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

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

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**Winter Solstice Celebration**, with a puppet show and stories, for school-age children, Bethlehem Public Library, 4 p.m.

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New England Ragtime Ensemble, Troy Savings Bank Music Hall, **Dec. 18**, 8 p.m. Box office 273-0038.

"The Nutcracker," Berkshire Ballet, Proctor's Theater, Schenectady, **Dec. 19**, 3 and 8 p.m.

Nowell Sing We Clear, a pageant of Mid-Winter Carols with John Roberts, Tony Barrand and Steve Woodruff, St. Mark's Community Center, Guilderland Center, **Dec. 20**, 3 and 8 p.m.

Festival of Praise, Christmas songs, Empire State Plaza Convention Center, **Dec. 21**, 7:30 p.m.

Bethlehem Central High School concert, concourse, Empire State Plaza, **Dec. 23**, noon to 1 p.m.

## ART

"Art Sew Soft," soft sculpture pieces by Adrienne Snethen, YWCA Gallery, Lincoln and Colvin Aves., Albany, **Dec. 18**, 7-9 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, **through 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**.

"Center Ring: The Artist" (two centuries of circus art), New York State Museum, Empire State Plaza, **Dec. 11-March 7**.

Mark Rucker paintings and drawings, The Center Gallery, 75 New Scotland Ave., Albany, **through Jan. 8**.

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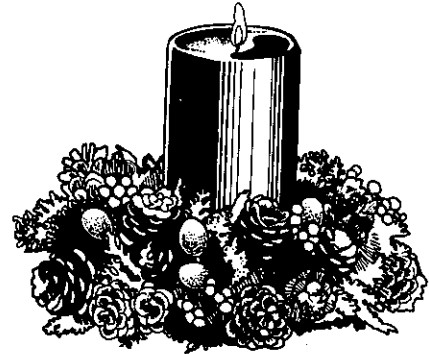
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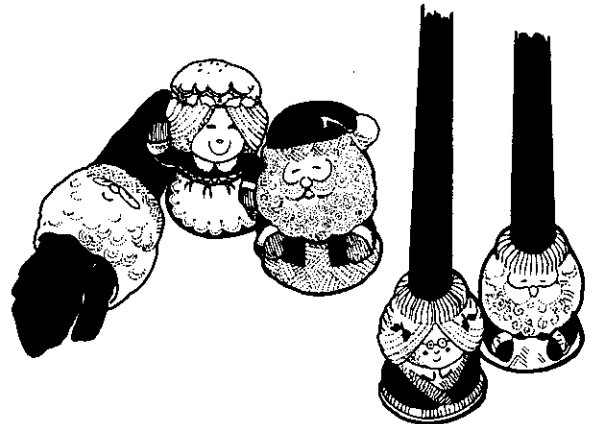
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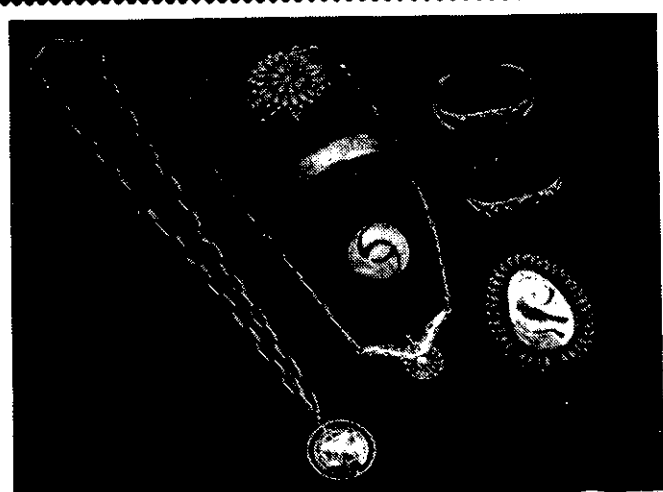
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## Equality in education still a thorny issue

This fall Kathy Riley of Guilderland decided not to go out for the girls' swim team. When the winter season began she tried to sign up for the boys' team, which swims with Voorheesville at the Voorheesville pool.

But Guilderland Athletic Director Fred Fields told her she couldn't do that: "There's a team provided for you, you should be on that," he said.

The school principal backed him up, but when the issue went to Superintendent Peter Allend, Kathy won. As soon she gets in the required practice time, she's expected to be a mainstay of the team.

Why the reversal? The underlying reason is Title IX, the federal law which prohibits sex discrimination in the schools. Since Title IX came into effect in 1976, it has had a profound effect on athletic and academic activities in schools, but, as Kathy's case illustrates, the issues are not always clearcut.

The law requires that activities and curricula offered in schools receiving federal aid be open equally to both sexes.

It is no longer unusual for girls and boys to participate together in such non-contact sports as swimming, tennis and bowling. But last year was the first year that Guilderland, by combining with Voorheesville, was able to field a boys' swim team; then Kathy swam on the girls' team. This year she had a conflict with a course she was taking this fall, but coach Nadine Bassler says Kathy also wanted the increased competition the boys' team

would afford.

"We want to provide equality of opportunity," says Allend. "The question is when you've gone beyond that to the quality of the opportunity."

Allend says he made his decision based on the fact that while the district had no formal policy on the issue, coed participation had been permitted in the past "by practice."

Unquestionably, Title IX has had an impact in colleges, high schools and elementary schools, and unquestionably

there is more to be done to achieve equality. Bethlehem Central, where there has been an increase in sensitivity to sex discrimination and ways to end it, is probably typical of most school districts.

At the same time, there are those who would prefer to have Title IX go away. The League of Women Voters, in its November "Report from the Hill," said Sen. Orrin Hatch (R-Utah), chairman of the Committee on Labor and Human Resources, is "stepping up his assault on Title IX." Hatch scheduled an early

December hearing on S.1361, which would amend Title IX by eliminating from it protection for any school activity not directly funded by federal money and by excluding employment from its coverage.

In addition, the league reports, the Reagan Administration is considering a complete rewrite of Title IX regulations when the more pressing budget issues are resolved.

Shortly after the law was signed by President Gerald Ford in 1975, the Bethlehem



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school district got together a 20-member self-evaluation committee to examine the district's compliance with Title IX and to identify areas where change was needed.

The committee had a few recommendations to make: that elementary physical education classes be coed, that local awards such as scholarships be for both sexes, that athletic awards be equal; that affirmative action be undertaken to place more women in administrative jobs, and that affirmative action be taken to revise policies for selection of textbooks and library resources for "fair representa-

tion of both sexes."

In sports, the differences between boys and girls as they mature have meant a lot of thinking and talking about what is equal and what is fair.

In Bethlehem, Athletic Director Ray Sliter said, "the girls' athletic program took a big jump, from mostly intramurals and play days to teams on all levels." But, he said, girls' sports "were on the verge of becoming more important anyway."

"There was increasing interest on the part of girls, and it might have improved without Title IX."

Nonetheless, significant

changes were made. For example, in March of 1976, there were 10 coaching positions for girls' sports; now there are 17, Sliter said.

Increasing attention to girls in sports has meant that now there are 19 girls' teams, 23 boys' teams and 9 coed teams (for example, swimming, tennis and bowling).

A question female athletes have to ask themselves now is: Do I want to be No. 1 on the girls' team or No. 5 on the boys'? When a school district provides separate teams, girls may choose to try out for either, although boys may not compete on a girls' team. If there is only one team in a non-contact sport, say, gymnastics, both sexes can compete together.

Sliter would prefer to avoid the labels, though: "We have an athletic program for the whole school. I don't want to get locked into saying this is for girls and this is for boys..."

Increases in the number of girls' teams and therefore in

the number of coaching positions are perhaps the most prominent changes wrought by Title IX in Bethlehem. But it also brought improvements in coaching salaries, and not only for women.

Nancy Smith, who teaches and coaches at the Middle School, pointed out that before Title IX forced a close look at the salary schedule, the freshman boys' basketball coach received "about \$800" while the freshman girls' coach, a man, received nearly \$500 less.

The boys' season was three weeks longer, but the same number of players was involved, she said. "The whole salary schedule was inequitable."

Sliter said a "semi-formula" was developed for coaching pay, by which points were assigned according to the length of the season, number of participants, amount of vacation time involved, level of participation (freshman, junior varsity, varsity), and "miscellaneous and staff re-

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sponsibilities," such as scouting, size of budget and inventory.

The athletic department's current \$41,400 budget, excluding salaries and transportation, is not broken out by "what benefits a sex," Sliter said. The cost depends on the sport—"football is more costly than field hockey."

Other Title IX changes include elimination of differences between athletic awards for girls and boys, and some rescheduling so that girls' basketball now shares in the Friday night dates with boys' basketball and wrestling.

And, what were formerly the girls' and boys' gymnasiums at the high school are now the upper and lower gyms.

But there's still "a ways to go," Sliter observed. For example, while boys have a soccer field, the girls' soccer team uses a multiple-use field.

"We're using more space now, with more teams," Sliter pointed out. And, "you don't just set a piece of land aside overnight. . . . There are things that can be done; unfortunately, they require a whole ton of money."

The New York State Public High School Athletic Assn. is focusing on equalizing the

length of seasons for boys' and girls' sports. But limited facilities such as pools and fields and overlapping seasons make it a knotty problem.

As Sliter said, "The adjustment that's been made has been really good. These little nitty-gritty things might hang you up."

All gym classes through the fifth grade in Bethlehem are coed now, and intramurals are coed, Sliter said. "I don't think it's hurting, I tend to think it's helping girls. By giving everyone the same basic program as they come up through, we can get them all to (the same) skill level.

"Up to the seventh grade, there's not a significant difference (between girls and boys) in skill and fitness and strength, speed, endurance," Sliter said.

But "I don't personally think coed teams are the way to go—they're a stepping stone."

It is in the middle school years that different interests and different levels of maturity make coed teams difficult to manage, one observer said.

And Nancy Smith said, "Sixth graders are pretty equal in a lot of areas, but in seventh and eighth, you start

to notice the difference.

"The average boy is going to be stronger and more athletic than the average girl," she said.

"I think we're pretty fair here," she added.

Julie Wendth, who coaches girls' field hockey and the boys' tennis team at the high school, agreed. "The students are lucky to have what they

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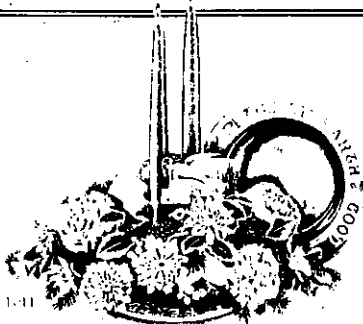
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have. I'm very satisfied."

Except, she said, with the news coverage: "Sometimes we get a line here, a line there."

Kathleen Brown of Elsmere, a field hockey forward, echoed her coach, pointing out that "the field hockey team did much better than the football team!" (It came in a close second in sectional play.)

