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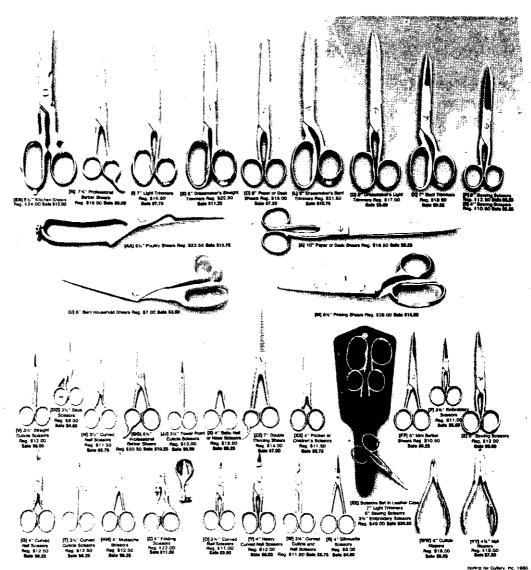
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Working Women's Weekend, career and family responsibilities, Bethlehem Library, 7-9 p.m., also Saturday 10-3. Pre-registration deadline Sept. 29, 439-9314.

Recovery, Inc., self-help for exmental patients and nervous persons, First United Methodist Church, Delmar, 12:30 p.m.

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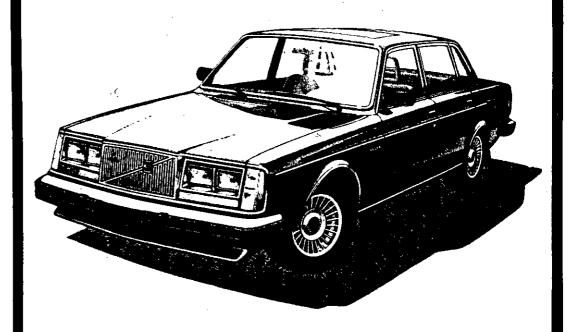
Lutheran Men's Breakfast, Rev. Lloyd Jones, Loudonville, on "How to be a More Godly Man," Tool's Restaurant, Delmar, 8:30 a m.

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Lawn and Bake Sale, VFW Ladies Auxiliary, 404 Delaware Ave., 10 a.m.-4 p.m., rain or shine.

The Heldeberg Workshop, oneday classes, backpacking, spelunking (cave exploring), nature, basketry, outdoor cooking and pysanky (Ukrainian egg decorating), 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Mike Nardacci, 482-9121.

Roast Pork Supper, Bethlehem Grange, Rt. 396, Becker's Corners, starting at 4:30 p.m. Tickets at door.

Bethlehem Lutheran Men's Breakfast, speaker, Rev. Lloyd Jonas, Tool's Restaurant, Delmar, 8:30 a.m. \$3.50. All welcome.

Scholastic Football, Ravena at Voorheesville, 1:30 p.m.

#### **SUNDAY, OCTOBER 5**

Voorheesville Fire Dept. annual open house, wood stove safety demonstration, fire engine rides for kids, cider and doughnuts, Voorheesville firehouse, 1-3 p.m.

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#### MONDAY, OCTOBER 6

Glenmont School PTA, speakers Peter Nardiello and Mark Yolles on drug and alcohol abuse, Glenmont School, 8 p.m.

American Legion Auxiliary retirement dinner for past president Lillian Blanchard, Blanchard Post, Elsmere, 6 p.m. Reservations Rose Marino, 439-6427.

Delmar Home Crafts Club, Hallowe'en witch project, Community Room, Key Bank NA, Delmar, 7:30 p.m.

Delmar Community Orchestra, Bethlehem town hall, 7:30 p.m.

**Assemblyman Larry Lane's** district office, 1 Becker Terr. Delmar, open 10-3.

Parents' Meeting, speaker Jennie Birckmayer, 7:30, Voorheesville Elementary School.

#### TUESDAY, OCTOBER 7

Delmar Home Crafts Club, Hallowe'en witch taught by Edrie Pregent, Key Bank Community Room, 343 Delaware Ave., 7:30 p.m.

Glenmont School PTA, speakers Peter Nardiello and Mark Yolles on drug and alcohol abuse, Glenmont School, 8 p.m.

Town of New Scotland Historical Society, James Seay, "Old Clocks," refreshments, Center in New Salem, 8 p.

#### **WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 8**

St. Thomas Altar Rosary Society, membership tea and mini fashion show, St. Thomas School, 7:30 p.m.

Bethlehem Jr. Woman's Club, Carol Desch, career/job information, Bethlehem Library, 7:30 p.m.

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#### THURSDAY, OCTOBER 9

Jewish Gospel Music, Jews for Jesus concert, Bethlehem Community Church, 7:30 p.m.

#### FRIDAY, OCTOBER 10

Recovery, Inc., self-help for exmental patients and nervous persons, First United Methodist Church, Delmar, 12:30 p.m.

#### **SATURDAY, OCTOBER 11**

13th Annual Harvest Ball, with Len Tobler Quartet, Voorheesville Fire Dept., buffet and dancing, 7:30 p.m.-1 a.m. at firehouse, \$20 per couple, including beer, soda and mixes. For tickets call 765-4555, 765-4625 or 765-2725.

The Heldeberg Workshop, oneday classes, archeology, leather craft, spinning and weaving, quilting, 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Mike Nardacci. 482-9121.

Suburban Council Football, Colonie at Bethlehem, 1:30 p.m.

#### **SUNDAY, OCTOBER 12**

Emerging Styles in Contemporary Women's Writing series, film on poet/novelist Marge Piercy, lecture by Susan Kress, 2 p.m., Bethlehem Library. Reception.

#### **MONDAY, OCTOBER 13**

Delmar Community Orchestra, Bethlehem town hall, 7:30 p.m.

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#### **WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 15**

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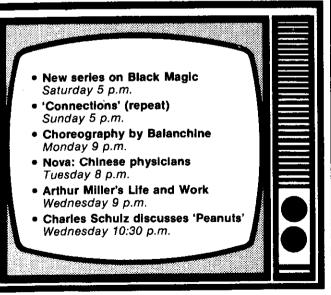
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#### THEATER

Philobolus Dance Theatre, opening presentation of the "Egg Spectrum" season, Empire State Performing Arts Center, Oct. 5-7, 8 p.m. Community Box Office.

"Here is Israel" (multi-media musical production), Albany Jewish Community Center, 340 Whitehall Rd., Oct. 11, 8 p.m. \$6, students, senior citizens \$4.50, 438-6651.

#### MUSIC

Cieveland Quartet, Page Hall, downtown campus, State University, Oct. 14, 8 p.m. \$5, senior citizens \$4, students \$2.50.

