

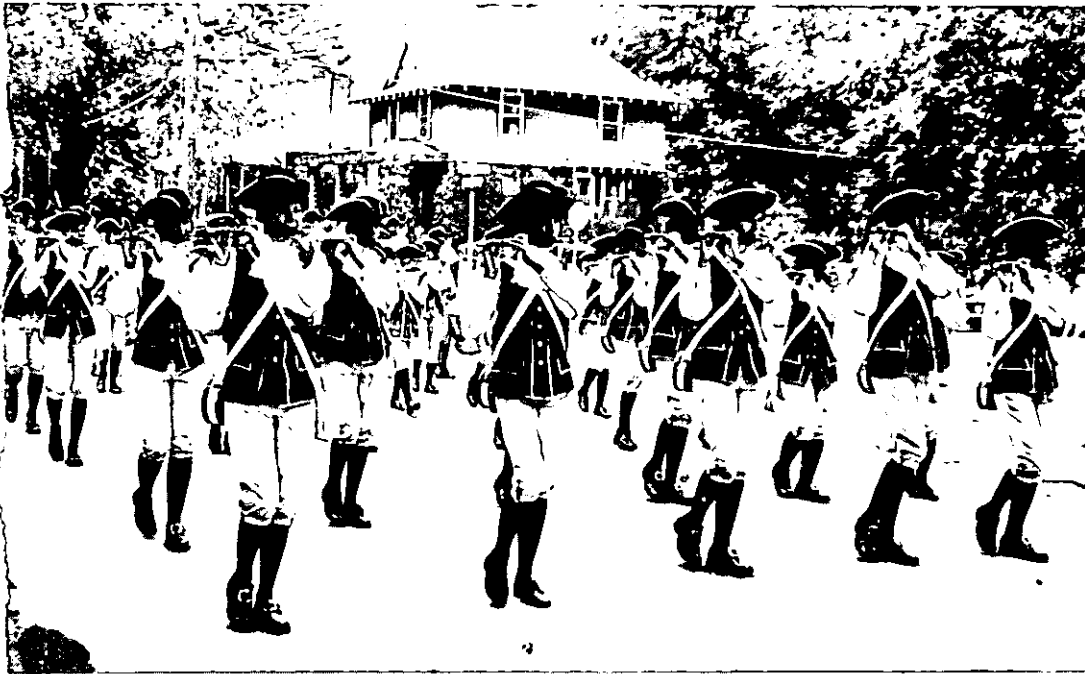
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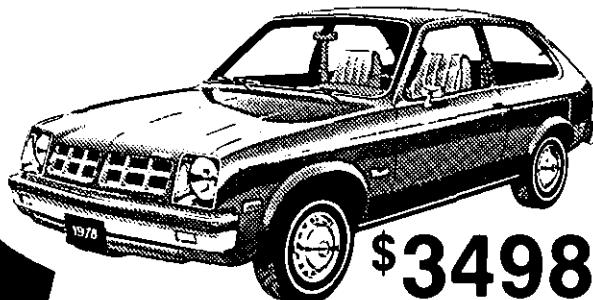
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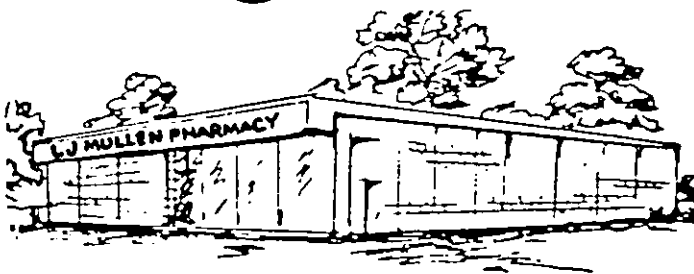
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Bethlehem B.P.O.E. 2233, first and third Wednesdays, Lodge in Cedar Hill, Rt. 144. Ladies Aux. second Wednesdays, 8 p.m.

Legion Aux., Nathaniel Adams Blanchard Post 1040, Poplar Dr., Elsmere, third Tuesdays, 8 p.m.

Onesquethaw O.E.S., first and third Wednesdays, Masonic Temple, Delmar

Glenmont Homemakers, third Wednesdays, Glenmont Community Church, 8 p.m.

ELM AVE. PARK
BUS SCHEDULES

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Lv. BCHS garage, 11 a.m., pickups in this order: Senior High School, North Bethlehem Fire Dept., Slingerlands School, Delmar School, Elsmere School, Hama-grael School, to park. Return bus leaves park 3:45, retraces same route.

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Trap shooting, Bethlehem Sportsmen's Club, Dunbar Hollow Rd., Clarksville, Sat. and Sun. 1-4 p.m. Information 439-4273.

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Bethlehem Sportsmen's Club, first Tuesdays, Dunbar Hollow Rd., Clarksville, 7:30 p.m. Guests welcome.

Rotary Club of Delmar, Tuesdays, Albany Motor Inn, Glenmont, 6:15 p.m.

Town of New Scotland, Town Board meets first Wednesday at 8 p.m., Planning Board second and fourth Tuesdays at 7 p.m., Recreation Commission third Tuesday at 7 p.m., Board of Appeals meets when necessary, usually Fridays at 7 p.m., town hall, Rt. 85.

League of Women Voters, Thursdays, Bethlehem Library, 9:15 a.m. Babysitting available. Information 439-5786.

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Albany County Pistol Club, Winne Pl. and Maewin Dr., Delmar. Guests welcome at indoor pistol range Tuesdays at 8 p.m. Information: Dave Herbach, 439-4372 or Tom Corrigan, 439-3301.

THURSDAY, JULY 13

Multi-media workshop, grades 4, 5, 6, Bethlehem Library, 2-3 p.m.

Creative Dramatics, grades 6, 7, 8, Bethlehem Library, 3-3:45 p.m.

Soccer, demonstrated by Mike Lewis, Bethlehem Library, 4 p.m.

Family films, featuring Ezra Jack Keats, author of "Whistle for Willie," "Goggles" and others, Bethlehem Library, 7:30 p.m.

Guided walk, "Exploring Water Worlds," Five Rivers Environmental Education Center, Delmar, 7:30 p.m.

Disco Night, Elm Ave. Park, Delmar, 8 p.m.-midnight.

FRIDAY, JULY 14

All-Family Finale, Bethlehem Christian Workshop, Bethlehem Community Church, 6 p.m.

Recovery Inc., meeting for persons with nervous symptoms, First United Methodist Church, Delmar, 12:30-1:30 p.m., free will offering.

Carnival, Onesquethaw Fire Dept., Unionville fire house, 6-11 p.m.



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Photography workshop, Five Rivers Environmental Education Center, 1:30-4 p.m., 457-6092.

Environmental Planning Lobby, fundraising party, "An Afternoon at Hollyhock," home of Robert and Leona Train Rienow, Selkirk, 2-6 p.m., 462-5526.

MONDAY, JULY 17

Summer nursery school, games and sports, Bethlehem Preschool, Glenmont, 463-8091.

Summer reading program, grades 1-6, Voorheesville Library.

