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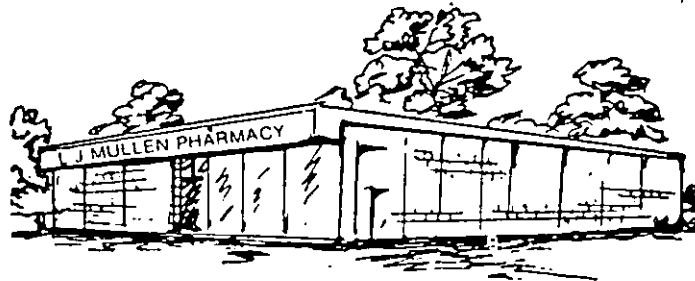
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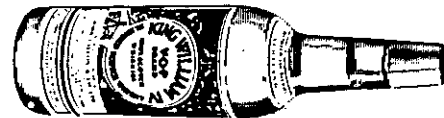
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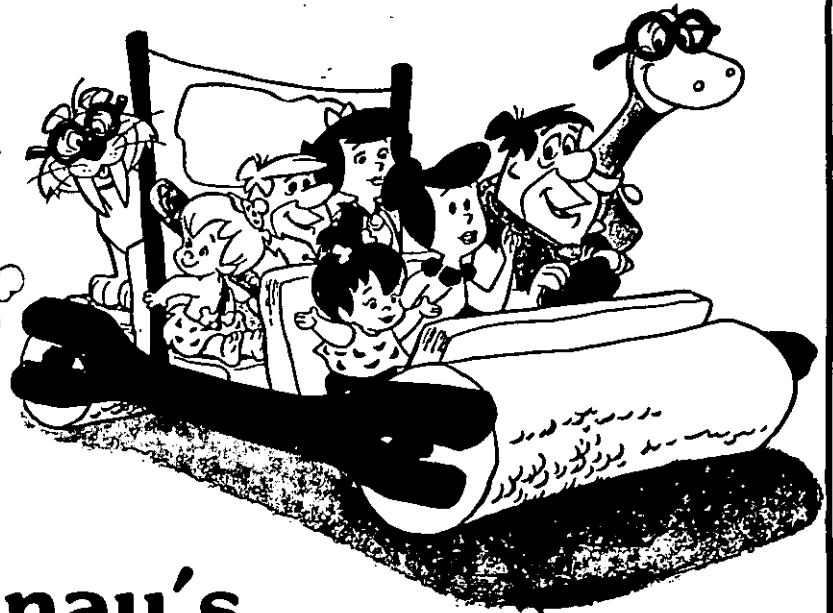
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THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 1

Films: "Legend of Sleepy Hollow" and "Ben and Me," Voorheesville Library 4-4:45 p.m.

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Slingerlands Homeowners Assn. meeting, Bethlehem Library, 7:30 p.m. Discussion on proposed widening of New Scotland Rd. All residents welcome.

Weight Watchers class, St. Stephen's Episcopal Church, Delmar, 8 p.m.

Navy recruiter at Bethlehem Library, 2-4 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 7

Army recruiter at Bethlehem Library, 6-9 p.m.

Weight Watchers class, Grace United Methodist Church, Ravena, 8 p.m.

Public Hearing, Bethlehem Board of Appeals, on application of Vivian Hemenway, Van Weis Pt., Glenmont, for special permit under Article V, Bethlehem Town Hall, 8 p.m.

Public Hearing, Bethlehem Board of Appeals, on application of Anthony Cassato for special exception under Article V and for a variance under Article V for property at 244 Delaware Ave., Delmar. Bethlehem Town Hall, 8:30 p.m.

American Nathaniel Blanchard American Legion Golf Day, Tall Timbers Country Club. Rain date—Sept. 8.

Bethlehem Business Women's Club meeting, Albany Motor Inn, Glenmont, 6:30 p.m. Travelogue by Alice Porter.

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Film: "Cricket in Times Square," Voorheesville Library, 4-5 p.m.

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Open House, Arts Center on Holy Names Campus, 2-5 p.m.

MONDAY SEPTEMBER 12

Three-hour safe driving course, Bethlehem Central High School, room 19A, 7:15 p.m. Bring learner's permit; must also attend Wednesday night, same time.

Meeting of Selkirk Fire District commissioners, Fire House No. 1, 8 p.m.

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 13

Weight Watchers class, St. Stephen's Church, Elsmere, 8 p.m.

Navy recruiter at Bethlehem Library, 6-9 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 14

Army recruiter at Bethlehem Library, 6-9 p.m.

Public hearing, Bethlehem Board of Appeals, on application of Mr. and

Mrs. Donald Simpson, 101 McGuffey Ln., Delmar for a variance under Article V, Bethlehem Town Hall, 8 p.m.

Weight Watchers class, Grace United Methodist Church, Ravana, 8 p.m.

Bethlehem Garden Club meeting, Bethlehem Library, 1 p.m.

Diet Workshop open house, St. Matthew's Church, Voorheesville, 7:30 p.m.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 15

Film: "On the Run," Voorheesville Library, 4-5 p.m.

Bethlehem Senior Citizens meeting, Coffee House, Adams St., Delmar, 12:30. Bus schedule as usual.

League of Women Voters, coffee for members and non-members interested in the League, Bethlehem Library, 10 a.m. For information or transportation, call Doris Davis, 439-5786.

Childbirth Education Assn. meeting, Bethlehem Library, 8 p.m. Sue Ann Ritchko, speaker.

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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. Phone numbers are for information and tickets.

THEATER

"Bon Voyage," Edward Mabley musical play, Woodstock Playhouse, Sept. 1-4, 8:30 p.m. (Saturday matinee 2:30, Sunday curtain 7 p.m.) 1-914-679-2015.

ART

"Disc-ography," record jacket photography, College of Saint Rose Art Gallery, 997 Madison Ave., Albany, Sept. 4-23, 2-5 p.m., closed Mondays. 471-5102.

Fourth annual Guilderland Arts Festival, Tawasentha Park, Rt. 146, Sept. 11, noon to 5 p.m. Free to public.

Albany in the Revolution, paintings, engravings, documents and artifacts, Albany Institute of History & Art, through summer.

MUSIC

Auditions for the Capitol Hill Choral Society will be held Sept. 6-7 at 7:30 p.m. at the old Albany High School, North Lake, Washington and Western Aves. Concert season will include Verdi, Handel, Meidelssohn and Bach. All invited.

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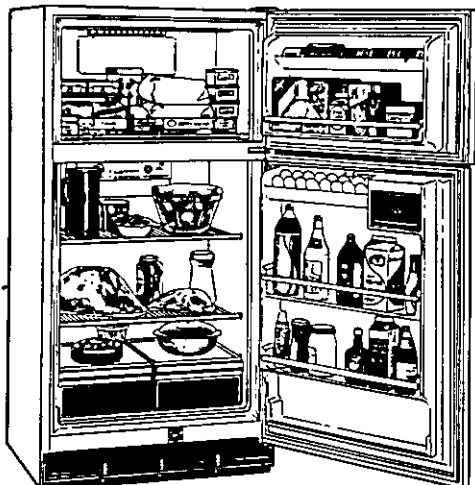
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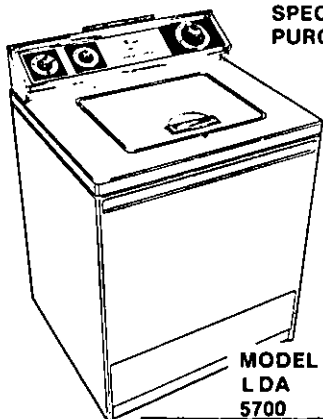
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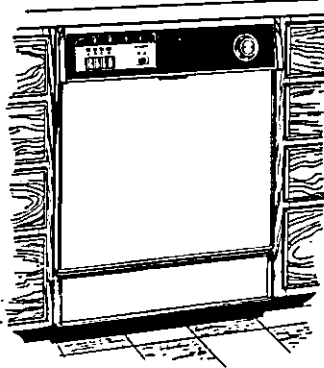
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BETHLEHEM POLITICS

GOP third-line theme: a Democratic 'hoodwink'

Bethlehem's local political race, off to the earliest start in a generation, took a new turn this week when the Republican town chairman chided the new Democratic slate on being nominated en masse by Albany's Conservative party.

