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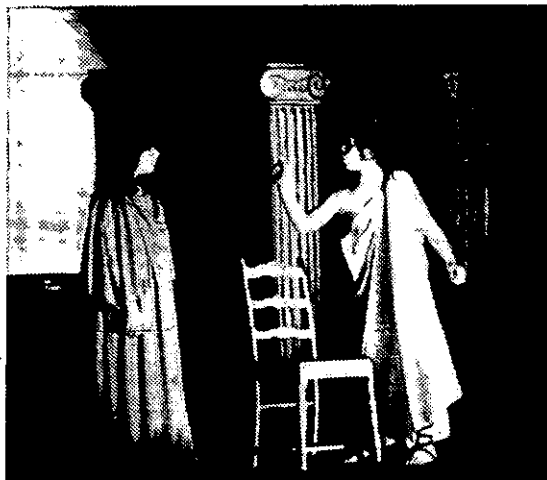
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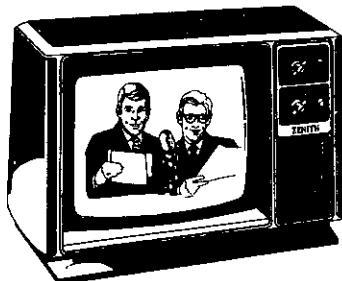
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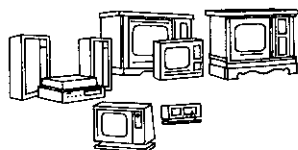
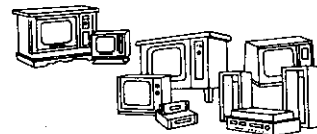
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**Bethlehem Memorial Auxiliary Post #3185**, VFW, third Monday, Post Rooms, 404 Delaware Ave., Delmar.

**Temple Chapter 5 RAM**, first and third Mondays, Delmar Masonic Temple.

**Bethlehem Women's Republican Club**, third Monday at Bethlehem Library, except June - July - August - December, 7:30 p.m.

**Delmar Community Orchestra**, Bethlehem Town Hall, weekly at 7:30 p.m.

#### TUESDAYS

**Bethlehem Sportsmen's Club**, first Tuesday, Five Rivers Environmental Center, 7:30 p.m. Guests welcome.

**AARP**, third Tuesday, First United Methodist Church, Kenwood Ave., Delmar, 12:30 p.m.

**Legion Auxiliary**, Nathaniel Adams Blanchard Post #1040 Poplar Dr., Elsmere, third Tuesday, 8 p.m.

**Bethlehem Lodge 1096 F & AM**, first and third Tuesdays, Delmar Masonic Temple.

#### WEDNESDAYS

**Glenmont Homemakers**, third Wednesday, Glenmont Community Church, 8 p.m.

**Second Milers**, second Wednesdays, Delmar Methodist Church, 12:30 p.m. Reservations 439-3569.

**Slingerlands Fire Co. Auxiliary**, fourth Wednesday, Slingerlands fire hall, 8 p.m.

**Bethlehem Junior Women's Club**, second Wednesday, Bethlehem Library, Information, 439-7049 or 439-9555.

#### THURSDAYS

**Elsmere Fire Co. Auxiliary** meets second Thursday of each month, except July and August, at the fire house, Poplar Dr., Elsmere, 8 p.m.

**American Legion Luncheons**, for members, guests and applicants for membership, Post Rooms, Poplar Dr., Elsmere, second Thursday, 12 noon.

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

**Bethlehem Senior Citizens** meet every Thursday at the Bethlehem Town Hall, 445 Delaware Ave., Delmar, 12:30 p.m.

## 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

"Golliwoppers!" (lively staging of American folk tales by Auburn Civic Theater), The Egg, Empire State Plaza, Albany, **March 21**, 2 p.m.

"Widows" (world premiere of play by South African Mfundi Vundia), The Egg, Empire State Plaza, Albany, **March 20 and 21**, 8 p.m. Box office 473-3750.

"The Man Who Shot The Man Who Shot Jesse James" (comedy presented by Thornbrake Theatre), The Egg, Empire State Plaza, Albany, **March 22**, 3 p.m. and 8 p.m. Box office 473-3750.

"Twain's Folly" (original two-act play based on writings of Mark Twain), Performing Arts Center, State University at Albany, **March 20**, 8 p.m. Box office 457-8606.

"Victims of Duty" (Eugene Ionesco), Performing Arts Center, State University at Albany, **March 24-26**, 8:30 p.m.; **March 27**, 10 p.m.; **March 28**, 8:30 p.m. Box office 457-8606.

#### MUSIC

Organ Concert, Neil Keen (works of Bach), St. Peter's Church, State and Lodge, Albany, **March 21**, 12:30 p.m.

"Portrait of Aaron Copland" (four concerts by Cambiata, Inc.); "Copland and the Piano," **March 20**, 8:30 p.m.; "Copland and Paris," **March 21**, 2:30 p.m.; "Copland and Smit," **March 21**, 8:30 p.m.; "Copland Goes South," **March 22**, 2:30 p.m.

Albany Institute of History and Art, Washington Ave., Albany, "Jephthah" (service of choral evensong by the choir of St. Peter's Church), St. Peter's Church, State and Lodge streets, Albany, **March 22**, 3:30 p.m.

"Suor Angelica" (Puccini opera) by the Opera Buffs Repertory Opera Studio and Workshop, **March 22**, 7:30 p.m., Doane Stuart School, Rt. 9W, Albany.

"The Band of the Fighting Irish" (Notre Dame Concert Band), **March 23**, 8:30 p.m., Convention Hall, Empire State Plaza, Albany.

"Trapezoid" (acoustical folk group presented by Old Songs), **March 23**, 8 p.m., St. Mark's Community Center, Guilderland Center.

Hal Miller and his Jazz Band, Convention Center, Empire State Plaza, Albany, **March 25**, 7:30 p.m.

#### ART

The Corning Family: Paintings and Objects, Albany Institute of History and Art, 125 Washington Ave., Albany, **through April 19** (Tuesdays through Saturdays 10 a.m.-4:45 p.m., Sundays 2-5 p.m.).

"The Manipulated Landscape II" (photographs), Plaza Gallery, State University Plaza, Broadway and State streets, Albany, **through April 16**, 8 a.m.-6 p.m. weekdays.

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**Food Stamp Outreach Program,** Albany County Department of Social Services, Bethlehem Town Hall, 9:15 a.m.-noon.

**Bethlehem Railroad Society,** meeting to adopt by-laws, Room 106, Bethlehem town hall, 7:30 p.m. All model train hobbyists welcome.

**Open Auditions** for three male roles in "The Rainmaker," Slingerlands Community Players, Doane Stuart School, Rt. 9W, 7:30 p.m.

# FRIDAY, MARCH 20

**Movies,** "The Train" and "Superchristian," Solid Rock Ministries, Glenmont Pentecostal Church, Rt. 32 and Kenwood Ave., 7:30 p.m.

# SATURDAY, MARCH 21

**"Perspectives,"** WAST-TV featuring Joan Perry, director of Bethlehem Youth Employment Service, on summer jobs, Channel 13, noon.

**Saturday Afternoon at the Movies,** Laurel and Hardy in "Bohemian Girl," Bethlehem Public Library, 2 p.m.

**Film,** "The Hiding Place," true-life story of Corrie ten Boom, former Nazi prisoner, Bethlehem Lutheran Church, 85 Elm Ave., Delmar, 7 p.m.

**Piano Recital,** students of Shirley Greene, St. Joseph's Hall, College of Saint Rose, 7:30 p.m.

**Movie,** "Robin Hood" with Errol Flynn, Voorheesville Public Library, 1 p.m.

# TUESDAY, MARCH 24

**Program on Honey Bees,** Five Rivers Environmental Education Center, Game Farm Rd., Delmar, 7:30 p.m.

**Faculty Recital,** Bethlehem Central music teachers perform, middle school auditorium, 8 p.m.

**Delmar Camera Club,** monthly meeting with workshop on flash use, parish hall of St. Stephen's Church, Poplar Dr. and Elsmere Ave., Delmar, 7:30 p.m.

**Helderberg Business and Professional Women's Club,** monthly meeting and "bosses night," Heavenly Inn, New Scotland, dinner at 7 p.m.

# WEDNESDAY, MARCH 25

**Free Income Tax Assistance** for senior citizens and shut-ins, sponsored by Bethlehem Tri-Village Chapter, American Association of Retired Persons, Community Room, Key Bank, 343 Delaware Ave., Delmar, 9 a.m.-4 p.m.

**Free Vision Screening** (amblyopia), conducted by trained volunteers of Tri-Village Welcome Wagon, First United Methodist Church, 428 Kenwood Ave., Delmar, 9 a.m. to noon.

**La Leche League,** 93 Fernbank Ave., Delmar, 8:15 p.m.

# THURSDAY, MARCH 26

**Pre-Retirement Tax Seminar,** sponsored by Bethlehem Chamber of Commerce, Bethlehem Town Hall, 7:30 to 8:30 p.m.

**Free Vision Screening** (amblyopia), conducted by Tri-Village Welcome Wagon, First United Methodist Church, 428 Kenwood Ave., Delmar, 9 a.m. to noon.

**"Good News,"** musical production of Stage 700, Bethlehem Central High School auditorium, 8 p.m.

# FRIDAY, MARCH 27

**"Good News,"** musical production of Stage 700, Bethlehem Central High School auditorium, 8 p.m.

**"Oklahoma,"** presented by Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk High School drama class and drama-tics club, high school auditorium, Rt. 9W, Ravena, 8 p.m.

**"The Matchmaker,"** presented by the Voorheesville High School drama club, high school auditorium, 8 p.m.

**Free Vision Screening** (amblyopia), conducted by Tri-Village Welcome Wagon, First United Methodist Church, 428 Kenwood Ave., Delmar, 9 a.m. to noon.

# SATURDAY, MARCH 28

**Camp Pinnacle Spring Banquet,** with New Covenant Singers, Voorheesville, 6:30 p.m. Reservations, 872-1053.

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#### SUNDAY, MARCH 29

**Dinner Dance,** Bethlehem Police Benevolent Association, installation of officers and retirement of Officer Gerald DeMeur, Bethlehem Elks Club, Rt. 144, Selkirk, cocktails 6 p.m., dinner 7 p.m. Reservations by March 25, 439-9973.

