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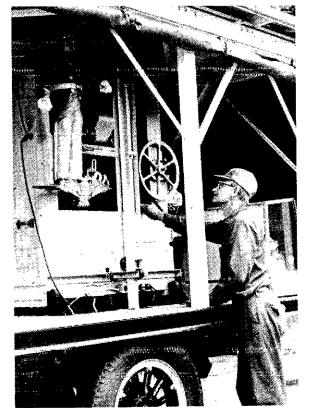
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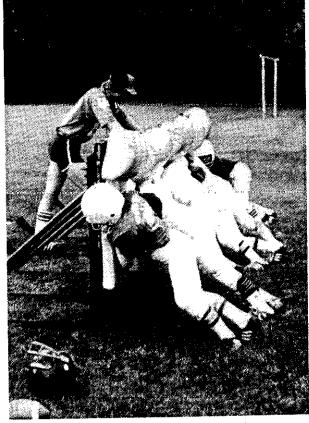
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Last Summer Story Hour, Voorheesville Public Library, 10:30 a.m.

The Kids Project Puppeteers, state-sponsored show aimed at answering children's questions about disabilities, suitable for ages 7 to 12, Bethlehem Public Library, 10:30 a.m.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 28

Playwriting Workshop, Bethlehem Public Library, 2-4 p.m. For information, call 439-9314.

Summer Reading Club Party, grades K-3, Voorheesville Public Library, 1 p.m.

Farmer's Market, locally grown produce, baked goods and crafts, St. Thomas Church parking lot, Delmar, 9 a.m.-1 p.m.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 29

Chicken Barbecue by Brooks of Oneonta, New Salem Reformed Church, Rt. 85, servings from 4 p.m. on. Adults \$5, children under 12 \$2.25.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 30

Families of Bethlehem Genealogy Exhibit, Bethlehem Historical Assn. School House Museum, Rt. 144 and Clapper Rd., Selkirk, 2-5 p.m.

Sunday Evening Serenade, Salem Hillbillies, Evergreen Park, Voorheesville, 7 p.m.

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

Guided Nighttime Walk, concentrating on sights, sounds and smells of nightfall, Five Rivers Environmental Education Center, Game Farm Rd., Delmar, 8 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 2

Public Auction by New York State Thruway Authority, used cars and trucks, maintenance, restaurant and office equipment, Albany Division Headquarters, Exit 23, inspection 9 a.m.-noon and 12:30-3 p.m. on Aug. 28, 31 and Sept. 1, auction starts 1 p.m.

Bethlehem Business Women, first dinner meeting, Albany Motor Inn, Rt. 9W, 6:30 p.m.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 3

Red Cross Bloodmobile, Albany County Resources Development Center, Rt. 85A and Martin Rd., Voorheesville, 10 a.m.-4 p.m.

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.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 4

Farmer's Market, locally grown produce, baked goods and crafts, St. Thomas Church parking lot, Delmar, 9 a.m.-1 p.m.

Recovery, Inc., self-help for former mental patients and those with chronic nervous symptoms. First United Methodist Church, 428 Kenwood Ave., Delmar, weekly at 12:30 p.m.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 6

Families of Bethlehem Genealogy Exhibit, Bethlehem Historical Assn. School House Museum, Rt. 144 and Clapper Rd., Selkirk, 2-5 p.m.

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 8

Back To School Movie, "Cheaper by the Dozen," Bethlehem Public Library, 7-9 p.m.

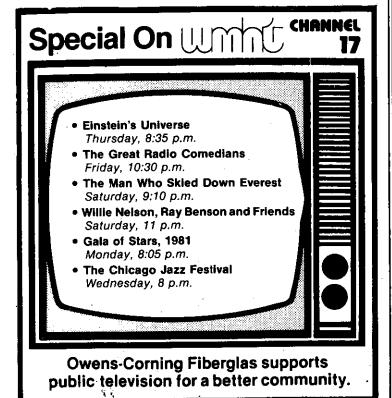
WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 9

Preschool Films, Bethlehem Public Library, 10:30-11 a.m. and 1:30-2 p.m. No ticket required.

Public Hearing, Bethlehem Town Board to consider 35 m.p.h. speed limit on Elm Ave. from Feura Bush Ro. to Peel St. Town Hall, 7:30 p.m.

New Scotland Elks Lodge 2661, meet second and fourth Wednesdays at Happy's Coach House, New Salem, 8 p.m.

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



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area arts

A capsule listing of cultural events easily accessible to Bethlehem-New Scotland residents, provided as a community service by the General Electric Co. plastics plani, Selkirk. Phone numbers are for information and tickets.

THEATER

- "The Happiest Girl in the World" (musical with music by Offenbach), Woodstock Playhouse, **through Sept. 6**, 8:30 p.m. (Sundays 2 and 7 p.m., Thursday matinee 2 p.m.) Box office (914) 679-2436.
- "Plaza Suite" (Neil Simon comedy), Bartke's Restaurant dinner theater, Aug. 28, dinner served from 5 p.m., play at 8:15 p.m. Reservations, 756-2241.
- "Two for the Seesaw" (William Gibson's Broadway triumph), Berkshire Theater Festival, Stockbridge, Mass., **through Aug. 30**, nightly except Monday, information and tickets at Community Box Office or (413) 298-5576.
- "Antigone" (Greek drama by new area theater company), Washington Park bandshell, Albany, Aug. 28 and 29, 8 p.m. Free.

MUSIC

- Northeastern Navy Show Band (comedy, dance, vocals and big band music), Empire State Plaza, Albany, **Aug. 30**, 6:30 p.m.
- Summer Dance Concert, modern, ballet, tap and jazz by six Western New York dance companies, Empire State Plaza, Albany, Aug. 31, 7:30 p.m.
- "A Trip Back to Yesteryear" with Silver Strand String Band (traditional) and the Suburban Boys (polkas, ragtime, swing and rock), Empire State Plaza, **Sept. 2,** 7:30 p.m.