Asked about Title IX and libraries, Jane Streiff, high school media director, said, "Publishers are now quite aware of what's going to sell. They have followed through on this quite well."

She said there was no "wholesale weeding out" of library materials at the high school level, but that "blatant" sexism appeared in some elementary library materials. "Children form opinions when they are young. It is important to eliminate bias then," she said.

At the same time, "a library provides access to all kinds of materials and all kinds of viewpoints, so it would be remiss to discard (biased) material that has other values. Even biased materials can be used in teaching by pointing out the bias," she said.

Mrs. Streiff said implementation of the policy to select materials which are unbiased is "discussed regularly" at library staff meetings in Bethlehem.

"We all needed this kind of consciousness raising (of Title IX). The emphasis did us all some good," she added.

Change takes time, though. As District Superintendent Lawrence A. Zinn pointed out: "Prejudice goes back many years. It's been kind of

an accepted thing" that males don't apply for elementary teaching jobs, for example, perhaps because in college they're steered away from gaining the necessary certification. Similarly, the number of women seeking administrative posts, while increasing, Zinn said, is still low compared with males.

"Attitudinal reasons" still guide the choice of courses in high school, he believes.

Attitudes do die hard, but at least there is an awareness that sex roles can change. Laura Briggs of Delmar, a Bethlehem senior, notes that there are 24 boys and only two girls in her physics class. "Maybe," she observes, "boys are pushed toward it."

*Caroline Terenzini*

### A short program

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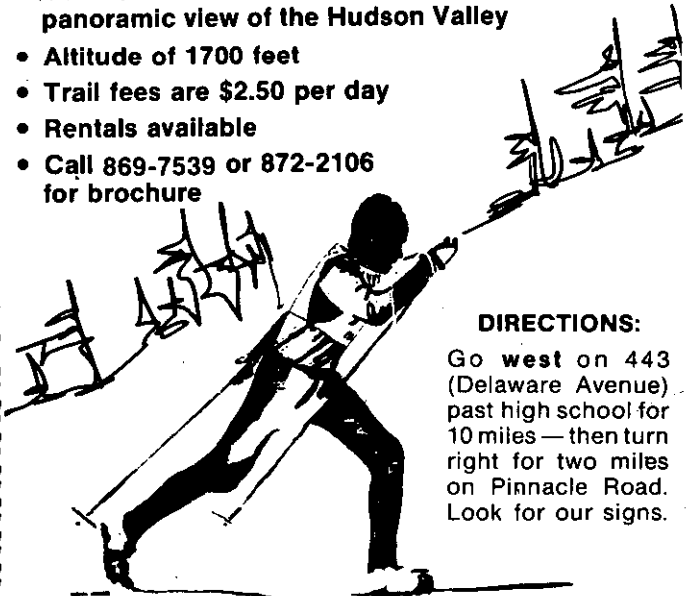
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## Wary Normansville eyes Albany plan

Some of the people who live in Normansville, the almost-forgotten community in the gorge that divides Albany and Bethlehem, have a sneaking suspicion that Erastus Corning has something in store for their area.

True, says Albany's long-time mayor, he does have a plan for the Normansville valley. But he can't see how anyone would object to his plan to keep the valley as undeveloped open space. "By that I mean forever-wild protection," says Corning.

The residents, most of whom live on the Bethlehem side of the creek, could be forgiven a certain amount of

concern about the city's intentions. Several years ago the city purchased the Stevens Farm, and since then they have read of various proposals for its use; everything from a park to a brewery to an experimental "tree farm." Earlier this year, the Albany Housing Authority proposed a housing development on open land adjacent to the Stevens Farm along the Thruway, and the vehement opposition from residents of the Delaware Ave. area spilled over to Normansville.

Most recently, the city quietly purchased land from the estate of Millard F. Brimmer last May, including

a house on the city side of the creek and 16 acres of bottom farm land along the Normanskill on the Bethlehem side.

Normansville, once a thriving stop on the Delaware Turnpike, has grown into itself since the viaduct routed traffic overhead. It seems to be a mixture of old, retired families and transients. Its residents do not appear to welcome outsiders.

"They got more problems up there in Delmar than we got down here," said one resident.

Thus concern that the Stevens Farm may become a park, drawing picnickers and fisherman. And the idea of

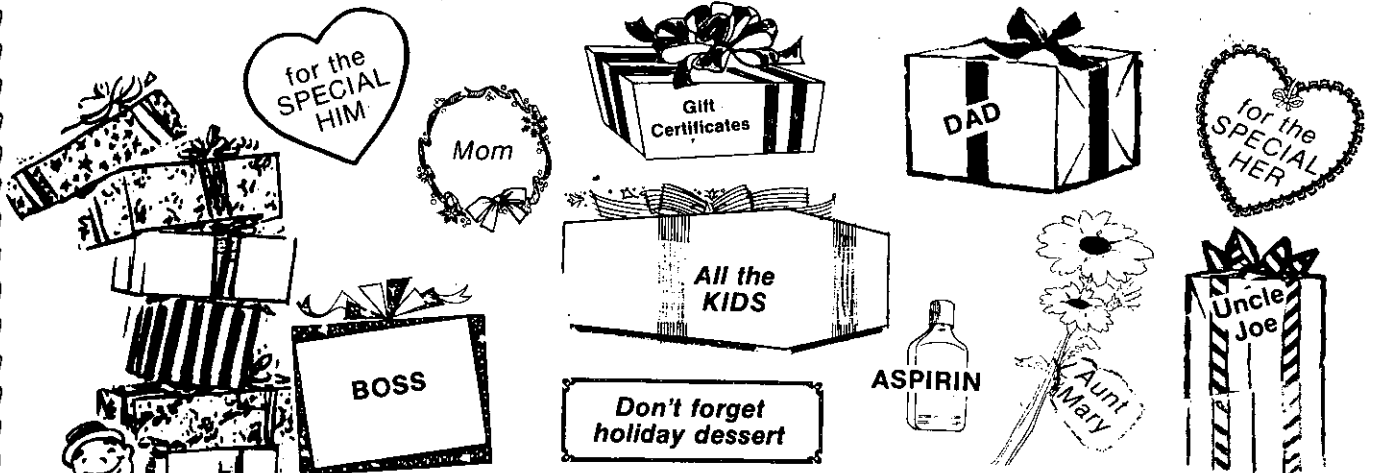
some of those visitors coming from a housing project for low income people hardly helped.

So when the Brimmer house burned earlier this year, and city trucks quickly moved in to cart away the debris, residents quickly drew the conclusion that something was afoot.

But Mayor Corning notes that his policy of acquiring land along the Normanskill is hardly a secret. The city now controls all of the bottom land on its side of the creek from Delaware Ave. west to beyond the municipal golf course.

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cause "we have all the land on our side and I would not like to see some unsightly development on the other side."

Bethlehem Supervisor Tom Corrigan said he and Corning have talked several times about Corning's "forever wild" project, and Bethlehem has helped Albany identify owners of Normanskill land. Corning said he would be happy to sell the Brimmer land in Bethlehem to the town, but Corrigan said he's not interested at this time.

Corning stressed that he has no intention of developing any of the property the city owns, and that includes the Stevens Farm. As for the housing development, the mayor said he has satisfied himself that all the concerns of the Delaware Ave. residents have been addressed, and will leave the decision on whether to build up to the housing authority.

He noted that the development is a considerable distance from Normansville. And whatever concern about

that development existed in the sleepy community under the bridge appears to have dissipated with time. "Oh, they don't even invite us to their meetings anymore," said one resident.

#### For heart-attack victims

One-time heart attack victims ages 29 through 64 are being sought to participate in a study which lowers cholesterol to unprecedented levels.

With heart disease claiming 800,000 lives annually, the National Institutes of Health is funding four research centers across the country to explore the role of lowered cholesterol in the treatment of heart attack victims. The aim of researchers is to find conclusive evidence that maximal reduction of this fatty substance will significantly reduce the risk of heart disease.

The East Coast Center, which opened a short time ago, is located in Philadelphia. The center provides transportation and lodging

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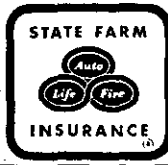


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## More rules? Board is reluctant

The Bethlehem Town Board made decisions last week which will affect zoning procedures, where people can plant shrubs and trees and how homeless dogs can be sold—all with an evident distaste for making life more complicated than it already is.

The conservative tone of the meeting was set by Supervisor Tom Corrigan during routine consideration of the planning board's new regulations for site plan approval. Considered a cornerstone of the planning board's move to exert more control over development in the town, the rules spell out the steps builders must take after they get a zoning change and before building.

The town board approved the rules with only one comment, from Corrigan: "about seven pages of more bureaucracy," he called them.

The board's latest venture into the regulatory field is an ordinance drafted by Town Attorney Bernard Kaplowitz giving Highway Superintendent Martin Cross authority to remove trees, shrubs and other obstructions planted on town right-of-ways.

Kaplowitz had explained that town workers have occasionally had trouble plowing snow or collecting leaves and brush because homeowners

plant shrubs and trees or run fences all the way to the curbside. Cross has usually been able to handle those problems on his own, but "he seems to be getting more flack now," said Kaplowitz.

Many people, he explained, don't know where their property line ends and the town right-of-way begins.

Kaplowitz's draft is one typewritten page long and simply declares it unlawful to maintain vegetation or other obstructions on the right-of-way if the highway superintendent decides that it creates a "hazardous condition" or interferes with maintenance. Cross would be able to notify the property owner of the violation, and if the owner does not take action within 30 days highway department workers could remove the obstruction and bill the owner.

Kaplowitz said the draft, although short, represented a considerable amount of thought. "I tried to word it in such a way as it would be the least bit of government interference," he said.

At Kaplowitz's suggestion, the board approved a change in Bethlehem's contract with the Hudson and Mohawk Humane Society, which handles disposition of strays picked up in the town. The



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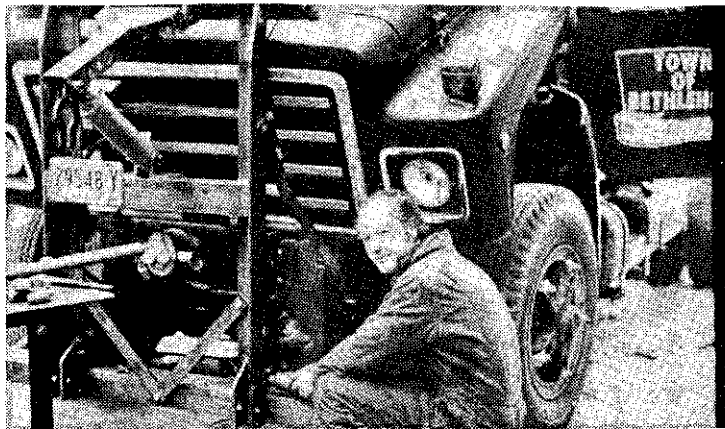
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current contract calls for a sliding scale of from \$10 to \$50 for the sale of "exceptionally talented dogs"—Kaplowitz said that allows too much discretion and recommended a flat \$50 fee.

