Farm Family pitcher, had a good day, striking out 11 in his six-inning stint and clouting two doubles against the fence in left center. His teammate Alan Marwill hit the season's first home run, the shot coming with one on.

Andy Smith, 12, Kiwanis first baseman, celebrated his opener by slamming a basesloaded home run over the left field fence, which was enough to win the game.

Pass skating tests

Among those passiang U.S. Figure Skating Assn. tests at Achilles Rink, Schenectady. recently were Melissa Dempf and Kathy O'Reilly of Delmar and Debbie Kass of Glenmont. members of the Hudson-Mohawk Figure Skating Club.

Antique show scheduled

A craft and antique show sponsored by the Town of Bethlehem Historical Assn. is scheduled for June 5 at Elm Ave. Park, Delmar. Write for an application to the Town of Bethlehem Historical Assn., Route 144 at Clapper Rd., Selkirk 12158. Dealer fee is \$10. No exhibits will be allowed without prior contract confirmation.

PWP variety show

Albany chapter, Parents Without Partners, will stage a bicentennial variety show, "A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Revolution," Sunday at 12:30 p.m. at St. Matthew's Church Hall, 75 Whitehall Rd., Albany. The Delmar Fife & Drum Corps play intermittently throughout the program. Tickets at the door are \$1.50 per family, 75 cents for individuals, and include refreshments. The public is welcome.

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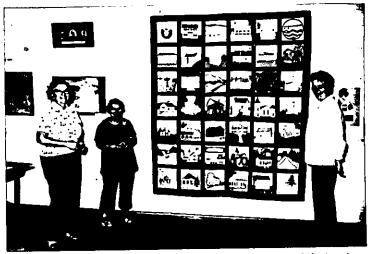
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Kay Youmans, Lillian Batchelder, Marion Parmenter and quilt.

NEW SCOTLAND

Quilt to be shown at flea market

The Town of New Scotland Historical Assn. is sponsoring their third annual flea market and crafts fair at the Voorheesville Elementary School on June 5 from 10 a.m. til 4 p.m. Table space may be rented by calling Lillian Kirchner at 439-3333.

Featured this year will be an exhibit of old quilts in addition to a number of new ones made by individuals and organizations for the Bicentennial. Among them is the historical association's own Bicentennial quilt, which was completed in April.

There had been a race to see whether the quilt could be completed before the stork visited the home of the Robert Parmenters. (The quilt won.) The last stitch was made just two days before little Jerry Parmenter arrived. His mother, Marion, is the president of the historical association and Jerry's dad is town historian.

Marion Parmenter was one of the many women involved in the quilting project, which was led by Lillian Batchelder. Every one of the 42 squares took better than a week to execute before it was sewn into the quilt.

Pictured in the squares are historic buildings that existed in the town, including nine churches, a blacksmith shop, railroad station, hotels, schools and even the sow and pumpkins that won New Salem its former name of Punkintown.

Rachael Harvey is in charge of the quilt exhibit and would like to hear from anyone with a quilt to display. Call 765-2780.

Slides of local historic sites will be shown on the stage at the Elementary School during the flea market at 10:30 and 1:30. The slides were made from old photographs borrowed from town residents for the purpose of town historian Parmenter: Bob organized this project in order to establish a record of the old sites for present and future generations.

Ann Eberle

Volunteer nurses sought

American Heart Assn. is seeking volunteer nurses to assist in a blood pressure clinic for employees of Blue Cross-Blue Shield on June 8. The clinic will be held at the Blue Cross building on New Scotland Rd., Slingerlands. There will be two shifts, 9:30 to 11:30 and 1-3. No nurse would be asked to work more than a two-hour shift. If interested, call 459-5880.

Bird walk Tuesday

Five Rivers Environmental Education Center, Game Farm Rd., Delmar, is offering a guided bird walk on Tuesday at 7 p.m. Participants should wear boots or walking shoes and bring binoculars if possible.

SPOTLIGHT ON SPORTS

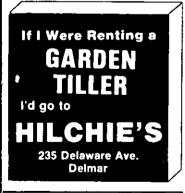
Town tennis tourney all set

Tennis players of all ages and caliber are invited to enter the third annual spring tennis tournament co-sponsored by the town of Bethlehem and the Bethlehem Tennis Assn. It will be held on the weekends of June 5-6 and June 12-13.

