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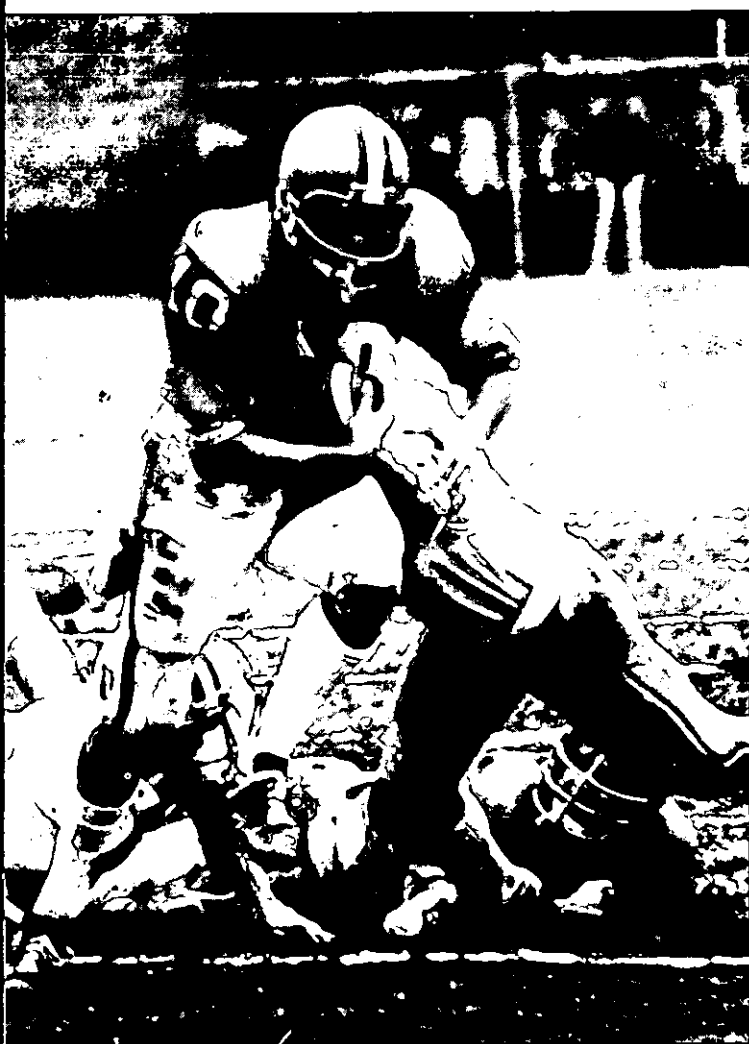
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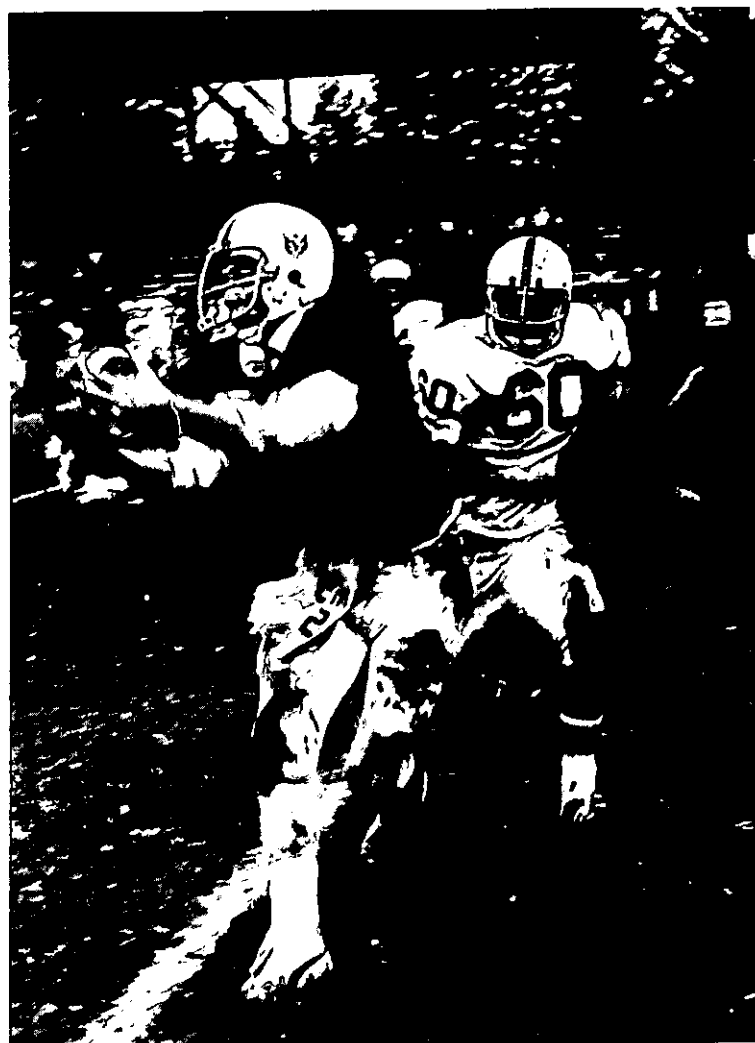
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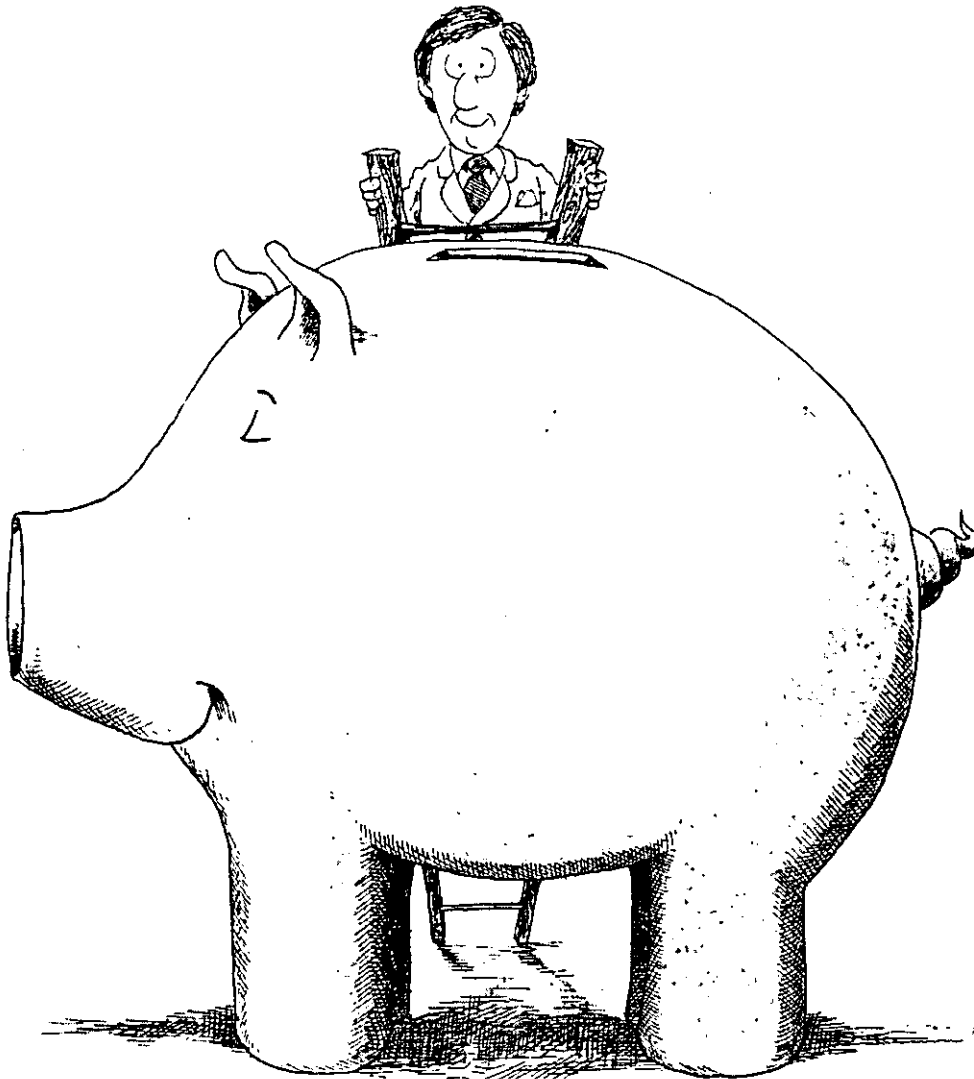
**Town of Bethlehem**, Town Board, second and fourth Wednesdays at 7:30 p.m., Planning Board every Tuesday at 7:30 p.m., Board of Appeals first three Wednesdays at 8 p.m., town hall, 393 Delaware Ave. Town offices are open 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. weekdays.

**Glenmont Lions Club**, second and fourth Tuesdays, LaCasa Restaurant, Selkirk, 6:30 p.m. Visitors welcome. Information Charles Sperbeck, 439-9165.

**Albany County Pistol Club**, Winne PI. 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.

**Village of Voorheesville**, Board of Trustees, fourth Tuesday at 8 p.m., Planning Commission third Tuesday at 7 p.m., Zoning Board second and fourth Tuesdays at 7 p.m. when agenda warrants, village hall, 29 Voorheesville Ave.