ART

- "William King: Sculpture" (contemporary artist), Plaza Gallery, State University Plaza, Broadway and State St., Albany, through Sept. 22, weekdays from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.
- "Bulls and Bears" (featuring the massive oak trading post from the floor of the New York Stock Exchange), New York State Museum, Empire State Plaza, Albany, through September.
- Paul Mauren's Recent Works (sculpture by College of Saint Rose instructor), Dietel Gallery, Emma Willard School, Troy, Sept. 2-Oct. 3, daily from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m.
- College of Saint Rose Faculty Exhibition with selected artists of 1981 Mohawk-Hudson Regional, College of Saint Rose Art Gallery, 324 State St., Albany, Sept. 6-30.
- E.L. Henry's Country Life (paintings documenting New York State country life in the late 19th and early 20th centuries), New York State Museum, Empire State Plaza, Albany, through Sept. 8.
- Prize Winners of Hudson-Mohawk Regional Photo Exhibition, Center Galleries, 75 New Scotland Ave., Albany, **through Sept. 4,** Monday—Thursday noon-5 p.m., Friday noon-7 p.m., Saturday 1-5 p.m.
- Cobblestone Landmarks of New York State (photographs of 19th Century building facades), Terrace Gallery, New York State Museum, Empire State Plaza, Albany, through Sept. 8, 10 a.m.-5 p.m.



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THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 10

New Scotland Democratic Social Club, second Thursday, 8 p.m., Trotta's Restaurant, Delaware Tpk., Delmar. Interested parties welcome.

VFW Post 3185 meetings 2nd Thursday each month, 8 p.m.

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

Delmar Fire Dept. Ladies Auxiliary, regular meeting second Thursday of every month except August, at the fire house, 8 p.m.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 12

Giant Flea Market and Chicken Bar-B-Q, sponsored by Solid Rock Fellowship of Glenmont Pentecostal Church, Kenwood Ave. at Delmar Bypass, 10 a.m. Admission \$6 for adults, \$2.50 for children.

Annual Chicken Bar-B-Que, sponsored by New Scotland Kiwanis Club, New Scotland Presbyterian Church, 4-8 p.m. Takeout service available.

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Site plan review: how much power for planners?

So far, two property owners have been forced to go through Bethlehem's new "site plan review." The two cases serve to point up the difficulty the town faces in using its new powers fairly:

The first was the case of Carl and Peggy Barkman, who asked Bethlehem Planning Board last month for permission to convert their two-family house to a three-unit dwelling. The Barkmans had little more than a layout of their property and a picture of their house, since all the changes would be internal.

After a few questions about driveways, the board unanimously granted approval.

The second case, discussed at last Tuesday's meeting, involved Harry Gochee and his controversial plan to build multi-family dwellings on property at the intersection of Kenaware Ave. and Dawson Rd. The Bethlehem Board of Appeals, which approved the plan after lengthy hearings, attached its own list of conditions when it sent the case on to the planning board. These include a blacktopped driveway, enclosed and sanitary trash facilities, low profile lighting, brick veneer exterior, landscaping with evergreen buffers and fences.

The planning board, under advice from planning consultant Edward Kleinke, added its own conditions. Only as much vegetation as is absolutely necessary is to be removed during construction. And the board said it would consider a landscaping plan, including specifics concerning tree planting and fencing, only after the buildings' founda-

tions were laid. The planning board labeled this "conditional approval."

"I agree with Ed (Kleinke)", board attorney Earl Jones said. "What does 'evergreen' mean? The trees could be two feet high. Same with the fences."

Two cases, radically different, yet both fall under the same town ordinance. For board members, they raise several questions about the new site plan review procedure:

A standardized site plan approval procedure would seem to make sense in terms of efficiency. But would it be fair to the property owner who is making only minor changes?

Just how much control can—or should—the town exercise over what people are doing with their own property? Where do you draw the line?

Old questions, perhaps, but the planning board at its meeting last Tuesday found itself in an unusual position deciding just how extensive its own powers will be.

The problem revolves around the concept of site plan approval, a power recently granted to the planning board by the town board in an amendment to the existing zoning ordinances. The amendment is Article V-A: "Whenever it is proposed to develop a lot, plot or parcel of land into one or more building sites for two-family, three and four family or multiple-family dwellings, a site plan showing the proposed development shall be submitted to the planning board for approv-

What does the Site Plan consist of? The amendment says it should include parking, means of access, screening, signs, landscaping, architectural features, location and dimensions of buildings, utilities and facilities, helath, safety and the general welfare of the community. But the plan itself, says the ordinance, "shall be prepared in accordance with the rules and regulations of such board..."

Clearly, the planning board has acquired broad new powers. The ordinance says no building permit can be issued until the site plan has been granted full approval, and the board also has the power to "approve with modifications" plans it doesn't entirely like.

The implications of those broad powers were much on the minds of the planning board members last week.

"I think we should be fair to the populace," chairman Edward Sargent said as he opened the floor for a discussion of the SPA procedure. "We don't want to be tying people up in here and making them go through more expense than is necessary," referring to cases similar to the Barkmans'. "But at the same time we have got to have a definite procedure so that when people come in here for a preliminary presentation we can tell them exactly what we'd want from them as far as site plan approval." Up until now the board has been referring applicants to Article V-A in regard to the information they should be prepared to present. Gochee's case made it obvious that the amendment wasn't nearly specific enough in and of itself.

But board members could not agree on just what should be part of a standard SPA procedure. "I think we should have something in there about what the building's going to look like," said engineering consultant Al Worth. "A drawing, a picture, something."

"I would like to see something in there about utilities and their appurtenances," said board member Marcia Nelson. "In new subdivisions everything is underground, but in older areas you end up with large clumps of cables strung all over the place."

"I don't think we should go any further than is absolutely crucial to the next-door neighbors," countered board member John LaForte. "I noticed

A little too hot

It was drill night for New Salem firemen, and the volunteers were at Fire Chief Fred Carl's vacant camp on Rt. 85 often used for training exercises. Last Wednesday night; the boys set an old sofa afire, but they overdid the pyrotechnics a bit, and while they were trying to control the flames a passing motorist turned in alarm. That brought out the rest of the fire company and all the equipment, but not in time to save the sofa or the camp shack. "They weren't worth anything anyhow," shrugged Carl. "We just used them for drills."

in the conditions which the board of appeals set for Gochee that he had to have brick veneer exteriors. Do we want to go that far?"

