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## FAMILY TRADITIONS AT HOLIDAY TIME

*Several Palisadians graciously agreed to share with us the customs that are special to their families during the Holiday Season. This small sampling merely hints at the richness and diversity as well as the warmth of family life in Palisades.*

### **Favorite "Receipt"**

Trying to decide on a "single" Christmas custom in a family with such diverse nationalities and religions is an extremely difficult job. I must say it took several days of sorting through memories of Christmases past before one item did emerge as a constant in our thirty Christmases together--Christmas Cake!

Even in recalling childhood Christmases, this special cake was the only thing I could remember that made the holidays so different for me. Of course, we have always had the usual tree with the star on top, played Santa and Mrs. Claus ourselves, and placed the creche figures in a prominent site to remind us all of the specialness of the day; but, it has been the cake or its variations that united so many Christmases.

My parents always had pheasant or other fowl for Christmas dinner; then the cake was served, loaded with nuts, candied fruits and brandy. Mother also made two variations: one with diced gum drops for visiting children and the other with only black or English walnuts. The one with the walnuts was my favorite and the one I bake and serve after our Christmas dinner of prime ribs and Yorkshire pudding.

This cake has been a favorite during the holidays for five generations that I know of and, I am sure, for

many generations before that. I have traced it back to an Elizabethan "receipt" of almost exact ingredients, a logical origin considering my Anglo-Saxon heritage.

It is a heavy, dense, applesauce cake--no butter, eggs or frosting, but redolent with cinnamon and cloves. No, I won't be so generous (even during this time of giving) as to share the recipe; but we invite you all to stop in anytime during the holidays and share a slice with us.

Maryann Sahadi

### **Chanukah Tradition**

It has seemed to our family that there is too much emphasis on gift-GETTING during the holidays. Two years ago we decided that it would be good for our then three-year-old daughter, Stefanie, to learn something concrete about giving. We started our new family "tradition" by giving her gifts only on the first seven days of Chanukah. On the eighth day, we wrapped dog biscuits, cat toys and catnip individually and brought them to an animal shelter that had put out a notice saying that animals, too, would enjoy getting holiday gifts.

Stefanie had a wonderful time, both wrapping and unwrapping the presents for the animals, and giving them away. She could actually see how much the stray cats and dogs enjoyed the catnip, the special chewy bones, etc. Now, each year we add other days of gift GIVING in a meaningful way that a child (and her parents) can appreciate. Suggestions are always welcome!

Judith Umlas

### Wassail Parties

Thirty-five years ago, my husband, Sam, and I were graduate students at McGill University in Montreal. Sam was working on his Master's degree in the Geography department. The staff and students in this department were a convivial group of people who kept inviting us to holiday parties. We wanted to return their hospitality but had very little money. So I did some research in the McGill library and found a recipe for wassail, a traditional drink made with ale, sherry and spices. Our wassail party was a great success. When we moved back to Palisades, we began giving an annual wassail party, heating the wassail in a huge iron pot hung in our fireplace. I think we must have had wassail parties for at least twenty years. We stopped a few years ago because the number of people we wanted to invite was larger than the house could comfortably hold. I enjoyed those parties, and I think the guests did, too.

Alice Gerard

### A Visit from St. Nick

Christmas comes early to the Farley house -- Dec. 6th, to be exact. That's when we celebrate the Feast of St. Nicholas. It's a custom my family brought with them to New Amsterdam when they came from Holland in 1654, and we've continued it ever since.

On that night, the good bishop, St. Nicholas (the original Santa Claus), accompanied by his servant, Black Peter, visits the house of all children who have placed their shoes on the stoop. St. Nicholas rides a white horse and carries his Bishop's crook. Black Peter, who is sort of an under-monk, follows behind, leading a donkey on which there are sacks of goodies and toys. Traditionally, the children leave a plate of spice cookies, similar to the commercially sold Windmill cookies, for St. Nicholas and Black Peter, and a handful of straw for their animals. If the children have been good, St. Nicholas fills their shoes with toys and goodies. If they've been bad, however, only a lump of coal is left.

