

# Chemung Signs Pact With Highway Workers

1/19/81

By BETTY TUCCINARDI

**CHEMUNG** — The Town Board of Chemung met Tuesday evening in the Municipal Building on the Rotary Road in routine session and signed a contract with the Communications Workers of America to represent the highway employees.

Later this month, the building committee will meet with Highway Superintendent Dean Peters to discuss the finishing touches on the new building so that the road equipment may take possession of the facilities.

A resolution was unanimously passed to notify the Board of Elections that the two voting booths have been moved to the Rotary Road building.

**CORRECTION:** The Chemung Canal Trust Company was named a depository for Town funds in addition to the Marine Midland Bank at the Organization Meeting on Jan. 6.

## CHEMUNG GRANGE PANCAKE SUPPER

At a regular meeting Saturday night at the Van Dusen home, members of Chemung Grange No. 1104 made plans to have a pancake supper on Jan. 24 at the Grange Hall on Main Street, Chemung. The Cowboy and Cowgirl, Bill Grace and Mabel Miller, will begin rustling up sausage and eggs, as well as the pancakes, at 4 p.m. and will not desert their posts until everyone who comes has been served.

Elsie Thomas reported that she, Pauline Van Dusen, Kate Grace and Betty Tuccinardi awakened Marian and Nelson Snell from their afternoon naps with Christmas Carols. Both have been in poor health for several months.

Pauline Van Dusen presided at the meeting which was followed by games.

## WINTER WONDERLAND

The Bazaar Committee of the Chemung United Methodist Church met at the parsonage on Tuesday morning to elect Joyce Emms

chairman. She will be assisted by Jan LaRock who planned the 1980 Bazaar.

Linda Freeman will preside over the kitchen, and Elsie Thomas was elected treasurer. Kate Grace will be in charge of the baked goods table while Diane Witcosky will arrange for participation of the children of the Sunday School. Another Sunday School project, the fish pond, will be supervised by Vickie Grace.

Virginia Smith is the coordinator for the White Elephant table, Betty Robinson for Crafts, and Lucille Ellis will arrange the plants.

At the Youth Booth will be Cathy Freeman and Susan Stanton. Mrs. Emms will make posters to advertise the event, and Betty Tuccinardi will take care of media publicity. A new feature this year will be the Men's Booth over which Norman Fuller will preside. Judy Fuller will round up door prizes.

While all kinds of hand knits will be available, emphasis will be on mittens.

# Chemung Firemen Award Plaque

By BETTY TUCCINARDI  
CHEMUNG — At the last meeting of the Chemung Volunteer Fire Department, Robert Post was awarded a plaque for twenty years of service to the department. He is a past fire chief and assistant fire chief.

In other business, plans were begun for a fund drive to finance emergency receivers. These are plectrons which are hooked onto a fireman's belt so that he can be contacted by the dispatcher. The fireman will then be able to proceed directly to the fire instead of reporting first to the station, thereby reducing response time. Karl Bowers, chairman of the drive, estimates that \$5,000 will cover plectrons for the firemen, emergency medical technicians, and ambulance crew.

The Fire Department has on hand fire extinguishers made by American LaFrance and weighing about 2¾ lbs., and they are recommended for putting out almost any fire around the house. They are reasonably priced, and more information can be had from the Fire Department.

## METHODIST WOMEN

Officers of the Wilawana United Methodist Women met with Alice Goddard to plan the program for the year. Included in the group were Dorothy

Jean Secrist, president; Janice Sherwood, vice-president; Della Scudder, treasurer; and Beverly Lattimore, Sunshine recorder.

Mrs. Lattimer was chosen to organize the 1981 bazaar which will be held in the Wilawana Community Hall sometime during the fall months.

This group will serve breakfast of eggs and sausages at 7:30 a.m. on March 8 followed by services at 9 a.m. Members will conduct the entire services with the exception of the sermon which will be delivered by the pastor, the Rev. Charles W. Goddard.

## QUIET DAY OF PRAYER

Beverly Sherman, one of the coordinators of the Quiet Day of Prayer, has announced that the date has been changed from Feb. 25 to March 4. Also called a "Day-a-Part", this day of spiritual renewal will be held in the sanctuary of the Chemung United Methodist Church from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m.