"That's only because he said it himself at the public hearing," another member advised.

"But still," LaForte protested, "do we really want to get involved in that business? And how would we enforce

"That's no problem," said Town Building Inspector John Flanigan. "Whatever conditions the board lays down with site plan approval will automatically become

part of the building permit. They'll be enforced same as the building codes.'

"I don't like it," LaForte said. "I'm fearful of this sort of thing. Suppose somebody comes in here and shows us a picture of one house and then changes his mind and decides to build another. Are we going to stop him?"

"I'll tell you one thing," countered member Warren Kullman, "if you don't have some control you'll get burned once but not a second time."

"I think we should have a paragraph stating that we can waive any or all of the other requirements at our discretion," suggested Jones. "That way we don't have to make people go through the whole process unless its necessary."

"I agree with Earl," Sargent said, "But we certainly shouldn't depend upon the good will of developers." Sargent then suggested that the board have Kleinke incorporate the board's suggestions into the roughdraft SPA procedure he had been working on. The motion was made and passed.

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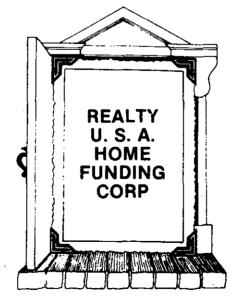


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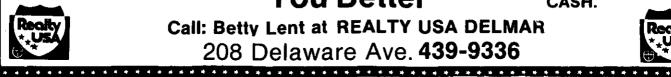
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Zautner proposes compromise plan

Developer G. William Zautner, who went to court to win permission to build two four-unit apartment buildings on Feura Bush Rd. near East Bayberry Dr., has decided instead to build duplexes.

Zautner told the Bethlehem Planning Board last Tuesday he wants to "work out a compromise with the neighbors." The apartment plans had originally been denied by the board of appeals, but Zautner went to state Supreme Court to get the decision overturned.

Last week Zautner also presented a proposal to build two similar duplexes on land behind his two existing duplexes on Elsmere Ave. near the Bethlehem Cemetery. Board members said they saw no problems with either project and told Zautner to prepare a plan for site plan approval.

In other business, the planning board:

- Informally heard a request from engineering consultant Lindsay Boutelle on behalf of Charles Kondla to subdivide approximately 35 acres in the area of Mosher Rd. at VanWeis Point into four lots. Under the recent amendments to the zoning ordinances the planning board must grant approval for subdividing property into three lots or more. The board saw no problem with the proposed subdivision since the lots would be so large and the site is undeveloped.
- Heard an environmental impact study prepared by planning consultant Edward Kleinke concerning the proposed construction of a Cumberland Farms store at the intersection of Feura Bush Rd. and Rt. 9W in Glenmont. The site is zoned CC-commercial, and the store would have a gasoline service island. The environmental impact statement was requested by the town Board of Appeals so that it might make

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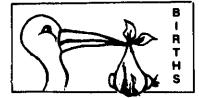
a decision concerning the special exception it would have to grant in order for the store to be built. Kleinke recommended a negative impact statement but added that the board of appeals should look at the traffic pattern in the area before making its decision.

• Officially received a letter from Helen Burtman, wife of the late Norman Burtman, to resume its studies of the proposed Oakbrook-Oakview development. The board voted to instruct Kleinke to resume the studies.

The board's next meeting is Sept. 1.

Car looted

An unlocked parked car in a driveway on Spruce Ct. in Delmar Wednesday made a tempting target, Bethlehem police reported. A thief took a brief case, two calculators, a tennis racquet and outfit, a camera, a phone answering system and some business papers. The loss was estimated at \$550.



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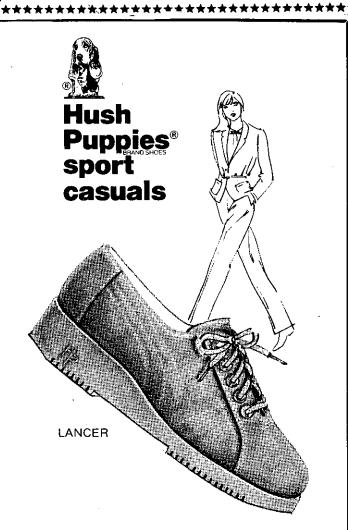
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More than 500 people who live near those two buildings have signed a petition asking the state Department of Transportation to put a stop light on Delaware so pedestrians can get to their town facilities without risking life and limb.

The traffic, says Carol Butt, the Marlboro Rd. resident who organized the petition drive, "appears to be of considerable concern to parents, but we also found that senior citizens and disabled

persons are very fearful of crossing in that vicinity at certain hours.

"It is our hope that some action can be taken on this immediately," Mrs. Butt wroteto DOT officials. "We are aware of the financial considerations and would appreciate some other measure of protection for crossing the street more safety if our suggestion is not feasible.

Bethlehem Town Supervisor Tom Corrigan said Friday he intends to get

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statistics for Delaware Ave. to see if they support the petitioners' case. "It does pose a problem for kids getting across the street," he said.

The most likely spot for a light would be at Borthwick Ave., Corrigan said. But he noted that it often takes the DOT a considerable period of time to decide whether a new traffic signal is warranted. The state has jurisdiction because Delaware Ave. is a state highway.

Arrested after crash

charged with driving while intoxicated Friday after the car she was driving hit the rear end of another car on Rt. 85 at Rt. 140. Charged was Jo Z. Cavaliaro, 53, of 27 Rowland Ave., Delmar, according to Bethlehem police. Both driv-

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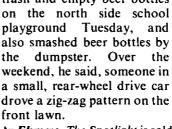
Carol Butt looks east on Delaware Ave. near the Bethlehem Town Hall. Spotlight

Slingerlands vandalism

A series of incidents ranging from a car tearing up a lawn to broken beer bottles were reported to Bethlehem Police by Slingerlands Elementary School Principal David Murphy last week.

Murphy said he found trash and empty beer bottles front lawn.

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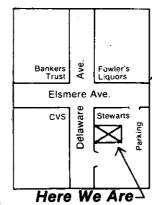
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School board mulls energy grant uses

Housekeeping topped the list of Bethlehem Central School Board concerns at an early morning meeting last Wednesday.