Commented Bernard Kaplowitz "I'll be surprised and a little shocked if any Bethlehem Democratic candidates accept this nomination, particularly since they've been telling us about their new constitution that is designed to give local voters the impression they are not beholden to the Albany Democratic machine."

The announcement last week that the county Conservative party had nominated all Democratic candidates for county and municipal offices across the board is expected to give local Democratic candidates the "third line" (Conservative) on the November ballot. For the Bethlehem slate it could be embarrassing, inasmuch as the Albany County Conservative organization has long been controlled by the county Democratic organization, which is controlled by the entrenched O'Connell machine. Bethlehem's Democratic organization would like to have as little identification as possible with the county organization, hence the Republicans are expected to take every



Bethlehem Democratic candidates: from left, Jed B. Wolkenbreit, John J. Leonard, Mary Lou Burkhard, Edward B. Stringham and Joan Uhrik.

opportunity to remind voters of the link.

"These candidates of the Conservative party were not nominated by residents of Bethlehem, as the regular candidates of the Republican and Democratic parties were," Kaplowitz said. "Republican candidates are nominated by petition, the Democrats by caucus, and thus are bona fide representatives of their constituencies. With their blanket nomination, the Conservatives are hoodwinking

those residents who consider themselves genuine or sincere conservatives."

Kaplowitz added: "We have here the curious situation of the Democrats accepting the Conservative nomination, then turning around and attempting to persuade the younger generation of voters that they are the more liberal-thinking and progressive-minded party."

Political observers considered it unlikely any local Democrats would decline the Conservative nomination. Observed one Four

Corners pundit: "That third line is nice to have."

The Conservative embrace might have been a surprise to most of the local Democratic candidates, but not to Edward B. Stringham, the nominee for supervisor. Stringham, Delmar engineer and business consultant, told the Spotlight he had met with Conservative party leaders in Albany and had reviewed their platform. "They've had some good planks in the past," he said. "I'm not a member of the Conservative

party or active in it, but I'm glad to have their support."

On the county level, the issue of validating the Conservative party's nominating certificates appeared headed for a court test when George Scaringe, county GOP chairman and one of Albany's two election commissioners, refused to approve the validation. That threw the two election commissioners into a deadlock, since James Ryan, Democratic election commissioner, had voted to validate the certificates. The stalemate angered Colonie's Democratic town chairman, who wants the Conservative line on the ballot for his Democratic slate in an effort to unseat the town's ruling Republicans.

Apart from the Kaplowitz needle, Bethlehem's political scene remained relatively calm. Thomas V. Corrigan, town councilman and Republican candidate for supervisor, was attending the funeral of his father in Delmar last week. Kaplowitz announced four

appointments to a new committee formed to coordinate the house-to-house phase of the GOP campaign: W. Gordon Morris Jr. as chairman, assisted by Donald H. "Chip" Estey Jr., Robert Stockton and Fred Webster. The committee will be enlarged in the coming weeks, a Republican source indicated.

Eye-bank celebrates

The Sight Conversation Society of Northeastern New York (The Lions Eye-Bank) will commemorate its 25th anniversary with a ball scheduled for Sept. 24 at the Empire State Plaza convention center. The event is open to the public. Tickets can be reserved from The Eye-Bank office, 628 Madison Ave., Albany 12208 or by calling 445-5199. Since its inception by the Lions of Northeastern New York, the eye bank has provided more than 4,500 eyes for transplant and research.



The meeting started in back of the town hall

SLINGERLANDS

Rt. 85 project: dead or wounded

They came early, and in numbers the little white colonial town hall obviously could not handle. The night was sultry, so the slide projector and screen were set up in the back yard, under the trees, and the chairs formed a semicircle. As people streamed in they widened the circle and stood in tiers in the back near the 100-plus cars that quickly overflowed the parking area.

It was the kind of spontaneous mobilization Slingerlands people turn out when some government agency or developer threatens a disruption in the life style they so fiercely strive to protect. In 1962 it was the ill-conceived arterial connector wiping out the Toll Gate with a highway cloverleaf (killed), later it was the proposed shopping center in the Bridge St. "park" (killed), still later the K-Mart scheme near LeGrange Rd.

(killed). Last year it was Lyndhurst, the controversial subdivision (alive but dormant). On Monday it was the State Dept. of Transportation with plans to widen Rt. 85 to federal standards that dooms more than two dozen of the graceful shade trees that line New Scotland Rd. On this occasion the DOT was hosting an information meeting, and it drew more than 400 concerned citizens, many of them curious, some of them angry, and all of them solidly in opposition.

It was a colorful session, the largest convocation since commencement, and was twice interrupted by a change in locale. First it was the swirl of a threatening summer storm that drove the gathering from the lawn into the hall, leaving some 250 in the doorway and outside. When Jake VanZetten, chairman of trustees of the New Scotland Presbyterian

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Donald N. Geoffroy, DOT regional director fielded the questions with Robert Herman of Slingerlands, an advisor to the Legislature, as moderator. Geoffroy told the church audience that "now it's an open case...we have several options, it's a whole new ball game." Earlier, Malcolm Graham, DOT deputy commissioner standing in for Commissioner William Hennessy, assured the town hall gathering that "no contract will be started until all your concerns have been heard and studied."

Geoffroy agreed to set up a meeting with federal highway authorities to "discuss the

prospect of getting variances" from the federal requirement of a 22-foot pavement and six-foot shoulders on each side. He admitted that the state had no funds to repave the two sections of the highway, including the 2.3 mile stretch through residential Slingerlands that caused the rumpus, without federal aid. Resurfacing the present road, he said, would cost \$660,000 the state does not have; with "the feds" putting up 70 percent of the \$988,000 contract, the state can get off with a tab of \$296,000.

That's where the residents bristled. Their arguments: to save \$360,000 the DOT would make a highway already notorious for speeding violations more attractive to



... and finished in the New Scotland Church after half the audience had gone home. Robert Herman of Slingerlands, left in top photo, was moderator. With him is Donald Geoffroy, DOT regional director.

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Because hard-working typesetters and printers deserve an occasional weekend off, the Spotlight will not be published on Thursday, Sept. 8. The suspension will enable production workers who normally assemble your community newspaper on Sundays and Mondays each week to enjoy the three-day holiday. We expect to be back in circulation Sept. 15 with fresh vigor. Note: The Spotlight office at 414 Kenwood Ave. will be open as usual except Monday, Labor Day.

