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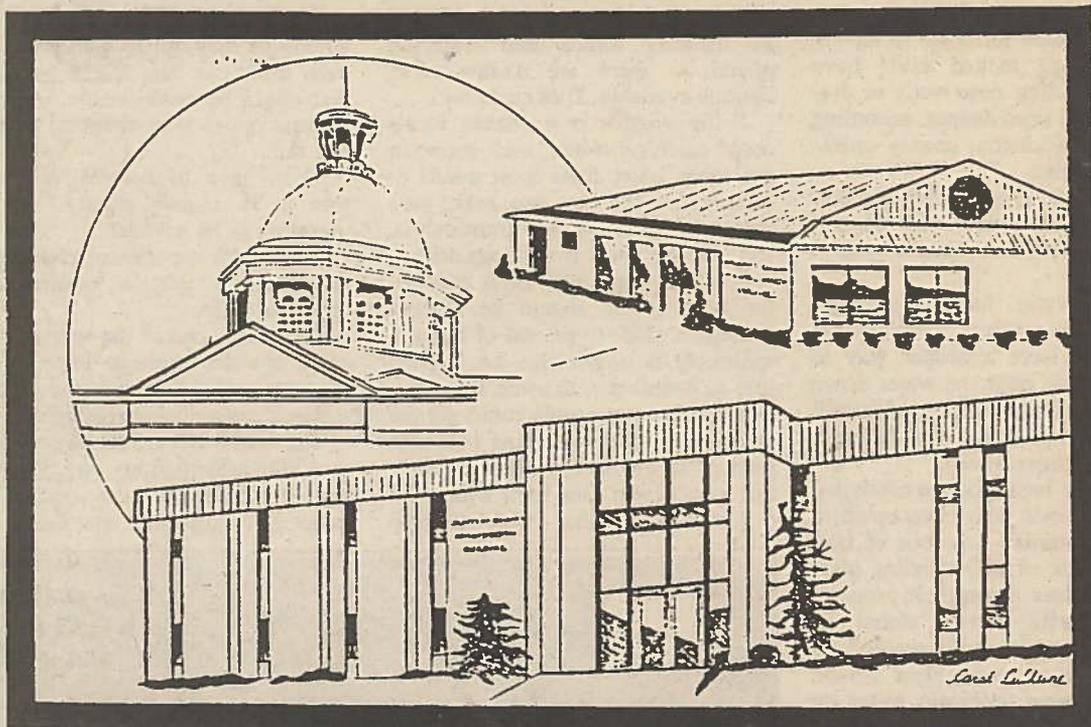
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Part I

It has become a tradition during the first two weeks of January each year that this column space be devoted to our Municipal Historians and their reflections of local highlights during the past year. The accompanying illustration by Carol Culane is taken from the front cover of the Orleans County Preliminary Budget for the fiscal year 1992.

Town of Barre

Helen Mathes, Historian

The 1991 farming season scared local farmers at the beginning but ended over all very successfully, although it was somewhat of a dry year. The major problem many people experienced in Barre and all over during the year was an insufficient supply of water. Many had to haul water while others had new wells drilled or existing ones reopened. Word was received that Barre will be getting a water line and possibly natural gas with it.

Town of Carlton

Lysbeth A. Hoffman, Historian

Thirty-one new homes have been built in this past year.

Deputy Historian, Clare E. Jones, Town Justice retired, passed away March 18, 1991. His post is not being filled.

Pilon Construction Company was awarded the contract and installed the lines, including two creek crossings, in the Carlton Water District extension to bring service to Kuckville, Lakeside, and Sunset Beach.

Anthony's Barbary Coast Restaurant opened at Point Breeze in the former Lakeland building.

Herbert G. Humphrey, of Lakeside Bluff, was presented with the 50th Anniversary Pearl Harbor commemorative medal by Congressman John J. Falce.

Town of Murray, Village of Holley

Marsha DeFilipps, Historian

A new soccer field was opened at the Holley High School and the Holley H.S. soccer team

became the N.Y.S. Soccer Champs for the second year in a row.

The Holley lift bridge is under construction, an inconvenience at present for those wishing to use Hurd Road for a direct access to and from the Village of Holley at the northeast section. The Village of Holley annexed more property within the corporation.

The Sixth Annual Fountain Festival was one of the most successful ever.

Finally, after a year and a half delay, Holley teachers and school board settled on a contract.

Town of Gaines

Delia Robinson, Historian

Janice Thaine, Deputy Historian

The new Gaines Town Hall was dedicated on February 14, 1991 and now accommodates Town Clerk, Assessor, Court, Town Board and Historian. Perhaps one of the most beneficial qualities of the new building are two vaults, one for current records, the other for historical and archival materials.

In November the Cobblestone Society dedicated the Robert W. Frasch Room which houses the Cobblestone Resource Center, one of a kind library of information on Cobblestone Masonry.

Town of Shelby

Alice Zacher, Historian

In February H. Justin Roberts died. He was a prominent farmer and active community leader serving as supervisor of the town from 1937-59.

In July the new Value Home Center opened for business. Margaret Martin was awarded a Gold Medal in fencing at the U.S. Olympic Festival held in Los Angeles and again at the Empire Games in Albany. Also in July Todd Roberts discovered a 20 foot symmetrical circle in a wheat field while combining on the family farm. This mysterious circle was later confirmed authentic by UFO experts.

In September the new Medina High School now located in the Town of Shelby was opened for classes.