With receipt of some \$35,000 in federal energy grants, board members Rober Zick and John Clyne were in doubt about what the most critical energy-saving projects for the district are.

The bulk of the money is to go for conversion of heating equipment at Hamagrael School to burn either gas or oil, so that the cheaper fuel can be bought. But Zick and Clyne wanted time to consider what to di with about \$9,000 of the grant not committed to burners.

In particular, they wanted

to examine windows at Elsmere Elementary School, where some window replacement is already budgeted.

Zick said, "Let's wait until John and I get a chance to look at the windows."

And Clynce added, "Two weeks isn't going to make any difference, is it?"

The other board members agreed, and tables the decision until the next board meeting, Sept. 2.

Business Administrator Franz Zwicklbauer reminded the board that the district must paint the windows at Hamagrael School yearly now.

A change order for asbestos control work at the high school was approved by the board. The additional cost will be about \$3,500.

Clyne expressed concern that similar work at the Glenmont School had created quite a mess, but Superintendent Lawrence Zinn assured him that "Everything points to the fact that they (MacFarland Builders) will be out in time" for district workers to do the necessary repainting.

Board members signed the tax warrants for the 1981-82 school year, with board President Bernard Harvith proudly reminding everyone that the tax rate is right on target, in fact on cent less for Bethlehem taxpayers than was projected at budget time.

The board also adopted an "offer vs. serve" lunch policy for the elementary shoools, giving children who purchase

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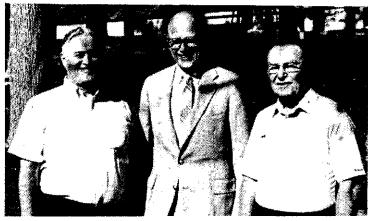
Bethlehem Reports mailed

The Town of Bethlehem's newsletter, "Bethlehem Report," is being mailed to all residents of the town. This publication contains voter information, safety news items and other articles of interest to town residents, as well as the fall 1981 Parks and Recreation Department brochure.

Residents who have not received their "Bethlehem Report" by the end of the first week in September are asked to call town hall, 439-4955, between 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., weekdays, so that mailing lists can be adjusted. Additional copies of the publication will be available at town hall, the Bethlehem Public Library and the Parks

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Richard Rosenbaum of Buffalo, center, New York State Republican chairman and a former resident of Glenmont, paid a surprise visit to the Bethlehem GOP steak roast week. During his brief stopover, he posed with the present and past chairmen of the town committee, Bernie Kaplowitz, left, and Burt Kohinke. Ideal weather graced the annual outing at Picard's Grove, New Salem, which drew a record crowd.

and Recreation Department Office at the Elm Avenue Park

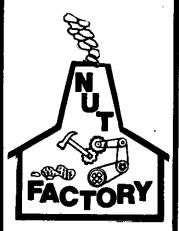
Puppets that teach

The Bethlehem Public Library will have a visit from "The Kids Project Puppeteers" Thursday at 10:30 a.m.

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Volunteers make school 'come alive'

Maude Parker and Mildred Killion are looking forward to Sept. 10, the day Elsmere Elementary School starts, because they'll be going back too. And the Bethlehem Central schools are looking for more volunteers like Mrs. Parker and Mrs. Killion.

With more and more women going off to work these days, schools are finding it harder to get the volunteer help that has proven so valuable in the past. There once were many young mothers with the time to sew fancy costumes, chaperone field trips, or lend an extra pair of hands in the classroom.

Officials in the Bethlehem School District have watched the trend away from parent volunteerism with some dismay, having seen how children's school experiences can be enriched by extra attention from friendly adults. The volunteer program in Bethlehem remains strong, however, because it's now actively soliciting help from another source: the grandparent generation.

Mrs. Parker and Mrs. Killion have been volunteering their services every week for the past 10 years in Bethlehem schools. Both say they enjoy their school visits and recommend volunteer

work to others their age because of the contact and fulfillment it offers.

Mrs. Parker started her volunteer work at the Delmar Elementary School when her granddaughter, Leslie Matthews, now in college, was a pupil there. Mrs. Parker, a widow who lives with her widowed daughter, remembers: "Leslie came home and said the school librarian needed help from a parent. Her mother was working and couldn't, so I thought, 'Well, I could.'"

Since then, Mrs. Parker has assisted school librarian Joan Barron—who was transferred to the Elsmere School when the Delmar School was closed in 1976—by filing books and library cards, and helping primary age children sign out books. She's "on the job" every Tuesday afternoon.

"I just loved the work from the beginning," Mrs. Parker says, "and I love being with young children." She's proud of her dependability, too,



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Mrs. Barron says her Tuesday volunteer helper brings "a wealth of experience" that's beneficial to her pupils. A history discussion, for example, "came alive" when Mrs. Parker was encouraged to relate what her own growing-up days in New England were like.

Mrs. Parker, the Elsmere librarian says, has "a nice, low-key personality" to which young children readily respond, and there have been no discipline problems—only good feelings on both sides. Mrs. Barron thinks the regular contact with an older woman is especially good for the pupils who don't often see their own grandparents or other older relatives.

Mildred Killion does her weekly volunteer stint at the same site—the Elsmere School library—but her main contribution is the processing of new books. "Without her to do this for us, I'd have to order books already processed and pay about \$1 a book more," Mrs. Barron says, "because I just don't have the time to do it myself."

Mrs. Killion decided to offer her services at the school, located a short walk from her apartment, when she read in the school district newsletter of the need for more volunteers. She was recently widowed at the time, and looking for ways to fill her days.

"Library work came naturally to me, because I have always loved books," she says. Although she's usually "in the back room by myself" during most of her Thursday mornings, Mrs. Killion also enjoys being around young children and finds them "interesting and enthusiastic."

Mrs. Barron, whose talent for attracting volunteers may be envied by her colleagues, says, "There's definitely a place for older people in our schools, and we would welcome many more." Besides being likely to have the time during the day that so many parents don't have nowadays, older people can fill real needs by giving attention to children and by helping school employees with time-consuming paperwork,

Mrs. Parker and Mrs. Killion say they appreciate the kind words and the annual school teas given in their honor and the letters of thanks they get from the

superintendent and the school board. Most of all, though, they just look forward to doing their volunteer jobs every week.