Those attending are asked to bring their own lunches, but beverages will be furnished. In addition, a childhood picture is requested of each participant, and a baby sitting service will be held by Sylvia Plaisted at her home.

## PUBLIC MEETING

On March 10 at 7:30 p.m. a public meeting will be held at the Chemung Elementary School concerning a referendum to be held later in March. The outcome of the vote will probably determine whether or not the school is to be closed.

## VALENTINE PARTY

At the Valentine Party held in the Fellowship Hall of the Chemung United Methodist Church last Saturday evening, Jane LaRock and the Rev. Charles Goddard were chosen King and Queen of Hearts for costumes that most resembled Valentines.

Spirited bidding on box lunches resulted in a donation to the fuel fund. In charge of arrangements were Carol Stanton, Beverly Sherman and Alice Goddard.

The next meeting of this adult recreation group will be held on March 7 and will be an International Night. On Mrs. Stanton's committee for the affair are Diane Witcosky and Sylvia Plaisted.

## CHURCH ADMINISTRATIVE BOARD

At the Chemung United Methodist Administrative

Board Meeting Monday night, plans were made to hold a Kaffe Klatch after the 11 a.m. services from March 8 through Mother's Day, May 10. Lay Leader Ed Plaisted presided at the meeting.

At a related meeting to follow up on the Board's drive for 100 plus average attendance every Sunday, the Sunday School teachers met

Thursday evening to plan an attendance contest beginning March 8.

Chaired by Diane Witcosky, Sunday School Director, it was decided to display a large pizza which will be filled with appropriate garnishes awarded on percentage points to classes bringing visitors to both the school and church.

# Chemung Plans Memorial Parade

4/1/81

By BETTY TUCCINARDI  
CHEMUNG  
MEMORIAL PARADE

Memorial Day will be celebrated in Chemung on Sunday, May 31 with a parade, services in the cemetery and a fish-to-pass dinner at the Chemung Elementary School. The event was planned during an organizational meeting at the school on March 16.

The Rev. Fred Mitchell of the Chemung Baptist Church and the Rev. Charles Goddard of the Chemung United Methodist Church will give the prayer and Scripture reading respectively.

Again this year, the Chemung Grange will sponsor a speaking contest for students at the Chemung Elementary School.

The next meeting will be held on Monday, May 4 at 7:30 p.m. at the school.

## CHEMUNG GRANGE

Chemung Grange No. 1104 hosted approximately 75 members of the Eastern Milk Producers last Monday night during a banquet at the Grange Hall. Master Pauline Van Dusen and Mabel Miller of the Hospitality Committee co-hosted the affair. Sue Van Dusen was in charge of the dining room, assisted by Joan Cole, Gertrude Warren, Bill Grace, Elsie Thomas and Helen Banzhof. Mrs. Van Dusen, Mrs. Miller, Jean Hughes, Kate Grace and Betty Tuccinardi assisted with the cooking. David Van Dusen and Nancy Cole, children of members, were also on hand.

At the planning meeting, which was held at the Ben Van Dusen home, Henry Van Dusen, age 99 and a Past Master, opened the Grange in the Fourth Degree entirely from memory.

## BRIAN TRIBE ZONE WINNER

Brian Tribe of Clark Road

carried home the first place trophy in the Bible Quiz held Saturday in Owego. He will compete later in the Spring in the Upstate regional contest. This year's quiz, sponsored by the Church of the Nazarene, is based on the Book of Acts.

## CHEMUNG ELEMENTARY ART SHOW

On Friday night, the art students of Karen Behrens held an exhibition at the Chemung Elementary School. The exhibit covered a wide variety of art forms, such as three-dimensional models of "machines" that did something" constructed from two-dimensional drawings, finger painting, clay, scratch art which is black-crayoned over a bright color and the design scratched on the black.

Demonstrating clay models were Brian Post and Todd Warren. Jennifer Robbins and Kate Halaiko showed how rocks were painted and Cale Bodine and Cindy Purdy worked with craft sticks and clothes pins.

