



'OUR LADY IN SNOW' — Georgia-native Janine Styer, a freshman at Nazareth College spending her first winter in Rochester, carved a snow replica of the shrine grotto of Our Lady of Lourdes on the college campus.

Girls Carve 'Snow Madonna'

By PAUL CONTESTABLE

Heavy snowfall that tied up traffic and caused dismay to many Rochesterians brought a ray of sunshine to at least one Nazareth College student last week. While most people were far from happy about the snow, Janine Styer viewed her first snowfall and exclaimed: "It's wonderful!"

Snow is a novelty to Janine, who hails from Atlanta, Ga. A freshman art major at the college, she was quick to put her studies to use through a new medium — snow sculpture.

Working details of their snow sculpture, JANINE, who had never seen snow before and her freshmen classmates, were mighty proud when their Lourdes snow shrine won first prize in the college's Winter Weekend sculpture contest.

How long will the "snow" shrine last? "As long as we have cold weather and snow," say Janine and her friends.

Mission Organizations To Make Fund Appeals

Twenty-eight mission organizations have received Bishop Kearney's approval to make fund appeals in the Rochester Diocese during the current year.

Under the Missionary Cooperation Plan, carried on in the Diocese for the past 22 years, parish churches permit one missionary each year to make an appeal for his work at Sunday Masses.

This special appeal is in addition to the annual Mission Sunday Collection sponsored by the Society for the Propagation of the Faith.

Announcement of the missionary groups approved for making appeals this year was made to diocesan director of the Propagation of the Faith, Rev. George S. Wood, (home); more than 200 mission dioceses and societies made application to participate in the diocesan Missionary Cooperation Plan.

Among those accepted for appeals this year are eight Bishops from missionary dioceses throughout the world. They are:

The Most Reverend Bishops Joseph Atipetty, Veropol, India; Thomas Fernando, Tuticorin, So. India; Duane Hunt, Salt Lake City; Owen McCann, Cape Town, So. Africa; Fergus O'Grady, Prince Rupert, B.C.; Francis Simons, Indore, India; T. J. Toolen, Mobile, Ala., and P. Winters, Tanganyika, East Africa.

Other participants in this year's Diocesan Cooperation Plan include:

Men's Mission Societies (foreign): Maryknoll Fathers, Marist Fathers, Jubbalpore Missions, Society of Jesus (Rev. Louis Dowd), Holy Cross Fathers, Redemptorists Fathers, LaSalette Fathers, Society of African Missions, Trinitarian Fathers, Missionaries of the Sacred Heart, Catholic Medical Mission Board, Society of St. Peter the Apostle for Native Clergy.

Men's Mission Societies (home): Franciscan Missionary Union, Society of the Divine Word, Basilian Fathers Mexican Missions, Oratorian Fathers.

Women's Mission Societies (foreign): Medical Missions, Rev. Mother Anna Dengel, Marist Sisters, Rev. Mother Mary Cyr.

Women's Mission Societies (home): Daughters of Mary of Leuca, Sisters of St. Joseph (Diocese of Rochester).

WHAM Lists Pope's Talk

Pope Plus XII will broadcast a special Lenten message to the school children of America on Ash Wednesday afternoon at 4:30 p.m.

The fifteen minute program directed from the Vatican will be heard in the Rochester area from station WHAM.

In other cities of the Diocese, local radio schedules should be consulted for possible later broadcast of the Pope's talk by tape recording.

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Aquinas, McQuaid List Entry Tests

Rochester's two Catholic high schools for boys — McQuaid and Aquinas — announced this week entrance examinations for prospective new students will be held at both schools Saturday, April 19, at 9 a.m.

Boys planning to take the entrance test at either school must register their application no later than March 8th.

Application forms are available from principals of all Rochester area parochial schools.

The two schools will accept a combined total of about 600 freshmen for September classes.

Aquinas Institute with a present total of 1,283 students expects to have a freshman class of about 350.

McQuaid Jesuit high school, four years old and scheduled to conduct its first graduation ceremony this June, will enroll approximately 250 new pupils. Current total enrollment is 920.

McQUAID APPLICANTS will take their test at that school located at 1500 Clinton Ave. S. at the corner of Elmwood Ave.

Aquinas aspirants will be tested at Aquinas, 1127 Dewey Ave. a few blocks north of Driving Park Ave.

Both McQuaid and Aquinas are staffed by priests belonging to religious orders with long and famous traditions in the education of young Catholic men.

The 16 Jesuits who teach at McQuaid date their order's origin to 1540 when the soldier saint, Ignatius Loyola launched his Society of Jesus as the vanguard defense of the Church in the perilous era of the Protestant Reformation.

