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Winter Music Festival, Part 1, Bethlehem Central Middle School, 8 p.m.

Small Business Tax Workshop, Bethlehem Public Library, 9 a.m.-4:30 p.m.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 11

Tri-Village Bloodmobile for donors ages 17-66 as walk-ins and by appointment, 439-4955, Bethlehem Town Hall, 11:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m.

"**Jason and the Argonauts**," a 104-minute mythology film, Bethlehem Public Library, 7 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.

Children's Films, "Cosmic Christmas" and "Little Brown Burro," Bethlehem Public Library, 4 p.m.

Annual Christmas Party, Tri-Village Chapter, American Association of Retired Persons, Albany Country Club, social hour at noon, luncheon 1 p.m.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 12

Voorheesville Holiday Party, with Santa and a magician, noon to 2 p.m. at the firehouse.

Guided Walk on natural and human influences on the environment, Five Rivers Environmental Education Center, Game Farm Rd., Delmar, 2 p.m.

"**Six Keys to Marital Happiness**," family life film seminar sponsored by Solid Rock Ministries of the Glenmont Pentecostal Church, 7:30 p.m.

DAR Good Citizens Award Day, Gansevoort Chapter of DAR hosts Tawasentha Chapter at Doane-Stuart School, Rt. 9W, Albany, 1 p.m.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 13

Bethlehem Historical Association Christmas tea, open to the public. Cedar Hill Schoolhouse, Rt. 144 and Clapper Rd., Selkirk, 3-6 p.m.

Hanging of the Greens, Bethlehem Lutheran Church members decorating the sanctuary for Christmas, 3 p.m. Followed by supper and caroling.

MONDAY, DECEMBER 14

Bethlehem Public Library board of trustees meet, 7:30 p.m.

area arts

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

THEATER

"The Taming of the Shrew" (National Shakespeare Company), Hudson Valley Community College Campus Center, Dec. 11, 8 p.m. Information, 283-1100.

"American Buffalo" (David Mamet's play presented by Albany Theater Project), Eighth Step Coffee House, 14 Williett St., Albany, Dec. 11-16, 8:45 p.m.

"P.S. I Love You" (comedy by Drama Workshop), Jewish Community Center, 340 Whitehall Rd., Albany, Dec. 12 and 13, 19 and 20, 8 p.m. Community Box Office.

"One Mo' Time!" (Broadway musical celebrating 1920's in New Orleans), Proctor's Theater, Schenectady, Dec. 11-13, 8 p.m., Dec. 12 and 13, 2 p.m. Box office, 346-6204.

MUSIC

"Maramuresul" (Romanian dancers, singers and orchestra), Proctor's Theater, Dec. 10, 8 p.m. Box office, 346-6204.

Conradance with Pat Rust caller, Eighth Step Coffee House at Emmanuel Baptist Church, 275 State St., Albany, Dec. 11, 8:45 p.m.

Albany Symphony Orchestra (Maestro Hegyi conducts Mendelssohn, Dvorak, Handel and Swedish composer Daniel Bortz), Palace Theater, Albany, Dec. 12, 8:30 p.m.

International Holiday Fete with Sesame Street Christmas Show, Francis Prezio and Third Presbyterian Church Choir of Troy, Empire State Plaza, Albany, Dec. 13, noon to 6 p.m.

College of Saint Rose Christmas Concert, Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception, Madison and Eagle, Albany, Dec. 13, 8 p.m.

"I Like to Sing" (family concert with soprano Anne Turner), Rensselaer County Council for the Arts, 189 Second St., Troy, Dec. 13, 3 p.m.

"Messiah" sung by St. Peter's Choristers, St. Peter's Church, 107 State St., Albany, Dec. 13, 3 p.m.

Holiday Potpourri with Voorheesville High School Band, south gallery of concourse, Empire State Plaza, Albany, Dec. 16, noon.

ART

College of Saint Rose undergraduate show, CSR Gallery, Picotte Hall, 324 State St., Albany, through Dec. 16.

"Center Ring: The Artist" (two centuries of circus art), New York State Museum, Empire State Plaza, Dec. 11-March 7. Free circus acts Dec. 12 and 13, 1:30 and 3:30 p.m.

Mark Rucker paintings and drawings, The Center Gallery, 75 New Scotland Ave., Albany, Dec. 11-Jan. 8.

Schuyler Mansion Christmas Show, 27 Clinton St., Albany, Dec. 13, 1-4 p.m.


FILMS

"Room at the Top" (Lawrence Harvey), Recital Hall, Performing Arts Center, State University at Albany, Dec. 11 and 12, 8:30 p.m.

"Gentlemen Prefer Blondes" (Marilyn Monroe), The Egg, Empire State Plaza, Albany, Dec. 16, 7:30 p.m.

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TUESDAY, DECEMBER 15

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

Book Discussion Group, "The Jefferson Scandals," Bethlehem Public Library, 7:30 p.m.

Beginners Bible Study, 10 Grove St., Delmar, 8 p.m. Call Dr. Barile, 439-0981.

New Scotland Opportunity Club annual Christmas party at home of Mrs. Richard Long, New Scotland Rd., 7 p.m. Buffet supper followed by games and caroling.

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

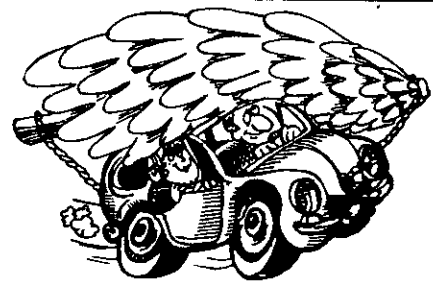
Bethlehem Lodge 1096, F&AM, first and third Tuesdays, Delmar Masonic Temple.

Blood Pressure Clinic, third Tuesday, Bethlehem town hall, 10 a.m.-2 p.m. and 7-8:30 p.m.

Holiday Concert, Glenmont Elementary School, 7:30 p.m.

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Vesper Service, Faith Lutheran Church, 1 Chapel La., Glenmont, 8 p.m.

Public Hearing, Bethlehem Town Board, proposed extension of Water District No. 1 to be known as Dowerskill Extension, Bethlehem Town Hall, 7:30 p.m.

Public Hearing, Bethlehem Board of Appeals, application of James C. Mancuso, 15 Oakwood Pl., Delmar, for variance to convert residence to two-family dwelling, Bethlehem Town Hall, 8 p.m.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 17

Holiday Concert, Slingerlands Elementary School, 7:30 p.m.

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

Winter Concert, Voorheesville Elementary School, 7:30 p.m.

La Leche League meeting with discussion on "Nutrition and Weaning," open to all nursing mothers and their babies, home of Donna Larrivee, 74 Salisbury Rd., Delmar, 8:15 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.

First and Only Annual Wright Brothers Day Paper Airplane Contest for school-age children, Bethlehem Public Library, 4 p.m.

Free Career and Educational Advisement, Bethlehem Public Library, by appointment, 439-9314.

Albany County Audubon Society meeting, Five Rivers Environmental Center, Game Farm Rd., Delmar, 8 p.m. On citizens mobilization campaign.

Story Hour, Voorheesville Public Library.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 18

"The Most Dangerous Game" (1932), Bethlehem Public Library, 7 p.m.

Community Christmas Party, Bethlehem Grange, Grange Hall, Beckers Corners. Information, 463-0693 or 767-2770.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 20

Festival of Sacred Christmas Music, Slingerlands Community Methodist Church, 1497 New Scotland Rd., 4 p.m.

MONDAY, DECEMBER 21

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

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

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

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 22

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Holiday Concert, Hamagrael School, 8 p.m.

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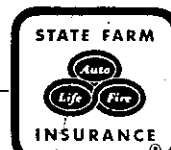


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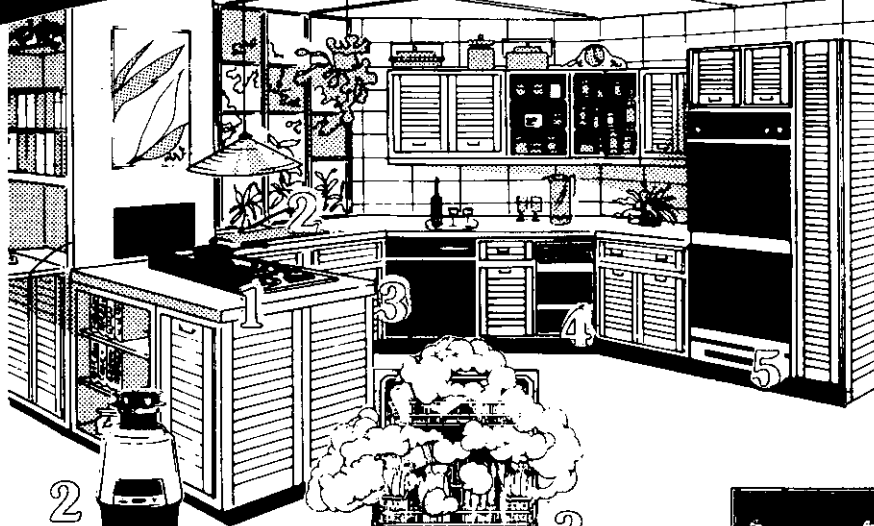
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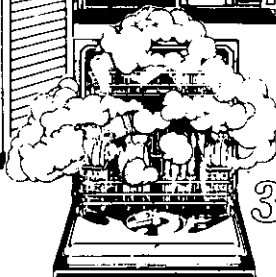
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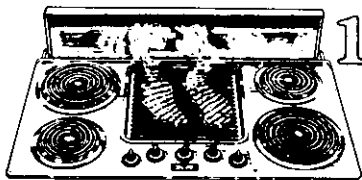
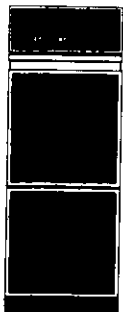
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Cable company programs rate hike, new channels

As expected, Bethlehem Video has informed the town boards in Bethlehem and New Scotland that it plans to file for a rate increase. But the company is also sweetening the pot by announcing a list of 11 new channels and services, as well as two new subscription channels and expanded public access programming.

Bethlehem Video, one of two area cable companies owned by Adams Russell, has never shown a profit, and company officials had made no secret that they were considering asking for a rate increase at the end of the year. The firm holds the franchise for nearly all of Bethlehem, as well as all of New Scotland, and has service primarily in the Tri-Village and Voorheesville.