## CHEMUNG UNITED METHODIST ADMINISTRATIVE BOARD MEETING

The Administrative Board Meeting of the Chemung United Methodist Church met last Tuesday evening at the parsonage with Ed Plaisted presiding. The feasibility of a bus ministry to pick up children in outlying areas for Sunday School will be studied. In other business, the board approved an Easter egg hunt for the Sunday School on the afternoon of Palm Sunday.

## PUPPET SHOW AT CHEMUNG BAPTIST CHURCH

David Cornelius of Holly Park, Lowman, presented a puppet show at the Chemung Baptist Church last Sunday

night. Using puppets he makes himself, he told the story of how Gideon had reduced his army of 22,000 to 300 before routing the enemies of the Israelites.

The occasion was the 31st anniversary of the founding of the Awana groups for young people. The staff of ten leads an average of forty young people per meeting. A program of music and Bible verses preceded the puppet show, and the evening was closed with a social hour and birthday cake for parents and friends.

On Saturday, some thirty young people were taken swimming at the Waverly Central School pool. They were accompanied by Ruth Rote, Lynn Conklin, Jim Cramer, Marvin Robinson and Pastor Fred Mitchell.

The church's oldest member, Mrs. Amelia Thetge, now living in Elmira, will be honored at a party on April 12 at 6 p.m. at the church.

She is 93 years old. On the same evening, a missionary film "The Amazon Waits" will be shown.

## CHEMUNG VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT

A spring ham party will be held Saturday night, April 4, at the Fire Hall in Chemung. The affair is being sponsored by the Chemung Volunteer Fire Department.

## EASTER CANTATA

Carol Stanton is holding rehearsals for an Easter Cantata to be performed at the two United Methodist Churches of the Chemung parish: 9 a.m. at Wilawana and 11 a.m. at Chemung, both on Sunday, April 19. Sheryl St. John of Elmira has arranged the music and Betty Tuccinardi has written a soliloquy by Peter and a skit. The skit will be in pantomime under the direction of Joyce Emms.

# Churches Present Easter

CHEMUNG — BUTTERFLY, an Easter cantata, was presented Sunday at both the Wilawana and Chemung United Methodist Churches. During the rendition of the theme song, banners to which various colored butterflies had been attached were lowered over each side of the chancel. Cheryl St. John and the Rev. Bryce Blair were the arrangers for "Butterfly". Other numbers by the chancel choir under the direction of Carol Stanton were "Lord, Make Me Clean," "O Sacred Head," and "Walk In The Shoes" by Gregory Norbet, U.S.B.

Interspersed in the cantata, the Rev. Charles W. Goddard, pastor, read a soliloquy of the Apostle Peter written by Betty Tuccinardi and based on the spiritual "Were You There" which was also arranged by Miss St. John and the Rev. Bryce.

The Che-Wills quartet, whose members are Mrs. Stanton and Janice LaRock, sopranos and altos Joyce

Emms and Dorothy Jean Secirst, sang "Easter Song".

Early in the morning, the Rev. Goddard conducted a sunrise service at the Sherwood-Vaughn residence on Ridgebury Heights and this was followed by breakfast at the Chemung church served by the Elizabeth Circle.

## FIRES

The Chemung Volunteer Fire Department was called Thursday evening to a chimney fire at the Card residence on the River Road. However, one of the firemen described it as a "freaky" fire because when they arrived with six pieces of equipment, an electric dryer which vented into a wall air space had started another fire.

Since the air spaces surround the house, there was potential for total destruction, but prompt action by the fire department averted that.

Nevertheless, there was extensive smoke and water damage. While the Wellsburg Volunteer Fire Department stood by, Chemung responded

with six pieces of fire-fighting equipment and about 25 men.

Last week, the Volunteer fire fighters responded to a grass fire on the Dry Brook and Soule's Hill Roads which burned over more than 100 acres. Also at the scene was equipment from Wellsburg, Southport and Pine City with Athens and Webb Mills Departments standing by. In addition, the State Fire Warden with a state truck assisted.

At the same time, Chemung and Sayre equipment fought a grass fire on the River Road.