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fast drivers, would eliminate the sidewalk installed by the town of Bethlehem to alleviate the danger of walking, jogging and bicycling on the busy highway, and desecrate a distinctive residential area by taking out many of its graceful roadside trees. As an alternative they renewed their pleas for the state to reactivate plans to build a new highway through largely undeveloped land from Mahar Rd. at the Blue Cross building to Rt. 85A near the Stonewell Shopping Center. This was the original Slingerlands Bypass, but the proposed bypass sections were killed by Geoffroy's predecessor, Frank Fuller, now retired.

A formal presentation by the Slingerlands Homeowners Assn., prepared by Dominick DeCecco, vice president, made these points:

- There is sufficient room to resurface the road, maintain two-foot shoulders and provide a protected bikeway along the road (without destroying trees and incurring an additional \$400,000 in cost of relocating utility poles and lines on residents' properties).

- A more permanent solution...lies in the completion of the Slingerlands Bypass..... using funds once earmarked for I-687, (now abandoned).

- Slingerlands residents will assist the DOT by providing petitions to federal and state governments and enlist support of local elected officials.

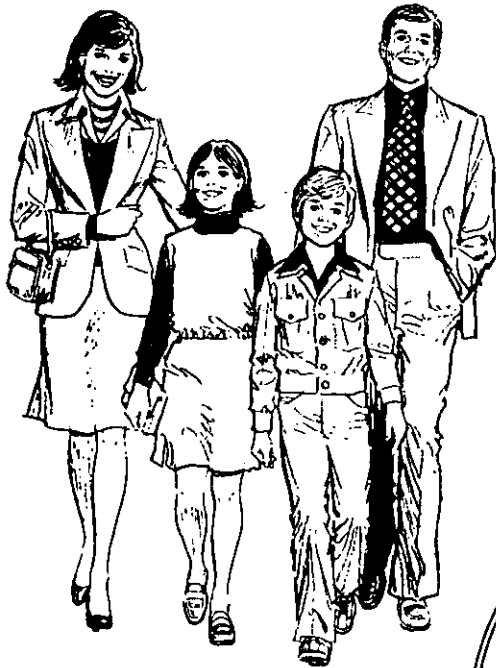
As if the solid phalanx of an aroused citizenry wasn't formidable enough, the DOT also faced unanimous opposition from those same elected officials. Congressman Sam Stratton, after conferring

by phone with Hennessy, earlier on Monday, sent a staff member to New Scotland with a strongly worded statement ("we can avoid turning Rt. 85 through Slingerlands into another speedway, which nobody wants and nobody certainly needs"); so did State Sen. Howard Nolan, who pledged "everything in (my) power to reconsider the use of the funds for more needed projects such as the Slingerlands Bypass," and Assemblyman Larry Lane, who joined the audience and declared: "You go to Beverly Hills and you don't see anything prettier than this road—I hate to see it go for no reason. Build the bypass instead." He got the largest hand of the evening.

Stratton said he had urged Hennessy to use state funds "to do whatever actually needs to be done to patch up Rt. 85," and had told federal officials "to sit tight on any final approval of federal funds for Slingerlands..."

Geoffroy got off on the wrong foot by offering a slide presentation of New Scotland Rd. that exposed his lack of familiarity with the area, but recovered to handle with poise more than an hour and a half of questioning. Asked what effect

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Making plans for the Bethlehem Garden Club are, from, left, Mrs. William Strong, Mrs. Everett Watson and Mrs. Charles Cross. Outdoors, Mrs. Strong shows her lollipop tree to Mrs. Watson.

Photos by Cheryl Marks

Garden club plans more beautification

The Bethlehem Garden Club has made plans for another busy year, starting with the first program Wednesday, Sept. 14, at 1 p.m. in the Bethlehem Library.

The club was formed to foster an interest in gardening and to serve the community in conservation and beautification projects. The gardeners have done plantings and grown a herb garden at the Cedar Hill Historical Museum, provided arrangements for the mini-park on Adams St., the Henry Hudson Town Park and the town parking lot. The club is also responsible for the annual

decoration of the Bethlehem Library at Christmastime as well as taking pride in the beautification of their own grounds.

"Our organization has a limited membership of 80 and there is always a waiting list," said Mrs. Arthur McDowell, publicity chairman. "It is kept small so that workshops and demonstrations can be practical. Each person is expected to participate in some manner during the year, therefore, everyone in the garden club is a year richer in knowledge and ability and has given some personal talent that makes for more beauty around us by the end of the club season."

Officers for the 1977-78 year

are Mrs. William Strong of Van Wies Point, president, and Mrs. Everett Watson of Delmar and Mrs. Charles Cross of Slingerlands, program chairmen.

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Jeff Green, Dan McCarroll, Steve and Brian Collier practice for Syracuse appearance. *Cheryl Marks*

Teenage band playing at fair

Not everyone from Delmar who goes to the State Fair in Syracuse will be going to display their livestock or enter homemade goodies in bake-offs. Five boys from Delmar will be "jamming" at the fair, but their jamming is with musical instruments, not fresh fruits.

Jeff Green, a senior at Bethlehem Central, and Dan McCarroll, Brian and Steve Collier and David Irvine, sophomores, formed "Pacific" at the beginning of the year. The band played for a dance at

Bethlehem Central High School, came in second in a "Battle of the Bands" at the school, and played for a dance in Voorheesville and several graduation parties. The quintet is headed for Syracuse where they will play in the State Fair's Variety Show Case. They will be performing Sept. 2 at 8 p.m. and Sept. 3 at 5:30 p.m.

Senior citizens shun tax hearing

A public hearing advertised to consider liberalizing the property tax exemption for Bethlehem residents over the age of 65 played to an empty house last week. When Supervisor Harry H. Sheaffer opened the hearing, not a voice was raised pro or con.

The board deferred action on the proposal to raise the income maximum from \$6,500 to \$7,200 a year for senior citizens to qualify for a 50-percent reduction in their town tax levy based on assessed valuation.

Trading police cars

Bethlehem town board is putting up six of its police patrol cars for sale or trade-in on new models. The board authorized Supervisor Harry H. Sheaffer last week to seek the "best possible" transaction preparatory to purchasing six new cars. The town replaces five or six patrol cars annually.

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Intruders enter shuttered school

The Delmar Elementary School was entered during the night of Aug. 18, but other than some equipment being moved around in the gymnasium of the vacant school, no other damage was found.

Police said the intruders broke a window to gain entrance, and left some lights on when they departed.

Bruce Wood, 760 Delaware Ave., Delmar, reported that thieves took an antenna, two grease guns, a pipe wrench and a 15-foot chain from the site of a garage under construction on his property the night of Aug. 20, police said. The items were valued at \$100.



Joseph J. Feller
In Probation post

Joseph J. Feller of Delmar has been appointed training director for the State Division of Probation responsible for training some 3,700 state and local probation personnel.

Feller, a graduate of Union College, Barbourville, Ky., joined the division in 1975. He and his wife, Debbie, have two children.



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Marine promoted

Marine Pfs. Thomas M. Hitt, son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas C. Hitt of State Farm Rd., Voorheesville, has been promoted to his present rank upon graduation from recruit training at the Marine Corps Recruit Depot, Parris Island, S.C. He joined the Marine Corps in February, 1977.