Annual vacation church school, First United Methodist Church,

Delmar, children three years to grade 6, July 17-21, 439-9976.

TUESDAY, JULY 18

Preschool story hour, Bethlehem Library, 10:30-11 a.m.

Film, Bethlehem Library, 2 p.m.

Creative Dramatics, grades 2, 3, Bethlehem Library, 3-3:30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 19

Public hearing, Bethlehem Board of Appeals, on application of Mr. and Mrs. Sanford B. Levin, 123 Westchester Dr., Delmar, for a variance pertaining to a lot occupancy to construct an addition to existing structure, Bethlehem town hall, 8 p.m.

Mid-week worship, First United Methodist Church, Delmar, 7:30 p.m.

Assemblyman Lane will be at his office for questions and discussions with constituents, 1 Becker Terr., Delmar, 9-noon (new hours).

Multi-media workshop, grades 1, 2, 3, Bethlehem Library, 11-noon.

Romantic music, by Julie Kabat and Carole Friedman, sponsored by the Albany City Arts Office, Bethlehem Library, 2-2:45 p.m.

Preschool story hour, Bethlehem Library, 2-2:30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 19

Creative Dramatics, grades 4, 5, Bethlehem Library, 3-3:30 p.m.

Magician, James H. Gosch, Bethlehem Library, 7:30 p.m.

THURSDAY, JULY 20

Multi-media workshop, grades 4, 5, 6, Bethlehem Library, 2-3 p.m.

Creative Dramatics, grades 6, 7, 8, Bethlehem Library, 3-3:45 p.m.

Tennis, demonstrated by Larry Linnet, Bethlehem Library, 4-4:30 p.m.

Family films, featuring Mr. Shepard and Mr. Milne, author and illustrator of "Winnie the Pooh."

Guided walk, "Frankly Ferns," Five Rivers Environmental Education Center, Delmar, 7 p.m., 457-6092.

La Leche League, at the home of Mrs. Daniel Noel, 511-A Kenwood Ave., Delmar, 8:15 p.m.

FRIDAY, JULY 21

Recovery Inc., meeting for persons with nervous symptoms, First United Methodist Church, Delmar, 12:30-1:30 p.m., free will offering.

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Career and educational planning, Bethlehem Library, 2-5 p.m.

Young boater's safety course, Slingerlands fire station, 10 to 16 years old, 9-11 a.m.

MONDAY, JULY 24

Career and educational planning, Bethlehem Library, 2-5 p.m.

Summer nursery school, "Exploring Foods Around Us," Bethlehem Preschool, Glenmont, 9:30-noon.

Delmar Community Orchestra, First United Methodist Church, Delmar, 7:30 p.m.

FRIDAY, JULY 28

Recovery Inc., meeting for persons with nervous symptoms, First

United Methodist Church, Delmar, 12:30-1:30 p.m., free will offering.

SATURDAY, JULY 29

Punkingtown Fair, New Salem Volunteer Fire Dept., Rt. 85A next to the firehall.

Career and educational planning, Bethlehem Library, 2-5 p.m.

Rummage sale, Delmar Kiwanis Club, Glenmont firehouse.

MONDAY, JULY 13

Career and educational planning, Bethlehem Library, 1-3 p.m.

Summer nursery school, "Puppet Workshop," Bethlehem Preschool, Glenmont, 9:30-noon, 463-8091.

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THEATER

"The Amorous Flea," State University Summer Theatre, Recital Hall, University Performing Arts Center, **July 7-9, 12-16, 19-23**, 8 p.m. Box office open weekdays 11-4, 457-8606.

"Snow White," full-production musical for children, Mac-Haydn Theatre, Chatham, **July 14-15, 21-22**, 11 a.m. \$2, also group discount available. 477-6175 locally, box office 392-2262.

"Feiffer's People," State University Summer Theatre, staged cabaret style in the SUNYA Performing Arts Center Lab Theater. Refreshments available, **July 14-16, 19-23**, 8 p.m. 457-8606.

"Man of LaMancha," musical, Mac-Haydn Theatre, Chatham, **July 12-16, 19-23**, 8 p.m. (Sat. 5 and 8:30, Sun. 7 p.m.), \$6, \$5. 392-9292.

"Mary, Mary," starring Betsy Normile, Valhalla Country Club dinner theater, Rexford, **July 17, 18, 24, 31**. 393-2345.

Coliseum Theatre, Latham: Al Martino and Ted Knight, **through July 15**, Ben Vereen, **July 17-22**, Mon.-Fri. 8:30, Sat. 7 and 10 p.m. \$9.50, \$8.50. 785-3393.

ART

Mohawk-Hudson Regional Exhibition, painting, sculpture, prints, drawings, Albany Institute of History and Art, **through Sept. 15**.

Second annual Creative Arts Therapy Exhibition, Center Gallery, 75 New Scotland Ave., Albany, **through July 23**. Hours 1-4 daily.

World Print Competition '77, exhibition of contemporary prints, University Art Gallery, Albany, **through Sept. 1**, weekdays 9-4, Sundays 1-4.

Helderberg Weavers, 4th annual exhibition, Guggenheim Pavilion, Rensselaerville, **June 18-Aug. 4**, daily 9-5, some weekends. 797-3296.

Story of America in Cartoons, Rensselaer County Junior Museum, 282 Fifth Ave., Troy, **through Aug. 30**, Mon.-Wed. 9-12, 1-4.

HISTORIC TOUR

Walking Tour of Burden Iron Works, archaeological site on Wynantskill, **July 15**, assemble Woodside Presbyterian Church, Mill St., South Troy, 10 a.m. Guide: Jim McKinney. \$2, \$1.

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A green light for Hudson Ave. apartment traffic?

Only a few formalities remain for Delmar developer Gerald Goldie in his quest for final approval of a 52-unit apartment complex off Hudson Ave. while frustrated town officials shake their heads over prospects of a built-in traffic mess of monster proportions.

The Bethlehem board of appeals last week granted Goldie's firm, Bilt-Mor Construction Corp., conditional approval on the land use for his proposed subdivision, "The Moorings," at 32 Hudson Ave. The project embraces 13 four-unit apartment buildings on a landscaped six-acre tract with rear garages and off-street parking.

Goldie now must return to the town planning board for subdivision approval. That board is well aware of Goldie's plans after a series of long discussions, primarily on traffic and road congestion. Chairman William R. Weber and several board members have expressed serious concern about the impact of The Moorings' projected traffic volume moving into main-stream arteries at two intersections that rank high on the list of Delmar's most dangerous: Hudson Ave. at Delaware Ave., and Kenwood Ave. at Adams St.

Town officials are further frustrated by the green light given the traffic situation by state and county agencies. Already on record as seeing no objection to future traffic patterns stemming from the proposed complex are the State Dept. of Transportation's regional traffic engineer, Albany County Traffic Control



Mark Collien

This is what can happen when dogs get loose in a barnyard. Bethlehem assessor Gil Houk helps clear the carcasses of more than 100 chickens slain by marauding canines in Glenmont.

Board and Albany County planning board. Said one town official: "Incredible."