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**New Scotland Kiwanis Club.** Thursdays, New Scotland Presbyterian Church, Rt. 85, 7 p.m.

**Delmar Community Orchestra.** Rehearsals every Monday, 7:30-9:30 p.m., Delmar Methodist Church.

**Bethlehem Jaycees,** first and third Wednesdays, Center Inn, Rt. 9W, Glenmont, 8 p.m.

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**Bethlehem Youth Employment Service,** Mon.-Fri. 1-4:30 p.m. 439-2238.

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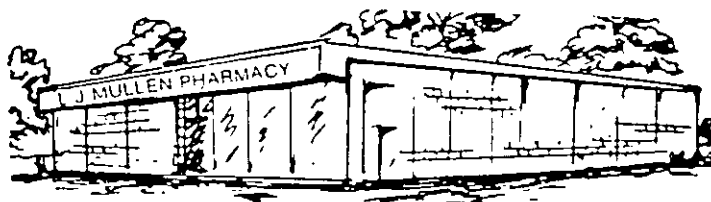
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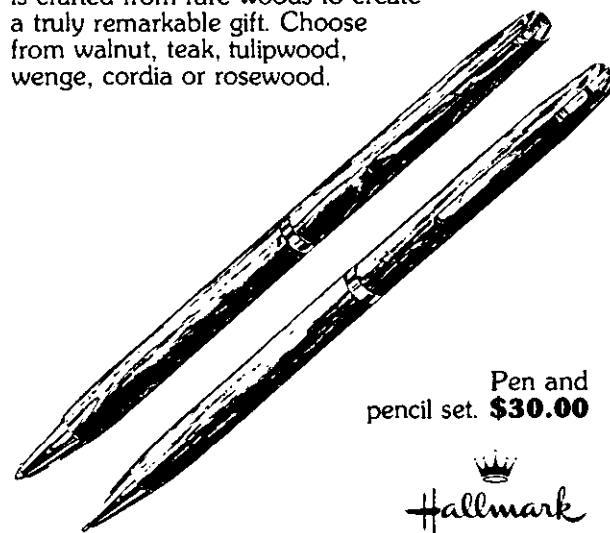
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### THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 23

**Adult information classes**, Rev. Warren Winterhoff, Bethlehem Lutheran Church, 85 Elm Ave., Delmar, 7:30 p.m.

### SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 25

**Fifth reunion**, Bethlehem Central class of 1973, buffet and dancing, Tall Timber Country Club, Slingerlands, 7 p.m.-1 a.m. Reservations, Keith Austin, 463-8061.

**Career and educational planning**, Sister Catherine Daly, Bethlehem Library, 10 a.m.-noon.

**Corner Store**, soft rock group, Bethlehem Coffee House, 125 Adams St., Delmar, 8:30 p.m. \$2.

### MONDAY, NOVEMBER 20

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

### TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 28

**Delmar Progress Club**, drama presentation, Bethlehem Library, 7:30 p.m.

**Delmar Camera Club**, Jerry Miller, instructor on photography at Hudson Valley Community College, demonstration black and white photography, also workshop "Lighting Still Life," St. Stephen's Episcopal Church parish hall, Elmere Ave., Delmar, 7:30 p.m. Information, Eleanore Bagley, 765-4673.

**Pre-school story hour**, for two-and-one-half year olds, children must be accompanied by an adult, Bethlehem Library, 10-10:30 a.m. and 11-11:30 a.m. Preregistration required.

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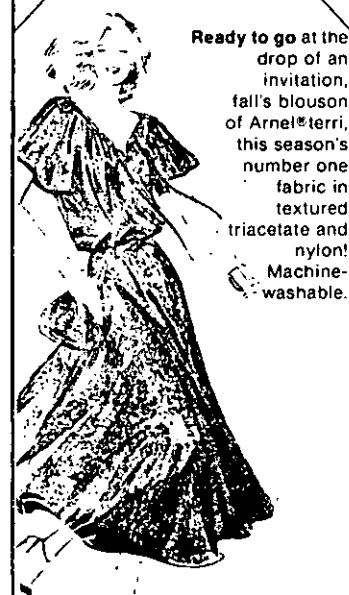
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Lecture, "How to Make your Whites Whiter," Diane Snyder Ptak, Cooperative Extension Agent, Bethlehem Library, 10-11 a.m.

**Public hearing.** Voorheesville zoning board of appeals, on application of Herbert W. Reilly, Jr. for special use permit to establish a funeral home in B-Residential zone, village offices, 7:30 p.m.

**Parent-teacher conferences,** for all Bethlehem schools, half-day schedule for pupils in grades 1-5, kindergarten classes will meet as usual.

**Public business meeting.** Bethlehem Central board of education, Educational Services Center, 90 Adams Pl., Delmar, 8 p.m.

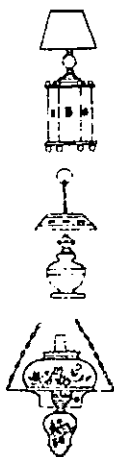
**Canada workshop,** sponsored by Bethlehem Central Social Studies Dept., school cafeteria, 4-8 p.m.

**Bethlehem Central High School PFO meeting,** administrative conference room, 7:30 p.m.

**THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 30**  
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**Church bazaar**, featuring a variety of booths for Christmas shopping. Faith Lutheran Church, 421 Kenwood Ave., Delmar.

**Roast beef dinner**, home cooking. Bethlehem Grange, Rt. 396, Becker's Corners, Selkirk, servings from 4:30 p.m. Reservations, 767-2248.

**Guided walk**, "Winter Water World," investigating the changes in the pond community as winter approaches. Five Rivers Environmental Education Center, Game Farm Rd., Delmar, 2 p.m.

### SUNDAY, DECEMBER 3

**Bake sale and Christmas boutique**, United Methodist Women of the Slingerlands United Methodist Church, 11 a.m.

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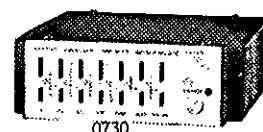
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Delmar Progress Club, Annual Holiday Tea, Delmar Methodist Church, 1-4 p.m.

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

#### TUESDAY, DECEMBER 5

Delmar Rotary Club, La Casa Restaurant, Selkirk, 6:15 p.m.

Public hearing, Bethlehem planning board, on application of John Schramm, Andover Rd., Slingerlands, for approval of a proposed one-lot subdivision to be located on Andover Rd., Bethlehem town hall, 7:30 p.m.

#### WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 6

Bethlehem Art Assn., Robert Longley to demonstrate preparation of

## 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

"The Nutcracker," by the Berkshire Ballet, Palace Theatre, Albany, Dec. 1-2, 7:30 p.m.

"Landscape of the Body," adult play, Lab Theater, University Performing Arts Center, Nov. 20-Dec. 2, 8 p.m., matinee Dec. 2, 2 p.m. Box office, 457-8606, and Community Box Office.

#### MUSIC

"Evening With Schubert," pianist Pola Baytelman, Recital Hall, University Performing Arts Center, Nov. 17, 8 p.m. Box office 457-8606.

John Allan Cameron, Cape Breton folk songs, St. Mark's Community Center, Guelderland Center, Nov. 20, 8 p.m. \$3. 765-4193.

Concerts at Noon series, oboist Randall Ellis, Cathedral of All Saints, Albany, Dec. 5, noon, free to public.

#### ART

Historic Courthouses, photographic exhibit, Albany Institute of History and Art, Nov. 21-Dec. 17.

State Bank of Albany, 175th anniversary exhibition, paintings, prints photographs, Albany Institute of History and Art, through November.

"Young American Printmakers," etchings and lithographs from 20 universities, State University Art Gallery, Dec. 1-20, Tues.-Fri. 9-5, Thurs. till 8, weekends 1-4.

#### FILM

"Summer Paradise" (Sweden) Ingmar Bergman, Recital Hall, State University Performing Arts Center, Dec. 1-2, 8:30 p.m. \$2.25, students, SCs \$1.35.

#### LECTURE

Vance Packard, author-social critic, speaking on psychological manipulation of mankind, Bush Center, Russell Sage Center, Troy, Nov. 30, 7:30 p.m. Free to public.

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**Public hearing**, Bethlehem town board, on traffic ordinance amendments, town hall, Delmar, 7:30 p.m.

**THURSDAY, DECEMBER 7**

**Adult information class**, Rev. Warren Winterhoff, "Baptism," Bethlehem Lutheran Church, 6:30 p.m.

**Tri-Village Chapter, AARP**, Christmas luncheon, members and guests, Albany Country Club, Voorheesville, social hour 12-1. Transportation, Fred Klein, 439-3950.

