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Jane's map

*Only the names of the
roads have been changed*

Woodstock's own self-described "map freak" has struck again. Jane Van De Bogart has revised her detailed map of the township. The new, improved version has just hit the stands.

The 2 foot by 3 foot fold-out map was originally produced by the former town council member in 1976. This is its first revision and the self-trained cartographer says that the new version more accurately and thoroughly identifies the new roads and boundaries of the town. New election districts redrawn earlier this year are on the map along with the revised boundaries for the elementary schools in the Onteora school district.

Van De Bogart says another change in the new map is that it includes many of the streets in adjacent sections of the town of Hurley which were omitted in the earlier version.

During the last decade, a number of new roads have been added to the town as the result of land development. Some roads that did not previously have names have now been christened. Van De Bogart says she did "a lot of exploring" around town to figure out exactly where the new roads led and asked developers to provide names of roads in recent subdivisions. She also relied on more conventional sources, such as U.S. Geological Survey maps, local tax maps and other charts in the town clerk's office.

The new map also should lay to rest the micro-controversy over the spelling of Deming Street in the hamlet. According to Van De Bogart, highway superintendent Bill Harder claims to have dubbed the street a two "m" Demming on the existing street sign based on a typographical error in the index of the first map. The new map dispenses with the freeloading "m," although the orthographically miscreant sign still stands.

Van De Bogart says the new map, complete with handy telephone numbers and addresses as well as indications of the whereabouts of state and town-owned properties, is much improved over its predecessor, but it ain't exactly perfect. "I already know of two mistakes," she says. Where are they? Van De Bogart smiles. "I'm not going to tell you."++

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