Concert, Carla Cook Ross, mezzo soprano, St. Mary's Chapel, Siena College, Oct. 12, 4 p.m. \$3, students \$2.

#### ART

Exhibition, 19th Century Cast Iron Stoves of Albany Area, Albany Institute of History and Art, through May '81.

Sculpture of Hugh Townley and Invisible Light (infrared photography), University at Albany Art Gallery, main campus, through Oct. 5, Tues.-Fri. 9-5, Thurs. till 8, Sat.-Sun. 1-4.

Symphonic Interiors, designer showcase featuring 10 vignettes of rooms, benefit Albany Symphony Orchestra, Albany Institute of History and Art, Oct. 4-25,Tues.-Sat. 11-3, Sun. 2-5, \$3.50.

Constructions by Elizabeth Munro Smith, College of Saint Rose Gallery, through Oct. 7 Sun. - Fri. 12:30-4:30.

#### FILM

"Elephant Called Slowly" (Virginia McKenna, Bill Travers), Albany Public Library, 161 Washington Ave., Oct. 7, 2 and 8 p.m. Free.

"Cinderella" (Disney cartoon classic), captioned and spoken dialogue, Albany Public Library, Oct. 8, 2 p.m. Free.

"Romeo and Juliet" (color), Bolshoi Ballet, first of four classic films sponsored by Albany Symphony Orchestra on Palace Theater screen, Oct. 17, 8:30 p.m. Ticket information 465-4755.

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**BETHLEHEM** 

# Teachers ratify new 3-year union contract

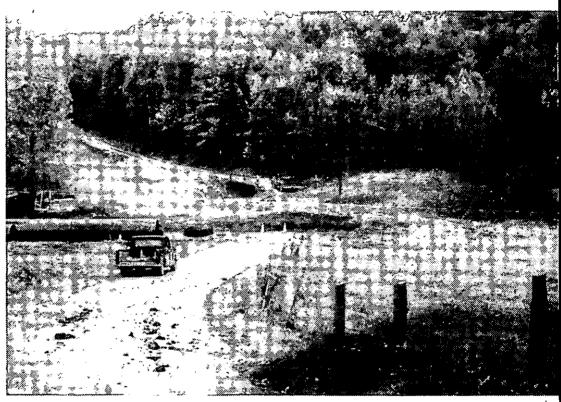
The Bethlehem Central board of education was expected this week to adopt a new three-year contract ratified Monday by the local teachers' union.

The formal action by the board was scheduled to take place during its regular semimonthly business meeting Wednesday night. The locale was to be the High School rather than 90 Adams Pl. because of a special presentation by the school's media group.

The new contract, spelling out salary raises averaging 22.2 percent over the three-year period, was ratified by a majority of the Bethlehem Central Teachers' Assn. (BCTA) membership Monday.

An administration spokesman said the salary clauses call for an immediate 6-percent raise, plus the union's automatic annual increments, retroactive to July 1 of this year, an 8-percent increase plus increments next year, and an additional 7-percent raise plus increments in 1982-83. The teachers have been working without a contract since the old three-year agreement expired June 30.

Annual increments average about 1.5 percent, ranging from more than 2.5 percent for teachers in the lower spectrum of the pay scale to zero for on the basis of a complicated formula. The system's 230 teachers average close to \$20,000 for a 181-day year, with mandated assess-



Bethlehem highway workers last week laid the first of three large pipes to carry the Philippinkill under the relocation of VanDyke Rd. in Delmar. The rusted old bridge, center, the only bridge maintained by the town, will be removed. (More photos on next page).

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ments on the district for retirement benefits adding an average of \$4,700 to the base.

The new scales will boost the Bethlehem district's 1980-81 instructional payroll by an estimated \$346,000 over the 1979-80 actual expenditure of \$4.5 million. The benefit package tacks on an additional \$1,004,800.

The salary hikes, the key bargaining point in nearly six months of negotiations between board and union representatives, are covered in the school district's current \$12.9-million budget.

Other points in the new agreement include:

- A new point system for coaching and extra-duty assignments designed, according to an administration spokesman, "to balance payments in relation to various activities." Coaches and other extra-duty assignments are also included in the new salary scales.
- A retirement incentive that will enable retirees to be compensated for accumulated sick leave.
- A provision to standardize the school work day among elementary, Middle School and High School teachers.
  - A concession by the

union to reduce the number of allotted sabbatical leaves from four to three in the first year of the contract and from three to two in the second year. A teacher on sabbatical leave receives half pay for a full year or full pay for a half year.

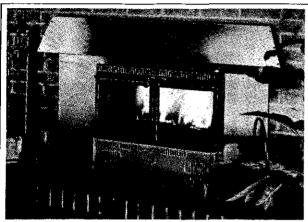
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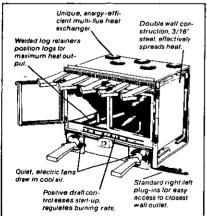
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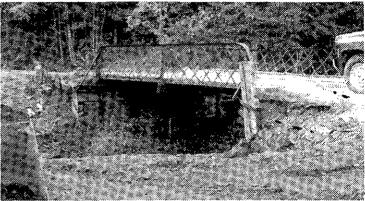
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#### Workshop fall classes

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#### Harvest Flea Market

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#### For expectant parents

St. Peter's Hospital in Albany will sponsor an expectant parents' night on Monday, Oct. 6 at 7:30 in the hospital cafeteria. The program includes a tour and a short film.

#### Historical group meets

The Town of New Scotland Historical Society will meet Oct. 7 and 8 at the Center in New Salem. James Seay will speak on "Old Clocks." All are welcome.

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# New fluoride flap brewing

A citizen drive to block a proposal for the fluoridation of the Bethlehem water system reportedly is gaining momentum as the Bethlehem town board confronts an issue that polarized the community more than two decades ago.

The Bureau of Dental Health of the State Dept. of Health is scheduled to make a presentation at the town board's regular meeting Wednesday, Oct. 8. The presentation represents the first formal step in reopening the sometimes-bitter controversy that split town residents into two groups for three months in the winter of 1958.

The latest pressure comes from the state agency, which contends that approximately 112 public water systems serving 441 municipalities have been fluoridated. There were no immediate figures on what percentage of the state's population has been affected.

Also expected at Wednesday's session are Mr. and Mrs. Douglas P. Bridge of Slingerlands, who are spearheading a drive to collect signatures on a petition op-

posing adding chemicals to the Bethlehem system.

Supervisor Tom Corrigan said the board had received 26 letters from citizens, 24 of them favoring fluorides and two opposed.

The present town board is expected to give the issue a long deep look-see before taking any action. The 1958 town board conducted several hearings before authorizing a water district referendum.