Ann Treadway

On the cover: Maude Parker, left, and Mildred Killion share old times in the Elsmere Library, where they'll be volunteering for another year.

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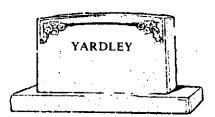
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Residents of the proposed Feura Bush water district now have a closer insight into the technicalities and finances that lie between them and a long-awaited public water supply in the next 12 months.

Some 90 residents nearly filled the parish hall of the Jerusalem Church on Rt. 32 last Wednesday night to hear New Scotland Supervisor Steve Wallace explain more details of the project. With him were town board members, the town attorney and an engineering consultant.

The turnout was not as large as a similar information meeting held in the spring, but the spirit and enthusiasm were the same. "A lot of people are on vacation,"

Wallace commented as the meeting broke up after the last of the questions from the audience.

Much of the turnout was generated by Julia Chamberlain of New Scotland Ave. in the hamlet, her daughter, Julia Nooney, and Dewey Northrop of Mathias Pl. Mrs. Chamberlain and her daughter spearheaded a campaign "to get the people out" by making 100 copies of a meeting notice and posting copies in Houghtaling's store and the postoffice, while Northrop and his sons distributed copies house-to-house.

If all goes well, and the legal, engineering, financial and regulatory requirements are met on schedule, con-



New Scotland Supervisor Steve Wallace addressing informational meeting on Feura Bush water proposal.

struction crews could start. digging trenches for the water lines as early as May, 1982. According to Wallace, the timetable should go something like this:

September, 1981—formally establish the new water district, hold the required public hearing and apply for a loan from the Farmers Home Administration (FMHA), a

federal agency.

October - initiate final engineering plans.

November-initiate land acquisition and easements for the storage tank and lines on the town's rights of way, and submit petitions to the State Dept. of Environmental Conservation and the Bureau of Regulations.

March, 1982 - Submit final



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Engineering plans call for 8-inch mains tapping into the Bethlehem system near the town line just south of Rt. 32. A 60,000-gallon storage tank will be built at the intersection of Rt. 32 and Rowe Rd., for emergency as well as daily consumption.

Homeowners in the district will amortize the capital cost and pay the interest over the 40-year life of the bond issue. They will also foot the bills for their individual taps and lines and be charged for metered consumption.

Wallace estimated the average annual cost per household at \$324.50 for bond amortization and interest at 5 percent, but if the town has to pay 7½ percent, the average annual cost will jump to \$440.40. He estimated the average consumption per family at \$127.50 a year.

Feura Bush will be the second water district in New Scotland, which has no public water system of its own. Homeowners in Heldervale, a residential development off Rt. 85 in Slingerlands, recently retired their bond issue and now pay only for metered water, also from the Bethlehem system.

Wallace estimated that "probably 98 percent" of the property owners in the proposed district are in favor of the project. With few exceptions, Feura Bush residents

draw their water supplies from private wells that have a high content of hydrogen sulfides and methane gas, and in some areas the yield is inadequate.

New Scotland officials currently are preparing the necessary petition for funding, which must show that owners of at least 51 percent of the assessed valuation affected approve the project. "I see no problem," he said.

Nat Boynton

See map Page 20

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Accident in Feura Bush

A two-car accident Tuesday on Rt. 32 near the Feura Bush Post Office sent the elderly driver of one car to the hospital with abdominal pains and caused minor injuries to four occupants of the other car.

State Police said a car driven by Christine Dolan of Westerlo was northbound on Rt. 32 when a car driven by James W. Doyle, 75, of 72 Elsmere Ave., Delmar, made a left turn in front of her. Doyle was charged with failure to yield.

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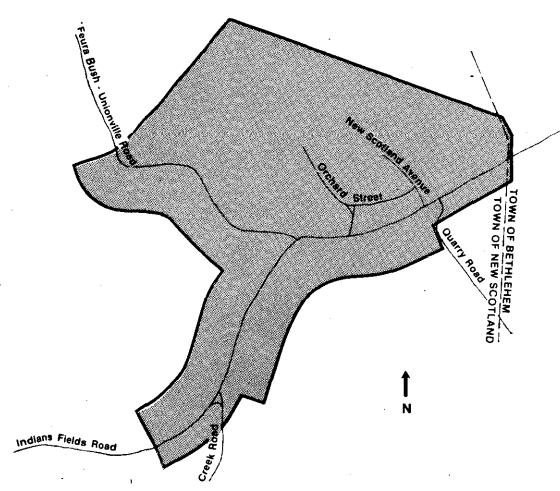
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Arrest turns to scuffle

A Delmar man faces an assault charge after he reportedly struck a Bethlehem police officer trying to arrest him.

Jeffrey N. Hines, 24, of 337 Delaware Ave., was placed under arrest outside the K—Mart store in Glenmont's Town Squire shopping center Tuesday after police were called to the scene by a store employee. No charges were filed by the store, but police arrested Hines after he became abusive, they said.

As officers attempted to handcuff Hines, he struck officer Joseph J. Mosca, knocking him down and injuring his left hand and wrist. No treatment was required.

Hines fled the scene, but appeared that night in Bethlehem Town Court to face charges of second degree assault, disorderly conduct and resisting arrest.

House ransacked

A Mullens Rd., Slingerlands, homeowner returned home Wednesday evening to find his house ransacked. According to Bethlehem police, furniture had been moved and drawers in the living room and upstairs bedroom had been opened and dumped. \$100 was missing from the kitchen and a \$600 ring was missing from a bedroom.

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An orientation meeting for all elementary school teachers in St. Matthew's CCD program is scheduled for Thursday, Sept. 3, at 9:30 a.m. in the church. Babysitting will be provided. Following this meeting, a teacher training session for all new teachers will be offered. Experienced teachers are also invited. Lesson plans, the

effective use of audio-visual materials and tips on discipline will be covered. The class should run about an hour and a half.

Injured in accident

A 12-year-old Glens Falls boy was listed in fair condition Monday at Albany Medical Center Hospital following an accident Saturday on Rt. 85 east of Rt. 85 A in New Scotland, according to Albany County Sheriff's Deputies.

