

Memorial Fund For Cancer Society

Many requests for information about the American Cancer Society's Memorial Program have been received from families, other groups and individuals according to George B. Clark, Jr., Memorial Gift Chairman for the Allegany County Unit.

"The memorial fund has been established to provide a practical and fitting means by which families or friends can commemorate a loved one who has died of cancer or other cause," Mr. Clark said.

Cancer research has progressed so rapidly that available funds have not been sufficient to support all the new projects considered necessary to follow up on many new leads which have been uncovered. Most scientists now believe that cancer will be brought under control before many more years have passed. Memorial funds are used in support of the Society's unceasing fight against cancer through coordinated programs of research, education and service.

Although the major source of funds for these programs comes from the Society's annual April Crusade, Memorial Gifts received throughout the year are becoming increasingly important to the Society as more families and individuals become aware that they can contribute in the name of a loved one toward ultimate victory over the dread disease.

Contributions made in memory of a family member or a friend are acknowledged by the American Cancer Society, and a Memorial Card is sent to the family stating that a Memorial has been received and giving the name of the donor. These contributions may be in any amount and are tax deductible.

The American Cancer Society is deeply grateful to families, groups and individuals of Allegany County who are using this practical means of assisting the Society in expanding counter-attack on cancer.

Mr. Clark said that Memorial funds should be sent to the Allegany County Unit of the American Cancer Society, 19 South Main Street, Wellsville, New York 14895.

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YOUR DENTAL HEALTH

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Dental decay is the most widespread human disease. Only a dentist can treat it effectively.

The average American adult has at least one decayed tooth (and perhaps six others formerly decayed and now filled) and may have had as many as 13 teeth extracted.

A study of half a million recruits at the Great Lakes Naval Training Center showed only one



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out of 500 immune to decay.

Tooth decay is caused by certain bacteria present in everyone's mouth. These bacteria act on fermentable carbohydrates to produce acids that can dissolve tooth structure and start a cavity.

Decay most often occurs in the least accessible locations. In small children, this is a deep groove or fissure in a molar, a crack so small that a toothbrush slides over it without removing fermentable food trapped there. Nine out of 10 six-year molars have fissures.

Ten per cent of American children under five years of age have eight or more cavities. The chief cause is neglect.

(Next article: Treating Cavities)

Small Artificial Kidney Being Developed by AEC

Science may soon come up with a small, inexpensive artificial kidney — a boon for the thousands of persons suffering from kidney failure who cannot afford treatment now available.

The Atomic Energy Commission's Argonne National Laboratory, near Chicago, and the National Institutes of Health are working on an artificial kidney, called a hemodialyzer, for patients to use at home.

Hemodialyzer substitute for damaged kidneys by filtering poisonous wastes from patients' bloodstreams as the blood is diverted through the devices.

Several prototypes are already built, including one less than eight inches long. Design objectives stress simplicity of operation, small size, and low cost.

Cost for treatment using present methods ranges from \$5,000 to \$25,000 a year. Probably less than 3,000 persons are using these treatments. Doctors say as many as 50,000 Americans alone could benefit each year from a low-cost dialyzer.

Clinical evaluation of the dialyzer will be performed under subcontract with the Hines Veterans' Hospital, Hines, Ill.

In 1969 there was an estimated 11.8 million acres of land in farms in New York State compared to 12 million in 1968 and 14.3 million in 1960.

The New York State Conservation Department has laid out some 2,842 miles of snowmobile trails on state land.

Double Check Tax Return To Avoid Mistakes and Delays

Before sending in your 1969 Federal income tax return, check it over to see if you've left anything out, John E. Foley, District Director, Internal Revenue Service, Buffalo says.

Buffalo District taxpayers who do this often catch income or deductions they have omitted or errors in arithmetic, he said.

Other things to check are whether the pre-addressed label is attached to the return, all W-2 Forms are enclosed and the return is signed.

This review is time well spent as it may prevent delays in processing the return and speed up any refund due.

Mail Income Tax Returns To IRS Service Center

All Federal income tax returns should be mailed to the IRS Service Center at 310 Lowell Street, Andover, Massachusetts 01812. John E. Foley, District Director, Internal Revenue Service, Buffalo, announces.

An envelope addressed to the center has been included in all tax packages for the convenience of taxpayers.

Checks or money orders in payment of the tax should be made payable to: "Internal Revenue Service," he added.

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Annual Fire Brigade Review In Tokyo

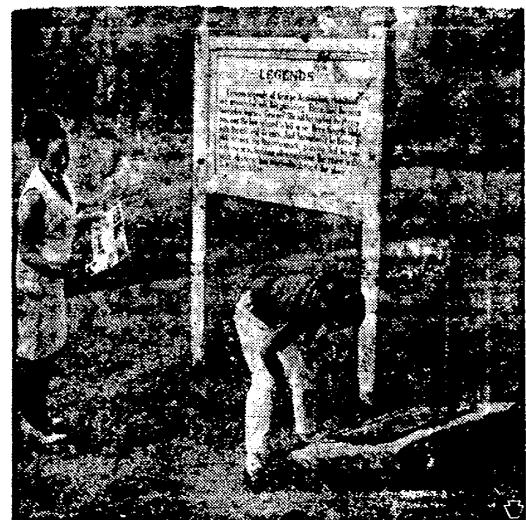


Hair-raising acrobatic stunts by two thousand Tokyo firemen mark a traditional climax to the city's New Year festivities. Wearing uniforms reminiscent of the Edo period (1603-1867), the firemen perform atop ladders every January 6, keeping alive a custom that was started in 1659.

The annual fire brigade review, known as Dezomeshiki, or first convocation, is held in the outer garden of the Meiji Shrine in Tokyo before tens of thousands of spectators. The convocation symbolically reinstates the fire brigades following the New Year celebration.

The performance of daredevil stunts is said to display the firemen's agility and presence of mind in the face of danger in the performance of their duties. The show, which was held only a few times in the seventeenth century, was revived in 1875. It continues with few modifications to this day.

"Hey, Mom! Here's Where the Cherry Tree Got the Axe, By George!"



Not at Mount Vernon but little-known Ferry Farm, boyhood home near Fredericksburg, Va., is where the deed was done.

"Here," says the marker on the site of Ferry Farm, George Washington's boyhood home on the Rappahannock River near Fredericksburg, Virginia, "George's little hatchet barked the cherry tree, and the boy refused to tell a lie. Here George broke the colt and its neck. And hereabouts he threw a rock across the Rappahannock, proving that he had a strong arm. Tradition, often confusing the river with wider streams, has magically turned the stone to a silver dollar."

The house and farm are no more, but George's surveying office and the old ice house still can be seen at the site of Ferry Farm. Mary Washington, mother of George, lived here until 1771 when she moved into Fredericksburg where her home can be seen. Nearby is her tomb, at Meditation Rock overlooking the river.

Also to be seen at historic old Fredericksburg are: Kenmore, built in 1752 by Col. Fielding Lewis, armorer of the Revolution, for his bride,

Betty Washington, George's only sister (it was then the manor house of an 863-acre plantation); Rising Sun Tavern, built about 1760 by George's brother Charles; Washington's Masonic Lodge; President James Monroe's law office and museum containing many items from the White House; the Hugh Mercer Apothecary Shop; Stoner's Store (a general store of the 1800s exhibiting over 13,000 items); and the National Battlefield Park Visitor Center (four major Civil War battles were fought here).

Fredericksburg, Virginia is on Interstate 95 only 50 miles south of Washington, D. C.