## MEMORIAL COMMEMORATION

Diane Witcosky, director of the Sunday School at the Chemung United Methodist Church, has announced that a contest will be held for the children of the church school to design a float for the Fourth Annual Memorial Day Parade on Sunday, May 31. Contestants will base their ideas on a Biblical theme.

Another feature will be a drill team from the Clarence

Oliver American Legion Post No. 154 of Elmira Heights.

## BIBLE SCHOOL

Part of the program of the Vacation Bible School at the Chemung United Methodist Church will be a story read nightly at a campfire during the week of Aug. 17-21. The story, being written by Nola Carroll and Linda Freeman, will be told by Sylvia Plaisted and Virginia Smith who are attending a story-telling seminar at Elmira College. During the afternoon of May 24, they will present a workshop at the home of Beverly and Harry Sherman on the Wynkoop Road.

## RUMMAGE and BAKE SALE

April 30 and May 1 are the dates for the rummage and bake sale sponsored by the United Methodist Women. The sale will be held at the parking lot of the church on Main Street, hours 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. In case of inclement weather, the Administrative Board gave permission to use the church hall.

pay him back for some of those 50 years.  
Dr. John M. Thomas, President of the Guthrie Clinic explained the reasons behind the upcoming testimonial: "Dr.

## Vacation Bible School Holds Final Campfire 4/1/81

By BETTY TUCCINARDI  
VACATION  
BIBLE SCHOOL

CHEMUNG — The last campfire of the Chemung-Wilawana United Methodist Vacation Bible School was held Friday night with skits, songs and spiritual time. As last year, classes were intergenerational and covered special interests in addition to study of Acts 1 through 10.

"Whobodies — Aren't Just Anybody: Whobodies are Special", group that concentrated on pantomime, clown make-up, and songs with motion, was led by Nola Carroll, Joyce Emms and Linda Freeman.

The "Creative Expression Dream Team" made up booklets of the Bible School stories with photographs, and took a trust walk. Carol Stanton and daughter Susan, and Virginia and Dave Smith were the leaders.

Debbie Weston and Kathy Curren with the pre-kindergarten children, made friendship kits.

In the Art group with Diane Witcosky, Della Scudder, Vicki Hilliker and Wanda Peters as leaders and Elsie Thomas, the grandmother, set up various learning centers with an airplane and a telephone booth and designed T-shirts. They also made a film strip of their activities.

Dorothy Jean Secrist, Kate Grace and Jim Carroll led the music group in various activities and songs, including a "swamp night".

The final group was the Golden Asrams taken from

the study of Christian missions in India, "asram" meaning holy group. Led by Pauline Bacorn, Duane Hafer and Betty Tuccinardi, with Dean Peters as the grandfather, the students decorated tin and glassware with shells, and made wind chimes from pre-creased tin can lids. Carry Tribe won the prize in this class for her ability to recite all the Bible verses for the week on Friday night.

Alice Goddard and Anna Ridler kept the babies from under foot. The material for the Bible week was written by Mrs. Carroll, Mrs. Freeman and Mrs. Tuccinardi and Rhonda Kouterick and Mrs. Witcosky drew up the lesson plans, all typed by Polly Bangs. Pauline Van Dusen and Dudley French planned the campfire activities during which Jim Carroll accompanied the singing with his guitar.

Jan LaRock designed the "graduation" certificates, with Ida Clark in charge of the nightly refreshments.

Vickie Grace was director.

### CLIFF REED YOUTH LEADER

Cliff Reed of Mitchell, Neb., formerly with the Youth For Christ in Owego, came to the Chemung United Methodist Church Saturday evening, to show slides of "Ranchero de L'Amore" in Wyoming. After a Fellowship Supper, Ray and Linda McCaslin of Millerton led contemporary gospel songs, accompanying the singers on the organ and guitar.

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Dr. Beck and his wife, Jane, res...  
Waverly and are the parents of three daughters



## Chemung Parade

6/1/81

Memorial Day services were held in Chemung yesterday. A parade started activities in the afternoon, followed by services at graveside. The

Awana Club is shown as they took part in the parade.