**An Afternoon of Bartok,** presented by piano students of Ann Brandon, First United Methodist Church, Kenwood Ave., Delmar, 3 p.m.

**Pancake Breakfast,** North Bethlehem Fire Dept., Schoolhouse Rd., 8 a.m.-1 p.m.

#### WEDNESDAY, APRIL 1

**Delmar Progress Club,** creative arts group trip to Saratoga, leave from town parking lot 10 a.m.

**Tractor Safety Certification Program,** first program, for youths 12 to 16, Albany County Cooperative Extension, Voorheesville Resource Center, 7:30-9:30 p.m.

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## POLITICS

### Taking on the powers that be

#### Democrats seek Bethlehem issue

It could be any town board meeting for the rest of this year. The agenda is routine, but Supervisor Tom Corrigan always leaves room for comments and questions from the audience.

And usually these days the questions come from Laurence Farbstein, a newcomer to the meetings, and Michael Breslin, who as chairman of the Bethlehem Democratic Committee is an old hand at questions. They usually sit near each other.

The item at hand is authority to hire consultants for the engineering department, and Farbstein has a few questions. They're not criticisms, he says, but "your budget is tough to follow."

"Not as tough as yours," replies Corrigan evenly. Farbstein is a former supervisor Long Beach, Long Island, and is director of the Temporary State Commission on Real Property Taxation.

The discussion continues, with Breslin questioning the need for consultants when the engineering department has recently been expanded. Farbstein tries to explain to Breslin what the state code says about towns using consultants, but inadvertently calls him Tom.

"I'm Tom, he's Mike," says Corrigan quickly.

"Oh, sorry," says Farbstein. "Sometimes I get you confused."

Corrigan: "You do?"

Farbstein continues his lecture on the use of separate

budget lines to distinguish various kinds of activity. "Hopefully in next year's budget some of the suggestions I made will make it a little more readable for laymen like Mike here," he concludes.

It's an election year in Bethlehem, and this sort of barbed byplay is like the first buds of spring: as the weather warms up, the verbiage will grow lush and dense.

Bethlehem has never had a Democratic office holder. The 1980 voter registration is 7,666 Republican to 2,617 Democrats. There is, says Breslin, an aura of omniscience about the Republican Party in Bethlehem which makes it difficult for many people to commit themselves to a powerless opposition.

For all that, Breslin says his 1981 strategy is very simple: "The same thing we have been doing, but more."

That means continuing to focus on the way the town is run, questioning, probing and offering some alternatives. What it does not mean, evidently is a direct confrontation on such emotional issues as fluoridation.

"Frankly," says Breslin, "the issues in this town are not like war and peace." In past years, those issues have been such things as the adequacy of the town's water supply and police coverage; this year it will probably be the future of town-paid garbage pickup, over staffing in the police department and possibly the growth of the engineering department.

All of these areas have been subjected to the sort of probing, detailed questions which only someone as well-versed in town affairs as Farbstein or Breslin, who practices law in Albany, can formulate. But Breslin says his goal is not to show that he knows more than Corrigan, who invariably gives a courteous and detailed answer to any question.

Instead, he says, the thrust is to expose the way the all-Republican town board makes decisions. Again and again, Breslin argues, the board delays dealing with important problems, and when decisions are made they're made in private.

"They want to make damn sure they can't be wrong," he says.

Thus Breslin's criticism of the fluoride decision steered carefully away from taking a position on fluoride itself and condemned that board for what he said was a failure to decide the issue on its merits, rather than its political implications.

The chink in that argument is that the board was not unanimous on fluoride. Breslin was quoted as calling Corrigan's support of fluoridation in the face of his colleagues' unanimous opposition "eloquent", but said later he meant that as a commentary on the fact that the supervisor spoke last, after all the other board members had already expressed opposition. (Corrigan did announce his position in

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### A political pro against the pros

In Albany County, the Republican Party has strongholds every bit as impressive as the Democrats' Albany dynasty. But in recent years, their performance at the county level has been nothing short of an embarrassment.

The GOP has tried everything from coalition building to sweet reason to exposes. Now they're trying W. Gordon Morris.

As the new minority leader in the Albany County Legislature, the Elsmere Republican has taken on a highly visible — and almost completely thankless — job. But, he maintains, the glory of twitting or sparring with a Jim Coyne and Richard Meyers is hardly his cup of tea.

Morris has been a nuts-and-bolts, practicing politician for better than 20 years, working to get people like Walter Langley and Tom Corrigan elected.

"Then they talked me into running on my own," he says. "I much prefer it the other way."

Just before he became minority leader last month, the Republicans decided to support County Executive Coyne's budget vetoes, hoping that Coyne could persuade at least one suburban Democrat to side with him. None did.

The celebrated "unity" of the Democrats is only half the problem. Morris the strategist must also work with Republican colleagues who were elected not by a strong county committee, but on their own and with the aid of local organizations. Consequently, there are a more diverse, more

independent and less disciplined group.

"We operate by consensus, not control," says Morris diplomatically.

More recently, Morris was able to muster the votes to block certain routine fiscal measures—a possibility only when at least one Democrat is absent. But the Republicans are aware that real power will elude them until they can make up the five-vote deficit they now face.

So everything points to 1983. That election should be doubly significant because the 1980 census indicates that the suburban towns should gain at least three seats at the expense of the cities — depending on how the Democrats accomplish redistricting.

The idea that the legislature is controlled by the city Democratic "machine" (read Mayor Corning) is so familiar and widely accepted that it hardly needs Gordon Morris to expound it.

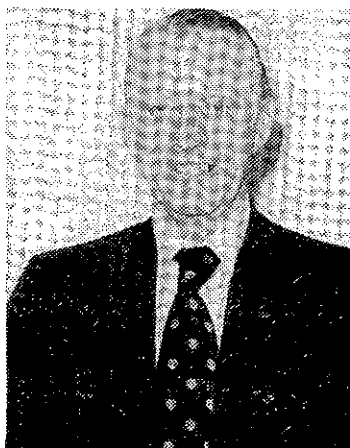
He's not adverse to playing the theme, but the new minor-

ity leader really has his ear tuned to a different, even more potent song: "I think that Albany County has been picking the pockets of the suburbs, in a very complex way, for generations," he says.

That was essentially the theme of his recent "State of the State" message — an annual stunt by the Republicans who know they can demand and get equal time from the local media to respond to County Executive James Coyne's annual speech.

The Republicans have an \$8 million budget "surplus" to kick around, and Morris gave it a good going-over. He outlined the progression of a sharp tax increase in 1977 followed by the gradual — he said too gradual — decline in taxes in the years since.

"The three-year tax cut totalling 15.3 percent is simply the return of tax money the county had no right to take in the first place, Morris said. "Mr. Coyne and the Democratic majority in the legis-



Gordon Morris

lature has taken millions of dollars from the taxpayers to increase government spending and buy political favors, then gives the people peanuts and calls that careful management of the county."

Financial juggling is one thing, but Morris knows he has to show also that this is more than politics as usual. That's what's behind the belated hue and cry over the city's sale last year of two downtown office buildings to the county — a "sweetheart deal" which the Republicans now argue will come out of the pockets of the suburban taxpayer.

That's difficult to prove with certainty; it's generally a matter of conflicting opinions and even conflicting experts. Here the Democrats have the advantage — they control the access to information, and as the party in power have much greater access to the media:

Already Morris speaks of the frustration he feels in not being able to pin down people like Majority leader Richard Meyers because he can't get the information until too late, when the media has already lost interest.

It's hardly a new situation. The classic complaint about the city-county relationship involves the decades-old system of having the county assume the burden of collecting all unpaid taxes. Since the bulk of them are in Albany, the suburban towns end up holding the bag.

"But it's so damn complicated," says Morris. "How do you explain that to the average voter who doesn't want to spend 30 minutes?"

Morris admits he can't do all this 'educating' by himself. He needs volunteers to do research — "at the present time our stock of these is zero" — and fellow legislators who are willing to speak out. "The only thing we have not been able to work out is the time problem."

But Morris' track record indicates he is in it for the long haul. An Albany native, he was a GOP committeeman in the 1950s and 1960s in the city's First Ward, the Delaware Ave. area. He worked on all of the late State Sen. Walter Langley's campaigns, and was campaign coordinator for Corrigan and other Bethlehem Republicans.

Morris is superintendent of Graceland Cemetery, and active in such organizations as the Elsmere Fire Department, Kiwanis and the American Legion. In 1978 he was tapped by the party to run in a special election against Democrat George Harder, who was filling the 35th District seat left vacant when Bernard Kaplowitz resigned to become Republican Party chairman in Bethlehem. And in 1979, he beat Matthew Clyne for a full term in the legislature.

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*The Spotlight* prior to the vote.)

Painting Corrigan as anybody's pawn would be a difficult proposition; if he runs again he will be very difficult to beat. But Corrigan says he hasn't decided whether he will run, and talks longingly about retiring to New Mexico. He says he may wait until the very last minute to announce his decision.

If the political calendar doesn't change, that would probably mean that Breslin won't be able to pick his supervisor candidate until June, and right now he's being just as cagey as Corrigan. Farbstein would be a qualified candidate, certainly, as

would the two unsuccessful Democratic candidates for town board in 1979, Joseph Feller and Patricia McCord, he says. Would he run himself? Possible.

In all probability, the Democrats will wait for Corrigan to make his decision and then decide whether to concentrate on the supervisor's race or on the two town board seats now held by Edwin Mocker and John Guertze.

Breslin says that despite the "overwhelming" disadvantage in registration it's no longer true that a Democrat can't win in Bethlehem. The number of independent voters continues to grow (from 2,474 in 1970 to 3,741 in 1980), and more registered voters are

splitting their ticket. In his town justice race against Peter Wenger in 1979, Breslin came within 1,200 votes of winning, and people still talk about the scare the GOP got when Harry Schafer, Corrigan's predecessor, came within 300 votes of getting beaten in 1975.

I'm convinced," Breslin says, "the best service I can do for the town is to keep on asking innocent questions."

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## School board moves close to final budget

There are two sides to every budget—that is, the incoming and the outgoing. And if you can't find what you want on one side, you can always go to the other.