The board also heard briefly from a representative of the Slingerlands Homeowners Association, which is looking for ways to protect the area from commercial encroachment. Roger DiNucci Jr. told the board that the association, which met last Tuesday, is working on a proposal for historic district designation for parts of Slingerlands. Board members appear to be sympathetic to the residents' concern, but—again—wary of another layer of regulation.

In other action, the board:

- Approved the purchase of three snowplows from T&T Sales of Latham, but decided it cannot include trade-in value for old plows in the price because the trade-in was not included in the bid specifications.

- Assigned 202 as the street

address for the Smolinsky residence on Orchard St.

- Approved a \$400 change order for installing 20 feet of roof plates on the Kenwood Ave. water tank. The work has already been done, Corrigan said.

#### A bookish show

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The resolution is being sent to the chairman of the New York State Public Service Commission, Governor Carey, Assembly Speaker Stanley Fink, Senate Majority Leader Warren Anderson, James Emery, Assemblyman Minority Leader Manfred Ohrenstein, Senate Minority Leader, and Assemblyman Majority, Richard Connors, Michael Hoblock, Clarence Lane Gail S. Shaffer, Neil Kelleher and Senators Howard Nolan and Joseph Bruno.

This bipartisan resolution seems to me an important one. I urge all Bethlehem residents to take time, even during this busy season, to write two or more of these leaders urging them to deny the telephone company's requests which would make us

pay toll charges for what are now local calls.

While "Ma Bell" is recognized worldwide as having the finest management possible, even "Ma Bell" must recognize that sheer bigness, in business as well as government, inevitably results in some waste and unnecessary expenditures. Personally I urge "Ma" to let the bells ring out during the Christmas season by withdrawing its requests for extension of toll calls.

By this time all of you know that the Albany County Legislature approved the budget for 1982. It calls for a 3.4 percent decrease in taxes and spending of \$148 million. Nevertheless, Republicans continue to express concern about the procedures by which the budget is prepared and reviewed by the legislature. This year we again stressed that department heads should appear before legislative committees to justify their requests.

The question of the controversial 112 State Street county building rose again. Sixty percent of the building is rented and the county expects to receive some \$800,000 in

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rentals but will spend some \$1.5 million (in addition to monies already spent) to repair and operate this facility.

My resolution to improve methods of care for abused children is still before the Social Services Committee. You can help obtain action by writing to me or to Paul O'Brien. Surely protection of our children should be a primary concern at any season. I really feel that this is a non partisan issue and many Democrats are willing to help. The situation is complicated by a maze of laws — county, state and federal — but laws and regulations are never final. They are made to be improved as our knowledge increases. Let us all help improve child care in Albany County.

**Theft at the home**

Two employes had their pocketbooks rifled or stolen at the Good Samaritan Home in Elsmere last Tuesday, according to Bethlehem

Police. A Slingerlands woman lost a checkbook and savings account pass book, and later discovered that \$1,800 had been withdrawn from her savings account and a \$100 check had been cashed, according to reports. A Glenmont woman lost her wallet with \$35 cash and several credit cards. Police are investigating.



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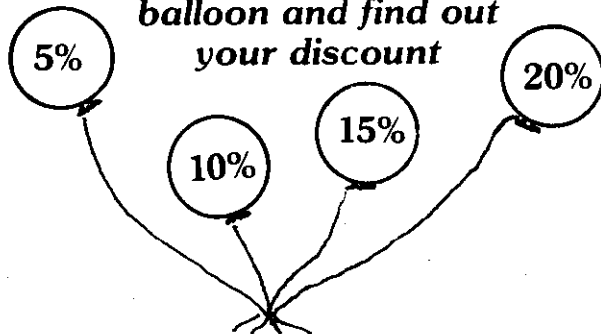
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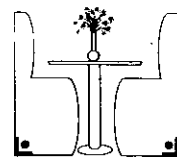
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Deneige, a fifth grade student at Slingerlands Elementary School, attends the Cantarella School of Dance, Latham, and is just completing her fourth year of ballet lessons. She began her training at the Hallenbeck Dance School, Albany. In last year's performances she played a child; this year when she will be able to incorporate the acting skills she has acquired this past year at the Empire State Youth Theatre School.

Tchaikovsky's famous Christmas ballet will be performed

in the Capitol District, under the direction of Artistic Director Madeline Cantarella Culpo at Proctor's Theatre, Schenectady, Saturday, Dec. 19. The 3 p.m. matinee will star Lisa Bloch of Clifton Park as Clara, with Deneige starring in the 8 p.m. performance at Proctor's and the matinee to be performed at Gloversville High School on Dec. 20.

**New signs at Feura Bush Rd.**

The intersection of Feura Bush Rd. and Elsmere Ave., long considered one of the most dangerous in Bethlehem, has a new set of signs, and Elsmere Ave. has a new speed limit, according to the state Department of Transportation.

The limit on the short stretch of Elsmere Ave. from the Delmar By-pass to Feura Bush Rd. has been reduced from 55 m.p.h. to 35 m.p.h., and a new warning sign and larger stop sign have been erected. On Feura Bush Rd., new signs marking the intersection are in place, and the DOT has also put up warning signs for Ackerman Ave., the side road just west of the intersection.

A DOT spokesman said the signs were the result of a study made after a request for action by area residents. The possibility of installing a traffic signal was studied and rejected, he said.

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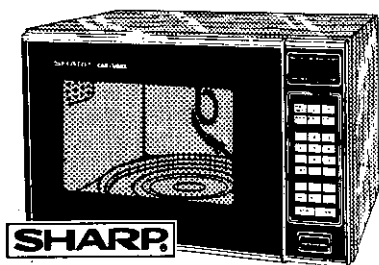
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### Town fire districts elect commissioners

Voters in Bethlehem's four fire districts elected fire commissioners and treasurers last week. Two of the districts, Slingerlands and Selkirk, had strongly contested races.

Selkirk — for fire commissioner, five-year term, Glenn Lasher beat Lewis J. Picarazzi, 161 votes to 138. Norma June received one vote.

Slingerlands — George Lenhardt edged Thomas W. Smith for a five-year term for commissioner, 45-35. Walter J. Roberts was elected to a three-year term as treasurer with 75 votes. Thomas W. Smith received one vote.

Elsmere — James B. Hogan Jr. received 32 votes for commissioner (five-year term), and John Brennan received one vote. W. Gordon Morris was elected to a three-year term as treasurer with 33 votes.

Delmar — Gerald Day received 62 votes for fire commissioner and George O. Mann was reelected treasurer with 61 votes, with one ballot left blank.

#### Wants new status

The North Bethlehem Fire Protection District wants to become a fire district, which will allow it to levy taxes directly and borrow money to buy equipment.

The district, which covers parts of Bethlehem, Guilderland and New Scotland, now operates under annual contracts with the three towns, which then levy taxes against the property served.

Most fire departments — including all of the others which serve Bethlehem — are independent entities, with elected commissioners and the ability to levy their own taxes. Fire protection districts cannot borrow against anticipated tax levies, and North Bethlehem district officials had said recently that this handicap has created problems in replacing old equipment.

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Robert Hendrick, who is himself a fire commissioner in Elsmere, told the town board last week that the North Bethlehem board proposes to call itself the Elmhurst Fire District, but will serve the same area as it does now. Guilderland has already indicated informal approval, Hendrick said. At his recommendation, the Bethlehem town board also indicated informal agreement on the plan.

**Out on bail**

An Arizona couple arrested in Glenmont Nov. 28 on weapons possession charges

have been released from Albany County Jail on \$10,000 bail, but now face an additional felony charge — possession of stolen property.

One of the seven hand guns confiscated from Sondra Ann Floyd and Eddie Morrill was stolen in Arizona, according to information supplied to Bethlehem police by Arizona authorities. Bethlehem Detective John Cox said Monday the other six hand guns did not register stolen, and the rifles are at the state police laboratory for further tests, he said.

The original arrests oc-

curred after police were called to a residence at Rt. 144 and Wemple Rd. because of a dispute between Floyd and Morrill. They found the couple's camping van with more than \$30,000 worth of precious metals and jewelry, and, after questioning the

two, recovered the weapons. Police held the valuables while the couple was in jail but have released them after checks proved negative, Cox said.

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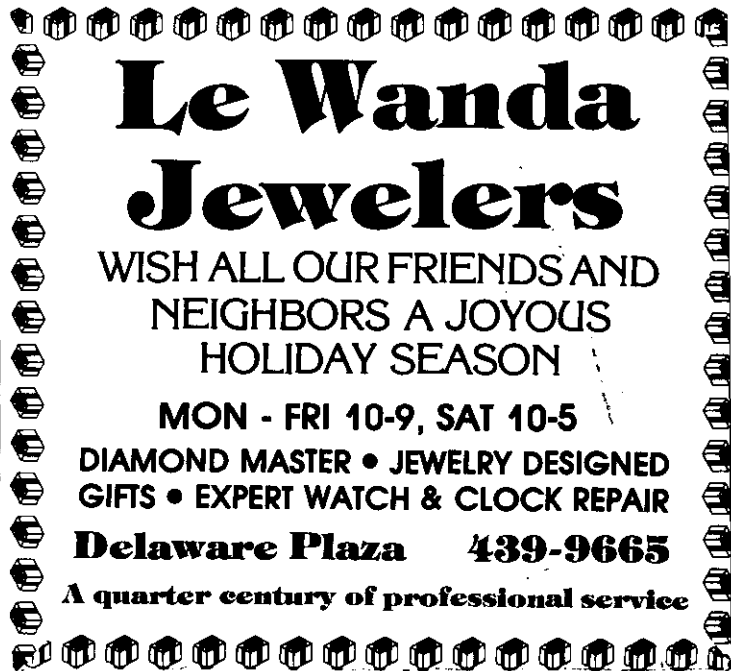


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## Board vows silence on Elks decision

A pledge of silence by the seven members of New Scotland's planning board is keeping more than 200 residents who signed a petition and another 200 members of

Elks Lodge 2611 guessing for another two weeks as to the board's decision on a proposed new clubhouse for the fraternity.

Unless there is a leak

somewhere, the board's consensus at a closed-door session last Thursday will not be known until the board holds its next regular meeting, which is scheduled for next Tuesday at 7:30 p.m. in the New Scotland town hall.

The board's decision not to convene a brief open session for the purpose of formalizing its resolution at the conclusion of the Dec. 10 executive session extended to 10 weeks the elapsed time since the first public hearing on the matter, and left its most controversial matter hanging in secrecy. The date for the private discussion was set at the conclusion of the Dec. 8 public hearing on the issue, the third since the application was filed last September.

