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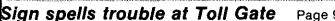
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Village of Voorheesville Board of Trustees, fourth Tuesday at 8 p.m., Planning Commission third Tuesday at 7 p.m., Zoning Board second and fourth Tuesdays at 7 p.m., when agenda warrants. Village Hall, 29 Voorheesville Ave.

Town of New Scotland Town Board meets first Wednesday at 8 p.m., Planning Board second and fourth Wednesdays at 7:30 p.m., Recreation Commission third Tuesday at 7 p.m., Board of Appeals meets when necessary, usually Fridays at 7 p.m., Town Hall, Rt. 85.

#### **THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 19**

Bethlehem Senior Citizens meeting and holiday handicraft workshop with Lillian Weiler, Bethlehem Town Hall, 12:30 p.m.

**Delmar Progress Club** garden workshop on terrariums, home of Marion Michaels, 1 p.m. Bring a container.

Albany Area Retired Teachers Association, Bethlehem Public Library, 12:30 p.m. Slide show on a trip to Greece. "Genealogy is More Than a List of Names," with Florence Christoph, Bethlehem Historical Association, Schoolhouse Museum, Rt. 144 and Clapper Rd., Cedar Hill, 8 p.m.

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"Enjoying the Middle School Years," with Jacqueline Shane, 8th grade guidance counselor, and Frank Doberman, psychologist, sponsored by Bethlehem Middle School Parent-Faculty Organization, middle school auditorium, 7:30 p.m.

American Legion Luncheon, for members, guests and applicants, for membership, Post Rooms, Poplar Dr., Elsmere, third Thursday, noon.

League of Women Voters meeting to discuss the league's national priority items and effective lobbying techniques, Bethlehem Public Library, 9:15 a.m.

Albany County Audubon Society meeting, Five Rivers Environmental Center, Game Farm Rd., Delmar, 8 p.m. Program on attracting winter birds.

#### FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 20

**Bloodmobile,** Voorheesville High School gym, North Salem Rd.: 10 a.m.-4 p.m.

"The Mark of Zorro," 92-minute film at the Bethlehem Public Library. 7 p.m.



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#### **SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 21**

Magic Show, with Gosh the Magician, open to all school age children, Voorheesville Public Library, 2 p.m.

Christmas Bazaar, Voorheesville Methodist Church, 10 a.m.-2 p.m.

Church Bazaar, with booths for holiday shopping, sponsored by the Faith Lutheran Church; Masonic Temple, 421 Kenwood Ave.,

Winter Sports Mart '81, sale of used skis, boots, skates and other sports clothing, sponsored by the Boy Scouts, Bethlehem Central High School; bring sale items from 9-noon; ski lift sale auction from 12:30-1 p.m. and sale from 1-3 p.m.

Guided Walk on "Weathering the Winter," Five Rivers Environmenal Education Center, Game Farm Rd., 2 p.m.

Arts and Crafts Fair, St. Stephen's Church, Delmar, 10 a.m.-3 p.m. With luncheon, country store and paked goods.

Annual Hoop Shoot, New Scotand Elks competition at Vooreesville High School gym, 9 a.m. Christmas Craft Bazaar, St. Matthew's Church, Voorheesville, 9 a.m.-4 p.m.

#### **SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 22**

Community Breakfast, sponsored by the Onesquethaw Volunteer Fire Co. and open to the public, at the firehall, Plank Rd., Clarksville, 5-10 a.m.

Family Life Seminar with film, "The Spirit Controlled Temperament," open to the public, sponsored by the Solid Rock Ministries of the Glenmont Pentecostal Church, Rt. 32 and Kenwood Ave., 7:30 p.m.

#### **MONDAY, NOVEMBER 23**

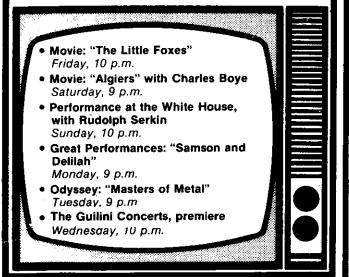
Delmar Progress Club workshop on holiday decorations for the library, led by Marion Michaels, club members to bring three kinds of wreath greens, Bethlehem Public Library, 1 p.m.

**Bloodmobile,** Farm Family and Farm Bureau, Rt. 9W, Glenmont, 9 a.m.-3 p.m.

Campus Life Mystery Night, "Kodak Kapers," open to all BCHS students, bring \$1 for pizza supper, Delmar Key Bank Community Room, 7 p.m.

Women-in-Business Workshop focusing on the small business, open to members for a \$15 fee with luncheon, County Resources Development Center, Martin Rd., Voorheesville, 9:30 a.m.-4 p.m.

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# area arts

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#### **THEATER**

- "Moonchildren" (comedy of the aimless '60s), Junior College of Albany, Little Theater, Nov. 19, 20 and 21, 8 p.m., Nov. 22, 2 p.m.
- "Gimple the Fool" (Isaac Bashevis Singer's work performed by the Bakery Street Cooperative of New York City), Albany Jewish Community Center, Nov. 21, 8 p.m.
- "Da" (portions of Hugh Leonard's play performed by the Albany Civic Theater in conjunction with "The Sounds of Ireland"), New York State Museum, Empire State Plaza, Albany, Nov. 22, 1 p.m.

#### MUSIC

- Albany Symphony Orchestra (Tchaikovsky's "Pathetique," Ravel and Ernst Toch), Palace Theater, Albany, **Nov. 21**, 8:30 p.m.
- Young Artists Concert, with Korean violinist Sung-Ju Lee, The Egg, Empire State Plaza, Albany, **Dec. 20**, 3 p.m.
- Ohio Ballet, The Egg, Empire State Plaza, Albany, Nov. 21, 8 p.m.
- Dixieland Jamboree, with Skip Parsons and his Riverboat Jazz Band and others, Polish Community Center, Washington Ave. Extension, Albany, **Nov. 22**, 7-11 p.m.
- Stanley Turrentine, jazz saxophonist, The Egg, Empire State Plaza, Albany, Nov. 22, 8 p.m.
- Pops Concert with Empire State Youth Orchestra and Findlay Cockrell, Palace Theater, Albany, Nov. 22, 7:30 p.m.
- The Revolvers Band (contemporary Rock), Convention Center, Empire State Plaza, Albany, Nov. 25, 7:30 p.m.

#### ART

- 1981 Crafts Invitational, Rensselaer County Council for the Arts, 189 Second St., Troy, Nov. 22-Dec. 19, Tuesday through Saturday, 9 a.m.-5 p.m.
- University Invitational Show (sculpture, photography, paintings, lithographs, drawings, etc., by faculty members of seven area colleges), The Gallery, Albany Institute of History and Art, Washington Ave., Albany, Nov. 13-Jan. 15.
- People of the Great Peace: Iroquois-European Relations in Early New York (with four rarely seen paintings of Indian "kings"), Albany Institute of History and Art, Washington Ave., Albany, through January.
- Contemporary Yugoslav Drawings, University Art Gallery, State University at Albany, through Dec. 18.
- "The New York Landscape" (poems and "visual responses" about places in New York State), State Museum Plaza Gallery, Empire State Plaza, Albany, through Nov. 30.
- Louis le Brocquy and the Celtic Head Image, State Museum, Empire State Plaza, Albany, through Nov. 29.

### FILM

"The Great Caruso" (1951), The Egg, Empire State Plaza, Nov. 25, 7:30 p.m.



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

**Delmar Kiwanis Club,** meets weekly at Alteri's Restaurant, Rt. 9W, Glenmont. 6:15 p.m.

#### **TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 24**

Investment Workshop, with discussion about money market funds, stocks, bonds, All Saver certificates, and other investments, Bethlehem Public Library, 7:30 p.m.

Delmar Camera Club meeting and workshop on "filter attachment" and a competition for slides and prints of close-ups, open to the public, St. Stephen's Church parish hall, Elsmere Ave., 7:30 p.m.

**Delmar Progress Club** drama group meeting and comedy skit, Bethlehem Public Library community room, 7:30 p.m.

Tri-Village Welcome Wagon Club, coffee at home of Eileen Gallagher, 91 Carstead Dr., Slingerlands, 8 p.m. Newcomers and new mothers welcome. Call 439-6484 for information.

### WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 25

Slingerlands Fire Co. Auxiliary, fourth Wednesday, Slingerlands Fire Hall, 8 p.m.

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

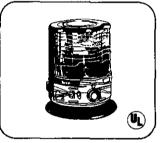
#### FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 27

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.



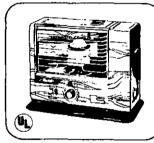
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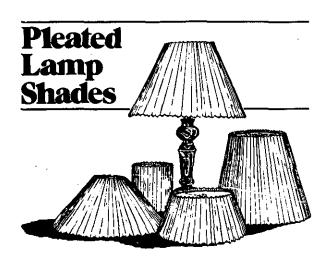
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film seminar, Glenmont Pentecostal Church, Kenwood Ave. and Rt. 32, Glenmont, 7:30 p.m.

**TUESDAY, DECEMBER 1** 

Bethlehem Sportmen's Club, first Tuesdays, Five Rivers Environmental Center, 7:30 p.m. Guests welcome.

**Delmar Progress Club,** garden and creative arts group, Bethlehem Public Library, 9:30 a.m.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 2

Onesquethaw Chapter, Order of the Eastern Star, Masonic Temple, Kenwood Ave., Delmar, 8 p.m.

In Feura Bush, The Spotlight is sold at Houghtaling's Market.

Buckeye Donkey Basketball sponsored by Bethlehem Lions Club—Lions vs. Delmar Fire Dept. Racing Team—Bethlehem Central High School gym, 8 p.m. Advance tickets \$2 at Burt Anthony Assoc. or Butler and Brown Inc., or \$3 at the door.