Which is what the Bethlehem Central School Board did last Wednesday evening. After taking \$235,000 out of the operations and maintenance section of the proposed 1981-82 budget, the board moved over to the revenue

side of the ledger and picked up another \$180,000.

This was found on the "surplus available" budget line and was accomplished by "freezing" optional expenditures for the remainder of the current budget year.

The subtraction on one side of the budget and the addition on the other moved the board a long way—\$415,000—toward the final figure it wants to present to the taxpayers. That

final figure has not been disclosed. This success prompted board members to cancel a planned Saturday session. There's more to be done, though, as budget work was to continue Wednesday after the regular business meeting at Hamagrael School.

Among questions still to be resolved are whether to continue driver education as part of the curriculum, and what's to be done about Challenge, a proposed enrichment program for "the exceptionally capable and talented" that is projected to cost between \$50,000 and \$60,000 in the first year.

In addition, board member Robert Zick believes the board needs "to zero in on noninstructional personnel. That's one area where we're a bit heavy."

President Bernard Harvith said Superintendent Lawrence Zinn "will present us our last choices" Wednesday. Zinn has been asked a number of times to have his staff "cost out" various alternatives for the board, including the probable effects of the alternatives.

In cutting \$235,000 from the approximately \$1.9 million operations and maintenance budget plan, the board generally took the middle road, opting to fund the most urgent window replacement and masonry

work, for example, and letting the remainder wait.

Work that won't wait is roofing, at a cost of \$51,000. Another outlay that the board saw no alternative to is purchasing a new dishwasher for the Clarksville School, and it decided to raise lunch prices (probably about 5 cents) to cover the cost.

Budget cutting underway in Washington, D.C., has prompted concern among board members, particularly as it may affect the school lunch program, which now receives subsidies amounting to about 30 cents on each lunch.

Sheila Fuller, with this belt-tightening in mind, said dryly the future may see "us walking to school and carrying our lunches."

Another no-choice cost is \$2,000 for an asbestos survey of the schools. Ceiling material containing asbestos has been implicated nationally as a health hazard, and such a survey is required by the state. Zinn pointed out that there is no money in the budget plan now for asbestos ceiling repair, if any is needed.

The possibility of switching to a less costly health insurance plan remains, with bids due next Wednesday. Ninety-day notice of termination of the statewide plan is required, as well as repayment of \$72,000 to the state. Business Administrator

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Franz Zwicklbauer cautioned the board that "it's going to be a long process before the unions will feel comfortable with new arrangements" for health insurance.

On the income side, recalculation of the probable increase in property valuation in the district permitted the board to pick up another \$16,000.

Last year, Harvith noted, voters approved a school budget with a projected 6.3 percent tax rate increase that turned out to be only 5.6 percent when the final assessed valuation for the district was completed.

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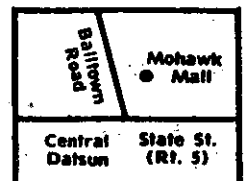
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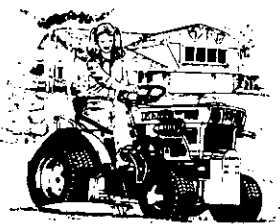


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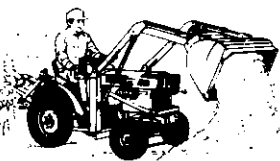
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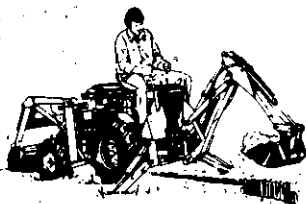
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## BETHLEHEM

### Town, PBA reach settlement

The Bethlehem Town Board and the town's Police Benevolent Association have reached tentative agreement on a new two-year contract which will give police officers what is in effect a 7.5 percent pay increase this year and next year.

The agreement ends months of stalemate over the salary issue, finally requiring the services of a state-appointed mediator, although at no time was the relationship between

the two parties less than amicable.

According to PBA President John Cox, who was recently promoted to detective, the appointment of mediator Paul Curry was "good for both parties." Town Supervisor Tom Corrigan echoed that statement.

It was Curry who proposed the final salary formula, which is five percent retroactive to Jan. 1, another five percent July 1, and two identical steps next year. Each five percent is to be based on the officer's current salary, rather than building on the preceding increases.

That works out to 7.5 percent increases both years, and means that the amount set aside in this year's budget will be enough to cover this year's raise, Corrigan said.

The PBA had originally asked for a cost of living increase, which would have been 11.4 percent, plus two percent, and had later dropped down to straight cost of living. The board had insisted on an eight percent limit.

The agreement must be formally approved by both the board and the association after language on several fringe benefits is settled. Although both sides have agreed that the officers will get a dental plan, the plan itself has not been selected, Cox said. Other new benefits include increased vacation time for veterans of 26 years or more and improved insurance coverage.

### Rushing the season

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## BETHLEHEM

### Building inspector asks for new laws

Local laws which would make it easier for Town Building Inspector John Flanigan to get action on unsafe buildings and code violations will be considered by the Bethlehem Town Board.

Flanigan told the board last week he needs better "tools" to deal with the few difficult cases which create eyesores and public hazards. Chief among those tools would be a more efficient process for condemning unsafe or abandoned buildings and authority to issue tickets for zoning violations.

In an unrelated action, the board passed its first local law of the year, providing that town employees who are sued for actions taken in the course of their duties may be reimbursed by the town for their legal expenses. Town Attorney Bernard Kaplowitz said the law is a reaction to a recent court decision on involving a building inspector who was sued for entering a building.

"We've never had the problem and it's hard to conceive of the problem because of our insurance situation, but to play it safe it would be a good thing," Kaplowitz said.

The local laws requested by Flanigan will require a public hearing before passage.

As it stands now, Flanigan told the board, the town must hire a contractor and an engineer when it wishes to demolish an unsafe building. "It drags on eight months to a year to get it down," he said. The proposed law, modeled after recent changes in state law, would cut that time to two or three months.

The ticketing system is now used by Colonie and East Greenbush, and they are quite satisfied with it, Flanigan said. It eliminates time spent in court and gives owners more incentive to comply with the code, he said.

Flanigan also asked the board to consider a local law which would make smoke detectors mandatory for multiple-family dwellings built before 1975. Detectors have been required in all buildings built after that date.

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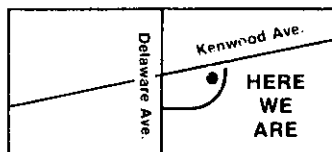
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## Adams House (cont.): who pays?

Cost estimates for repairs to the Adams House keep going up, but nothing else seems to be certain about the old building, which until two years ago was the Bethlehem town hall.

Of particular concern is the question of which groups will

use what space, and how much of the upkeep they should be expected to bear. The latest development is that the Bethlehem Railroad Society, which had requested space in the basement, has found that area unsuitable, and now wants to use the



Ernie Netz of the Bethlehem Railroad Society displays scale models of D&H trains to the Bethlehem Town Board. Councilman John Guertze is at center.

*Spotlight*

second floor — space other groups have their eye on.

The railroaders, who want to build a reproduction of the railroads in Bethlehem in 1910, found that the basement is too damp, Supervisor Tom Corrigan told the board last week. On another inspection of the building, "they fell in love with the second floor," he said.

The Bethlehem Art Assn. has also requested space on the second floor to hold art classes, and several town officials have asked about the possibility of using the large open space for youth activities.

The board discussed in general terms the problem of deciding which groups would

be most deserving of space, with Corrigan concluding that any judgement would be necessarily subjective. The building's only prospect of a paying tenant is the Bethlehem Chamber of Commerce.

Nathaniel A. Boynton, interim president of the model railroaders, said the organization intends to hold open house programs and give tours, but could pay no rent.

As he has at past meetings, Councilman W. Scott Prothero questioned whether the town should be subsidizing any group. That question becomes more of a factor as the costs for the old building mount. Town Engineer Bruce Secor reported that his inspection of the building has

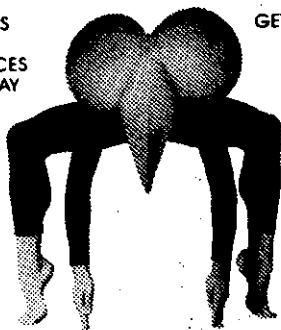
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### Caution suggested

Conscious of reports in other area communities, Bethlehem police were taking a nine-year-old Delmar girl's complaint that a man tried to lure her into his car Friday quite seriously.

"We don't want to make anybody hysterical, but it's probably best for a while that if children go out, they go in twos," said Detective John Cox.

The girl told police she was riding her bicycle on Jordan Blvd. near Woodstream Drive when a white male, between 30 and 40 years old and wearing a brown jacket, asked her if she wanted some candy. When she started to ride away, the man said, "Come on, little girl." Police searched the area for the man's blue car, but found nothing. No other similar incidents had been reported as of Monday.

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## BETHLEHEM

### Town board may boost dog fees

Dog owners will likely pay \$2 more for licenses next year, if the Bethlehem town board accepts a recommendation from Town Clerk Marion Camp.

Mrs. Camp told the board at its meeting last week that most other towns in the Capital District are taking a local fee onto the \$2.50 state fee in order to defray the cost of animal protection. A local \$2 fee falls midway in the range of local fees quoted by the clerks.

Mrs. Camp said state law requires that the local fee be used to defray local animal control costs. Bethlehem has budgeted \$19,999 for its dog warden this year. There are about 3,000 licensed dogs in the town, Mrs. Camp said.

In other business last week, the board:

- Approved a \$24,500 contract with Standard Engineering of Albany to study the town's refuse removal and disposal system in preparation for contracting with Albany's ANSWERS project. Last month the board refused to go along with a \$30,500 contract submitted by Town Engineer Bruce Secor. Supervisor Tom Corrigan said later it had been a mistake to discuss that original contract in open session, since the

board had not yet seen it and thus, technically, the negotiations were still in progress. Corrigan said the renegotiated contract limits the firm's scope of service and puts "a little more of the workload on Bruce", but should not affect the timetable or the reliability of the final recommendations.

- Accepted a \$7,928 low bid from Enderlee, Inc. for guard rails for the reconstruction of Van Dyke Rd. now nearing completion.