Modern times have necessitated a few changes in procedure for our house, but we've tried to retain the spirit. For instance, the Farley kids polish their best shoes (the one time in the year that they do this) and leave them in the living room. This avoids their getting rained or snowed on which doesn't hurt wooden Dutch shoes, but does mess up leather ones. Due to unavailability, the straw has been replaced with an apple for the horse, and the spice cookies, which my husband won't eat, have been replaced with chocolate chip cookies, which he will eat. And lastly the coal, which is not easily come by anymore, has been replaced by a rock, with the size of the rock determined by how good or bad the kids have been.

After the kids have gone to bed, St. Nicholas comes

by and fills their shoes with goodies and one or two items from their Christmas wish list, and always at least a small rock to suggest that there might be room for improvement. He eats the cookies and feeds the apple to his horse and then goes on to the next house where kids of Dutch ancestry live.

Besides being fun, we like keeping the tradition because, especially when the kids were younger, it helped to break up that long wait for Christmas morning and the almost overwhelming buildup of anticipation. It gave them a couple of things they wanted early, so they had time to enjoy them and play with them instead of being flooded with everything on Christmas morning. And, if things hadn't been going so well behaviorwise, a small rock or two sent the message that they'd better clean up their act before Christmas, without our having to resort to that age-old threat of parents, "Santa Claus isn't going to bring you anything for Christmas!" Finally, observing the Feast of St. Nicholas reminds two kids named Farley that like America itself, their heritage is a rich and varied one.

Johanna Farley

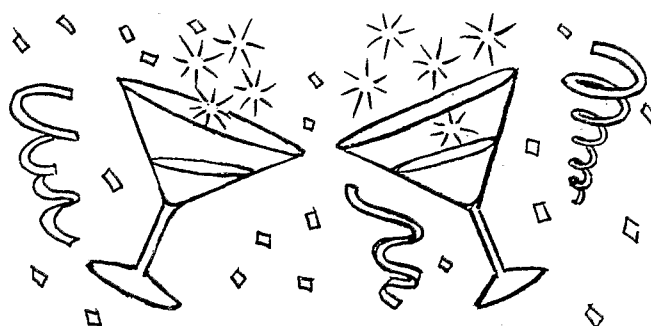
### Finnish Holiday Customs

The Finnish epic poem, "Kalevala," describes the ancient New Year's Eve tradition of the northern Finns of melting lead, ladling out a small amount of the molten lead and casting it on a mound of snow. The resulting solidified lead assumes fantastic shapes. Each participant will then retrieve the lead from the snow and present it to a town elder, who will interpret the shapes and forecast the future of the individual for the coming year.

Tradition also requires that this lead is to be kept by the individual and returned the following year. Failure to comply most certainly will result in bad luck for the year. This custom was taken quite seriously in olden times.

My family observes this tradition by meeting early on New Year's Eve. We gather in the kitchen to melt the lead in a plumber's pot on the stove. The molten lead is ladled out and dipped into a bucket of ice water. Once again fortunes are read and a toast to the new year is given--Havska Uuta Vuata--Happy New Year!

Nina Vilonen Prusinowski



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## HUDSON RIVER DEFENSE LEAGUE

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### Piermont Pier Development

Last summer, the Piermont Village Board gave the green light to a condominium and commercial development by the Carlyle Corporation at the Piermont Pier that would drastically affect not only Piermont itself, but also every adjoining community, not least Palisades.

The Carlyle project would immediately increase the residential population of Piermont by at least 50 percent. Its "shopping village" would minimally triple the amount of existing commercial/rental space along Main Street, with additional commercial development on the site in the offing. Not only would Piermont's narrow streets be jammed, but also those of Sparkill, Grand View, South Nyack and Palisades, aggravating local air and noise pollution. The Carlyle plan also makes provision for a marina of up to 700 slips, which could threaten the River and Piermont Marsh, a unique and nationally designated estuarine sanctuary. The roar of motor boats and amplified music would reverberate against the natural amphitheater of the Palisades.

Together with the Hudson River Fishermen's Association, Scenic Hudson Inc., and eight Piermont citizens, and represented by attorneys Michael S. Elder and Robert F. Kennedy, Jr., The Hudson River Defense League has filed suit against the Piermont Village Board for granting the zone change to the Carlyle Piermont Corporation. The suit cites the high probability of hazardous material on the site (recent research indicates that dioxin was a possible by-product of the papermaking processes used there); and since the suit was filed Carlyle claims to have spent a million dollars carting away contaminated soil that it and the Village long denied existed.