Amplifying the frustration is the Damoclean spectre of Patroon Village, a proposed subdivision of some 250 lots in the North St. area. That project, on land foreclosed by the Guardian Savings and Loan of Long Island, has been long dormant, but with the Moorings about to provide the needed access to Hudson Ave., Patroon Village could spring to life, further complicating the traffic situation.

For his part, Goldie insists the community's established format for apartment developments runs toward retired persons, so-called "empty nesters" whose children have established their own homes, and young couples without children. "These people will not add to rush hour traffic," he told both boards in recent sessions.

GLENMONT

Marauding dogs kill 121 chickens

Bethlehem officials, notably Dog Warden Arthur Taylor, are keeping an eye out for dogs tentatively identified as responsible for a barnyard spree that killed 121 chickens and 10 ducks on the former Fred Dunn farm in Glenmont.

The perpetrators, believed to be two household pets, have been traced to a nearby residential neighborhood in the vicinity of Oakwood Rd. The carnage, which occurred on the afternoon of June 28, was appraised at \$310 by Gilbert Houk, Bethlehem town assessor, who followed the legal procedure of turning the report over to the county treasurer for payment of damages. The fowl were owned by Dominick Cubello of Albany, who operates a livestock farm on the site.

The incident also has been reported to the U.S. Dept. of Agriculture and Markets. Local officials issued a reminder to nearby residents that the law permits property owners and enforcement authorities to shoot the perpetrators on sight.

Jailed in burglary

Bethlehem police have charged Michael D. Weis, 25, of Albany with third degree burglary, criminal mischief and petit larceny stemming from a break-in at Pvt. Benny's tavern on New Scotland Rd., Slingerlands, last May 8. Bethlehem police said Weis, a suspect in the case, was picked up by police in a neighboring community, and was interrogated by Dets. Richard LaChappelle and Colin Clark. Weis was arraigned before Justice Roger Fritts in Bethlehem town court and remanded to Albany County jail pending a hearing.

Plane vandalized

A Piper airplane owned by William H. Bradford of Rensselaer was vandalized last week while parked at the South Albany airport, Selkirk. Police theorized that vandals who untied the plane, smashed a side window and bent the antenna of the emergency transmitter either intended to fly the plane or steal the radio equipment.

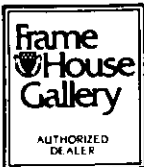
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Teachers ratify
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Mary Pilkington, president of the Voorheesville Teachers Assn., said the union's membership ratified the new contract "by an overwhelming margin" in a mail ballot last week. The union, an affiliate of the New York State United Teachers AFL-CIO, claims more than 90 percent membership of the approximately 100 teachers on the district staff.

The contract calls for "about 7 percent, including the increment" for the 1978-79 school year, plus another salary boost of approximately 6 percent the second year, including increments, a source said. The contract provides for a wage reopener the third year, setting up a negotiations procedure in the Spring of 1980 on the salary question only.

Under the agreement, salary scales for athletic coaches and teachers assigned to extra-curricular activities have been increased. The contract, which replaces a two-year pact that expired June 30, will run to June, 1981.

**NEW SCOTLAND
New hearing set
for leash law**

Beleaguered members of the New Scotland town board, wrestling with the problem of writing a dog control ordinance for the better part of a year, will make a fresh try next month to hammer out a document acceptable to the pros and cons.

The board, squeezed by adamant citizens with a barrel of complaints about dogs on the loose and adamant citizens with strong feelings about the freedom of domestic animals, adjourned a lively public hearing June 28 and scheduled a new hearing for 7 p.m. Aug. 9.

A full house kept the arguments moving on a warm evening before the board decided the draft of the ordinance needed further revisions by way of clarification. The stickiest problems: how to set up a workable confinement procedure, and how to determine which canines should be picked up. The latter is the most sensitive: should the warden pick up any dog running loose, or only on a complaint basis?

David and Joanne Schlang of Helderhill Rd., New Salem, came closest to defining the problem of which dogs and when. "There are many dogs running at large now that are no problem," Mrs. Schlang testified. "Reword the law so that the law answers the problem. I don't see why a dog that's not causing a nuisance

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New Scotland taxpayers at leash law hearing. *Spotlight photo*

would be picked up." Replied James Ryan, town attorney who drafted the ordinance: "It's a very fair and lenient law, more lenient than most." Asked Schlang: "Why can't it be done on a complaint basis?" Ryan: "That's fine for you, but you'd be surprised how many dogs suddenly have no owners." Observed Mrs. Walter Balk of Hurst Rd.: "You have got to protect citizens against an overzealous warden."

Supervisor Steve Wallace, serving as moderator, declared himself in favor of picking up dogs only on complaints. "So, put that into the law," voiced one citizen. Added another: "You have a law that is unenforceable. Write a law that is worded so that people whose dogs are in control have protection."

Presumably that will be Ryan's instructions from Wallace and the board between now and Aug. 9, when the compact hearing room on Rt. 85 will again draw a full house. Meanwhile many in the June audience will be pondering Councilman George Hotaling's comment: "I live in Voorhees-

ville (which has a village ordinance on animal control), and I know it's much nicer living there now with a leash law than it was before we had the law."

Lusty thief sought

Police are investigating the theft of 52 "nudie" magazines from the rack at Van Allen's farm store on Rt. 9W, Glenmont, the night of July 2. Vincent Spinosa, proprietor of the market, estimated the value of the magazines at \$114.

Workshop finale set

The Bethlehem Christian Workshop's Grand All-Family Finale will be held at the Bethlehem Community Church on July 14 at 6 p.m. The workshop's drama class will present "Abner Crane from Hayseed Lane." The program will begin with a fellowship and songs and refreshments will be served. Many of the workshop projects will be on display in the church lounge.

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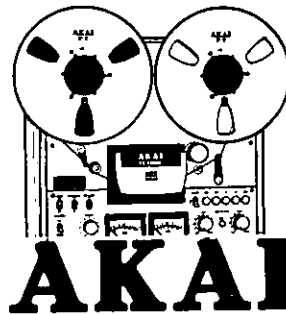
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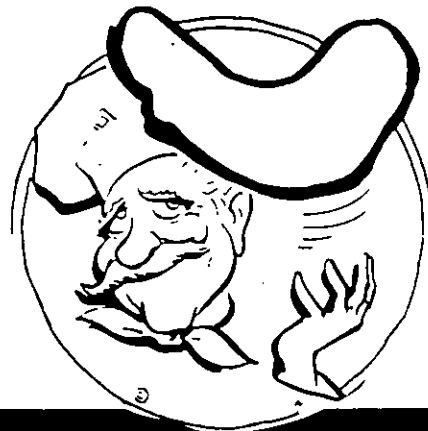
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Lost tortoise is back home

When Alex Murgio discovered that his pet tortoise, a native of Africa, had escaped from his wire leash, he notified Bethlehem police. Alex is 8.