- Agreed to grant easements to Kenneth H. Malary to cross a strip of town land on Jerico Rd., and to Clayton

Kass, 16 Forest Hill Rd., Slingerlands, to count a portion of a town-owned lot toward his lot size for zoning.

- Accepted the resignation of John R. Messina as special counsel for the police department, and appointed attorney Joshua J. Efron of Delmar as half of his replacement. The special counsel's job entails representing police officers in town court, which now meets three nights a week. "It's a problem for any one person to do it," said Town Attorney Bernard Kaplowitz. He said he is still searching for an attorney to handle the other half of the workload.

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## Langford, Dedrick win at polls

Voorheesville voters for the second time have elected a young maverick politician to the village board upsetting the ticket offered by village political leaders.

Richard E. Langford, 27, a former Voorheesville High School athlete who twice

defied the slate nominated by the Peoples Party, won a second two-year term as trustee in the usual light voting in the annual village elections Tuesday.

Joseph (Larry) Dedrick, a former fire chief who lost the Peoples Party designation

and the election a year ago but won both this year, also was voted a two-year term on the five-member board.

The vote totals from two machines at the village firehouse were Langford, 332; Dedrick 329; Daniel Reh, 233, and David T. Burnham, 211. Dedrick and Burnham each received three absentee ballots not included in those totals.

The balloting was contradictory to the more intimate vote in a closed caucus of village political leaders and their friends in January when Dedrick, 44, and Burnham, a 33-year-old schoolteacher and athletic coach, were picked to represent the Peoples Party, the label given the established political unit at the village level. At that session, Reh, who is chairman of the village planning board, was denied one of the designated slots on the ticket, and Langford was not invited. Both ran as independents.

Two years ago Langford lost a bid for a party nomina-

tion in the last open caucus held at the firehouse, but won the election a month later running as an independent. His fellow trustees and party leaders declined to support his bid for reelection, contending that he did not attend the board's periodic work sessions, and at the board's regular monthly meetings contributed two spoken sentences on his best day.

Langford's vote surpassed his winning total in 1979, when he polled 294 votes as Allen Wilcon, running for reelection, led the ticket with 356. Wilcon did not seek reelection this year. In the 1980 election, Douglas DeDe was the vote leader with 338.

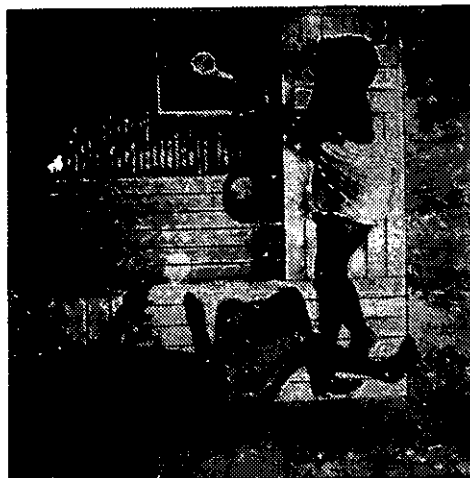
### Alarm routs burglars

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The New Scotland town board will float a \$45,000 bond anticipation note to finance the purchase of a two-acre tract next to the town highway garage on the Rt. 85 hill in New Salem.

At last Wednesday's regular meeting, the board put the final stamp of approval on the purchase of the land and a two-story frame dwelling from Mrs. Caroline Sperbeck of New Salem and the estate of her sister, Mrs. Blanche McCurdy. The five-year anticipatory note covers the \$38,000 purchase price and \$7,000 for planned renovations. The note will carry an interest rate of 8½ percent, tax exempt.

The house, built in 1931 by Walter and Caroline Folts, was one of the first "pre-cut" dwellings in the area. The sections were shipped to Voorheesville on a railroad flat car. Blanche Folts McCurdy died last August, and her sister, Caroline Folts Sperbeck, now lives near her daughter, Mrs. Blanche Stickley, in Clarksville.

Supervisor Steve Wallace told townspeople at the meeting that the house will be renovated to provide offices for the town assessor, building inspector and justices. Those officials currently have offices in the town hall on Rt. 85 in the hamlet of New Scotland.

The property is adjacent to the storage area used by the highway department to stockpile sand, gravel and other road materials.

Wallace said the town will be putting two of its properties up for sale, the old landfill site on the east side of Upper Flat Rock Rd. and a lot in New Salem.

In other actions, the board:

- Appointed William A. Barone, an Albany police officer who lives on Bullock Rd., New Scotland, town dog warden. The part-time job, which has been vacant since the resignation of Chester Boehlke as of last Jan. 1, pays \$300 a month.

- Allocated \$1,606.45 in federal revenue sharing interest accumulated since 1975 to the town's recreation fund.

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## Salem Hills sewers back in court

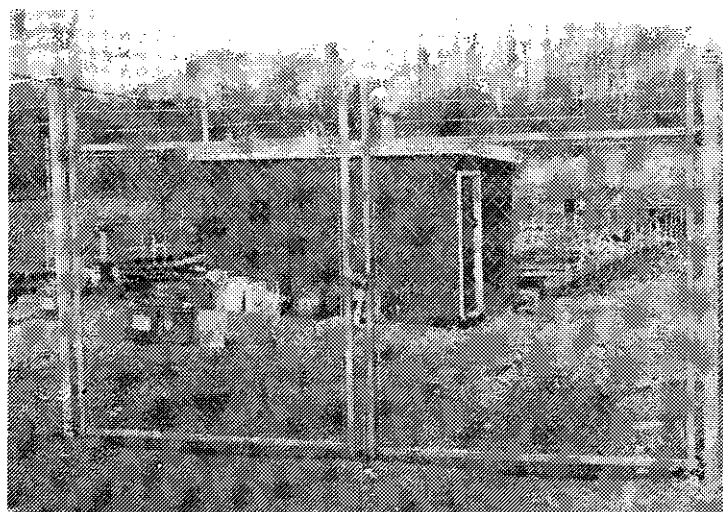
A public hassle that took most of a year and a State Supreme Court ruling to resolve was back in court this week in two separate but related actions.

The State Dept. of Environmental Conservation says the Salem Hills Sewage Disposal Corp. is polluting Vly Creek in Voorheesville by dumping effluent in excess of the prescribed limit. The sewage firm, blaming the village board for its problems, has instituted a suit against the

village to claim any monetary damages the first suit might incur.

The latest round of litigation started when EnCon filed for an injunction to compel the sewage firm, a private utility serving the sprawling Salem Hills residential development, to comply with a 1978 consent decree based on the company's 1976 permit.

In addition to accusing the utility of violating the permit by going over the discharge limit, EnCon alleges that the



The Salem Hills sewage treatment plant on Vly Creek. *Spotlight*

utility has failed to sign discharge monitoring reports, and has failed to correct the problem of surface discharge into the treatment plant. The state agency is looking to the courts to compel the utility to undertake "complete corrective measures" to bring the plant into compliance, and is seeking civil penalties of \$10,000 a day for each day of non-compliance.

Through the Albany law firm of Tobin and Dempf, counsel to the sewer firm, the utility has instituted suite that contends, in effect, that because the village board did

not grant the utility a rate the firm considers adequate, the village should pay any damages resulting from the En-Con action. Kenneth Connolly, village attorney, is defending the action.

Three years ago the five-member village board, sitting as a municipal public service commission, denied the sewage firm's request for a rate increase from \$10 a month per dwelling to \$29.05 per month. After a series of public hearings and meetings with Salem Hills residents and after an exhaustive study of the beleaguered utility's financial



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records, the village board granted a 40-percent hike in the monthly rate and set it at \$14. The utility, an affiliate of Rosen-Michaels, Inc., developers who built the subdivision's 276 houses, took the village to court, but in 1979 the \$14 rate was upheld by Justice DeForest C. Pitt in State Supreme Court. The utility's appeal of that decision is currently in the Appellate Division in Albany.

#### PBA dinner coming up

Some tickets are still available for the Bethlehem Police Benevolent Association's March 29 dinner dance, but reservations are required by next Wednesday, March 25.

The affair at the Bethlehem Elks Club on Rt. 144 in Selkirk will feature the music of The Gold Rush. Albany County Court Judge John J. Clyne will be the guest speaker, and retiring Officer Gerald Demeur will be honored. Reservations may be made by calling 439-9973.

## State to rebuild Rt. 9W bridge

A contract to do preliminary design work for the reconstruction of Rt. 9W from Thruway Exit 23 to Corning Hill, including a new bridge over the Normanskill, had been awarded by the state Department of Transportation.

Construction is scheduled to begin in 1985, according to the department. Rt. 9W, which is also Southern Blvd. in Albany, will be widened to a full four lanes and the existing two-lane bridge will be replaced with a four-lane structure.

The old bridge will be left open during construction of the new bridge, the department said. Cahn Engineers will do the preliminary design work.

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The faculty performers include George Smith, saxophone; Theodore Bieracki, French Horn; Virginia Spelich, piano; Muriel Nevens, voice; Sally Jane Tanzer, voice; Salvatore Gangi, clarinet and Mark Foster, percussion. The remaining music faculty members will assist in playing in small ensembles and providing the necessary accompaniments. The

public is invited and there is no admission charge.

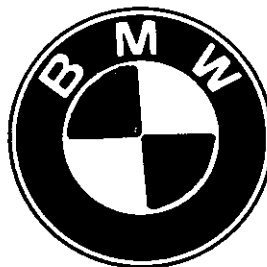
The performance is in celebration of Music in Our Schools," sponsored by the Music Educators National Conference.

## Joan Brennan sings

Joan E. Brennan of Slingerlands, noted area soprano, will perform in a benefit concert for the American Cancer Society Sunday, March 29, at the Albany Institute of History and Art.

Her 2:30 p.m. concert will include works by Schubert, Puccini and Verdi and a group of modern and early Irish folk songs.

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## Voorheesville News Notes

Maryann Malark 765-4392

At the request of Assemblyman Clarence "Larry" Lane, the Voorheesville Concert Band will perform for the legislature Tuesday, March 24. The public is invited to attend the concert from noon to 1 p.m. in the well of the legislative office building.