Nancy D'Arpino

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Nancy D'Arpino has tied up her last bundle of outgoing mail and sold her last U.S. stamp after 17 years in the busy, crowded little postoffice in Voorheesville. She's off for Hawaii and a new life as the bride of a Honolulu businessman. In the process she is trading her 12186 zip for a 968 and two digits.

It will be a third career for

Nancy, who joined the U.S. Marines out of high school in her native Dennison, Ohio. She served three years at the Cherry Point, N.C., Marine base, and was the NCO in charge of personnel for station supply when she got married and came to Voorheesville 23 years ago. She is now divorced.

Career No. 2 was the U.S. Postal Service. She was a postal clerk in Voorheesville from 1960 to 1972, when she was named postmaster. She has four daughters and one granddaughter. One of her daughters, Frances, will continue to live in Voorheesville and commute to her job as assistant manager of McDonald's on Washington Ave., Albany.

Nancy will be leaving soon for Honolulu, where she will be married in late September or early October. Her fiance is James Kim, general manager of Pacific Truckers, a friend of the D'Arpino family whom she met when he was on a visit to Voorheesville last year.

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Citizens petition for truck ban

A group of Selkirk residents have asked the Bethlehem town board to prohibit through truck traffic on Beaver Dam Rd., Selkirk.

Representatives of a group of residents of the area presented a petition to the board bearing 49 signatures at last week's regular council session at town hall. Supervisor Harry H. Sheaffer said the board would study the situation before taking any action.

Residents stated the road is used by trucks as a short cut between Rts. 396 and 144, and that the road's surface has been damaged by the excessive weight of the vehicles. They also consider the heavy traffic a safety hazard to children playing in yards along the road, and that the Cedar Rest Home on Rt. 144 across the highway at the foot of the Beaver Dam Rd. hill would be directly in the path of a runaway truck.

Musician at Saratoga

Ellen Stewart of Tierney Drive, Delmar, is one of 110 selected high school students who attended the New York State Summer School of Orchestral Studies for four weeks last month at Skidmore College in Saratoga Springs. In addition to a daily schedule of orchestral rehearsals, classes in music theory and history and ensemble training, Ellen attended evening performances of the Philadelphia Orchestra and participated in two public performances of the student orchestra.



Cecelia Beaudin

DELMAR

Sorry, officer, ..wrong lawn..

An 18-year-old Delmar youth picked the wrong lawn to plant motorcycle tracks on—for several reasons.

One, when he hit a soft spot in the yard at 42 Fernbank Ave. at 11:40 last Thursday evening, his cycle got stuck and pitched him over the handlebars.

Two, within seconds he felt the presence of the homeowner, Officer Gerard P. DeMeur of the Bethlehem police department.

Three, within a few minutes Peter Gallacchi, 31 Harrison Ave., was charged with criminal mischief, criminal possession of a controlled substance, driving while intoxicated, driving an unregistered vehicle and having no insurance and no inspection sticker. He was issued an appearance ticket for Bethlehem justice court for tonight (Thursday).

Advanced by bank

Cecelia Beaudin of Delmar has been appointed assistant manager of operations for Community State Bank. Mrs. Beaudin attended Windham Ashland Jewett High School. She has studied accounting at Russell Sage College, and is a former board member of the American Institute of Banking.



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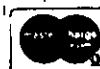
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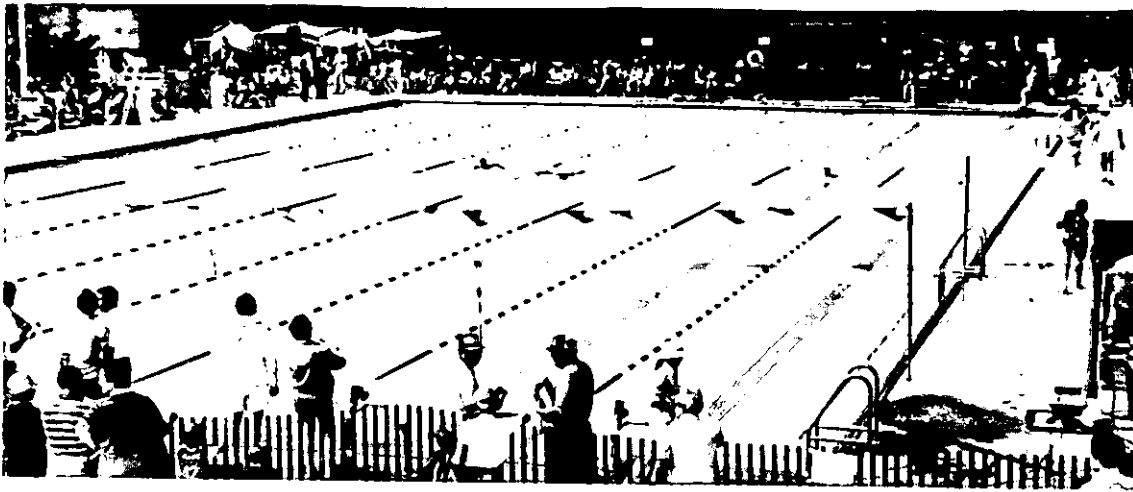
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AAU SWIMMING

Delmar mighty mites star in district meet

Delmar's well-organized and well-coached Dolphins splashed and dove to the Adirondack District AAU girls' team swimming championship and showed enough individual talent to make the future brighter than ever.

Among the brightest were Jessica Follett, 13, who won "open" diving crowns from both the one-meter and three-meter boards over a talented field including 18-year-olds from a wide area of upstate New York; Lynn Apicelli, an 8-year-old phenom who set two meet records and tied Delmar's Joyce Shen for high-point total, and Janet Bowman, high-point winner in the senior (15-18) bracket with four first places.

There were many other stars as the Dolfin girls upset the favored Saratoga "Y" Tigers in the team totals, 416 to 409, both far ahead of third-place SUNYA with 284 and Schenectady with 236. Saratoga won the boys' title with 449 to Delmar's 392 and Watertown's 371, and also took the overall team championship with 858 points. Delmar was close behind at 808, nearly twice the total of third-place Schenectady with 409. There were 17 teams and more than 450 swimmers in 93 events at the Elm Ave. Park pool during the three-day meet, in which a record number of records were shattered.

Saratoga Coach Tom Cornell attributed Delmar's

strong showing to "the outstanding depth the Dolfin team has in its 8-and-under girls group" which dominated that age bracket in the district meet.

Meet records fell like tenpins, so many that officials indicated it would be another week before the full count was in. Lisa Robbiano, 14, of Loudonville, swimming for Colonie Aquatic Club, took five firsts and set three records, including the senior 100-meter breaststroke. Robert Hrabchek, 14, of Watertown, won six events and broke three meet marks. Scott Wisner, Watertown High School senior whose application to transfer to Bethlehem Central this year was rejected by the local school



Winners all: Janet Bowman, Donna Schulz and Lynn Apicelli of the Delmar Dolphins and Dirk Applegate of Voorheesville take a breather during AAU swim preliminaries. On the cover: Delmar's Jessica Follett, 13, who swept both the one-meter and three-meter women's open diving championships.

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Photos by Cheryl Marks

board, swept the distance events at 1500, 400 and 200 meters, setting a new record in the 400. Kathy Riley, 12, of Guilderland had four firsts and three meet records, and a 10-year-old from Albany, Nancy Connolly, won five events for the SUNYA swim club.