On the desk at headquarters, Officer Gerry De Meurs took the formal complaint over the phone and filed a missing persons report with full information about the runaway. His report, in its entirety:

"Mr. Murgio, age 8 yrs., complains to me that between the above times his tortoise extricated himself from a wire restraint that was attached to a bush in front of the Village Apartments. The animal is described as a brown male, 2" tall about 8" in dia., no hair,

brown black complexion with wrinkled skin, brown eyes, no cic.s marks or tattoos. Subject has own teeth and wears no corrective lenses. No description of clothing as the beast was stark naked at the time of escape. Subject answers to the name Nick and was born in Africa, no DOB. Subject has no visa and does not speak English. Mr. Murgio wants it to be known that his pet is a tortoise not a turtle, and that there is a reward of one dollar for the return of his friend. Mr. Murgio also states Nick has a small hole drilled to the rear of his shell."

That was on June 28. On Saturday a neighbor, Diane Busick, spotted Nick on the lawn of 15 Village Dr., not far from the scene of the escape. "He looked fine," Mrs. Busick observed. "They supposedly burrow underground, but it was such a nice day he must have decided to take the air." Now Nick is back with Alex, the missing persons file is closed, and the only unfinished business is the reward, which Mrs. Busick declined.

Hearing adjourned

The New Scotland zoning board of appeals adjourned a public hearing July 7 on a proposed addition to the New Salem Garage and set no date for a re-hearing. Frederick W. Carl, New Salem, owner of the garage, failed to appear at the hearing, at which fewer than a dozen people had attended. The hearing had been called on Carl's application for an addition to his garage at the intersection of Rts. 85 and 85A for a dealer preparation bay.

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BETHLEHEM

Clyne squelched by school board

Members of the Bethlehem Central district board of education ganged up on the panel's senior member and resident dissident, John H. Clyne of Elsmere, at the first meeting of the school year last week, and voted down his objections to salary increases. Joining in the 6-1 voting was Mrs. Sheila Fuller, sitting for the first time as an elected member of the board.

At the board's organization meeting, convened at 9 a.m. on July 3 before an audience of one, a newspaper reporter, Clyne voiced strong objections to granting salary increases to administration officials that he said "are not in the budget." His complaint touched off a dialogue with Mrs. Ann Patton, board president, and Bernard Harvith, who argued that the raises "are not an increase in the total budget."

"We have changed line items in the budget hundreds of times," Harvith declared.

"Not on salaries," said Clyne.

"Oh, yes, we have," retorted Harvith. "We've raised salaries over and over, including the superintendent's."

Clyne: "We sent out a notice to parents and published publicly that there would be no raises. Now, before the budget advertisement

goes into effect, we are raising salaries."

Later Clyne noted six new appointments to the faculty were on the "upper end" of the pay scale. "I thought we had agreed to give younger people a chance to get started rather than appointing people to the upper end of the scale." Again he was rebuffed by the board with the explanation that "we need experienced people."

By resolution, the board raised Supt. Lawrence A. Zinn's salary from \$40,000 to \$42,000 for the coming year and to \$43,000 for 1979-80. Other raises went to staff administrators, including the district's principals: Franz Zwicklbauer and Briggs McAndrews to \$31,636 and BCHS Principal Charles Gunner to \$33,428 for 12-month jobs, and Frederick C. Burdick to \$31,186, Richard Hermann to \$30,810, Joseph Schaeffer to \$26,347 and David Murphy to \$26,023, for 11-month assignments.

Also approved was a \$1,700 item for three teachers to

Local Buoy Pitches And Yaws, Too

As the rains subsided, a large dorsal fin broke through the surface of a puddle in Delaware Plaza, terrorizing passing shoppers and water skiers. The aquatic visitor, dressed in a sharkskin suit and a wicked set of false teeth, turned out to be Ima Dreamer, 17 of Delmar. "The tide has turned. There's no need to fish for savings at Rogers Sport and Ski Shop; the place is just swimming with bargains. You'd be in-seine to miss it." Town ichthyologist U.R. Whacko glubbed, "I'm reel glad he didn't bring his gill-friend into this dive."

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receive special program training in Berkeley, Calif., for which the district will receive approximately \$1,500 worth of equipment and materials. At the annual organization meeting, Mrs. Patton and Bertold E. Weinberg were reelected president and vice president, respectively, of the board.

At police school

Bethlehem town board has authorized Officer Conrad Martin of the Bethlehem police to attend a school for breath-test operators July 24-28.

Cited by state

Sal Mazzara, Koonz Rd., Voorheesville, has been given two awards as "employee of the year" for the Albany office of mental retardation and developmental disabilities. State Mental Hygiene Commissioner Thomas Coughlin III said the award was the first since the agency was reorganized last year. Mazzara is in charge of coordinating employee training in the agency's 20 facilities across the state. He joined the department 12 years ago.



Sal Mazzara

SLINGERLANDS

Swim ban on at club pond

Albany County Health Dept. officials are continuing tests on water samples from the Tall Timbers Country Club swimming pond in Slingerlands after ordering the area closed for high bacteria content.

Richard W. Svenson of Delmar, director of the department's environmental health services, said about 40 swimmers were evicted from the water on the afternoon of July 6 after the club owner had been told several days earlier to close the site. He said the owner, Thomas W. O'Connor of Delmar, apparently had misunderstood the original order notifying him that the area should be closed, to swimming until the source of high coliform counts has been found.


"We're working on it," Svenson told the Spotlight. "We're giving him (O'Connor) help. He understands the situation and is cooperating. So far we've found nothing conclusive."

Svenson said O'Connor had tried chlorinating the water supply when the counts continued to be higher than permissive levels. O'Connor, who is deputy commissioner of the New York State Office of General Services, could not be reached for comment.

Red Cross class

The Albany Area chapter of the American Red Cross will offer a course in standard first aid and personal safety beginning July 17 from 7 to 10 p.m. for seven consecutive Monday evenings. The Quality Inn off Everett Rd. has offered classroom space.

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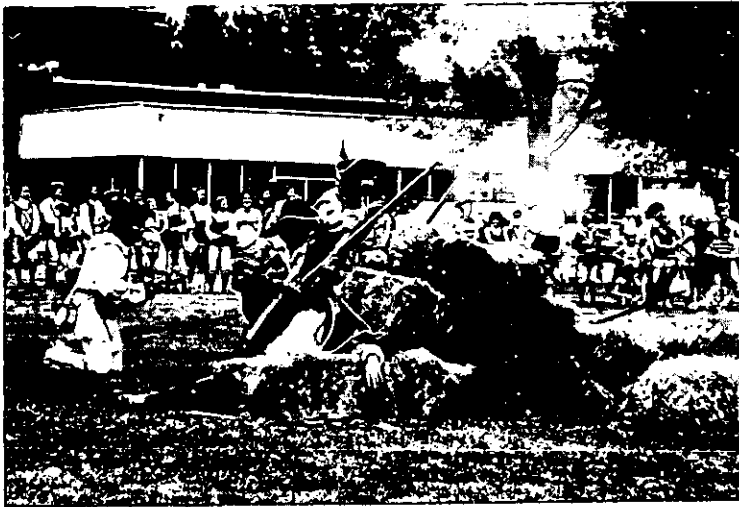
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The British "won" the skirmish at the Delmar muster as colonial women attended the wounded. One the cover: the host Village Volunteers paraded smartly at the head of visiting units. Right,



music master Buz Olsen of Delmar presented a ribbon to Gary Loomis, drum major of the Hanaford Volunteers of Underhill, Vt., featured corps at the muster. *photos by Jim Carroll*

DELMAR

Muster delights a summer crowd

The Americans won the Revolutionary War but they lost to the British at the skirmish at the Bethlehem Middle School Saturday. The mock battle was part of the day-long muster activities hosted by the Village Volunteer Fife and Drum Corps of Delmar.