The 33 Basilian Fathers of Aquinas describe the dramatic foundation of their community at the time the French Revolution forced all religious life underground in that country at the end of the eighteenth century.

The Basilians came to the United States via Canada.

They operate five colleges and eight high schools in these two countries and also have priests doing mission work with Spanish speaking people of the Mexican border region.

Jesuits in the United States have twenty-seven colleges and

thirty-eight high schools under their direction.

BOTH McQUAID and Aquinas high schools have lay teachers and "scholastics" besides priests on the faculties.

Scholastics are young members of either the Jesuit or Basilian orders who are trained as teachers but have not as yet completed their studies for ordination as priests. Their scholastic teaching period usually follows their graduation from college but precedes their special theological studies leading to priesthood.

McQuaid has 13 scholastics, Aquinas has 10 scholastics as faculty members. Aquinas also counts 7 lay teachers and McQuaid has 9.

FATHER ERNEST P. Magro, C.S.B., Aquinas principal, said: "Any boy with normal intelligence can meet the scholastic requirements of Aquinas — provided he wants to work."

"We try to bring out the best in every boy, to develop him to his capacity," said Father Magro.

"That way he's trained to do every duty well later in life," the Aquinas principal said.

FATHER JOHN W. Kelly, S.J., principal at McQuaid, explained his school's goal in similar terms.

"At McQuaid we try to show a boy how to discipline his mind and his will so he can know what's right and always have the courage to carry it out," Father Kelly said.

Both schools put special emphasis on "college preparatory" courses — English, classical and modern languages, mathematics, history and science.

There is also a wide range of extracurricular activities ranging from well organized sport programs to special interest clubs such as camera, bowling and rifle clubs.

Father Leon G. Hart, C.S.B., vice principal at Aquinas, summarized the spirit of the two schools:

"We want our graduates to be good Catholics and good citizens. We want them to be well educated Christian gentlemen who can take their place intelligently and capably in whatever rank or position they choose as their life's work."

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Parish, Seminary Share In Bequests

Ithaca Woman Remembers Many Catholic Institutions

Ithaca — St. Bernard's Seminary and Immaculate Conception Church of Ithaca were two of the chief beneficiaries in the estate of the late Bridget Cecelia O'Brien, whose will was probated Feb. 4 in the Surrogate's Court of Tompkins County.

A life-long resident of Ithaca, Miss O'Brien died Jan. 6, 1958. She operated a student's rooming house with her late sister, Mary O'Brien, for Cornell students for many years.

St. Bernard's Seminary received a bequest of \$10,000 according to the will.

Immaculate Conception Church received bequests totaling \$39,000. They were: \$7,000 for Masses to be said in the memory of her family and herself; \$10,000 to the parish building fund in honor of her family; \$10,000, to be applied to the church debt; \$1,000 to the church's Altar and Rosary Society, and \$1,000 to the church's Court Santa Maria No. 210, Catholic Daughters of America.

Other diocesan institutions which also were mentioned in the will were \$3,000 to St. Anne's Home, Rochester and \$3,000 to Monsignor Donald Cleary, for use in the Catholic Chapel at Cornell.

Catholic institutions outside the Rochester Diocese also benefited. They included St. Joseph's Union of Staten Island, N. Y., \$3,000; Maryknoll Fathers of Maryknoll, N. Y., \$3,000; St. Joseph's Society of the Sacred Heart, Baltimore, Md., \$3,000; the Catholic Church Extension Society of Chicago, Ill., \$3,000; and Servants of Incurable Cancer, New York City, \$10,000.

Total contributions to Catholic institutions were \$69,000. There were also individual bequests in the will.

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MONSIGNOR WILLIAM Byrne, pastor of Immaculate Conception Church, told the COURIER-JOURNAL, that Miss O'Brien, who was about 84 at the time of her death, was "highly respected in the community and a longtime, faithful member of Immaculate Conception parish."

The Tompkins County Trust Company is executor for the estate and James J. Clynnes Jr. of the law firm of Tremont and Clynnes is attorney for the estate.

Holy Hour For Youth

Catholic Youth Adoration Holy Hour will be conducted in St. Joseph Church, Franklin St., Rochester, Sunday, Feb. 16 from 7 to 8 p.m., to which all the youth of the area are invited.

Speaker will be the Rev. Edwin Metzger, assistant pastor of Christ the King Church, Kings Highway.

The Holy Hour is sponsored by the Diocesan Sodality Union, directed by the Rev. Edward E. Steinkreiner who issued the invitation to our high school age boys and girls to participate.

Patents Urged To Register For Camp

Parents of Rochester diocese who intend to send their children to Camp Stella Maris MLST register immediately, according to the Rev. Eugene McFarland, director.

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