Advisory council meets

The Near Neighbors' Advisory Council of the New York Job Corps Center recently held their monthly meeting with Center Director John N. Acquilano. Ed Mocker of Glenmont is the newest member of the council and attended the August meeting which began with dinner in the Center's cafeteria and included presentations by Acquilano and Raymond

Brown, manager of employability assurance.

Exercise programs

The Bethlehem Library is sponsoring two workshops on different exercise techniques. On Sept. 7 Judy Arbour will demonstrate Aerobic dancing at 10:30 a.m. and 7:30 p.m. Aerobics were originated by Jackie Sorensen and consist of choreographed dancing to music intended to strengthen the heart and lungs and tighten and firm the muscles.

Elaine Holbrook will lead a class on Sept. 8 at 10:30 a.m. and 7:30 p.m. on creative fitness and aerobic rhythms.

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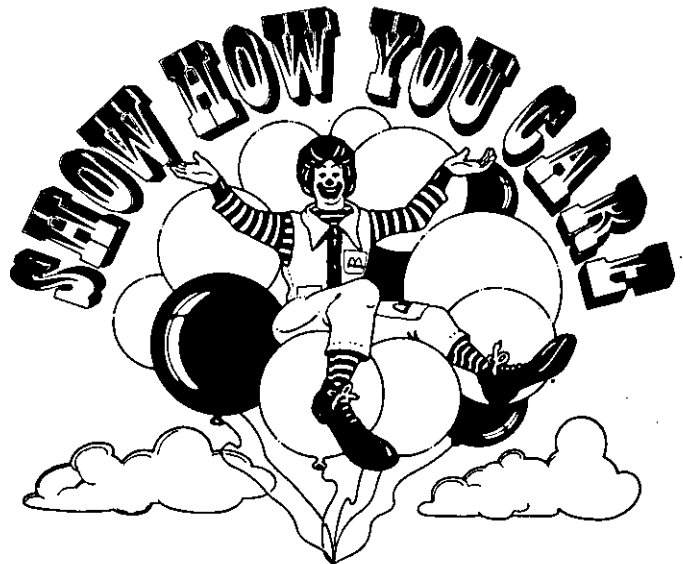
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Garden wedding

The Jacksons Gardens at Union College, Schenectady, was the setting for marriage Aug. 13 of Barbara DeLaney, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John E. DeLaney of Delmar and Clifford Brosnan, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Brosnan of Belle Harbor. Rev. Alan Jupin officiated.

The bride, wearing her mother's wedding dress, was attended by Joanne Brosnan, maid of honor, Loretta Brosnan and Regina Brosnan, sisters of the groom. Brian

Maughty was best man and the ushers were Michael DeLaney, Mark DeLaney and John DeLaney, brothers of the bride. Following a reception at the Bavarian Chalet, the couple left for a trip to Cape Ann, Mass., and are at home in Albany, Albany.

The bride is a graduate of SUNY—Plattsburgh and is an elementary teacher at Shenendahowa Central School. Her husband is a graduate of Rutgers University and is currently completing his master's degree at SUNY—Albany.

Diet open houses

The Diet Workshop will hold free open houses during the week of Sept. 11. Men, women and teenagers are invited to attend, without obligation, to learn the Diet Workshop's method of weight control and everyone attending any of the open houses will receive a copy of prize winning recipes.

Meetings are held at St. Matthew's Church in Voorheesville on Wednesdays at 7:30 p.m., and the Bethlehem Lutheran Church, Delmar and Civic Center, Ravena on Thursdays at 7:30 p.m. For information call 459-9616.

Nursery school meeting

On Thursday, Sept. 8 the Tri-Village Nursery School will have their fall corporation meeting in the Fellowship Hall of the First United Methodist Church, Delmar. The meeting will be at 8 p.m. and parents of prospective students are invited to attend.

Bank dividend

A regular quarterly dividend of 27½ cents a share has been declared by First Commercial Banks Inc., payable Oct. 14 to holders of record Sept. 30. First Commercial is the \$1.8 billion parent company of National Commercial Bank and Trust Co.



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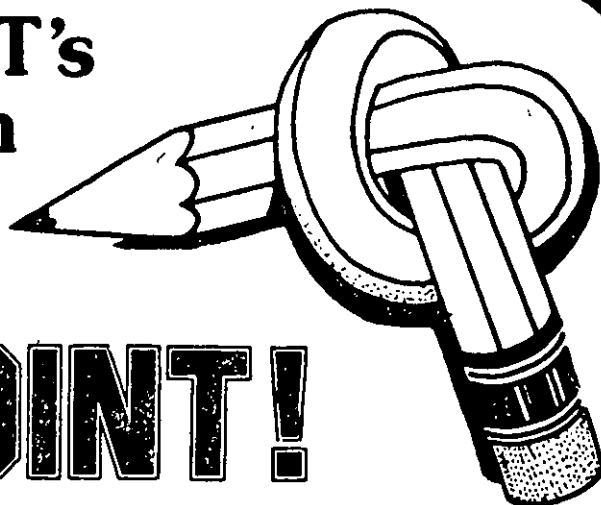
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If a statue could talk a little girl's story



A statue of two small children, entitled "The Whisper," was brought from the studio of its creator, Henry S. Gamley, in Scotland by the late Arthur Pound to Slingerlands 50 years ago. This summer a daughter of Dr. Pound, former state historian and author who lived for many years on Bullock Rd., New Scotland, and her husband donated the statue to the University of Michigan, where it now rests in a campus center named for Dr. and Mrs. Pound. The following narrative was written for the Spotlight by Madelon Pound Graves of Bullock Rd.

1927

My brother and I left No. 7 Hope St. Lane, Edinburgh, Scotland, and sailed to the U.S.A. We then traveled up the

west shore of the Hudson River to the New Scotland, New York, railroad station. There we were helped into a depot wagon and driven a short distance to a lovely formal garden.

The garden was created by Mrs. Edward Buyck, landscape architect and wife of a well known Capital District artist. Their home and studio was on McCormack Rd.

1930

In this new land we feel at home. There is a glimpse of the Helderberg Mountains at sunset as we look west through the red pines that tower over the spacious roof of the house. The clipped hedges are geometrically planted in two circles, divided by paths so that the children and their friends can play a fox-and-geese-like game. The little ones often

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1952

These 12 years have been a bit hard on the garden and the house. The graceful elm whose branches used to swing toward us in the breeze has succumbed

to the Dutch elm disease. Some of the tops of the giant pines have snapped off, weighed down by snow and wind. The arbor pillars have been taken over by bees and the hedge is unruly. However, in spring, the vine that grew over our heads like a halo bears green leaves and there are tulips, daffodils and narcissus in the most unlikely places.

1970

So much has happened. One of the daughters has tried to take care of us. She weeded, planted, and put a stone bird bath at our feet. Her children and the children of her sisters all visit us from time to time, and now their children. Will there be no end? We hope not.

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A fine state of affairs! After all these years we were taken from our garden to a nearby hillside from which we can see valleys and a great expanse of sky. The sisters have tried to figure out a place for us that would be safe and beautiful and fair to all who loved us. We thought we would be going to a nearby small cemetery where there are three memorial stones to those who knew us. Ugly stories of vandalism changed that idea. We thought vandals were feared in other countries, not in this land of hope.