Evening Times Photo — Cole

# Laura Short Awarded Memorial Day Prize

6/1/81

By BETTY TUCCINARDI

Laura Short, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Short, was awarded the Chemung Grange sponsored prize for her recitation of "Lincoln's Gettysburg Address" at the Memorial Day Commemoration at Chemung on Sunday. Mrs. Pauline Van Dusen, Grange Master, awarded the prize to the fourth grade student.

On the Awards Committee were Virginia French, Helen Hoffman and Elsie Thomas, all retired teachers.

A feature of the parade was a troupe of clowns, newly organized and trained by Joyce Emms. Floats were launched by the Chemung Baptist Awana Clubs and Sunday School, the Chemung United Methodist Sunday School, Sylvia's Angels 4-H Club, the Chemung United Methodist Choir, and the Chemonkeys 4-H Club. A Rifle Squad from the Oliver B. Bently Post of the Elmira Heights Legion and St. Omer's Commandery, Knights Templar, of Elmira were colorful additions to the line of march.

In keeping with the solemn-

ty of the occasion, Supervisor William Halaiko opened the cemetery observances with a brief reminder that we owe our freedom to all members of the Armed Services who gave their lives. The Rev. Charles W. Goddard, pastor of the Chemung United Methodist Church, read selected verses from I Corinthians 15, and the Rev. Fred Mitchell offered a prayer and spoke on the Christian meaning of the Resurrection.

Choir members of both churches under the direction of Judy Dimmick sang "My Country 'Tis of Thee" and "God Bless America". The Rifle Team fired three salutes, and the services were closed by "Taps" and an echo played by Jim Brewster and Joe Satterly of the Waverly High School band.

A capacity crowd enjoyed a picnic lunch at the Masonic hall which was opened for guided tours by members of the Masonic organization. During the afternoon, Diane Witcosky, who chaired the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation Fund Drive, led a group of bicyclists on a five mile run.

The Chemung Volunteer

Fire Department held open house for tours of their equipment. On each fire-fighting unit was a placard comparing the original cost and the present replacement cost.

# Ponder Food Cupboard To Help Offset Federal Cuts

10/3/81

By BETTY TUCCINARDI  
CHEMUNG — A meeting has been called for Monday night at 7:30 in the Chemung Volunteer Fire Hall to study the feasibility of establishing a Community Food Cupboard. Because a number of programs to help the elderly, families with children, those who have high medical expenses and so forth are being discontinued or reduced, it will become the mission of the local people to form a program to reach out to those in need.

Speakers from Waverly and Elmira will be on hand to explain how the program operates on the local level and to point out resources that are available to the area through the Office of Social Ministry in Elmira.

## BAZAAR TIME

Plans for the Fifth Annual Winter Wonderland Bazaar at the Chemung United Methodist Church are approaching a climax under the direction of Joyce Emms. Friday and Saturday, Nov. 6 and 7, will see the doors open a display of hand knitted mittens and sweaters, baked goods, jams and jellies, a white elephant table, and other items found in a well organized bazaar. A hot meal from the kitchen, in charge of Linda Freeman, assisted by Beverly Sherman, Alice Goddard, Polly Bangs, Sylvia Robinson and Pauline Bacorn, will be available from noon on through the day.

Supervising the home baked good table will be Kate Grace with aides Anna Ridler, Elnora Freeman and Joan Bowers. Virginia Smith, helped by Betty Miller, Wanda Peters and Betty Tuccinardi, will supervise the White Elephant table. Vickie Grace and her assistants, Shirley Parks and Mabel Miller, will provide the fish pond for the children.

At the craft table will be Betty Robinson, Jan LaRock, Virginia French and Linda Bakera. Kathy Curven and Susan Stanton will set up the Youth Booth and Diane Witcoskie and Pauline Van Dusen are helping the children of the Sunday School do their share toward making the bazaar a success.

Soliciting plants are Lucille Ellis and Florence Groer

Norman Fuller is chairman of their participation. Mrs. Emms is making posters and Mrs. tuccinardi is responsible for publicity. Elsie Thomas is heading the Treasury Committee with the assistance of Ida Clark, Martha Hilliker, Edna Culver and Bill Grace. The squad that will return the Sunday School room of its normal appearance after the last item is sold will be Harry Sherman and Sylvia and Ed Plaisted.