In the weeks prior to the voting, citizen factions representing the Bethlehem Community Organization (pro) and the Bethlehem Pure Water Assn. (con) campaigned vigorously, including letterwriting and paid ads in the Spotlight. The vote, conducted on Saturday, March 22, 1958, at the firehouses in Delmar, Elsmere and Slingerlands, resulted in an overwhelming defeat for the proponents of fluoridation: 1,571--or 63.5 percent---voted No, and 915 voted Yes.

The town board, which prior to the balloting had publicized its position that it would not consider itself bound by the plebescite, took no further action, and the matter has been dormant until recently.

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#### **BUSINESS**

# Wine price cuts imperil dealers

A price war stemming from a court decision last month knocking out fair-trade minimums on domestic and imported wines may force several small liquor stores out of business.

A Spotlight survey of the six retail stores in Bethlehem and New Scotland showed a varied reaction among local dealers. All, however, were concerned, and most agreed that the ruling would severely hurt small stores unable to muster the volume to remain profitable.

"We've had no great impact so far, but we're trying to stay in line with the competition locally," said Edward J. (Ed) Spain, of Elsmere, owner of Fowler's Liquor Store, largest in the Bethlehem-New Scotland area. "All of us are cutting prices to an extent, and we're cutting some items to the bone. It's not good business, the big boys are behind it all, and there's no question some of the small stores will out of business."

Bill Turner, an Altamont businessman who purchased the Delmar Liquor Store at Four Corners just a year ago, admitted he was worried. His business had been growing, he says, at a satisfactory pace until three weeks ago, when the court ruling threw out the fair-trade minimums on wines.

"My business has been hurt; I can't keep up," says Turner. "This situation is also going to hurt Christmas sales, which most dealers count on heavily, because a lot of people have been doing their Christmas buying now.'

Turner also blamed publicity given by newspapers, radio and television. "The media have done this to us. The big stores now want to back off. because they can't make any money either, but they can't. People now expect to get wines for practically nothing."

In Voorheesville, where a well known Glenmont couple. Howard and Henrietta Vagele, have owned a small store in the Grand Union mini-plaza on Maple Ave., Mrs. Vagele expressed a similar view. "We noticed our volume dropped off last week, and it has made quite a difference. It's too bad it had to happen. We pay a high fee for a license, and the state has always protected us against unfair competition. After all, we can only sell three items-liquor, wine and cordials. We're not like a supermarket selling hundreds of items."

Both Spain and Mrs. Vagele now are giving 20-percent discounts on a case of wine instead of the usual 10 percent permitted under the old regulations. "You can't run a business that way," said Mrs. Vagele.

Mrs. Arlene Devine, ownermanager of the Delaware Plaza Liquor Store in Elsmere with her son, Peter, is more optimistic, but admits the situation is serious. She has cut prices and is advertising weekly specials, tactics she says has accounted for a "noticeable increase in the number of customers and in dollar volume." Her store is

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one of several Buy-Rite liquor stores in the Albany area, stores that are independently owned but which pool their advertising and purchasing. She refers to it as a "total discount store."

Mrs. Devine sees higher volume as the means of survival. "There are some tremendous values for the consumer," she notes. "But, based on volume, we should be able to do it. I'm going with it (the new trend), we're just going to have to work harder. It's a question of how the market levels off."

Gene Jagereski, owner of Stonewell Wines and Liquors in Slingerlands, may be the only dealer in the vicinity to be relatively unaffected. He attributes this to his location, an observation that gives validity to Ed Spain's theory that "the farther out you are, the less impact this will have."

Jagereski's strategy is to "sit tight until we get the definite word on what the court will do" after the State Liquor Authority's arguments are presented next week. "We haven't noticed any significant impact," he told a reporter. "We're riding it out. Our customers are the kind that are not expecting us to give the wine away."

In Glenmont, Andrew Mayone of Mayone's Wines and Liquors, says he has "made cuts, and we've got to go with it until the law changes." His store promotes wines as vigorously as it can, and business volume has picked up since the wine-cellar floor caved in three weeks ago, but there's a note of caution: "Our business has increased, but you don't know are higher priced than our were under fair-trade." The implication, as borne out by the experience in New Jersey and other states, is that price wars ruin the neighborhood stores, leaving the whole market to the discount giants then the big-volume levia thans have a free rein to charge whatever they want and the consumer takes the beating from then on.

how much (future business) you're mortgaging." That echoed Bill Turner's fears: will the customers you give the big breaks to now stick with you at Christmas time?

Mayone also voiced the complaint of Mrs. Vagele and others: when you are restricted to selling only liquors and wines, how can you survive without being allowed to sell other items? Says Mayone: "If it's going to be this way, you've got to give the stores other items, like cigarettes, beer, ice, cheese and crackers, other things." The smaller stores, he says, "can't afford to cut prices."

Almost all the dealers contacted by the Spotlight feel that if the new trend is allowed to continue, it's just a matter of time before wines are sold in supermarkets, which would be the death knell of perhaps half of New York State's 4,700 liquor stores. As it is now, even the predatory discount giants like Barbara's World in Clifton Park, cited bitterly by several local dealers as a ringleader in the destructive lobby, will be badly damaged in the near future. Says Spain, the dean of local dealers: "New Jersey went off fair trade a year ago and now a lot of their wines are higher priced than ours were under fair-trade." The implication, as borne out by the experience in New Jersey and other states, is that price wars ruin the neighborhood stores, leaving the whole market to the discount giants, then the big-volume leviathans have a free rein to charge whatever they want, and the consumer takes the beating from then on.

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# Bicycle stolen

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## Mail vandal caught

An Il-vear-old Delmar boy has admitted stuffing a quantity of burning paper in a mailbox on Kenwood Ave. near the Bethlehem Middle School parking lot at 3:25 p.m. Thursday, according to a Bethlehem police report. George W. Stutsrim, superintendent of postal operations at the Delmar postoffice, opened the box and found a quantity of pine needles' and leaves with a letter that was undamaged by the flames, police said. The report also stated that Donald Stickler, a Delmar postal carrier recovered three burnt pieces of mail from a mailbox at the corner of Kenwood and Elsmere Aves, last Wednesday,

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# Driver in hospital

Philip Michalski, 22, of Orchard St., Feura Bush. was listed in fair condition Monday at Albany Medical Center Hospital with back injuries after the car he was driving left Stove Pipe Rd. in the town of New Scotland, flipped over several times and landed against a tree. Deputies of the Albany County sheriff's patrol in Voorheesville said Michalski was alone in the car. and had to be extricated by the Slingerlands Rescue Squad using "jaws of life" equipment. The Onesquethaw Fire Dept. ambulance and a fire truck were sent to the scene at 4:15 a.m. Sunday, deputies said.

