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fire insurance in the voluntary market. The Senate has acknowledged this fact. To correct it, they are creating a “market assistance” program within the FAIR Plan. In addition, the FAIR Plan, which provided much of the insurance coverage in arson-devastated areas like Bushwick, is being entrusted by our state legislators with an Arson Awareness and Prevention Program.

These are public relation gimmicks which are nothing more than self-serving bonuses for the FAIR Plan Board of Directors. The cost of these duplicated efforts will be passed on to the consumer in the form of higher premiums.

After weeks of inactivity, the Senate Insurance Committee has released the Dunne Bill on the floor, and all indications point to almost certain approval, regardless of the smoke-screen which has clouded the basic issue of compliance with the intent of Congress. We urge a re-sounding “no” vote on this bill in its present form.

Let the two houses effect a compromise that would assist the taxpayer. Arson programs and insurance industry reforms which are sorely needed should be handled in separate legislation which could intelligently deal with these community-destroying problems.

German Alps Festival
Hosts Hummelwerk Show

The seventh annual German Alps Festival, is authenticity and colorful setting at the base of beautiful Hunter Mountains in New York’s scenic northern Catskills, will hold its first Hummelwerk throughout the 17-day run, July 11 to July 26 (closed Mondays). The Hummelwerk Show, which will occupy the entire spacious Colonel’s Hall of the Ski Lodge, a division of Goebel Art Inc., Rotenthal, West Germany, and by Don Conover, festival president. The Hummelwerk Show, conducted under the direction of the German Alps Festival Store, a year around establishment in Hunter, will include displays, seminars, tours, and a Goebel artist from Germany who will demonstrate and autograph figurines July 20, 21, 22. There will be a hanging of original artwork from the Goebel gallery.

A program sheet of the Show’s special events will be available prior to the festival.

The 34-piece Lucky’s Black Forest Band of Schoharie, Germany, which appeared at the festival two years ago, returns this year for all the events. Other area bands including the New York State, Pennsylvania, Maryland, and Virginia areas are plentiful. They range from sky diving, falconry demonstrations, hot-air balloon ascensions, German Products Exposition tent, the Kasperl puppet theatre, working craftsmen, the Badeinsel Clyde lake horses and a roaming mime.

Tons of barbeque, knackwurst, weiner schnitzel, sauerbraten, grilled chicken, leberkase along with sauerkraut, red cabbage, potato salad, potato pancakes, goulash soup (the list goes on) along with barrels of import and domestic beer are on the menu slate.

A colorful parade along Hunter’s Main Street opens the festival at noon July 21.

A full-color descriptive brochure, along with a listing of all events, will be made available prior to the festival. The Hummelwerk Show, which has become the largest event of its kind in the northeast, is the first of three major festivals at Hunter. The Country Music Weekend follows on Aug. 3, 4 and 5, and the third annual National Polka Festival, August 10 to 19.

The office is open Monday and Friday from 10 am. to 8 am., on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from 10 am. to 5 pm. and on Saturday from 10 am. to 1 pm. and by appointment.

YMCA Has Flea Market Planned

Sunday, April 1 is the date of the flea market of the Twelve Towns YMCA on Atalanta Ave. and 64th St. The doors open to the public at 12 noon and close by 5 pm.

All who attend the 1st Sunday of the month markets find a congenial atmosphere and over 100 tables which makes for a satisfying bargain hunt after- noon. Kitchen volunteers cheerfully serve food staples, coffee and homemade cakes at reasonable prices. A sit while you snack area is provided.

The Y is open rain or shine, so plan to stop and bargain hunt. If selling is your choice, call the Y for table information at 821-8971.

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AIDE

Joseph A. Murphy of Division 14 in Richmond Hill served as Padre for the Queens County Ancient Order of Hibernians to the Grand Marshal of the 217th Annual New York St. Patrick’s Day Parade.

Senior Seminarians

District Office

Assemblyman Anthony Seminerio has invited all his constituents and friends to attend the Grand Opening Party of his district office at 114-19 Jamaica Avenue, Richmond Hill, on Friday, March 21st at 7:30 pm.

"We opened February 1st but now we’re really settled in and working hard," said Assemblyman Seminerio. "I thought it was about time we celebrated."

Refreshments and music will enliven the occasion which Assemblyman Seminerio hopes will be widely attended.

"We already have a very full schedule," he said of his district office calendar, "helping our people with problems, and providing information on services and tax breaks."

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