There is a flurry of activity on stage at the Voorheesville High School as the drama club prepares for its big event on Friday and Saturday, March 27 and 28. This year the club is presenting *The Matchmaker* by Thornton Wilder. The play deals with a

wealthy, cynical man, Horace Vandergelder, who decides he needs a wife to manage his household. He enlists the aid of Mrs. Dolly Levi, a matchmaker by trade, and then the fun begins. Robert Andrews, the director, along with student director Mary Ellen Childs and assistant director Kay Bernstein, are very pleased with the cast's impressive acting abilities. "This is one of the best casts I have had the privilege to work with, and they will be excellent in the characters portrayed in *The Matchmaker*," Andrews says.

The backstage crew, under the direction of advisor Jean Pupcheck and State Manager Chris Merritt, are spending every free moment preparing the stage so that this year's production will be better than ever.

The Matchmaker will be presented at the Voorheesville High School Auditorium on Friday and Saturday, March 27 and 28, at 8 p.m. Tickets can be obtained from any drama club member or at the door.

Bosses Night will be presented by the Helderberg Business and Professional Women's Club at their regular monthly meeting, March 24 at the Heavenly Inn, New Scotland. Members of the club will pay tribute to their bosses as well as extend an open invitation to their friends for an evening of dinner and entertainment.

Main attraction of the evening will be the selection of a Woman of the year. Candidates for the honor have been nominated by area business, religious and civic groups. Contestants will be judged by a panel not affiliated with the organization.

Dinner will be served at 7 p.m. followed by the program. For reservations call Ruth Tork, 765-2772, by Friday, March 20.

At a recent meeting of the New Scotland Elks Lodge no. 2611, officers for 1981-82 were elected. New officers are: exalted ruler, Ed Donohue; leading knight, Al Moak; leading knight, George Koch; lecturing knight, Joe Stracuzzi; secretary, Steve Galusha; treasurer, Dave Johnson; tiler, Ray Conger; trustee, Mike Fleming. Among the projects for the new year is the anticipated relocation of the lodge. Meetings are currently being held for the 200 members at Happy's Coach House, New Salem. The building committee is considering a structure located on Route 85, in the town of New Scotland. For more information, contact Ed Donohue, 765-4400.

On Saturday, March 21, at 7:30 p.m. in St. Joseph's Hall, College of St. Rose, Shirley M. Greene will present her piano students in recital.

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The public is invited to attend. Refreshments will be served.

### Camp Pinnacle banquet

The New Covenant Singers, a group of 24 adult vocalists from Christian Music Ministries, will present a program at the Camp Pinnacle spring banquet Saturday, March 28, at 6:30 p.m. The program will follow a roast beef dinner served family style for adults only. Everyone is invited, reservations are necessary, 872-1053.

### Arrested in park


Sheriff's deputies on the Voorheesville patrol have charged four men with trespassing in Thacher Park at 6 a.m. Sunday, two hours before the park was open to the public. They were identified as Brian L. McNulty, Scott D. Marra, Paul G. Cascini and Vincent L. Dimmeno, Jr., ages and addresses not available. They were ticketed for appearances in New Scotland town court tonight (Thursday).

### Youths charged

An alert sheriff's deputy who recognized a teenager fleeing from the Grand Union store in Voorheesville after an altercation with the night manager arrested the youth near the store two nights later. Deputy Sarah DeLisle said the 16-year-old New Salem resident whose name was withheld, was found hiding in a storage room at the supermarket and punched the manager twice before running out of the store with a companion Wednesday night. The deputy made the arrest when she spotted the youth near the store Friday night, and charged him with third-degree assault and criminal trespass. The boy's companion, a 17-year-old Voorheesville resident, was to be arrested on the trespass charge this week.

### Variety show on TV

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### Motorcyclist injured

Keith Crouse, 21, of State Farm Rd., Voorheesville, was treated at St. Peter's Hospital for minor injuries after his motorcycle skidded rounding a curve at the Voorheesville underpass and slid under a guard rail shortly after noon Sunday. A passenger, Keith Flansburg, 18, of Voorheesville, was flipped over the guard rail but was unhurt, sheriff's deputies said.

In Voorheesville, the *Spotlight* is sold at the Grand Union and Voorheesville Pharmacy

### Democrats to dine

The New Scotland Democratic Social Club and members of the town committee will hold a prime rib dinner at Trotta's Restaurant, Delaware Tpk., Saturday, March 28, Sharon Boehlke, 439-4498, is taking reservations.

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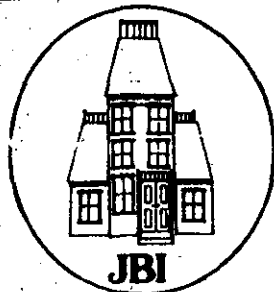


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## BUSINESS

### Rosen Michaels Inc. changes ownership

James W. Michaels of Slingerlands has announced his purchase of Rosen Michaels, Inc. from Jerome and Joseph Rosen. Michaels has served as vice-president and secretary of the building and development firm since 1962.

The Rosen brothers will

continue unchanged their long-standing partnership with Michaels in the other companies and projects in which the firm is involved.

The new ownership structure will allow Michaels, as president and chief executive officer, to devote full time to managing Rosen

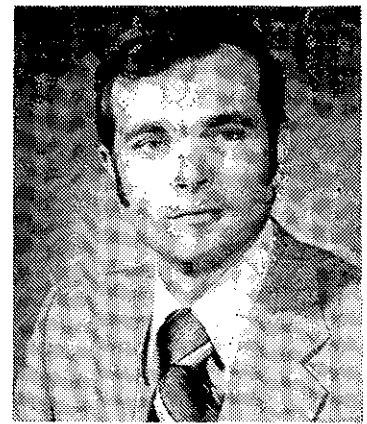
Michaels, Inc. Jerome Rosen will be active in directing other partnership interests, which include a 50-acre industrial park in Bethlehem and a utility company in Voorheesville.

The three-man partnership was formed almost twenty years ago, when Michaels and the Rosen brothers joined forces to build Colonial Acres, a development of 120 homes in Glenmont which received national recognition and awards for excellence in design, energy conservation and land development.

With Jerome Rosen as president, James Michaels as vice-president and secretary, and Joseph Rosen as treasurer, Rosen Michaels, Inc. has, since 1962, built more than 3,000 homes, town houses and apartments at fifteen locations to become the area's largest residential building firm.

For 1981, Michaels has announced sales goals of almost 160 single-family homes and townhouses, an increase of 40% over 1980. Michaels said his optimism comes in part from having seen the public response to the opening last July of Chadwick Square, a suburban townhouse community in Delmar, and somewhat improved interest rates combined with a variety of new mortgage instruments.

In Elsmere, the *Spotlight* is sold at the Paper Mill, Plaza Pharmacy, Johnson's Stationery, Cumberland Farms, and Mullen's Pharmacy.



Barry E. Brockmyer

### Brockmyer promoted

Barry E. Brockmyer of Delmar has been appointed a Trust Investment Officer of the State Bank of Albany.

A native of Schenectady, New York, Brockmyer received his B.A. degree from St. Michael's College, Vermont. In addition, he has completed several courses through the American Institute of Banking and is a member of the Investment Society of Northeastern New York.

### Moves to Memorial

Robert D. Ragsdale of Delmar, has been appointed director of community relations and development for Albany Memorial Hospital.

Ragsdale comes to Memorial from the American Lung Association where he served as executive director for 15 years. Working with the lung association board, Ragsdale implemented policies and procedures, fund raising and public information programs among other duties.

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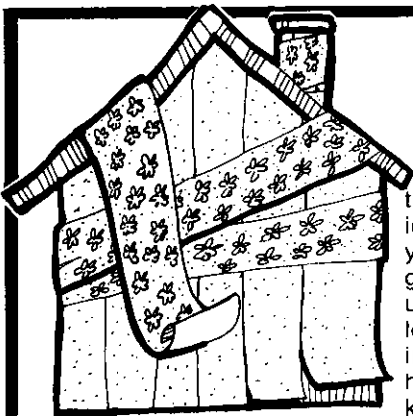
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**On the cover:** Students all over the area are hitting the boards with musical and dramatic offerings. At left, Kathryn Felt listens as Matt Manzella sings passionately about "Wheels", an original musical presented last week by the Slingerlands Elementary School fifth grade choir. In the bottom left photo, students at Voorheesville High School rehearse for their production of "The Matchmaker" this Thursday, Friday and Saturday at the high school. Kirsten Ford, sporting the hat, is Ermenegarde; Greg Howard is Ambrose and Paula Holmberg is the matchmaker, Dolly Levi. At right, Mary Bousvaros leads the chorus in song for Stage 700's production of "Good News", Thursday, Friday and Saturday at Bethlehem Central High School.

#### Special night for seniors

Residents of the Bethlehem Central School District who have senior citizen passes from the school district are invited to attend a special performance of the BCHS musical "Good News" Wednesday, March 25, at 7:30 p.m. in the school auditorium. There will be no admission charge.

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- 7:30—Panorama
- 8:00—Gospel Showcase
- 8:30—All God's Children
- 9:00—Northeast Country Western Show

#### Wednesday, March 25

- 6:30—16 Magazine
- 7:00—Voorheesville PTSA "I Love New York" Variety Show
- 9:30—Women Together

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## Gypsy Moth infestation critical

The Gypsy Moth was brought into the United States in 1869 near Boston with the idea that the caterpillars might be used for production of silk the same as the Japanese "Silk Worms." Some of the insects escaped from the laboratory and have now built up into an epidemic in New England where they cause widespread damage to forest and shade trees.

The Gypsy Moth has always been a "people problem." Defoliation often occurs in populated areas, especially where homes and developments are located in previously forested land. Under these conditions, the Gypsy Moth defoliates not only woodland trees but also valuable shade and ornamental trees.

In suburban situations, Gypsy Moth larvae (caterpillars) are a major nuisance not only because of damage to trees and shrubs. Often, these insects are found crawling

over lawns, driveways, outdoor furniture and even on homes. Chewed leaves and debris created by the caterpillars stain patios, picnic tables, awnings, and can ruin outdoor activities.

The presence of the Gypsy Moth often goes unnoticed until trees are partially defoliated. However, a simple 10 minute inspection by the homeowner can detect the presence of the insect before damage begins. Light buff colored egg masses, usually about 1" long, and containing as many as 1000 eggs, can be found on the trunk and underside of limbs on many trees. Some trees affected by the Gypsy Moth include oak, maple, birch, cherry, poplar, and many pines and spruces.