#### THURSDAY, DECEMBER 3

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# Shopping center concern revived in Slingerlands

A large three-color sign planted on a commercial site at the Toll Gate intersection he concern of Slingerlands esidents over a possible development they feel would be detrimental to their namlet.

The sign, confirming citizen ears based on a rumor that rirculated earlier this fall, proclaimed that the former Charles Sanders property was or sale or rent for a group of tores in a Slingerlands shoping plaza.

The three-acre site is curently owned by Anthony and ulvia Pizzatola of Delmar nd Pizzatola's brother. Vinent. The Pizzatolas operate a izza parlor in a renovated uilding once occupied by anders' store, and own a ambling three-story vintage ictorian house now divided nto several apartments.

Six weeks ago Anthony izzatola denied he and his artners were planning to tablish a shopping plaza ith retail stores on the site. ith the appearance of the gn last Friday. Pizzatola as again asked what he anned to do with the propty. His reply: "It's for sale," ressed by a *Spotlight* reporter for details, Pizzatola id: "Ask Mr. Riemma. He is an interest." Vincent Riemma is the

incipal in Bicentennial ealty, a Glenmont firm sociated with the land velopment company that Indles residential building d sales of lots in the Bintennial Woods subdivision Feura Bush Rd., Glenont. Riemma and a partner veloped the subdivision in 76-77.

Riemma would not say whether he has a financial interest in the Pizzatola propover the weekend has revived, erty in Slingerlands, but confirmed that "we're going to develop it into stores." He also confirmed a report that Pizzatola had notified tenants of the apartments in the Victorian house to vacate by

> Riemma said the house and two barns would be razed to clear the site for stores with an aggregate of 30,000 square feet of retail floor space and for 120 parking spaces.

Pizzatola said the house "is too large to heat" and is not connected to Bethlehem's sewer system. One of the tenants is Sanders, a lifetime resident and founder of the Slingerlands Fire Dept., now retired and disabled. Sanders last year deeded the property to a former employe, Elizabeth Moak, and her husband, William, who live on Couse Lane, Slingerlands. The Moaks provided rooms for their benefactor in the large house, but later sold to the Pizzatolas.

Sanders, who has been living in three rooms on the first floor, says he is moving to the Fireman's Home in Hudson, but the date is uncertain. He is 85 and has had a leg amputation.

In 1928, Sanders put on a dance at a Delmar school that raised enough funds to start a fire department in Slingerlands.

At least one member of Bethlehem's seven-member planning board was irked by the appearance of the sign.

"This is a clear case of misrepresentation," declared Thomas E. (Ed) Mulligan of Delmar, who also serves as town historian. "They (the owners) have a lot of gall to offer a site for stores when they haven't submitted plans to the board for approval."

Mulligan said any developer would also have to obtain approval for drainage plans and a possible environmental impact review by New York State. And state transportation officials must grant clearance based on traffic safety at the intersection, a heavily travelled Yshaped intersection with a traffic light less than 100 feet from a narrow railroad underpass.

The property has approximately 250 feet of frontage at



Work on the archaeological "dig" at the Slingerland burial vault, to the rear of the Pizzatola property, has been in progress all fall. The burial ground and its right of way were adopted by the town earlier in the year to protect the land from future development. Here boy scouts from Troop 260, Delmar — Jim Van Woert, Pat Davis and Bill Drapeau — stand by the screen they built to assist in the dig.

the intersection, and is in an area zoned C-Commercial that is adjacent to a Double A-Residential zone. Retail stores is a permitted use in the C-Commercial zone. A building permit from the town is required to raze the house and barns.

"We'll do whatever is required," Riemma said over the weekend.

The Slingerlands Homeowners Assn., a civic group that has exercised a watchdog function in the community for a number of years, has submitted photos and documents on the former Sanders house to federal and state authorities in a petition to have Slingerlands declared a historical district. Commented Mulligan: "That house is a priceless historical product."

Mulligan has taken a leading role in preserving the town of Bethlehem's rights to a hillside burial vault and family cemetery of William H. Slingerland, a direct descendent of Teunis Cornelius Slingerland, the family's original settler in the New World. The burial site, which is bounded on three sides by the Pizzatola property, is being preserved by the town

and has a right-of-way from the main road Nat Boynton

### **Burglary clue**

Bethlehem police have one clue to a burglary on Roweland Ave., Delmar, Nov. 9-a library card found near the scene. Taken was \$200 in cash and a cassette recorder worth \$100. Initial efforts to trace the owner of the card were unsuccessful, police said.

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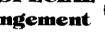
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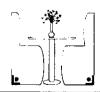
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Similarly work, for which a 50 percent federal grant has been received, will be done at Hamagrael Elementary School. Forum on male sexuality

As part of this fall's Public Affiars Forum sponsored by the Albany Jewish Community Center, Marc Salisch will speak on the issue of "Male Sexuality - the Hidden 50 Percent." on Thursday, NOv. 19, at 8 p.m. in the center's Library. Salisch is director of community education for the State University at Albany.

### Juveniles caught

Two Selkirk youths, 13 and 5, were arrested by Bethlehem police Saturday after they were seen leaving a house on Windmill Dr. The owner of the house reported \$98 in cash missing.

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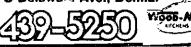
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### Another chain, more reactions

A ribbon-cutting ceremony · in Elsmere last week marked the formal beginning of another chain-store venture in Bethlehem, a community that has given a mixed response to multi-outlet merchandising.

The newest entry is Color Your World, a Torontobased enterprise with regional headquarters in Rochester that oversees 60 paint and wallnaper stores in five states. The firm's Delaware Ave. outlet is the newest of the regional headquarters' operations in New York, Massachusetts. Connecticut. Pennsylvania and Ohio, and the third in the Capital District. A fourth store is scheduled to open early next spring in Latham.

Owners of independent Bethlehem businesses and chain-store executives in the greater Albany retail zone will be watching the newest venture closely, not as an experiment, but as a possible indicator of things to come.

The chain reaction in Bethlehem over the years has made the town something of an oddity in the mercantile world. It has by far the fewest outlets of national and regional chain operations of any of the suburban areas in the Albany metropolitan market, and the fewest and smallest of the major shopping malls. Unlike Guilderland's Western Ave., Colonie's Wolf Rd., Rt. 9 and Central Ave., and Rensselaer's Rt. 20 and Rt. 4. Bethlehem's Rt. 443 and Rt. 9 have only a few scattered big-name stores and fast-food restaurants.

The phenomenon prevails despite demographics that show the Delmar-Slingerlands-New Scotland market among the highest in the category of income per capita of the suburbs that ring the Tri-Cities. Bethlehem's lagging response to discount stores and mass-volume merchandising is appreciated by homegrown independent merchants and by homeowners enjoying the attractive lifestyle of a remarkably unified and non-commercial "bedroom community," but it is decried by chain-store executives and commercial land developers.

Local merchants not only, are wary of high-volume chain operations as competitors, but resent the fact that most chain stores contribute nothing to civic projects. This leaves the independent local stores to shoulder the brunt of support for fire department fund drives. Little League teams, high school yearbook ads and a myriad of other donor-financed programs. Said one merchant: "When the kids come in for a yearbook ad, I tell them to go to K-Mart and I'll triple what they give. When they come back with zero, I give them my usual contribution."

K-Mart and CVS embody the primary threats to Bethles hem's hometown merchants but neither chain has had the expected impact on the independent stores. Local business observers report that K Mart, which replaced the bankrupt Big-N outlet at the Town Squire shopping complex in Glenmont, has a disappointing volume in comparison to other large discount stores in the area, and draws much of its trade from Albany and from outlying communities to the south CVS-watchers note a majo turnover in the complexion of the clientele since the big Rhode Island chain purchas ed the former L.J. Muller Pharmacy last spring. Unlike K-Mart. CVS is reportedly doing a high-volume business but is drawing customer primarily from out-of-town presumably the city, the "hil towns" in the Helderberg and other nearby areas. Long time Mullen patrons accus tomed to personal service in the pharmacy and sale counters have taken thei prescriptions and shelf-iter



Ken Schenkel, left, president of the Delaware Plaza Merchants Assn., offers congratulations and best wishes to Jean Turner, manager of the Color Your World store in Elsmere following a ribbon-cutting ceremony last week.

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business to other local drug stores. Said one neighboring merchant: "CVS coming in here was the best thing that ever happened to George George (Plaza Pharmacy) and Vince Rehbit (Tri-Village Drug)."

Both Plaza Pharmacy and Tri-Village Drug admit they

have opened up scores of new accounts since the Mullen changeover, but they also concede that CVS is doing a higher volume on an expanded line of goods. Gone, however, is the town's informal meeting place as the neighbors pick up the Sunday papers, and gone are the community service window displays and the Girl Scout bake sales at the front entrance. "CVS has a business pattern that is very successful, and they have a policy that doesn't include sponsoring softball teams," said a Delaware Ave. merchant.

Local pharmacy owners unable to compete with the big-dollar television and metro newspaper advertising of CVS offer dozens of shelf items at competitive prices. Says William Candido, proprietor of the Voorheesville Pharmacy who formerly worked for the Fay and Rite-Aid drug chains: "They (the chains) don't have lower prices than we do, they just create the impression their

prices are lower. They have the advertising wallop and the merchandising savvy to reach the mass market."

That price story is also true of many items in local stores carrying the same general lines as K-Mart. "I sell as much fertilizer as I did before K-Mart came," said Jim Howard at the Garden Shoppe in Glenmont, a mile from the Town Squire plaza. "We don't have the same customers."

In Delmar, James and Karen Vogel last month closed their paint and wallpaper business after more than 17 vears in the Bethlehem community. But Jim Vogel says their decision "had nothing to do" with the arrival of Color Your World. "Our decision was based on our own business situation," he said. "We came to the point where we had to put a lot more into the business, buying the lot next door, expanding the building, enlarging the stock. The cost of (borrowing) money is too high. It's gotten to a point where the volume and sup-

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port isn't there, and with the long hours, it isn't worth it."