George Smede, Bethlehem Video's general manager, said Friday he expects to have a specific rate proposal to the two town boards by the end of this week. There will then be a period for negotiation and, if a tentative agreement is reached, a public hearing before the boards can act. If there is no agreement, the company has the option of going directly to the state cable commission. Smede said the process usually takes two to four months.

Bethlehem Supervisor Tom Corrigan said Friday his board will likely raise several questions, including the blackout issue and increased programming, during the negotiations. "I also told him I was concerned about (Bethlehem Video) finishing the underground work in town before a rate increase," Corrigan said.

Smede is hoping that programming won't be an issue in rate negotiations, and has already announced the additions Bethlehem Video will make in January.

New channels are WTBS, Ted Turner's "superstation" out of Atlanta; WLVI, Boston independent channel 56; WSMW, Worcester independent channel 27; WNEW, New York City independent channel 5; WKTV, the Utica NBC affiliate; Nickelodeon, education and entertainment for children; ARTS (Alpha Repertory Television Services), taped arts performances; ACSN (Appalachian Community Service Network), continuing education and cultural programming; AETN (American Educa-

tional Television Network), also continuing education; and NJT (National Jewish Television).

In addition, there will be two new subscription channels to add to Home Box Office. The Movie Channel (\$10.95 per month) offers new and returning movies 24 hours a day, and Cinemax (\$9.50 per month) features classic movies, children's programs and adult features.

A new program guide service will offer listings of all programs being offered on any channel in the system for a particular day. The audio portion of that channel will offer R.I.S.E. (radio information for the print-handicapped) and WRAC-FM, public access radio.

And programming on the public access channel should be improved by new networking capabilities, which will permit programs to originate from outside this area, and by the proposed takeover of access programming by the Bethlehem Public Library. The cable company and the library are negotiating the terms of the change-over.

Smede said the new channels are contingent on FCC approval, which is expected next month.

The blackout issue, a long-time irritant to cable subscribers, had apparently been resolved with a recent court ruling upholding the FCC, which said broadcast stations can no longer keep shows they carry from appearing on

A&P Delmar store closing, no buyer in sight

A&P's Elsmere outlet on Delaware Ave. is the latest casualty in the supermarket chain's phaseout of unprofitable stores in the Capital District.

Industry sources say it is highly unlikely the building will ever again house a supermarket because of its relatively small size. A spokesman for Price Chopper said Monday the chain is no longer interested in the site because of the size limitations.

An A&P spokesman at the Delmar store confirmed Monday the reports that the store would close its doors permanently on Christmas Eve, following a pattern of recent closings in East Greenbush and Rotterdam. The number of employees being furloughed by the Delmar closing was not available.

A separate source confirmed an unofficial report that the chain was engaged in a program to close all 17 stores administered by the regional office in Clifton Park.

Michael Burke, vice president in charge of corporate affairs for A&P's headquarters in Montvale, N.J., was quoted last week as saying the chain has closed 16 stores in New York State among some 30 on the Eastern seaboard between New England and Georgia as part of a "revitalization program" to eliminate unprofitable operations.

The local store is situated on a 1.9-acre tract owned by the Farley Co., Hartford, Conn. The store itself has approximately 15,000 square feet of floor space, compared to the more than 30,000 square feet considered ade-

quate for most modern supermarkets. The A&P building could be expanded only by building onto the front, which would cut down on the number of available parking spaces.

The property has not yet been listed for sale, and A&P could attempt to sell all 17 stores as a package. But industry sources also consider that unlikely because of the small size and unattractive locations of some of the stores.

Neil Golub, executive vice president of Price Chopper, told *The Spotlight* that his company "is very interested in a Delmar location, but the present size of the A&P is inadequate for the type of store we would want to have in Delmar."

other channels. But, said Smede, there appears to be a move in Congress to "put blackouts back into effect" because of copyright concerns. The cable industry, he said, is opposing the legislation. "Really, the only one who is going to get hurt on this one is the subscriber," Smede said.

On the cover: Everybody, it seems, is getting ready for Christmas. At Bethlehem Town Hall, town employe Rod Raynor sets the lights for the Christmas tree, assisted by Mel Goes and Ben Giovanetti. The tree was donated by Bob

Kubich of Selkirk, also a town employe, who had to cut it down to make room for his driveway. At Delaware Plaza, Carrie Moak was entranced by Santa and family, who toured courtesy of plaza merchants and the Bethlehem Police Youth Bureau. Paul Roberts was Santa, Leslie Gohlke was Mrs. Santa, and BC DECA students Sue Friss and Denise Shoddy were the elves. *Spotlight photos*

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Icy conditions cause blackout

The icy conditions which struck without warning Tuesday of last week caused surprisingly few accidents in the area, but one of the accidents had wide repercussions.

Bethlehem police reported four property damage accidents, but no injuries. At 1:20 p.m. a truck and car collided near the railroad overpass on Rt. 9W in Selkirk, and 10 minutes after that a car skidded off the thruway bridge on Glenmont Rd. and hit a utility pole. The pole had to

be replaced, requiring a power outage that evening in the Glenmont area.

At 3:45 p.m. a car skidded on the ice on Wemple Rd. near Beacon Rd. and hit a tree. And at 5:45 p.m. four Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk High School students escaped injury when their car lost control and collided with another vehicle on Rt. 9W.

Sheriff's deputies reported a few vehicles off the road in New Scotland, and no injuries.

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The Bethlehem Parks and Recreation Department will sponsor a physical fitness program, "Lookin' Good," for students in grades 6 through 8, beginning Jan. 14. The program will be held from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. Thursdays at the Bethlehem Central Middle School and will feature physical conditioning to music and discussions on body control, makeup, skin care and total relaxation.

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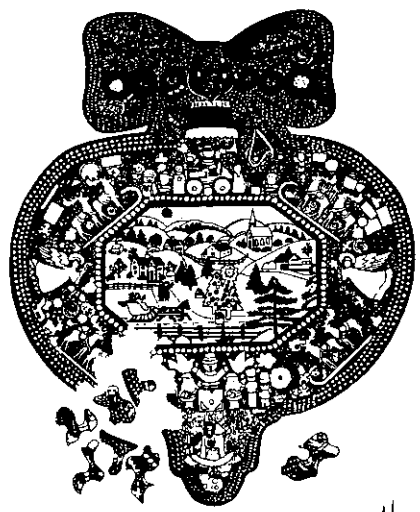
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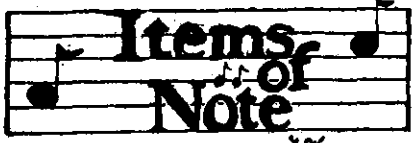

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In learning about their community, students often make field trips, and a trip to the train station would have been one more opportunity to learn about local transportation. When it was discovered that most of the children had never been on a train, the train trip was organized. Help with the arrangements was given by Richard Vanderbilt and class mother Julianne Van Praag.

"Fiorello!" goes from rehearsal to production tonight, Friday and Saturday at 8 p.m. at the Bethlehem Central High School auditorium. Rehearsing seniors are, from left, Susan Cooley, Hannah Lamitie, George Kansas, Anne Buckelew and Joe Curl. Tickets for the popular production are available at the Paper Mill, Tri-Village Drugs or at the door.

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Factfinder gives recommendations

Fact finder Grace A. Sterrett has recommended a first year 8 percent pay increase, retroactive to July 1, for the Bethlehem Central School District's noninstructional employes.

In a report to the Public Employment Relations Board

following a fact-finding hearing in October, Mrs. Sterrett recommended a three-year contract with an 8 percent raise the first year, 9 percent the second and a reopener for wages only in the third.

The Bethlehem Central United Employes Association wants 12 percent (plus increments) in a one-year pact; the district has offered 21.5 percent, plus increments, over

three years, according to the report.

District Business Administrator Franz Zwicklbauer said an 8 percent increase would total \$129,000. He said the current budget includes funds for a pay increase, although not necessarily that amount.

The BCUEA represents about 190 custodial, clerical, maintenance and cafeteria

workers as well as bus drivers. Membership in the association is about 50 percent, according to the report.

More than 30 issues are still unresolved, according to Mrs. Sterrett. District and union negotiators were to meet again Tuesday.

Caroline Terenzini Gold on workshop board

Barry Gold of Slingerlands, has been elected to a three-year term on the board of directors of the Menands Workshop, a vocational rehabilitation center for the disabled.

A volunteer for the mentally disturbed for over a decade, Gold is past president of the O.D. Heck board of visitors, a member of the Protection and Advocacy Advisory Council for the Commission on Quality Care for Mentally Disabled, and member of the Guardianship Committee of A.R.C.

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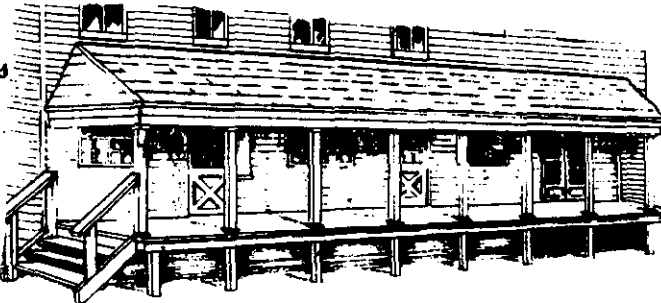
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BETHLEHEM

Truck lease issue troubles board

"It's a good thing we don't know anything about the innards of a computer or we'd be here forever," quipped President Bernard Harvith last Wednesday as the Bethlehem Central school board wrestled with the problems of reluctant bidders, regulations and other options.

At issue was the lease of a truck, chiefly to transport food for the district's lunch program.

The first solicitation had attracted only one bidder, and

the board was not happy with that fact. This time Franz Zwicklbauer, district business administrator, sent out 25 request for quotes and received three more responses. Low bidder was Marsh Hallman Leasing Inc. of Albany, at \$288 a month, based on a three-year lease renewable every 12 months.

One problem, though, was that the state prohibits school districts from making lease arrangements longer than one year.

Zwicklbauer pointed out that accepting the bid would be "somewhat of a commitment" on the board's part to renew the lease in the two succeeding years. He noted that the bid price for a one-year lease was \$800 a month.

Board member Robert Zick argued for buying a new truck body and leasing the chassis, but Harvith was reluctant: "If we're straining over \$1,000 week after week, it probably isn't worth it. If we really need a truck, I don't think we should spend another six months negotiating with people."

Marjory O'Brien was of the same mind, as was Sheila Fuller, who objected, "We've spent more time on this than on many major things..."

In the end, the board voted to accept the Marsh Hallman bid.