#### Marriage weekend set

The Jewish Marriage Experience group has set a deadline of Oct. 3 for couples to sign up for the Marriage Enrichment Weekend to be held Oct. 11-13 at the Howard Johnson Motor Lodge, Albany. Information, 785-8334.

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# Driver, 20, jailed after jury trial

The first jury trial to be held in New Scotland within recent has resulted in the conviction of a man charged with driving under the influence of drugs.

Town Justice Kenneth J. Connolly last week sentenced Keith E. Broadhead, 20, of Guilderland to a term of one year in Albany County jail on a DWAI (driving while ability impaired) charge. A second charge of driving in violation of a restricted license was suspended.

A jury of six men and women heard the trial arguments in New Scotland justice court at the town hall on Rt. 85 on Sept. 17. Broadhead had pleaded guilty to a previous DWAI charge involving alcohol in Albany police court last April.

Broadhead was arrested in New Scotland after the car he was driving left Krumkill Rd., rolled over and landed upside down submerged in Vly Creek about 5 p.m. on May 9. Broadhead and a passenger escaped unhurt.

#### Speaker at breakfast

Rev. Lloyd Jonas, pastor of the Loudonville Community Church, will speak on "How to be a More Godlay Man" at the second monthly Christian Men's Breakfast Saturday, Oct. 4, at 8 a.m. at Tool's Restaurant, Delmar. The series, open to all comers, is sponsored by the Bethlehem Lutheran Church. For information, call Jerry Jonas, 439-4760, or Robert Millspaugh, 439-5708.

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# 3 students spend summer abroad

Three members of Bethlehem Central's class of '81 spent their vacations outside of the United States this summer. Peter Propp went to Europe, Carrie Lamite to Ireland and Switzerland, and Paul Schenkel to Colombia.

Schenkel, of 8 Sutherland Ct., Elsmere, spent six weeks in Bogota, Columbia's mountain capital, with his friend, Danny Sanders, a senior at Albany High, Soon after their final exams in June, they flew to South America for a month of study at La Universidad Javeriana, a school attended by students from around the world. Paul and Dan devoted four hours daily to Spanish grammar and vocabulary. Weekends were reserved for bus trips to cities and towns. While Dan stayed with his brother, an employee of one of Bogota's many banks, Paul boarded with an upper-class household that included five children and a maid. Although no one in his temporary family spoke English, Paul had little trouble communicating, since he had learned to speak Spanish in



America. He returned home with an excellent command of the language in addition to an empty wallet, a golden tan and plenty of lasting memories.

Peter Propp, who lives at 21 Bartlett Lane, Elsmere, toured Europe for two weeks with his parents and sister Betsy, a junior at BCHS. Peter and his family arrived in Brussels on July 14 where they rented a car and drove 3,000 kilometers through four countries before returning to Brussels for their return flight.

Although they found European prices steep compared to those in America, the Propps enjoyed two-star accommodations in hotels throughout Belgium, Switzerland, Italy and France. After crossing the Alps and relaxing by the Mediterranean, Peter decided his favorite place was Florence, Italy where he stayed three nights.

Carrie Lamite's itinerary opened with a three-day stop in Geneva, Switzerland, visit-

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ing friends. She then moved on to a mountaineering camp in the tiny Alpine village of Arolla. In the course of two weeks, Carrie learned hiking techniques, watched avalanches, climbed cliffs of up to 35 feet, and even lowered herself into a crevasse, a deep fissure in a glacier. Carrie's high school French came in handy, as it was the language of her instructors. In fact, Carrie was the only U.S. citizen present. Most of the campers were either natives of Switzerland or they lived in nearby Belgium or the Netherlands.

After camp ended, Carrie caught a plane to Ireland, where she met her parents and her grandmother at the Dublin airport. The Lamities were constantly on the move for the rest of the month, taking in the sights of Galway, Dingle, Cork and Shannon in a rented car. Although Ireland was new to Carrie, the Alps were not, since she had previously skied in the Alps with her family.

Carrie, Paul and Peter all feel fortunate to have had the opportunity to travel overseas. All three should have something exciting to report at school this fall when their teachers assign them compositions about what they did this summer.

Laurie Strasser

#### **Business women meet**

Carol Desch of the Bethlehem Library will be the speaker at the Oct. 8 meeting of the Bethlehem Junior Women's Club at 7:30 at the Library. All women are invited. Information, Susan Bennett, 439-5506.

#### VFW sale Saturday

VFW Ladies Auxiliary will hold their annual lawn and bake sale Saturday, Oct. 4, at 404 Delaware Ave., from 10 to 4.

#### Fire officers meet

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# Rail fans form new model club

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A nucleus of train buffs and model railroad hobbyists have formed the Bethlehem Railroad Society and plan to publicize an organization meeting as a means of attracting prospective members interested in modeling, historical research, craft reproductions of trains, tracks, bridges and buildings. No date has been set for the first

The club is applying to the town of Bethlehem for approval to use a portion of the basement of the former town hall at 393 Delaware Ave., Delmar, for an HO-scale scenic recreation of local railroading. The petition is under consideration by a three-man ad hoc committee appointed by the town to evaluate community use of the vacant building, a historic structure in itself as the former Adams House.

Ernest Netz, 1 Center Lane, Delmar, is serving as temporary spokesman for the new group. Train buffs, model craftsmen, hobbyists and other interested persons are asked to send him their names by mail or call him at 439-2106 evenings.

Tentative plans call for modeling the D&H route between the Port of Albany and Voorheesville via the Normanskill gorge and the Toll Gate overpass. The club later will model the former New York Central main line between Voorheesville and the Selkirk yards, and the old West Shore track that links the Selkirk and the Port of Albany. The three dioramas would thus form a rough triangle. The historical period for the model representation will be selected by club members.

The club presently plans to hold regular meetings one night a week, and make the layout available to members to work on during weekends. A public showing would be held when the first diorama has been completed, Netz

Robert W. Mahoney of Albany, president of the Schenectady Model Railroad Club and co-owner of the HO Custom Trains shop on Rt. 9W, Glenmont, has agreed to serve as a consultant to the new club.

#### Church auction Saturday

The chant of the auctioneer will resound throughout Voorheesville when Jim Dunn, well-known auctioneer from Unionville, mounts his platform at 11 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 4. The signal for the start of the village's popular auction-bazaar will be sounded an hour before the auction begins, however, when 20 booths, indoor and outdoor, begin selling wares of all kinds

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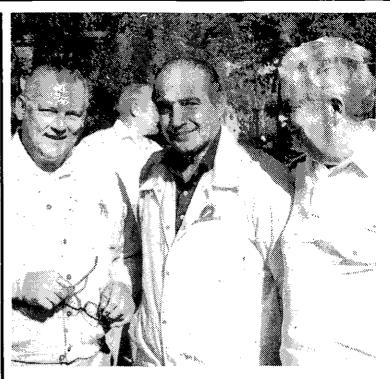
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#### Rock band winner

Purple Haze, a four-man band that was a two-time winner in 1979, was acclaimed the winner of Friday night's Battle of the Bands at Bethlehem Central High School. The event, sponsored by the school's DECA club, was the first of two such functions, the second scheduled for March.