The site will now be designated by the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) as an "Inactive Hazardous Waste Site" until the DEC is satisfied that the site is clean. Complicating the issue is that there may be toxic materials in adjoining land belonging to the Village and the Nature Conservancy.

For its evaluations of toxicity of the site the Piermont Village Board is relying on the advice of the environmental consultants retained by the Carlyle Corporation, the developers. The League has asked that the data be evaluated by an independent consultant.

### Suit against Orangetown

Other grounds for the Piermont suit include inadequate Orangetown sewage capacity, also now proven. Along with the Hudson River Fishermen's Association the League is also filing a citizen's suit under the Federal Clean Water Act against the Town of Orangetown. The complaint cites more than 180 violations of permit since 1985, including running the sewage treatment plant in Orangeburg far beyond capacity, hence undertreating sewage, thereby threatening public health and polluting the Hudson River. The Department of Environmental

Conservation has imposed various moratoria on sewer extensions and hookups in Orangetown in recent months.

### Contributions Needed

The League is sharing the costs of the suit over the Carlyle project with the Hudson River Fishermen's Association, and needs to raise at least \$15,000. The League welcomes your tax-deductible contribution to the Hudson River Defense League's Legal Defense Fund. Contributions should be sent to Hudson River Defense League (Legal Defense Fund), P.O. Box 606, Nyack, N.Y. 10960.

Roger Jellinek

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## THE SPIRIT OF CHRISTMAS SPECTACULAR

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Christmas has always been a very special time at Tappan Reformed Church, especially for the children who attend the Sunday School. For the past few years, usually on the Sunday before Christmas, the historic Church's sanctuary has been transformed, and through the years the transformation has become more and more colorful, ambitious and exciting. In place of the pulpit which usually sits at the front of the church, this year on December 18 there will be a beautiful and elaborately constructed stage. The annual children's Christmas Pageant will once again be performed at 11 in the morning.

Directed by Palisades resident, Roger Bester, who in previous years was responsible for the stage and set design, the pageant has taken on a new and compelling look. The script has been completely rewritten by Bill Bauer from Piermont. Bill has created a uniquely different interpretation of the nativity, which is challenging the creative talents of the 50 children of the Sunday School and all the adults involved in the production of the pageant. New sets and more settings, surprising sights and sounds have also enriched this year's production.

From Grandpa, the supreme storyteller, spinning tales on Christmas Eve to his grandchildren, to the cynical and ruthless Herod dominated by Romans, the story threads its way through music and song. Heavenly choirs of little angels, Jewish villagers, fearful shepherds and mystical kings all contribute to the drama and the wonder of the birth of Christ.

Children love to dress up, and the costumes especially made for them add sumptuous color and charm. It's a wonderful occasion to experience the real feeling of Christmas enacted by an enthusiastic gathering of local residents in a uniquely historical church, but there's only one performance. Everybody is welcome.

Roger Bester

## PALISADIANS GIVE DUKAKIS, GILMAN SLIM MAJORITIES

The 1988 Democratic presidential ticket maintained the party's traditional hold on Palisades, but by a razor-thin 396 to 389 margin that signaled a heavy Republican majority in Rockland County. Fifteen votes were cast for candidates other than Michael Dukakis or George Bush, and seven voters passed on the race.

Two Republicans accomplished the rare feat of carrying Palisades. Congressman Benjamin Gilman received 380 votes in Election Districts 12 and 50, a 66-vote edge over Democratic candidate Eleanor Burlingham. Right to Life candidate Barbara Braun received 24 votes. State Senator Eugene Levy, his task lightened by the absence of a Democratic candidate, received 411 votes on the Republican line and 31 on the Conservative, swamping Robert F. Garrison's 27 Right to Life votes.

An unusual feature of the 1988 election was the widespread failure to field full slates. The Democrats had no nominee for State Senate, the Republicans none for Family Court judge, the Conservatives none for Congress, and the Liberals none for Congress, State Senate and one of the two State Supreme Court judgeships. Only the RTL party filled every column on the ballot, breaking precedent by running its own candidates for every position except Family Court, for which it endorsed the Conservative nominee.