1977

What now! Four strong arms lifted us into an open U-Haul trailer and we bounced and joggled across New York State, across Ontario, and on to the

state of Michigan, birthplace of our first friends. We were warmly received at the Madelon Pound House at the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, and those in authority exclaimed with pleasure at our beauty. We were placed in the former living room of Dr. Pound's apartment, and I will admit that we looked lovely against the butternut paneled wall. Best of all, we will be friends with children from all over the world, and from us they may learn that the most important things are not shouted, but are lovingly said in "A Whisper."

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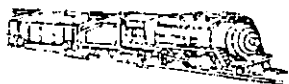
The Youth Fellowships of the First United Methodist Church of Delmar and the Delmar Reformed Church are preparing to resume their monthly paper drives next week, but the location for dropping off papers has been changed.

Starting Saturday, Sept. 10, residents of the community are invited to drop off their papers in the parking lot of the Bethlehem Recycling Center on Adams St. opposite the police station between 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. No papers will be picked up at the former location, the town parking lot on Kenwood Ave.

Pickups can be arranged by calling either of the church offices, Methodist 439-9976 Reformed 439-9929. The drive will be held on the second Saturday of each month September through June.

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Post-stroke to elect

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Tax clerks named

Eight temporary appointments as clerks to assist in the collection of school taxes have been made by the Bethlehem town board. The board last week appointed Margaret Warner, Anna Hulme, Jeanette Morttensen, Frances Shutter and Virginia Cane for the period Aug. 25-31, and Lucy Verardi, Ruth Barker, Nina Studler, Anna Hulme and Virginia Cane for the period Sept. 1-Oct 7. School tax bills were scheduled to be mailed Sept. 1 and can be paid through Sept. 30 without penalty.



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Business women meet

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The club is a growing organization formed to create cultural and social interests for business women in the community and to cooperate with community activities. Membership is open to women engaged in business or the professions who are interested in the purposes of the Club.

Guest speaker for the first meeting is Mrs. Alice Porter who will present a travelogue with colored slides. Officers of the club are: Mrs. Dorothy Brown, president, Mrs. Mauri Flanigan, vice president, Mrs. Marijane Goyer, secretary, and Miss Marjorie LeRoy, treasurer.

Ballet classes here

The Empire State Ballet School, a school of classic ballet and Spanish dance, will open its fall semester Sept. 12, 85 Elm St., Delmar. The faculty includes Cornell Thayer, who studied in Europe, England and New York City. Vivian Thayer, a graduate of the Professional Childrearing School in New York City, and Ruby Styles, who was trained in dance and in teaching dance in England. Information, 393-0929.



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Dave Herrington

Named Hartwick coach

David Herrington of Delmar, girls' track coach at Bethlehem Central High School for the last two years, is in Oneonta this week starting a new job as track and cross country coach at Hartwick College. He will also serve as director of intramurals and as instructor in the physical education department.

Herrington, who also has been running coach of the Bethlehem Track Club and Capital Track Club, is a graduate of Lea College, Minn., and earned his master's degree in physical education at Springfield College.

Krumkill Rd. open

The State Dept. of Transportation this week reopened a reconstructed section of Krumkill Rd. between the Rt. 85 arterial and New Scotland Ave. in the city

of Albany. The DOT advised a small amount of roadside development work remains to be done. Buckingham Dr., which has been utilized as a two-way detour since April, reverts to a one-way westbound street, the department said. The road construction has been under the supervision of Regional Director Donald N. Geoffroy of the Albany DOT Office. Hudson River Construction Co. of Albany holds the contract for the reconstruction of Krumkill Rd. scheduled for completion by Dec. 1.

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Voorheesville football co-captains Alex Kernozek, left, and Dave Condon with Coach Tom Buckley. *Spotlight photo*

SPORTS

Blackbirds look good to Buckley

There are two reasons for that big Hibernian smile on Tom Buckley's face these days. One is that he's a happy guy anyway, the other is that his Voorheesville Central football team has enough experience, power and speed to make a strong run for the Southern Conference title this fall

Buckley has 10 lettermen who started three or more games last year returning for

defensive duty, and seven ditto on the offense. He'll have to do some switching around and some experimenting, but the nucleus is solid. Other coaches should have the kind of problems Buckley has, such as where to play Dave Gusstola, an all-conference defensive end last year; Tom George, a speedy 175-pound all-conference defensive halfback, and Dave Condon, a tackle who goes 6-2 and 225 pounds.

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Veterans Craig Gleason, Tom George, Rich Fenwich and Rich Coote form the nucleus of the 1977 Voorheesville varsity.

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coach. "Gosstola will play defensive end, Condon defensive tackle, and George, who played both ways last year, will be a linebacker and starting fullback."

As is the case in the smaller schools, several of Buckley's more rugged operatives will play both offense and defense. Alex Krenozek, co-captain of the team with Condon, will see duty as linebacker and starting guard on the offensive line. Rich Fenwick, 15 pounds heavier this year at 165, will alternate as running back and defensive back. Byron "Duck" Donnelly, an end on offense and who also played noseguard on the defensive wall before an injury sidelined him for the season, is back in good health and will play end on the attack and possibly safety when the enemy has the ball. Greg Hawkins, a 158-pound junior who was safety last year, is being groomed at quarterback. "He's green," admitted Buckley, "but he's a good athlete, a good kid and intelligent."

Another conversion project is Chris Beals, a defensive tackle in 1976 who is slated to be the starting center. Then there's Bob Sippel, offensive guard shifting to defensive end, and Craig Gleason, pegged for

starting defensive tackle who could wind up being an outside linebacker. Gleason, a junior packing 185 pounds, is also being tried at running back. Rich Coote, who was a starting tackle as a sophomore, is back in his old spot, as is Eddie Cross, a receiver.

Promising newcomers up from the jayvees include juniors Jim Cillis, Joe Connors, Tom Blair, Bob Grassucci and Ed Zautner, juniors, and sophomores Steve Preston and Joe Probst. Cillis could go both ways in the backfield, Connors adds 210 pounds to the defensive line, and Probst could be the No. 2 quarterback and play a cornerback post on the defense. Among the shock troops are Bob Ewart, Larry Murphy and Jeff Nackbar, all seniors. Ewart is an end, Murphy a 218-pound tackle who was out with injuries last year, and Nackbar will see duty on the defensive line.

The Veevees were 4-2-1 in the conference last year, 4-4-1 overall. Buckley considers Tamarac the major threat in the conference, and expects problems from Hudson, a new school in the conference and thus an unknown quantity. He'll know a lot more Sept. 16 when the Blackbirds play their opener at Hudson.

New transit map

More than a year of intensive work has gone into a new bus route map of the Capital District, according to Joseph Parillo, chairman of the Capital District Transportation Authority. Extensive distribution of the map is beginning with posting copies in bus stop shelters. Maps are available to the public at no charge.

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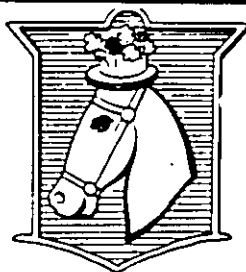
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Police said the tires, valued at \$450, were taken the night of Aug. 21. On the same night, Linda Eagan reported the theft of a television console and stereo record player valued at \$1000 from her home at 3 West Bayberry Dr., Glenmont. Police said entry was gained through a cellar window and the bulky console dragged across the living room and out the front door.

Christine M. Peterson, Rt. 9W, Glenmont, told police two hanging plants, bridal wreath and wandering jew, had been taken from the front porch of her home during the night.