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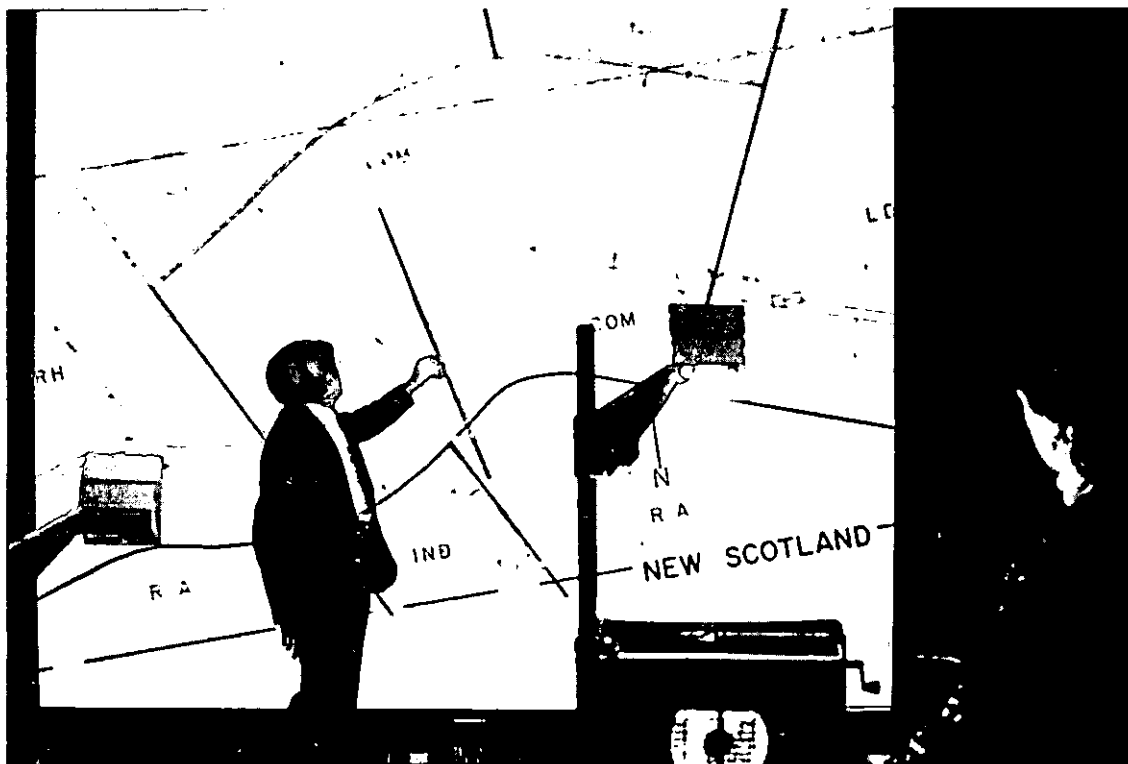
Whenever local officials propose changes in the zoning laws, the odds are 10-1 that voices will be raised in protest. When a number of changes are proposed, there's a real howl.

That's what happened, not unexpectedly, when the New Scotland planning board presented the town-wide zoning map it had been working on for nearly seven years. The only surprise was the size of the crowd: only about 60 showed up, making Voorheesville's high school auditorium seem cavernous.

Robert A. Cook of Slingerlands, chairman of the town planning board, made the hour-long presentation, outlining the new nomenclature for designated zones tied to land use. The town, currently more than 90 percent residential, will have such new classifications as Residential-Forestry (RF), Residential-Agriculture (RA), Residential-Hamlet (RH), Commercial-Hamlet (CH) and Low Density Residential (LDR) along with the familiar C-Commercial and I-Industrial.

Using an overhead projector on the large screen, Cook defined the new language:

- RF has been applied to the steep or inaccessible woodlands that dominate the western and southern areas of the town, roughly from Thacher Park to Copeland Hill. Explains Cook: "This has the least likelihood of being developed, and we feel development should not be encouraged." RF thus becomes the most protected "green area" of New



Robert Cook and zoning map at New Scotland hearing. At projector is Ann Richards, a member of the planning board.



Zoning hearing post-mortem: Connie Kane, Richard Kane and Donald Smith in New Scotland.

*Spotlight photos*

Scotland with a minimum lot size of three acres.

- RA is the tag used for the farmlands and rural residential areas that comprise most of the central section of the town. These are the areas that can be expected to feel the most

pressure from developers in the future, hence needs the protection of a minimum lot size of 40,000 square feet—approximately an acre—to discourage residential subdivisions as well as commercial inroads.

- The "hamlet" designations

have been applied to the settlements of New Salem, Clarksville, Feura Bush and Unionville to preserve the residential character of the areas and confine commercial development to specific parts of the hamlets.

- The LDR classifications has been applied to "accessible land suitable for development, where agriculture continues as a viable use." Translated, that means the kind of land that lights up the eyes of residential developers. There are, according to the board, three classes of lot size, ranging from 20,000 to 30,000 square feet, or from a half acre to three quarters of an acre, depending on the availability of water.

"These areas are intended to be predominantly single-family and agricultural," Cook told the audience. "LDR will be the areas where public water and

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sewers are most likely to be developed."

The commercial zone on the new zoning map has been realigned, Cook explained, to avoid the "strip zoning" now in effect along major highways. Mobile homes, he added, will be permitted only in mobile home parks.

The board's effort to realign the commercial areas caused most of the flack at last Tuesday's hearing. Alfred Cook of Clarksville, obviously no relation to the planning board chairman, was the most vocal: "You pay taxes for 10 years on commercial land and all of a sudden it's residential. Who's

going to compensate the owners for a change in zoning?"

Cook, a used car dealer on Dunbar Hollow Rd. off Cass Hill, owns acreage along Rt. 85 in Slingerlands that once housed the Checkered Flag bar and grill and now accommodates the gutted shell of the building.

There were other objections and several questions.

The board set aside several prime areas as industrial, mostly those along the Conrail and Delaware and Hudson tracks. Zoned industrial were a section of Rt. 32 in Feura Bush near the Bethlehem line, a portion between the Voorheesville line and Gunderland line, and a large segment of Rt. 85A between the Stonewell area and Hilton Rd. extending along the D&H tracks to a point east of Rt. 155.

The full map will be up for discussion at a public hearing before the town board on a date that hasn't yet been set.

## Student elected

Nancy Day, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gerald J. Day, Herbert Ave., Delmar, is the president of Alpha Lambda Phi at the State University of New York Agricultural and Technical College at Cobleskill. She is a senior

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Mayor tees off: home rule a 'laugh'

Voorheesville Mayor William J. Wenzel was out of town on a business trip during the recent public hearing fiasco in the village's renowned continuous-action serial, The Case of the Vanishing Funeral Home. If he had been in the firehouse on Nov. 14 when a legal technicality caused postponement of the hearing, the audience would have heard some choice oratory on the declining stature of the U.S. Constitution.

Last week Wenzel came home to find that a new state law that took effect Nov. 1 had wiped out the Nov. 14 hearing by requiring the village zoning board of appeals to make an advance determination on whether an environmental impact statement was necessary before ruling on a local petition.

The latest development in the off-again, on-again funeral home controversy infuriated Wenzel. "We now have people who have never set foot in Voorheesville, who don't know what our village looks like, telling us what we can do and what we can't do. Every time you turn around, there's some state or county agency breathing down our necks.

"Home rule is getting to be a laugh. I wonder what the founders of this great country of ours would say about this latest example of usurping the home rule they were so careful to protect when they wrote the Constitution."

Wenzel added that, in his opinion, "planners, zoners and environmentalists have placed so many formalities, restrictions and conditions" on local governments that routine matters have now become "long, drawn-out procedures."

Earlier this year Wenzel had spoken in opposition to the proposed amendment to the village zoning law that added funeral homes to the permitted uses of land in the B-Residential zone, which embraces roughly three-fifths of the village. Wenzel and Trustee Richard Huber twice voted

against the proposal, but each time were outvoted by the other three trustees on the board.

After three rounds with the village board, two more with the Albany County Planning board and the two public hearings, the petition of Herbert W. Reilly, Jr. to establish a funeral home at 9 Voorheesville Ave. is now before the village zoning board of appeals. The five-member board will make a new try to hold a public hearing next Wednesday, Nov. 29, at 7:30 p.m., at the village offices.



Heather Morrison

Stars at college

Voorheesville's Heather Morrison, a 5-7 senior hitter, helped the Juniata College volleyball team of Huntingdon, Pa. to a 13-2 record this fall and a runner-up finish to defending champion Western Maryland in the Middle Atlantic Conference championships. A 1974 graduate of Clayton A. Bouton High School, she is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Morrison, Wormer Rd. She was a regular for the Indians this year, lettered in basketball, and is a James McLaren Martin Scholar. At Voorheesville, she was "senior female athlete of the year" in the Central Hudson Valley League, a letter-winner in five sports, and a member of the National Honor Society. She is presently an environmental and computer sciences major.

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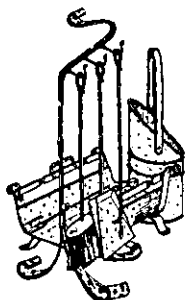


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## BETHLEHEM

### Fish hearings may resume

Bethlehem town officials this week were weighing a possible move to reopen the civil disciplinary action to remove Peter Fish as chief of police.

Sources in town hall confirmed that public hearings on several of the 34 charges brought by the town against the suspended chief last March may be resumed.

David A. Goldstein, special assistant town attorney who conducted the investigation of Fish and handled the prosecution until the town action was adjourned last April, said in New York City this week that the contemplated action would involve charges that Fish improperly possessed confidential income tax returns of two town officials, and "possibly other charges."