Palisades voters aided the passage of the \$3 billion transportation bond issue with 303 yes votes (61.6%) to 189 noes, well above the state-wide margin of 55%. The proposition was passed over by 39% of the 807 persons (including 22 absentee) whose votes were tallied election night. (Absentee ballots received in New City too late to distribute to the polling places are not included in these figures.)

The top vote-getter in Palisades was, of course, incumbent Supreme Court Judge Harold Wood, who has less than three years before mandatory retirement; he received 359 votes on the Democratic, 269 on the Republican and 19 on the Conservative lines, for a total of 647. The Republican candidate for a vacant Supreme Court seat, Gordon W. Burrows, carried all five counties in the 9th Judicial District but lost Palisades to Democrat J. Emmett Murphy, 281 (259 R and 22 C) to 377 (D only). Two RTL candidates received 25 and 22 votes and one Liberal candidate 18 votes.

The Supreme Court voting indicates a party loyalty distribution of D 53%, R 38%, RTL 3.5%, C 3% and L 2.5%. With voters who did not vote for a Supreme Court candidate factored in, the distribution is D 45.6%, R 32.7%, no party 14%, RTL 3%, C 2.5% and L 2.2%.

Two Democratic legislators who ran far ahead of the ticket were Daniel Moynihan with 492 votes (D 474, L 18) or 63.4% of the votes cast in Palisades for U.S. Senator, well short of his record-setting 68% statewide landslide; and Samuel Colman with 480 votes (D 461, L 19) or 67%,

a shade ahead of his 93rd Assembly District sweep of just under 66%. Their virtually unknown Republican-Conservative opponents received 262 and 204 votes, respectively, and the RTL candidates 17 and 32.

Family Court Judge William Warren (D), whose designated Republican rival filed too few nominating petition signatures to qualify for the ballot, gained 405 Democratic and 18 Liberal votes, while Ernest Quaglia received 41 votes on the Conservative line and 36 on the RTL. Warren's 85% margin in Palisades was well ahead of his 79% overall edge in the county.

Scattered votes were cast as follows: for president, RTL 5, Libertarian 5, Workers World 2, New Alliance 2 and one write-in for Bruce Babbitt; for U.S. Senator, Independent Progressive 3, Workers World 2 and Libertarian 1.

Andrew E. Normian

### E-A-S-Y DOES IT

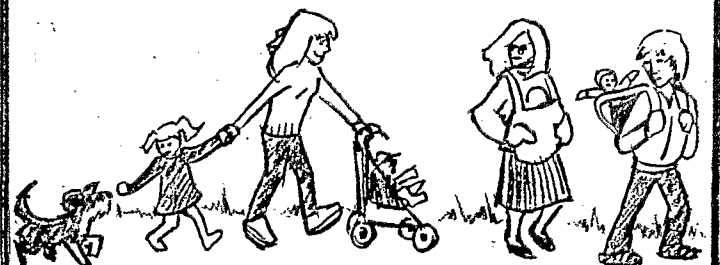
As a newly initiated member of the Snedens Landing Baby Walking Brigade, I have suddenly become acutely aware of the problem of cars speeding in the landing. Now 25-30 miles an hour may seem tame out on the open road, but in here it's an alarming pace and can be quite dangerous.

Snedens currently has a bumper crop of small fry, from four-year-olds to the latest crop of babies. Mothers with full snugglies and toddlers in tow walk the landing for daily exercise and fresh air. (Adult joggers, too, are at risk from fast-moving vehicles. I saw Jack Jefferies and his dog nearly clipped by a truck one Sunday morning.) There are friendly pets that roam the roads as well.

For all of us, please watch the speeds at which you round the landing's curves and corners. Tell outside folk--crews working on your house, or friends visiting--to proceed with care and caution. A small child hit by a car is a tragedy that can easily be avoided.

JUST GO SLOW!

Eden-Lee Murray Jellinek



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## MEET ESTHER

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One afternoon Esther left her residence at Palisades Gardens for her daily walk. Strolling along Oak Tree Road she passed the Prusinowski's home where Nina and son Eric were in their yard. After exchanging greetings, Esther remarked that she was a bit tired, and a bench would be a welcome sight. Accepting Nina's kind offer to use her porch as a "rest stop" marked the beginning of a wonderful friendship.