Vogel added that Color Your World's new store in Elsmere "would have hurt us for a short time, but people buying the low-end paint and wallpaper wouldn't buy from us anyway."

Vogel had his own business for 18 years after a brief stint working for a painter after completing a service hitch with the Marine Corps. He started a painting contractor business in his home in 1964, and with his brother. John. and their wives opened a paint and wallpaper store at Delmar's Four Corners in 1975. Two years later John and Carolyn Vogel sold out to Jim and Karen, who moved to the 411 Kenwood Ave. location in 1978.

Other chains with Bethleem outlets include Radio Shack (two stores), Western Auto, Woolworth's, Denby's, Brooks and Kay-Bee Toy and Hobby among others, but with the exception of Denby's, they offer products and services not normally found in locally-owned stores. Although discount stores like Peter Harris take dollars from home-owned clothing and apparel stores, local restaurants share a good business with chain operations like McDonald's and Friendly's.

Of Bethlehem's multi-outlet stores. McDonald's and Stewart's are welcome exceptions to the big-operation policy of taking money out of a community without putting any back into it, McDonald's in Elsmere has a long list of community credits from donations to fire companies, school and recreation programs and the Bethlehem Winter Carnival, Stewart's is a regular advertiser in local weekly newspapers ignored by the big chains, and their Elsmere store has been a consistent winner in chainwide ice cream sales contests over a large area of Eastern New York largely because of the visibility of promotional ads in the weeklies.

In Selkirk, The Spotlight is sold at the Convenient Food Mart.

### Town budget passes without comment

Acting without public comment, but with an apparently unnecessary executive session, the Bethlehem Town Board last week unanimously approved the \$5.8 million 1982 town budget.

The budget, which calls for a 13 percent drop in the tax rate to \$26.66 per \$1,000 of assessed valuation, was the subject of a public hearing two weeks ago. That hearing drew a number of comments from the Democratic side of the aisle, and last week's meeting would have drawn one more — from frequent critic Lawrence Farbstein except that Supervisor Tom Corrigan told Farbstein he would be ruled out of order if he tried to speak on the budget. Farbstein said later he wanted to tell the board how they could cut an addiional eight percent in taxes.

Board members had no bublic comment on the budget, but Councilman W. Scott Prothero asked for a closed executive session" to discuss individual salaries." The budget calls for a 7.5 percent bay hike for most town embloyes, including elected of-

But after meeting for about 20 minutes the board reconened and quickly passed the budget. Corrigan apologized o the remaining spectators or the delay, saying there had been "some misunderstandng" in regard to salaries.

The board also received a etter from Bernard Mocker, brother of the late Edward Mocker, and Phyllis Goes, ecretary of Three Farms Dairy, thanking town officials for their condolences. Mocker, who died Oct. 18, was mown as the most controverial and outspoken member of he board, and the letter urged that his independent and ppen spirit be carried forward n the Town of Bethlehem."

In other action, the board: • Approved 1982 assessment rolls for the Bethlehem

Sewer District.

• Rejected all bids on work

to seal the concrete slabs around the pool at the Elm Ave. Park, after learning from Public Works Commissioner Bruce Secor that formal bidding won't be necessary because the low bidder (K and K Coping Co.) wants only \$1,700 for the work. "The other outfit wanted \$12,000," Corrigan said.

- Approved Highway Superintendent Martin Cross' request to purchase a salt and sand spreader and three snowplow blades under state conttract. New Councilman Robert Hendrick said he had reviewed the request "at some length" with Cross and was satisfied of the need for the new equipment.
- Set the date for its annual organizational meeting for Jan. 4 at 7:30 p.m., and agreed to close town hall at noon on Dec. 24.

### Winter walk scheduled

A guided walk on "Weathering the Winter" will be led at Five Rivers Environmental Education Center, Game Farm Rd., Delmar, on Saturday, Nov. 21, at 2 p.m. The 90-minute walk will concentrate on the adaptation of plants and animals to the onset of winter weather. Participants should dress warmly.

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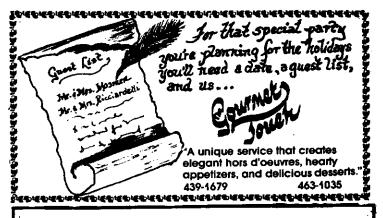
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### Planners adopt site plan rules

At a near-empty public hearing last Tuesday night the Bethlehem Planning Board voted to adopt the site plan approval procedure it has been working on since mid-August.

The procedure contains a checklist of information which would be required of

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developers when submitting plans for proposed residential housing of two or more units. It also contains a section which permits the board to waive most of these requirements when development is to be limited to the conversion of an existing structure.

The only criticism of the

procedure came from Lindsay Boutelle, engineering consultant for the Oakview project, among others. He disagreed with the inclusion of a clause which permits the board to schedule a public hearing on site plan matters, stating that there was no need for public hearings if all the criteria set forth in the procedure were met by developers.

"The business of being able

to schedule another public hearing will just make another public hearing if the pressure is put upon you, " Boutelle said.

Another comment came from Patrice Brewer of New Scotland Rd., Slingerlands, who asked the board if it would be possible to initiate site plan approval for commercial development. "My property is subject to site plan approval but I'm right next door to commercial property that isn't," Mrs. Brewer said.

Board members John La-Forte and T.E. Mulligan agreed. "If you're dealing with site plan review you go with all of it or none of it," Mulligan said.

Developer G. William Zautner, who was also in attendance at the hearing, added, "I'd like to agree with the plans for commercial property — whether the site plan is the proper approach I don't know."

Formal discussion of a site plan procedure for commercial districts was then scheduled for the board's next meeting, Nov. 17.

In other business, the board accepted the transfer of some non-developable parcels of land in the Westchester Woods development as fulfilling the conditions it laid down some 10 years ago, which were the subject of a heated exchange at its Sept. I meeting.

The board told owner Henry Klersy 10 years ago that he

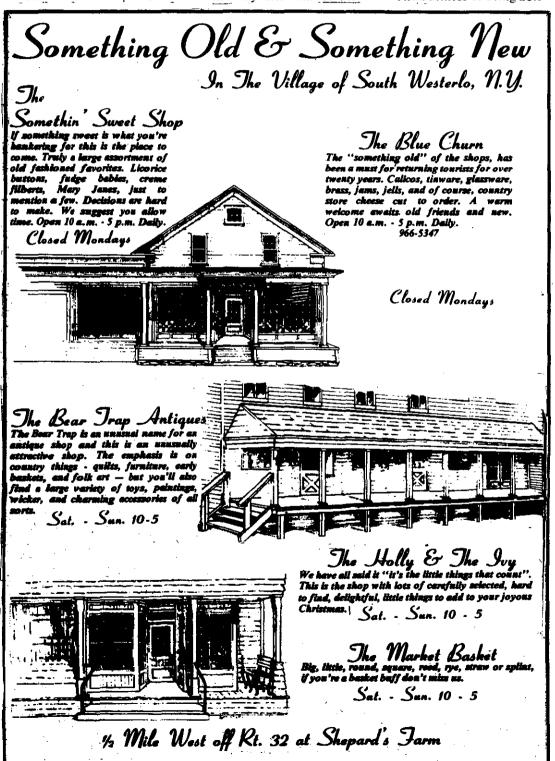


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must sell those parcels before he could get final subdivision approval. The parcels had originally been designed to become connecting streets and Klersy opted not to do so. On Sept. I his attorney argued that there was no one to sell those parcels to without taking a loss. The board insisted at that time that he sell them, as per the original conditions.

The evidence of transfer presented at last Tuesday's meeting showed that the Klersy corporation had indeed sold the parcels—to Klersy.

"It's legal," said board attorney Earl Jones.

Vincent Potenza

### Small business survival

Delmar CPA Jack Rothstein will speak at a women-inbusiness workshop Monday. Nov. 23, at the County Resources Development Center, Voorheesville.

Sponsored by Albany County Cooperative Extension and the county executives office, the 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. workshop will focus on strategies for survival and growth of the small business

in today's economy.

Rothstein will appear on a panel representative of retail food service and professional service businesses and will discuss pricing.

Other workshop sessions will include banking, financing and credit; a discussion of the 1981 Economic Tax Act provisions that may benefit the small business owner and a slide presentation on record keeping and cash flow. The women in business program of Albany County Cooperative Extension delivers practical information, referrals and resources to area business owners. It is geared to meet the particular needs of the woman business owner but workshops are also open to men. A workshop fee of \$15 includes luncheon.

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may make an appointment by calling 274-0262.

### **VA Center retirees meet**

The newly-formed V.A. Medical Center Retirees Association will hold a meeting Monday, Nov. 23, at 1 p.m. at the center's auditorium. All retirees are invited. The group will meet on the fourth Monday of each month.

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The Town of Bethlehem would lose one seat in the Albany County Legislature under a reapportionment plan to reduce the number of legislative districts from 39 to 27.

The proposed local law was introduced at the November session of the legislature and was referred to the reapportionment committee.

Proponents of the resolution for a 27-member legislature point out that Albany County is one of the largest county legislatures in the state. A smaller legislature, they say, would be less costly to the taxpayers and more efficient.

Several other plans to

revamp the legislature — including some to increase the number of legislators — are expected to be brought up for consideration. Redistricting is required as a result of the 1980 census showing a population shift. The City of Albany lost 12 percent although the population of Albany County dropped less than one percent.

At any rate, don't look for quick action on this one. It is likely legislators' views will change color more frequently than Governor Carey's hair.