The town's decision whether to proceed in the Fish prosecution is based on the termination of the U.S. Internal Revenue Service case against William Terko, 58, of Albany, a retired IRS official. Terko pleaded guilty earlier this month to charges brought by the federal government alleging four counts of unauthorized disclosure of individual income tax returns prior to his retirement. Terko was fined \$1,000 and given a suspended jail sentence.

With the Terko case ended, town officials said they are "no longer under constraints to proceed" in that phase of the civil procedure to oust Fish from his \$21,000 job.

The town action was adjourned in April after one public hearing at the request of District Attorney Sol Greenberg and of U.S. Attorney William Dryer. Fish was subsequently indicted by the Albany County grand jury on five counts of perjury, criminal possession of stolen property and misconduct in office.

A town hall source said there were indications Greenberg may move the Fish case to trial in December, in which event Bethlehem officials would hold off on their own prosecution.



Peter J. Fish

## BETHLEHEM

### Fish's \$5-million suit thrown out

Judge Con Cholakis has thrown out the \$5-million slander suit brought by Bethlehem's suspended police chief Peter Fish against Supervisor Tom Corrigan and town officials.

In a ruling handed down Monday in State Supreme Court in Albany, Cholakis held that the contents of a letter released to press by Corrigan last March were privileged because Corrigan was executing his duties as the town's chief administrator and was required to release the letter under the freedom of information law.

Fish filed the suit on the basis of the letter notifying Fish of his suspension which was given to newsmen last March 10.

Fish's suspension is still in effect while he continues to draw his \$21,000 salary. He is under indictment by the Albany County grand jury on five counts of perjury, receiving stolen property and misconduct in office, four of them felonies.

### Art group meets

The Bethlehem Art Assn. will meet Dec. 6 at 8 p.m. in the Bethlehem Library. Robert Longley of Slingerlands will demonstrate preparation of museum quality canvas.



Mr. and Mrs. Alan Davitt of Delmar flank their son, Alan, Jr., a plebe at the U.S. Naval Academy, during a visit to Annapolis. In the family portrait, from left, are Mary, Danny, John Edwin, their parents and the midshipman, and Mark. Their eldest son, George, was working in Toronto and was unable to make the trip.

#### DELMAR

### Youth arrested in library thefts

Clayton H. Dedes, 19, of 5 Gardner Terr., Delmar, was arrested by Bethlehem police at his home at 12:45 p.m. Monday and charged with stealing valuable electronic equipment from Bethlehem Public Library and Bethlehem Central High School.

Dedes faces charges of criminal possession of stolen property in connection with three burglaries, two at the library in which more than \$3,000 in equipment were taken, and a third at the high school, where a computer terminal was stolen.

The latest burglary was at the library Friday night or early Saturday, in which two video cameras, a special camera, tripods, an audiovisual table, an electronic calculator, four padlocks and a master key were

taken, police said. Also missing was \$100 in cash from a safe in the library.

Dede was also accused of taking an electric typewriter and a multi-channel telephone from the library the night of Nov. 4. The theft of the computer terminal at BCHS was reported on Nov. 7.

Dede was taken into custody by Officers Richard Vanderbilt and Chuck Martin of the Bethlehem Police Youth Bureau on the basis of information supplied by school and library officials.

#### Ice skating classes

The Albany YWCA offers classes in ice skating for children and adults in beginner and advanced groups taught by professionals. Classes meet in Swinburn Park skating rink and are held Friday evenings at 5:15 and Saturday mornings at 10:30.

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## SALEM HILLS

### Board is mum on sewer hike

Homeowners in the 276 single-family dwellings in the Salem Hills subdivision will know Tuesday night how much of an increase they will have in their monthly assessment for the private sewer system that serves the area.

Unless there's a leak somewhere along the line, Mayor William J. Wenzel will disclose the new rate at the regular monthly meeting of the Voorheesville village board at 8 p.m. on Nov. 28.

Meanwhile officers of the Salem Hills Homeowners Assn. had called a meeting of subdivision residents for Tuesday night of this week at the Voorheesville Elementary School as this issue of the Spotlight went to press. Village trustees were invited.

The five-member board, sitting as a municipal public service commission with regulatory powers over the Salem Hills Sewerage Corp., a subsidiary of the Rosen-Michaels development firm, has been wrestling with the rate controversy for more than six months. The utility applied last May for a rate boost from \$10 to \$29.05 a month, claiming operating losses as well as a cumulative deficit.

Salem Hills residents have fought the rate hike since a stormy public hearing last June 5. The board, working with an advisory committee from the homeowners' group, brought in an independent accounting firm to examine the books and serve as an economic mediator.

The board is expected to grant the utility a rate hike of around \$3.40.

"We have had a number of work sessions on this matter, and we have agreed on a rate that we feel is just and fair," Wenzel said over the weekend. "We are preparing a letter that outlines all the factors that went into our decision, and this will be sent to the developers."

## ELSMERE

### Firemen avert a store blast

Elsmere firemen averted serious damage to the Court-side Tennis Shop early Friday evening when they extinguished a fire in the basement before it reached the oil burner.

David Corbin of Voorheesville, owner of the shop, praised the fire fighters' quick action. "They did a great job," he said. "If the fire had gone a few more feet it would have reached the furnace and the place might have gone up."

Corbin has no estimate of the damage to skis and winter sports equipment in the basement and smoke damage to several thousand dollars worth of sports clothing on the main floor. The cause of the blaze has not been determined.

Matt Reich, a Delmar college student employed at the store, turned in the alarm at 5:15 p.m. when a customer noticed smoke coming from the basement door. Much of the loss was in the basement, where an undetermined number of skis belonging to customers were being readied for the winter season.

### School workshops set

The social studies department of the Bethlehem Central School District, in cooperation with the regional planning center of the local BOCES, is sponsoring two workshops this year for area K-12 teachers—one on Canada and one on Latin America.

The Canada workshop will take place Wednesday, Nov. 29, from 4 to 8 p.m., in the high school cafeteria, and will include a light supper. The Latin America workshop is scheduled for April 25.

Purpose of the workshops, according to Social Studies Supervisor Dominick DeCecco, is "to raise consciousness levels of K-12 teachers about these areas of the world, and to provide materials and ideas for use in the classroom."



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## Rock on Adams St.

The Bethlehem Coffee House will host Corner Store, a soft rock group, Saturday, Nov. 25, at 8:30 p.m.



"Anything Goes" played to enthusiastic audiences at Bethlehem Central High School last week. On stage just before the finale were Jaime Heenahan, left, Andrew Taylor, Jennie Stringham, James MacArthur, Leslie Duncan, Sara Ruckertstuhl and Dave Tomlinson.

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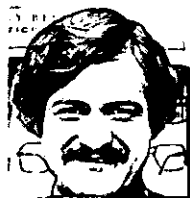
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## Elks scholarships

William McCann, exalted ruler of Bethlehem Elks Lodge 2233, has announced a joint Elks National Foundation and New York State Elks Assn. scholarship competition for 1978-79. The national awards, open to high school seniors, total 52 scholarships and range from \$600 to \$3,000. The state awards total 38 and are for

\$500 each. They are open to high school seniors or college students up to junior year whose father is, or was at the time of his death, a member of the order of Elks. Applications for both awards will be available at the student's school or at the local Elks Lodge after Dec. 1. McCann has named Donald S. Peck as local scholarship chairman.



## Exerpts from an 1898 diary

The following are excerpts from the diary of Andrew I. Ten Eyck (1888-1964), written in 1898. Col. Ten Eyck was a native of Selkirk and a descendent of Coenraedt Ten Eyck, who came to America and settled in the Albany area in 1651. Col. Ten Eyck served in World Wars I and II and in the period between had a varied career in law, journalism, politics and public relations, serving at one time as a confidential advisor to Governor and late President Franklin Roosevelt. As a child Col. Ten Eyck lived on a farm, midway between the villages of Selkirk and Ravena.

The little leather bound diary is only 2½ by 3¼ inches, but it contains a wealth of information. Rates of postage are given with postal cards going to the U.S., Canada and Mexico for one cent each and letters for two cents. Letters for foreign countries in Europe and Asia were posted at five cents. Also included was a calendar for the year, antidotes for poison, help in case of accidents such as snakebite, sunstroke, cinders in the eye and tests of death, which seemed particularly morbid (Hold mirror to mouth, if living, moisture will gather. Push pin into flesh. If dead the hole will remain, if alive it will close up.). Valuable information was listed as clothing sizes; Standard Time within the U.S. (this was before the time of Daylight Saving); tide tables for the Eastern Seaboard—5 pages; list of legal holidays; population of the states and major cities; Festivals and Fasts; eclipses for the year 1898; list of U.S. Presidents, McKinley being the incumbent; and calendars for the latitudes of Boston and Chicago, New York and Philadelphia and Washington D.C. and Cincinnati. After all this information, we come to the pages of the diary itself:

Jan. 1, 1898: It snowed and drifted, 8 above zero. Uncle Peter didn't come. Gramma had her dinner.

Jan. 2: Cousin Zact opened

the roads, they had to shovel. 1/3: Mr. Mayson was buried. Mrs. Shur was buried (buried). it is very cold. 1/14: Aunt Meal died. Sidney Wagnor was here. 1/5: Went to Coeymans with bob sleighs, I got my rubber boots. 1/6: William and Arthur went to the mill. Old Prince was balky. 1/7: Aunt Meal was buried. Mr. Caswel was the undertaker. Hurse was on sleighs.