Robert A. Cook of Slingerlands, board chairman who presided over three crowded public hearings, would say only that the board met in executive session last Thursday, and that board members had agreed to make no dis-

closure until the panel's next scheduled public meeting on Dec. 22.

Cook would not say whether the members had resolved the matter in their private session in the new town offices on the Rt. 85 hill in New Salem, nor would he give any reason for the pledge of silence other than saying he had been advised by counsel not to say anything.

Frederick C. Riester, New Scotland town attorney serving as counsel to the planning board, conceded there was no legal prohibition against a statement to the public by Cook, but that he had advised Cook to make no statement "because of certain (statutory) time periods" in town laws. One is the four-month period in which a legal challenge can be made for an appeal, he said, and added that "the meter starts running when the decision is announced."

Under the state's "sunshine law" governing access to public information, the planning board can reach a consensus on a quasi-judicial matter behind closed doors, but must take its vote on a formal resolution in an open meeting. A reliable source indicated that no further private meetings are scheduled before the regular meeting next Tuesday.

Cook will be on vacation at that time, and will not participate in the formal vote.

Technicalities have dogged the matter for several months. An advertised public hearing was held on Oct. 14, but was recessed after one hour because of an unexpected conflict with a scheduled meet-

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ing of the New Scotland town board in the same room that night. A second public hearing was concluded on Nov. 17, but had to be rescheduled because a faulty recorder wiped out the tape of the proceedings. A stenotypist was hired to record the repeat hearing on Dec. 8, but because there was no way to make a transcript of two hours of testimony in two days, the steno-typed report was not available for the Dec. 10 session and became a formality for legal purposes only.

Except for the stenotypist in the front of the room, last Tuesday's hearing was a near carbon copy of the two previous hearings. Introductory presentations were made by Donald Meacham, attorney for Elks Lodge No. 2611, and by Edward Connolly, exalted ruler of the lodge, for the petitioner and by Edward G. Horn, spokesman for the New Scotland Civic Assn., a neighborhood organization formed to press a campaign opposing

the application. A number of residents in the audience that again overflowed the hearing room at town hall also spoke.

When Cook adjourned the hearing, he asked board members to decide whether to hold an open or closed meeting to review the testimony and submitted material, and to set a date for the meeting. The board elected to hold the meeting behind closed doors, and to schedule it two nights later, thus pushing the formal decision to the regular meeting on Dec. 22.

The Elks have applied for the permit as a permitted use under the town's zoning ordinance as a step toward converting a vacant horse barn on a farm at the corner of Rt. 85 and Clipp Rd. into a clubhouse facility. Residents of Clipp Rd., the Helderview area and other neighborhoods along Rt. 85 have voiced strong objections to the proposal, citing traffic safety, concern over a club liquor license, noise, congestion, a negative impact on

adjacent land valuations and concern that the facility would change the residential character of the town. The area is zoned R-H (Residential Hamlet).

#### Scholarships announced

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Leroy E. Dettman, deceased, was the founder, former owner and chairman of the board of Personnel Pool of America, Inc., also headquartered in Fort Lauderdale. For further information contact Douglas Dettman or Kiley DeHaven at The Leroy E. Dettman Foundation, Inc., 108 S.E. 8th Avenue, Fort Lauderdale, Fla. 33301.

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## Opposition mounts to phone limit plan

The Bethlehem Chamber of Commerce has voted to oppose New York Telephone's proposed "extended calling area" plan, joining a lengthening list of area civic and governmental groups against the idea.

So widespread is the opposition in the Capital District

that observers are speculating that the plan will be modified when it reaches the state Public Service Commission for hearings in January.

The telephone company is proposing to limit toll-free calling to an eight-mile radius of the exchange from which the call originates. For many

suburban and rural subscribers—including those in most of New Scotland and the southern part of Bethlehem—the change would mean an end to toll-free calling to Albany. The fact that this change would be accompanied by a slight rate decrease, and that the plan is not designed to raise revenue for the company, has not mitigated the outcry.

The drums rattled first in the hinterlands. In Berne, site of the "Anti-Rent Wars" of the last century, merchants threatened to break out the tin horns and calico. The New Scotland Town Board quickly went on record against the plan and promised to make its voice heard at the public hearings. Assemblyman Larry Lane, whose district covers the southern part of Albany County as well as Greene County, has also come out in opposition.

Closer in, the Bethlehem Central Board of Education has registered its opposition, as has the Albany County

Legislature. The Bethlehem Town Board has yet to take a position.

In Albany, Francis (Doc) Rivett, spokesman for the PSC, said the company's proposal has generated a greater outpouring of public reaction than any other telephone case in the commission's history. Rivett said nearly 11,000 telephone calls, more than 2,000 letters, some 7,600 signatures on scores of petitions and 22 resolutions by county legislatures, city councils and town and village boards have all been in opposition to the proposal, and, he added, they're still coming in.

At its monthly membership meeting last week, the Bethlehem chamber overwhelmingly endorsed a motion to file a letter of protest with the commission. There was only one dissenting vote and one abstention in the large attendance. Edward Danner, chamber president, said that "the members feel strongly that the company's proposal would be seriously detrimental to Bethlehem businesses."

Much of the organized opposition is likely to come from business groups, since many businesses use the telephone over a broader area. Telephone company studies indicate that 82 percent of the calls placed by residential customers would remain in the primary calling area, with no extra charge.

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sumer movement. The plan has been in the works for a number of years, and was encouraged by the PSC, they say.

But with the changeover to computerized switching and billing equipment, now virtually completed in the Capital District, the technical aspects of any change in billing are no longer a problem. That means that toll-free calling areas could be any size, and could be arranged to accommodate local calling patterns, rather than geographic lines. The telephone company could also charge based on individual calls—their length and duration—as it already does in other parts of the state and for businesses.

The company is under a great deal of pressure to restrict toll-free calling areas because most downstate communities have much smaller areas than the Capital District. But observers suggest the PSC could propose alternatives to the plan proposed by New York Telephone to achieve a balance between more equal charges and political reality.

#### Arrested after chase

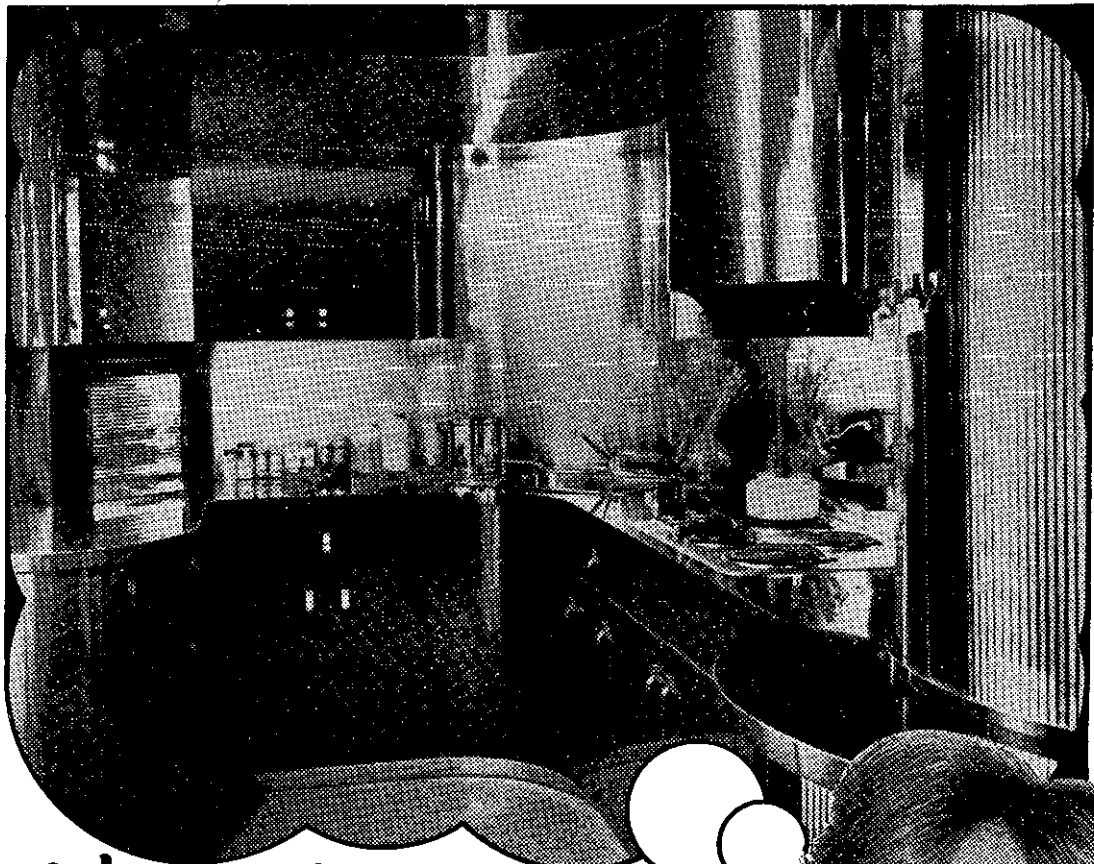
An Albany woman was arrested for driving while intoxicated, speeding and failing to dim her lights early Monday morning after Bethlehem police and state troopers chased her north on Rt. 9W.

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Dr. Edmond Haven will welcome a new dentist, Dr. Virginia Plaisted, to his office at 278 Delaware Avenue in Delmar, starting Jan. 5. Previously, she has practiced in Clifton Park and is now practicing dentistry part time in Albany.

A native of Horseheads, N.Y., Dr. Plaisted received her Bachelor of Science degree in biology and psychology from the State University at Buffalo. While at Buffalo, she participated in a research project involving hyperactivity in children.

Dr. Plaisted received her D.D.S. from Case Western Reserve University in Cleveland. She there pursued the special interests of gerontology (dental care of the aged) and periodontology (gum disease). She also held a part-time teaching position while at Case Western.

Dr. Plaisted resides with

her husband in Latham and the couple will move to the Delmar area in the near future.

### Nature Conservancy moves

The Nature Conservancy, Eastern New York Chapter, recently relocated its office from Morton Ave., Albany, to 282 Delaware Ave., Delmar. The new phone number is 439-0233.

A national conservation organization, The Nature Conservancy is committed to the preservation of natural diversity by protecting lands containing the best examples of all components of our natural world. To date the Conservancy and its members have been responsible for the preservation of 1,821,406 acres of forests, marshes, prairies, mountains and islands, home to rare and endangered species of wildlife and plants.

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## BC 'Reunion II'

BCHS Alumni present "Christmas Reunion II," a holiday get-together for graduates and friends of the classes 1965 through 1981.

A follow-up to last year's reunion success, this year's party will be held Saturday, Dec. 26, at the new Albany Hilton Hotel, State and Lodge Sts., from 9 p.m. to 2 a.m.