Police also are investigating a criminal mischief incident on Wemple Rd., Glenmont. Beverly A. Schoonmaker reported someone had punched holes in the swimming pool in her yard and had destroyed the water pump and filter.

Tires vandalized

Police are searching for five North Bethlehem youths suspected of slashing tires of parked vehicles. Bethlehem police said Dennis E. McClintock, 319A Schoolhouse Rd. reported tires on all

four wheels and the spare on his pickup truck parked on Reineman St., North Bethlehem, were slashed around 10 p.m. last Wednesday, and that Mary P. Wood of Reineman St. reported the left front tire of her 1977 car had been stabbed and punctured while parked in front of her home at about the same time. A neighbor told police he had seen five boys in the yard of the Glen Henry auto repair shop at approximately that hour.

Trading police cars

Bethlehem town board is putting up six of its police patrol cars for sale or trade-in on new models. The board authorized Supervisor Harry H. Sheaffer last week to seek the "best possible" transaction preparatory to purchasing six new cars. The town usually replaces five or six patrol cars annually.

Youth arrested

A 16-year-old Slingerlands youth apprehended earlier this month in connection with the theft of several six-packs of beer from the Convenient Food Mart on Kenwood Ave., was arrested for disorderly conduct at the same store shortly before 10 p.m. Aug. 21. Police said the youth, whose name was withheld because of his age, was on probation at the time. The police report stated he used abusive language with Officer Richard L. Vanderbilt following an altercation in the store.

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Marilyn Winig

Weight Watchers busy

Marilyn Winig, area director of Weight Watchers in the Capital District, is offering a discount to all persons who join

classes during the weeks of Sept. 12-24 in observance of the program's 10th anniversary in this area. For information on classes watch the Spotlight and other newspapers, or call 489-8323.

Blue Shield promotes

Robert P. Conklin of Guilderland has been appointed vice president of marketing coordination and public inform Blue Shield of Northeastern New York, Inc. An employee of the Blue Cross and Blue Shield sales department since 1961, he served most recently as a district sales manager.

Lamaze classes set

Classes in the Lamaze method of prepared childbirth will begin in Albany starting the weeks of Sept. 5 and Sept. 19. Women planning to attend the six week series of classes should plan to begin them at

4-H at state fair

Area 4-H youth are well represented at the New York State Fair in Syracuse. Dorothy Osborn of South Bethlehem will model in the 4-H clothing revue and Tom Seymour of Clarksville is on the dairy judging team, as well as describing New York State's natural resources. Joanne Poggi of Slingerlands will demonstrate macrame and Terri Kleinke of Delmar and Richard Cicero of Slingerlands will serve as hosts in the fair building.

Gardeners displaying vegetables include Nancy Stahl and Ralph Stilan of Slingerlands, Debbie Kleinke of Glenmont and John Springer of Voorheesville.



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Later Geoffroy said he would dig back into the abandoned plans for the bypass, and repeated his pledge to try for a modification of federal requirements through a variance. Approval of town officials is not required, but the DOT usually does not proceed

without local endorsement, New Scotland Supervisor Stephen Wallace told onlookers his town board would offer a resolution opposing the project.

CSR chorale starting

The College of Saint Rose has opened membership in its Masterworks Chorale to the public for the first time this month. The chorale of mixed voices is the major choral group at the college, and performs locally and on tour. The chorale is making plans to appear in Paris, France, in January. Rehearsals start Thursday, Sept. 8, at 7 p.m. For information contact J. Robert Sheehan, chairman of the music division of the college, at 471-5178.

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Delmar sisters plan a carnival

Doranne Westerhouse, 7, and her sister, Kelly, 8, aren't sure who saw the notice first at the Elsmere McDonald's, or who got the idea first. No matter: the important thing is that Doranne and Kelly are putting on a carnival in the back yard of their house at 1 North St., Delmar, tomorrow (Friday) and they want all the kids in town to come, starting at 10 a.m.

They are joining thousands of youngsters all over the U.S. who have put on carnivals for the benefit of the muscular dystrophy program. They'll be turning over all the proceeds to the Muscular Dystrophy Assn. Many of them were inspired by Perry Lewis on his MD Telethon on Channel 10.

Anyway, Doranne took the yard home from McDonald's and sent for the kit that tells how to set up a carnival for MD. A friend down the street, Jackie Cozy of 20 North St., is helping them.

They asked Tommy Schaler to put on a magic show, there'll be a fortune telling booth, and plenty of refreshments. "We might have a gymnastics show," Kelly told the Spotlight editor the other day when she and Doranne and Jackie came to the newspaper office on Kenwood Ave. to see about publicity. The gnarled old editor, intrigued by the bluest eyes he'd ever seen in Delmar, told Kelly he would write an article and get the word around that the carnival is at 1 North St., Friday, Sept. 2, from 10-4. The girls said they would be busy this week putting posters around town, anyway.

Doranne will be starting the second grade at Elsmere school, Kelly fourth grade, and Jackie is in the Middle School. If you can't make it just across the D&H tracks, the corner house off Hudson Ave. just beyond the police station, there'll be another carnival on the 24th at 61 Meadowland St., Delmar. We'll tell you about that one in the next Spotlight.



Donald W. Eberle

AARP planning barbecue, speaker

Bethlehem Tri-Village chapter of the American Assn. of Retired Persons Inc. has two events on its September calendar, a chicken barbecue by John Geurtze Sept. 13 and a speaker for the first general meeting of the new season Sept. 20.

The barbecue outing is scheduled for 12:30 p.m. at Elm Ave. Park, Delmar. Members and friends are welcome. Deadline for reservations is Sept. 9.

Donald W. Eberle of Slingerlands, chairman of the Waddell and Reed president's advisory council, will speak on "Financial Planning Needs of the Retiree" at the general meeting at the First United Methodist Church, Delmar, Sept. 20. The social hour will start at 12:30 p.m.

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Fiddle will be taught by Tom McCreech, a long time member of Fennig's All-Star String Band, and the Hot Mud Family, who is well known for his unique style in Irish and country music. Walt Michael, leader of the popular bluegrass band, Bottle Hill, will teach guitar and George Ward will lead the banjo classes. Ward is an area folklorist and member of the Broken String Band.

Michael said the intent of the classes is to "teach you how to become your own teacher, how to keep on learning, and to learn to play with the understanding of what a song is and how to play with other string musicians."

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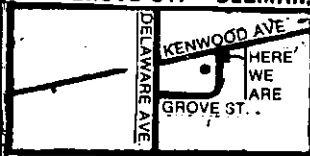
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**Spotlight
in retrospect**

Aug. 29, 1957

John Hotaling, night chief of the town of Bethlehem police, has resigned as supervisor for the United Traction Co. after 36 years of service in transportation. He has been in police work for the past 18 years.

A new drive-in theater has opened in Slingerlands. Playing at the Mayfair Drive-In this week is "The Rainmaker" with Burt Lancaster and Katherine Hepburn, and "Ondongo" with Rhonda Fleming. Further out on Rt. 85, at the Indian Ladder Drive-In, the feature is "Tammy and the

Bachelor" with Debbie Reynolds and Walter Brennan.
Aug. 30, 1962

A large turnout of Elsmere residents was expected at the Bethlehem board of appeals meeting this week in a mounting furor over a proposed car wash at Delaware and Euclid Aves. Homeowners contend the permit was unlawfully issued and that the car wash would seriously undermine property values on Euclid Ave. and cause hazardous traffic conditions on Delaware Ave. The owners and operators of the proposed car wash, Arthur H. Fleahman Jr. and Robert H. Rice of Delmar, contend the car wash will provide employment for residents of the area and would bring additional income to town merchants. Letters to the Spotlight have been divided between supporting the proposal and opposing it.