The board also delved into the question of admitting students on a tuition basis, which in the past it has declined to do. Superintendent Lawrence A. Zinn recommended that the board

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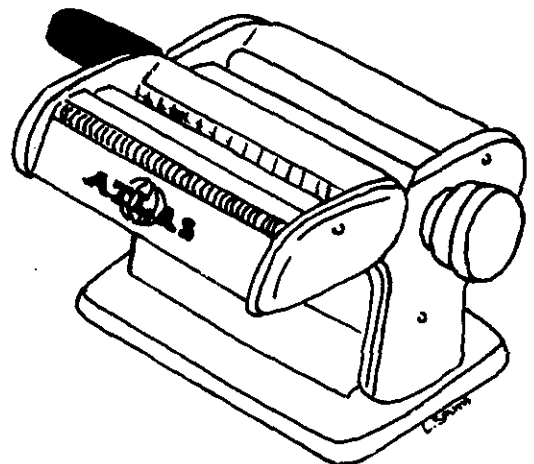
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Even with the ground rules that there would be no cost to the district, no extra classes, and no special transportation, board members turned thumbs down on the idea.

"The minute you start admitting them, it becomes competitive. We shouldn't be out there competing for students," said John Clyne.

Robert Ruslander added, "It bothers me that a tuition student might take a position on a team and deny a resident a place."

After other board members chimed in with objections, Zinn said, "The consensus seems to be that I should drop it."

Zinn also brought up the question of curbs on field trips (excluding travel for athletics). "We've been ad-

ministering the 50-mile one-way limit very tightly," he said, and alerted board members that the administration is drawing up regulations to further control distances and use of drivers and buses.

The district now charges 66 cents a mile for use of its buses for school-related travel. Zinn said a tally for last year showed 231 field trips covering 3,378 miles, down sharply

from earlier times in keeping with a board decision two years ago to cut such travel by 30 percent.

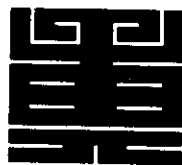
In other business, the board established an insurance reserve fund with the \$4,083 refund premium realized by raising the district's deductible from \$100 to \$500, effective Oct. 1.

Following the business session, Dorothy Whitney,

Clarksville Elementary School principal; Middle School Principal Frederick Burdick and High School Principal Charles Gunner presented slides showing "A Slice of School Life."

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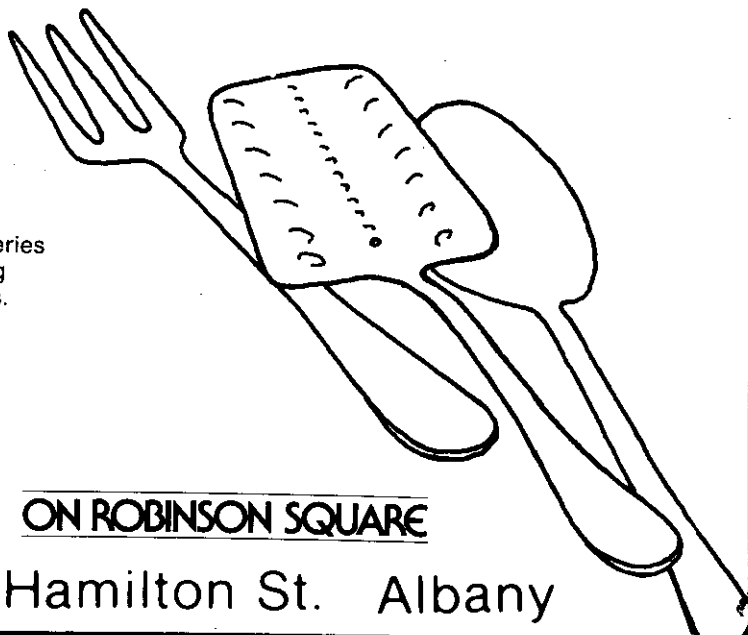
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Board insists on brick veneer

The Bethlehem Board of Appeals, in an interpretation of the minutes of a public hearing it held earlier this year, has ruled that Harry Gochee must construct two garages for his property at Kenaware Ave. and Dawson Rd. in brick veneer.

Gochee maintained that he had never said at the hearing that the garages would have brick veneer exteriors. The board, at its meeting last Wednesday, countered by saying that Gochee had said the apartment houses on the site would be so constructed and Gochee had never said the garages would be otherwise. The board then informed Gochee that the only way

the condition could be changed would be to hold another public hearing.

The difference in construction costs was estimated at some \$8,000.

Earlier in the night the board held a public hearing for R & D Construction, which sought a variance to the side-lot provision of the town's zoning ordinance. The company had mistakenly constructed a house on the corner of Murray Ave. and Catherine St., Delmar, one and a half feet too close to the side street.

Another public hearing was cut short when Rosalie Pipe, who wished to construct a horse barn on property she owns on Rt. 32, discovered she may not own all of the land in question. She withdrew her application for a special exception pending verification of title.

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Van Weis Point land divided

The Bethlehem Planning Board at its meeting last Tuesday night granted approval for the Kondla Estates subdivision at Van Weis Pt. and Mosher Rds. The site consists of four lots, the smallest of which is some eight acres.

In issuing its decision, the board stated that no further subdivision of the site can occur without its approval. Residents of the area had expressed concern on that score.

The board also heard an informal request for the subdivision of four acres at Darroch Rd. and Rowland Ave., Delmar, into six lots. The site, which for many years has been a community garden, is part of the estate of the late Max Simon.

The board also set a Jan. 5 date for a public hearing for the Skycrest subdivision off Elm Ave. north of the City of Albany water line. The fifth section of the development is under consideration.

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AARP Christmas party

Bethlehem Tri-Village Chapter of the American Association of Retired Persons will hold its annual Christmas party for members and guests at Albany Country Club on Friday, beginning with a social hour at noon and luncheon at 1 p.m. The Bell Ringers led by Cliff Allanson will entertain.

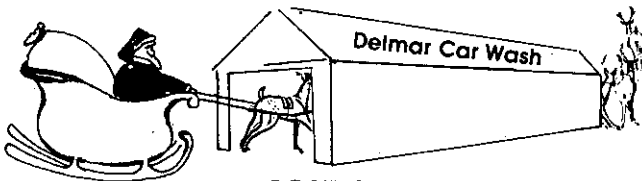
Three deer down

Three more deer were hit by cars in Bethlehem over the weekend, Bethlehem police reported. On Friday, a deer was hit on Elm Ave. south of Jericho Rd. Saturday the location was Rt. 32 near the Elm Ave. Park, and Sunday Rt. 85 north of Blessing Rd. No one was hurt in any of the incidents.

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New Scotland's town board is hoping to get the Voorheesville village board to pick up part of the tab in funding the town's contribution to Project Hope.

The town has allocated a donation of \$7,518 for Hope House, an Albany-based regional youth rehabilitation facility, in its 1982 budget. A number of New Scotland youths (male) are in the Project Hope program, an undetermined percentage of them village residents. Voorheesville is a separate municipality situated wholly within the town of New Scotland, and collects property taxes to fund its own public works department, village offices and justice court, recreational programs and other functions. Village property owners also pay taxes to New Scotland at a reduced rate for certain town functions.

At its regular monthly meeting last Wednesday, the town board approved the \$7,518 allocation to Hope House, and set up a joint meeting with the village board to work out an appropriate

share for the village. The meeting will be at 7 p.m. Dec. 15 at the village hall.

In other actions at last week's meeting, which lasted 14 minutes and drew an audience of one, the board:

- Scheduled its year-end meeting for 9 a.m. Friday, Dec. 18, for the annual transfer of funds to the 1982 budget accounting.

- Scheduled its 1982 organization meeting for 1 p.m. on Jan. 1, at which time Mrs. Ann Carson will be sworn in as a new member of the town board.

King faces gun charges

Richard A. King, who shot and wounded a woman he caught burglarizing his property near the Stonewell intersection last September and was cleared by a grand jury, is facing a new weapons charge as a result of a Nov. 25 arrest.

King was stopped by Albany County Sheriff's deputies near his property, the scene of numerous burglaries, with a loaded shotgun in his vehicle. He was charged with a violation of Environmental Conservation law, appeared last week in New Scotland town court and was given a week to obtain a lawyer.

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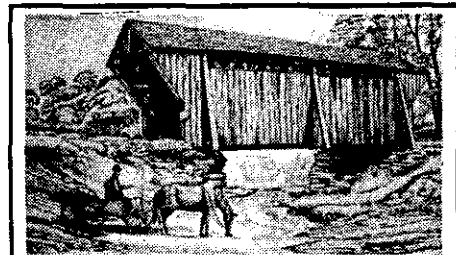
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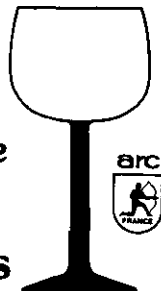
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Village sewer study to go public

Voorheesville's 9-member sewer commission and an Albany engineering firm will put a strong emphasis on communicating with local taxpayers now that the evaluation study for a village-wide sewer system is under way.

A joint announcement by Mayor Milton F. Bates and

Richard J. Hammond, project manager for Clough, Harbour and Associates, engineers and planners, stated that "the public will be kept informed of project developments and encouraged to become involved" in the conduct of the study. Bates said the village board is

looking for village residents interested in serving on a citizens advisory committee to represent homeowners. Those interested should call John Dergosits, public participation program coordinator and a village resident himself, at his office phone, 783-1353.

At its monthly business session last month, the village board acknowledged the approval by the Dept. of Environmental Conservation of a \$16,312 grant, representing 12½ percent of the cost of the Step 1 study, currently estimated to cost approximately \$130,000. The study's prime objective is to evaluate individual wastewater disposal practices, including household septic systems, the Pleasant St. combined sewer and the Salem Hills sewage treatment plant, which discharges into Vly Creek near the center of the village. The study also will examine the impact of subsurface systems on groundwater resources in the area, notably the aquifers that supply the village water

system.

The proposed area of the study includes the village and portions of the towns of New Scotland and Guiderland. The village sewer commission is headed by William Clarke.

Clarke last week asked the village board for an \$800 allocation for a Bender Laboratory analysis of six water samples from Vly Creek. The creek, a favorite of trout fishermen each spring, is suitable for swimming upstream of the Pleasant St. sewer discharge.

House-to-house interviews are underway as the first phase of the fact-gathering process. A news release issued by Hammond stated that evening neighborhood meetings would be held to explain the plan to householders and explore alternatives, and that subsequently a public meeting would be held "to present conceptual schemes and estimated costs associated with each alternative." A public hearing will be held before the final plan is drafted.