The child's mother, Gail Wall, lost control of the car and sideswiped a utility pole, according to reports.

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Robert Budliger of Delmar has agreed to serve as acting president of the Albany County Audobon Society until the society can hold an election Oct. 15.

Budliger stepped in after President Barbara Mateunas announced her resignation effective July 31 in order to travel to Alaska. Vice President Alan Mapes, director of the Five Rivers Environmental Education Center in Delmar, was unable to accept the presidency due to the press of business. according to the society"s newsletter.

The society's board of directors has decided to hold meetings this year at Five Rivers, citing "ample parking, superior faclities and no time limit on the social period following the meetings." General meetings are at 8 p.m. on the third Thursday of each month.

VanWie-Weber

Mr. and Mrs. Charles F. VanWie Jr. of Clarksville have announced the engagement of their daughter Suzan Marie to Frank M. Weber, son of Mr. and Mrs. Francis J. Weber of 22 North Pine Ave., Albany.

Miss VanWie, a graduate of Bethlehem Central High School and Memorial Hospital School of Nursing, is employed by Memorial Hos-

Her fiance, a graduate of Cobleskill Agricultural & Technical College, is employed by Meadowbrook Farms Dairy, Clarksville.

An Oct. 24 wedding at Clarksville Community Church is planned.

Publicity workshop set

The third annual workshop for publicity chairmen of all local organizations and clubs will be held at the Bethlehem Public Library Monday, Sept. 14, at 7:30 p.m. On the panel will be representatives of the Spotlight, Altamont Enterprise, the Community Bulletin Board and WROW radio.

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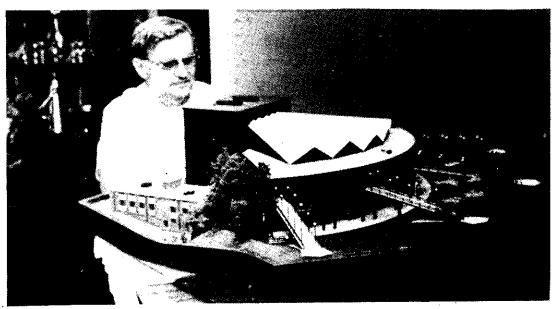
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Bike theft arrests

A 19-year-old Delmar man was arrested for criminal possession of stolen property second degree Saturday after Bethlehem police found two stolen mini-bikes in his cellar.

Acting on a tip, police staked out the home of Keneth E. Radley, 387 Delaware Ave., and followed two youths as they left the residence. After questioning the youths, the officers asked Radley for permission to look in his cellar.

Earlier in the week, Bethlehem police followed two Albany boys, 14 and 17 years old, from Delaware Plaza and charged them with stealing bicycles at the plaza.

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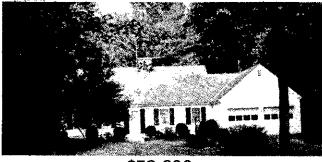
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Diana Foster, the versatile 11th grader who starred in the group's first endeavor, "The Wizard of Oz", and involved herself in every aspect of last summer's "Pinnochio," has dedicated nearly every day since school let out to this year's show, wearing the hat of costumer, script writer, director, musical coordinator and set designer, and even appearing on stage as Prince Charming. This season will be her last, since she plans to spend next summer in Switzerland on a six-month student exchange program.

Diana's enthusiasm is reflected in the attitude of the entire troupe, which prints its own programs and tickets and adjusts to its physical limitations with Shakespearian conventions. Elizabethan players disguised as young boys to deliver women's parts, and the allfemale Brockley Drive company uses these tactics in reverse. The capable cast members are also willing to shoulder more than one role when necessary.

Theresa LeMaitre, 15, will play the wicked stepmother. Her daughters will be portrayed by freshman Jackie Foy and eighth-grader Cindy Lovelace.

Lissen Roberts, who played the lead in the Bethlehem Central Middle School drama club's "Alice in Wonderland" last year, shares star billing with Libby Thomas. Libby will depict the heroine before her miraculaous transformation, and will also sing acapella. Libby's sister Rebecca is cast as both the fairy godmother and a lord in the big production number, the ballroom scene.

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Laurie Strasser

Business women meet

The first fall dinner meeting of the Bethlehem Business Women will be held on Wednesday, Sept. 2, at 6:30 p.m. at the Albany Motor Inn on Rt. 9W.

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Joseph P. Richardson

Banker elected

Joseph P. Richardson, vice president of State Bank of Albany, has been elected secretary-treasurer of the Empire chapter of the Robert Morris Associates, the national association of bank commercial loan and credit officers. He is a resident of Delmar.

Attends conference

Dr. R. Winifred Johnson of the State Education Dept., Bureau of Trade, Technical, and Health Occupations Edcuation, attended the New York State Conference for Rural Women at SUNY Delhi, Aug. 14-16. The meeting, sponsored by the Women's Division of Governor Carev's office, brought together 125 rural women from 12 countries to share information. Dr. Johnson is a resident of Delmar.



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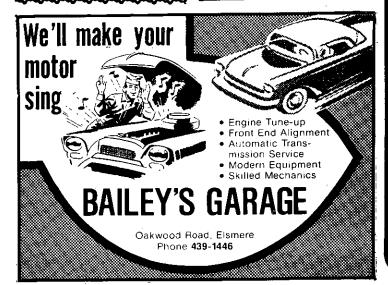
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The sale includes used cars and trucks, maintenance, restaurant and office equipment.

Most of the items for sale may be inspected from 9 a.m. to noon and from 12:30 p.m. to 3 p.m. on Aug. 28, 31 and Sept. 1. On the day of the sale, equipment may be inspected starting at 9:30 a.m.