When Nina and I visited Esther recently, she explained tht Palisades Gardens is a Jewish run home for the aged, with Kosher dietary laws and Orthodox supervision. She has resided in Palisades for the past six years, having moved here from Spring Valley. There are 150 residents of Palisades Gardens, many of whom were touched by the horror of Nazi persecution during World War II. As this vibrant woman reminisced, it quickly became clear that Esther's life has been nothing short of remarkable. She is as candid about her age ("You want to know how old I am? I'm ninety-one") as she is about her life experiences.

A native of Poland, Esther was one of seven children in a well-to-do family. She married in 1924, and two years later her husband came to the United States in search of a better life for his young family. He worked as a painter, and dreamed of bringing Esther and their son to this country. By 1929, having secured the necessary papers to bring his family to the United States, Esther's husband returned to Poland. He sensed the growing tension in Europe and was anxious to leave. But their families pleaded with them to stay. As Esther states: "Then, you did as your parents told you--but it proved to be our greatest mistake."

She and her husband began a successful clothing business, and their second son, Henry, was born. But life was becoming increasingly difficult for Polish Jews as the Nazis rose to power. Esther recalls the invasion of the German army on the eve of Yom Kippur: "I remember saying to my husband that we are lost--they will kill us all." Shortly thereafter, their oldest son was taken by the Nazis, never to see his family again.

As events escalated, it became clear that fleeing the ghetto provided their only hope. At her husband's insistence, Esther and Henry, accompanied by a friend's daughter, were smuggled out of Poland. "I remember my husband pushing us through the fence. . . I said I am afraid I will never see you again. . . and that was the last time I saw my husband."

The trio then began their long trek through the forests of Czechoslovakia with hopes of reaching Budapest, Hungary, where friends from Cracow had relocated. These friends were part of a network that took the girl to a "safe house" and helped Esther and her son establish new identities. She became "Mrs. Hudyk" and lived out the war in constant fear of being discovered.

After the Nazis were broken, Esther returned to Poland to search for her family. Tragically, only her nephew and

brother survived--her nephew's life saved by a kind, gentile neighbor who hid him, while her brother escaped by fleeing eastward into Russia.

Fighting to overcome her bitterness ("My son had no youth, and I felt dead inside"), Esther and Henry went to Paris where they lived until immigrating to the United States in 1953. She went to work in Manhattan, and taught herself English through radio, television and elementary readers. Esther recalls visiting the New York Public Library and asking for books suitable for a six year old. When the librarian questioned her as to the child's reading level, Esther explained, "I am the child. . . I need to learn." Her love of reading continues to this day. Esther was able to travel extensively, often visiting her beloved nephew, who immigrated to Israel. These times were a source of great comfort for her.

Many times Esther has asked herself the inevitable "Why?" to which she has concluded "There is no answer." She feels the horrors of the Holocaust must be told and retold, so that this example of human cruelty may never be repeated. But above all, this incredible woman has hope--hope for the future, hope for her grandchildren, and hope that we "be good, be aware of change, and remember that we are all people." Fitting words for this and any season.

Patti Katz

*(Esther has asked that only her first name be used. Out of respect for her privacy, we honor this request.)*

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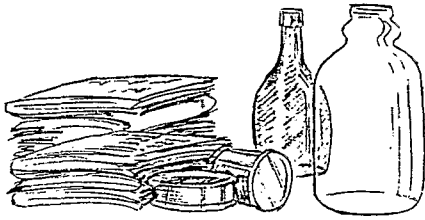
## BLUE ROCK SCHOOL

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There will be lots of singing at the Blue Rock School this holiday season. The children are learning songs from many cultures and religious traditions. Students and teachers will share Chanukah in the school the week of December 4. On Friday, December 16 at 7 p.m. the school doors will open for an evening of caroling. All are welcome.

The search has intensified for a new home for the Blue Rock School. We hope to find a building that will allow us to provide a full kindergarten through 6th grade program in keeping with the aims and ideals of the school. New facilities and an expanded staff will be contingent on funds. Fund-raising plans are underway and success will depend on the continued support and good will of our community and friends. We hope that the new year will bring prosperity and good luck to the Blue Rock School.

Barbara Wadsworth



The sight of those multi-colored recycling containers is a familiar one to us all here in Palisades. Although they have mandated a change in our household routines, I think most will agree that, in light of the dire situation at the Clarkstown Landfill, this new policy is an absolute necessity.

