

HI-HERALD

Sleigh.
When Santa came down the chimney with glee.
And then I hear him say, "Ho Ho and He He."
But the best thing of Christmas is, I can see the whole family.
David Marsh

CHRISTMAS TIME

Christmas Time means to me. Exactly what it's supposed to be. You hang your stockings gladly. And in the morning, well, I'll be! This all started 1975 years ago. Christ, the Son of Mary, was born in a stable, in Bethlehem, one morn.
As the Lord said to go. A donkey pulled Mary, on so slow. Christmas is a time of giving. It's also a time of receiving. Most of all, giving and receiving LOVE!!!!
Jonathan Alan Ryan

JIMMY'S CHRISTMAS TREE

Jimmy was a five-year old boy. He was very excited about Christmas, because this year he would get to trim the tree all by himself. And he would even get to put the star on top.
Finally, came the day he would go with his father to get the tree. He picked out the tallest and roundest tree he could find. It was beautiful. Jimmy's father put it on his sled and pulled it home for him. Jimmy was even more excited now and wanted to trim it before the snow melted off.
After lunch Jimmy and his father put the tree in a standard and set it on a table. And a second after it was put up Jimmy was decorating it. He used lights, bulbs, garland, and tinsel. Then he yelled to his father. His father came and held him while Jimmy put the star on the top. It had fifteen lights with an angel on top. Jimmy jumped up and down looking at the tree. He had had so much fun, and would have a Merry Christmas.
The End!!
written by:
Jonathan Alan Ryan

CHRISTMAS TREE!!

Christmas Tree — Christmas Tree. You bring so much joy to me. The joy that means LOVE. From heavenly, heaven above.
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THE SHEPHERD'S VISIT

The angels told the shepherds to go. They thought if only we could know. What goes on this very night. Then we would know what was right.
And so they went to Bethlehem town. To see the king who had no crown. The king who had just been born. On Christmas day in the morn. They fell on their knees before their king. They wanted to give him everything. Everything that they did own. They wanted to give him a throne.
Carole Buckwalter

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Senator

BUCKLEY

In the wake of the Vietnam debacle, can we afford to keep up our commitments to Israel?

F. O.—Glens Falls

This is not a time to re-evaluate our policy towards Israel. It is a time to reaffirm it. The Middle-East continues to be an area of critical importance to the security and economic strength of the West. It is the gateway both to Africa and the huge petroleum reserves of the Persian Gulf. It is an area that cannot be allowed to fall under the domination of a hostile power. Israel continues to be our best guarantee against the expansion of Soviet influence in this vital area.

You recently sponsored a bill which would aid the police departments of New York and several other cities. Why the federal hand-out?

J. L.—Rochester

New York City, for example, spent \$3.1 million dollars on protecting foreign diplomats in 1974. Not a penny of it was spent to protect New Yorkers, but was spent to protect guests of the United States government. My bill would simply allow any American city with at least 20 diplomatic missions to ask the federal government to provide personnel from the Executive Protection Service for this type of diplomatic security. As an alternative, the city could use its own police force, and be reimbursed for that portion of their budget that they spent on protection of diplomats. This is a matter of elementary fairness and basic justice. The safety of official foreign visitors to our country is a national obligation, not a local one.

Do you think President Ford used overkill in his handling of the Mayaguez incident?

N. E.—Scarsdale

Not at all. I think he handled it superbly. He was decisive in the face of a high risk operation. In addition to the rescue of the crew and the vessel, the air attack on the territory of Cambodia served notice on future would-be pirates that they will not be able to escape from such a venture without suffering serious losses. This should also serve notice that the Congress and the people of the United States will support the President in the resolute use of appropriate force against any attack. In short, it was an important first step on the road back to credibility.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Gavin Enjoy Visit On The Flat-top "Nimble"

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Gavin recently returned from visiting their daughter, Mary Kay and husband ETR 3 Robert D. Cavanaugh at Norfolk, Virginia.

While there Mr. and Mrs. Gavin were guests on board the Nimble, on which Cavanaugh is assigned. The ship was seven years under construction at Newport News, has a combat load displacement of 95,000 tons and is the largest warship ever built and is America's second nuclear flat-top.

The vessel has two nuclear reactors that provides the equivalent of 11 million barrels of fuel oil and will allow 13 years of operation without refueling. The huge craft accommodates 6,282 persons and about 100 planes including the Navy's new F14 Tomcat, said to be the world's most sophisticated fighter plane.

The ship is 1,092 feet long breadth of 252 feet and the area of the flight deck is nearly 4 1/2 acres.

While the ship was docked at Norfolk's Naval Station they were able to see the men's quarters and were greeted by Cavanaugh's Commanding Officer Oblin who showed the Officers Quarters and gave the Gavins folder of information on the Nimble, which was the same one given to the German people on a recent tour there.

ETR 3 Cavanaugh's training is concerned with the computers on board ship.

Several other points of interest

were shown the couple by their children, including the ships and subs docked in the Norfolk Yards.

The Cavanaugh's brought the Gavins home by the way of Washington D. C. At the Capitol building there was a bus and school segregation demonstration taking place. Also a visit to the Arlington National Cemetery was very impressive as it was the 12th Anniversary of President Kennedy's assassination.

From Our Files

Although a number of local hunters were successful getting their bucks last week the general census of opinion among hunters was that the hunting was not good. Town Clerk F. S. Potter reports 197 deer licenses issued in Andover, two of which were out-of-state parties.

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FOAMCRAFTING

Perhaps you recall real "old-fashioned" Christmases, or maybe you have only heard about them. Part of the charm of Christmas in the early days was the very special hand-made decorations that were a real part of the holiday season.

Here is a do-it-yourself project that helps recapture the spirit of those times. It is fun to make and adds a modern touch with the use of easy-to-find soft drink pull tabs.

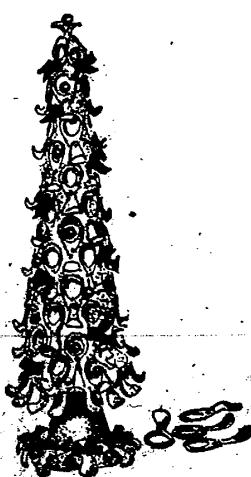
This Christmas tree will give special meaning to this festive holiday season and many more to come because it's a decoration you made yourself — just as folks did in the old days.

(Handy hint: read over the instructions and gather the necessary material together before starting the project.)

This project is from a new book, "Foamcrafting With Styrofoam", at most craft and hobby stores.

For the tree, use a 12" cone of Styrofoam plastic foam and a pedestal base made of plastic foam. Secure them together using three toothpicks dipped in glue. Paint the tree gold.

Gently bend the pull tabs and paint them gold. (It will take about 150 tabs to complete the tree.) Fill the tree with the tabs short enough to fit in the top. Use a fine needle containing a dab of glue to push the tabs into the top. Use a fine needle containing a dab of glue to push the tabs into the top. Use a fine needle containing a dab of glue to push the tabs into the top.



Christmas Tree

about 14 tabs. The next row, 13 tabs; the next 12, etc.

(Note: the tabs on the tree turn up while the tabs on the base turn down. The three on the tree top also face up.) When all tabs are glued on, spray with glitter glue and sprinkle with gold glitter.

Make tiny bows of red velvet. Tie with wire and place on tree along with several 1 1/2 inch Christmas balls tucked in between tabs.

For a free folder containing detailed instructions, write: Kerton Florist, 167 North Main Street, Wellsville, N.Y. 14895.