## DEMOLITION DERBY

Harold and Betty Benjamin captured first and third trophies at the demolition derby held at Fraley's Park on Sunday, Sept. 27.

## METHODIST WOMEN MEET

The Chemung United Methodist Women held their first Fall meeting at the Tuccinardi home, with Linda Freeman presiding. Among the summer activities, it was noted that a reception was held for the Rev. and Mrs. Goddard to welcome them back for another year in the parsonage. Ed Plaisted, Harry Sherman and the Rev. James Carroll were sponsored on a retreat at Purdue University.

Attending the Mission Camp session at Camp Casowasco were Joyce Emms, Beverly Sherman, Polly Bangs and Alice Goddard. Sponsored also at Camp Casowasco were Kathleen Bowers, David Smith, Michelle Baker, Peggy Bell, Dawn Peters and Donna Plaisted.

Vickie Grace, Mrs. Goddard and Jan LaRock were appointed to the Nominating Committee and will present a slate of officers at the October meeting which will be held at the Van Dusen home with Mrs. Goddard as co-hostess.

## NEW GRANGE MASTER

Esley Boardman was unanimously elected Master of Chemung Grange No. 1104 at the first meeting of the Fall season. Serving with him are Gertrude Warren, overseer; Palmer Nelson, lecturer; Bill Grace, steward; Robert Miller, assistant steward; Mabel Miller, lady assistant steward; Joan Cole, chaplain; Eugene Cole, treasurer; Betty Tuccinardi, secretary; Francis Warren, gatekeeper; Jean Hughes, care; Elsie Thomas, Pennoea; Mildred Nelson, Esley, on the Executive Com-

Committee appointments by the new Master were Kate Grace, musician; Mrs. Miller, women's hospitality and service; Mrs. Van Dusen to the Membership Committee and Mr. Nelsen to chair the Legislative Committee. Irene Boardman will serve as Flag Bearer.

Bob Miller, of the Chemung

County Fair Committee, reported that the Chemung Grange exhibit received first prize.

On Friday night, the majority of the officers were installed in ceremonies held at Veteran Grange. Those who were unable to be present will be installed at a later date by a Past Master.

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Front Hospital Church of Beth...  
by Creek on Sunday from 2...  
until 4 p.m.  
All friends and neighbors  
are invited.



# Cookie Exchange Enjoyed by Women

**CHEMUNG** — The annual Christmas cookie exchange by the Chemung United Methodist Women was held Monday night at the church. Each member brought cookies to give to others and received a variety in return. Alice Goddard, Kate Grace and Pauline Van Dusen provided a program of games, skits and traditional carols.

## BOY SCOUTS

Members of Den 2, along with their leaders Bonnie Groom and Flo Bowers, entertained the guests at Heritage House Monday evening with Christmas carols. The den of twelve boys is working on Bobcat badges which half the boys have already earned. By Spring, work should be completed. The Den also made pine cone wreaths.

Den 2, led by Barbara Warren, decided that their Christmas project will be donations for the Chemung Community Food Cupboard.

Last month both dens painted litter cans, Den 1 placing theirs at the store and Den 2 at the Fire Hall.

The Scouts will hold their Christmas party at the school on Dec. 22.

## ADVENT AT CHURCH

Anticipating the Christmas season, the Sunday School of the Chemung United Methodist Church presented an advent program Sunday evening at the church. Taking roles in a play written by Mrs. Nola Carroll and Mrs. Linda Freeman were Mrs. Vickie Grace and Mrs. Diane Witkowski as the Spirits of Advent, Sue Stanton as the Cookie Monster and Dave Smith, Jr., the Self-Control Hero. Teachers' parts in the play were interested by Mrs. Sylvia Plaisted and Mrs. Carol

Stanton.

During the play, Mrs. Plaisted read "Ready For Christmas," and Mrs. Stanton sang "Love Them Now." Sung by the congregation were "Angels We Have Heard on High" and "His name is Wonderful."

The Rev. Charles Goddard, pastor, welcomed parents and friends and gave the benediction. Refreshments were served in the Fellowship Hall following the performance.