A parade, formed at the Middle School, kicked off the celebrations with the sounds of drums, fifes and musket shots. Crowds lined Elsmere, Delaware and Kenwood Aves. to listen and view the 15 units in authentic colonial garb on a sweltering July day. Each group paused and saluted local dignitaries at the reviewing stand at the National Commercial Bank, Delaware Ave. On the stand, Rep. Samuel S. Stratton said, "I've been here before, but this is the best one yet. I think this is a great tradition to keep up."

At the school football field the program began with an invocation by Rev. Joyce deVelder, president of the Tri-Village Clergy. Assemblyman Larry Lane presented a New York state flag to the Village Volunteer Fife and Drum Corps. The corps en masse played "Old Saybrook."

The colonists clashed with the redcoats in an open fire skirmish at the field. The 23

Americans suffered many casualties while militia women tended to the injured on the battlefield. Only two colonists remained when the British closed in to capture the site. However, the crowd booted when David Perry, muster co-chairman, announced that the British had won the battle. The Village Volunteer Militia, Light Infantry Company, the 23rd Regiment of Royal Welsh Fusiliers and the 30th Albany

County Militia participated in the event.

Individual corps played several revolutionary songs. 22 members of the Bethlehem Jaycees cooked hot dogs over a wood fire contained in half barrels. The dinner was prepared by John Geurtze, town councilman, who barbecued 550 chickens for the participants and their families.

Eighteenth century tents, guns and paraphernalia were on display at one end of the football field, where Charles Flanigan of Loudonville gave

detailed accounts of the colonial period.

The festivities concluded with a "jam session" at their campsites that evening at Bethlehem Central High School. Among the visiting corps were units from Virginia, Vermont, New Jersey, Connecticut and, closer to home, Ballston Lake, Knox and East Greenbush. *Jean Sharkey*

John R. Edinger, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph A. Edinger of Delmar, has been promoted to first lieutenant in the U.S. Air Force.

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It's the Capital District Transportation Authority's new rural bus service, basically serving Westerlo and Rensselaerville as turnaround points for runs to key Albany points, but since the routes cross the full width of New Scotland and Bethlehem, local residents along the way can take advantage of this unusual service.

Why unusual? At least two things: the fare is only 50 cents, a quarter for senior citizens and handicapped persons, and in certain areas covered by a "zone extension" the bus will travel up to a quarter of a mile off the route to pick up a passenger.

The trial service runs two round trips each Thursday from Westerlo and one round trip each Friday from Rensselaerville. The Thursday service leaves the Dormansville post-office at 8:20 and 11:10 a.m., swings through South Westerlo and Westerlo, back to Dormansville, thence to Albany via Clarksville, Delaware Tpk., and Cherry Ave. to major hospitals, health centers and Colonie and Northway shopping malls. The Friday service has only one round trip, starting from Preston Hollow and stopping at New Salem at 9:57 a.m. en route to the Albany circuit. The return trip leaves from Northway Mall at 1:50 p.m.

Printed schedules are available at Bethlehem and New Scotland town halls, and information by phone at 355-5094. Residents can board the bus anywhere along the route by making a hand signal, but must have exact coins for the fare.

Day reassigned to water post

The Bethlehem town board has temporarily transferred Gerald J. Day of Elsmere, deputy superintendent of the town highway department, to a similar post in the town water department.

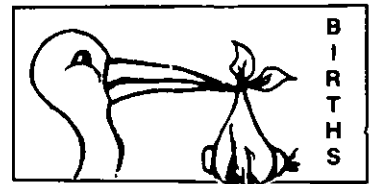
Supervisor Tom Corrigan said Day will be responsible for the water district's distribution system, including maintenance crews and trucks. His office will be in the small building at the base of the water tower on Kenwood Ave.

Corrigan said the temporary transfer is a preliminary move to the formation of a town public works department that would supervise water and sewer operations initially.

Youngsters' school opens

The Vacation Church School, sponsored by the First United Methodist Church, Delmar, will be held July 17-21

from 9:30 a.m. to noon. A variety of programs are offered for children over three years who have not started seventh grade. Teachers are Mrs. Barbara Green, Christine Stoker, Jeanette Koch, Jill Sutter, Marion Jewell, Jean Jacobson, Julie Pelham, Connie Tilroe and Leslie Matthews. Rev. Gary M. Reuthinger, Minister of Christian Education at the church, is the program director.



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Boy, Joseph, to Mr. and Mrs. Robert Parks, Feura Bush, June 19.

Boy, Eric, to Mr. and Mrs. John Reinemann, Delmar, June 22.

Boy, Andrew, to Mr. and Mrs. Alan Olds, Delmar, June 20.

Girl, Jennifer, to Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hargis, Voorheesville, June 16.

Boy, Gary, to Mr. and Mrs. Donald Robbins, Delmar, June 16.

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SWIMMING

Dolphins place in state meet

Nine members of the Delmar Dolphins Swim Club have earned places in the Empire State Games to be held in Syracuse Aug. 17-20. Four are divers—Craig Lindell, Jessica Follett and Missy Dempf on the one and three-meter boards, open, and Mary Reagan in the one and three-meter scholastic class. Other qualifiers are Bob Holland in the open 100-meter butterfly and 100 and 200 breaststroke; Eric Hall in the scholastic 100 butterfly, Kim Meinert in the open 200 fly and 200 backstroke, Liz Young in open 200 fly, 400 individual medley and 1500-meter freestyle, and Jay Henahan in the scholastic 400 free and 200 IM.

The Dolphins, coached this year by former Dolfin swimmers Jeff Gillham as head coach and Chris Cline, John Ferro and Drew Hyde as assistants, will be in Glens Falls tonight (July 13) for a dual meet. The Dolphins got off to a winning start by taking their first Tri-City League double-dual meet July 6, defeating Uncle Sam Swim Club of Troy, 223-119 and Voorheesville 239-80, at the Elm Ave. park pool.

Winning medals in the AAU Firecracker Meet in Clifton Park July 1-2 were Lisa Herman, Sue Mallery, Lynn Apicelli, Joyce Shen, Becky

Friedlander, Janet Shaffer, Matt Holland, Pierre LaBarge, Doug Schulz, Scott Apicelli, Donna Schulz and Kim Meinert.

BASEBALL

Blue Jays book Colonie at home

Delmar Blue Jays will entertain the Colonie Travelers at Elm Ave. Park Saturday, July 15, at 5 p.m., and will play the Mohawk Indians of Sherburne Falls, Mass., at Bleecker Stadium, Albany, at 1 p.m. July 22.