The new junior high school in Ravena will open this fall, marking the first new physical facilities in the R-C-S district since the Feura Bush, Jericho, South Bethlehem and Coey-

mans additions were built in the 1928-30 period.

Aug. 31, 1967

Dr. Tullio Mereu has begun a private practice of pediatrics at 785 Delaware Ave., Delmar.

Medal winners for the Delmar Swim Club in the Junior Olympics at Clifton Knolls were Ellen Donovan, Jean Winchell, Rick Nolan, Jim Shanley, John Dos Passos, Ginny Hepp and Rob Montinari. Ellen came home with two medals and Jean with three.



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Marijane and Maynard "Red" Goyer of 9 Herber Ave., Delmar, were recently appointed to the rank of supervisors at a Shaklee meeting in Maryland. The Shaklee Corp., a fast growing direct-selling organization, was founded 20 years ago in California to develop organic and biodegradable cleaners, natural skin care products, natural food supplements and vitamins. Marijane and Red believe that the local

market potential has only been scratched and that opportunities for growth in this area are virtually unlimited.



Mrs. Philip Scholomiti

Delmar girl marries

Lois Ann Blendell, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Blendell of 56 Montrose Dr., Delmar, and Philip Scholomiti of the Bronx were married Aug. 20 at St. Thomas Church, Delmar, by Rev. James Daley pastor. The bridegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Odysseu Scholomiti.

Gloria Dlugoleski of Utica was maid of honor and Nancy Crannell of Elsmere was bridesmaid. Anthony Crane of Utica was best man and Tom and Chris Scholomiti, brother of the groom, were ushers.

The bride was graduated from Bethlehem Central High School and Mohawk Valley Community College with a degree in advertising. She is the assistant manager for Spence Gifts in Utica. Her husband graduated from Dewitt Clinton High School and Mohawk Valley Community College with an associates degree in surveying. He does general contracting in Utica.

The Scholomitis are making their home in Utica.

Taking police course

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Following a wedding trip to St. Maartin the couple are making their home in the Meadowbrook Apts., Slingerlands.

Mrs. John Robert Dollard

Voorheesville couple wed

On Aug. 20 Mary Beth McGrath and John Robert Dollard were married at St. Matthew's Church in Voorheesville in an 11 a.m. ceremony performed by Rev. Arthur Toole. The bride is the daughter of Mrs. Ruth McGrath and the late William McGrath of 42 Maple Ave., Voorheesville. The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. John R. Dollard Sr., of Voorheesville.

Kathleen Shearer and Suzanne Deneferio, sisters of the bride were matrons of honor. Bridesmaids were Frances D'Arpino, Beth Passarelli and Cathy Ruth McGrath, niece of the bride. Carey Ann Deneferio was flower girl and Chad David Shearer ring bearer. Michael Dollard was best man for his brother and ushers were Glen Sowalski, Tom Passarelli and Edward O'Donnell.

The Dollards are graduates of Voorheesville High School.



Donna Marie Cerone

Glenmont girl engaged

Mr. and Mrs. James Cerone of 1 Glenmont Park, Glenmont, announce the engagement of their daughter, Donna Marie, to Mario James Rizzo, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Rizzo of Albany.

The bride-to-be is a 1975 graduate of Bethlehem Central and is employed by the New York State Dept. of Mental Hygiene. Her fiance graduated from school in Italy and works for Anthony J. Hill in Rensselaer. An April 22 wedding is planned.

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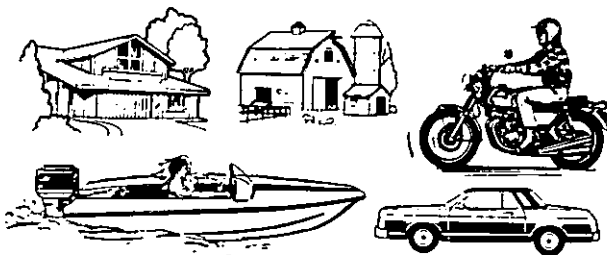
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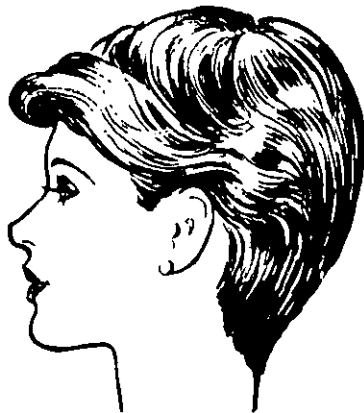
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'Friendliest corner'

Editor, the Spotlight:

Your June 9 photo of our church, which, by the way, is still "The Philadelphia Church," did us a great service. It served to wake us up to the fact that we do belong to a community. We do not want to be the "forgotten corner," but we are not offended by your caption. On the contrary, being

part of the cover story is good publicity. Nonetheless, we do exist over here and are not a secret society. You all have our invitation to visit us and see that the forgotten corner just may be the friendliest corner.

Enclosed please find remittance for a year's subscription. We'd like to know more about where we are!

Rev. Gene Henderson Pastor,
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Track club-grateful

To the Tri-Village Community:

On behalf of the Bethlehem Track Club and the Capital Track Club, I would like to thank you for the support extended to the activities Bob Oates and I have organized this past year.

Through the BTC the Tri-Village area has helped the high school program with various fund-raising events such as Bethlehem window stickers, Holly's Helper and car washes. The profits have gone toward girls uniforms, high jump landing pits, steeples and record boards. Both the girls team and the boys team established new records in the high jump this year.

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Special thanks go to the Bethlehem PBA, Kiwanis, GE Plastics, "The Bank," Michael O'Sheas's Getty Station, the Brownell Agency, Dr. L.G. Winn and Goyer Distributors for their active support. With everyone's cooperation we have been able to upgrade the high school program and travel to Brackport, Providence, the University of Massachusetts, Chicago, Memphis, Rochester and locally. Thank you again.

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To the plant stealers

Editor, the Spotlight:

Congratulations to the plant stealers. I've heard of several items stolen around here in the last two years, but whoever had the audacity to come right to our front porch and lift two hanging baskets off and make away with them, well, that is nerve.

The "wandering jew" plant was my favorite. It took time to get it that way. I'll light a candle in church Sunday for whoever stole these plants, hoping it will make him a better person.

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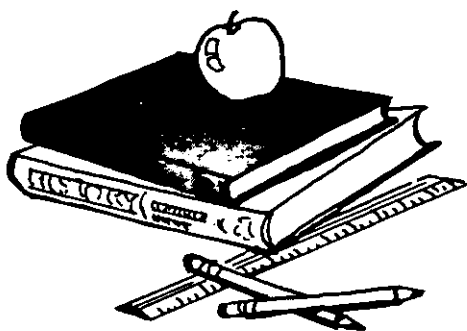
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and tilled the land and made Bethlehem's farms among the most productive in the state.

The Museum is in the Old Cedar Hill School House, Rt. 144 at Clapper Rd. in Selkirk, in the heart of a still-prospering farming community. The Museum is open to the public Sundays, 2-5 p.m., and by special appointment (call 767-9919). Admission is free

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