It is obvious that we are but scratching the surface of recycling technology. Years from now, we will undoubtedly look back in amazement at how wasteful we were in the days of landfill dumping.

### **Why were orange, green and white chosen as the colors for the recycling containers?**

The answer is really quite simple. They happen to be the official colors of Orangetown.

### **What is the ultimate goal of the recycling program?**

Mr. Griffith, Orangetown's recycling coordinator, is opposed to any future plans involving the use of an incinerator. Instead, he hopes to see a new landfill operation in which organic waste is placed in furrows and continuously turned. This technique, in combination with a system of pipes underneath pumping oxygen into the base, will ensure proper decomposition. Mr. Griffith reports that this procedure, which he predicts will compost 70 percent of the wastestream, in addition to the expanded recycling effort, will be a much safer solution to the landfill crisis than incineration which will obviously pollute our atmosphere. He states further that the balance of waste material that cannot be applied to composting or recycling is less than the ash residue left over from incineration, thereby making his case against that procedure even more appealing.

### **What is the next step?**

The next step will be to institute a policy for the commercial wastestream. The date set for this new policy is January 1, 1989. Until now, Orangetown has given the industrial element of our community a grace period so that they would have a chance to gear up. Mr. Griffith lists the remainder of the wastestream as plastics, mixed paper, yard cuttings, appliances, and fibers.

Plastic, according to Mr. Griffith, is actually the easiest material to recycle, although the machine that does the job is extremely expensive. He reports that there is a new plant in Middletown, N.Y., called

Middletown Plastic Separation Facility, and he has recently been contacted by someone looking for a site for a recycling plant here in Rockland County. Thus, it appears that there is indeed a fledgling market for this substance.

A possible market for coated or glossy paper is in the shipping industry. The paper is used as ballast on ships, such as those from Japan, who have unloaded their cargo and need to fill the empty crates to steady their return voyage. It is then used to make a low quality cardboard for packaging. The nearest port of call for this enterprise is Hoboken, N.J. At present, the transport of the coated paper to this location is too expensive for the endeavor to be a moneymaker. However, in light of the rising cost of dumping at the Clarkstown Landfill, it is quite likely that such action may soon become worthwhile.

As of June 1, yard cuttings will be ground by a machine and composted with the leaves. This mulch will be available to the Highway Department as well as residents. Appliances will also be ground by machine and magnets will separate out the ferrous metals. In addition, old furniture will be ground down and the metals removed by magnets. Mr. Griffith states that the fabric itself poses a problem as no market exists for it. At this point, the fluff is used for burning but that pollutes the air.

### **Is there any advantage to removing the labels and lids from glass and cans?**

Orangetown residents are presently requested to remove the caps and lids from bottles, jars, and cans, as well as rinse them out to remove any food residue. We are not required to remove any labelling and to take that extra step would, quite frankly, simply be making more money for Mr. Capasso and Mr. Nazarro, the carters responsible for removing the recyclable material. Their arrangement with the town is that they get the value for everything they pick up. Apparently, they do not separate the glass, although their trucks are equipped with special compartments just for that purpose.

According to Mr. Griffith, the big advantage to removing the labels is that it makes the material more marketable. Recycling glass is actually quite a lucrative business and centers catering to this material can be found in Newark and Carteret, N.J. Separating the colors of glass is much more profitable since the clear glass is the most valuable. Clean, clear glass can earn up to \$60 a ton, whereas mixed glass, which is a combination of clear, brown, and green, reduces that figure to a mere \$10 to \$20 a ton. The going rate for clear, clean glass still bearing labels is about \$40 a ton. However, if the bottles and jars have caps, lids, or rubber rings, the price drops to about \$20 a ton.

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## PALISADES PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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Thank you to the community and to our friends who supported the Art Auction in a grand way. The generosity of local artists, and the participation of the buyers made it possible to raise about \$8,500 for the Building Restoration Fund. We appreciate all the different contributions made. Thank you especially to Karen Jefferies who co-ordinated the event and worked with an excellent committee: Bob Burcaw, Bill Beaty, Don Bracken, Roger Hooker, Hazel Kim, Ernest Quick, Maryann Sahadi, and David Sanders.