The Blue Jays ran into a pitching slump last week and lost to the Bennington Generals, 12-1, and the Halfmoon Tigers of the Northway League, 13-12. Tony Naglieri, a new outfielder, went 5-for-7 and Mark Kleinke had a triple, double and single, and Mike Usher three singles.

Cheerleader signup

Final registration for Bethlehem Pop Warner cheerleading for girls 8-14 will take place July 30 at 1 p.m. at Hamagrael School. Girls must be accompanied by a parent. Practice sessions for tryouts start Aug. 14 from 5-7 p.m. at the town park softball field. Final judging will be Aug. 18 at Bethlehem Coffeehouse. For information, Mrs. Bechard, 436-7029, Mrs. MacMillan, 439-9267.

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STANDINGS JULY 9

MAJOR LEAGUE					
National	W	L	American	W	L
Roberts	14	2	C-Y-C	10	6
Spotlight	12	4	Kiwanis	10	6
Main Care	7	9	Price-Gr.	8	9
Mullen's	7	10	Gen. Elec.	7	10
Meyers	5	12	Farm Family	3	14
Tie — Main Care, C-Y-C.					

INTERMEDIATE LEAGUE

National	W	L	American	W	L
Mullen's	15	2	Pot & Bob's	8	8
Roberts	14	2	Price-Gr.	7	10
Spotlight	10	6	Farm Family	5	11
Meyers	10	6	C-Y-C	4	13
Main Care	8	9	Gen. Elec.	1	16
Ties — Meyers, Roberts, Farm Family, Pot & Bob's.					

WHEELER LEAGUE

Indians	14	0	Pirates	5	8
Mets	9	4	Yankees	5	8
Giants	9	5	Dodgers	5	8
Cardinals	8	4	Red Sox	4	9
Cubs	8	5	Tigers	3	10
Orioles	6	7	Braves	2	10
Tie — Cardinals, Braves.					

BETHLEHEM BABE RUTH

STANDINGS JULY 8

PBA	W	L	Chamber	W	L
VFW	5	2	Nat'l Sav.	2	4
Main Care	4	4	Gen. Elec.	1	5
Blue Cross	4	4			

RESULTS

Chamber 4, Blue Cross 2
Main Care 9, National Savings 6
PBA 23, Gen. Elec. 3
VFW 18, Main Care 4
PBA 11, Blue Cross 7
National Savings 11, Gen. Elec. 0
Chamber 5, PBA 4
National Savings 8, Blue Cross 0
Gen. Elec. 11, Main Care 10
VFW 23, Blue Cross 9
PBA 21, National Savings 4
Blue Cross 10, Main Care 9
VFW 6, Chamber 4

BETHLEHEM TOMBOYS

STANDINGS JULY 8

Majors	W	L	Intermed.	W	L
Metro. Bus.	7	3	J. Germann	8	2
C-Y-C	6	4	Atl. Cement	7	3
Beth. Elks	5	5	Farm Family	6	5
Riccardo	2	8	Beth. PBA	5	5
			Gen. Elec.	4	7
			Union Nat'l	1	9

Minors

Masonic	4	0	Bastiani	2	2
Denby's	3	1	Kiwanis	2	2
Keller's	2	2	BPW Refuse	1	3
Beunau's	2	2	Sutter's	0	4

CHURCH SOFTBALL

STANDINGS JULY 6

St. Thomas	W	L	Glenmont	W	L
Beth. Com.	8	2	Cluster	4	6
Knox	8	2	Wynantskill	4	6
Presbyter.	8	2	Del. Ref.	2	8
Colonie	6	3	Voor'ville	2	8
Methodist	6	4	Bethany	1	8
Albany	5	5	St. Stephen	0	10

RESULTS

Methodist 13, Bethany 8
Albany 10, Delmar Ref. 5
Wynantskill 12, St. Stephen 3
St. Thomas 25, Voorheesville 3
Presbyterian 16, Beth. Comm. 5
Knox 10, Glenmont 6
Colonie 11, Cluster 4



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BETHLEHEM Camp retiring as BC teacher

A Bethlehem Central English teacher whose exploits as an athletic coach made his name a household word retired last week from the high school faculty.

From the statistical standpoint, Don Camp was by far the most successful coach Bethlehem has ever had. He is best known as the architect of a tennis dynasty that may not be matched locally for decades, if ever, and the hundreds of quality tennis players he has turned out in recent years are unaware that he also coached the only undefeated varsity basketball team in BCHS annals.

But to Bethlehem school administrators he is Donald M. Camp, who has taught in the system for 32 years, and to more than a generation of students he has been "Mr. Camp," an English teacher with a reputation for patience

with slow learners and for being a stickler for the basics in grammar and spelling.

Don Camp came to Delmar in 1946 via his native Afton, near Binghamton, Ithaca College, two years of teaching in Sidney and two years in the U.S. Navy 1944-46. In his first year at the High School on Kenwood Ave. he taught five English classes and coached the 1946-47 BC basketball team to an unbeaten season at 19-0 in the regular schedule before winning the Sectional semifinal and losing the final to St. Johnsville. He also coached the JV basketball team, served as backfield coach in football and was advisor to the staff of the Bethlehem Star, the school newspaper.

Over four seasons, his basketball varsities were 54-26. In the early 1950s, he organized the nucleus of a tennis team on the two courts behind the school, and played informal matches against Albany Academy and Milne, the only other schools with semi-organized tennis teams. From summer-time clinics for fifth graders came the foundation for the incredible dynasty Camp built for Bethlehem tennis: in 20 seasons 13 Suburban Council championships, six second place teams and only one finish as low as third, 11 undefeated teams, and 16 teams unbeaten on the home courts. No team was ever shut out. His teams never lost an opening match, at



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home or on the road, and when he closed the books in 1976, the numbers were 220 won, 24 lost.

Eight of those teams compiled one of the most remarkable winning skeins in the history of Capital District sports. From 1964 to 1971, Bethlehem tennis teams carved out 90 straight wins against all comers until Niskayuna snapped the string in a tense battle in Delmar. Two days later BC was off on another streak, this time racing to 42 straight before Niskayuna again pulled an upset. When he retired as tennis coach in 1976, his racquet machines had hammered out another 33 straight. Several dozen of his proteges, many of them developed from the fifth grade, went on to play on college varsities and to become successful tournament players in this area.

This summer Camp is teaching tennis, mostly in private lessons, and when the school year starts in the Fall, he will concentrate on tennis instruction, play more golf than he has in the past, and return to the bowling lanes, where last year he led the Sporthaven Men's League with a 174 average. He will also be able to spend more time with his 83-year-old mother in Afton and with his daughters, Trisha Akullian of Delmar and Linda Strebel of Honeoye Falls, and their families, which include three grandchildren. He lives at 502 Delaware Ave. with his wife, Marion, who is Bethlehem town clerk.

Locked car rifled

Bethlehem police are seeking vandals who broke into a car parked at a Devon Rd. residence, ripped out a 23-channel CB radio and escaped with a \$300 camera and a suitcase containing \$400 worth of clothes and personal items. Police said the lock on the passenger door of the car was forced. The owner also reported that intruders smashed a speaker in the car, damaged a sailboat parked in the yard and took the sail and rigging.



