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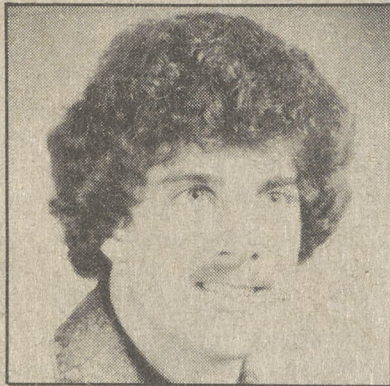
## Jaycee president doesn't anticipate women in club

By DOTTY MARTIN  
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Joseph Rubbico, president of the Back Mountain Jaycees, doesn't feel his club will ever be forced to accept a woman into its membership, but if it is, Rubbico says he would "welcome her help."

Rubbico's comments came last week after the Supreme Court agreed to decide whether states may force the 300,000 member United States Jaycees - and maybe other men-only civic organizations as well - to admit women to their membership.

The justices of the Supreme Court made the agreement following an appeal from the state of Minnesota which argues that its statute barring sex discrimination in "a place of public accommodation" should



JOSEPH RUBBICO

apply to the civic organization, also.

Rubbico, who has been a member for 2½ years in the nine-year-old Back Mountain Jaycee organization, doesn't feel men and women should

be forced to work together.

"We have a Jay-C-ette organization," Rubbico said. "That club has been in existence for six years and we (Jaycees) have always worked closely with them. We have a very good working relationship, but I don't think we should be forced to work together."

The Jaycees contend theirs is a private group entitled to freedom of association without government interference and that it is fighting to preserve similar rights enjoyed by other all-male groups.

Rubbico, however, doesn't anticipate the Supreme Court deciding to allow women into the Jaycees. And, although he says he would have no problem dealing with such a decision, he does admit, "It would be interesting to see what the other members would do."



### For you, Bobby

Irem Temple Women's Auxiliary President, Mrs. Charles Metcalf, Jr., above left, accompanied by Illustrious Potentate Edward S. Powell and Mrs. Louise James, right, presented Bobby Adams with a computer, making his Christmas merrier.

## Irem Women make Christmas a merry one for Bobby Adams

The Women's Auxiliary of the Irem Temple recently presented Bobby Adams of Trucksville with a computer, making his Christmas a very merry one.

Bobby was born with one short arm, while his other arm is missing completely and his hand is attached to his shoulder. He has had surgery on the short arm and is presently undergoing surgery on his seriously deformed legs.

All this surgery has been performed at the Shriner's Crippled Children's Hospital in Philadelphia where Bobby has been a patient from time to time during his 13 years of life.

It was Mrs. Louise James, a member of the Women's Auxiliary, who first heard of Bobby's desire to own a computer. She then took the idea to an Auxiliary meeting where the members contributed most generously.

Along with the problems aforementioned, Bobby has other multiple birth defects. He is a bleeder, which makes surgery a risk, and also has a blood disorder which disallows his blood from clotting at times.

With all his afflictions, Bobby saw fit to ride his three-wheel bicycle in last year's American Cancer Society Bike-A-Thon. He completed the 25-mile trail with the help of many well-wishers along the way, each of whom he rewarded with his warm smile. Bobby also received a trophy from the American Cancer Society for being such a great inspiration to everyone.

The Nobles of Irem Temple tip their fezzes to members of the Women's Auxiliary for their generosity in such a worthwhile cause and ask that anyone aware of a crippled or burned child, contact the Shriners at 825-3449.



### S.O.S. Crew

Shown here are those students from the Gate of Heaven School who are involved in the Save Our Statue program. From left, first row, Rachel Schall, Michael Farris, Wendy Kuniskas and Robert Moylan; second row, Christopher Blazes, Frank Spencer, Jean Stahovec, Mrs. Joan Makowski, teacher; Joan Segrave-Daly, Sean McGovern and Arlene Casterline.

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## Gate of Heaven students plan marathon to 'Save Our Statue'

By JANE C. BOLGER  
Staff Correspondent

Over 100 years ago, several children in France donated coins to help pay for building the Statue of Liberty. Today, school children throughout the United States are raising money to Save Our Statue (S.O.S.).

Among the students working for S.O.S. are the sixth, seventh and eighth graders at Gate of Heaven School, Dallas, who are holding a marathon on Feb. 11 to raise funds for the costly repairs to Miss Liberty.