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### Clark-Griffin

Mr. and Mrs. Gerry Clark of 55 Brockley Drive, Delmar, have announced the engagement of their daughter, Linda Colleen, to Glen A. Griffin of Amarillo, Texas.

Linda graduated from Bethlehem Central High School in 1973, State University at Oneonta in 1977 with a B.S. in Dietetics (with highest honors). She completed her dietetic internship at Massachusetts General Hospital in 1978 and is now employed as a registered dietician in Boston.



Glen A. Griffin and Linda Colleen Clark

Her fiancé is an 1978 graduate of Texas Tech University,

Lubbock, Texas, with a B.S. in Biology. He has worked in orthopedic surgery at Texas Tech and U.C.L.A. Schools of Medicine, and is presently employed with the Department of Surgery of Mount Auburn Hospital, Cambridge, Mass. He will be attending Texas College of Osteopathic Medicine at Fort Worth, Texas, in September, 1981.

The wedding is set for Saturday, April 25, at the First United Methodist Church in Delmar.



Stephen A. Malia and Mary Elizabeth Berlin

### Berlin-Malia

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd W. Berlin of Ravena, have announced the engagement of their daughter, Mary Elizabeth Berlin, to Stephen Peter Malia, son of Mr. and Mrs. Peter A. Malia of Montrose, N.Y.

Miss Berlin, a 1970 graduate of Westfield Academy and

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Central School, Westfield, N.Y. received her Bachelor of Science Degree in Education from St. Bonaventure University, Olean, N.Y., in 1974, and her Master of Science Degree in Reading Education from the College of St. Rose in 1978. She teaches fourth grade in the Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk Central School District.

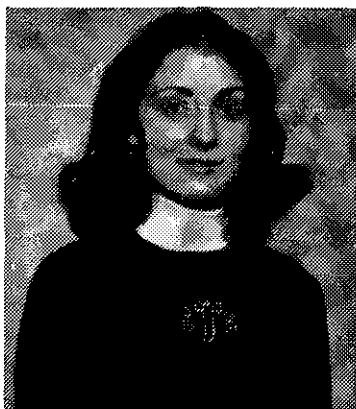
Malia, a 1972 graduate of Xavier High School, New York City, received his Bachelor of Science Degree from Cornell University in 1976, with a major in Industrial and Labor Relations. He is personnel director for Owens-Corning Fiberglas, Selkirk. An August wedding is planned.

#### Calling lost members

The Delmar branch of La Leche League is looking for families who have been part of La Leche groups over the years. The Capital District Chapter of La Leche, with the participation of the Delmar group, is celebrating its 25th anniversary Sunday, March 29, with a concert and square dance, and wants to contact as many old members as possible for the reunion.

For information, call Phoebe Kerness, 439-3419, Pat Switzer, 439-9104, or Ellen Poezik, 439-6104.

The Delmar La Leche group will meet Wednesday, March 25, at 93 Fernbank Ave., Delmar. The topic of the meeting is, "Baby arrives; the family and the breastfeeding baby." All interested women are invited.



Leslie E. Vinolus

#### Vinolus-Bruff

Mr. and Mrs. James Vinolus of Hamburg announce the engagement of their daughter, Leslie, to John A. Bruff, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Bruff, 575 Kenwood Ave., Delmar. Both the bride-to-be and her fiancé are graduates of the State University College at Plattsburgh. The prospective bridegroom is a graduate of Bethlehem Central High School.

A May 2 wedding in Buffalo is planned. The couple will make their home in Albany.

#### McHugh-Lasnik

A May 2 wedding is being planned by Barbara Jean McHugh, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bernard J. McHugh of 81 Montrose Dr., Delmar, to Stuart M. Lasnik, son of Mr. and Mrs. Murray Lasnik of Long Island.

Miss McHugh is employed by the State Dept. of Motor Vehicles. Her fiancé is employed by the State Dept. of Mental Hygiene.

#### Auditions for benefit


The Slingerlands Community Players will hold open auditions Thursday, March 19 at 7:30 p.m. at the Doane Stuart School, Albany, for three male roles in the play, "The Rainmaker." Barbara Perry will direct the play. The Community Players, one of the oldest acting companies in the Capital District, and the Kenwood Day Care and Child Development Center are co-producing this play scheduled for six benefit performances in June at the school auditorium. Proceeds from this event will go toward building renovations and improve-

ments to the Day Care Center on the school grounds. For information call Dick McGrath evenings at 767-2377.

#### Argues in high court

Jean Powers Camp, daughter of Mrs. Greta Powers of Delmar, argued a case before the U.S. Supreme Court in Washington, D.C., March 2 — an experience few lawyers attain.

Mrs. Camp, a 1963 graduate of Bethlehem Central High School, is representing the American Civil Liberties Union in a law suit against the State of Ohio alleging that the state's prisons are overcrowded.



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## SWIMMING

### State meet an inspiration

Section 2 swimmers led by Bethlehem and Voorheesville-Guilderland stars made relatively few waves in the New York State interscholastic championships at Syracuse over the weekend, but just being in the state meet proved a powerful motivation.

Andy Renshaw, a Guilderland senior swimming for the V-G Mergers, was the only local ambassador to bring home a championship, but his teammates did well. Of the 18 boys who represented this

section, 16 made either the finals or the consolation finals, and all 18 turned in the best clockings of their young lifetimes. In the process, two Sectional records tumbled and six school records fell, three each for BC and V-G.

Despite all this, Section 2 finished in eighth place, a testimony to the quality of the competition. As further evidence, Bethlehem's Jay Henahan, Section 2's reigning swimmer who has been whittling a second or two off

his own Sectional record in the 500 freestyle, not only cracked the five-minute barrier for the first time, but shaved an incredible 12½ seconds off his previous mark, yet finished eighth. His personal best and the Section 2 record was 5:00.5, set two weeks ago in the Easterns at Lawrenceville, N.J. At Syracuse he covered the distance in 4:48 even.

Andy Renshaw shattered two Voorheesville school records, winning the state butterfly crown in 51.6 seconds and placing seventh in the 50 free in 22.2. He teamed with brothers Tony and Carl and Guilderland's Kevin Anderson to set another school record of 1:42.9 in the medley relay, good for fifth place in the state.

The other new Section 2 record also went to Henahan. The BC junior swam the individual medley in 2:01.9, eclipsing the 2:02.7 set by Bethlehem's Ken Neff in 1978. The third BC record went to Bob Holland, a senior co-captain, who did the 100

breaststroke in 1:03.3. The previous mark was 1:03.6 by Lorren Elkins in 1976.

### Diving program offered

The town of Bethlehem Parks and recreation Dept. will offer a diving program for residents of the town and Bethlehem school district beginning April 6 at the Bethlehem Central High School pool. Beginners will meet from 6 to 6:45 p.m., Mondays; intermediate and advanced divers from 6:45 to 7:30 p.m. Class size is limited to 10 students and there is a \$7 fee. Pre-registration is required at the Elm Ave. Park office beginning March 16.

### Taxes in retirement

The Bethlehem Chamber of Commerce is sponsoring a free pre-retirement tax seminar on Thursday, March 26, from 7:30 to 8:30 p.m. in the Bethlehem Town Hall, Delmar. Mrs. Marion King, a taxpayer service specialist with the Internal Revenue Service, will be the speaker.

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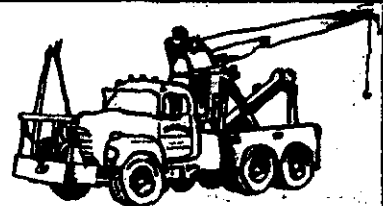
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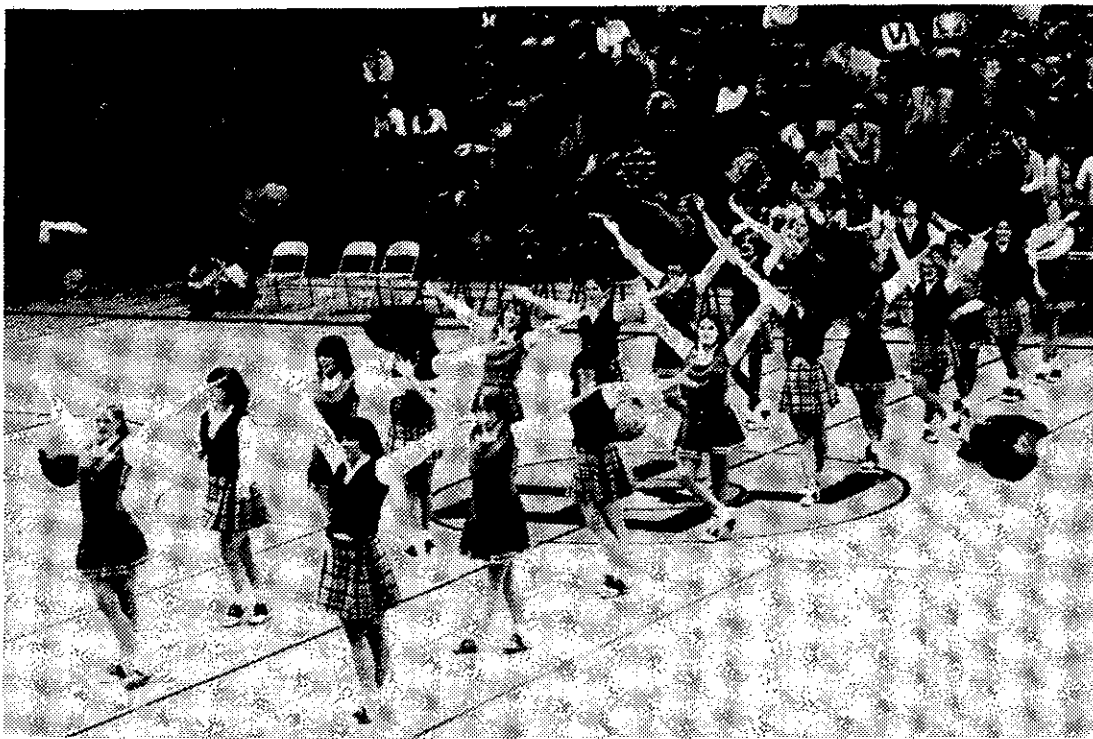
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Bethlehem Central's cheerleaders line up support for the Eagles at a home game.