1/8: Threshers were here, 258 bushels of otes, otes was dusty. 1/11: Mrs. Schoonmaker was buried, Lemy Vinson told us. 1/12: Pressed hay — 73 balls. 1/13: Threshers here, rie straw 95 balls, Fred Kimmy drewed straw. 1/15: Archie Kimmy drewed straw



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Feb. 1, 1898: it snowed, very cold, it was a blizzard. The hardest one since March 1888. 2/2: Mr. Dyer was burred. The roads were drifted bad. Pathmaster Zect C. Vanderpool. 2/3: I shoveled snow all day, my arms ake. I bought some gum. 2/4: Mamma went to Albany, Arthur bought his overcoat. 2/5: Uncle Andrew Ten Eyck brought Anna up here. Uncle Jim brought his meat up. The track is drifting shut. 2/10: Set Sidney to filling the ice house — 18 loads of ice. 2/24: There is an auction sale today. I went to school. Willie

drawed wood. 2/28: I went to school, they got things out for the sale today.

3/1: Alton Vanderzee's wife died today. 3/2: I stayd home — our sale is today. Things sold good. 3/7: Over to South Bethlehem. . . got in a fight with Charlie Aker. 3/12: The United States talk war. We sawed wood. 3/21: I didn't go to school this week. It is fair. 3/23: . . . Wagnor is very bad, she is sick. 3/30: War shall we have for blowing up the Maine. 3/31: United States and Spain talks of war. I went to Post Office.

April 1, 1898: Congress meets Monday. The President did not say we should have war. 4/8: McKinley is going slow. he is a Republican President. 4/13: We need war because the times will be better. 4/15: I went down to Zack's to change a sett of eggs. 4/19: The first guns shall be fired before Saturday. 4/22: We captured one of Spain's ships today. 4/23: Arthur and I went to Coeymans. We captured another of Spain's ships today, first shot fired. 4/28: One battle in Cuba, United States wins. Charle Carl went to war.

May 3, 1898: My hen came out. N.Y. men is first to go to the front. 5/5: Porto Rico is blockaded. 5/8: There was a battled in Manila. Dewey fleet is in danger. 5/17: Spain hasn't won in any battles yet. 5/24: I went to the store to get the Times. Bread is 6c a lofe. 5/25: Spainards in Santiago. President called for more men.

June 1, 1898: Spainards sunk our ship Merrimac — they tried to block the channel. (Actually, Spanish Admiral Cervera had entered the harbor of Santiago, Cuba. U.S. Admiral Hobson attempted to sink the collier Merrimac at the narrow entrance to the harbor, hoping to bottle up the Spanish, but the attempt was unsuccessful. However, Cervera was bottled up when a U.S. battleship was placed at the mouth of the harbor.) 6/2: I went to Albany. Albany is full of flags. 6/5: I set my hen with 15 eggs. Mamma

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went to church. 6/8: The Spainards fight in the woods. They put palm leafs over the ... 6/25: Dewey at Manila. Shafter (General) is going to capture Santiago.

July 14, 1898: Shafter hero of the day. Santiago has surrendered. 7/24: Uncle Charlie came over. We had ice cream.

Aug. 8, 1898: There are a good many pages not wrote on — that is because I neglected writing. 8/11: Gramma dug a ditch in the garden, back of watercloset. 8/13: Gramma felt good. 8/15: Gramma was out today, down under the plum tree. 8/16: Gramma was taken sick today. 8/17: Gramma died at 5:10 this morning, she died very easy. 8/27: Charle Wagoner is sick.

Oct. 6, 1898: James Vroman pressing hay here today. 10/18: Papa was alive a year ago today. 10/19: Papa has been dead a year ago today. 10/21: Papa's funeral was a year ago today.

Nov. 21, 1898: Weather report a heavy snow storm. 11/23: No school, drifted very hard today. 11/26: Z.T. Vanderpoel sale today. Wesley Simmons Auctioneer. 11/29: Good Slaying today.

Dec. 9, 1898: I went to school. They have been practicing for Christmas. 12/19: I have a piece to speak for Christmas. 12/24: We sent to Cousin Mary for Christmas. 12/25: I stayed home today and had a Christmas tree. 12/31: I cleaned out the henhouse. Well I will close the diary.

From reading the above, it is easy to understand how the

occurrences of life and death were very intimate to a child of 80 years ago, especially those who lived in rural areas. Even a simple shopping trip was an event worthy of note. Children were certainly involved in the total picture of family life. Perhaps that is what gave them a sense of security to deal with their own life and molded strong character.

Allison P. Bennett

#### Student cited

Susan G. Shanley, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Hobart J. Shanley, 52 Delmar Pl., Delmar, a sophomore at Green Mountain College, has been elected vice president of Gamma Delta chapter of Phi Theta Kappa, the national scholastic honorary society.

#### At police seminar

Officer Conrad "Chuck" Martin of the Bethlehem Police Dept. recently completed a one-week seminar on juvenile justice in Syracuse conducted by the State Division of Criminal Justice Services.

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# Thanksgiving is many things to many kids

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The assignment for the pre-schoolers was direct and simple: what is Thanksgiving, and what does "being thankful" mean?

The answers from 4-year-olds at the Voorheesville Nursery School were complex and varied. "The idea of this uniquely American holiday and 'being thankful' is a difficult concept for a young child," commented Mrs. Jean Dearstyne of New Scotland, who gave the assignment. "The responses were just delightful."

Here are just a few of them, spontaneously voiced to the teacher who spoke to each child individually:

"Hmmm. I'll have to think a lot about that. It snows. Somebody comes to our house, but I don't know their names. We eat cookies." Michael Carmody.

"Mom makes a turkey. My little cousin comes to our house. I'm thankful for Snuggles." Cathy Jo Dedrick.

"It's when my Mom cooks Chinese food. I'm thankful for balloons." Bob Stapf.

"People come and you have roast beef. I'm thankful for my big bulldozer, ham and eggs and peanuts." Chris Cass.



Megan Swasey

"I know what I'm going to do on Thanksgiving. I'm going to draw a picture of my Mom and Dad and give it to them. I'm glad I have my Bat Walkie Talkie." Michael Rourke.

"I'm thankful for my Shaun Cassidy and Sesame Street records. My mommy cooks eggs for me because I don't like peanuts." Chris De Angelis.

"On Thanksgiving you go in the house and help Daddy work. You eat potatoes and

pizza. I'm thankful for my fire hat and ships that run in water in the bath tub." Michael Ryan.

"You have candy to eat. I have a doll named Beth. She comes with a sweater, booties and hat." Megan Swasey.

"I'm not thankful for turkey. Little kids like me have a right not to eat turkey. I'd rather have a hamburg or hot dog." Mark Chiarello.

"We go to Grandma's and she cooks a turkey, green beans and french fries. I'm thankful



Heather Patnode

for my little teddy bear." Natalie Blessing.

"My mother goes to a turkey store and gets a turkey. We



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Corpsmembers in the medical assistants and nursing assistants classes at the New York Job Corps Center in Glenmont recently took the 12-hour cardio-pulmonary resuscitation (CPR) course sponsored by the American Red Cross. Practicing their skills at CPR are Lucy Rodriguez and Ray Rivera.

ave jelly pie, too." Kathleen Siza.  
 "Thankful means Thank you," Heather Patnode.  
 "I'm thankful for food: ham, steak and candy." Tommy Siegle.  
 "I know! It's after my sister Miki's birthday. Turkey! You eat turkey! Mothers and fathers cook it. I'm thankful for all the things that God gives me." Jennifer Anderson.

Mail early for Christmas

**Promoted by state**  
 A Delmar man has been named associate director of the State Health Dept. Division of Environmental Health.  
 Dr. William N. Stasiuk comes to the department from the State Dept. of Environmental Conservation, where he served for the past eight years in a number of technical and administrative positions in the Division of Pure Waters and Air Resources. Dr. Stasiuk's responsibilities with the Health


Department will include assessment of and response to potential health hazards affecting public water supplies and indoor environments, such as incidents involving chemical contamination of public water supplies, use of asbestos in schools and other public buildings and possible ill effects associated with home insulation products.  
 A native of Staten Island, Dr. Stasiuk is a graduate of Manhattan College, where he also earned his masters degree in sanitary engineering. He also holds a Ph.D. in environmental


engineering from Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute in Troy.  
 Dr. Stasiuk began his career in state government as an assistant sanitary engineer in the State Health Dept. He was promoted to senior sanitary engineer and was involved in research dealing with activated carbon treatment of waste water when the Division of Pure Waters was transferred to the Dept. of Environmental Conservation in 1970.  
 Dr. Stasiuk and his wife, Cissy, live at 30 Pheasant La. with their three children, Tania, 9; Stephen, 7, and David, 5.