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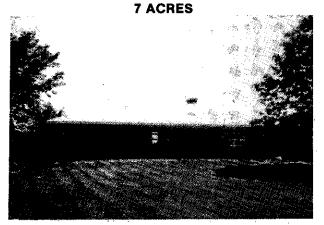
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Bethlehem Pop Warner's football coaching staff is hard at work these days preparing for next month's opening games. From left, standing; Ade Arnold, Frank Kelly, Gene Fish, Jim Bayne, Joe Allagretta and club president Jim McKiernan; kneeling, Dennis DiLillo and Bob Ray. On the cover: Pee Wee Coach Bob Ray supervising his players on "the sled.":

R.H. Davis

St. Thomas league champ

St. Thomas edged Cluster 14-13 last week to gain the playoff championship in the Church Softball League. In a game shortened by darkness to six innings, Cluster pushed across four funs in the top of the sixth to tie, but St. Thomas promptly notched a run in the bottom of the inning to win. Earlier, Cluster beat Delmar Presbyterian 9-5 and St. Thomas topped Beth-

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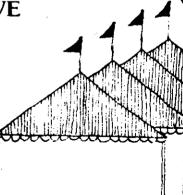
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The tournament is open to all local players. Men's and women's singles and doubles and mixed doubles events will be held on both "A" and "B" levels. Finalists from previous BTA "B" events are not eligible to compete in that same event, and players are limited to two events.

Deadline for entries is noon Sept. 5; entries must be received at Post Office Box 403, Delmar, New York, 12054, by that date and time. Entry fees are \$5 per player per event for members of the BTA, and \$6 per player per event for non-members.

Entry forms are available at the Bethlehem Town Hall, Bethlehem Public Library, Bethlehem Town Park, Southwood Tennis Club, Courtside Tennis/Sportshoes of Delmar, Rogers Sporting Goods and other local sporting goods stores and tennis clubs.

Directors of the tournament are Karen Cole (439-3264) and Claire Sellitti (439-6349).

Babe Ruth elects officers

New officers for Bethlehem Babe Ruth were elected for the coming year at a recent meeting of the board of directors.

Robert Cronin was elected president of the league; George Vichot, vice president; Paul Castellani, treasurer, and Carolyn Bennett, secretary. Peter Kasius will continue to serve as grounds and equipment manager. Cronin succeeds Robert Kistler, who was president for the past two years.

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Blue Jays race college exodus

Manager Rudy Toffenetti is sweating out the rescheduling of the Delmar Blue Jays' final two games with the Sons of Italy in the Schenectady Twilight League this week, hoping they can be played before his best hitters and pitchers go back to college.

The powerful Sons, who also play in the Albany Twilight League, were busy last week winning the league playoffs in Albany. That idled

the Blue Jays and delayed their shot at the Schenectady league pennant, but what was worse, their top pitcher, 7-0 Neil Stickles, had to go back to Baltimore University and is lost for the windup games. Jeff Ranella, another pitcher, has returned to Rochester Tech, and Delmar's Dave Reed, who blossomed as a long-distance hitter in August leaves this week for Ithaca College.

There is still enough power and pitching to take on the Sons if the games are played this week, but the Blue Javs will really be in a hole if they lose Mickey Brantley, Ward Phalen and Gary Tremblay, all of whom leave at the end of the week for Coastal Carolina College. Brantley is the hitting and fielding sparkplug of the team, Phalen has hit the long ball consistently in the clutch, and Tremblay's strong bat and rifle arm have attracted the interest of the regional scout for the San Francisco Giants.

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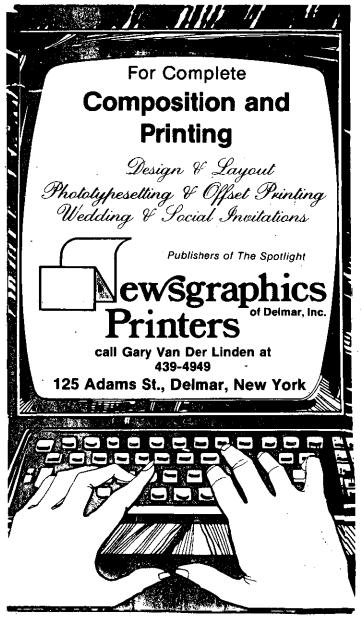
Blackbirds get new hoop coach

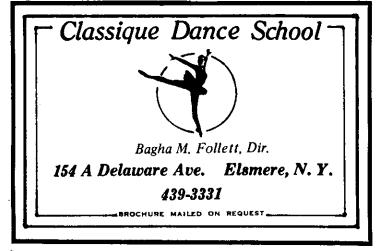
A former Union College basketball standout will move into the varsity coaching berth at Voorheesville High School this year after two seasons of coaching the Blackbird freshmen.

Charles Abba, 29, of Schenactady, a social studies teacher in the Voorheesville system, succeeds Michael O'Brien, of Colonie, a teacher in the Coxsackie-Athens school system who resigned the out-of-district position last year after two seasons as coach of the Voorheesville varsity.

Abba starred for Linto High and played on the NYU freshman team in 1970-71 before transferring to Union. He received a BA degree in 1974 from Union, where he captained the basketball team his senior year, and an MS in education from Saint Rose in 1978. He served as an instructor at the Union basketball







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camp, coached junior varsity basketball at Bishop Gibbons and Scotia-Glenville, and taught social studies at St. Anthony's School, Schenectady, and in the Schenectady school system before joining the Voorheesville faculty two years ago. He is married and has one child.

Deer permits available

There will be 150 deer management permits available for Deer Management Unit (DMU) 66 for the 1981 fall hunting season. Landowners will have preference for 75 permits and 75 will be for regular applicants.

DMU 66 is located in eastern Albany County in parts of the towns of Colonie, Guilderland, New Scotland, Bethlehem and Coeymans. A map and description of DMU 66 and a permit application may be obtained at any hunting license issuing agent. Applications must be postmarked no later than Sept. 8.

DMU 66 is only open to archery hunting and the permit can only be used during the regular big game hunting season, Nov. 16 to Dec. 8. Deer may be taken by long-bow only.

These DMU permits are being issued in an attempt to reduce the deer population in the area. Problems with deerauto collisions, agricultural damage and increased numbers of deer in urban areas necessitate reduction in the number of deer.

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Fall recreation programs listed

The Bethlehm Parks and Recreation Department will begin its series of fall programs during the week of Sept. 14. Pre-registration for the following programs can be made by calling or visiting the park office at the Elm Avenue Park weekdays, from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., after Sept. 3.