Tim Haverly

### Cheerleading is competitive

Basketball is energy-packed, and so is the art of cheerleading. Cheerleading is highly competitive at Bethlehem Central, with as many as 86 girls trying out for 12 vacancies. With at least 12 cheers and pom-pom routines to remember, many of which are originals made up by the girls themselves, the 10-girl varsity squad will be a tired one after their 18 regular games and 2 sectional matches. They must also be daring to try the three risky pyramid mounts reserved for time-outs and the ends of quarters.

The orange-and-white varsity squad, led by Capt. Linda Wilkinson, is coached by six-year veteran Ann Ullion. "I try to leave my older girls on their

own as much as possible, in order to let them use their imaginations to make up their own routines. This keeps the girls much happier and more enthusiastic, because they're taking pride in what they have invented."

The JV squad was captained by Shelley Ball, while the 12 freshmen were led by Julie Corbett.

Julie Ann Sosa

### Tools taken from truck

A night at the lanes turned out to be an expensive proposition for a Coeymans Hollow Man. Stuart A. Newell told Bethlehem police that someone took \$550 in tools from his unlocked van Wednesday while it was parked at Del Lanes, Delmar.

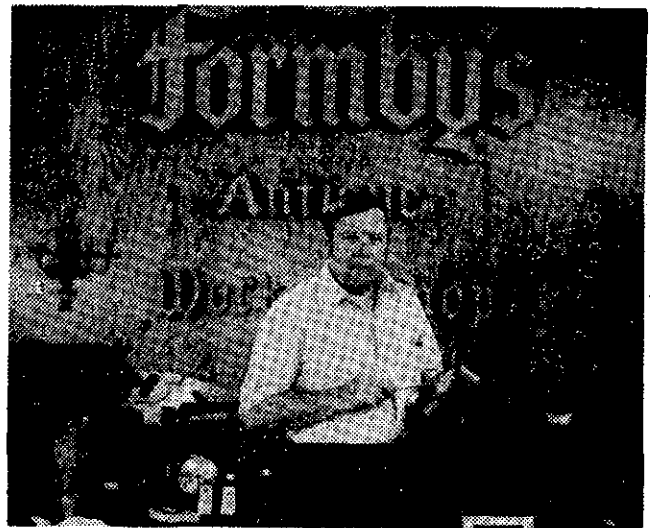
### Tiny tot swimming

The town of Bethlehem Parks and Recreation Dept. will offer a tiny tot swim program for ages 4-6 on Tuesdays and Thursdays at the Bethlehem Central Middle School pool, beginning March 31. Registration is open to residents of the town of Bethlehem school district and will begin March 16 at the Elm Ave park office. There is a \$10 fee and participants must be accompanied in the water by a responsible adult. There is a limit of 10 swimmers per class and classes will be held in half-hour segments from 4-6 p.m. For information call 439-4131.

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## Dolphins set records

A Delmar Dolphins quartet set a new meet record in the 200-yard boys' 13-14 medley relay in the Colonie Aquatic Club's St. Patrick's Dayswim meet Saturday at the Shaker High School pool. Dave Young, Eric Patrick, Matt Holland and Knut Hvalsmarken were clocked in 1:58.10. Donna Schulz of the Dolphins set meet records of 1:02.4 in the girls' 15-18 butterfly and 1:04.78 in the backstroke. She was second in the IM and fourth in the breaststroke.

First-place winners included Drew Patrick in 8-and-under boys' IM and breaststroke and Lynn Apicelli in 11-12 girls' breaststroke. Drew had fourths in the backstroke and 50-yard freestyle, and Lynn thirds in the 200 IM and 100 butterfly. Placing second in events in

their age groups were Shawn Flynn, Dave Young (2) and Matt Holland.

## Soccer star cited

Bryan Dieter, son of Marcia Were, Delmar, and Alvin Dieter, Baldwinsville, was selected for the 1980 All-New England soccer team as a senior this fall at Castleton State College, Vermont. He was also chosen as a member of the New England Intercollegiate Soccer League all-star team, and played in the all-star game Nov. 16 at the University of Connecticut. He was selected for the NAIA District 5 all-star team and most valuable player of the Mayflower Conference, of which Castleton is a member. Dieter is a 1976 graduate of Bethlehem Central High School.

In Voorheesville, the *Spotlight* is sold at the Grand Union and Voorheesville Pharmacy.

## BASKETBALL

## Frustrated frosh finally undefeated

"Two years ago we lost only one game. Last season we lost two games. This year our freshman girls finally had that elusive 14-0 undefeated season," says Eugene Lewis. "It wasn't a fluke. We've been working on it a long time."

With a 39-3 record over three years, six-year veteran basketball coach Lewis and his freshman girls needn't be modest. An unusually large 18-member squad consisting of 17 freshmen and 1 outstanding eighth grader, Lewis' team had an awesome average score of 40 points per game, while holding opponents to a mere 18-point average.

Although each game consists of four quarters of only seven minutes each, every

member of the team is given a chance on the court. But the freshman girls certainly weren't short of stars. With their starting line-up of leading scorer and ball stealer Beth McGaughan, who averaged 14 points a game, Terry Plunkett, Justine DeVost, Kelly Burke, and promising eighth grader Kim Zarnow, the freshmen easily won their final game against Columbia 46-30. Although the games against rival powers Saratoga and Shenendehowa were close and exciting, the BC girls found the scrimmages between their own first and second string line-ups the most exciting contests of the season. Shenendehowa drew one game out to 34-33 before losing.

The key to success? "We're a balanced team, tall and quick, with fast breaks and steals. We had unselfish team members who were willing to make sacrifices because they were dedicated to the team. My girls were really enthusiastic and spirited."

What makes freshmen coaching so rewarding for Lewis? "Watching my former girls win in the JV and varsity jerseys."

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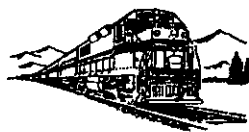
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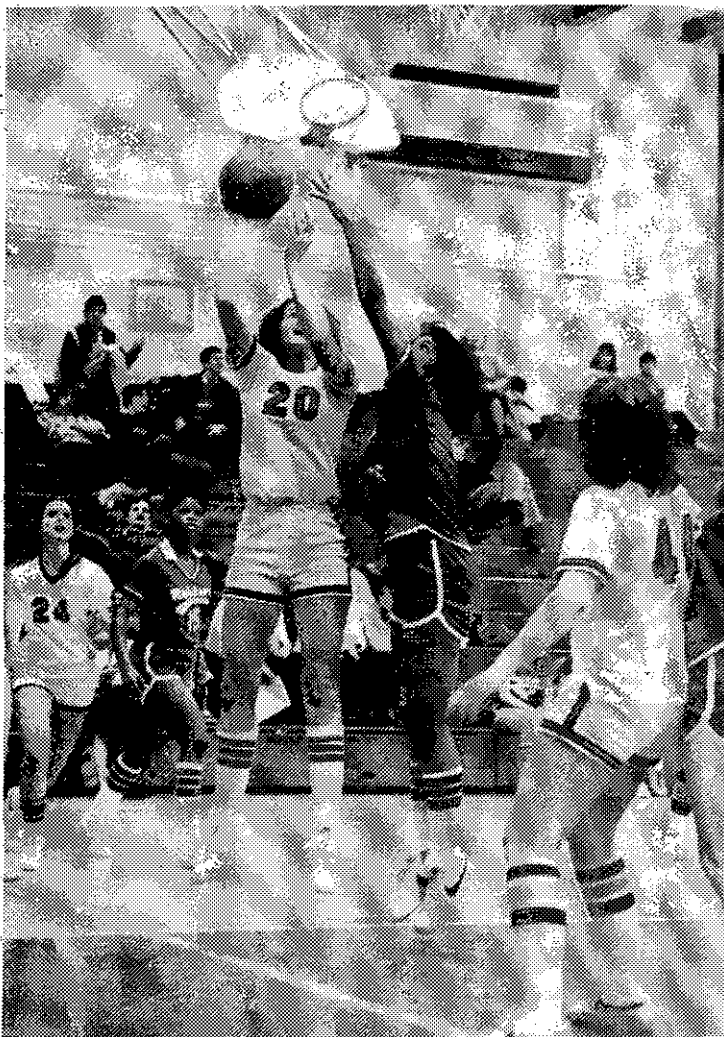
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**Mary Howell, 20, scores for the Bethlehem Central girl's varsity against Mount Pleasant. Paola Castaldo, 24, and Michelle Brook, 44, watch for the rebound.** *R.H. Davis*

#### **BB fired at school**

Troopers from the state police substation at Selkirk are looking for a young rifleman who fired a number of air gun pellets through several windows at the Clarksville elementary school over the weekend of March 7-8. A residence on Plank Rd., Clarksville, also was struck by pellets, troopers said.

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Babysitting will be provided by Welcome Wagon volunteers and Girl Scout Troop 542. The 6th grade Junior Scouts have chosen the project as their main service endeavor for the year, which will also enable them to receive their babysitting badges, under the supervision of Troop Leader Kay Zolezzi. For information, call Chris Harrell at 439-1879 or Donna O'Neill at 439-5157.

#### **Plan flea market**

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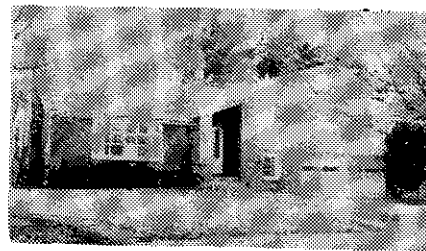
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In the meantime, Bethlehem police evacuated three homes and blocked off traffic on the road. Owens Corning and General Electric employees were allowed to go to work.

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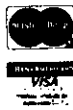
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## Three arrested for drugs

Three youths were arrested at Bethlehem Central High School Friday on drug charges.

The most serious charges were leveled against a 17-year-old who Bethlehem police said sold 12 capsules to another student and was found to possess 337 additional black capsules, and a 16-year-old who was charged with selling five grams of marijuana to a fellow student.

The 17-year-old was charged with criminal sale of a controlled substance fifth degree, a felony, and released on \$2,500 bail by Town Justice Peter Wenger. The 16-year-old was charged with criminal sale of a controlled substance second degree, also a felony, and released on \$1,000 bail.