Mrs. Beverly Camping was the producer and director. Mrs. Joyce Emms and Mrs. Pauline Van Dusen were the resource people, and the costumes were made by the Bazaar Committee Women.

## ANGELS 4-H CLUB

At their first meeting this Fall, Sylvia's Angels 4-H Club elected Tammy Baker as president. Other officers are Bobby Jo Clark, vice-president; Stacy Curren, secretary; Penny Post, treasurer; Jenny French and Dawn Peters, recreation leaders; Susan Stanton and Donna Plaisted, photographers; and Peggy Bell, reporter. Mrs. Sylvia Plaisted is the leader of this group.

## BAZAAR COMMITTEE

With the 1981 Christmas Wonderland Bazaar a tremendous success, the Planning Committee met at the home of Mrs. Alice Goddard for an evaluation of the past and to make plans for 1982. Elected to the Steering Committee were Joyce Emms, Linda Freeman and Virginia Smith.

## CHEMUNG GRANGE

### NO. 1105

At the last meeting of Chemung Grange No. 1104, Betty Tuccinardi was awarded first prize for her molasses drop cookies and will submit

them to Pomona Grange on Dec. 14 for county judging. Joan Cole and Elsie Thomas received second and third prizes, respectively. Judging the culinary efforts were Ellen Everett and Gertrude Warren with Worthy Master Esley Boardman in the chair. Mrs. Van Dusen reported on the recent Eastern Milk Producers dinner put on by the Grange and Eugene Cole reviewed the Pancake supper served at the Hall on Election Day. Palmer Nelsen discussed Charles Colson's latest book.

## LIFE SENTENCE

On Thursday, Jan. 7, a State Trooper will address a community meeting at the Chemung United Methodist Church on burglar-proofing the home.

The Christmas party will be an open meeting on Dec. 12 for supper, gift exchange, and Santa's appearance. The supper table will be set at 7 p.m. with a dish to pass and table service, followed by the program which is being arranged by Mabel Miller and Helen Banzhof.

## FOOD CUPBOARD

The Chemung Community Food Cupboard is well stocked at the present time in anticipation of distress in the community during the winter months. Vickie Grace, Virginia Smith and Betty Tuccinardi recently attended a workshop in Elmira to hear a representative of the New York State Department of Agriculture and Markets describe the types of dented cans that are safe and those in which dented seams will cause spoilage. In addition, he discussed foods which can be repackaged under normal sanitary conditions.

To stock the cupboard, some food is received from the food pantry in Elmira, but the greatest amount comes from donations. Leading the donors is the continuing Sunday School program at the United Methodist Church which has set aside the last Sunday of each month for food donations, and the Retreat Center. The United Methodist Church in Willawana has recently joined the program by putting a food box in the church. At the Chemung Church, the Youth Groups, led by Carol Stanton, will donate food this year instead of exchanging Christmas gifts, and Barbara Warren's Cub Scouts will be

# Familiar Faces

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By Marina Young

CHEMUNG — Betty Tuccinardi writes about other people as The Evening Times Chemung correspondent, but nothing is ever printed about her.

The time has come.

Betty spent most of her early years in the Stanford, Conn.-New York City area, although she's originally from Cincinnati. She is a graduate of Tottenville High School, whose claim to fame was being the smallest school in the city area and having NBC News Correspondent Frank Burgholtzer as yearbook editor-in-chief.

It was on the Tottenville yearbook staff that Betty caught the writing "bug."

In 1941, she moved to Chemung with her family, and has lived in the same home since.

"My father got a job with Remington Rand in Elmira," she explained. "I was already married but my husband was in the service. I came up temporarily with my family because we didn't decide what we were going to do.

"Things were decided for us though," she said. "I had one child during the war and one shortly after the war, so we stayed."



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Tuccinardi and her husband Pat have six children and seven grandchildren, all of whom are scattered across the U.S. and Canada.

When not writing, the 62-year-old Betty finds time to be a Vacation Bible School and Sunday School teacher for

Chemung United Methodist Church, and the coordinator of Chemung Community Cupboard (an organization similar to the Valley Food Pantry). She also studies the Holy Lands.

"I'm busy all the time," she said.