The Christmas reunion of 1980, the first of its kind for Bethlehem Central graduates, attracted 900 alumni from 11 classes who gathered to share an evening of reminiscing with friends from their high school years.

Reunion organizers Drew Maggard and Ann Ellery, members of the class of '74, expect an even larger turnout for this year's event.

"Everyone was overwhelmed by the popularity of last year's reunion, and many asked if there would be another this Christmas," explained Ms. Ellery. "More classes will be involved this

year — a total of 17," added Maggard. "And the Hilton's ballroom is the perfect setting to accommodate everyone interested."

The \$5 admission price includes music by "The Jimmy Mack Band" as well as two complimentary drinks. Tickets are available at The Paper Mill or at the door the night of the event. Appropriate attire is requested.

Proceeds from 1980's reunion were used for two purposes: \$500 was donated to the Tony Danckert Scholarship Fund, and the remaining funds are being used to defray preliminary expenses for this year's reunion.

For more information, contact Ann Ellery at 439-6804 or Drew Maggard at 439-5411.

### Last call for BC '71

Bethlehem Central High School's Class of 1971 will be holding its 10th year reunion on Saturday, Dec. 26, at the Turf Inn on Wolf Rd. Cocktail hour is from 6:30 to

7:30 p.m. followed by dinner and dancing. The cost is \$16.50 per person. There will be a band.

A number of class members have already received invitations; however, many have been difficult to locate. Anyone knowing of a member of the Class of 1971 who has not received an invitation is urged to contact Scott Gill at 456-1619 (home) or 472-9183

(work). It is not too late to mail in reservations to Scott Gill, 10 Van Wie Terr., Albany, 12203.

### Smashed well

A redwood wishing well at the "front" of a house on Dawson Rd., Delmar, was moved and smashed by vandals last Monday, Bethlehem police reported. Damage was estimated at \$100.

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# Shop Talk

by Judi James

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Robert Richless began custom framing at this site some four years ago when he left his job as an executive for a major retailer. From his years of experience in the retail trade, he knows display. He prides himself on quality and on getting the job done quickly and economically. Normally it's possible to have your

framing ready the next day. Christmas, of course, is an exception, for they're busy as Santa's elves in that shop.

Some suggestions: two or three of your oriental prints can be framed as a border or side panel for a mirror. The Frame Factory is doing one like that right now, using a bamboo-type wood for the frame, which is divided into three sections — the oriental prints on the two outer sections and the mirror centered. It's interesting.

Another mirror is centered between two Currier and Ives prints... and a third has a lovely white horse at the top frame and the mirror below.

The Frame Factory has some nice Cyndey Grossman prints that are limited editions. We noticed some primitive type works by Wysockie that would make charming gifts. These, however, are incidental sales, for Robert Richless puts his emphasis on custom frame work.

Did you see the "I Love New York" rug? It's a 4x6 work which has been custom-framed. Gov. Carey likes the work of this shop, and Richless takes pride in the fact that some of his framed work hangs in the Executive Man-

sion. One such work is a graphic of an 1860 racing scene.

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## Evangelism program

Rev. Floyd Baker will be conducting a series of evangelistic meetings at the Congregational Christian Church, Main St., Ravenna.

Rev. Baker, a native of Oneonta, is an evangelist who has appeared on television talk shows, such as the CBN "700 Club" and PTL Club. He will conduct services Dec. 27 at 11 a.m. and 7:15 p.m., and on Dec. 28, 29 and 31 at 7:15 p.m. Dec. 30 will feature dual services by Mrs. Baker at 1 p.m. and a second service by Rev. Baker at 7:15 p.m.

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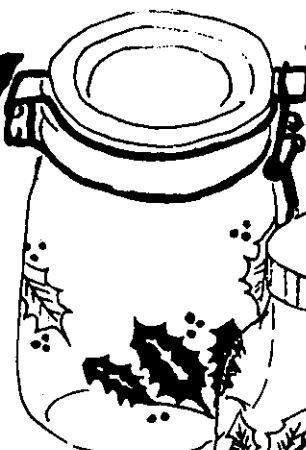



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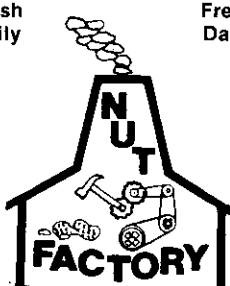
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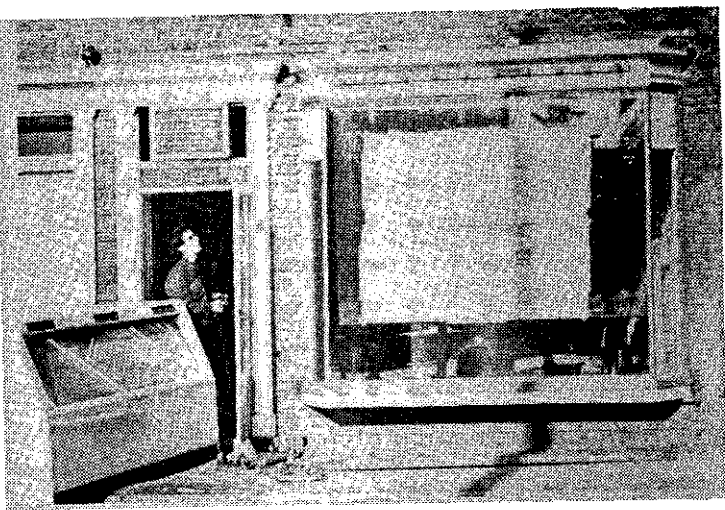
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**Slingerlands music fest**

The annual Festival of Sacred Christmas Music will be held at the Slingerlands Community United Methodist Church, 1497 New Scotland Road, on Sunday, Dec. 20 at 4 p.m.

Assisting in the program will be Robin Grubs, vibraphone; Hilary Jones, chimes; and Phyllis Willey, flute. Soloists will include Connie Bailey, Doris Clark, Jack Clark, Vicki Folger and Bonnie Robbins. Rhonda Ballou is the organist-director.

The Chancel Choir program will include "Bring A Torch," "Jeannette Isabella," "The Song of Simeon," "The Jesus Gift," and others. The Junior Choir will sing "Come

*Spotlight*  
Run, Ye Shepherds" and "Such a Very Bright Star." Children of the Junior Choir are Jeffrey Ballou, Ian Berry, Hillary Bollan, Carey Bruch, Marlo Bruch, Michael Dolder, Jeannette Folger, Rebecca Jones, Elise Relyea, Robyn Richards, Tracey Scoons, Wendy Thompson and Kristen Vancans. The Cherub Choir, directed by Bonnie Robbins, will also sing. The program will end in candlelight with the singing of familiar carols.

Following the program, there will be a social hour planned by the music committee. Members of the community are cordially invited to attend this traditional Christmas event.

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**Mrs. Ted Blundell**

#### Jamie Hornberger wed

Jamie Lee Hornberger, formerly of Delmar, was married Oct. 17 to Ted Blundell at the Delmar Reformed Church. Rev. Robert Hess officiated.

Mrs. Blundell's parents are John and Barbara Hornberger of Honeoye Falls, near Rochester. They formerly lived on Winne Rd., Delmar. The groom's parents are Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Blundell of

Porter Heights, Tex., formerly of Ballston Spa.

The bride is a 1973 graduate of Bethlehem Central High School and a 1977 graduate of Lesley College, Cambridge, Mass. She is assistant manager of finance and administration for the Houston advertising firm of Ketchum Houston. Her husband is a 1971 graduate of Ballston Spa High School and holds degrees from the State University of Cobleskill and the State University at Fredonia. He is an assistant vice president with the Houston brokerage firm of J.D. Tuley and Associates.

Matron of honor was Dendy Joyce of Weymouth, Mass. Bridesmaids were Karen Hornberger of Houston, the bride's sister-in-law; Stephanie Gardner of Porter Heights, sister of the groom, and Barbara Daine of Selkirk.

George Glokler of Stillwater was best man. Ushers were Jan Janczak of Schenectady, Stephen Hornberger of

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### Wendy Hauser married

Wendy Sue Hauser, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Richard S. Hauser of McCormack Rd., Slingerlands, was married Oct. 24 to William Paul Liebl, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Liebl of Valhalla, N.Y., at St. Paul's Episcopal Church in Albany.

Sally Hauser, sister of the bride, was maid of honor. Bridesmaids were Becky Hodgkinson and Ann Carveth.

Carl Chapin was best man, and ushers were Michael Maliga, brother-in-law of the groom, and Erik Werner.

The bride is a graduate of Bethlehem Central High School, attended the State University at Oneonta and graduated from Cornell University. She was employed as a Cooperative Extension agent in Fulton and Montgomery counties.

Her husband attended Valhalla High School and Cornell, graduating with a degree in chemical engineering. He is



**Mr. and Mrs. William Liebl**

employed by Texas-Gulf in Wyoming.

The couple is living in Green River, Wyo.

### Yoga for mothers

The Albany Jewish Community Center, 340 Whitehall Rd., Albany will offer an eight week pre-natal Yoga exercise program starting in January on Wednesday evening, 7:30 to 9 p.m. and Thursday, 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. The fee is \$20 for members and \$30 for non-members.

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Mrs. Paul Germain

**Nina Jones married**

Nina M. Jones, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lester E. Jones of Surrey Mall, Slingerlands, was married Oct. 31 to Paul D. Germain, son of Mr. and Mrs. William F. Germain, 25 Oneida Terr., Albany, at St. Thomas the Apostle Church, Delmar. Rev. John Murphy performed the ceremony.

Mrs. Germain is a graduate of Bethlehem Central High School and is employed as a teller at National Savings Bank in Delmar. Her husband is a graduate of Christian Brothers Academy and Hudson Valley Community College. He is employed by Albany County as a social welfare examiner and job developer.

The couple is living at 5 Mariette Pl., Albany.

**Diana Keezer married**

Diana Marie Keezer, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin G. Keezer of 229 Elm Ave., Delmar, and Theron L. Dell, son of Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Dell of Biechman Rd., Ravena, were married on August 22 at the Dell home by Judge Harry Sturges of Ravena.

The bride was given in marriage by her father. Janice Leigh was maid of honor and Jerry Morse was best man.

A reception followed at the home of the groom with many family members and friends.

The bride is employed by Good Samaritan Nursing Home in Delmar and the groom is employed by his brother at Action Service in Schenectady.

They live in Delmar.

**Exercise to music**

The Bethlehem Parks and Recreation Department will offer a musical exercise class in January. The program will be open to children in grades 1 through 5 and will feature exercise set to rock, jazz and disco and country music.

Sessions will be at the Bethlehem Central Middle School Boys' Gym and are open to residents of the Town of Bethlehem and Bethlehem Central School District. Registration can be made by telephone (439-4131) or in person at the Elm Avenue Park Office beginning Dec. 14. There is a \$10 fee.