The winning band earned \$400 in prize money and the honor of playing exclusively the rest of the evening. Runners-up were Fusion of Bethlehem Central, last year's winner; Rebel, a four-member crowd pleaser from Voorheesville, and Electric City from Colonie. The losing bands each received \$100 for their participation.

Laurie Strasser

#### Panhellenic party set

Albany Panhellenic Assn. plans a champagne punch party on Sunday, Oct. 5 from 3 to 5 p.m. at the home of Mrs. John Grosvenor, Font Grove Rd., in Slingerlands. The event is designed to introduce college alumni who are members of National Panhellenic Conference sororities to the local association. Mrs. Lewis P. Welch, Slingerlands, chairman, asks that any woman who is a member of a national sorority and would like to attend, call her at 439-3123 or Mrs. Kenelm Thacher, Delmar, at 439-5706 to make a reservation.

#### **CPR** course starting

The Delmar Progress Club will sponsor a course in cardiopulmonary resuscitation at the Bethlehem Library on four consecutive Saturdays beginning Oct. 4. The class will be taught by Frank Ferro, qualified CPR instructor, and the only charge will be \$3.50 for course informational material. Residents planning to attend should register with Carole Bryant, chairman (439-4072) or Mildred Albright (439-3466).

# Rosary tea planned

The first meeting of the St. Thomas Altar-Rosary Society will be a membership tea at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 8. Susan Klein is tea chairman and Robyn Reeves is in charge of the liturgy. A minifashion show will be presented by Stretch-and-Sew.

#### Gas the 'easy way'

Bethlehem police are looking for two drivers who drove off without paying for gas at two self-service stations in Delmar last week. Police said a woman pumped \$20 worth of unleaded gas at the Cumberland Farms store in Elsmere at 9:25 p.m. Friday, four days after a driver had not paid for \$12.25 worth of gas at the Stop-N-Go pumps in Delmar.

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Josette Blackmore Interiors, advertised as a total interior design service, now open at 414 Kenwood Ave. in Delmar, is a quiet, unique place to select fine fabrics, furnishings and accessories for your office or your home.

Anyone who has tried to

give a room a lift by changing slip covers, having a chair upholstered or adding new draperies knows the frustration of store-hopping, sample snatching and often ending with a hodgepodge rather than a bright new look in the room.

We advise that you put the fear of "spending more" from your mind if you are in the market for home decorating and that you will save time, money and tension if you seek

professional help in your decorating. Take a tour with us and meet Josette, a charming young woman with a quiet professional air and a fine background in design. She is a graduate of Skidmore College and has added credits from the New York School of Interior Design. For the past two years, Josette has been working from her home. As she told us, finally the books and books and fabrics and samples just had to be gathered under one roof and displayed along with accessories. Thus came to Delmar a unique showroom in excellent taste.

Josette Blackmore Interiors does not intend to compete with the average store showing carpeting, papers, etc. Not at all, for she has brought design fabrics such as Greef. Schumaker and Brunschwig and Fils. The Brunschwigs

have long been summer residents of nearby Chatham and their imported, high-style fabrics are truly unique. We especially liked one of their fabrics for draperies, a glazed chintz called Orientala which is handprinted and inspired by the Royal Pavilion at Brighton. There are lovely soft shades of peach and blue and rust which can be picked up for the fabric to cover a piece of furniture in the room.

When you enter Josette's shop, you feel a sense of exquisite good taste. The rooms are large and lovely. Josette's own desk and some of her display areas are in clear glass on stainless steel and brass columns. This is a sample of the Dia line of contemporary furniture which she has available. She told us she has used it very successfully in decorating and furnishing both a lawyer's and a doctor's offic. The drapes in

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On the handsome glass shelves we viewed the many gift and accessory items Josette is carrying. They are all meant to aid in highlighting special areas of the home. For instance, there is a handsome pair of brass cranes, some finely honed Renaldo Maia vases in clear glass, and some very unusual porcelain candlesticks. A pair of brass hurricane lamps, different because of their chunky glovetype chimneys, and tall brass candlesticks were among the gift items that caught our eye.

In the two rooms at the rear of her shop three large caracelles display large samples of the prettiest fabrics we've ever seen. Shelves hold multitudinous books of paper and carpeting samples. (There's an exciting new idea Josette is showing in floor coverings... a printed border run... achieved by combining two types of carpeting and using the one with the small design as a border or an accent piece).

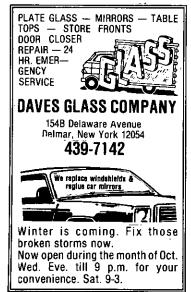
You will find needlepoint canvasses which are custom-designed to your own desire at Josette's. She showed us one which had been copied from the design on a piece of upholstery fabric. "With the chair covered in this fabric and two pillows done in

needlepoint in the same design and tossed on the sofa, it ties the whole thing in," she commented.

This would be a fine, personalized gift that could be started right now to be ready for Christmas. So, if you do needlepoint and want to make a very special gift, stop in and have yours custom-designed.

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# Voorheesville **News Notes**

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Steven DiNova, pastor of the Capital District Spiritualistic Church, will speak on parapsychology.

The Community Nursery School of Voorheesville has announced that Carolyn J. Williams will assume the position of teacher-director of the school.

Mrs. Wiliams earned a BS degree in early childhood development and psychology from Cornell University, and her New York State certifica-

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tion for nursery through primary from Syracuse University. Her 14 years teaching experience include 12 in nursery schools, most recently in the Plattsburgh Co-op School.

When asked what her primary objective is in guiding a nursery program, Mrs. Williams responded that she hopes to "strenghen and develop (in each child) a healthy self-concept within a group situation outside the home." In keeping with this philosophy, Mrs. Wiliams has chosen materials and activities within her program that which include a "verbal expression" circle, music. stories, creative art and perhaps a cooking experience.

"Free play," says Mrs. Williams, "is not just entertainment. It is a time for selfdiscovery by which a child gets to know himself and to form his concepts of the world."

Mrs. Williams recently taught a "Mommie and Me" evening course for the Guilderland schools and is currently chairman of the committee on teacher education for the Capital District Chapter of the State Association for the Education of Young Children.

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# Historic vault site has new owner

A Delmar entrepreneur has purchased two tracts of land at the Toll Gate intersection in Slingerlands, on one of which stands the historic burial vault of the John Slingerland family.

