

C.Y.O. Provides Sports Program

C.Y.O. has for years been noted for its athletic programs. The gym and swimming classes have been part of Rochester's community life for twenty-six years. These activities still play a very important part in the role C.Y.O. has in Rochester's community life.

Recent years have seen many new program innovations, among which has been the formation of a Teen Age committee. Originally this committee had as its main objective to promote Sunday Afternoon T-Dances, which have become a very popular social pastime to the teenage set of Rochester.

TODAY THE Teen Age Committee has a far wider scope than promoting Sunday afternoon dances. The committee often times is called upon to act as host and hostess for C.Y.O. events. They assist the administrative staff of C.Y.O. by helping out in the offices during membership campaign time and tournament competitions. They act as a liaison between youth of Rochester and the C.Y.O.

The C.Y.O. sponsors basketball, softball and bowling leagues. In addition, programs have been set up for beginning swimmers for boys and girls, both in grammar school and in the pre-grammar school age.

Boxing, handball, tumbling, volleyball, and wrestling also appear on the organization's sports program.

The volleyball program is designed specifically for business men and women.

THE C.Y.O. Aquatic program is designed to meet the recreational and instructional needs of all age groups and includes both men and women. Life saving procedures are an integral part of the program, with many people going on to become camp leaders. Lifeguards and recreational directors after first qualifying as senior life savers.

A special part of the aquatic program is the setting up of family swims, "splash parties," competitive swim meets and an annual spring water show.

Another part of the C.Y.O.'s program is a dramatics group, the Junior Catholic Theatre Guild, set up in 1925 and which regularly presents plays throughout the year. This is sponsored jointly by the C.Y.O. and Knights of Columbus Council 178.



REV. EUGENE MCFARLAND
C.Y.O. Director



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The C.Y.O. also gives ballet lessons to girls 5 to 12 years of age. This program had an attendance record of 770 during 1957.

JUST AS SPORTS form an integral part of its program, the C.Y.O. makes sure that the youngsters — as well as the men and women — are in good physical condition to participate in these varied events.

The C.Y.O. does this through its physical education recreation program. Under the watchful eye of trained teachers, girls and boys of all ages are taught the fundamentals of sports games and gymnastic activities.

Clubs sponsored by the C.Y.O. include the Capri Club, for single Catholics of the 25 to 40 age bracket and the Mer-Mac club for those over 40. Special dances, picnics, group recreation are featured by these clubs.



Sister Marie Celine tells evening stories to Villa girls.

Summer Time Day Camps

East Rochester

Spring! — That magic time of the year when baseball bats, roller skates and bicycles are very much in evidence as boys and girls joyfully emerge into the out-of-doors for a long summer of fun.

This is the season too when thoughts turn to camp and when programs are planned for healthful recreation in C.Y.O. Day Camps.

With the addition of a new day camp this year to operate from Christ The Kings Parish, King's Highway, Irondequoit, the family of C.Y.O. Day Camps will total six. Besides the new site, the Catholic Youth Organization will conduct Camp Plus X from Holy Apostles, Camp Ave Maria at Holy Redeemer, Camp Isaac Jogues from St. Andrew's, Camp Morning Star from St. Augustine's and C.Y.O. day camp, 50 Chestnut Street.

Activities are designed to appeal to boys and girls from six through twelve years of age and all programs are supervised and instructed by competent qualified adult instructors. Programs are varied

A full Catholic Youth Organization program operates in East Rochester as part of the Catholic Charities service outside the city of Rochester.

Gym facilities permit extensive basketball, volleyball and other recreational programs supervised by John Trevisan, C.Y.O. director in East Rochester.

East Rochester's C.Y.O. also has its own building at 206 West Ave. Besides the gym, there are kitchen, boys locker and shower facilities, girls locker and shower facilities, office, Teen Game Room, Teen Lounge, Meeting Room, Pool Room, Craft Room, Woodshop and a Snack Bar.

These facilities are used to provide a diversified program for boys and girls ages 6 through 18.

The program schedule concentrates activities for 6 through 12 year-olds in the after-school hours from 3:15 to 5:30 p.m. daily, Monday through Friday and all day on Saturday.

Teenage activities are held during the evening hours of 7:00 to 9:30 p.m. on Wednesdays and Fridays and all of Saturday afternoons.



Charles House director Eileen McCarthy gives boys cookie cooking lesson. Best fun comes in eating the finished product — remarkably delicious.

Leisure Time At Settlements

Service to children and adults through varied programs has been the role of Charles House since its founding in 1917 by the late Harriet L. Barry. A red feather agency under Catholic Charities and the Community Chest, Charles House serves an area outlined by Mt. Street, Main Street West, Mt. Road Blvd. and Lyell Avenue.

During the past year, 751 members participated in program activities offered by the settlement house. Of these, 597 were children between the ages of five and eighteen and 154 were adults. Last summer 182 boys and girls were enrolled in the seven week Day Camp Program. The total attendance for the year was 22,870.

Board of Education meet weekly. Also using the house are two Italian social clubs, one Puerto Rican club, and Scout committee.

During the past year the Rickard Circle Neighborhood Improvement Council was organized and meets monthly at Charles House. A Mothers' Club was also started and holds monthly meetings of offering a diversified program of informative and social events.

Throughout the year the programs for the various groups are highlighted by picnics, dinners, communion breakfasts, parent meetings, card parties, camping trips, and other events.

Dancing Classes, Gym programs, Dramatics.

Meeting at the same time as the classes are many small friendship groups which form clubs. The clubs choose their own names, some of which are: The Peonies, the Bob-Cats, The Red Feathers and so on. A Junior Center for 7th, 8th, and 9th graders meets each Thursday afternoon.

IN THE evening teen-age and adult groups use the Settlement House. The teen-age program is comprised of club groups and athletics. The adults attend athletic programs and Neighborhood Improvement groups. One of the new programs this year is a Physical Fitness athletic program for young men aged 14 to 18 years.

Outside groups sometimes use the agency facilities. Some of these groups use the gym for a monthly social program or for a training session for a marching group.

The Genesee House had a membership of 1,041 and a total attendance of 51,690. Its summer day-camp counted 6,181 children for a six weeks program.

The Genesee House also maintains a daily educational and recreational program for 17 retarded teenagers.

Located at the corner of Duke and Niagara Streets, the program offered by the Genesee House serves all age groups living in the neighborhood. Membership is interracial as well as inter-denominational. On a typical day at Genesee Settlement you would be able to observe a morning program for mentally retarded teen-age boys and girls.

THESE YOUNGSTERS have a varied schedule, including some academic work, gym, dancing, home economics, personal hygiene and grooming.

During the afternoon hours committee meetings are held for members of the different Neighborhood Improvement Associations that meet at the Settlement.

From three-thirty until five in the afternoon the house is a bustling, busy place for boys and girls aged six to fourteen years. Some of the groups offered are: Cooking class, Arts and Crafts class.

FACILITIES AT the house are also utilized by adult groups. English and Citizenship Classes and English Classes for Puerto Ricans, conducted semi-weekly by teachers from the Board of Education, meet at Charles House.

A Home Bureau Unit sponsored by the Settlement and a Sewing Class under the



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