The original cost of the statue, which has welcomed millions of immigrants to our shores from its post in New York harbor, was \$400,000. The cost of repairing the statue will be a much higher \$230 million. (As one Gate of Heaven student humorously put it, "That's inflation.")

The S.O.S. marathon that 88 students will participate in will include the following events: dancing, basketball, free throw, checkers tournament, pass the torch, rocking chair, exercise bicycles, ping pong and rowboat. The public is invited to attend at no charge from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Feb. 11 in the Gate of

Heaven School, Machell Avenue. Refreshments will be available.

Sponsors anxious to support this marathon to save our great American monument have already begun to sign up. Individuals may make 10 cent pledges per hour while local businesses may sponsor events for \$10 and have their names as participants on display.

A plaque recognizing Gate of Heaven's involvement in this national project will be permanently placed in the museum at the base of the Statue of Liberty.

The committee of 10 students who are organizing the S.O.S. Marathon met recently with their Social Studies teacher, Mrs. Joan Makowski, who originated the idea, to present a knowledgeable group of facts about the Statue of Liberty for our readers.

Among those facts are: It took 8½ years to build, was designed by Frederick Auguste Bartholdi, was given by the French people to the United States in 1884, was dedicated by President Grover Cleveland, the name of Bedloe's Island has been changed to Liberty Island, it weighs 225 tons and stands 151 feet 1 inch tall, there are 25 windows in the crown of the statue which was declared a national monument in 1924.

The students who are serving on the committee are Wendy Kuniskas, Arlene Casterline, Jean Stahovec, Frank Spencer, Christopher Blazes, Joan Segrave-Daly, Rachel Schall, Robbie Moylan, Michael Farris, and Sean McGovern. They are very enthusiastic about this project and have even talked one mother into building a six-foot-high replica of the State of Liberty of plaster of paris and cloth. The replica will be on display during the marathon.



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### Pro-life supporters

Among the pro-life supporters in the Back Mountain area are, from left, Evelyn Napieralski, Mike Sitar, Jay Napieralski, Carol Sitar and Maura Mundy.

## Pro-life supporters take to streets

By JANE C. BOLGER  
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The Back Mountain will be well represented in Washington, D.C. this Monday (Jan. 23) when the yearly "March For Life" protesting abortion takes to the streets of the capitol and continues along to the doors of the White House.

Numerous adults as well as teenage students from Dallas, Lake-Lehman and Bishop O'Reilly schools will leave this area at 6 a.m. to take part in the nationwide event supporting a Pro-Life Amendment to the Supreme Court 1973 rule legalizing abortion.

"It might be better if we listened to God rather than the Supreme Court," said Carol Sitar of Huntsville Road, Dallas, chairman of the Pro-Life Organization at Gate of

Heaven Church. "The Ten Commandments were out long before their rules."

The feelings Mrs. Sitar expressed such as "Abortion is murder" and we are taught "Thou shalt not kill" are echoed by pro-lifers throughout the area. These feelings are non-denominational and are shared by Betty Caffrey, President of the Wyoming Valley Chapter of Pennsylvanians for Human Life as well as Lourene and Chuck Reynolds of Dallas who head the Pro-Life Youth Ministry for high school students.

It is our belief, said Mrs. Sitar, "That it is most important that the young people get involved and try to rectify the law and make it better." They are learning "to respect life," she continued, expressing the fear that "if we kill babies today - handicapped, mental defectives and the elderly may be next."

One of the outward symbols of pro-life supporters is the tiny gold "Precious Feet" pins that most

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### How to become a sponsor

The method of fund-raising for the Save Our Statue project will be the obtaining of pledges by the students involved in the marathon. In addition, any group, organization, business establishment or individual wishing to act as a sponsor may do so by forwarding \$10 or more to Gate of Heaven School, Machell Avenue, Dallas, Pa., 18612, by February 8. Checks may be made payable to Gate of Heaven S.O.S. Fund. Sponsors will be acknowledged on a sponsor board that will be displayed during the marathon. Please include, with your donation, how you would like to be acknowledged. For further information, contact Gate of Heaven School at 675-2121.

### Believe it!

A resident of Kingston Township reportedly took up a collection last week to enable the beavers in the Springbrook Reservoir to hire a lawyer. Earlier, the beavers had been incorrectly identified as the causes of giardiasis in the water.

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A full grown Fudge Phantom is reportedly running loose in Trucksville, eating tray after tray of holiday candy given to the children of the family.

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Today's issue of The Dallas Post marks the beginning of the 94th year of publication of this newspaper.

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