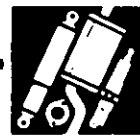
Mary Hair

Named purchasing agent

Mary Hair of 65 The Crossway, Delmar, has been appointed purchasing agent for the New York Job Corps Center in Glenmont. Mrs. Hair has been with the Center over a year. She previously was office manager for the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees (AFSCME) and working in the insurance field. She is president of the regional chapter of ALSAC and was chairman of the St. Jude's telethon on Channel 13 last January.

Promoted by company

Robert P. Miller of Delmar has been promoted to the newly created position of vice president of the Utica National Life Insurance Co., and will move to the Utica area with his wife and two children.



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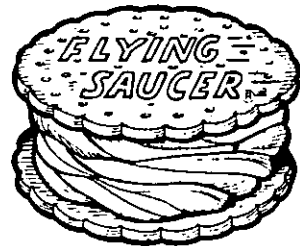
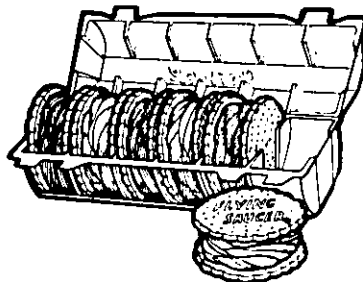
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Cemetery Intrigue

When Weston Greenman, caretaker of the Bethlehem cemetery at Kenwood and Elsmere Aves., Delmar, noticed several youths near a gravestone, he checked the site and found eight marijuana plants. Bethlehem police said two had been planted in front of the grave and six were potted in containers behind the gravestone. Police closed the case after quizzing a 15-year-old boy who lived near the cemetery.

Mrs. Phillips honored

Mrs. Betty Phillips, of Slingerlands, was awarded an honorary life membership in the New York State Congress of Parents and Teachers. The Slingerlands PTA presented the award in recognition of her service as a teacher and as a volunteer in the school and community. Mrs. Phillips taught Grade 3 at the Slingerlands Elementary School for 33 years prior to her retirement last year.



Freeman T. Putney, Jr.

Promoted by bank

Freeman T. Putney, Jr., of Elsmere, has been appointed senior vice president and trust officer of the State Bank of Albany. In addition to being responsible for managing the trust department, he will be in charge of coordinating investment analysis and processing services in the trust department.

ments of the four subsidiary banks of UBNY. Putney also serves as clerk of Albany's Westminster Presbyterian Church, as trustee and treasurer of Memorial Hospital, trustee of Albany Cemetery Assn. and trustee of the Presbytery of Albany. Mr. and Mrs. Putney have three children.

New paver here

From now on, the town of Bethlehem will do its own blacktop paving rather than putting the jobs out for contractors' bids. A new \$45,000 paver recently authorized by the town board arrived at the highway department garage on Elm Ave. East, Selkirk, last week, and will start an annual schedule after its checkout.

FIRE CALLS

July 6 — Delmar FD — Delmar Bypass near Elsmere Ave., car fire, extensive damage.

Delmar on stage

Two well-known community actresses and residents of Delmar will perform at the State University Summer Theatre in Albany. Lillian Greene will be returning for her 21st season and will play several cabaret-style roles in the production, "Feiffer's People," which will run July 14-16 and 19-23. Jinx Lindenaer will play the role of Regina Giddens in the Lillian Hellman's masterpiece, "The Little Foxes," that will be performed July 27-30 and Aug. 2-5. Both plays are a combination of music, comedy, satire and drama. For reservations contact the SUNYA box office, 457-8606.

Boating safety course

A young boaters' safety course will be held at the Slingerlands fire station July 22 from 9 to 11 a.m. The program is sponsored by the Albany County Sheriff's Dept. and is for young adults between 10 and 16 years old.

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Voorheesville prizewinners: Wendy Knapp, left, and Christine Cillis with Supt. Werner Berglas at June awards ceremony.

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VOORHEESVILLE 9 win school safety awards

For scoring the most points in all segments of the recent bicycle rodeo, Christine Cillis has a U.S. savings bond tucked away. The bond, representing the Virginia Sellnow Safety Award, was presented by Frank Jablonowski, commander of the Voorheesville American Legion post, at the annual awards assembly at Voorheesville Elementary School Thursday.

Medal awards for the bike rodeo went to eight students, presented by Sheila Glock, president of the Voorheesville Community Club. They were: sixth graders Charles Cowles, Mary Beth Jackson, Lisa

LaDuke and Yvonne Perry, and fifth graders Craig Applegate, Heather Sanderson, Michael Larabee and Wendy Ard.

A Citation Award was presented to the students and staff of the school by Al Miller of the Albany Garden Club for "the beautiful job of planting and landscaping" at the school. The award was accepted by Robert Farrell, principal.

Canoe trips booked

More than 100 teenage boys and girls and adults will accompany Jim Carnahan of Glenmont on Adirondack canoe trips this summer. The seven-day paddling voyages will begin on Sunday, July 30 on Lower Saranac Lake and will end at Tupper Lake.



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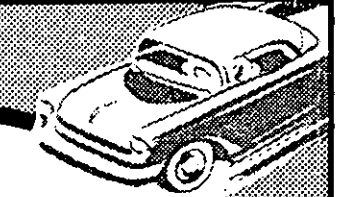
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Town officials welcome New Scotland's shiny new \$52,000 trash packer, which went into service on June 29. *Spotlight*

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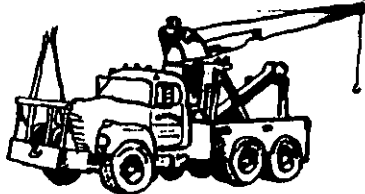
It's summertime in the town of New Scotland, and the living is a bit more relaxed, as witnessed by the town board barely being able to muster a quorum for the regular July meeting. When board members took their seats at twilight on a warm evening last Wednesday, Deputy Supervisor Wyman Osterhout had the gavel and Councilmen Ken Tice and Herb Reilly filled out the quorum. If any of the three routine agenda items had gone to a strict party vote, the ruling Republicans would have bitten the bullet by 2-1, but in July of a non-election year, the boys bypassed politics.

Town Attorney Jim Ryan was there, and Town Clerk

Corinne Cossac and Highway Superintendent Pete Van Zetten. In the audience were three "regulars" from Feura Bush, representing the town's citizenry, and a Spotlight reporter. The agenda was light, as it should be in July, but it still cost the taxpayers a modest chunk of money: the board authorized the purchase of a \$3,922 equipment package for a "Vita course" at the new town park, and agreed to send the highway department's new \$52,000 trash compactor out on Fridays instead of hewing to the prevailing four-day schedule.

