

Center director lauded for service

BY LEE REED

Betty Rush, new director of the Potsdam Neighborhood Center was given a vote of thanks at the September meeting of the Waddington Neighborhood Center Board of Directors.

A motion, which passed unanimously and was emphasized by a round of applause by board members read: "Betty, you have been with us from the start, coached us, led us, patiently humored us and helped us stand on our own. Thank you." Rush was formerly director of the Massena Neighborhood Center. The Waddington Center has been a satellite of that center for the past several years, with Rush attending the monthly meetings.

In other business the board set forth the following policies: The Neighborhood Center will be open from 9-12 Monday through Friday mornings only. Some people have expressed a desire to have it open in the afternoon, but this will not be possible.

The second policy decision relates to donations for use of the Waddington Neighborhood Center Van. This van runs to Ogdensburg on Tuesday and Friday afternoons, to Massena on Monday and Thursday afternoons and to Canton on Wednesday afternoons. In order to reserve a seat, those wishing a ride must call the center by 10:30 a.m.; the number is 388-4475.

Due to operational costs of running the van the W.N.C.B. is asking those who use the van to make a donation of \$1 round trip for adults and \$.50 for children, round trip.

Donations are also expected from persons who have the driver pick up prescriptions or do other errands for them in the above mentioned towns. This bus service is available to all, and those with a real hardship wouldn't be expected to pay.

Roxine Bhandari has been hired through the CETA program and will be working 25 hours per week in the

Waddington Neighborhood Center. In addition to duties as a clerk and assistant to director Fern Greene and Lucille Steen; Bhandari will drive the van when the regular driver Dutch Pemberton is unable to do so.

A special meeting of the Waddington Neighborhood Center Board has been tentatively scheduled for Friday, September 23 in the Center. Time will be announced later.

A work bee will be held at the Center on Monday, September 12 at 1 p.m. All persons who would like to help are welcome.

Workshop on health care staffing set

Professor James Lowerre, of the Math Department of Clarkson College, Potsdam, will conduct a series of workshops entitled "Staffing and Scheduling in Health Care Facilities."

The first, a one-day workshop, which introduces a new method of analyzing the various aspects of staffing and the scheduling of personnel in health care facilities will be held on Tuesday, September 27, at McCutley Hall Auditorium, Mercy Hospital, Watertown.

The second, a two-day advanced workshop will be held at Pine Tree Point, Alexandria Bay, on October 13 and 14.

Both of these programs have been approved by the Board of Examiners of Nursing Home Administrators for Continuation Credit - 7.5 hours for the

first workshop, and 15 hours for the two-day workshop.

Lowerre has developed a method for accurately and easily analyzing the cost of clinical and housekeeping staff as it is affected by patient demand, number of hours of care per patient, the rest policy, local wage rates, seasonality of patient demand and the mix of full and part-time personnel.

These workshops are particularly geared for hospital and nursing home administrators, department heads, and those involved in setting criteria on staff size, care level, and rest and fringe benefit policy.

For further information concerning the workshops, contact: The Educational Consortium of Health Care Agencies, Box 552, Ogdensburg, 13669. Phone: (315)393-4440.

The party line

BY DAWN VICK
353-2328

Some days it is very hard to get your head into gear. This is one of those days for me. Friend Husband has a bug and I feel like I am coming down with it. This is the season for that kind of thing, what with school back in full swing and everyone mixing germs from everywhere. It's a wonder that more really serious illnesses seldom come out of the blend.

I had intended to take Beo for a walk to the river and a swim on Sunday, but with the cooler weather, we explored the grapevines out back instead. Beowulf has decided that the vines are nice, but Thompson seedless grapes are definitely more to his liking than the wild ones around here.

Elaine Perry called to tell me about the thirteenth reunion of the Ross Cunningham family. Formerly of Potsdam, Ross and Cecile now reside in Oxbow. It sounded like a great time, with Uncle, Aunts, and cousins and friends by the dozens. Needless to say, the list was too long to mention them all by name, but the children who attended included George and Joan Woodley and family of North Tonawanda, Tom and June Bradish and family of Hastings, Bob and Bev Connolly and family of Stamford, Glen and Elaine Perry and family of Norfolk, Ron and Hazel Cunningham and family of Trenton, N.J., Dick and Glenda Cunningham and family of Gouverneur, Joe and Bonnie Cunningham and family from Tonawanda, Larry and Debbie Cunningham of Scotia, Alice Cunningham from Watertown and Debbie Cunningham of Oxbow. Sure hope I didn't miss anybody.