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Maura McShane, as Dora, listens as Mayor Fiorello LaGuardia, played by Jeff Goodman, make a point in Bethlehem Central High School's senior play last weekend. "Fiorello" played to packed houses. *Gary Zeiger*

**Spring show tryouts**

Stage 700, the Bethlehem Central High School musical production club, will be presenting "Wish You Were Here" March 25 through 27. Auditions, open to all high school students, will be held Dec. 15 through 17 at 2:15 p.m. in the high school auditorium.

"Wish You Were Here," adapted from the book "Having a Wonderful Time," was written in 1952 with lyrics and music by Harold Rome. The story takes place at Camp Carefree, a resort in the Catskills, where vacationers spend their two weeks in the mountains looking for romance.

The show will have a cast of 47. "Wish You Were Here" also has one very interesting

prop—a swimming pool. If all goes well, the audience in the first two rows will have to wear raincoats.

*Felice Zoota*

**Selkirk party**

Selkirk Fire Company #3, assisted by the auxiliary, will be sponsoring its 10th annual children's Christmas party on Saturday, Dec. 19, at 7 p.m. The party is open to all children, up to and including 10 years of age, from the South Bethlehem and South Albany areas and free of charge.

The main attraction will be Jim Snack, a professional magician.

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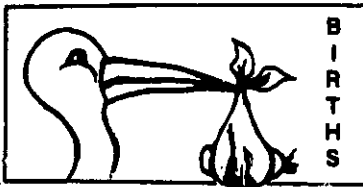
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**Albany Medical Center**

Boy, James Marion III, to Dr. and Mrs. James Veazey Jr., Delmar, November 14.

Twins, Kathleen Kells and William Kells, to Dr. and



Voorheesville seventh graders have made 40 toy motorboats to be given to the Toys for Tots program during the holidays. Among the contributors were, from left, Melissa LaRocke, Carrie Ford and Matthew Rose. Assisting were Industrial Art instructors James Hladun and Robert Muller.

**Arrested for pot sale**

A 16-year-old Clarksville boy was arrested by Bethlehem police last week and charged with criminal sale of

marijuana second degree.

The arrest stemmed from another arrest earlier this month. The Clarksville youth is alleged to have sold the drug to an 18-year-old Nov. 19, police said.

The 16-year-old was remanded to Albany County Jail by Town Justice Peter Wenger and is to appear in court again Dec. 22.

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## Voorheesville News Notes

Maryann Malark 765-4392

The Voorheesville Public Library is planning a series of movies through the holiday season. On Tuesday, Dec. 22 at 4 p.m., "A Very Merry Cricket" will be shown followed by "Christmas Lace," a movie for older children. The entire program will last about one hour. On Wednesday, Dec. 30 beginning at 2 p.m., "Danny," a movie about a girl and her horse, will be shown as well as one other short film. The program will last an hour and a half.

Also during the holiday season, the library will sponsor a fine-free week from Dec. 26 to Jan. 2. All overdue books returned during this time will not be charged any fines. Any long standing fines on record will be rounded to the next dollar and then halved.

St. Matthew's Youth Group invites the community to their annual caroling party in Hotaling Park on Sunday, Dec. 20, beginning at 8 p.m. A visit from a jolly old fellow with a white beard is planned for the younger set. Cocoa and coffee will be served in the Old Church following the sing-a-long. Everyone is invited.

Chris Farmer and Kevin McKenna, senior honor students at Clayton A. Bouton Junior Senior High School, as a result of superior ratings in last spring's NYSSMA competition, have been selected to participate in the All-State Band and Chorus at the Concord Hotel. Chris was given an outstanding rating for his performance on baritone sax and Kevin for voice. Recently, 15 Voorheesville students attended the area All-State Music Festival sponsored by NYSSMA in Saratoga. They are Matt Beals,

Doug Bernhard, Kay Bernstein, Kevin Andress, Greg Howard, Gretchen Gallagher, Jenny Ten Eyck, Dorothy Ungerer, Ann Olsen, Wendy Knapp, Brian McKenna, Kevin McKenna, Colleen McCurdy, Chris Farmer and Peter Richards.

### Don White honored

Don White of Voorheesville, community resource development specialist for Cornell Cooperative Extension in eastern New York State, has been awarded a state certificate of recognition from Lambda chapter of Epsilon Sigma Phi, extension's professional fraternity.

During the past 12 years,

White has been helping Cooperative Extension agents in a 17-county region determine needs for and design educational programs, assess program efforts, and build continuing relationships with state and local governmental agencies. His efforts have been related to community issues as varied as local government, mobile home park planning, small business education, human service delivery, and application of sludge to farm lands.

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**BASKETBALL**

**Blackbirds take a strong perch**

Voorheesville basketball fans should have a better line on their chances for a Colonial Council crown after Friday's home game with Cohoes, defending league champions. In the meantime, Coach Chuck Abba's contingent was booked for a trip to Ravena on Tuesday as this newspaper was going to press.

The Blackbirds got a Grade A scare from Albany Academy last Friday before staging an incredible rally for a 65-42 triumph. The score was deceiving: the Cadets made a close game closer by reeling off eight straight points for a 39-all tie with 35 seconds left in the third period.

That spurt either frightened or ignited the Blackbirds. Mike Lewis banked in a turn-around jumper for a 41-39 lead going into the final period, setting up a fabulous string of 19 unanswered points. With Lewis hitting on sets, layups and jumpers,

Voorheesville moved to a 58-39 bulge in the first four minutes of the fourth quarter before Dave Reed, a Delmar athlete, sank a free throw for the Cadets with 3:57 remaining. The Blackbirds pumped in six more points before Academy got its final basket. The fans may not see another 24-3 quarter for some time.

Voorheesville shooting and ball handling was on the sloppy side in the first half, and they settled for a 31-23 margin at intermission. They came out flat in the third period as the Cadets ate up the lead.

"We started the third quarter with a zone defense," commented Abba. "That turned out to be a mistake, so we switched back to man-to-man. Jim Harding and David Haaf applied a lot of pressure, denying the ball to their forwards. They did a lot of things most people can't readily see from the stands, and it worked very well."

Lewis, a 6-3 junior, made a big difference. He scored 22 points, 11 of them in the fourth-period surge. Paul Probst had 12, eight from the charity stripe. He flicked in his first four free throws, missed one, then hit four more in a row. John Zongrone, the only sophomore on the team, was promoted to a starting slot in the front line, but was held to four points. "He's doing a nice job," said Abba. "He's very poised for a sophomore."

**Call for volunteers**

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A silent but important visitor at the dinner honoring the 1981 Voorheesville football team was the Section 2 Division IV championship trophy, won by the Blackbirds in a 35-0 victory over Fort Edward at Saratoga. Admiring the prize are Coach Tom Buckley and Co.-Capt. Eric Sickinger and Karl Dedrick.

*Spotlight*

**DeAngelis gets CBA award**

Robert DeAngelis, son of Mr. and Mrs. Donald DeAngelis, 54 Woodstream Drive, Delmar, and a senior cadet at Christian Brothers Academy was the recipient of the Gene Kelsey Football Award presented at the CBA Varsity Football Banquet Dec. 6.

The award is presented annually to the CBA varsity football player who best demonstrates dedication, determination and desire. Bob played fullback and defensive tackle for the team for the past two years.

The winner was selected by vote of the CBA football team. He received a plaque and has his name inscribed on the permanent trophy at CBA.

**On the cover:**

Highlight of the Voorheesville football dinner at Legion Hall Saturday was a presentation by Coach Tom Buckley to Mrs. Vera Dollard, 78, the Blackbirds' No. 1 football fan. Mrs. Dollard, who lives "around the corner" from the varsity field, has attended almost every game, home and away, since the school was built on the site in 1958. Many of the teams through the years have had one of her grandsons on the field, including Brian, a member of this year's championship squad. A great-grandson, Kevin Rafferty, was on the 1981 jayvees.

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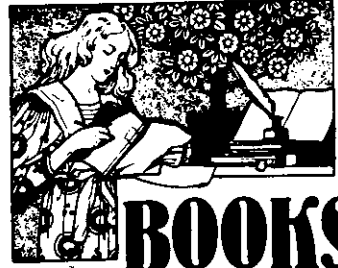
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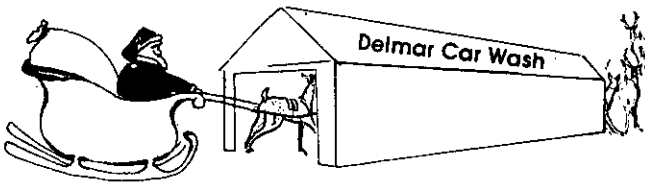
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## BASKETBALL

### Unbeaten Eagles alone at the top

With a headline like that, you probably think this essay is about Bethlehem Central's swimming team or its tennis team. Wrong. It's the basketball team, and you haven't seen anything like that for many years, if ever.

Two games do not a season make, however, and as Jim Tedisco's varsity began the third week of the season with a 2-0 record, the only undefeated team in the Suburban Council, it had 16 league games ahead.

The Eagles staved off a furious last-quarter spurt by Colonie Saturday and hung on for a 69-64 victory. Steve Gillespie, a combat veteran, and Brian Peek, a senior reserve, meshed two penalty

shots apiece in the final seconds as the Eagles clung to possession on a one-point lead. That strategy forced Colonie to foul to get the ball.

Bethlehem took command early, moving to a 37-22 lead at halftime. The margin was still comfortable at 14 points going into the final period, but it melted fast. Pete Gillespie, Steve's 6-4 sophomore brother who had canned 13 points in the first half, fouled out with five minutes left in the fourth, and that took away some of BC's backboard strength.

The Gillespies dominated the scoring, Steve with 20 points and Pete with 19 and 14 rebounds. Peek threw in 12.

The league is too well balanced and scholastic players too unpredictable to permit any team to go undefeated for long. BC had a perilous date at Niskayuna Tuesday before Columbia comes to Delmar Friday.