Anthony J. Pizzitola, 37 Bennett Terr., is the new owner of two large parcels occupied for more than a generation by Charles Sanders, widely known Slingerlands octogenerian, a restauranteur and volunteer fireman, Pizzitola purchased the properties from William and Elizabeth Moak of Font Grove Rd., Slingerlands, who had received title from Sanders.

Pizzitola has started to renovate the former restaurant building at the intersection for conversion to a pizzeria. Sanders operated a restaurant there for many years before his retirement.

Bethlehem Supervisor Tom Corrigan last year sent a town work crew to the historic 19th century crypt to clear brush from a right-of-way in a move to make the site more accessible to schoolchildren on guided tours and for local history buffs. Corrigan, however, withdrew the crew when

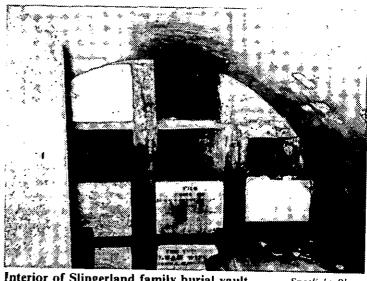
informed by Moak that the property was in litigation.

The deed to the property is understood to show a rightof-way to the burial vault, but the legal status of the tract is not known at this time.

Asked if he planned to make the vault and its stone obelisk available to the public, Pizzitola replied: "I haven't given it any thought. We want to get the place cleaned up first." He added that he hoped to "fix up the house," which is occupied by several tenants including Sanders. He indicated he would continue to lease quarters to the ten-

Pizzitola said he hoped to open his pizza establishment in December. "It won't be an eyesore anymore," he added, referring to longtime complaints of Slingerlands homeowners that the building has been decaying for many years. The property is in a commercial zone, and a restaurant-pizzeria is a permitted

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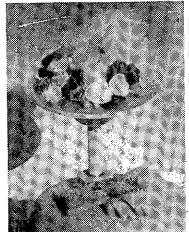
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#### Miniature show on

John Van Dusen of Slingerlands is the 1980 general chairman of the third annual Saratoga Festival of Miniatures, to be held on Saturday, Oct. 4, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., and Sunday, Oct. 5, from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Hall of Springs, Saratoga State Park. The festival will feature over 35 craftspeople and dealers, a "Miniature Village" display and homemade food.

Van Dusen, a miniaturist who says he works mainly with doll houses, says of his hobby, "I think it comes naturally to most boys, with





This two-inch hand-made silk chapeau, left, by miniaturist Suzanne Strickland of Delmar and the 8-inch needlesculptured "peddlar" doll created by Betsy Ellsworth of Delmar are among the displays at the 1980 Festival of Miniatures Oct. 4-5 at the Hall of Springs at Saratoga Springs. Ellsworth, who teaches a class in soft-sculpture doll making through the Bethlehem adult education program, also has works from last year's students presently displayed at the Bethlehem Library.

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Prices from dealers who attend the show "are all over the place," Van Dusen says, "from reasonable to very expensive." He adds that Martha Kurlano, who owns the Shuttle Hill Herb Shop behind Mullen's Pharmacy in 

Delmar, is "one of the top dealers of miniatures in the country; not many people are aware of that."

Among the exhibitors are Bethy Ellsworth, Judy Thompson, Sandra Cohen, Susan Strickland, Nancy Farr, Al Bosch and Frank and Mary Donohue of Delmar and Chris Jeffers and Bob and Betty Phillips of Slingerlands.



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Among the standouts competing are Roger London, Larry Linett, Phil Ackerman, Dave Denny, Dave Taylor, Louise Halle, Lisa Rosenblum, Barbara Steger and Anna Means, London, club pro, and Richard Balsam are co-chairmen of the league. Sponsors in addition to the Southwood club are Keeler Motor Car Co., the Paper Mill, Adels-Loeb Jewelers, Jack's Oyster House, M. Kramer and Sons Heating, Mom's Stereo Warehouse, Rose and Kiernan Insurance Inc., and Chadwick Square Community in Delmar.

The league will complete. team play in April, 1981 and start playoffs for individual prizes. This is the first time in the area tennis history that top area players have competed together for the entire winter season.

#### Supper at Grange

A roast pork supper will be served at Bethlehem Grange, Rt. 396, Beckers Corners, Saturday, Oct. 4, beginning at 4:30. Tickets can be purchased at the door.

FIELD HOCKEY

# **BC** stickers see a bright future

This is a "building year" for Bethlehem Central's field hockey forces, who came out of their first six games under a new coach at 3-3. One of the defeats was a 1-0 loss to Burnt Hills in a flick-off after three overtimes, another was a 1-0 defeat by Shenendehowa in the last 30 seconds.

But Coach Julie Besteman, a Delmar resident who joined the BC staff fresh from an outstanding college career in hockey and tennis, is heartened by a 2-1 conquest of Scotia, 1979 Suburban Council champions. She has switched to a more modern system, accenting midfield strength, and put strong emphasis on conditioning. "We're taping about 10 ankles a day," she says, "They're great girls, they have improved their stickwork and moves. The new formation is coming."

The team is led by cocaptains Mary Howell, a senior who scored four goals in the first six games, and Linda Stokoe, a sophomore who has returned to the link position after a bout with tendonitis in both ankles when she switched to sweeper. Teri Boehlke, a junior, has been outstanding in the goal and Amy Besteman, sister of the coach and a junior, plays center half.





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**TENNIS** 

# BC girls take Council trophy

Bethlehem Central's talentrich girls tennis varsity captured the team trophy in the Suburban Council singles and doubles eliminations at Burnt HIlls last week. With several finals and at least one semifinal still to be played, the Eagles were too far in front in total points to be caught by anyone.

The clinching points were supplied by Bethlehem's second and third doubles combos, Liz Howell-Pam Ackerman and Pam Hall-Tina Manion. Both teams made the semifinals.

BC had two finalists as the weekend closed, and one of them, the Eagles' top doubles team of Randi Frank and Sheila Gould, won the Council doubles crown with a delayed 7-6, 4-6, 6-3 mara-

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thon over a Saratoga team on Monday.

BC's other finalist is Judy Van Woert, the team's No. 4 singles player, who will face either Niskayuna or Shenendehowa in a postponed match this Saturday. The luck of the draw matched Judy with teammate Laura Treadway, BC's No. 5 singles player, in one semifinal in the bracket for 4-5-6 players, with Judy prevailing in a three-setter, 7-6, 2-6, 6-3. In the 1-2-3 singles draw, all three Eagles, Ann Weber, Kathy Bragaw and Molly Treadway, were eliminated in the quarterfinals.