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Fall story hours for pre-school children at the Voorheesville Public Library will end on Thursday, Dec. 17. Winter story hours will begin on Monday, Jan. 11, at 10:30 a.m. and will be held every Monday and Thursday morning.

All young people who would like to make a special Hannukah or Christmas card are invited to come to the library on Wednesday, Dec.

16, at 4 p.m. Bring glue. A short holiday film will also be shown at this time. Parents of younger children may stay and help if they wish. This entire program will last about one hour.

The Voorheesville Library has expanded its hours. During the summer and continuing throughout the year, the library will open at 10 a.m. on Fridays as well as Monday and Thursday mornings. By popular demand, the library will be open continuously from 1 p.m. to 9 p.m. Prior to this, it was closed from 5:30 to 7 p.m.

The Apple Farm, a painting done by local Voorheesville artist Gail Porter, will be the grand prize in the PTSA Variety Show raffle. Doug DeDe and Ellen Hunsinger, co-chairmen of the 1982 production Junction Jamboree, commissioned Porter to paint a scene of the local Apple Farm. A celebration to honor the artist and her original pastel was held recently at the farm. Raffle tickets are now on sale for \$1 each or \$4 for a book of five. Committee members are Tom Kurkjian, Pat Rourke and Lindy Lennon.

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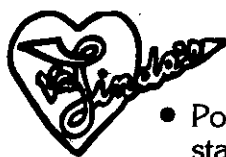
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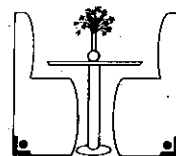
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An accountant's road to Delmar

"I enjoy taxation! I love it!" Strange words — unless you know it's a certified public accountant speaking. That's Anthony M. Gordon. And he means he enjoys doing tax returns (other people's presumably).

Gordon has just opened an office at 423 Kenwood Ave., in Delmar. His bow tie and checked vest suggest a dapper style, and his generous smile is warm.

Gordon said he and his family came here from Denver, Colo., because "Denver was getting too big, too crowded; too polluted."

His wife, Sue, a mental health counselor, spent two weeks traveling around upstate New York looking for the right place. And Delmar was chosen. "It's rather beautiful, has a small-town atmosphere...and I can walk to work," said Gordon.

He began his career in London, where he apprenticed to a chartered accounting firm right after high school. When he came to the United States 13 years ago, he found he had to attend an American college in order to become a CPA here. This he did in Denver, attending evening

classes and receiving his degree in 1975.

As for differences between British and American accounting, Gordon said, "You still have debits and credits, of course, but everything is reversed over there. On a balance sheet in London, the liabilities and equity are on the left with the assets on the right."

And the British system of taxation is quite different, too, Gordon said. The British file something similar to an estimated tax statement at the beginning of each year, on which their withholding is based.

But it's American tax and accounting practices that concern Gordon now. He will, for example, advise on the tax consequences of a particular action, prepare interim financial statements, or set up bookkeeping procedures for a client — and, of course, prepare tax returns.

Caroline Terenzini

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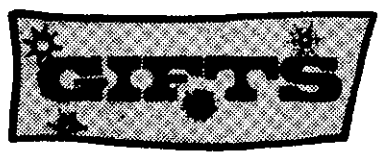
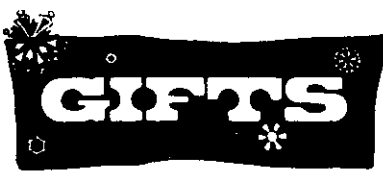
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2 promoted at Parsons

Parsons Child and Family Center, in Albany, has announced the promotion of two employees to director-level positions.

Richard M. Kagan, of Delmar, has assumed the position of director of research and quality assurance. His duties include supervision of the agency's consulting psychologists, consultation on training and treatment programs, and development of quality assurance research programs. A clinical psychologist who was formerly a director of training, Kagan has been employed by Parsons for five years.

William P. Martone of

Bethlehem is the new director of the residential program. He supervises the child care and clinical components of Parsons' residential program, which serves 45 children and their families.

Elected to institute

Alba R. Giordano, CTC, has been elected to life membership in the Institute of Travel Agents, headquartered in Wellesley, Mass.

A Delmar resident, Mrs. Giordano is the owner of Plaza Travel Center, Inc. in Latham. A travel industry veteran of 14 years, Mrs. Giordano has served as president of the Capital District Women in Travel Services.

Ashe on security board

Bernard F. Ashe of Delmar, Albany general counsel for the New York State United Teachers, has been appointed a charter member of the board of trustees of the Clients' Security Fund. Ashe was appointed to a three-year term on the board by the State of New York Court of Appeals.

The Clients' Security Fund was established by the legislature this year to maintain the integrity of the legal profession in the state by reimbursing losses caused by the dishonest conduct of practicing attorneys. The board of trustees will administer the fund.



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Model trains: a success story

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Well, not exactly, but close enough. Tucked into a tiny building on Rt. 9W in Glenmont, HO Custom Trains is barely 21 months old, yet many a small business would envy its spectacular growth and sales volume.

"The train shop," as model railroad buffs from a wide area like to call the former auto-body shop next to Alteri's restaurant, is open only nine hours a week, 7 to 9 p.m. on Tuesdays and Fridays, 10 to 3 on Saturdays, but the customers often keep the two proprietors overtime. Says Richard J. (Dick) Silber, who lives nearby in Glenmont: "I went down there Thursday night to unpack some shipping cartons and five people

saw the light on and came in." That may partially explain why the part-time business had a volume in its first year nearly 50 percent above the goal its founders set, and is up another 30 percent this year, three months before its second birthday. "We don't have enough time to run this business," says Silber, an attorney specializing in labor law in Albany and New York City. "We'd like to be open every evening."

Silber's partner is Robert W. Mahoney, a former Delmar resident now living in Albany, who has a managerial position in the Office of Disability Determination in the Dept. of Social Services. Both are model railroad hobbyists who met as members of the Schenectady Model Railroad Club.

In converting their hobby into a business evenings and weekends, they cater to the serious railroad modelers



Dick Silber, left, and Bob Mahoney with some of the train books at the HO Custom Trains in Glenmont. *Spotlight*

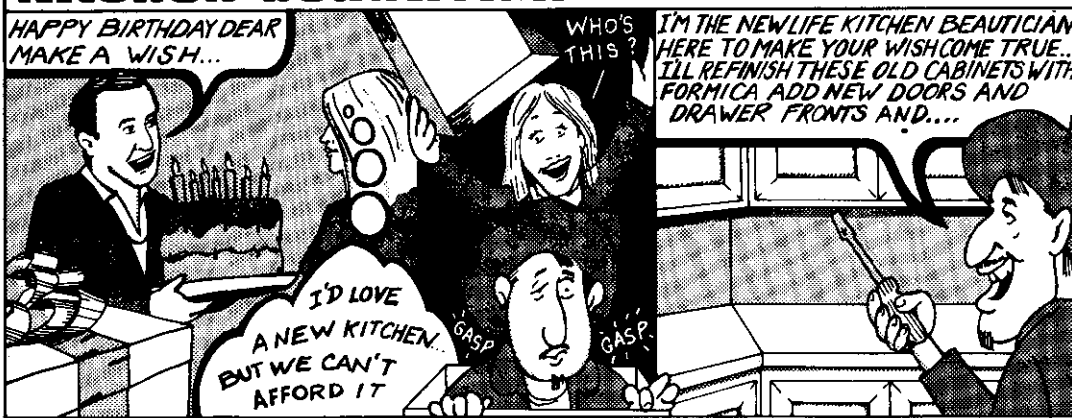
with an inventory unique among the half dozen hobby shops in the Capital District, most of them full-time and diversified. How does Silber explain the shop's phenomenal volume?

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ers, working cranes, etc.) for the Christmas trade at prices far below those at the popular discount stores. The reason: Silber bought a large supply from a distributor's warehouse last spring to put on display this month. The word is getting around, and now fathers and sons are crowding into the little box-like building and forming a new clientele.

Both Silber and Mahoney are astonished at the demand for railroad magazines and books. Says Silber: "When we opened in March, 1980, we agreed that under no circumstances would we get into books and magazines, just trains and accessories. But the customers want them, so we now stock 14 different magazines and more than 150 book titles. The 'paper' business now accounts for 20 percent of our volume."

At a recent train show at the Polish Community Center in Albany (there's another one there on Sunday, Dec. 13), a customer asked Silber if he had a book on rural railroad stations. "I'd never heard of it, but he gave me the title and the name of the publisher," Silber said. "I looked it up and it wasn't listed, apparently it was out of print. Last week it came in with a shipment from one of our distributors. I called the customer up and he was ecstatic, said he'd been looking for it for several years."

Silber deals with every major book distributor in the nation. "As far as I can determine, we are the only store in Eastern New York that stocks so many books, particularly hard-cover books." To Silber, a "book" is a railroad book, tracks and trains exclusively.

Like many youngsters, Silber had an electric train at age 8 when he was growing up on Long Island. He sold his Lionel trains at 18 when he went to college, but at Lehigh University he succumbed to an HO gauge train set in a discount store, and set it up in his dormitory room. Fifteen years later, married with two children and living in Glenmont, he set it up "for the kids." That started the adrenalin flowing again, and by the time his third child was born, he was running a modest mail-order business from the basement of his house and supplying his friends in the Schenectady and Troy model railroad clubs.

Now at 40 Dick Silber is

too busy to have his own railroad in the basement or read all those train books, but he's involved with trains every day. "I love it," he says.

So do many others of all ages, obviously, and this year there may be more of those miniature electric trains running around the Christmas

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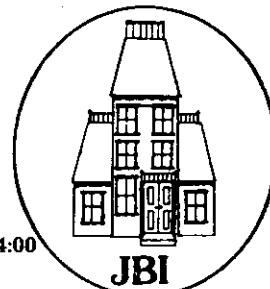


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by Judi James

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We surveyed our Tri-Village travel agents and found that one of them is already booking airline tickets for April! Another declared that there are few, if any, spaces available by air to Florida during the Bethlehem school's winter and spring vacations. It seems appalling, but it sends us a message to get moving!

The Tri-Village has three travel offices, and interestingly enough, this writer noted quite definite characteristics in each one. We have

always been of the belief that a good travel agent is one perceptive enough to sense the life style of the person who is traveling and to prepare a tour fitting that style. For example, the person interested in theatre, museums, etc., is not likely to care about a tour taking one to the night spots of the city visited. We'll begin our tour of travel agents with the two on Delaware Ave. and then to the newest, Triple M in Slingerlands.