There will be A-level and Blevel competition in five events: men's and women's singles and doubles and mixed doubles. All final-round matches are scheduled for Sunday, June 13, at Elm Ave. Park.

For the second straight year, a junior tournament is being run in conjunction with the adult competition. There will be boys' and girls' singles and doubles events for 16 and under, 14 and under, and 12 and under. Junior matches, except for the finals, will be played from 3 to 6 p.m. during the week of June 7 at the Middle School.

Because of the growing popularity of this tournament open only to residents of Bethlehem and the Bethlehem Central School District - all entries this year must be mailed in and must be accompanied by



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Discussing plans for the third annual Bethlehem town tennis tournament are. from left, John and Judy Shafer, co-chairmen, Joan Talmadge, junior tournament chairman, and Bud Wilson, town recreation di-Photo by L. Spelich

the tournament fee. (\$2 per person per event). Entry forms must be received by tournament co-chairmen John and Judy Shafer, 21 Bennett Terr., Delmar, by Thursday, May 27.

Tulip queen's gown

Virginia Lynch, who has dress shops in Delmar and downtown Albany, has donated the 1976 Tulip Queen's gown — the first time in the history of the Albany festival event that a retailer has been given this opportunity.

The gown is white polyester chiffon in Empire style with imported lace bodice and long tapered sleeves. The queen will be crowned Saturday.

Teen group coming

A teen group from the First United Methodist Church of Liverpool will present "Celebrate Life," a pulpit musical, at the Congregational Christian Church, Ravena, Sunday at 7:30 p.m. "Celebrate Life," tells the story of Jesus in light rock and drama. A love offering will be taken.

Curator to speak

G. Carroll Lindsay, director of museum services for the New York State Museum, will be the speaker at the May meeting of the Bethlehem Tri-Village chapter, American Association of Retired Persons, Tuesday at 12:30 p.m. at the First United Methodist Church, Delmar.

Blood pressure clinic

The free monthly blood pressure check sponsored by the town of Bethlehem and the American Heart Assn. will be held Tuesday, May 18, at the Bethlehem Coffee House, Adams St. Hours are 9-11, 1-3 and

Visit Greece next door

St. Sophia Greek Orthodox Church, 440 Whitehall Rd., Albany only a short distance from the Bethlehem line, will present a Grecian atmosphere Saturday and Sunday on the occasion of its annual Grecian Festival. Hours are noon to 10 p.m. both days. There will be a Grecian restaurant, live music and shopping.

Variance granted

Bethlehem board of appeals has granted a variance to Louis Alteri, Glenmont, to construct an addition to the kitchen of his restaurant on Rt. 9W in Glenmont. The restaurant was destroyed by fire last winter, and has been rebuilt.

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By Allison P. Bennett

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The house was built by the Slingerlands family in 1837 and was the home of William Henry Slingerland, a well known civil engineer and one of the men who helped select the site of the Watervliet Arsenal. At that time Slingerlands was known as Normanskill, but was later renamed in honor of the Slingerland family, since Mr. Sling-

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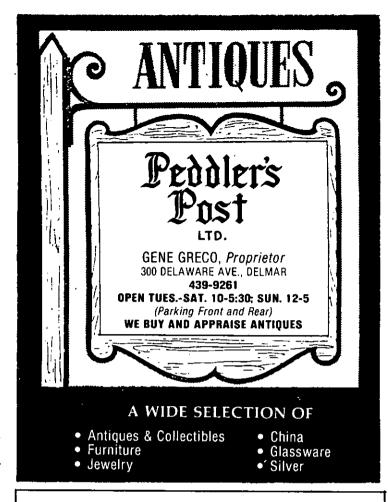
From the moment you cross the threshold into the spacious entrance hallway, papered in a large figured red and white design of fruit and flowers, you are wrapped in the warmth and comfort of a house truly designed to be a family home. This is the very reason that it appealed so much to Dr. and Mrs. Kiley, for they wanted a house that would be comfortable for their five children, along with their assorted hobbies and pets.

Baseboards and mouldings

An effect of massive solidity is achieved by the generous proportion of the rooms, the wide baseboards and mouldings, the deep-set windows and the columnar trim of the doorways. Sometimes Mrs. Kiley refers to it laughingly as their "ranch house," since the first floor can be quite self contained for just two people, now that some of the children have grown and the others are away at school. A large old pier mirror in the hall is perfect for reflecting light and taking a last glance at your attire before going out.