Back in the league race, Coach Grace Franze's team, unbeaten at 6-0, faces its toughest tests next week, going against the Council's other powers, Burnt Hills Tuesday and Shenendehowa Wednesday, with Niskayuna the following Monday. The Shens and Niskies also are unbeaten, but face each other next week.

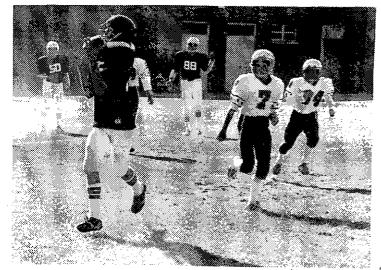
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This catch by Rich Bailey of a Dave Young pass gave Bethlehem Eagles a 70-yard touchdown against Troy.

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#### Warner Eagles win

Bethlehem Eagles made it three out of four in the Pop Warner Midget Division by taking the Troy Patriots, 21-12, at Troy Sunday. The Junior Midget Hawks lost to Inner City, 19-7, and the PeeWee Division Falcons were zipped at Watervliet, 19-0

Dave Martin set up the Eagles' first touchdown by grabbing a Patriot fumble. Dave Young threw to Jeff Masline for a 40-yard TD, and later connected with Rich Bailey who sprinted 70 yards to the goal line. Bethlehem

added a safety on a Troy fumble in the end zone, and iced the game when Masline picked off a Troy pass and ran it to the 4. Young took it in from there and scored the conversion.

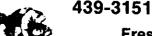
Chip Fleming scored the Hawks' only touchdown on a 10-yard pass play from Mike Whitney. The Hawks, now 1-3-0, have a home game this Sunday with Burnt Hills at Hamagrael.

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Ron White of Voorheesville was the first local runner across the line, finishing fourth to win the sub-master's event in 1:11:27. The master's trophy went to Doug Allen of Schenectady, ninth overall, with Voorheesville's Herb Reilly 32 seconds behind. Ed Bentley of Schenectady at No. 34 won the senior division, and Sue Cohen of Albany was

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Chris Costigan

the first of three women finishers.

Mark Sullivan of Howe Caves won the 7-mile event that by-passed the Diamond Hill-Clipp Rd. loop. Michael Kalogridis of Voorheesville was the first local finisher at No. 10, and Deb Burkhalter of Voorheesville was third in the women's division. There were 42 finishers in the long course and 33 in the abbreviated run, starting and ending at the New Scotland town, park under the auspices of the town and the Hudson-Mohawk Roadrunners Club.

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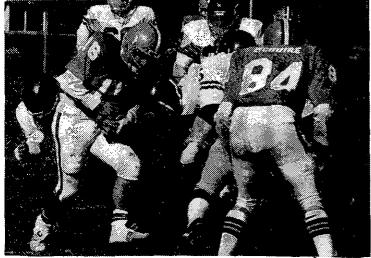
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BC quarterback Steve Malone (16) runs into heavy traffic against Whitesboro in Saturday's game in Delmar. R.H. Davis

**FOOTBALL** 

# Eagles looking up despite adversity

If the Suburban Council awarded a championship for optimism, the winner would be Gene FitzPatrick. Bethlehem Central's second-year coach is predicting a BC victory at East Greenbush Saturday despite a 34-15 pasting from undefeated Whitesboro last week in a non-league game at Delmar.

"I'm planning on beating them (Columbia)," said Fitz-Patrick, paying no attention to the Eagles' 0-3 escutcheon this season and 0-9 in the Council over two seasons. "The whole team showed improvement Saturday, and the line has improved tremendously. I was very pleased. Rob Agnew (defensive end) really did a job, but their passing hurt us. The kids are still working hard, and we're going to win some games."

For a few brief moments

Saturday, the Eagles had the lead, a novel experience since the championship year of 1978. They were trailing by 13-0 in the second quarter and started a drive at the visitors' 40. Steve Malone threw to Tom Dexter for 7, a line play failed, and then Dexter burst off tackle, got good blocking and was gone. On the conversion, Henry Field faked a kick as Malone passed to Bob Rivenburgh in the left corner for two points.

Moments later Jeff Bennett, a senior cornerback, intercepted on the Whitesboro 17, and Dexter, on the same offtackle slant, broke free on the first play. Field kicked the point, and it was 15-13 Bethlehem.

The glory, however, was short-lived. Whitesboro scored on a pass just before the half and added two more touchdowns after the intermission. "We were flat in the second half," said FitzPatrick. "We couldn't move the ball.

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and they had a big end who could catch the ball on the dead run. You don't see that ofen and we coundn't handle it."

BC suffered a major loss when Jim McGuiness, a junior defensive tackle who had come along fast in the last two games, got wedged between two blockers and came out with a broken leg. Jimmy DeAngelis, who has been sidelined with an injured thumb, will be back for Columbia.

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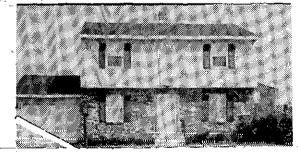
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# BC booters off to a good start

Even with three starters on the medical list, Bethlehem Central's young soccer team is off to a flying start in the rugged Suburban Council, where there are no patsies and every game is a battle.

Ordinarily, a team that knocks off Shaker, Shenendehowa and Mohonasen within a span of five days could afford to rest a moment on its laurels, but not in the Council. This week the Eagles were paired with sectional champion Guilderland, Columbia and league-leading Colonie. BC began the week tied for second place with Shaker at 4-1-1, half a game behind Colonie at 5-1-1.

All three games in the Eagles' week of glory were won by a single-goal margin and saved by a whisker. Against Shenendehowa, generally considered the powerhouse of the future, the Eagles won, 1-0, but had to withstand a furious fourth-quarter blitz including one shot that carommed off the crossbar. On Saturday, against Mohonasen, Wes Hotaling made a super save that would have changed the picture.

With Dave Reusswig sidelined with an ankle injury, Coach Gene Lewis shifted Chris Congemi from center

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half to wing, and the speedy junior responded by scoring a goal in each of the three games last week. His shot at 1:13 of the third period on a pass from John Tartaglia was the only score in the Sehenendehowa struggle, and he opened the scoring against Mohonasen at 3:45 of the first on assists from Dave Usher and Jeff Guinn.

That goal stood until the 18th minute of the third period when Rick Caruso, Mohonasen forward, intercepted Wes Hotaling's clearing throw and slammed the ball home for 1-1. "It was a defensive mistake," Lewis said later. "We shouldn't have tried it with a strong wind against us."

But the chill wind, blowing downfield from the north, was with BC in the final chapter. Usher put the Eagles back in front at 1:30 off a corner kick, and Guinn tallied at 4:50 on a nine-yarder for a 3-1 bulge. Guinn also netted a direct kick, but the score was nullified by an offside call.

