

# ME says 'Marry Daily'

By BONITA BALDWIN  
The banner hanging in the Hollys' family room reads "Love is a decision we make every day."

"We don't see ourselves just as married, but as 'matrimonying,'" Terry Holly explained. His wife Sheila added that she thinks it's beautiful for a couple to say each day, "I marry you."

focus back on number one. Terry said that when he is talking with Sheila about something important and one of their six children wants to talk with him, the child must wait. Sheila is first. Mr. Holly said that he feels his children's sense of security comes from knowing that their parents care for one another.

## State Laws On Marriage

Each applicant for a marriage license must present a State Pre-Marital Blood Test Form, duly signed by physician and applicant. The Physician's Statement must show the date on which the blood specimen was taken, date test was completed, date of physical examination, and the name and address of the laboratory making the tests. The results of the tests must not be shown.

Since August 1974 Mr. and Mrs. Holly have served as the coordinating team for the Rochester area Marriage Encounter. They attended the third Marriage Encounter weekend in Rochester in July 1971 and began learning how to communicate better and to understand marriage sacramentally. "We've fallen deeply in love all over again," Terry grinned.

Mr. and Mrs. Holly agreed that marriage is not a 50/50 proposition. It is rather a totality of giving in which each gains. Sheila expressed a renewed awareness of the beauty of each other and a concept of marriage as a beautiful God-given gift.

"Why do couples get married in the first place?" Sheila asked. "Because they want to be together. The other person is number one to you."

The Hollys don't claim that they never fight or argue. Terry explained, "Love is saying what is going on inside, and love is listening."

Blood tests must be made in laboratories recognized by the State.

The blood test expires 30 days from the date on which the specimen was taken. The license must be obtained during these thirty days.

"What happens, though?" Terry continued. "There's a growing apart. They don't hold hands anymore when they walk down the street. She doesn't sit next to him in the car. Friends, family, job all intrude on the oneness of the relationship."

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Distractions can be good if kept in proper perspective, Terry added. It's important, however, to

Both parties must appear in person when applying for the marriage license.

The marriage license expires 60 days from the date of issue. The fee for the marriage license varies from place to place.

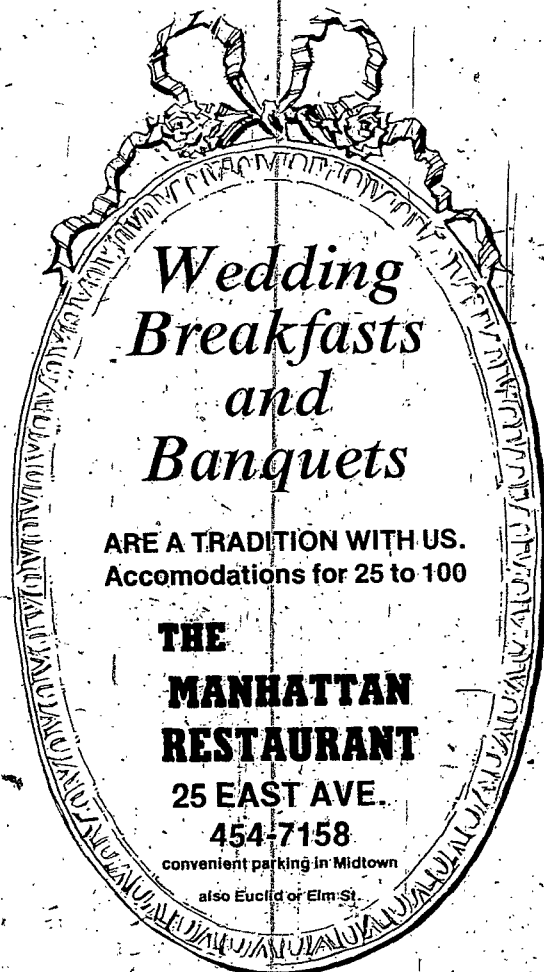
In the case of minors (males and females under 18) consent to the marriage must be attested by the personal appearance of both parents or by a notarized statement of consent.

Licenses issued in New York State may be used anywhere in the state.

No period of residence is required for out-of-city or out-of-state applicants.

The wedding may take place 24 hours after issuance of the license, provided that ten days will have elapsed between the date of the blood tests and the date of the marriage ceremony.

All applicants must present proof of age.



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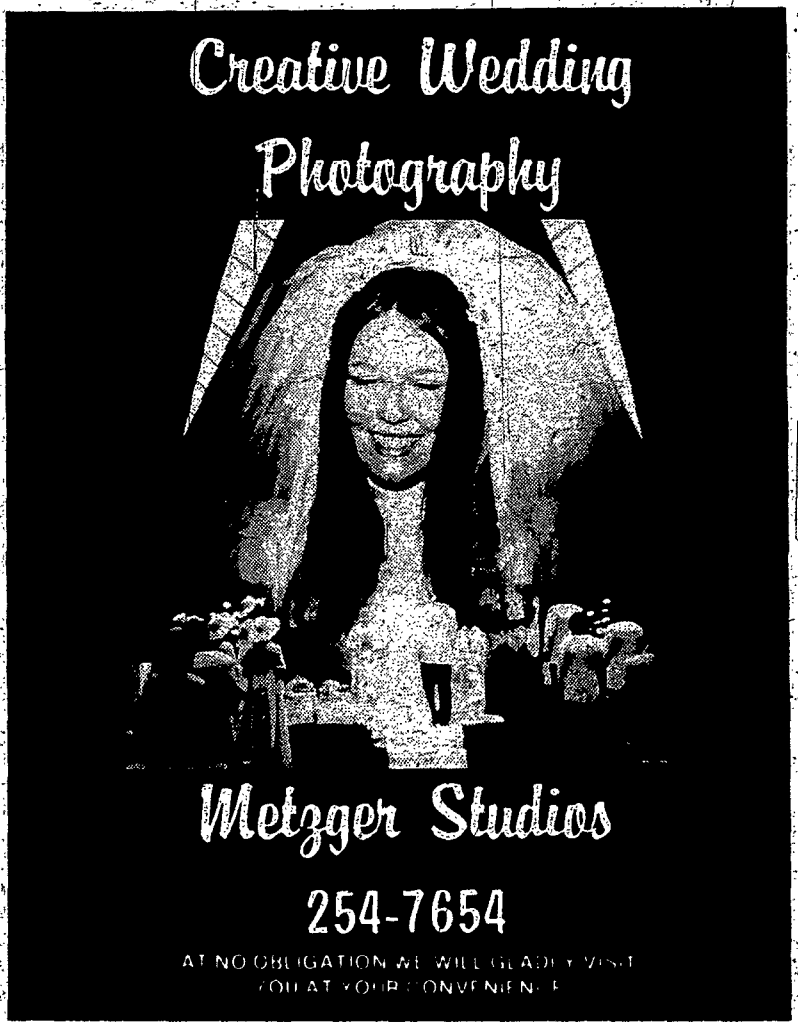
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