To the right of the hall is the large living room, measuring 16 by 34 feet and a wonderful size not only for family gatherings, but for entertaining large groups as well. Comfort and ease of living is the mode that is set throughout the house. As Mrs. Kiley notes. they have not gone in for antiques or conversation pieces, but used what they have inherited and acquired over the years to surround the family with pleasant and interesting pieces of furniture that can withstand the use of an active family.

The house can accommodate large furniture pieces because of the room sizes, and one attention-getting item is a Mercury pendulum wall clock of dark walnut wood, made in Albany in 1868 for B.P. Learned. Under the clock stands a re-



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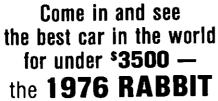
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The dining room is in the one-story wing to the right of the living room and is a sunny room with wood panelled walls, topped by a plate rail, on which are displayed a collection of Staffordshire blue transfer printed plates. An intriguing piece of furniture in the dining room is a solid mahogany table, built in the Bilibud Prison in the Philippines, and expanding with the addition of leaves to seat 18 people comfortably. Behind this room, but still in the wing extension is the good-sized "bicentennial kitchen," done in red, white and blue colors.

There is a den directly behind the front hallway, and across the wide hall in the other onestory wing is located the Kiley's own bedroom, with a bathroom and walk-in clothes closet that had been added at a later date.

Partway up the graceful stairway to the second floor there is a wide landing, which is a perfect place to display the large oil painting of the house, done a few years ago by Kay Kiley while she was recuperating from a broken leg. Several of her other paintings are on display throughout the house. On the walls of the upstairs landing she has painted a "Pied Piper," which welcomed the children to their own domain. The bedrooms on the second floor were reserved for the young people of the household, and although they are not large, each child had his or her own room, and this area can be completely closed off when they are not at home.

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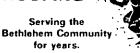
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Bloodmobile success

Editor, The Spotlight:

The May 4 Red Cross bloodmobile's visit to Delmar was an enormous success. I would like to thank the Spotlight and Tri-Village residents for this full support.

Delmar Ann Tomlinson Recruitment Chairman

Record turnout

Editor, The Spotlight:

At the April Blood Pressure Clinic, we set a new record of 313 people. Of these, 192 had not been to the clinic before. I feel certain this record turnout was primarily due to the publicity we received in the previous week's issue of the Spotlight. Thank you.

Slingerlands Ruth Bickel
The May clinic will be held
Tuesday at the Bethlehem
Coffee House on Adams St.

Cleanup appreciated

Editor, The Spotlight:

Yes, the Henry Hudson Park at Cedar Hill has a well-groomed look, and we would like to express our thanks to the boys and girls of the Bethlehem Middle School. Hopefully this summer the families of these children can enjoy the beauty of the park and get to know this end of the town.

The park has a long view up and down the river, and the large boats going by are an impressive sight. Lloyd R. "Bud" Wilson is a man who is interested in doing all he can for our Parks and Recreation Dept. Give him all the help you can.

Cedar Hill Families of Cedar Hill-on-Hudson



SPOTLIGHT on community corner

A Flapjack Festival

The Women's Auxiliary of the Bethlehem Sportsmen's Club will serve their annual Pancake and Sausage Breakfast Sunday from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the clubhouse on Dunbar Hollow Rd., Clarksville. Adults are \$2.25, children under 12 \$1.25, preschoolers free. If directions are needed, call 439-4273.

School Concert Time

The public is invited to attend any or all of these school concerts, which feature the community's youngest and hardest-working musicians and singers:

Middle School Spring Music Festival — Part I, May 13 at 8 p.m., Part II, May 20 at 8 p.m.

Hamagrael School Spring Concert, May 18, 8 p.m.

Glenmont School Spring Concert, May 19, 7:30 p.m.

Clarksville School Spring Music Festival, May 25, 7:30 p.m.

Delmar School Spring Choral Concert, May 26, 8 p.m., Instrumental Concert, June 2, 7:30 p.m.

Slingerlands School Instrumental Concert, June 3, 7:30 p.m. Choral Concert, June 16, 7:30 p.m.

Poppy Day is Wednesday, May 19.

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