Mohonasen got the goal back against the BC reserves with two minutes left. "Our bench has been superb," said Lewis. "Just terrific."

The Eagles played Mohonasen without Kevin Ryan, Scott Quintana and Chris Birr, but Reusswig cam back for limited duty.

#### Fire safety program

A Junior Fire Marshall safety program for grades K-4 will be sponsored at the Glenmont Elementary School as part of Fire Prevention Week Oct. 5-11 by the Insurance Women of Albany and the Butler and Brown agency in Delmar.

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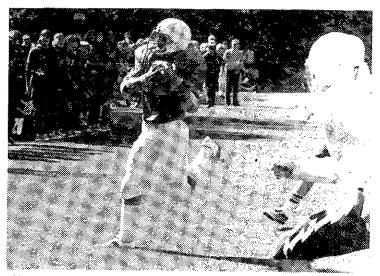
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Jim Riviello hauling in a touchdown pass from Greg Picard in Voorheesville's 33-7 win Saturday.

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Voorheesville's varsity football machine was firing on all cylinders Saturday to the delight of an enthusiastic audience on a beautiful September afternoon. The Blackbirds bulldozed a big Lansingburgh team, 33-7. rolling up 308 yards on the sward and another 90 in the air.

"The intensity we lacked at Rensselaer showed this week." observed a happy Coach Tom Buckley. "We had good execution. The offense, defense and kicking were strong. They (Lansingburgh) were a physical team, they had a strong running back, but penalties and turnovers did them in."

The Blackbirds caused a lot of the visitors' problems. They forced four fumbles, three in the second half, and picked off three passes, two



by Glen Haberland. Tim Murnane grabbed the other.

Quarterback Greg Picard, enjoying a good day, got the Blackbirds on the board on the third play of the game. Jim Riviello had a good runback of the opening kickoff, and on third down Picard scampered 46 yards to pay dirt. Mike SanGeorgi booted the point.

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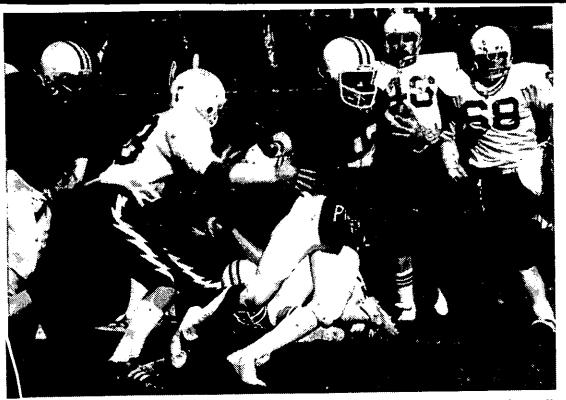
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Gireg Picard, Voorheesville quarterback, breaks into the clear foir a touchdown sprint against Lansingburgh. R.H. Davis Georgi connected for a 20-7 scoring on a five-yard keeper lead at intermission. and SanGeorgi again splitting the uprights. In the fourth

The Blackbirds got TD No.

strike to little Joe Sapienza all alone in the end zone. With the reserves in, the Blackbirds had the ball on the Lansingburgh one when the game ended.

Picard was 5-for-12 passing with two TDs and two interceptions, and lugged the leather 13 times for 157 and

two scores. Riviello caught three for 52, and carried four times for 39 yards, one of them a 23-yard foray. Joe Traudt ran for 23, had two receptions and played his usual strong game on defense. Chris Clark, defensive end, has three sacks and forced a fumble, and Tim Murnane was involved in 23 tackles, four unassisted at the safety slot.

This week it's Ravena, another big team strong on defense and standing 1-2 so far. Kickoff is 1:30 at Voorheesville.

#### Juveniles sought

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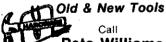
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Editor, The Spotlight:

Our daughter, Robin, is a sophomore at Cornell in the NYS College of Human Ecology. We recently surprised her with a student subscription to the *Spotlight*. She was delighted when the first issue arrived shortly after we subscribed.

Congratulations on the service.

Nancy Lynk

Delmar

## Oppose fluoridation

Editor, The Spotlight:

While some people may be in favor of adding flourides to the water in efforts to reduce tooth decay in young children, there are many arguments against such a move. For example, young children can be given fluorides in other ways, without requiring the entire population of the town's water district to take in this substance whether they want it or not.

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We feel that the strongest argument against the addition of fluorides to the town's water is that such addition would be yet another example of government telling the people what they must do. We object to the idea of being told we must take in fluorides even though it probably will do us no good.

Therefore, we strongly urge the town board and town officials to discard completely the thought of adding fluorides to the Bethlehem water supply.

A petition expressing opposition to adding fluorides to our water supply is at the Delmar Health Hut, 282 Delaware Ave., Delmar. Another is at our home, 30 Union Ave., Slingerlands. We urge everyone to stop at either place and sign the petition, write your views to the town board, and then attend the town board meeting on Oct. 8.

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Douglas P. Bridge
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# Sports watcher outraged

Editor, The Spotlight:

If you're a sports fan contemplating spending more than a few of the coming winter nights watching basketball and hockey on cable from Madison Square Garden, forget it. It seems the powers who reign over Bethlehem Video have made a profound decision—they will not pay the MSG-USA Network what is required to provide subscribers with events from Madison Square Garden.

Simply put, this means that we in Delmar who buy cable will no longer be able to see any home games of Knicks basketball or Ranger hockey or, for that matter, any of the countless other attractions televised from the Garden. Instead—and only through December, I'm told-sports fans will be fed whatever pap ESPN has to offer, including a plethora of college football games that already have been played, and where the issue is no longer in doubt, plus some hockey and basketball between teams that, for the most part, we couldn't care less about.

The people responsible for this decision are the same ones who in the not too distant past were telling the town board members and the state cable commission that they had to have a rate increase in order to give their customers the best possible cable viewing. But since that increase was granted by the commission, instead of providing better programming, Bethlehem Video has fallen yet further behind other area cable franchises. Just compare what's offered on Bethlehem cable with what's available in Albany.

The quality sports schedule of the MSG-USA Network has been abandoned in favor of the insipid fare of ESPN, and it seems that more programs than ever are subject to blackouts in the early evening hours. And just what the company is up to with its Now-You-See-It, Now-You-

Don't prime time movie on channel B is anybody's guess.

Considering these recent defalcations, I would like to suggest that town officials seriously consider re-examining whatever agreements exist between them and Bethlehem Video with an eye toward termination and replacement unless programming quickly improves. There is no reason why Bethlehem residents who want the advantages of cable TV and are willing to pay should be saddled with a second-rate franchise that offers fourth-rate programming. Peter Puck

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