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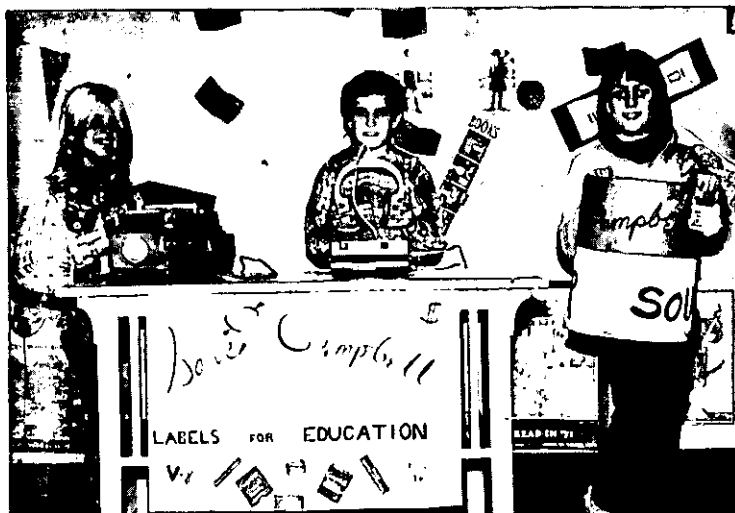
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### AARP projects on

Bethlehem Tri-Village Chapter No. 1598 of the American Assn. of Retired Persons, in connection with their "doing for others" program, will be holding two workshops at First United Methodist Church, Delmar.

On Tuesday, Dec. 5, at 9 a.m. members will meet to decorate coffee cans with yuletide trimmings.

On Monday, Dec. 11, at 8:30 a.m. members will contribute and pack the decorated cans with home-made cookies. In the afternoon, members will distribute the gifts to various organizations including: Bethlehem Festival (formerly The White Christmas), St. Catherine Home for Children, Childs



Pam Crandall, left and Michael Lanahan show equipment purchased with soup labels last year. That's April Silk with the enlarged label.  
*Cheryl Marks*

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### GLENMONT

## Students launch label campaign

The Glenmont Elementary School is in the midst of a special collection drive to obtain audio-visual and athletic equipment, reference books and teaching aids. The program—Labels for Education—is sponsored by Campbell Soup Co. and offered to public, private and parochial schools.

"Between now and Feb. 16, we hope to collect enough labels from Campbell's products to earn useful items for the school such as the carousel projector we earned last year," said Mrs. Marjorie Wolfe, project coordinator. "Our students are saving these labels and they would appreciate it if friends of the school would do the same."

Labels can be dropped off at the school on Rt. 9W, Glenmont, the Grand Union, in Glenmont, and the A & P in Elsmere, or they can be mailed directly to the school in Glenmont. For information, call Mrs. Wolfe at 439-9579.

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## Eagles sat on Nowak secret

Now it can be told: the story of Steve Nowak's plugging business that nearly cost Bethlehem Central the Suburban Council championship, the rep throat that kept him out of vital practice sessions that only the squad and the players knew.

"We have been struggling these last five weeks," Coach Art Ritchko disclosed to the spotlight this week. "Steve has been ill most of the season, but we couldn't let any of our opponents learn about it. Everybody has been worried, very apprehensive, but if I said we were mentally worn out going into the Maginn game, people would think it was an excuse. We lost to a real good football team, they had speed both on the offense and defense, and we certainly weren't up for them."

According to Ritchko, Nowak, the team's veteran quarterback and one of the area's top passers, had a strep throat in September and never took it. Let the coach tell the story:

"In the Shenendehowa game we was very ill and went home exhausted. We suspected he



Steve Nowak

might have mono. We got by Whitesboro and Scotia. After the Scotia game he was so ill he didn't practice all week. He played against Shaker and Columbia, but he was under the weather, and again we got by.

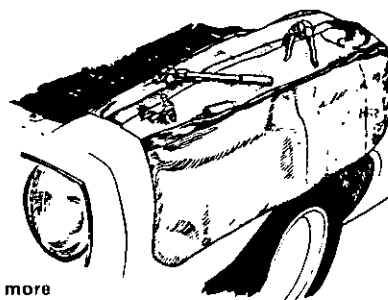
"He came to practice Monday and Tuesday to get ready for Maginn, but he shouldn't have. Everybody was worried. Wednesday he stayed home with his voice gone, a severe case of laryngitis. Thursday we

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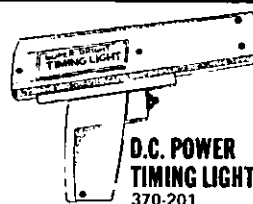
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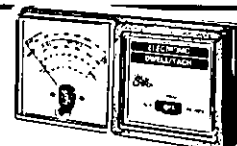


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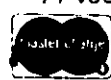
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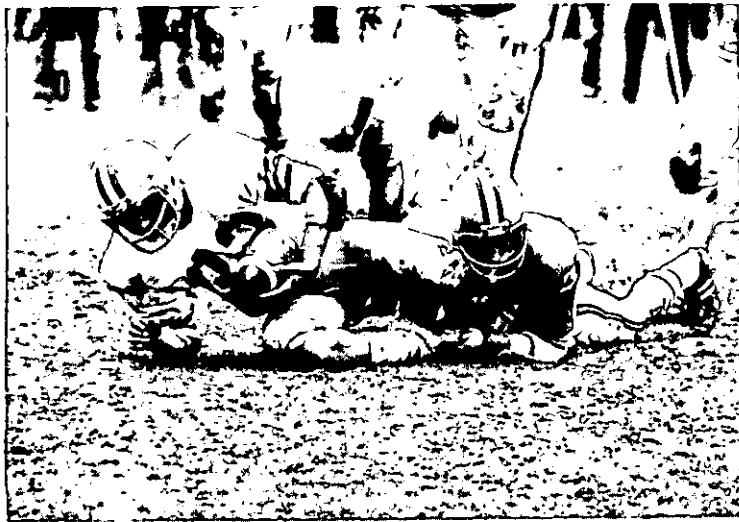
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**Stopped on the 10: Bethlehem tackler brings down Maginn star Tim Linehan in the secondary. Right, Bethlehem's Bill**

took him to a specialist who told us he didn't think he could play.

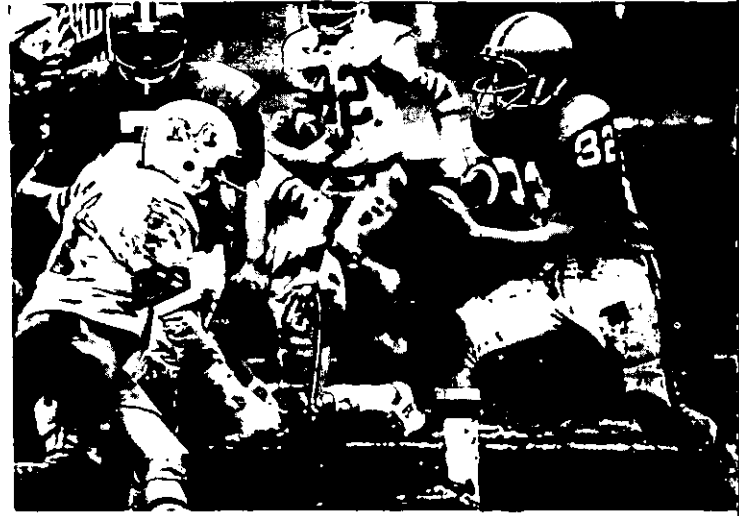
"Friday we had our last workout, but we didn't have a snap count. Buddy Nevens called the numbers from the halfback position. This was very upsetting to the team and put a lot of pressure on us.

"More than 50 percent of our offense is built on the rushing option series. You have to work on it constantly to keep the timing, and when Steve missed so many practices, he was not sharp, so we didn't call it much Saturday. It hurt us."

In the 10th-game playoff at Bleecker Stadium, Nowak completed three of 10 passes with two interceptions. For the season he led the section with 11 touchdown tosses.

But Ritchko was quick to praise Maginn's strength. "They did everything well. Defensively we had trouble on the outside with their option runs on the corners. Our interior and linebackers did a fine job. Our offense was very disappointing."

Maginn's triumph was the first time in Ritchko's 21 years of coaching in Delmar that a



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**Hannmann picks up 10 yards on a pass from Steve Nowak. On the cover: Nowak breaks through for a 9-yard pickup.**

non-league team had beaten Bethlehem.

Ritchko parried all inquiries as to his retirement plans. "We'll let the dust settle. I'm not saying anything now, but I will still teach."

Now BC's mind is on basketball, swimming and the winter sports. In the distance is 1979, which will exemplify that mossy sports-page cliché, a "rebuilding year."

Says Ritchko: "If we put all out good prospects together, we'll come up with a good ball club."

## CROSS COUNTRY Harriers break course records

Bethlehem Central has closed its most successful cross country season in nearly a decade with a decisive win over Voorheesville and a 9-7 record. The girls' team was 8-3.

Leslie Warren repeated as the girls' Class A sectional champion, winning by two seconds over Inga Stockman of Columbia. Judy Parker was 8th and Trisha Morris 13th as BC took third place in the Sectionals.

The boys team finished 8th of 19 teams in the Sectionals, their highest finish since 1970.

In the Voorheesville meet Nick Sullivan broke the school record held by Dave Rathjens by 30 seconds over three miles. Paul Garvin also broke the old record.

Leslie Warren broke the former course record in finishing second in the Glens Falls Invitational, in which Bethlehem finished fourth.