The John G. Myers Travel Center at 210 Delaware Ave. has a counterpart in downtown Albany at 37 North Pearl. This is an approved airline agency and a member of ASTA, the American Society of Travel Agents. They have a special department for group tours and commercial accounts. Sheila McGarahan represents Bob and Joy Irish, owners of the agency in this Delmar office and we enjoyed meeting Ed Leno who also works there. Sheila has just come back from Hawaii and is quite enthusiastic about that state. Not only is the climate wonderful, but right now there is a special rate of \$499 round trip from New York to Hawaii, covering airfare and hotel.

She emphasized how important it is for the tour agent to actually have visited the place, see it first hand and judge what that agent's customer would like. Good buys right now for the winter vacationer? She suggested Nassau in the Bahamas or Aruba. Also, the Canary Islands (off the coast of Spain) have some excellent hotels and a great deal to offer at reasonable prices. England

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and most European Countries are good right now because of the favorable money exchange. (An English theatre tour is a delightful winter treat!)

You'll find good service at this Delmar branch of the Myers Travel Center which is open weekdays and from 9-12 on Saturdays.

The Delmar Travel Bureau at 257 Delaware Ave. is operated by Earle P. Ribero, a low-key man who worked in Albany with the Argus and Albany Travel agencies prior to setting up his own here in Delmar where he resides. He has been in the business 22 years. His office is small, his manner is casual, but he knows whereof he speaks! As we talked, he emphasized that the infrequent traveler should be made aware that airline, hotel and tour reservations should be made at least two or three months in advance. "Since deregulation a careful investigation of rates and a balanced judgement of what to choose is necessary. For instance, if a rate is cheaper out of New York is it necessarily the best one for a Metroland customer? Often those special flights are timed so that it's almost impossible to take them unless one is willing to add to the bill a hotel room for overnight to accomodate the early departure or late arrival of the plane. If that's the case, the customer may just be better off flying out of Albany", he told us.

It is a wise person, too, who pays for the ticket when the rate is low, for a reservation is not always a firm price, but a

reservation paid for is final, he said. Another concern is ascertaining available dates. For example, on his desk was a calendar showing times when California's Disneyland would be closed during this winter. There again, advance planning saves disappointment.

This travel agent is knowledgeable and experienced in dealing with tours as well as individual travel. The walls of his office are lined with tantalizing ideas for vacations and we're sure that you'll be satisfied with working a tour out with Earle Ribero. He's open from 9:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. daily and on Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

On October 16th a yellow sign was added to the signs at the Tollgate in Slingerlands with an arrow pointing to Triple M Travel at the rear of the Tollgate Antiques. We drove back there, found lots of parking space, a recently finished wood exterior with the American eagle hung over the door, entered, and enjoyed a talk with Lois McConville who operates this branch for the parent office on Fuller Rd. in Albany.

She's pleased with the

response she has had since opening in Slingerlands. She, too, spoke of the school holidays being pretty well booked for Florida but that there are still some available for other times. Right now she suggested cruises to the Caribbean.

We asked about ski packages and got this answer: "Ski trips to the Italian Alps, including hotel, airfare and meals, start from \$699 and run up to \$950 per person. Skiers fly into Milan and a bus takes them up to the ski area. Domestic ski tours right now, which are very reasonable, are those from New York to Denver, and again a bus tour to the area."

This firm specializes in planning tours for 20 or 30 people and Lois personally escorts them. A former social studies teacher, she lived in Germany for a few years and traveled extensively in Europe. She's been in Italy twice this past year and believes tours to this country, to Greece and most European countries right now are advantageously priced. Recently she returned from Israel and she recommends this trip for all persons regardless of religion.

"It is an emotional experience," she told us. "The people are most cordial, accommodations good, and it's a rewarding trip."

She spoke of arranging a trip to Colombia for a couple recently, using the Know-Colombia plan (fly anywhere within the country for \$200, similar to Eastern's unlimited mileage plan for the United States).

Right now Triple M has two special cruises planned: One is to Cancun and Cozumel on the SS Veracruz sailing out of Tampa March 6, then in June, a special cruise to Alaska which includes airfare from New York to Vancouver and a cruise on the Statendam for 7 days. Sounds great!

So, don't just sit there with the sniffles...get out your budget book and see if you too can get away for a while this winter. There's much to see and a great deal of professionally excellent help in planning your trip right here in the Tri-Villages.

VA retirees meet

The newly-formed organization of retirees from the Albany VA Hospital will meet Dec. 28 at 1 p.m. at the hospital auditorium.

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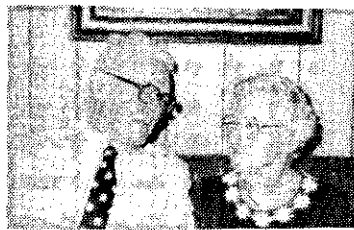
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Maeders celebrate 50th

Former Delmar residents Lloyd and Dorothy Maeder celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary Nov. 14 with a family reunion in Slingerlands.

The dinner dance at the Tall Timbers Country Club was hosted by children Doug Maeder and Ann Widmann, and was attended by many area friends and relatives. The Maeders also received a congratulatory letter from President Reagan.

The Maeders, who formerly lived at 820 Delaware Ave., now reside in Largo, Fla. He was director of the state traffic commission, and Mrs. Maeder was registrar at Bethlehem Central High School.

Hoffmeyer - Bittel

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Hoffmeyer of Kenwood Ave., Delmar, have announced the engagement of their daughter, Bette Jean, to William Charles Bittel of Pennellville, N.Y. He is the son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Harold C. Bittel.

Miss Hoffmeyer is a graduate of Bethlehem Central High School, Mohawk Valley Community College and the Careerco School for Paraprofessionals. She is presently employed as an assistant to the personnel director at Camillus Cutlery Co., Camillus, N.Y.

Her fiance is a graduate of C.W. Baker High School, Baldwinsville, N.Y. He attended Syracuse University School of Liberal Arts and is a graduate of the State University at Delhi. He served three years in the U.S. Army and is a Viet Nam veteran. He is employed by R.W. Clark Contracting Corp., Camillus.

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Carole Ann Owen married

Carole Ann Owen, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Roy F. Owen of Kenwood Ave., Delmar, was married to Timothy L. Jameson, son of Dr. and Mrs. Howard O. Jameson of Drexel Hill, Pa., Aug. 8. The ceremony at St. Andrew's United Methodist Church, Havertown, Pa., was conducted by Rev. Jameson, father of the groom.

The bride was given in marriage by her brother, Roy A. Owen of Rochester. Diane LaVine was matron of honor for her sister, and bridesmaids were Mary Balluff of Philadelphia, Susan Compton of Williamsport, Pa., and Angela Morgan of Delmar.

The groom's best man was Michael Barry of Drexel Hill, and ushers were Arthur Francis of Manchester, Conn.; Owen Jameson of Media, Pa. and Richard Owen of Lexington, Ky., brother of the bride.

Mrs. Jameson is a graduate of Bethlehem Central High School and attended Eastern College at St. Davids, Pa. She is employed by the Main Line Federal Savings Bank in Villanova, Pa.

Her husband is a graduate of Eastern College and is a second-year student at Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine, where he is a recipient of a scholarship from the National Health Service Corp.

After a honeymoon in the Poconos the couple is living in Drexel Hill.

In Delmar, The Spotlight is sold at Handy Andy, Delmar Card Shop, Tri-Village Drug and Johnson's Stationery.

Decorating deadline

Entries for the Bethlehem Garden Club's annual Holiday Home Decorating Contest must be received no later than Wednesday, Dec. 16, according to contest chairman Mrs. Clifford Bowdish. Judging will take place the following weekend and winners will be announced Christmas week.

The contest is part of the club's town beautification program, and features prizes awarded for the most attractive and creative outdoor displays, including lighting. Entrants may use the coupon on this page.

Seniors plan party

The Bethlehem Senior Citizens organization will hold a Christmas luncheon on Thursday, Dec. 17, at the Aurania Club in Albany. The event is

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Mrs. Craig Gallup

Craig Gallup married

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The bride was given in marriage by her father and her sister, Margaret Woods, was maid of honor. Bridesmaids were Charise Gallup and Alison Gallup, sisters of the bridegroom.

Brian Gallup served as best man for his brother. Groomsmen were Patrick Bartlett and Karl Brownell. Colin Gallup and John Gallup, brothers of the bridegroom, and John Woods, James Woods and Joseph Woods, brothers of the bride, served as ushers.

Following a reception at Scholz Zwicklbauer Hofbrau on Warner's Lake, the couple left on a trip to Maine. They are making their home in Whitehall.

The bride is a graduate of Linton High School, Cobleskill State College and the New York State College of Environmental Science and Forestry at Syracuse, where she received a B.S. degree in forestry. The bridegroom is a graduate of Bethlehem Central High School, Cobleskill State College and the New

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York State College of Environmental Science and Forestry at Wanakena. He is employed as a forester in Whitehall.

Delaney-Cannizzaro

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph N. Delaney of Troy have announced the engagement of their daughter, Julie J. De-

laney, to Joseph R. Cannizzaro, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Cannizzaro of Delmar.

Miss Delaney is a graduate of Catholic Central High School in Troy and the Junior College of Albany. She is employed by Town & Tweed Inc. Her fiance is a graduate of Bethlehem Central High

School and the State University at Albany and is attending Albany Law School.

A June 26 wedding is planned.

Good citizens honored

Mohawk Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution, will hold its Annual Good Citizens Award meeting at Ten Broeck Mansion Saturday at 1:30 p.m.