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Republicans, as usual, lost their skirmish to have the hearing take place at 7:30 p.m. Minority Leader Gordon Morris of Delmar urged that budget requests be reviewed by appropriate legislative committees before final submission. Morris and other Republicans have long held that committee review is the proper procedure, but the two-thirds Democratic majority won't accept it.

The proposed 1982 budget provides for a 3.4 percent tax decrease, the fourth county tax cut in as many years. Democrats said that so long as taxes are going down people will be satisfied and will not bother to attend a hearing. The budget must be adopted by Dec. 8 according to the county charter; the legislature meets Dec. 7 and is expected to adopt the budget in the nick of time.

In regard to my resolution on prevention of child abuse, still before the social services committee, the state Department of Social Services has submitted a letter outlining the law governing confidentiality in child abuse cases.

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### Planners facing squeeze on Elks

New Scotland's planning board finds itself this week caught between two sizeable citizen groups in the controversy centering on a proposed Elks Lodge in a rural setting on Rt. 85.

Either way, for the board it's a no-win situation. If it approves the application of New Scotland Lodge No. 26II to convert a vacant dirtfloor horse barn into a lodge headquarters, more than 200 property owners within sever-

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al miles of the site will be irate; if it heeds the strong voices of the opposition and rejects the application, it will put a major crimp in the year-long hopes of more than 200 Elks members and their families, most of whom live in New Scotland.

If the board grants the application, it will be vulnerable to criticism that it did not heed the zealous protests of a large segment of people; if it turns down the bid for a land use permitted under the town's zoning ordinance, it will almost certainly face an expensive lawsuit against the town.

The board last week deferred action on the Elks petition for a special use permit to convert the 30-by-120-foot former stable into meeting rooms, a banquet hall and a

bar facility on a farm on the corner of Rt. 85 and Clipp Rd. The board's next meeting is Nov. 24.

But Robert A. Cook, chairman of the seven-member panel, told an overflow crowd at last week's public hearing that he could make no promise there would be a decision at that session. The board, which meets twice a month, has two public hearings on other matters scheduled for that night, one at 7:30 p.m. and another at 7:45, with the regular meeting to follow. If board sentiment is divided, the intramural discussion could be lengthy.

Cook's announcement came at the end of a two-hour session last Tuesday that was a continuation of the hearing interrupted by a scheduling conflict on Oct. 24. In the

intervening weeks, residents of nearby neighborhoods solidified their opposition by forming an organization called the New Scotland Civic Assn. and took out advertisements in two local weekly newspapers to add impetus to their campaign.

The board has on file a petition bearing 19 pages of signatures of residents opposing the permit, and nearly three hours of taped statements at the two hearings, most of it recording vigorous arguments by residents opposing the application.

Edward G. Horn, Westview Rd., summarized the civic association's arguments at Tuesday's hearing, contending that "neighbors are best qualified to judge whether the land use enhances the quality

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of the neighborhood." Other neighbors cited increased traffic and a detrimental impact on nearby property values, and expressed concern over the effect of a club liquor license on highway safety and the character of the neighborhood.

David Merritt of McGarr Lane told board members their "primary consideration" is traffic safety and declared that landowners in the area "oppose making New Scotland Rd. look like Wolf Rd." Added Marion Raymond of New Scotland South Rd.: "We don't need another liquor license in this area." Said Louise Bryan, a Clipp Rd. resident since 1942: "Anvthing that changes the character of New Scotland is detrimental."

Donald Meacham, Voorheesville attorney representing the lodge, submitted a 1978 state Dept. of Transportation study that showed Rt. 85 being used at 30 percent of its capacity. Meacham said: "1 seriously doubt that the (additional) traffic generated by the Elks would have any serious impact on Rt. 85," but Richard D. Belleville of New Salem challenged the report. Belleville, who said he had lived on the highway for 20 years, told the board that "the thought of putting 200 more potential drinkers on that road is courting disaster."

Jack Quickenton of Glenmont, a past exalted ruler of the Bethlehem Elk Lodge, summarized the fraternity's long record of charitable projects and community service. Edward Donohue of Voorheesville, exalted ruler of the New Scotland lodge, counter-



ed the property-value argument by saying that residential developments have been built across the road from the Colonie Elks lodge, and added that the Colonie assessor had furnished figures that he said showed values of property adjacent to the lodge grounds "were equivalent" to comparable properties elsewhere.

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The program will begin at 1:30 p.m. with music provided by the 16-member allmale chorus of the Albany High School Troubadours.

In addition, the U.M.W. are sponsoring the sale of selfhelp crafts from around the world. Proceeds go directly to the artisans.

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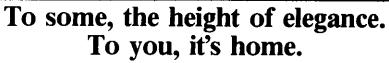


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If he'd only had a bow in his Jeep a Delmar man could have made the record books. Instead, he's out \$1,255 for his out-of-season deer kill.

The deer, a 246 pound,  $3\frac{1}{2}$ vear-old white-tail buck, had a 23-point rack. An unofficial count by state Department of Conservation personnel gave the rack a score of 211, which would place it third on the alltime list of deer racks taken in New York State since they started keeping records.

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used a rifle in an area restricted to bow hunting his kill won't make the record books.

According to Conservation officer Ken Holle, Gallachi was in his Jeep Wednesday afternoon on Meads La., a winding farm road which runs south of Delaware Ave. near the New Scotland town line. when he spotted the deer. Apparently temptation got the better of him, Holle said.

A neighbor heard the shot and called Bethlehem police. who found the deer dead in the field. The neighbor was able to furnish a partial license plate number which was traced to Gallachi's Jeep, Holle said.

Gallachi was originally charged with taking a deer in a closed season and possessing a loaded firearm in a vehicle, but agreed to a civil settlement in lieu of criminal charges and paid a \$1,255 fine Thursday in Bethlehem town court.

If The Spotlight doesn't come in Thursday morning's mail, call 439-4949.



Libby Little of Delmar passes her new "zebra" card to Bethlehem Public Library Director John Hodges so she can check a book out with the Library's new computer Sporlight system.

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As the card and the book passed under a laser beam the computer console let out discreet beeps—like a direct hit in "Space Invaders"—and the library was officially on line.

After 15 months of preparation the library is now using computers to circulate its materials. The new technology will require several changes in circulation policy, according to library Director John Hodges.

The most important change will be that patrons must have a library card to check out a book. Persons who don't already have a new computerized card and plan to apply must have some form of identification verifying their current address. Children under 14 must have their application cards signed by a parent or guardian. Also, everyone will have to pay fines on overdue books. Prior to this senior citizens were exempted.

The library's new system consists of two lasers, two laser controllers, three cathode ray tubes (CRTs) and the necessary equipment to connect them with the main computer at the Albany Pub-

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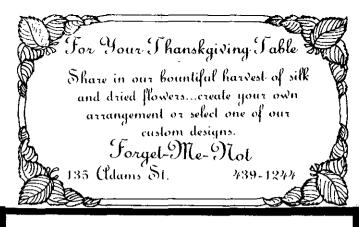
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### Voorheesville **News Notes**

Maryann Malark 765-4392

The New Scotland Elks Lodge #2611 will sponsor the Annual Elks Hoop Shoot Competition on Nov. 21 at 9 a.m. in the Voorheesville High School gym. Youngsters from eight to 13 years may participate. Each contestant has 25 shots at the hoop. The boy and girl in each age group with the best scores advance through four tiers of competition to qualify for the national finals. Local winners will compete against other contestants in the district event in Amsterdam in January, For information call Bob Boyle at 765-2913.

A "one stop Christmas shop" -- that's what the ladies planning St. Matthew's first Christmas Craft Bazaar are hoping will happen on Saturday, Nov. 21, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. St. Matthew's, located on Mountainview Ave. in Voorheesville, will feature all hand-crafted items. Among the attractions are a toy booth, candy corner, wood shop and ceramic section. A special feature for children only will be the under \$1 booth where youngsters may purchase inexpensive Christmas presents. All proceeds will benefit St. Matthew's Church.

"The International Year of the Disabled" is the theme for this year's Ecumenical Thanksgiving Service to be held at St. Matthew's on Sunday evening, Nov. 22, at 7 p.m. Rev. Arthur Toole, John O'Grady and Sherwood Carter will officiate assisted by organist Jean Franks who will once again lead an ecumenical choir. Refreshments will follow the service.

First grade teachers Linda Spina, Marianne Gregor. Judy Douglas and Pat Burnham will take their classes to the Rensselaer County Museum for a special science exhibit on Nov. 19 and 20.

The Community Nursery School of Voorheesville is in full swing after the first four weeks, with many more activities planned.

Halloween activities included a field trip to the Pumpkin Lady in Slingerlands and a family pumpkin day. The children have also been to Five Rivers Environmental Center for a nature walk.

Upcoming activities include a tour of St. Peter's Hospital, a Christmas Party complete with a visit from Santa, a visit to the Music Studio for an introduction to all types of instruments and their sounds, and a demonstration of confection-making skills at Candy Craft in Guilderland.

There is still time to enroll children in the worthwhile

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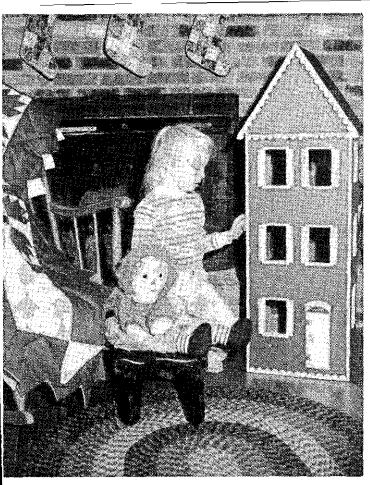
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experience of nursery school. For information call Nancy White at 765-3639.

#### Cappetti calling

The Altamont Station Squares will hold a western square dance Friday at 8 p.m. at the Guilderland Community Center on Rt. 20. Al Cappetti will be the caller.

