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All in the Family

basket under a pile of magazines in my porch office and went back to my old hobby which also deals with accumulation but doesn't bother anybody.

I hoard picnics and book endings and the way my children looked when they were very little, among other things.

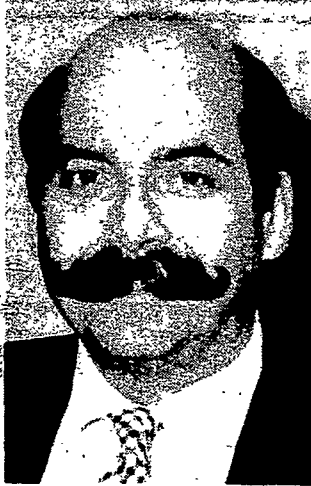
They are useful and quite satisfying. These aggregations, and sometimes I take them out and dust them off and use them in writing, but mostly I keep them just for the pleasure of their company.

Of the above, picnics are the easiest to share. Almost all of them took place on mountains — not surprising since I grew up on a series of them. Picnics on Prospect, on Cherry Springs, and a brief but very special one on Keating Summit.

It was December, or maybe February, and my littlest brother and sister, 3 and 4, and I were driving back from my grandfather's house, 15 miles over the hill.

And, in a bend in the winding dirt road, I pulled the car over and we climbed up on the ice-encrusted bank to the hillside, brushed snow from a large flat rock and ate our sandwiches and drank cocoa from a thermos.

I can still see the way the sun filtered down on the bare, snow-laden trees, recall the warmth of the hot chocolate against the freezing temperatures and feel the excitement coursing through the kids as we waited for the pair of deer which picked its way silently down from the peak behind us to cross the road below the bend.



Honored

John M. Christiano, psychology teacher at McQuaid Jesuit High School, has been recognized for teaching excellence by the American Psychological Association, Teaching Division Two. He will be presented his award and commemorative plaque at the association's national convention in August. Christiano has been on the McQuaid faculty for 13 years. He and his wife Sarah and their daughter Sarah Beth reside in Mendon.

Singles

Auburn — The Over 18 Singles Group will gather at a picnic, 2-5 p.m., Sunday, June 13, at Emerson Park on Owasco Lake. Further information is available by calling 252-9139.

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Imperishable Collections

A lot of people collect things. They amass coins or stamps or butterflies. Or paperweights, salt and pepper shakers, ashtrays from hotel rooms. Even guns.

I started a collection once. I began dumping some stones and fossils I found on a hillside and creekbed in a

wastebasket, and the oldest told me one of them was a brachiopod which lent the pile a certain status.

But then she and the rest of the family began complaining that for the most part they were just plain stones, the pretty, striated coloring notwithstanding, and that they did nothing for the living room except add clutter which we already had plenty of. So I shoved the

Deaths

James H. Sentner

Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated May 19 for James H. Sentner who died Sunday, May 16, 1982.

Mr. Sentner was a member of Monroe County WWI Barracks 2236, New York, which he served as chaplain; Veterans of Foreign Wars, James H. Lundgren Post, 8948, and Warner Claudius Post 1013, of which he was past commander; the Knights of

Columbus Council 178, and the National Association of Retired Federal Employees.

Funeral military rites were celebrated at St. Salome's Church.

Mr. Sentner is survived by his wife, Agnes Dissett Sentner; a daughter, Bernadette of Rochester; a sister, Mrs. J.C. (Helen) Gaffney of DuBois, Pa.; and several nieces and nephews.

Frankie Piazza

Funeral Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated June 5 at St. Theodore's Church for Frankie Piazza who succumbed to leukemia Thursday, June 3, 1982.

The seven-year-old boy fought a valiant fight against his disease for nearly two years, enduring painful bone marrow transplant and blood transfusion during that time.

One of his dreams was to visit Disney World in Orlando, Fla., an ambition realized for only a day and a half last month.

His is survived by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Vincent Piazza; his siblings, Luigi, Nina and Josie; and his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Fiannaca and Josephine Piazza.

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