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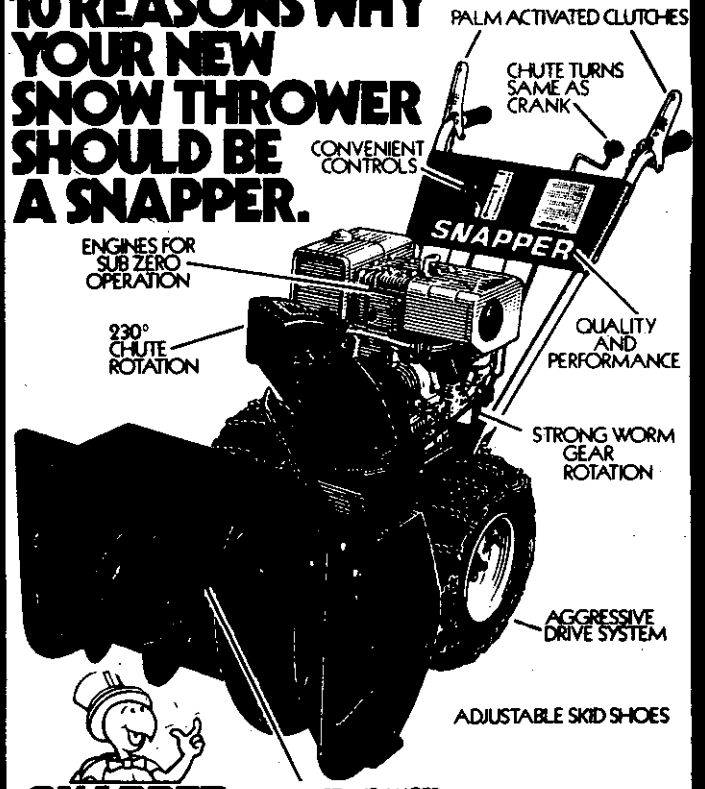
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Madelon Pound Graves will provide the music, and Mayor and Mrs. Erastus Corning II will be guests. Members of the program committee, James Vander-vort chairman, and the museum committee, Ann Maguire, chairman, have planned the program and decorated the museum for the annual Christmas Tea.

The museum is located on

Route 144 and Clapper Rd., Selkirk, across from the Bethlehem Elks.

DAR has awards program

Gansevoort Chapter of the National Society Daughters of the American Revolution will be hostess chapter to Tawasentha Chapter DAR at its DAR Good Citizens Awards Day meeting on Saturday at the Doane-Stuart School, Rt. 9W, Albany. Refreshments will be served at 1 p.m. and the program will follow. Special guests will include the award winners, their parents and school counselors.

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Children in the town are invited to write letters to Santa, then deposit them in special mailboxes at the Bethlehem Town Hall, Bethlehem Public Library, Atcheson's Five A's Superette in Glenmont, the Delmar Card Shoppe, Johnson's Stationers, McDonald's Restaurant in Delmar, the Paper Mill and The Spotlight. Children can mail letters at schools and post offices in the town also.

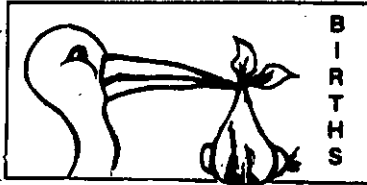
Children who write should be sure to include their full names and addresses and each child who writes will receive a "personal" reply from Santa.

Letters should be deposited by Dec. 16.

Trees at Elm Ave. Park

The Delmar Rotary Club has planted additional flowering trees at Bethlehem's Elm Ave. Park, bringing the total number planted at the park by the club to 18.

The new flowering crab-apples are located between the swimming pool and the park administrative offices. The trees were donated in honor of local businessman and Rotarian Al Verstandig.



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Boy, Christopher, to Mr. and Mrs. Dale Johnson, Selkirk, Nov. 20.

Boy, Brian, to Mr. and Mrs. Michael J. Matthews, Voorheesville, Nov. 20.

4-Hers plan exhibit

The Super Seven 4-H club is preparing a winter fair exhibit to be shown at the Resource Center on Martin Rd. in Voorheesville. The club recently completed an outdoor cooking project and has enjoyed such activities as rollerskating at Slingerlands Elementary School and a barbecue.

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Spotlight

BC on 'Answers Please'

Bethlehem Central High School will be represented on the local quiz show "Answers Please" on Saturday, Dec. 12 at noon. The show, taped Monday at WRGB Channel 6 studios in Schenectady, provides the opportunity for schools from all over the area to compete against each other in academic fields. However, the show is not an indicator of the quality of education of the

competing teams; it is merely a test of quick recall.

The students representing Bethlehem Central are either National Honor Society members or National Merit Scholarship semifinalists. They are Georg Fuhs, Elizabeth Propp, Jonathan Propp and Stefan Thomas. Eric Hudson will be the alternate.

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a new team. If it wins three games, Bethlehem will be retired undefeated and receive a trophy donated by the Junior College of Albany. Should Bethlehem lose, as it did two years ago, it would receive a \$25.00 consolation prize.

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BC students make news

Douglas Cross, teaching assistant at Bethlehem Central High School, is helping Bethlehem Central High School students produce their own news program.

"On Record" is shown on cable channel 7 at 8 p.m. Fridays and Mondays. Friday's program is repeated on the following Monday. The show is taped by BCTV, a group of BCHS students who are learning about television programming and techniques through experience. Cross supervises the students as they meet regularly in the media center of the high school.

The news program, which is produced in the school, showcases school news as well as news that is of interest to the community. The students involved in this project are Paul Bardwell, Keith Cozza, Lin Crogan, Darrin

Everleth, Don Kelafant, Dan Kelly, Scott Olmstead, Jay Pregent, Clarisa Rosenfield, Hilary Schrauf, Scott West and Felice Zoota.

Pat Skerrett

In Academy play

Jeffrey Pike, an Albany Academy student, and Leila Dutton of Albany Academy for Girls have major roles in "Giants Dance," a production of the Albany Academy Drama Club, at the Albany Academy auditorium Thursday and Saturday, Dec. 10 and 12, at 8:30 p.m. Both are residents of Delmar.

Named college editor

Lynne Russell of Delmar has been chosen business editor of Wheaton College's yearbook, the Nike. A senior at the college, she is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. Cameron Russell, 8 Bartlett Lane.

Math teacher elected

Ardyce Elmore of Delmar, a mathematics teacher in the Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk School District, has been elected to a two-year term on the executive board of the Association of Mathematics Teachers of New York State at a recent meeting in Svracuse.

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BASKETBALL

Eagles discover new hoop talent

In his pre-season appraisal, Bethlehem Central Coach Jim Tedisco warned that his basketball varsity must stay clear of foul trouble because of an inexperienced bench. Two starters fouled out early in the third period in Friday's inaugural against Scotia, but the Eagles went on to win by eight points.

Tom Burdick and Pete Gillespie, two of Tedisco's tall rebounders, sat out much of the second quarter with three early fouls. In the third period, with BC trying to protect a 37-24 halftime lead, Burdick fouled out and Gillespie followed a few minutes later. Scotia cut the lead to five points by the three-quarter mark and closed to within one before a BC spurt saved the evening.

Despite several sections of ceiling lights being dark near both backboards, the two teams had good eyes for the basket. The final was 74-66, Tom Dexter flicking in 21 points and Steve Gillespie 18.

With the banishment of 6-4 Pete Gillespie and 6-3 Burdick, Tedisco had some an-

xious moments moments with Brian Peek and Scott Gravlee, each at 6-1 working in the crowd under the boards. But the rookies came through, Peek contributing 11 points and nine rebounds, Gravlee nine points and six rebounds.

"Getting in that foul trouble was the best thing that could have happened to us," commented Tedisco in retrospect. "We learned a lesson, and we also found we could win a game with two starting forwards sitting out half the game. Brian and Scott did a good job off the boards and got some nice rebounds."

The first night of Suburban Council combat also gave validity to Tedisco's decision to give his promising sophomores playing time on the jayvees rather than benchwarming on the varsity. BC's jayvees swamped Scotia, 56-31, by way of welcoming a new coach, Gary Przyblyo, and the freshman team completed the sweep.

Tedisco put the emphasis on ball handling this week, grateful for five days of practice before entertaining Colonie in a 1 p.m. tip-off Saturday. The Raiders won their opener at Guilderland, 69-51.

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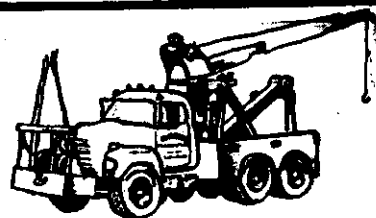


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BASKETBALL

Academy next for 3-1 Blackbirds

Coach Chuck Abba is directing a solid week of basic drills for his Voorheesville Central basketball team after tasting defeat for the first time since taking over the job of resident tutor.

The Blackbirds had an open date Tuesday in their Colonial Council schedule,

and swing back into action Friday at home against Albany Academy. Voorheesville ran into a forest of tall trees at Schalmont last Friday and dropped a 69-48 decision to what may become the best team in the league.

That same night Academy was disposing of Cohoes, de-

fending league champions, by seven points at home, but Abba feels that doesn't mean a thing. Two nights earlier, his Blackbirds put on a fine show in thrashing visiting Waterford, 65-55. "Waterford represents real quality in basketball," Abba said "I was very pleased. We rebounded well and ran the fast break well."

But the Blackbirds' big men had trouble handling Schalmont's front line, two 6-3 forwards and a 6-5 pivot, all experienced players. They trailed by six at the half, put on a 10-2 spurt to take a 34-32 lead in the third quarter, traded baskets for a couple of minutes, and fell behind 42-40. The fourth quarter brought on some cold shooting, and the Sabres pulled away.

"I was disappointed but not

discouraged," Abba said when the team got home. "We played three quarters of good basketball, but when we got behind we had to scramble and take chances on steals we ordinarily wouldn't have taken. We gave them a lot of easy shots at the end."

Adam Nendza had the best night of his career against Waterford last Wednesday, his 15 points from the back court making him high scorer for the first time. Mike Lewis, Paul Probst and John Zongrone added 12 apiece. Zongrone's performance not only earned him a solid berth on the varsity, but as the only sophomore on the team he has become Abba's sixth man.

Lewis was high with 12 at Rotterdam two nights later as Probst had a rough night against Schalmont's big men and was restricted to six. Zongrone, Nendza and Dickie Lennon had six each, but the Blackbirds were shut out from the foul line.

After Academy it's RCS at Ravena Tuesday and Cohoes at home Friday before the Christmas break.

On Brewster council

Christopher Collins, son of Mr. and Mrs. Edwin L. Collins Jr., of 442 Kenwood Ave., Delmar, has been elected a senior representative on the Brewster Academy student council.

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Sunday, Dec. 20, will be the final recreational swim in Bethlehem for 1981. The family swim sessions are held at the Bethlehem Central Middle School pool from 1 to 4 p.m. They are open to residents of the Town of Bethlehem and Bethlehem Central School District.

The recreational swim sessions will resume Jan. 10.