### Wins essay contest

Ronan Tiu, a 4th grade students held recently.

His winning essay was

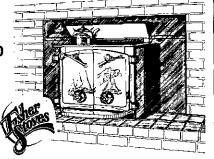
student at the Glenmont Elementary School, won first prize in an essay contest sponsored by BOCES and Bell and Howell in connection with NASA events for area

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He received his prize, a Bell and Howell mini camera, at ceremonies held at the Farnsworth Middle School in Guilderland on Oct. 31.

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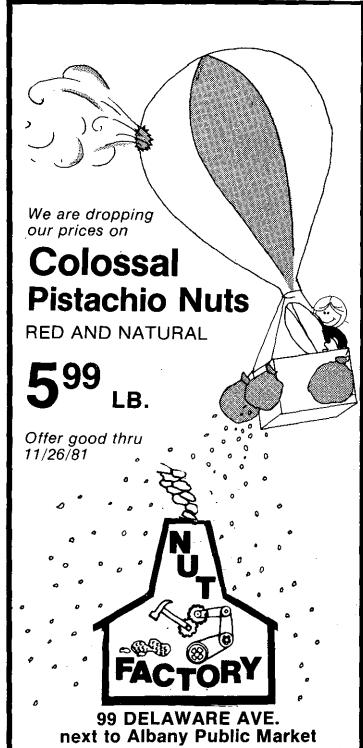
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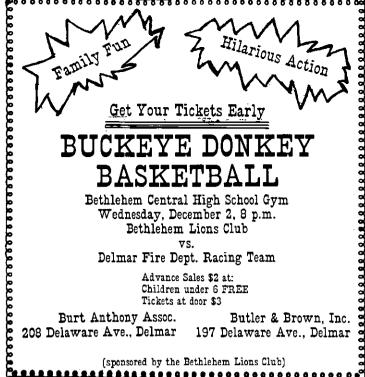
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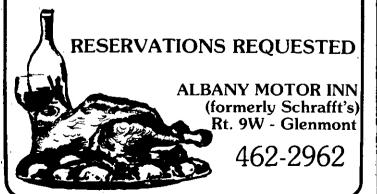
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**VOORHEESVILLE** 

### School district sets community survey

The Voorheesville Central School District Board of Education has begun a community survey which will provide an opportunity for all area residents to express their opinions on the school program. Two major surveys are being conducted by the board with the goal of fostering greater citizen participation and a strengthened school program.

The first survey was mailed to all area households on Nov. 5 as an insert in the student newspaper, "The Helderbarker." The board is asking residents to return the completed questionnaire by Nov. 20 to either the high school or elementary school offices or by mail. Additional copies are available at both school offices if more than one person in a household wishes to respond.

The survey in "The Helderbarker" polls community residents on the elementary, junior and senior high programs and services. Residents are also asked to evaluate the extracurricular program, transportation services, the present cafeteria program, and the buildings and grounds conditions. Respondents may also comment on the school philosophy and the functioning of the board of education.

The study is confidential,

the board stressed. Responses will be tabulated by researchers from the State University at Albany, Dr. Mauritz Johnson, his assistant May O'Day and other staff members. They have directed the selection of the sample and will also do the analysis of the results.

A second phase of the study will begin later this month. based on a sample chosen on the basis of principles of limited random selection. The followup survey will allow for greater analysis of the expressed concerns and will provide for a guaranteed sampling of opinions of such resident groups as individuals who have no children in the school system, those who have only elementary aged children, or only high school aged, for example.

### Middle school talk

A panel discussion on "Enjoying the Middle School Years" will be held Thursday at 7:30 p.m. at the Bethlehem Central Middle School.

The program is sponsored by the middle school Parent-Faculty Organization and features Jacqueline Share, 8th grade guidance counselor at the school, and Dr. Frank Doberman, a school psychologist with a special interest in adolescents.

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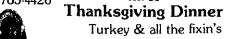
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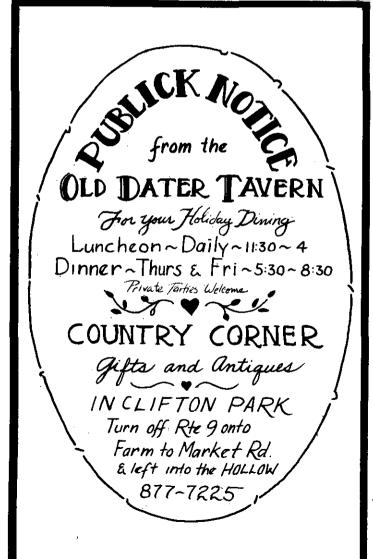
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by Judi James

"Handcrafted for You" has a special aura exuding love and thoughtfulness. After visiting the open house held by the Forget-Me-Not shop last weekend, it occurred to this writer that it is high time to remind you that you, too, can hand-craft innumerable hostess gifts, as well as decorations for your own home, once you've become acquainted with this unique craft shop.

It's a convenient place, located at the corner of Adams St. and Nathaniel Blvd., just behind the Delmar fire station. Essentially it is a craft shop, offering craft supplies, selling hand-made items and offering a fine selection of craft classes for adults as well as children.

A special series of holiday craft classes is just starting, and there will be seven more before Christmas. Tonight (Nov. 19) is a class for making cornhusk flower arrangements for Thanksgiving. On succeeding Wednesday and Thursday evenings, classes will feature holiday door hangings, soft sculpture angels, pine cone specialties, and Christmas centerpieces. Class fees are \$2 or \$3, depending on the class, plus the cost of the material vou use. Classes

are held from 7 to 9 p.m. for adults. In addition, each Tuesday evening is craft night, when three choices are offered; you may choose to make all three items or one of vour choice.

In addition to the evening adult classes, each Saturday at 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. the Forget-Me-Not Shop holds craft classes for children. They also work with community groups—a valuable service to church or other groups planning a bazaar or special gifts to hospitals, etc. Owners Jerry and Janice Glanzrock take great pleasure in giving such group demonstrations and aiding in perfecting the crafts.

We did a little browsing and found a tremendous selection of ribbons in all widths, flowers (both dried and silk) to be used in small arrangements, and mini baskets to hold such arrangements. We found many interesting craft kits (all packaged there at the shop) and so many items to spur on your imaginative creativeness that we just know you'll be able to make some unusual and appreciated small gifts and enhance your own home this holiday season.

One such gift might be the special spice doll Janice originated and copyrighted. Its little bouquet of spice prompts her accompanying advice: "Hang me in the kitchen. where it's steamy, and I'll

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Details of the contest, won last year by the Norman Warrell family of Old Ox Rd., Delmar, will be announced next week.

The workshop is sponsored by the garden club and will feature experts from the Garden Shoppe in Glenmont, Flower World in Elsmere and Hilchies Hardward and Gift Shoppe in Elsmere.

Allison Geyer of the Garden Shoppe will talk about the care of fresh greens and holiday decorator touches in the Williamsburg manner. Kathie Hodgkinson and Mary Peters, decorators at Flower World, will demonstrate door pieces from the whimsical to the elegant. And Anne Hilchie will display energy-conscious outdoor

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### Church has anniversary

The Delmar Presbyterian Church, which has gone through many changes in its first quarter century, is planning a combined Thanksgiving and 25th anniversary celebration Sunday, beginning with morning worship at 10:30 a.m. and continuing with a 5 p.m. congregational family dinner followed by a special program.

Guests for the evening will be the Rev. George H. Phelps Jr., the church's founding pastor, and the Kingsburys, missionaries on furlough from South Korea.

Formally organized on Nov. 18, 1956, the Delmar Presbyterian Church had begun a year earlier as a chapel and church school in the Masonic Temple on Kenwood Ave. Rev. Phelps moved with his family to Delmar in 1957, Not until 1961 did the congregation have its own house of worship with the completion of the present sanctuary. At that time it served all purposes in the life of the church, including church school, recreation and fellowship, and meetings as well as worship.

At the time of the church's 10th anniversary, in 1966, a fund drive had raised enough money to begin construction of a second wing, the present Christian Education building.

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### Mrs. and Mr. Walter Riggins Walter Riggins married

Patricia M. Abt, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James R. Abt of Schenectady was married to Walter G. Riggins, son of Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Riggins, 174 Winne Rd., Delmar, Oct.3 at St. Paul the Apostle Church, Schenectady.

The matron of honor was Nancy Hudson, the bride's sister. The maid of honor was Barbara Abt, also the bride's sister. Bridesmaids were Mary Barrett of Altamont. Kitty Quackenbush of Troy, Kathy Dumas of Latham and Luann Devine of Schenectady.

The groom had two best men, James McCarroll of Slingerlands and James Trotta of Delmar. Ushers were Jeffrey Riggins, brother of the groom, John Chrysogelos, Jezz Austin and Tobin Javcox.

The bride is employed by Traveler's Insurance Co. The served four years in the

U.S. Navy and is attending Hudson Valley Community College.

After a honeymoon in Hershey, Pa., the couple is living in Delmar.

### Borwegen-Walley

Mr. and Mrs. William B. Borwegen, of Oak Hill, N.Y. have announced the engagement of their daughter, Gail R. Borwegen of Guilderland. to Larry S. Walley of Altamont, son of Mr. and Mrs. Stephen R. Walley of Feura Bush.

Miss Borwegen is a graduate of Greenville Central schools and Columbia Greene Community College and is employed by Title Guarantee-New York in Albany.

Her fiance is a 1970 graduate of Ravena-Coevmans-Selkirk Central School and is employed as a deputy sheriff with the Albany County Sheriff's Department highway patrol.

A March 13, 1982, wedding is planned.

### Clark-Hessberg

Mr. and Mrs. Frederick R. Clark of S. Manning Blvd., Albany, have announced the engagement of their daughter, Cynthia Anne Clark, to Albert Hessberg III, son of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Hessberg II of Slingerlands.