### BC honor roll

The following students at Bethlehem Central High School made the High Honor Roll — with averages 90 or above — for the first marking period of this school year:

#### Freshman

*John Allen, David Ashe, Loren Balsam, Nancy Berkowitz, Debora Blodgett, Anne Comi, Aaron Corman, Nina Diebel, Darrin Derosia, Martha Gohlke, Andrew Gordon, Rachel Greene, Jennifer Grierson, Michelle Hammond, John Harris, Theodore Harro, Carol Hernandez, Barbara Hipp, Matthew Holland, David Jones, Philip Kaminsky, Jared King, Ilissa Kotzin, Robert Kovach, Nina Lempert, Julie Liddle, Margaret Lierheimer, Krista Mackey, Kahleen Manzella, Melinda Martin, Clara Mascaro, Karin McCoy, Tera McKenna, Michael Miller, Gabriella Mirabelli, Alicia Morris, Peter Nelson, Dana Nuss, Christopher Oberheim,*

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#### Sophomores

Brian Bell, Andrew Bieracki, Kristin Boluch, Jaron Bourke, Stacey Buerle, Mary Ellen Burda, Kelly Burke, Tung Cai, Elizabeth Cardona, Lisa Clark, Susan Czerw, Patrick Davis, Thomas Denham, Erik Dullea, Debra Dunston, Darrin Everleth, Dagmar Fuhs, Kimberly Fuller, Peter Hammer, Kim Hostetter, Robert Irvine, Wendy Kahalas, Dennis LaDuke, Amy LaForte, Everly Macario, James MacFawn, Kara Mackey, Leann Maxwell, Kathleen McAllister, Carol McCormick, Elizabeth McGaughan, Timothy McNally, Colleen Nyilis, Michael Quinn, Jeff Randles, Ricky Relyea, John Rogers, Andrew Saidel, Thomas Schrempf, Janet Schaffer, Aryan Shayegani, Julie Ann Sosa, Damian Switzer, Marisa Weaver and John Zucker.

#### Juniors

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#### On the cover:

Sam, the equestrian favorite at the Albany Therapeutic Riding Center, Voorheesville, has a beautiful new blanket, courtesy of the Kiwanis Club of New Scotland. The presentation was made Saturday in a chilly breeze on Martin Rd. by Hector (Babe) Arbour, left, Kiwanis president, and Joe Chyrywat, chairman of the youth service committee, to Chris Lehman, right, instructor. In the foreground is Chris Douglas, 7, of Voorheesville, an autistic student sponsored by the Kiwanis. The center has 27 students and about 40 volunteers providing riding instruction

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Unless a plague or national disaster wipes out his varsity, Whipple should see that string extended to 66 this week. He indicated the meets at Albany Academy Wednesday of this week and with Troy High in Delmar Friday would be "grab bag" affairs, a technique that always delights his swimmers. The grab-bag routine has team members drawing their events from a hat just prior to the meet, a gimmick that gives backstrokers the fun of swimming breaststroke and butterfly specialists a shot at freestyle, et cetera.

It's BC's awesome domination of the Adirondack Swim League that inspires Whipple to seek the kind of challenge offered by a Western Massachusetts scholastic power like Pittsfield.

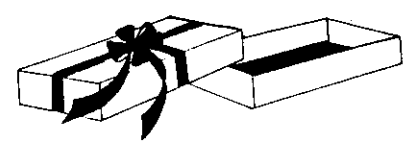
Take last Friday. Whipple permitted some of his freshmen and sophomores to swim in a jayvee meet at Hudson against the Hudson High varsity, so he took only half his regular squad to Amsterdam for the varsity's league encounter. The patchwork assemblage won nine of 11 events in compiling a 55-26 jobbie on Amsterdam, and the alleged jayvees won all 11 events at Hudson.

"I was very pleased with the performances of the younger kids," Whipple said over the weekend. "Matt Holland, a ninth grader, won the 500, was second to Jay Henahan in the 200 free, and swam on the winning 400 relay. Doug Schulz, a sophomore, won the 160-yard IM and the breaststroke, beating D.J. Fabozzi, who was second in the Sectionals last year."

For John Demarest, a senior transfer from Amsterdam, the meet set up a sequel to the legendary return of a conquering hero. Demarest won both freestyle sprints and anchored the freestyle relay, in which he had to come from behind to forge the win.

Last Wednesday's meet at Burnt Hills was a casualty of the snowstorm, and will be rescheduled.

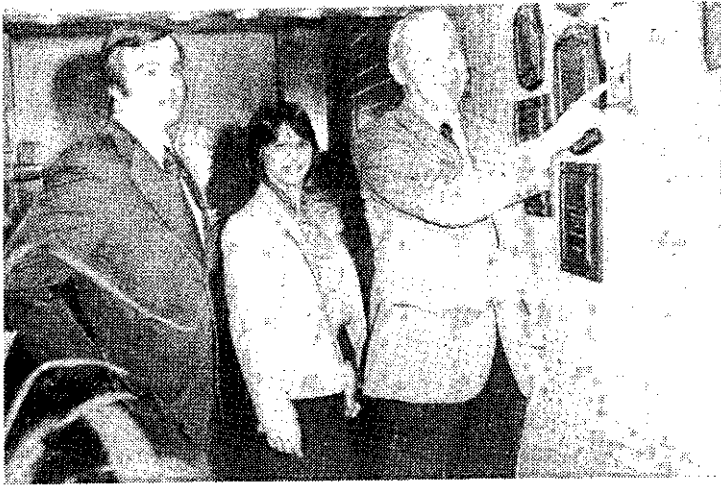
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### Dolphins place well

Delmar Dolphins collected four firsts and a wealth of seconds and thirds in Saturday's Canajoharie Invitational swim meet. The boys 10-and-under "A" team won the relay with Drew Patrick, Justin Baird, Chris Engstrom and Michael Miller after Miller had won his butterfly event, Keith Dix the boys 11-12 freestyle sprint and Shawn Flynn the boys 8-and-under 50-yard butterfly.


Brink Hartman had a second and two thirds, Drew Patrick two seconds and Aaron Halsdorf a second and a third. Merideth Dix had a second-place finish and third-place ribbons went to Susan Cleary, Justin Baird, David Cleary, Courtney Roos and Dorothy Hartman. Turning in "B" times were Chris Engstrom (2), Susan Cleary and Marianne Hvalsmarken.

### JCC offers courses

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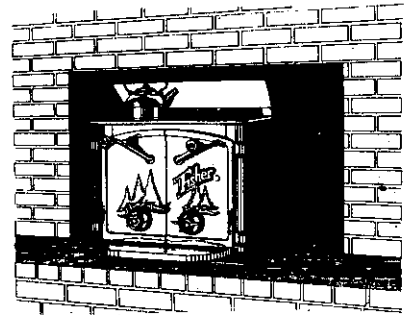
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**Conditioning to rock**

The Bethlehem Parks and Recreation Department will offer a "Rock Aerobics" program for students of high school age from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. Mondays at the Bethlehem Central Middle School boys' gym beginning Jan. 11. The program is open to residents of the Bethlehem Central School District and the Town of Bethlehem.

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## Coach says Mergers would have won with Kathy

Coach Nadine Bassler of the combined Voorheesville-Guiderland swim team would like to have those two meets with Shaker and Hudson Falls back, now that she has Kathy Riley eligible for action.

The Mergers lost both meets by a couple of ripples, fading in the final event, the 400-yard freestyle relay. Shaker edged them by 43-39 in the season's opener at Voorheesville, and Hudson Falls squeaked through by 88-81 in the six-lane tank up north.

Not one for making excuses, Bassler points out that her team would have taken both meets if they had won the final relay. She has only eight boys on the team, including two Voorheesville eighth graders, and she had to use the youngsters in the critical relay both times.

Things should be better this week against Burnt Hills at home Wednesday and at Amsterdam Friday with Riley in the lineup. The Guiderland senior was barred from last week's combat because her school superintendent's ruling on an appeal came too late for her to get in the required

practice time before swimming in competition.

"I believe we would have won both those meets if we'd had her," said Bassler. "She will swim the 200 and 500 freestyle and the 400 relay."

Kathy's presence should take some of the pressure off the younger swimmers. The established stars pile up points regardless, especially Dirk Applegate, a Voorheesville junior. Applegate set school records in the 100 and 200 freestyle against Shaker and swam a leg on the winning medley relay. At Hudson Falls he won the 50 free and the 500, and again teamed with Carl Renshaw, Ricky Bult and Kevin Anderson to win the medley. Renshaw also won the 200 individual medley and Bult the 200 freestyle.

Rival coaches marvel at the points scored by a team with only eight members, now nine with Riley, especially when the 11 events are in a six-lane pool. An additional problem is V-G's lack of divers: they conceded six easy points to two Shaker divers, and Hudson Falls swept all 10 points on the boards.

"We're doing super with what we have," says Bassler.

"We just need more people, and we'll have help now with Kathy."

### Contract to Callanan

Callanan Industries Inc. of South Bethlehem was the

lowest of six bidders, at \$1.19 million, on a state contract to resurface nine miles of Rts. 157 and 157A in New Scotland, Berne and Knox, according to the state Department of Transportation. Contracts are to be let in a month and work is to be completed by Oct. 31.

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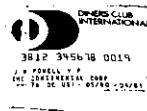
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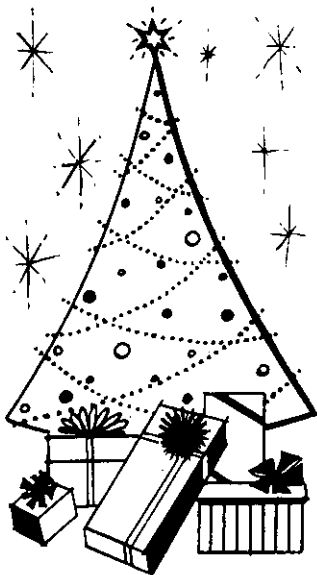


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**VOLLEYBALL**

**BC wins must game; upset in tourney**

Coach Carol Walts called it a "do or die situation."

"We had to stay abreast of Shaker in the tie for second place if we were to have a chance at the council title," said the BC varsity volleyball coach. "Colonie was also tied with us."

BC hosted the Colonie team in front of stands packed with Shaker volleyball enthusiasts who had come to watch the crucial match. Playing without starter Laurie Weinert, Bethlehem pulled out the first game 15-12, lost the second 15-13, and then destroyed a Colonie team that seemed to fall apart, 15-3. Partly responsible was Lisa Apicelli, who came off

the bench to amply fill Weinert's starting spot. The loss dropped Colonie to third place in the standings and left Shaker and BC tied for second behind Shenendehowa.

Wednesday saw BC defeat a chronically weak Guilderland team in two straight games, 15-8 and 15-11. But the important development on Wednesday was Shenendehowa's surprise loss to Shaker, dropping the Plainsmen to 8-1 and a tie for first place with Shaker and BC.

With this good news, Walts and her courtsiders left for the prestigious two-day Suburban Council tournament, which called for endurance and patience from the girls. Playing back-to-back matches, the BC girls downed Niskayuna and Mohanasen in four straight games. Seemingly tired, Bethlehem then lost two to arch-rival Shaker and split two with Scotia, whom they had beaten earlier in the season. But the tourney points accumulated by BC in these elimination rounds were enough to put them in the semifinals against Shenendehowa on Saturday.

Saturday seems to be a nemesis for BC. The previous weekend they lost to Ravena

on a match point decided by a controversial red-card against a BC player. This time BC, the tournament's defending champ, provided little challenge to Shenendehowa, which won in two straight games, 15-6 and 15-7. "Perhaps we were intimidated by the extreme height of the girls. Shenendehowa also had a very large team," said Coach Walts.

That semifinal game may be a preview of Monday's game against Shenendehowa, a must if they want to repeat last year's photo finish tie for the Suburban Council title.