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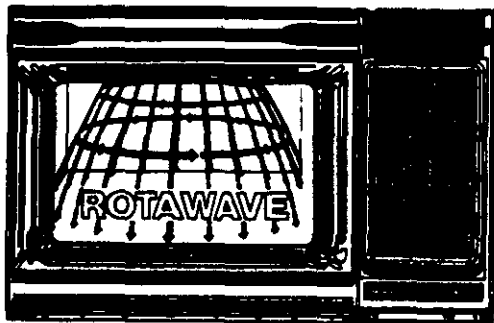
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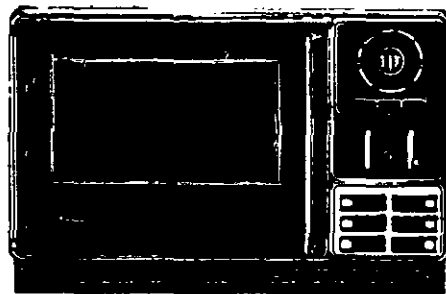
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Some of the names on the Voorheesville-Guilderland swimming team have a familiar ring, but two of the big guns are gone.

There are still two Applegates and a Renshaw on the nine-member squad, smallest in the Adirondack League. Andy and Tony Renshaw, the sensational twins from Guilderland, have graduated, Andy taking his state championship 51.6 butterfly time with him.

But Dirk Applegate, Section 2 champion in the 200-yard freestyle as a sophomore last year, is back, and so is his cousin, Scott, both Voorheesville juniors. Kevin Anderson and Carl Renshaw, Guilderland sophomores who teamed with the Renshaw twins for a fifth place in the medley relay in the state championship at Syracuse last March, are also back at work for a new coach, Nadine Bassler.

Bassler, a 1981 Brockport graduate from Berne-Knox, coached the Brighton High School girls team in a suburban Rochester league last year, and coached Voorheesville's Vasco program for two summers. She is in her first year on the Voorheesville physical education staff.

This is the second year of the V-G team, a merger brought about by Guilderland's lack of a pool and Voorheesville's lack of enough swimmers to field a team. The Mergers finished second in the Adirondack League last year, with the heroics of the Renshaws a big factor.

Bassler's prime problem this time is how to deploy the talents of the Applegates, Carl Renshaw and Kathy Burns, a Guilderland junior, to the best advantage. Dirk can do the 100 free and relay along with his specialty, the 200 free, and Renshaw, a strong backstroker, can swim the butterfly and freestyle relay.

Burns, the only girl on this

year's team, is a strong free-styler who can be spotted anywhere from the 100 to the 500 in addition to a leg on the 400 relay. "I've got a lot of room to spot her, but she won't be eligible for two weeks," Bassler ventured over the weekend.

The lag in eligibility stems from a delayed decision by the Guilderland school board to permit her to swim after she had been denied a place on the team by both schools. She won an appeal last week on the basis that the girls' team, on which she starred as a sophomore last year, offered

so little competition that she passed it up this fall and took an SAT course instead.

Rounding out the undermanned squad are Ricky Bult, a Guilderland senior; Chris Martin, a Voorheesville sophomore, and Dan McAssey and Ed Hantston, eighth graders from Voorheesville.

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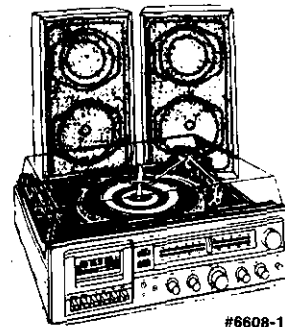
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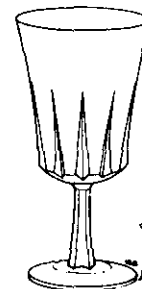
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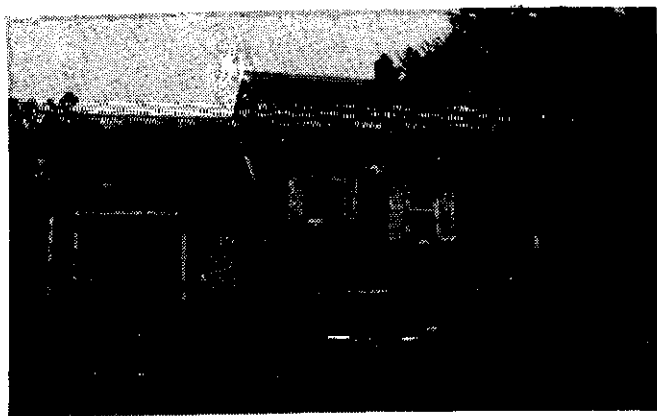


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SWIMMING

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It's going to be another year of frustration for Adirondack Swim League coaches who dream of the day someone in the league will knock off Bethlehem Central. Those dreams will have to wait.

Thanks largely to the Delmar Dolphins program that starts competitive swimming at the tender age of 7, BC coach Jack Whipple is launching another varsity season with a team so loaded with top-flight performers that he has to go outside the league to find a challenge. He hoped to get a confirmation this week on a meet with Pittsfield High, a perennial power in Western Massachusetts, to add to his non-league meets with Rome and New Hartford in Section 3.

Meanwhile his newest varsity edition opens this season with meets at Burnt Hills Wednesday, Amsterdam Friday and Albany Academy next Wednesday. The first home meet is Friday, Dec. 18, with Troy. None of these people are given much chance to ruffle Bethlehem's 63-meet win streak dating back to 1977.

A talented crop of ninth graders has joined such established standouts as Jay Henahan, the area's top swimmer starting the final year of a spectacular scholastic career; John Reagan, the other co-captain and the league's best in the butterfly, and Matt Holland, a star breaststroker last year as an eighth grader.

The new crop of freshmen is headed by Knute Hvalmarken, a promising freestyler already turning in varsity times; Eric Patrick, who will swim distance events, and Melissa Martley, a diver who teamed with sophomore Rob Leslie in their first varsity competition to win the diving in the Burnt Hills Carnival last Friday.

The rich get richer with the arrival of John Demarest, a sophomore transfer from Amsterdam whom Whipple considers "probably the best sprinter in the league." Demarest joins BC's talent-heavy sophomore crop that includes David Young, Scott Apicelli and Doug Schulz, all three so versatile that they can be spotted anywhere Whipple needs them. Schulz is a top breaststroker, but can swim any event.

The Eagles also will get points this year from John Henehan, a junior who has been working hard in the distance events in the shadow of his older brother, and Lisa Apicelli, a junior who will join the diving brigade as soon as the volleyball season ends.

"With the experience of Jay and the younger swimmers on last year's team and the new crop that's ready for the varsity, we should have one of the most versatile teams we've ever had," summarized Whipple.

The Eagles took seven firsts and a second in the nine events in the Burnt Hills Relay Carnival, a showing

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On Cornell team

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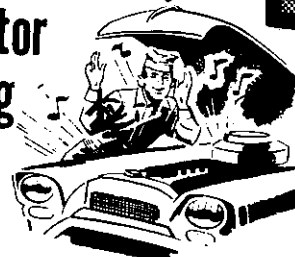
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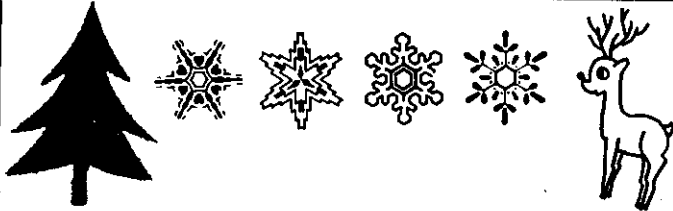
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BC matmen aiming high

This could be a big year for Coach Rick Poplaski and his Bethlehem Central wrestlers, undefeated in their first two dual meets.

The Eagles have six returning varsity letterman and several promising grapplers up from last year's JV. The main strength is in the middle weights, the main weakness the heavyweights.

Pins in the last six weight classes propelled the Eagles to a 40-25 triumph over Mont Pleasant on the Delmar mat Saturday, two days after BC

had crushed Linton, 41-21. Veterans Chris Essex, Al Marwill, Nico Castaldo and Paul Dorsey scored pins after Bill Acquario, a senior wrestling at 138 pounds, had scored a pin in his first varsity match. Dave Boettcher, a junior up from the JV, made it six pins in a row despite being below weight in the 215-pound class.

Poplaski, a former Brockport State star beginning his ninth year with the BC varsity and 14th year in the Bethlehem program, was concerned about this week's meet with

Averill Park, a Class B power, at home Wednesday. The Eagles hit the tournament trail this weekend, starting with the Orange County Community College Invitational.

Taking seven of the 12 matches Saturday was especially pleasing as Mont Pleasant, defending Section 2 Class A champions, was one of two teams to defeat Bethlehem last season. The other was Shenendehowa, who edged the Eagles by a single point to win the Suburban Council title. BC finished 13-2, second in the league and section.

Anchoring the BC team are Marwill, 25-9 last year and an Empire Games champion; Al Tinsman, 22-11 last year at 105; Dorsey, a tough man at 177, and Essex, outstanding on last year's jayvees. Poplaski considers Cataldo at 145 one of the most improved wrestlers on the team, and looks for many points from Paul Callanan, a sophomore at 112 who went 20-11 last year and earned Poplaski's praise as "the best freshman varsity wrestler we've ever had in this school."

In the lighter classes, Poplaski has senior Eric Bryant at 91, an experienced grappler getting his first shot at the varsity, and Rob Van Aernam at 98, a bright prospect as a sophomore who missed last season with an injury, Jason Tilroe, a sophomore, and Mark Errichetti, a senior, competing for the 119-pound berth, and Dan Carlson, a junior coming off the medical

list (back injury), is solid at 126.

Chris Edwards, a senior with a fine record as a jayvee, is filling in the middle at 132.

Tennis for adults

The Bethlehem Parks and Recreation Department will offer a series of tennis clinics for adults on Mondays, beginning on Jan. 11. The programs will be held at the Bethlehem Central High School and will be open to residents of the Bethlehem Central School District and the Town of Bethlehem.

There is a limit of eight players per session. Beginners will meet from 8 to 9 p.m.; advanced beginners will meet from 9 to 10 p.m. and intermediates will meet from 10 to 11 p.m. There is a \$16 fee per player.

To register, contact or visit the Elm Avenue Park Office, Elm Avenue, Delmar (telephone 439-4131). The office is open weekdays from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Registration can be made beginning Dec. 14.

Promoted at Siena

Maureen A. Curtin of Glenmont has been named financial aid director for Siena College. She will be responsible for about \$8 million in aid given students annually at the Loudonville school. A graduate of Clarkson College, she is working on a master's degree at RPI.