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Her fiance, a graduate of Albany Academy, Middlebury College and Albany Law School, is an associate with the firm of Poskanzer, Hessberg, Blumberg, Dolin, Greisler, Barba and Trombly.

A May wedding is planned.

Waugh-Meeks

Mr. and Mrs. Robert W. Waugh of Delmar have announced the engagement of their daughter, Gretchen, to Joseph L. Meeks III, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph L. Meeks, Jr., of Cold Spring Harbor, Long Island.

Miss Waugh, a graduate of Bethlehem Central High School and St. Lawrence University, is district director of the Muscular Dystrophy Association in Poughkeepsie. Her fiance is also a graduate of St. Lawrence University and has an MBA from Northeastern University. He is a financial analyst with Digital Equipment Corp. in Marlboro, Mass.

A spring wedding is planned.

### Tammy Keppler married

Tammy J. Keppler, daughter of Joan Keppler of Delmar and John Keppler of Westerlo, was married Oct. 10



Mrs. Douglas R. Lee

to Douglas R. Lee of Feura Bush, son of Mrs. Shirley Lee of Latham, at the Westerlo Reformed Church. Rev. Roger A. Krutz officiated.

The bride is a graduate of Bethlehem Central High School and the Mildred Elley Secretarial School. Allison Warchol served as maid of honor. Bridesmaids were Terri Slingerland, Carmen Lee and Linda Grimes.

The groom is a graduate of the Bethlehem Central High School. Donald M. Slingerland served as best man, and ushers were Tom Keppler, James Bonnano and Fred Veltman.

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FOOTBALL

### Blackbirds make the playoffs

One of the most precision performances in Voorhees-ville's proud football history has propelled the Blackbirds into a post-season playoff spot at Saratoga Springs on Saturday.

Coach Tom Buckley's 20th edition will face Fort Edward, champions of the Southern Division of the Northern-Adirondack Conference, at the East Side Recreation Field at noon Saturday in the Sectional Division IV playoff. Fort Edward is 7-2 overall, the Blackbirds 6-3 after drubbing Taconic Hills, 34-0, in the Capital Conference second-place crossover game.

Everything the Blackbirds tried went right in last week's home finale. "They were a good team, but we did a tremendous job of execution both offensively and defensively." Buckley said. "It was as close to 'perfecto' as could be. I don't know what the ingredient is, but if I did, I'd bottle it and sell it."

This week's chore is to keep the momentum going. Voorheesville spies have scouted Fort Edward twice, a credit to Buckley's hunch that these two teams would make it to the 10th game. "We've seen them the last two Friday nights," said Buckley. "They're not big, but they're quick, and they like to pass. They're similar in style, both offense and defense, to Taconic Hills."

If Fort Edward had scouted Voorheesville last Saturday, which was likely, their agents would have seen enough to cause concern in Washington County. The Blackbirds struck fast, hard and often. They drove 72 yards in eight plays on their first possession, Jerry Clark crossing on a Jim Meacham pass for 16 yards and the first of his three touchdowns. Mark Tuzzolo stopped an enemy advance deep in Voorheesville real estate with an interception in the second period and returned it 20 yards. The Blackbirds then scored in five plays, Tim Murnane catching passes for 37, 22 and 9, the latter for a touchdown. The third TD was a 54-yard drive in eight plays, Meacham hitting Clark up the middle for the last 22.

The 20-0 halftime lead jumped to 27 in the third quarter when Meacham again connected with Clark for a 66-yard bomb and Rich Davis kicked his third extra point. Meacham's one-yard sneak got the final TD.

The Blackbirds rolled up 414 yards overall, 202 on the ground and 212 overhead. Meacham was 10-for-15 and four touchdowns and no interceptions. Jim McKaig ground out 105 yards on 20 carries, Murnane adding 52 on 13. Clark had six receptions for 137 yards and three touchdowns.

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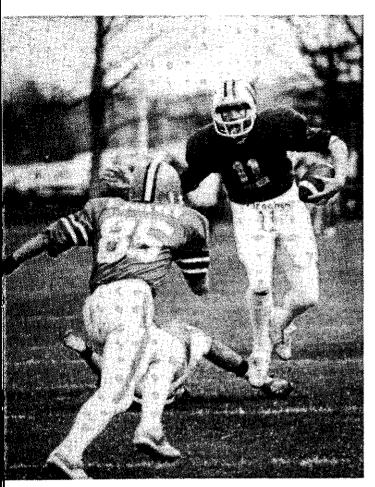
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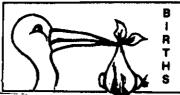
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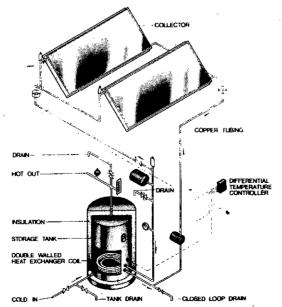
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**FOOTBALL** 

### Season ends for weary Eagles

Mercy came in the form of the final curtain for Bethlehem Central's talent-thin varsity football forces beneath overcast skies on Van Dyke Rd. Saturday. On the scoreboard it was Shenendehowa 38, Bethlehem 8, and on the books for 1981 the season's record is 2-7 and seventh place in the nine-team Suburban Council.

The Eagles, facing the league's perennial powerhouse in their finale, made a real game of it in the first half after a woeful start. Shenendehowa had a 10-0 lead before the Eagles had run their second play from scrimmage. but the defending champions got a scare when BC uncorked Coach Gene FitzPatrick's patented halfback option for a quick touchdown. Tom Dexter took the pitchout from Steve Radzyminski on the right and launched a pass downfield that a leaping Bruce Szelest caught on the sideline at the 6. Szelest escaped a defender and knocked down the goal-line flag as he went into the end zone. Dexter ran for a twopoint conversion on a fake placekick to make it 10-8 in the first quarter.

BC yielded another Shenendehowa touchdown grudgingly in the second period, and the home crowd, sparse but the largest of the season, had high hopes at halftime. But the visitors, driving for their berth in the Class A Sectional playoff against undefeated Albany High, quickly put the game away with a 30-yard aerial strike and added two more touchdowns to pad the score.

"Our kids just got tired," said FitzPatrick after the game. "We had a good first half, but we were overwhelmed in the second half. They came at us with several kids in each position, and our kids had been out there too much, playing both offense and defense. We knew they could run well, but their passing was pinpoint and totally unexpected."

Dexter, playing his last football game for BC, and Danny Chambers, also a senior, had a busy day despite the debacle. FitzPatrick calls Dexter the best safety in the area, and Danny Chambers one of the top linemen anywhere around. "Danny had a terrific game at defensive end and stood out on offense when he had to go in because of so many injuries to the starters," said FitzPatrick. He also praised Doug Eberle as

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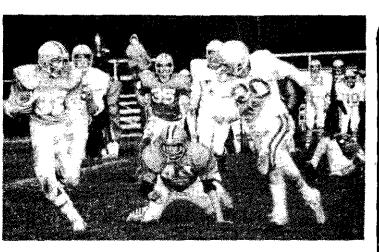
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Bethlehem Central's junior varsity ended its season with a 18-14 loss to Niskayuna but a heartening 3-3-1 season record. Jeff Masline, No. 32, carries the ball in the Niskayuna game as Doug Cole, 44, and Tim Fox, 35, handle the blocking.

the team's most improved player.

"We had some great moments along with the low ones," the coach added. "The highest moment was beating Guilderland, and the lowest was losing to Niskayuna. The kids felt really bad about that one."

The sweet afternoon against Guilderland will carry long into the Hot Stove League this winter. As for next year: "Only four lettermen are returning, so we'll be looking to the JV and freshmen. They've got some good boys coming alc Annual service boys coming along."

Thanksgiving day worship services at Christian Science hurches will open this year with the apostle Paul's adnonition: "Whatsoever ye do in word or deed, do all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God and the Father by him."

These services are an annual provision of Churches of Christ, Scientist. The gathering in Delmar on Nov. 26 will be at 11 a.m. The church is located at 555 Delaware Ave.

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#### BC sending 6 to state meet

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Eleven of the 15 on the team reached the finals or consolation finals, and six qualified to represent Section 2 at the intersectional meet in Syracuse this weekend. They will be joined by BC Coach Ray Sliter who said, "Last year we were fourth in the state-wide meet. This year we're as strong or stronger than last year. But the Buffalo, Syracuse and Long Island areas always have excellent swimmers."

Jessica Follett led the way for BC by winning her fourth straight Sectional diving championship with a whopping 373.70 points. Teammate Patty Belden upset three girls who had previously beaten her in final dual meets to take second place for BC, as well as a spot for herself on the 17-member squad going to the Intersectionals.

Bethlehem had little trouble dominating the lanes as well as the spring boards. Sophomore Janet Shaffer, BC's premiere free style sprinter and a defending champion, swept the 50 and 100-yard races again, although records eluded her. She will be joined on the Intersectional squad by Andrea Orietas, a middle-distance freestyler, who successfully defended her 200-yard title by defeating arch rival Julie Wright, and edged out a Shaker freshman sensation by less than a second to win the 500-yard freestylle and set a new BC school record.

Senior Donna Schulz claimed a new Section 2 and school record in the 200 individual medley with a time of 2:15.39. Six events later she was upset by Burnt Hills' Julie Wright after a bad turn, but nevertheess made the Intersectional qualifying time.

Far from awed by her older counterparts, eighth grader Lynn Apicalli boldly swam to a third place in her specialty, the 100-yard breaststroke, to qualify for the Syracuse meet. Although 'third in the 200 lM, her time was not fast enough to make the cutoff.