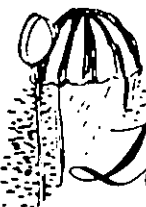
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# Those Blackbirds never quit—now they're No. 1

Spotlight

It may take another week before Tom Buckley's feet touch the ground again. As for the kids, well, they're busy with other things now, with Voorheesville's greatest football season safely in the record books. Their comeback win for the Section 2 Class C title at Saratoga Saturday was a melo-

drama worthy of an Oscar. As for Buckley, his 18th year coaching Voorheesville football was the most thrilling of our championship teams and at least one—or was it two—defeated teams of the past.

His 1978 production won the best bona-fide 10th game played Saturday with a scenario that would have done the Hardy Boys proud. Down 10-0 in the second period, down 18-7 three minutes into the fourth period, and down 18-13 deep in their own territory with the clock fading, fourth and 4 and missing the ball to a strong, versatile Whitehall team, the Blackbirds pulled it out.

The incredible bomb was a 50-yard scoring play. Greg Picard to Craig Gleason, with 1:19 left on the clock, but there were plenty of heroics just before that.

For sheer drama, this was a treat to the zealous fans who made the trip to the neutral site at Saratoga on a gray, blustery day. Whitehall had lost one game in three years, and quickly took command with a superbly coached team, a brilliant passer-unner in Mark Egan, a slippery speedster in Mike O'Brien and a big, hard-hitting line.

There was trouble early: O'Brien turned right end for 35 yards to the Blackbirds' 17, but Jim Cillis covered a fumble and big Craig Gleason unloaded a 53-yard college-style punt.

Egan undid that with a 50-yard sprint from a near sack. Again the Blackbirds held, again Gleason boomed a long punt, and again Whitehall was quickly back on the Voorheesville 4. Again Cillis jarred the ball loose, this time on the goal line, but Whitehall overwhelmed the Picard, forced a fumble

that John Harding recovered in the end zone for a safety.

Moments later Egan threw a perfect screen pass for a touchdown and it was 10-0.

Seemingly outclassed, the Blackbirds hitched up their pants and put a quick stop to further foolishness from up north. Picard, a 5-8, 135-pound sophomore mite starting his first game in place of the injured veteran, Greg Hawkins, engineered a scoring drive before halftime. The big play was a 28-yard pitch to Gary Wagar for a first down on the Railroaders' 15 and a face-mask call that took it to the 7. Tom George bucked over from the one and booted the point that made it 10-7 at intermission.

Things looked dark when Egan threw a perfect pass to big Joe Diekel in the clear on the



Voorheesville's co-captain Tom George gets defensive pointers from assistant coach Dave Burnham during timeout at Saratoga.

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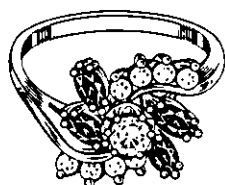
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Gary Wager lunges for a Voorheesville pass that fell incomplete on the Whitehall 5 during second period TD drive. On the cover: Halfback Jim Cillis clutches pass for 12-yard gain. *Spotlight*

right sideline for 57 yards and an 18-7 Whitehall lead with the second half less than four minutes old. It was still 18-7 in the fourth period when a pass interference call gave Voorheesville a first on the Whitehall 25. Picard, a brilliant performer in the clutch despite his youth, threaded the needle with a left-handed bullet down the middle and hit Cillis in a crowd on the 9. Gleason slammed to the one, where Cillis burrowed under the pile and emerged in the end zone.

Down 18-13 and the clock running out, Buckley gambled on 4th and four on the Voorheesville 29, but Cillis was stopped and Whitehall had a chance to put the game away. Again the Blackbirds held, sacked Egan on fourth down and took over with two minutes left and a long way to go.

The situation looked hopeless with fourth and 15 on the

Blackbird 15. The key play came when Picard hit Billy Kavanaugh on the sideline for 18 yards when Harding was covered in the middle. Kavanaugh then made a super catch for five more to the 38.

There were 79 seconds left when Picard, running the same play to the left with Gleason on the flank, was badgered by three Whitehall linemen. Somehow, the little southpaw uncorked a long spiral downfield that travelled nearly 40 yards in the air. Gleason snatched the ball from two defenders, was hit, stumbled momentarily, caught his balance, and ran 20 yards into the end zone as hysteria swept the Voorheesville stands. The play covered 62 yards and made it 19-18. George then kicked the final point of his brilliant career.

The next minute was the longest of the game, with Egan and O'Brien capable of a

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breakaway on any play, but the Blackbirds shut the door and the crown was theirs.

There were stars a-plenty in the hard-hitting game between two outstanding teams. Whitehall keyed on George while Cillis made the crucial plays, picking up 47 yards on 16 trips, catching four passes for 41 yards and saving at least two enemy touchdowns on jarring tackles. Despite the pressure, George ran for 50 yards on 18 carries and surpassed Ned Rissberger's school record with a season total of 958 yards on 184 jaunts. His three-year total is 2,402, which is nearly a mile and a third. On defense he was a tireless workhorse.

Picard, the 10th grader who grew up in a hurry in those two hours at Saratoga, went 9-for-18 in the air for 167 yards, which doesn't tell the story of the clutch completions. Gleason averaged 41 yards on six fine punts, one of them for 53 yards.

This was the first Sectional title for Buckley or anyone else in Class C football. "This outweighs all the others," he finally admitted.

Word of the triumph got back to the village quickly. The team bus, along with the band and the cheerleaders, was met by fire trucks and more than a

mile of cars at the Normanskil Rd. blinker entering the village and was escorted to the high school. On Sunday the fire trucks were out again as an impromptu parade moved through the village to the American Legion hall for reception and covered dinner supper to honor the new champions.

## Veterans bolster Blackbird quint

Michael O'Brien, a former coach of Coxsackie-Athen Central School with 17 years of varied coaching experience, is the new basketball coach at Voorheesville Central High School.

Only three practices have revealed an "experienced team which needs to work on man-to-man defense and on ball control," says O'Brien, speaking of the team that narrowly missed ending in a four-way tie for first place last year.

Greg Hawkins and Marty McTague, both men O'Brien was relying on, have been injured. Hawkins with a broken wrist and McTague with torn knee ligaments, will be out for the season.

Several of last year's starters are back, and experience will be the key to a winning year this year. Either Craig Gleason or Steve Smith, both seniors, will be the pivot man at center, and Tim Lewis and Jim Harding also seniors, will be returning starters. Up from the junior varsity are Jim Rivelli, a sophomore, and Joe Probst, a junior.

## Named by hospital

Dr. Nicholas J. Nehrbauser of Delmar has been appointed director of the Albany Medical Center Hospital emergency department. Dr. Nehrbauser, a graduate of Manhattan College and the SUNY Downstate Medical School, served his internship and residency in internal medicine at Albany Medical Center, and joined the emergency room staff in 1975. He also is an assistant professor of medicine and of surgery at Albany Medical College. He is married and has one daughter.

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Natalie Holmberg and Christa Nuss admire a nut tree made by the craft group of Faith Lutheran Church for the annual church bazaar to be held Dec. 2 at 421 Kenwood Ave.

#### Ticketed for pot

Bethlehem police, acting on a call from a Slingerlands resident that two suspicious cars were on Magdalen Dr., arrested two men on marijuana charges within a few minutes. Officer John R. Cox, Jr., stopped a car on Union Ave., Slingerlands, at 12:50 a.m. Sunday. While he was questioning the two occupants, the passenger attempted to hide something under a seat. With Officer Richard Vanderbilt, who had driven up, Cox searched the car and found a pipe containing marijuana in the car's console and a bag of marijuana under the rear seat. Timothy J. Stack, 22,atham, and Michael T. Reid, Albany were ticketed for unlawful possession of marijuana for an appearance in Bethlehem justice court Dec. 7.


#### League program

The League of Women Voters will hold a unit meeting on "State Program—Update and Planning" at the Bethlehem Library Nov. 30 at 9:15 p.m. Babysitting will be provided at the library. For information and transportation, call Morris Davis, 439-5786.

#### Lutheran bazaar slated

The Faith Lutheran Church will hold a church bazaar Dec. 2 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. The bazaar will feature a variety of booths for Christmas shopping.

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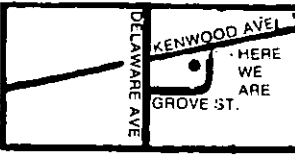


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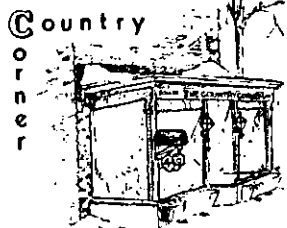
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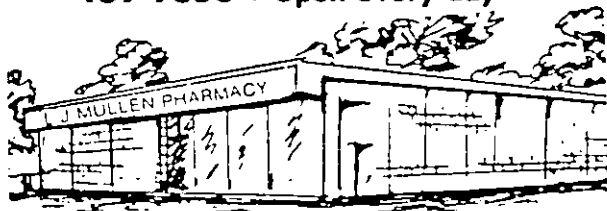
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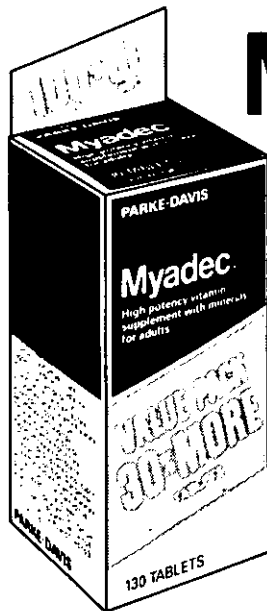
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## Shop Talk

by Judi James

Keats said, "a thing of beauty is a joy forever," and the phrase echoed in my mind as I visited the Crystal Chandelier.