### Christmas Schedule

Dec. 11, 5:30 p.m. Evening Advent Vespers  
Dec. 18, 11:00 a.m. Sunday School Pageant  
Dec. 24, 5:30 p.m. Family Service  
11:00 p.m. Traditional Service of Lessons and Carols  
Dec. 25, 11:00 a.m. Worship and Celebration of Communion

At the Family Service on Dec. 24, a "white gift" offering is received. These are toys and clothing in simple white tissue or bags which will be distributed to children living at The Prince George [welfare] Hotel in New York City.

We welcome anyone who would like to sing with the choir on Christmas Eve. Rehearsals are beginning now, Thursday evenings at 8:30 p.m. for Christmas music. Please let the church office know (359-3147) if you would like to sing so we can include you in our planning.

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## PALISADES FREE LIBRARY

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### Children's Programs

#### Crafts for Six to Nine Year Olds

Martha Bosch will conduct a Craft Program on Tuesday, Dec. 13, from 4:15 to 5:15 p.m.

#### The Magic of Christmas

Charles Jessamy will present this special morning event at St. Catharine's Auditorium (Dunn's Hall), Western Highway, Blauvelt, on Tuesday, Dec. 27, at 10:30 a.m. All are welcome.

#### Nursery Rhymes, Songs and Games

Sandy Rosoff will entertain youngsters ages 3 to 5 on Wednesday, Dec. 28, at 11 a.m.

#### New Books

Bergman, Ingmar *Magic Lantern*  
Carter, Mary Randolph *American Family Style*  
Cheever, John *Letters*  
Deighton, Len *Spy Hook*  
Goldman, Albert *Lives of John Lennon*  
Gordon, Lyndall *Eliot's New Life*  
Holroyd, Michael *Bernard Shaw, Vol. I*  
Jenkins, Dan *Fast Copy*  
O'Brien, Edna *The High Road*  
Roberts, David *Jean Stafford*  
Russell, Isabel *Katharine and E. B. White*  
Uris, Leon *Mitla Pass*  
Vidal, Gore *At Home*  
Weldon, Fay *Heart of the Country*  
Young-Bruehl, Elizabeth *Anna Freud*

## HAZEL HERTZBERG DIES IN ROME

Hazel Whitman Hertzberg, an authority on the history of the American Indian, died October 19 in Rome where she was attending an international academic conference. The 70-year-old resident of Palisades had been under treatment for cancer in recent months.

Dr. Hertzberg was a professor of history and education at Columbia University's Teachers College, where a memorial gathering took place on Oct. 30.

Her books included *The Search for an American Indian Identity: Modern Pan-Indian Movements* and *The Great Tree and the Long House: The Culture of the Iroquois*. In addition she was coauthor of *The U. N. in the Age of Change* with her husband, Sidney Hertzberg, journalist, editor and political adviser who died in 1984.

Both Hertzbergs played leading roles in the effort to win American support for the independence of India. Both also participated actively in the American civil rights movement.

A native of Brooklyn, Prof. Hertzberg received the B.A. degree from the University of Chicago, the M.A. degree from Teachers College and the Ph.D. degree from Columbia. Her academic honors included fellowships from the Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars of the Smithsonian Institution and the National Endowment for the Humanities. She was a member of the advisory committee to the education program of the Museum of the American Indian.

Survivors include a son, Hendrik, a correspondent and editor who lives in Boston; a daughter, Katrina McClintock of New City, N.Y., and two grandchildren.



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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

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The stork has been spending more time in Palisades. His latest deliveries are presented, as usual, in order of their arrivals.

Carol, Gary, and daughter, Kerri Heinemann announce the birth of Tara Ann on October 16.

Donna, David, and daughter, Deanna Tookmanian announce the birth of Denni Nicole on October 18.

Phoebe, Dr. Mel, and children, Ted, Chuck, and Kate Rosenwasser announce the birth of Alexandra Reicher on October 23.

The stork seems to have his beak full these days and has been somewhat tardy in getting us the information concerning the births of new Palisadians. Therefore, the staff of 10964 is happy to accept notices of this nature in P.O. Box 201.

**A Berlin Celebration**, which celebrates the 100th birthday of Irving Berlin, will be performed by the Grand Central Players at Rockland Community College on Saturday evening, December 10. For information and tickets, call 356-2000. Proceeds of the performance will go to Temple Beth El of Spring Valley.