Police said the capsules were being tested to determine whether they contain amphetamines, known as "speed". If so, this would be one of the few reported incidents involving drugs other than marijuana at the school, where officials say they see about 30 marijuana-related incidents in a year. Recent letters in *The Spotlight* and news reports have discussed the use of speed at the school.

The third youth, also 17, was charged with third degree criminal possession of a controlled substance for having the 12 capsules sold by the first 17-year-old.

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## Bethlehem Central honors announced

The following students at Bethlehem Central High School made the high honor roll (averages 90 or above) for the second marking period of the school year:

### Ninth Grade

Brian Bell, Jaron Bourke, Stacey Buerle, KellyAnn Burke, Carol Campaign, Lisa Clark, Michael Cronin, Patrick Davis, Thomas Denham, Debra Dunston, Darrin Everleth, Christine Fordham, Dagmar Fuhs, Kim Hostetter, Robert Irvine, Margaret Kerness, Dennis Laduke, Amy LaForte, Everly Macario, Margaret Mayfield, and Carol McCormick.

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### Tenth Grade

Lisa Apicelli, Jonathan Bassett, Edward Bosse, Katherine Breslin, Gretchen Brisee, John Buhac, Suzanne Callanan, Michael Cole, Thomas Connolly, Amy Davis, Mary Davis, Randall Dean, Stephan Deibel, John Dubois, Andrew Frank, Steven Gordon, Scott Gravlee, Mark Guarino, Jeffrey Guinn, Donna Handwerker, Lisa Haven, Kenneth Hetling, Daniel Kimber, Sung Kwon, Ronald Leonard, and Stephen Lipsky.

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Bids will be received up to 2:10 p.m. on the 1st day of April, 1981, at which time such bids will be publicly opened and read aloud at the Town Hall, 445 Delaware Avenue, Delmar, New York. Bids shall be addressed to Mr. Thomas V. Corrigan, Supervisor of the Town of Bethlehem, 445 Delaware Avenue, Delmar, New York. Bids shall be in sealed envelopes which shall bear, on the face thereof, the name and address of the bidder and the subject of the bid. Original and one copy of each bid shall be submitted. Copies of the specifications may be obtained from the Town Clerk at the Town Hall, Delmar, New York.

The Town Board reserves the right to waive any informalities in or to reject any or all bids.

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The Town Board wishes to convey an easement across Town lands running northerly from Jericho Road to lands owned by Kenneth H. Malary, Jericho Road, Selkirk, New York, for the purpose of ingress and egress to said lands.

Said resolution authorizes the Town Board to convey by quit claim deed all that certain lot, piece or parcel of land as more fully described in a legal description filed in the Town Clerk's Office, 445 Delaware Avenue, Delmar, New York.

Said resolution is subject to a permissive referendum under the provisions of Article VII of the Town Law, and petitions protesting against such resolution and requesting that it be submitted to the electors of the Town of Bethlehem for their approval or disapproval may be filed with the Town Clerk at any time within thirty days after the date of the adoption of said resolution.

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##### TOWN OF BETHLEHEM

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Any interested person may file objection with the Commission on or before April 20, 1981, and any person may examine a copy of the application during normal business hours at the office of the Town of Bethlehem.

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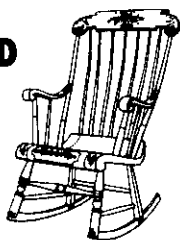
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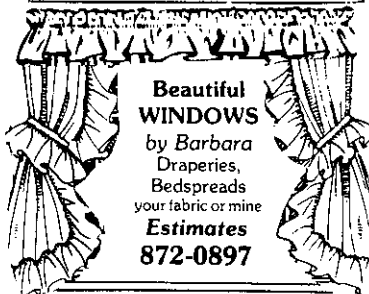
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# Vox Pop

*Vox Pop is open to all readers for letters in good taste on matters of public interest. Letters longer than 300 words are subject to abridgement by the editor, and must be signed. Names will be withheld on request.*

## When the well runs dry

Editor, The Spotlight:  
Re: Developing Apartment Sites VS Critical Water Shortage

I am writing in regard to several articles that have appeared in recent issues of the *Spotlight*. The first article in the Jan. 15 issue entitled "Attention turns to apartment sites" brings out the issue of where should the apartments go.

This article says our supervisor, Tom Corrigan, has had a long standing concern that large developments put a strain on town services. I wholly agree with his philos-

ophy. The Jan. 15 article is saying in short we need more housing and growth in the Town of Bethlehem. The following week your paper reports that our town reservoir is at an eight year low.

In the next issue, Jan. 29 the cover picture has the caption, "Bethlehem Water Supply Near 15 Year Low." Article entitled "Water Shortage may bring bans", goes on to say we will most likely have a sprinkling ban as before and then went on to state other steps that could be taken are bricks in toilet bowl, 60 second showers, ban on car washing and filling swimming pools.

The letter in the Feb. 5 issue in *Vox Pop* written by Bill Zautner entitled "Housing for the Future" has the sentence in it "Where will our children live." He's saying we should concern ourselves with the need of the community — and he appears to be in favor of apartments, town houses and condominiums. I say what will our children who live here

use for water?

Now, would somebody from the town please explain to me how we can even consider pushing for more developments in our town when we don't have enough water to properly supply the people who already live here? Let's consider our priorities and take some positive steps regarding the water shortage before "the well runs dry".

Mary Lou Riccardo  
Glenmont

## Enlightening 'rag'

Editor, The Spotlight:

Hurrah for your informative article on the Voorheesville secret caucus. In my opinion, our "puppet mayor" needs a lesson in self-composure.

I look forward to the arrival of your delightful, informative and enlightening "rag," as do many other Voorheesvillians.

Keep up the good work. After all, how else will we know what's happening in our village?

Name Submitted  
Voorheesville

## Too much regulation?

Editor, The Spotlight:

A short while ago the U.S. Postal Service gave us a threat of another price raise. To that was added the extra cost to mail users threatened with the 9-digit ZIP. Now comes mail it this way or else!

I refer to the postmaster's announcement, via a notice on the Delmar Post Office wall adjacent to the box thru which I and my firm receive mail. That announcement concerns the method the Postal Service wants used for post office box mail.

For nearly a quarter of a century all my mail, in accordance with my specific instruction, has been delivered to the mail box for which I duly pay rental at the post office. It is the wish of my wife and I, while we are mobile, to stay with this procedure.

It is too much to expect everyone to address mailed

items the way postal officials now design to dictate. I feel the pressure of added problems this administrative regulation will cause for me and all others of same inclination who will be affected by this change.

For the postal authorities to demand a 4-line address is unrealistic. I, and presumably there are others, frequently put the box number and the address (not necessarily in that order) on a single line to have a 2-line address. It is a dreadful thought to ponder that mail might be delayed, or undelivered, because the addressor did not comply with this anticipated requirement.

I sincerely hope this published directive to the Postal Customer will be rescinded.

Alexander J. Woehrle  
Delmar

## Parting shots

Editor, The Spotlight:

I could not resist writing once more on the subject of fluoridation. Much to the relief of at least 140 Bethlehem residents (members of the Bethlehem Safe Water Association), I promise this letter will be my last on the subject.

First, despite the objections of Mr. Bridge, Mr. Hahn, and others, there is every reason to expect that the majority of our citizens are in favor of fluoridation and that most of those who are not in favor have no opinion. The poll taken by high school students at our local shopping districts alone was enough to draw that conclusion, even if the percentages were not precise.

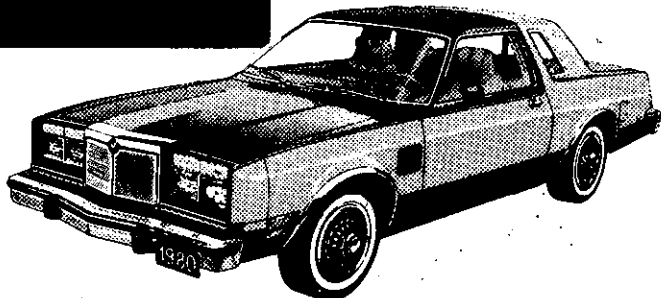
Second, voting with the majority is called representative democracy, not merely "politics."

Third, the "politics" I and others refer to in discussing the negative action of the Board on fluoridation is:

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b) the expediency of avoiding criticism by pointing to alternatives, no matter how

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Fourth, there is no constitutional question. This objection to "governmental interference" into individual privacy in relation to fluoridation has been answered repeatedly in the courts and in every case it has been deemed to be a proper function of government in a public health matter by the court of last resort.

Fifth, the only "poor losers" are our children and the future generations they represent.

*Joseph J. Hart, D.M.D*  
Delmar

### Purloined sign

Editor, The Spotlight:

Most Americans are familiar with the service club signs which are found on highways leading into cities and towns throughout the nation. The Tri-Village area is no exception, and such signs are visible to our residents and visitors. These signs promote the organizations

and proclaim the fact that the area is community-minded.

What isn't apparent is the fact that these signs, like all other items today, not only are expensive to purchase, but also represent additional installation costs and labor.

For these reasons, the Bethlehem Lions Club regrets the fact that some persons felt that the Lions Club sign, on Elsmere Avenue, near the Little League Park, represented something to be appropriated for no obvious reason. The sign has no resale value and cannot be pawned. Of course, it might be a decoration for somebody's game room, but that persons's friends might wonder how it was obtained.

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*John F. Thompson -*  
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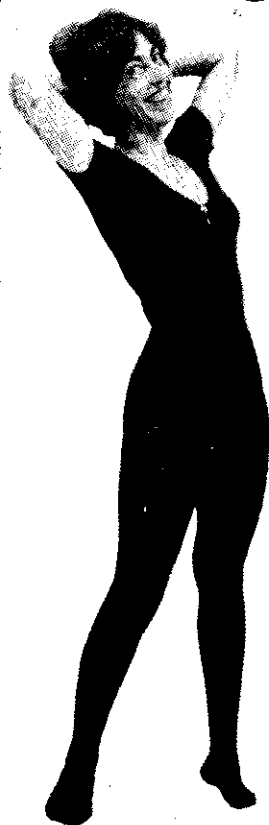
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