This Friday and Saturday the Eagles go to the Section 2 volleyball championships, where they will face seven of the area's top teams and where they hope to reclaim last year's title.

Bethlehem's JV team continued its winning ways, guarding its 1981 9-0 record by beating Guilderland and Colonie, whose junior varsity team had been undefeated for two consecutive years.

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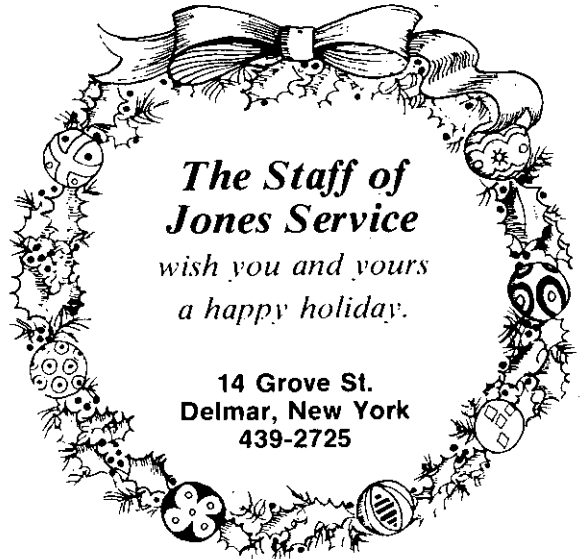
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**Airman Elden C. Miller**

Airman Elden C. Miller, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert L. Gordinier of Glenmont, has been assigned to Shepard Air Force Base, Wichita Falls, Texas, where he is training to be a maintenance specialist. He completed his basic training at Lackland Air Force Base, Texas.

Thomas R. Milette, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frances A. Milette of 8 Merrifield Pl., Delmar, recently entered the Air Force delayed enlisted program, according to Tech. Sgt. Frank Proctor, Air Force recruiter in Albany.

The 1981 graduate of Bethlehem Central High School is scheduled to leave for basic training at Lackland Air Force Base near San Antonio, Tex. on March 30.

Marine 1st Lt. Henry A. Digeser, son of Henry J. and Elenor U. Digeser of 35 Greenock Road, Delmar, has reported for duty with Marine Air Control Squadron Four, Marine Corps Air Station, Futenma, on Okinawa.

He joined the Marine Corps in May, 1978. His wife, Nancy, is the daughter of Robert W. and Ethyl Pennamacour of 29 Carriage Road, Delmar.

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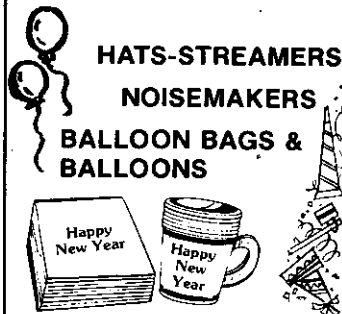
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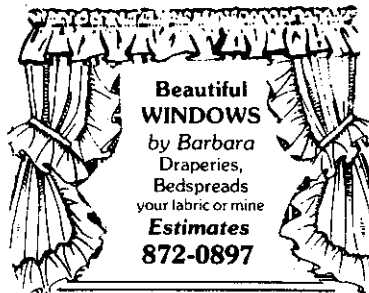
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### Community support

Editor, The Spotlight:

Last week's issue of *The Spotlight* carried a reference to the WMHT November Membership Drive and the work of the Delmar Kiwanis, prime examples of people helping people. A strained economy will increase the demand for more personal support for other worthwhile community programs. Support does not always mean money.

Aside from Kiwanis, there are a number of other service clubs in our area which will gladly welcome new mem-

bers. If there are New Year's resolutions to be made, maybe some of us would want to think along the lines of greater community involvement in 1982. There's no better time to think about service club participation.

*Tim O'Brien*

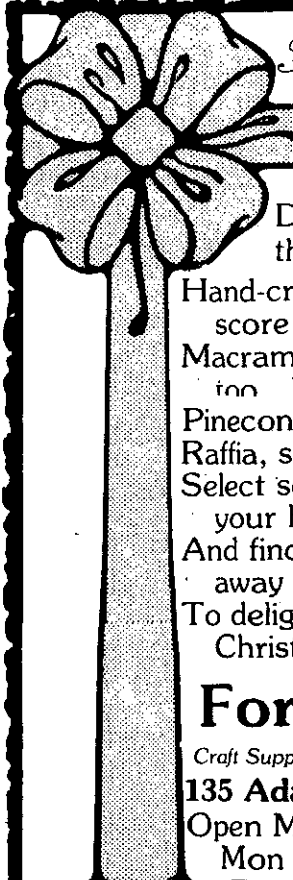
Delmar

### Against shopping center

Editor, The Spotlight:

My husband and I read with interest the Dec. 3 letter-to-the-editor by Mr. and Mrs. Whipple concerning the proposed shopping center in Slingerlands. It is not surprising that a store owner would be interested in turning a residential area into a shopping center. It is also not surprising that a store owner should choose to describe paving over a grassy knoll as a way to "enhance that area greatly" as this is the same term the developer of the property used when he proposed the plaza (*Spotlight*, Oct. 2).

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Slingerlands proper and not off on a side road, as do the Whipples, do not want our front yards "enhanced" by macadam, cinder blocks and air-conditioning units. Unless the Whipples have inside information, we fail to understand how they are so certain the shopping center would improve the land. We also fail to understand how they know that the type of stores would give shoppers a drive to Delmar.

We can't help but conclude that the Whipples plan to build a "convenient" jewelry store to save us all a ride to their Albany store. We also can't help but wonder how enthusiastic the Whipples would be if the shopping center were to be built across the street from their home.

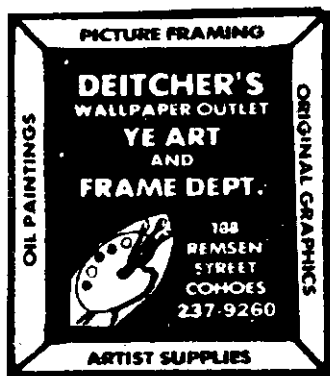
The residents of Slingerlands do not believe this development of a shopping center would enhance our

property, and the opinion of the Whipples is definitely in the minority.

*Cheryl Ann Bentley  
Bruce Bentley*

Slingerlands

*Wayne Whipple responds that he has "no intention of opening a store" in Slingerlands. He wrote his letter, he said, because "I do think a shopping mall would be handy out here." Ed.*



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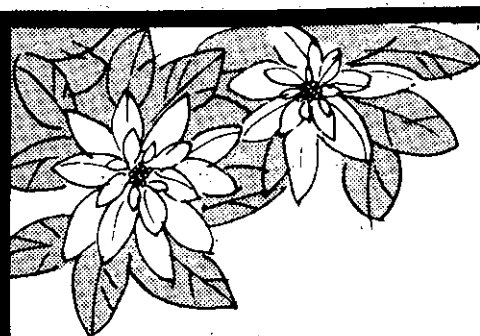
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# Community Corner

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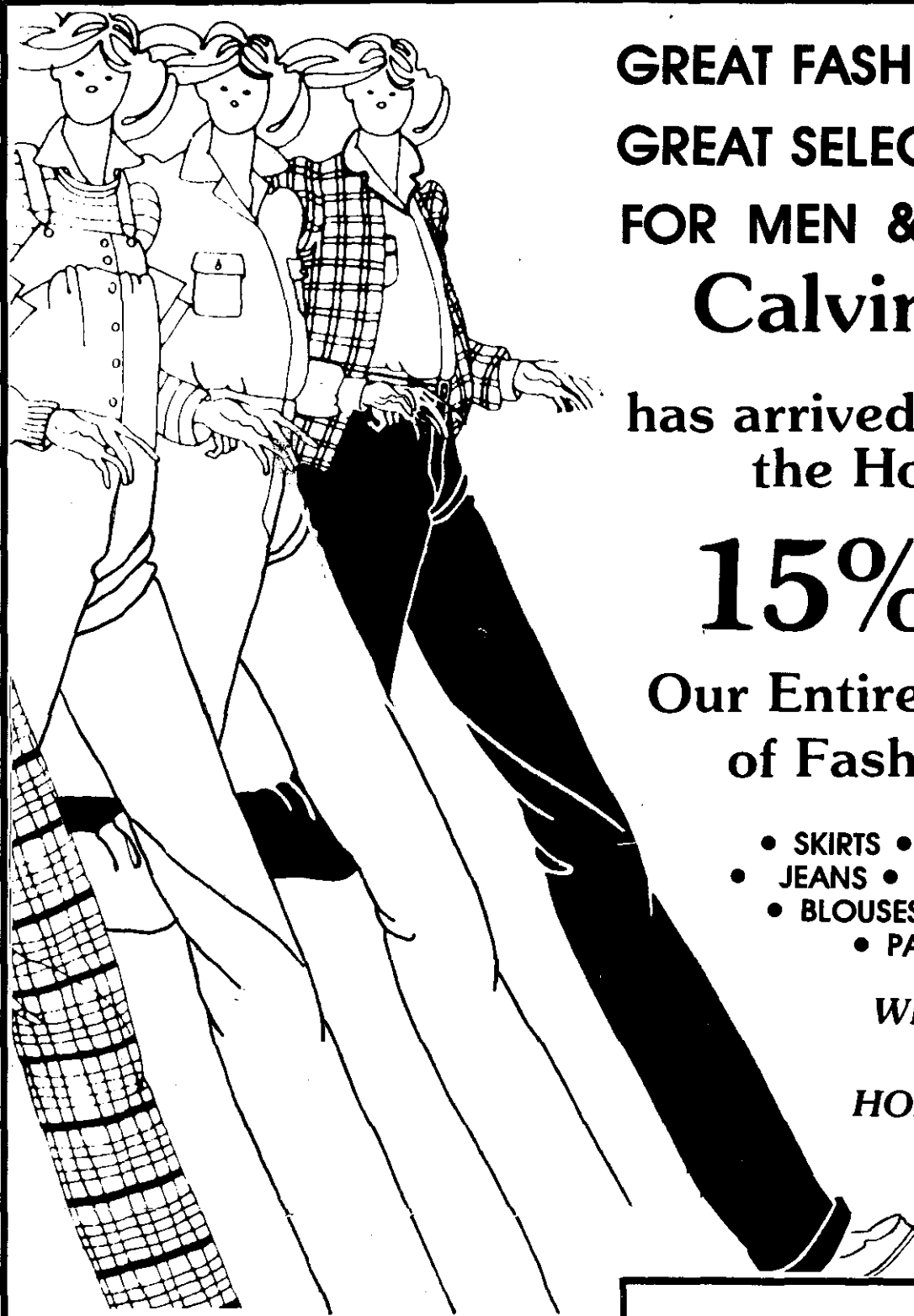
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