Laura Briggs ended her BC swimming career with a sixth place in the 100-yard backstroke, an 11th in the butterfly, and a fast leg on the medley relay team. Julie Green touched fourth in the 100-yard breaststroke and eighth in the butterfly, an event she swam little this season. Becky Friedlander finished eighth in the 500 freestyle and ninth in the butterfly, while Sandy Blendell was eighth in the 100 freestyle and 12th in the the 50. All four girls combined to swim a fast 200 medley relay that finished fourth. Kathleen Henehan finished fourth in the 500 freestyle and eighth in the 200 lM, clocking her best times in both.

The 400 freestyle relay, with BC standouts Orietas, Apicelli, Schulz and Shaffer, finished second behind a record-breaking Glens Falls team, but set a new school record of 3:52,37.

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Students at St. Thomas School in Delmar are practically floated into class this year on balloons painted by two parish volunteers, Robert Donnelly and Mrs. Mardi Leather. Admiring the airy work are students Joseph Quinlan, Adam Acquario, Benjamin Acquario and Mary Ann Pallante.

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### SERVICEMEN In The NEWS

Stephen B. Murphy, son of Mr. and Mrs. N.M. Murphy of Slingerlands, received tractical work in military eadership at the Army ROTC dvanced Camp at Fort Bragg, N.C., this summer. Murphy is a student at sucknell University, Lewisurg, Pa.

Airman 1st Class Annette. Briggs, daughter of Air ational Guard Master Sgt. nd Mrs. Robert W. Briggs of N. Grandview Ter., Voorgesville, has graduated from the U.S. Air Force legal rvices course at Keesler Air pree Base, Miss. Briggs will be serve with the New York in National Guard at Schentady. She is a 1978 gradue of Clayton A. Bouton nior Senior High School, borheesville.

Spec. 4 Michael D. Baker, n of Allen T. Baker of lkirk, and Helen A. Baker Schenectady, has received Army's Meritorious Sere Medal for outstanding n-combat meritorious alevement or service and en named outstanding solor of the month at Fort Sill, la., where he is an ammulion handler.

Thomas E. Budzyna, son of Col. and Mrs. Fred. K.

Budzyna of 4 E. Bayberry Road, Glenmont, received practical work in military leadership at the Army RQTC Advanced Camp at Fort Bragg, N.C., this summer.

Budzyna is a student at the State University of New York at Albany, and is receiving ROTC training at Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, Troy.

Airman Clifford F. Wright Jr., son of Clare E. Wright of 185 Adams St., Delmar, and Clifford F. Wright Sr. of Selkirk, have been assigned to Sheppard Air Force Base, Texas after completing Air Force basic training.

ROTC Cadet Steven F. Burgoon, son of Mr. and Mrs. William L. Burgoon, 100 Maple Ave., Voorheesville, has been awarded the 1981 George C. Marshall Award from the University of Notre Dame.

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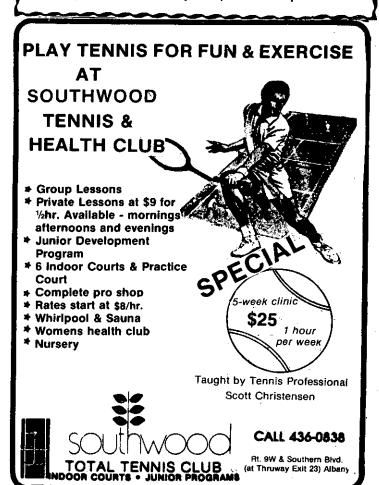
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**VOLLEYBALL** 

### BC spikers off to fast start

As 1980 Section 2 champs and co-champions of the competitive Suburban Council, the Bethlehem Central girls' varsity volleyball team has a winning tradition to defend. In her seven-year volleyball coaching career, Coach Carol Walts has led the spiking Eagles to four Suburban Council crowns and two Section titles.

This season's 10-member squad is a veteran one with five players from last year's varsity, three who have moved up from JV, and two newcomers. The starting lineup has co-captains Hannah Lamitie and Jackie Cozzy leading bumpers and setters Ann Howell, Sandy Shelmerdine, Alunda Smith Laurie Weinert. Especially skilled are Lamitie and junior Weinert, who lend the team valuable experience gained from playing in independent volleyball leagues. Substitute players include Nancy Davis, Maureen Walsh, Lisa Apicelli and Cathy McNamara, the tallest player on the team.

Although hurt by the loss of last year's outstanding player, Mary Howell, now a starter for Cornell University, Coach Walts and corps have won all their scrimmage matches as well as their season opener against Sarato-

ga. Bethlehem gained preseason confidence by winning eight of 10 scrimmage games in match-wins over Ravena, Scotia and Mont Pleasant.

The Eagles' trip to Saratoga, a perennially weak team in the Council, proved to be a longer one than expected. The first game in the best-of-three match began with the host team taking an early 11-2 lead. Startled, the BC girls revived to pull out the game 16-14. They played no-nonsense volleyball in the second game to win 15-7.

Under Coach Nancy Smith's guidance, the 11-member JV team also won all of its scrimmage matches and its season opener against Saratoga. It will try to improve upon last year's finish of 11-3, which put the team second in the Council. Because of the surprisingly large number of girls going out for the sport this year, a freshman team will represent BC on the courts for the first time in several years.

This week will see Niskayuna at BC Monday, BC at Shaker on Wednesday, and the crowd-pleasing 6:30 p.m. home game against Columbia on Friday.

Julie Ann Sosa

#### Trip to Pats game

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#### **Road Race winners**

Delmar's last road race of the season brought 180 runners to Hamagrael School Nov. 2, with another 120 children participating in a special one-mile race. Winners and also-rans alike enjoyed a pancake breakfast following the races.

The best time of the day for the 3.5-mile event was posted by Tom Dalton, with 16:27. Top finishers from Bethlehem included Don Wilken, who finished first in the 40-49 year class, and Dodie Seagle, who was the top woman finisher in that age group. Andy Stokes was fourth.

In the age 30 to 39 group, Doris Davis was first and Mike Waldenmaier was fifth. In the 50 and above group, Thomas Scott finished second and Wallace Lornell third. Pam Chin was fourth in the 20-29 division and Jeffrey Cole was fifth. Among the teens, Paul Montanus finished second.

The race was sponsored by the Hudson-Mohawk Road Runners Club with donations by Courtside-Sports Shoes. Tri-Village Market and Stewarts.

#### BC students compute

Eight Bethlehem Central Middle School students were among the youngest participants at the Computer Conference held at the State University at Albany last Saturday.

The students, members of

the recently-organized Computer Club at the Middle School, included: Steven Ayres, David Baker, Steven Cortright, Ellen Hedderman, Joe Louderback, Fritz O'Hora, Brian Portnick and Stephen Ryan. They were accompanied by their adviser, Candice Bosworth, a science teacher.

Mrs. Bosworth, who attended a computer workshop at the university last summer, helped her students program two microcomputers which they brought to the conference for display purposes. They also made posters to explain how they are using the microcomputers in their school.

Two of the participating middle school students are physically handicapped, and Mrs. Bosworth said they are "doing very well." She said she thinks Bethlehem is one of the first school districts in the area to recognize the importance of the computer as a tool for children with handicapping conditions.

#### To discuss town history

Florence Christoph will speak on "Genealogy is More Than a List of Names" at the Nov. 19 meeting of the Bethlehem Historical Association at 8 p.m. in the Cedar Hill School House Museum, Rt. 144 and Clapper Rd., Selkirk. Mrs. Christoph will relate facts about Bethlehem which she has learned through gencalogical research for the forthcoming book, "Records of the People of the Town of Bethlehem, Albany County. New York, 1698-1880."

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**BETHLEHEM** 

### They have 'key' to raising money

"Anything Goes night was even more of a success than anyone hoped for. The idea of giving students an opportunity to challenge the teachers in a more equal setting was what really drew the 300 or so fans we had," said senior Lori Guynup, president of the Bethlehem Central High School Key Club, a Kiwanis club affiliate.

With \$580 in proceeds on its way to the Arthritis Foundation, Anything Goes evening is sure to become an annual fund-raising event. The eleventh grade team won the championship. Unable to keep up in such exhausting events as the ice cream-eating contest, blindfold wheelchair race and shoe fetching dashes the faculty team, led by principal Charles Gunner, finished a sorry last.

With the hope of donating at least \$100 to different charity groups in the area, the Key Clubbers already have their calendar filled with money-making ideas. For the holiday season, the 30-member extracurricular club is planning to visit St. Peter's and Child's Hospitals to brighten the patients' spirits. President Guynup, as well as vice president Tracy Spadaro, treasurer Judy Van Woert and secretary Erica Rosenbloom, is hoping to involve all the club's members in the annual Red Kettle Campaign. when they ring the bells in local shopping centers for donations to the Salvation Army.

New membership fees and a bake sale have provided a healthy treasury that will allow the good samaritans to sponsor a local family at Thanksgiving, when they will donate a turkey and canned goods, and another one at Christmas, when they will supply money for Christmas presents.

New fund-raising activities being planned are a roller skating party for the Special Olympics and a phonathon for the Cerebral Palsy Foundation.

The club is looking forward to the district-wide competition of Key Clubs in April, when it hopes to repeat last year's trophy-winning performance.

Julie Ann Sosa

#### Merit commendations

Four Bethlehem residents are among the Albany Academy students receiving commendations in the 1982 National Merit Scholarship Competition.

The students, who are recognized as having shown exceptional academic promise by scoring in the top five percent of Merit program participants, are Kirk A. Leach, son of Lt. Col. and Mrs. Robert Leach, Glenmont; Alton Mendleson, son of Mrs. Yvonne Medleson, Delmar; Douglas A. Norton, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert B. Norton, Delmar; and Jeffrey R. Pike, son of Mrs. Joan Pike, Delmar.

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The college representatives provide information on admission requirements, degree programs offered, campus organizations and activities and scholarship opportunities.