The Girl Scout Cadet troop 366 held their first meeting on September 9. Carol Mason was elected Patrol Leader, Karen Lustylk is assistant Patrol

Leader, Kathy Donahue is Scribe and Chris Pusitari is Treasurer. The troop will be attending an overnight campout called "Senior Blastoff" near Harrisville on the sixteenth and seventeenth of the month. They will also be offering babysitting services at the Norwood Craft Fair on September 24. Meetings and various activities will be held during the year, and any girls in grades seven through twelve who are interested in scouting are asked to contact Jackie Post at 353-8660.

Lyra Chapter 230 OES will hold their first meeting of the fall season at 8 p.m. on Wednesday, September 21, in the Masonic Hall in Norwood.

The Norwood-Norfolk American Field Service is holding a meeting on Wednesday, September 14, at 7:30 p.m. at the Norwood-Norfolk Central School.

They are planning to hold a brunch September 25 and I will have more details on that for you next week.

The Golden Agers covered dish meeting will be held the third Tuesday of the month, which is September 20. They

are also going to start bowling every Wednesday afternoon at the White Pillars Lanes in Norwood. Starting time is approximately 2 p.m.

I received a postcard from the Jolly Agers group of Norfolk too late to put in the column for their first meeting of September, but the next meeting is coming up on September 22.

Did you receive your coin card from the Norfolk VFD Rescue Squad? They are having a fund drive for a new ambulance, and every little bit helps. They DO give so much to this area in time and effort...and it's all volunteer help. Our little donations can add up to a lot, and perhaps one day it will pay off in a selfish way for one of us in an emergency.

The Norwood Fire Department's Auxiliary will have a cabbage roll sale on September 16 at 11 a.m. in the Municipal Building in Norwood. Cabbage rolls at \$.75 each 2, homemade bread and rolls will be available. For advance orders call Alice Goodrich, 353-4564.