Now a next-door neighbor to the Dorothy Lynn Shop on Delaware Ave., Delmar, the shop literally lights the way to gifts and items for the home. On the outside, the building is white and the sign is in orange tones. On the inside there is sheer beauty! It is a rare pleasure to view so many carefully chosen, intrinsically lovely pieces . . . but, let me take you on a quick tour.

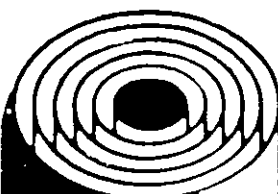
There are lamps of all shapes and sizes. Looking closely, one discovers that most of these are unique pieces. Many of them have Oriental porcelain bases, some of which are signed. With the Christmas season coming, however, special mention must be made of a lamp in pristine white—the base is two doves. Incidentally, it is possible to have one's own special piece made into a lamp at this shop. One friend, for instance, took in a chunky brass oar lock. It

enhances a lamp base made especially for her!

Gorham has designed some fine crystal pieces of jewelry little orbs to sparkle at the hollow of the neck, delightful stick pins and some interesting chains. Visitors seem to linger at the table where they are smartly displayed against a delph blue cloth.

But, since we're touring, let's go to the back of the Crystal Chandelier where one of their fine curio cabinets is especially attractive. It is bright yellow and has mirrored backs to the shelves and is nicely lighted. On those shelves are items that could certainly be considered for the man or woman who is one of those so fortunate that people say, "He has everything." I'll bet he doesn't have a Pharaoh pyramid, does he? No, I don't mean full size! I'm speaking of a gem of artwork. It's a three-inch high pyramid paperweight of glass that reflects divine colors, shading from the crystal base to the pinks and lavenders that fascinate at the top. (I'll settle for that, and have just the window in mind, where it will shimmer happily away to remind me of the beauty there is in life, every day!)

And, speaking of reflective light . . . it was in the 11th century that man first stained pieces of glass, leaved them to pattern, and formed the magnificent windows for cathedrals. This technique has not changed greatly, and today a company called Glass-Crafters is making some really exciting Tiffany lamp shades. (They bring a truck right to the Crystal Chandelier and "off the hooks" the shades are selected!) There is a nice shade with white glass on which stained glass flowers stand out in bold accent. And there, hung in the corner, is the



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more traditional Tiffany shade—a nice decorator touch for room.

The room at the back of the core is deemed to be the "Colonial" room. Items there include a bunch of artificial flowers made from wood chips . . . small gift items in ceramic, brass and wood . . . and an outstanding and charming Morano glass horse from Italy! He's prancing, pawing hand-down piece.

"And which of all these is our favorite?" I asked Doris Tuite, who, with her husband, Tom, own the Crystal Chandelier.

"I like everything!" she

responded. "If I like it, I buy it. But I must confess to being absolutely mad about one piece which hasn't as yet come, but has been ordered. It's a teapot in hexagon shape. It's about eight or 10 inches high, blue on white, and is a copy of an antique."

"Price?" I murmured.

"In the \$50 range," said she!

It's a fine shop, this Crystal Chandelier, and we wish Tom and Doris Tuite good luck in this, their second home.

And . . . as you, in your home gather 'round the traditional Thanksgiving table, know that we join you in being thankful for being here, in this time, in this place! Happy Thanksgiving!

#### Pond walk set

A guided walk will explore the "Winter Water World" at 2 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 2, at the Five Rivers Environmental Education Center, Game Farm Rd., Delmar. The walk will last about 1½ hours and will investigate the changes that take place in the pond community as winter approaches. Warm clothing and walking shoes are recommended. Call 457-6092 for information.

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### Wins writing award

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### Local boy is Puritan the drivell snow

Two early morning shoppers, making their daily pilgrimage to Delaware Plaza, noticed a familiar turkey drive up in his old, rocky Plymouth. Sure enough, everybody's feathered friend Ima Dreamer, 17 of Delmar, was home for the holidays.

"I'm here to feast my eyes on the terrific bargains at Rogers Sport & Ski Shop; he's just stuffing them in. You better gobble them up soon—they're going as fast as the Indian-apples 500. I'm not trying to be corny, but Pete's got a Massa things to chusetts from. If our forefathers saw this, they would turn over in their graves. If you're Thursday for some November bargains, your heart Mayflower when you see these."

Town Pilgrim U.R. Whacko said, "I cranberry the hatchet long enough to wish him a drumstick, and I hope he makes a delicious main course, but as Priscilla said to John, 'There's Miles between us'."

approximately 850 finalist were selected from schools in all 50 states, the District of Columbia, and American schools abroad.

### At FBLA confab

Six officers of the Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA) chapter at Bethlehem Central High School attended the Eastern regional leadership conference in Saratoga Springs, Nov. 10. Attending were Mary Crowder, president; Lisa Racana, vice president; Theresa Kleinke, secretary; Theresa LaBarge, treasurer; Tammy Keppler, reporter, and Sandy Frattura, historian. They were accompanied by Mrs. Maureen O'Brien and Miss Claire Corneau, club advisors. More than 900 members represented six states, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands.

### Grange dinner on

A roast beef dinner will be held at the Bethlehem Grange, Rt. 396, Becker's Corners, Selkirk. The home cooking will be served from 4:30 p.m. on. For reservations call 767-2248.

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#### ARP holiday luncheon

Bethlehem Tri-Village Chapter No. 1598 of the American Assn. of Retired Persons will hold a Christmas luncheon for members and guests Thursday, Dec. 7, at Albany Country Club, Wormer Rd., Voorheesville, starting with a social hour from 12 to 1. Tommy Ippolito and his accordion will provide entertainment. Mrs. William Reuter is coordinator of the program. Car pooling is recommended, and anyone needing transportation should call Fred Klein, 439-3950.

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Place one fourth of the mixture at a time on a pastry board, well dusted with sugar. Add flavoring and food coloring, if desired. Knead until smooth, adding sugar to board as needed and lifting with a spatula to prevent sticking. (Any unrolled portion may be wrapped in wax paper or plastic wrap and stored at room temperature overnight.)

Roll out with sugar-dusted rolling pin, about 1/4 inch thick, turning often and dusting with sugar to prevent sticking. Cut with cookie cutters dipped in confectioners sugar. If desired, make a small hole at top of each wafer with a wooden pick. Place, top side down, on wax paper on baking sheets or trays. Press leftover mixture together; knead again until smooth, roll and cut, or shape into small balls. Allow to dry, uncovered, for 24 hours, turning once. Pack wafers in layers between wax paper in a loosely covered box. Makes about 2-3/4 pounds.

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Following a reception at Bartke's Restaurant, Ravena, the couple left for a wedding trip to Woodstock, Vt. They are making their home on Rt. 9W, Ravena.

The bride, given in marriage by her father, was attended by

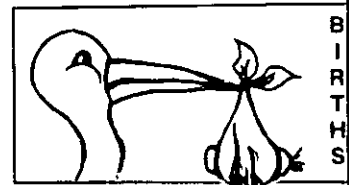
her sisters, Virginia Louise and Barbara Ann, and by Cecil Gough of Ravena and Jud Ogden of Acra. Marva Mahan of Ravena was flower girl.

Peter Haskell of Coeymans was his brother's best man. Ushers were Michael Haskell of South Bethlehem, brother of the groom, Joe T. Lisa of Ravena, brother of the bride, and Eric Hanson of Ravena. Joey Rousseau of Ravena was ring bearer.

Both Mr. and Mrs. Haskell are graduates of Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk High School. Mrs. Haskell attended Marquette College and the State University College at Morrisville, and is a student at the AOC Practical Nursing School. Her husband attended Bryant MacIntosh College and the State University at Albany, and is employed by John W. Francisco, Inc., Ravena.

**Church women elect**

Jane Conklin has been elected president of the United Methodist Women of the Slingerlands United Methodist Church. Other new officers are Ethel Birchenough, vice president; Jane Labrum, secretary; Nancy Relyea, treasurer; and Margaret Mosher, worship chairman. Jane Stolz is the outgoing president. The organization is planning a bake sale and Christmas boutique Dec. 10 at the church.



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## Kindly officer

Editor, The Spotlight:

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One instance of our Bethlehem police operating above and beyond the call, and we thank him.

*Name submitted*

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*The officer who helped you apparently considered his act as such a routine service that he had forgotten it when he made his duty report on that shift, hence there is no record of his identity. Ed.*

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Editor, The Spotlight:

Thank you very much for your excellent reportage during the organization of the Bethlehem Leo Club for the young men and women of the Bethlehem community.

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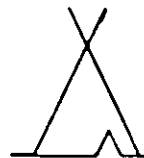
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