**Dance, Music, Light**, an international performance group, made their premiere Nov. 18 and 19 at the Marymount Manhattan Theatre in New York with the presentation of a new work entitled *Caprinox*. Michael Thatcher of Palisades composed the music, Dominique Gabella of Switzerland appeared as the solo dancer, and Dominique Dardant of Paris provided the lighting concepts.

American composer/producer, Michael Thatcher has studied with Walter Winslow at Columbia University and at the Ecole Normale de Musique in Paris. He composed *Caprinox* for clarinet, bassoon, French horn, piano, violin, cello and double bass, combining contemporary atonal sections with more tonal sections. Choreographer/dancer, Dominique Gabella, who studied with Rosella Hightower, Serge Golovine, and Mary Hinkson, has a strong background in both ballet and modern dance and Dominique Dardant, whose lighting emphasized the shadows of the dance, has worked with Theatre de Chaillot in Paris and toured with the Grand Magic Circus.

*Caprinox* was inspired by a French folk tale whose theme is freedom at any price. The concepts of confinement, longing for the mountain and freedom were expressed and evoked in the dance, music, and light.

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## ROCKLAND CENTER FOR THE ARTS

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### Scholarships Available

A limited number of scholarships are available for qualified children and adults to take courses at the Center in the spring semester beginning January 23. Applicants are chosen on the basis of need and talent. Individuals who are interested in applying, or educators who wish to recommend applicants should call the Center at 358-0877 to request an application and course catalog. Scholarships are awarded by the Martha Ryther Fund and awards for children are matched by the County Youth Bureau. Application deadline is December 16.

### Holiday Decorations Workshop

The art of making holiday wreaths, centerpieces and mantelpiece decorations will be the focus of a workshop at Rockland Center on Saturday, Dec. 10, from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. Greens, berries and other seasonal materials will be used and the instructor will provide step-by-step directions. Wreath forms and all materials will be supplied. Bring a wire cutter, and if you plan to make a centerpiece, bring a low container approx. 10" in diameter. Fee: \$25, plus \$25 materials fee. Pre-registration required: call the Center at 358-0877.

### DECEMBER CALENDAR

- 2 Jazz Series: Daphne Hellman (Jazz Harp) and Ed Berg (Guitar)
- 9 Tappan Zee Chamber Concert:  
Calliope, A Renaissance Band
- 10 Workshop: Holiday Decorations
- 11 Exhibition: American Housing Prototypes
- 11 Workshop: Lecture/demonstration by Lucy Brody, ceramic sculptor
- 16 Scholarship Deadline

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### RECYCLOPEDIA (Cont'd from p. 6)

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Likewise, removal of labelling on cans makes them more profitable. The real moneymaker of this particular material is the aluminum. That has a market value of \$.40 to \$.50 a pound. On the other hand, steel cans and bi-metal cans (those which are a combination of aluminum and steel) are only worth about \$5 a ton and almost don't pay to collect.

Nevertheless, in light of the rising cost of dumping at the Clarkstown Landfill, the advantage of reducing the wastestream becomes clearer. As of January 1, the new rates will be going up to \$55 a ton, plus additional Clarkstown fees and the price of landfill required to cover the waste material after each drop-off.

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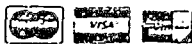
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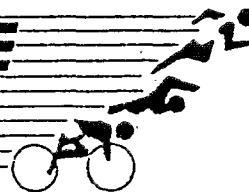
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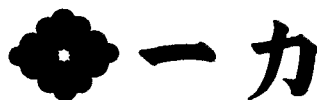
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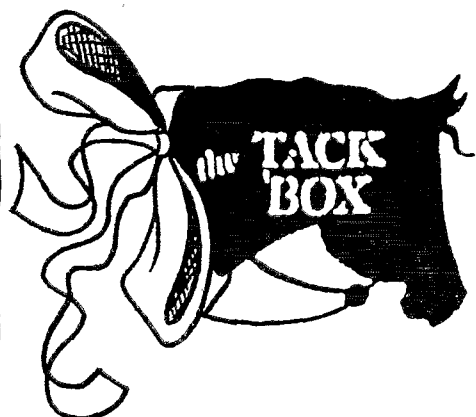


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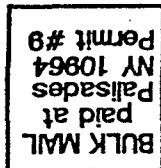
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