Students sign up in the guidance office for meetings they want to attend and are issued passes for dismissal from class at those times. Parents are invited to all the meetings, but may need to remind their teenagers to take home copies of the newsletter so they can keep up with the visitation schedule.

#### Fall semester abroad

Laura A, Tilaro, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Salvatore Tilaro, 21 Pine View Ave., Delmar, is one of 33 St. Lawrence University students spending the fall semester in Vienna, Austria. The students are participating in the university's semester abroad program.

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#### Youth orchestra performs

The Empire State Youth Orchestra with its large contingent of Tri-Village musicians will present "Moods in Music"—a "knock 'em down—drag 'em out" pops concert in the Fiedler tradition Sunday at 7:30 p.m. in the Palace Theatre. The program is designed for children from eight to eighty.

Findlay Cockrell will perform the popular Grieg Piano Concerto. Also, the Guilderland Ballet Workshop, under the direction of Darlene Myers, will dance to Wallingford Riegger's Dance Rhythms for Orchestra.

#### **RCS wark-a-thon**

The Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk Central School District will sponsor a walk-athon on Sunday at 2 p.m. to raise money for the Senior Citizens Center in Ravena.

The route begins at the Pieter B. Coeymans School and proceeds through the village to the park warming sheds for the first mile checkpoint. The second mile checkpoint will be the Ravena Elementary School. The walkers then proceed to the town building for the next checkpoint. The civic center will be the fourth mile checkpoint and the walk will finish at the Pieter B. Coeymans School.

Buses will be available at each checkpoint to provide rides to those walkers who need transportation to the finishing point. In addition, each checkpoint will have both an indoor rest area and first aid station.

Residents are asked to sponsor a walking student.

Un the Cover: Members of the Empire State Youth Orchestra, which performs a pops concert Sunday, include (from left) Andrew Gordon of Delmar, clarinet: Erika Lawson of Delmar, violin; Kim Hostetter of Slingerlands. violin; Dagmar Fuhs of Delmar, violin; Joel Bloom of Delmar, viola; Monika Mascarenhas of Delmar, violin; and Sheila Vaughan of Delmar, violin, David Odenkirchen of Delmar, French horn, is also a member of the orchestra.

#### Pops concert tonight

Everyone in the community is invited to the annual "Pops Concert" of the Bethlehem Central High School Music Department, which will take place tonight (Thursday) at 8 p.m. in the BCHS auditorium.

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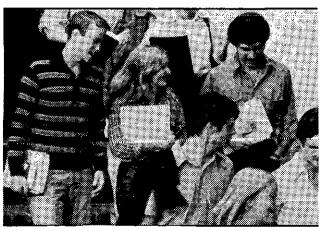
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On Tuesday, Gunner re-

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ted: November 11, 1981

(Nov. 19)

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The polls for said election shall be opened for receipt of ballots at 7:00 P.M. and shall be closed at 10 P.M.

Dated: November 19, 1981 ELSMERE FIRE DISTRICT W. GORDON MORRIS, JR. Secretary

(Nov. 19)

#### PUBLIC NOTICE OF HEARING BEFORE PLANNING BOARD

Notice is hereby given that the Planning Board of the Town of New Scotland, N.Y. will hold a Public Hearing pursuant to Article 7, Section 7.401 of the Zoning Ordinance on the following proposition:

Special Use Request No. 228 Request of Henry J. Evans to divide his Single Family Dwelling, thereby creating a Two Family Dwelling. Property is owned by Mr. Evans and is situated as follows: West side of Rt. 155, Town of New Scotland, N.Y.

#### LEGAL NOTICE

Said Hearing will take place on the 24th day of November 1981 at the New Scotland Town Hall, New Scotland, N.Y. beginning at 7:30 P.M.

Dated: November 13, 1981 ROBERT COOK Chairman Planning Board (Nov. 19)

#### NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Planning Board of the Town of New Scotland, New York will hold a Public Hearing pursuant to Section 203(d) of the Subdivision Regulations of the Town of New Scotland upon application of James Coffin, for approval of the final plat plan for a subdivision owned by him and located on the North side of Rt. 85 in said Town.

SAID HEARING will be held at the Town Hall, New Scotland, New York on the 24th day of November, 1981 commencing at 7:45 O'Clock P.M.

By Order of the Planning Board Of the Town of New Scotland (Nov. 19)

#### NOTICE

SLINGERLANDS FIRE DISTRICT

Take notice that pursuant to Section 175 of the Town Law the annual election of the Slingerlands Fire District will be held at Slingerlands Fire Hall #1 on the second Tuesday of December (8th December) 1981 between the hours of 7:00 P.M. and 10:00 P.M. for the purpose of electing one commissioner for a term of five years to fill the office of Robert J. Collins whose term expires and a treasurer for a term of three years to fill the office of Walter J. Roberts whose term expires.

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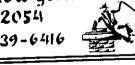
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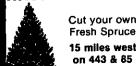
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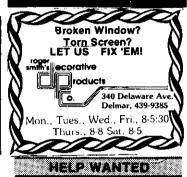
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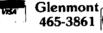
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#### Editor's View

Occasional comments by the editors of The Spotlight

Earlier this year, Bethlehem began a review of its zoning code and zone change procedures. So far, a new AB zone for small apartment houses has been created, many B zones have been eliminated, and the map has been redrawn for sections of Delmar, Elsmere and Glenmont. In addition, the planning board has begun a new system of site plan review in order to exercise closer control over new developments, and is looking at ways to exercise more control over commercial development as well.

That's a good day's work in anybody's book. But it's clearly not enough.

Bethlehem, like most communities, is still struggling with the problem of balancing reasonable development against the desire of its citizens to avoid change which they perceive as detrimental. And the problem is only going to get worse unless town fathers can come up with a reasonable mechanism to deal with change and development before the conflicts become politicized and emotional.

The Spotlight doesn't pretend to have the answers to these very difficult problems, but in our view the following issues must be addressed and

resolved in order to make t planning process work:

- The duplex question my be clearly addressed. Is it w or reasonable to allow o plexes in developed resider ial areas? We are speaki specifically about the A zon many of which are in we developed sections of town. All of these are should be reviewed - w the active participation of t residents - to determi whether there should be fi ther changes to AA, whi permits only single-fam homes.
- The review process show continue until the planni board has looked at eve area of the town from planning standpoint. T priorities here should be those areas most likely to fa new development pressur but all residents of the toare entitled to know what envisioned for their area.
- The role of the citizen the planning process has to increased and more clea defined. It is obvious that t public hearing process, wh necessary, is not adequate itself. Too often the hearing are emotional circuses w little regard for the facts of t matter at hand. Citizens ha an obligation to inform the selves about the zoning p cess so they can comme intelligently, but governme has an equally importa obligation to get resider involved as early on as Tom McPheet practical.



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#### Cornfields ves: signs no

Editor, The Spotlight:

The "paved cow path of New Scotland," Route 85, vinds through the residential agricultural zoned area of the Town of New Scotland beginning at the edge of Slingerlands and goes on to he Heldebergs. Will this nighway ever become another Delaware Ave, of Delmar and Elsmere as it enters New Scotland?

The zoning law makes it ossible that commercializaion of New Scotland Road ould happen if special use ermits are granted.

The former Betty's Barn ntique shop was a property which was presented to the Planning board for considertion as a crafts shop. Dick's Coffee Shop sought an alcoolic beverage permit. The eople in the area said no to oth proposals and they did ot happen. Now, the Elks ish to convert a horse barn n Route 85 and Clipp Road b a lodge with a liquor license nd parking for some 200 ars. Over 200 residents of the rea signed petitions protestng a special use permit.

Will the Elks permit be opped on Route 85?

Delaware Ave. in Delmar nd Elsmere is mostly an ncurved highway. In Elsmere has been widened and eated as a commercial zone ut during busy hours it is sky. The business properties e mainly converted resiences resulting in the absence blanning and any evidence architectural harmony. he community has several eautiful residential areas. ut the commercial zone

would never win any awards unless a bulldozer changed much of it between the Normanskill and the former town hall.

Many residents of New Scotland are doing their best to urge the New Scotland Planning Board to vote no on November 24 on the Elks permit. We don't want the board to use the mechanism of the special use to let commercialization happen on Route 85 if the people of the area involved don't want it to happen.

We love our cornfields, cows and trees. The neon signs we can do without!

Robert C. King New Scotland

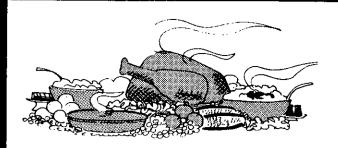
#### The pride of Delmar

Editor, The Spotlight:

Minutes after my husband and I returned to our house at 10:45 p.m. last Saturday, we noticed a leaf fire blazing in the street a few houses away, and seconds later another just around the corner. Three men worked furiously at the first. and my husband, rake in hand, sped to the latter which seriously threatened our absent neighbor's evergreens. Volunteer firemen appeared in seconds, leaping from their own cars and taking over with consummate skill. The fire truck arriving just after that hosed down the now smoldering piles and other untouched piles. The walkie-talkie one fireman carried crackled that the thrill-seeking firestarters had struck again somewhere else, and the raced off to this new crisis.

Time elapsed: 15 minutes. This was my third experience in five years-two with fires and one with the rescue squad. While I fervently pray it's the last, I am constantly reassured by the quick and informed actions these devoted volunteers perform for the citizens of Delmar and the Tri-Village area. My shame at the actions of the irresponsible firebugs is overtaken by my pride in these men. Thanks again!

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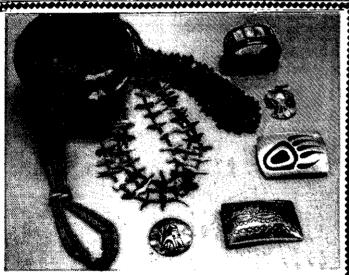
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