The Vita course is a two-mile 20-station joggers' trail circling the park complex on Swift Rd., and was recommended by the town's recreation commission. The looped pathway will offer a sequence of physical exercises by way of a graphic signboard at each station. On the roster: a see-saw, a horizontal ladder offering overhead hand-swinging, a post maze, balance beam, climber, belt swing and other

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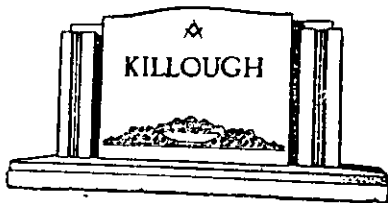


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mettle-testing obstacles. The bid from the McNeely Fence Co. of Burnt Hills was the only one received.

Van Zetten told the board he was extending the end-of-the-week trash pickup schedule to include at least an additional half-day on Friday. The collection crew, even with the new bright-yellow packer that can crush a refrigerator as easily as a box of corn flakes, has been pressed to cover the sprawling Thursday beat in one day, so Van Zetten plans to split the route between Unionville and Feura Bush for better service. Previously the packer crew had devoted Fridays to duty at the landfill and equipment maintenance at the town garage. Residents affected by the change will be notified, the superintendent said.

'Calico' in paperback

Henry Christman's book, "Tin Horns and Calico," based on the 19th century anti-rent struggles centered in Berne and New Scotland, will be back in the bookstores soon in a new paperback edition published by Hope Farms Press. The book was first published in 1945, reappeared in paperback in 1961, and was revived in 1975 for the Bicentennial in two hard-bound editions.

Student photo exhibit

Photographs taken and made by Bethlehem Central High School students are being displayed at the Bethlehem Library. The themes and techniques are from photography classes taught by Louis Spelich of the High School art department. The exhibit will continue through Aug. 6.

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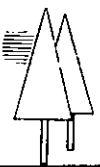
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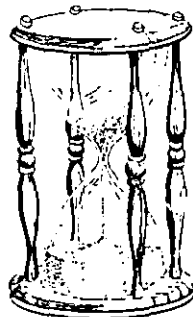
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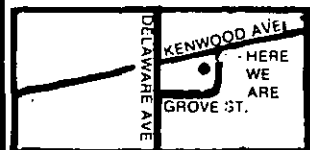
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The bride was given in marriage by Sanford E. Mowery. Teresa Russell of Albany was maid of honor. Bridesmaids were Adriane Benequista of Albany, Sue Hickok of Schenectady, Judy White of Watervliet and Donna Dibble, of Albany. Betty Joe Meister of Chambersburg, Pa. was flower girl. The best man was A.J. Kemp of

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**Mrs. James J. Latter
Diane Ginter bride**

Diane J. Ginter, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Ginter of South Bethlehem, became the bride of James J. Latter, son of Mr. and Mrs. William Latter of Selkirk, in a ceremony at the South Bethlehem United Methodist Church on July 1. Rev. Marvin Willard officiated.

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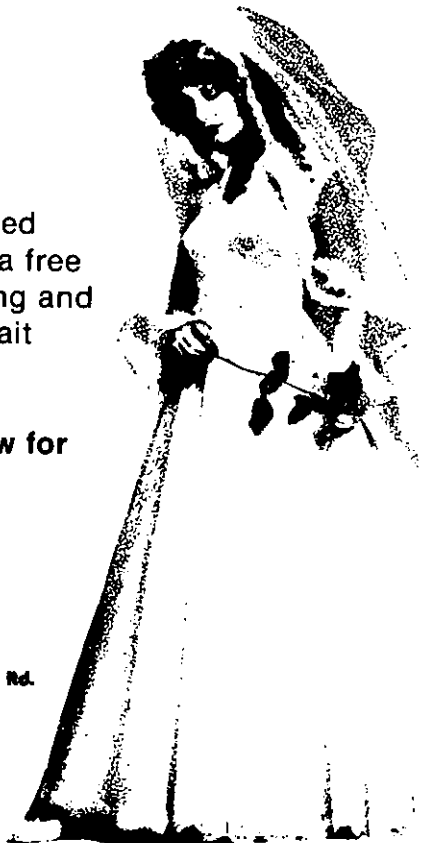
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Classmates engaged

Mr. and Mrs. Erich Krugman of Saratoga Springs announce the engagement of their daughter, PattiAnn, to Stephen Werner Eliot, son of Mr. and Mrs. William Eliot, 20 Heather La., Delmar.

Miss Krugman is a 1971 graduate of Bethlehem Central High School and is employed by Krugman's Delmar Pharmacy. Her fiance is a 1971 graduate of Bethlehem Central High School, a 1975 graduate of Clarkson College in Potsdam and is employed as a project engineer for Finch, Pruyn and Co. in Glens Falls. A Sept. 30 wedding date has been set.

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Miss Eaton, a 1971 graduate of Bethlehem Central High School, graduated from Elmira College in 1975 and is a foreign language teacher and reading specialist. She is enrolled in the MA program in elementary education at the California State University at Northridge, and was recently appointed assistant director of The Reading Game, Inc., a school for prescriptive reading in Encino, Calif.

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Town board v. Fish

Editor, The Spotlight:

It seems to me about time someone spoke up in support of the town board in the Fish case. There seems to be a pretty vocal group in support of Mr. Fish, and there have been some pretty strong statements made in criticism of the board. And press coverage would have to be summarized as ranging from waffling to run-of-the-mill sensationalism—not something you'd confuse with a courageous free press.

That's the heart of the issue, perhaps. The town board appears to be the only group involved in this affair displaying any moral courage. They have what is clearly an

unpleasant job on their hands. And it obviously has to have been, in their judgment, a pretty serious situation for them to start up this whole investigative process in the first place. Whatever may transpire at higher levels of government, in a town where you live next door to everybody, it's hard to believe any board would start proceedings as momentous as these unless they felt there was very good reason to, politics or no politics. And since the business has begun, the board has shown a good deal of restraining in the face of some pretty loose talk, in and out of print. And gone to some lengths to insure legal fair play as well.

Here's one town resident, then, who thinks it's past time to give credit where credit is due. In an age of declining moral standards in every walk of life — and maybe especially politics — to see some "politicians" (who are also your neighbors) take what is basically a moral stand ought to be applauded. Even if they are wrong and Mr. Fish is innocent, bringing out the facts

never harmed an innocent man. Mr. Fish and his supporters would make a stronger moral case for him, it seems to me, if they limited themselves to cooperation with the fact gathering rather than interfering with that gathering by trying to have the fact-finder dismissed and suing the board for doing its job.

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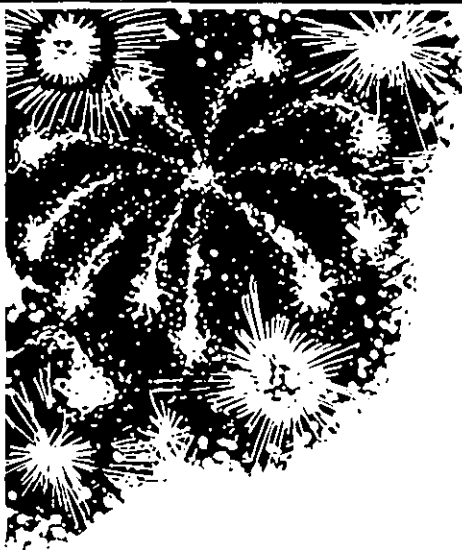
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