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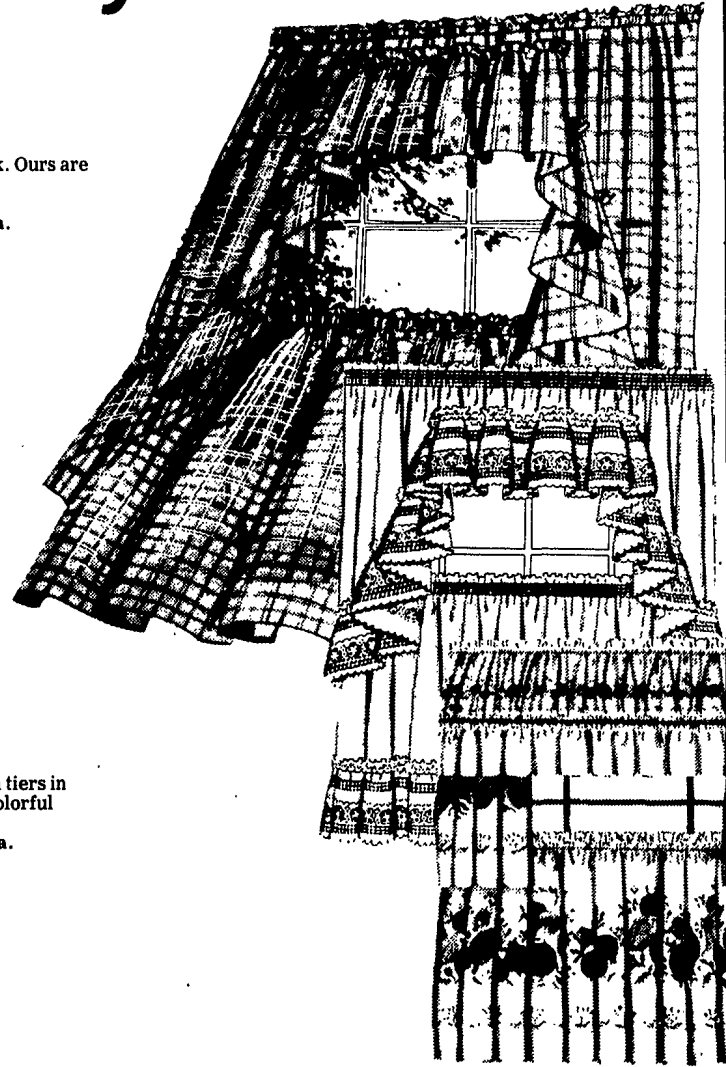
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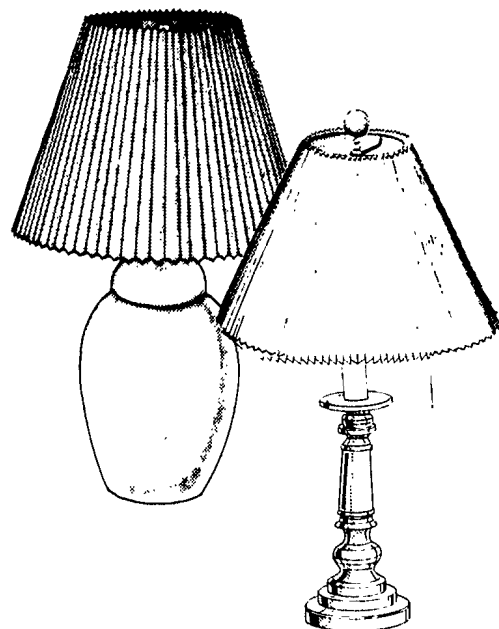
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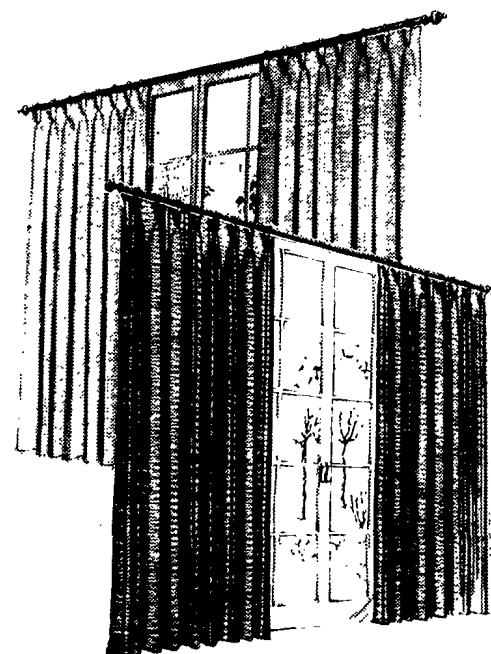
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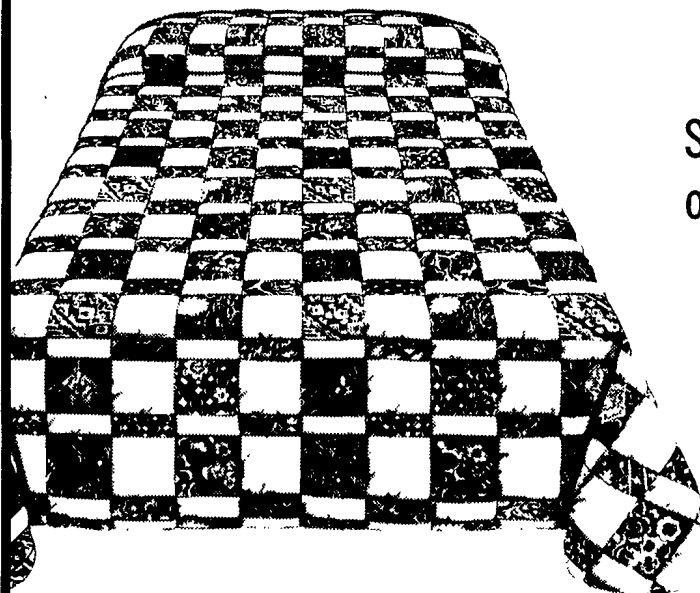
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