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Dr. Vaughn honored

The New York State Veterinary Medical Society, at its annual banquet Oct. 13, presented Dr. Thurman C. Vaughn Jr. of Delmar with an award of merit for his "many years of unselfish service to community, state and country and for faithful work in the advancement of the profession.

Dr. Vaughn came to the area in 1948, when he established his own veterinary practice in Clarksville. In 1964 he transferred that practice to Delmar. He has been associated with Dr. Robert Lynk since 1961 and Dr. Stuart Lyman since 1974.

Dr. Vaughn has served as member and chairman of numerous society committees. He was a member and vice chairman of the New York State Board for Veterinary

Medicine, past president of the Capital District Veterinary Medical Academy and the Hudson Valley Veterinary Medical Society. A member of the Bethlehem Central School Board from 1963 to 1968, he has been a speaker at service clubs, kennel clubs and career days.

Crafts for sale

The Junior League of Albany is again operating Accents, a Christmas specialty boutique featuring items crafted by members of the community. The shop is at 419 Madison Ave., Albany, and is open from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday. Proceeds are used to further the league's service projects.

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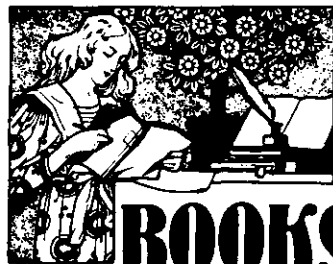
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- Sat. Dec. 12** Wrestling, Orange County Community College Invitational
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Volleyball, Suburban Council tournament
- Mon. Dec. 14** Volleyball, Shenendehowa, away, 6:30
- Tues. Dec. 15** Basketball, Niskayuna, away, 8:00
- Wed. Dec. 16** Wrestling, Colonie, away, 6:00
Swimming, Albany Academy, away, 3:30



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VOLLEYBALL

Bethlehem Central takes a breather

Having enjoyed an easy week of play last week, the Bethlehem Central girls' varsity spikers have braced themselves for the two "bluest" Mondays of their schedule.

Now at 6-1, Coach Carol Walts and her squad find themselves in a three-way tie for second place in the Suburban Council, with only one undefeated team ahead of them in the standings. But the last two weeks of the season will be a race for the wire, with all four contending schools clashing for the honors. Monday BC met Colonie, and seven days later will see Shenendehowa hosting the Eagles. Both teams were undefeated until last week.

"We're working better as a team, and we're still very much in contention for the championship. We had Thanksgiving week off, which gave us practice time we needed," said Coach Walts.

Last Monday saw Burnt Hills take to the courts at BC. Not having had a volleyball team in several years, the visitors' inexperience proved embarrassing. The Eagles dominated a very abrupt match, 15-4, 15-2. Bethlehem was not at its best, making several bad serves, but everyone had a lot of game time.

Wednesday's trip to Scotia, even with starting players

Hannah Lamitie and Nancy Davis away on a field trip, also proved to be no contest as BC won in two straight games, 15-6 and 15-3.

Mohanasen came to Bethlehem on Friday, only to lose 15-4 and 15-12. But Saturday saw BC unprepared for an out-of-league match against neighboring Ravena, always a game rival of Bethlehem. Although the Eagles won their pre-season scrimmage match against Ravena, Ravena won the rematch 15-7, 15-11. The loss does not count on the team's Suburban Council record.

This week is a key one, with BC traveling to a two-day Suburban Council tournament that begins Friday. BC is defending champion. Next Monday BC faces a tough Shenendehowa team. Then BC will be setting its eyes on Sectionals, scheduled for next weekend.

Julie Ann Sosa

Caught in the act

A passing volunteer fire fighter spotted three youths vandalizing the Slingerlands Fire Department pavilion on New Scotland Rd. Wednesday and notified Bethlehem police, who caught one of them at the site and the other two in the vicinity, according to reports. Names of the youths, 14 years old, were withheld, but Slingerlands Fire Chief John Flanigan said he would press charges.

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MARION T. CAMP
Town Clerk
Town of Bethlehem
(Dec. 10)

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Appeals of the Town of Bethlehem, Albany County, New York will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, December 16, 1981 at 8:00 p.m. at the Town Office, 445 Delaware Avenue, Delmar, New York to take action on application of James C. Mancuso, 15 Oakwood Place, Delmar, New York for a Variance under Article X, Side Yard and Article XII, Width of Lot of the Bethlehem Town Zoning Ordinance to permit conversion of an existing one family to a two family dwelling at premises, 15 Oakwood Place, Delmar, Town of Bethlehem.

CHARLES B. FRITTS
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Board of Appeals
(Dec. 10)

New book on state

Dr. Joseph F. Zimmerman of Elsmere is the author of "The Government and Politics of New York State," published recently by New York University Press. The book is the first published on the subject since 1954 and concentrates on three themes: intergovernmental relationships, the group basis for politics, and the most desirable degree of executive integration.

Chapters are devoted to federal-state-interstate relations, state-local relations, the state constitution, political parties and interest groups, the legislature, the governor, executive branch agencies, the judicial system and finance.

According to New York State Comptroller Edward V. Regan, the book "not only fills a void but comes at an opportune time as the Reagan Administration seeks to transfer power back to state governments....Professor Zimmerman's book should provide its readers with the underpinning needed to better understand and monitor the many changes occurring at the federal level which will affect both service delivery and the fiscal condition of government at all levels."

The book is available from New York University Press, Washington Square, New York, N.Y. 10003 in hard cover at \$35.

New Audubon head

Robert Budliger of Delmar has been elected president of the Albany County Audubon Society. He will fill a special one-year term. William Brooks of Slingerlands was elected to the board of directors.

The Audubon Society's

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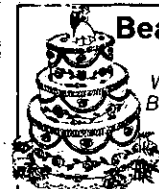
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Plea to parents

Editor, The Spotlight:

We have a beautiful blue spruce in our front yard, and each year we decorate it with strings of lights for the Christmas season. Each year young vandals unscrew all the bulbs they can reach and throw them in the street.

This is pure vandalism, probably by young kids in the neighborhood. I'm not one to complain, but I would like parents to just be aware that these things happen. Perhaps they should talk to their

children about things like this.

Right now we are wondering whether to put lights on the tree again this year. At a quarter a bulb, the cost of 125-150 bulbs is considerable, but the tree looks so nice trimmed and lighted.

Pat Kendrick

Elsmere

Signal 30

Editor, The Spotlight:

On Wednesday afternoon, (Thanksgiving Eve) Pete Mulligan, a Town of Bethlehem Highway Dept. employe, went past my house and sensed by the smoke clinging to the ground that something was wrong. After knocking on the door and finding no one home, he immediately went to his town truck and radioed the dispatcher of a house fire on North St. Mr. Mulligan said "within 15 seconds" the firehorn and sirens were activated, and less than four minutes after that the first piece of fire apparatus

from Delmar was at my house, followed closely by Elsmere's.

The officer in charge sized up the situation and immediately declared a "Signal 30" (that this was a working fire). A call was then made for all apparatus and manpower from Delmar and Elsmere Fire Departments, and another call was subsequently placed for Slingerlands Fire Department to stand by at Delmar station No. 1.

Approximately 20 minutes into the fire I arrived from my job. I found the firefighters not only fighting the fire, but also doing something very important...SALVAGE. The salvage covers were placed over our furniture to reduce the chance of fire, smoke and water damage. While the firefighters were fighting the fire, others were taking anything that could not be covered out of the house to a safe place. Due to this fast thinking and professional attitude, many of my household furnishings were saved from sure disaster.

Friends and Family (too many to list) quickly offered transportation, food and lodging. One of these people also rescued our cat from sure death.

Although the house endured considerable damage, the salvage work averted the almost certain destruction to most of our family's clothing on the second floor where the fire broke through.

I am a six-year member of the Elsmere Fire Dept. and have worked with these fire-

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men and departments closely. I know of the weekly training involved, as well as the criticism given and taken. The Town of Bethlehem is definitely very lucky to have such fine and devoted firefighters in the town. The consideration of my personal items, and the fact that the fire was stopped at a crucial point, (more than half of the house was saved) is fantastic. I must say that the volunteers of the Town of Bethlehem are not just volunteers...

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Thank you all very deeply.

Steve & Elaine Wright

Delmar

No congratulations here

Editor, The Spotlight:

Bullfeathers!

I grew up in a nice clean small town very much like Bethlehem. It is indeed a fine place to work, live and raise a family; but it is not politically a crown jewel in the scepter of democratic government. Like most if not all medium-sized towns I have lived in, one

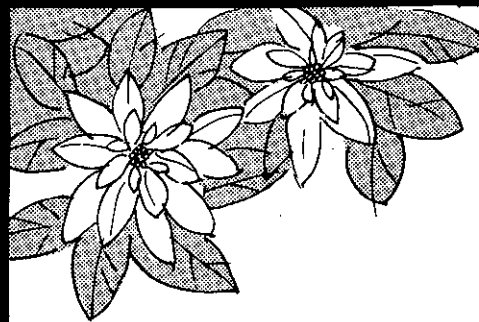
party is in, the other out. After that all the confusions are the same. For example:

Letters are sent to the local newspapers congratulating both parties for a job well done. To the contrary, the parties seemed to exemplify the bitter backbiting and general lack of grace I have come to expect from small town politicians. At times it seems as if they have cloned and spread nationwide. You don't have to read between the lines to see they run on a null platform. In any other forum, their credentials would be meaningless. I doubt if any national party advocates what the locals do in the name of democracy.

I know nothing of the local politics in the City of Albany, our neighbor. Perhaps we are shooting for 11 consecutive terms in Bethlehem. If that is really a record to break, why don't we just elect a royal family and give up the charade?

R.K. McClusky

Delmar



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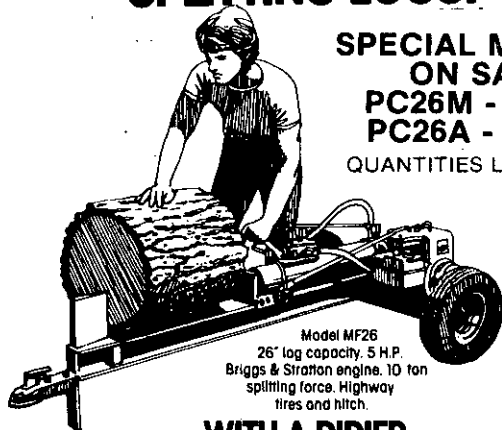
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