- Teen fitness: for students in grades six and up, featuring physical conditioning set to music, discussions on body control, skin care, make-up, total relaxation and learning how to improve self-image. The course will be held from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. Thursdays at the Bethlehem Central Middle School.
- Musical Exercise Class: for students in grades one through five, featuring creative exercises set to rock, disco, jazz and country music. The course will be held Mondays from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. at the Bethlehem Central Middle School.
- •Awake Aware and Alive: for adults, a physical fitness course featuring simple steps and aerobic activities set to

music. Also featured are discussions on body control, skin care, make-up, relaxation and improving self-image. This course will be held from 7:30 to 8:30 p.m. Mondays and/or Thursdays, at the Bethlehem Central Middle School.

•Indoor Recreational Tennis: for adults; two courts will be available at the Bethlehem Central High School from 8 to 10 p.m. Mondays and Wednesdays. Players should sign up in groups of four for one hourlong session per group per week.

For additional information on these and other fall programs, consult the department's fall brochure, available as a "centerfold" in the town's newsletter, Bethlehem Report.

All programs sponsored by the Bethlehem Parks and Recreation Department are open to residents of the town and the Bethlehem Central School District.

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How to describe it? "It's very simple," says George Lansing, who helped his son, George Jr., create the automated hurdy-gurdy. "It's a one-ton 1922 Ford Model T flat-bed farm truck with a 1916 Wurlitzer pipe organ mounted on the back."

Simple is hardly the word. The truck has six forward speeds, worm drive, a planetary transmission, a flywheel-oil pump-magneto all built into one, four ignition coils, and a four-cylinder 20-horse-power engine with aluminum pistons and adjustable valve lifters. Needless to say, the Lansings, members of the Automobilists of Upper Hudson Valley, are master mechanics.

And more: The truck's cab is an exact replica of the original built entirely from scratch by George Jr. The radiator, salvaged from a contemproary Model T, had been bashed in by vandals. George Sr. affected repairs by flattening tin cans and doing some painstaking soldering. The frame for the organ, which also houses gears, whirlygigs, bellows and a

moving soldier, was fashioned by the younger Lansing out of white oak.

And then there's the organ. "George sold his life insurance policy and went down to an auction in Sarasota, Fla., to buy it. When we got it up here we were all set to hear some music but the thing was full of termites." It took years, but the Lansings restored it, too. A continuous-feed roll of paper, like that used in a player piano, creates notes by making or breaking vacuum pressure from the bellows as the holes pass over the pipes. In days of yore the Wurlitzer's bellows were powered by a boy with a hand pump, but nowadays a 4-horse-power electric motor does the job.

But "somebody in the factory put the generator's armature in wrong," says George Sr., explaining why the Ford isn't currently on the road. "It costs \$140 and it takes weeks to get it, but we should have it going again soon."

George Jr., who has been called The Pied Piper of Bethlehem, still manages to play the organ. "He plugs it into the garage," his father explains. "That's when I usually go for a ride in the car. The thing gives me a headache. Guess I'm just getting old."

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On the cover: George Lansing Jr. inspects the rear of his Wurlitzer pipe organ, while the mechanical soldier inspects Lansing.

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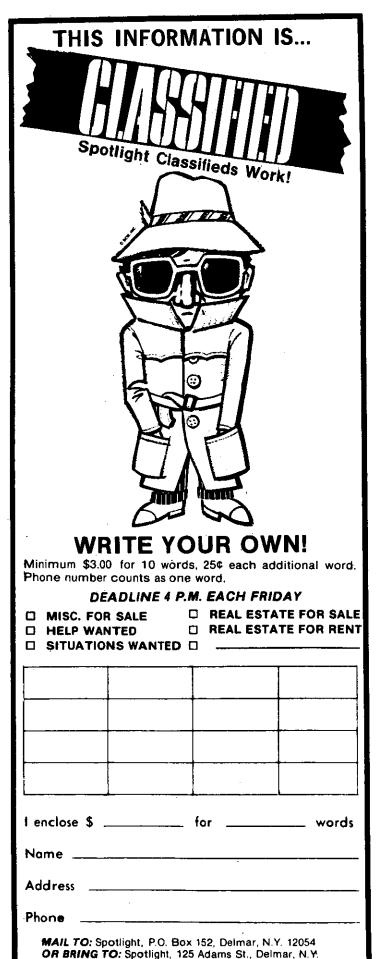
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BY ORDER OF THE TOWN BOARD CAROLYN M. LYONS Deputy Town Clerk Town of Bethlehem

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Successful swim

Editor, The Spotlight:

Thanks so much for your help in letting the people know about the Leukemia Super Swim Classic. The picture in *The Spotlight* attracted a lot of attention.

We're pleased with the results of the Super Swim Classic. Twenty swimmers participated at the town park, with hundreds of sponsors in the Town of Bethlehem.

Laurie Harris Coordinator Leukemia Super Swim Classic

Valuable service

Editor, The Spotlight:

The following letter was sent to the Bethlehem Ambulance service:

Gentlemen:

I am motivated to respond to a letter to the editor appearing in *The Spotlight* two weeks ago relative to the difficulty being experienced by your organization in raising funds for a new ambulance.

My residence, although in the town of Bethlehem, is not in the Glenmont-Selkirk-So. Bethlehem area. However I feel that your service is vital to the entire town of Bethlehem and worthy of the support of all of our residents. All of us at one time or another do traverse your areas and could have need of your ambulance and many of us have in the past.

Please accept my check and godspeed in your work.

Alan Hilchie

Elsmere

P.S. May I urge all of our townspeople to send a donation in your behalf.

Is it fair?

Editor, The Spotlight:

Why should 12 to 17-yearolds pay adult prices if we can't see adult movies; such as ones rated R?

We kids feel that as 12-year-olds we shouldn't have to pay adult prices unless we are able to see adult movies. Movie theaters are making us pay a dollar or more for a movie we could have seen last year for a lot less money. We hope that people will read this article and help us because we really think it is unfair and want to do something about it.

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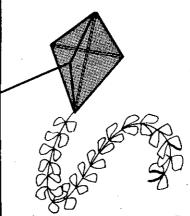
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