

# 7 Catholic Laymen Receive Scouting Awards in Auburn

Seven Catholic laymen received the St. George Award at the 21st annual Report Dinner sponsored by the Catholic Committee on Scouting of the Rochester diocese in Auburn April 23.

This honor is given those laymen who have contributed to the spiritual development of Catholic youth within

the framework of the Scouting program.

Those receiving the St. George Award are:

Michael L. Asiello of the Steuben Area Council, St. Mary's parish. Conning Asiello has been in Scouting

for 32 years, during which time he has been chairman of the Steuben Area Catholic Committee and a member of the National Committee on Catholic Scouting.

Joseph Korbell is from the Otetiana Council and a parishioner of Sacred Heart Cathedral. In Scouting since 1957, Korbell is Blackhawk District Commissioner.

Orlando D'Agostino is from the Finger Lakes Council and a member of St. Stephen's parish, Geneva. Registered as a Scout for the past 14 years, he has been Chairman of the Finger Lakes Council Retreats and Master of Ceremonies of the annual Geneva Scouts Communion breakfast.

Robert Randall, from the Cayuga County Council, is a parishioner at St. Alphonsus, Auburn. Randall has worked on Scout retreats and was chairman for the report dinner.

Art Fraser, from St. Leo's parish, Hilton, is with the Otetiana Council. Active in scouting for over 30 years, Fraser holds the Scouters' Key and is registered as a Merit Badge Counselor.

Anthony Montemarano is with the Steuben Area Council and St. Ann's parish, Hornell. Currently he is District Camping Chairman and Steuben Catholic Committee Chairman.

Jerry Marx is from the Otetiana Council and St. Rita's parish, West Webster. Associated with the Scouting movement for over 24 years, Marx has received the Viking District Award and the Silver Beaver Award among his many honors.



WHEN DAY IS DONE—work over, supper dishes washed, the kids relax with guitars and ballads. From left are Anne O'Hara, Lance Towner, Don Finn, Dick Weider and Joan Reifsnnyder.



Packing blankets in plastic bags, with a few moth balls for good measure, are Anne O'Hara of Whitesboro and Sue Snyder of Ulster. Job was part of the Social Action workshop held at Perkinsville.



AUGUST M. MAIER  
To chair NAS breakfast

## Social Action Workshop Held in Steuben County

By JOHN DELMONTE

Things were perkier in Perkinsville last week.

Two squads of lively college and high school students brought their zest and energy into the picturesque hamlet, nestled in the northeastern corner of Steuben County. The occasion was a Social Action workshop engineered by Father Tim Weider of the diocesan Secular Mission, and currently administrator of Perkinsville's Sacred Heart Church.

Operating in two three-day programs, the young people moved into the former convent, and began working in the former school. Both had been closed when the parish school was shut down three years ago — the little four room school had been a double grade operation with a declining enrollment at the time.

Father Weider had invited the young people down to Perkinsville to sharpen their interest in a new apostolic field — the rural areas.

The Easter Week volunteers got a chance to see the situation through some home visiting, to talk over the whole subject of apostolate in evening dialogues — and to get some much needed work done.

The old school is in the process of becoming a mission center. Right now, it's a storehouse for donated canned goods and clothing — the students did a good job of sorting and storing accumulated donations of the past few weeks.

"The kids did a lot of work, sorting, packing, painting one of the

rooms," reported Father Weider after Easter Week. "More important, however, they had a chance to see some needs that were new to them. They also had an experience in Christian community, working, praying and playing together that was valuable in itself."

The fast-talking, fast-moving young priest hopes that the Social Action workshop will leave its imprint on the participants well beyond the three-day program. "I'm hoping they'll return to Ulster, Whitesboro, Fairport, and Rochester — and begin to say — 'What are the big needs around here, and what can we do about them?'"

Father Weider estimates that there are some 18,000 poor people living in the five-county area served by the Secular Mission. The other two full-time priests in this work are Father John Hempel, who works Seneca and Yates counties out of Penn Yan, and Father John Gormley, who patrols the bondocks in Tioga and Tompkins counties.

If the three rural missionaries have found many needs, they're gratified at the amount of encouragement and help they've found too. Friends in Rochester have started a collection center at 410 Westminster Road, from which food, clothing and used furniture are sent to Perkinsville.

"The people of Perkinsville have been fabulous" in their efforts to put the center in action, Father Weider also reported.

So — what's doing in Perkinsville these days? — Plenty!

## Fr. Lemieux To Speak at NAS Fete

Father Hector C. Lemieux, S.S.S., will be the main speaker when the Rochester Nocturnal Adoration Society (NAS) holds its annual Communion breakfast on May 5, according to August M. Maier, chairman of the affair.

Slated for the Bausch & Lomb cafeteria, the breakfast will follow a 7 a.m. Mass at St. Joseph's Church on Franklin Street for members and their guests.

Father Lemieux has been national director of the Nocturnal Adoration Society since 1954. The Blessed Sacrament father is stationed at his congregation's New York City headquarters. Formerly rector of a seminary in Australia, he was editor of that country's only Eucharistic magazine, "The Monstrance."

Under his leadership, more than 400 new centers of the NAS have been established in the United States. Worldwide, the society now numbers some 725 affiliated branches.

Local centers for the organization are the following churches: Sacred Heart Cathedral, Blessed Sacrament, St. Andrew's and St. Monica's in Rochester, and St. Jerome's in East Rochester.

Bishop Sheen is the spiritual director of the society, whose members he has called "the noblemen of the diocese."

Breakfast chairman August Maier is a member of Our Lady of Perpetual Help parish, where he serves on the parish advisory board.

Nocturnal members may invite guests to the breakfast, and can obtain tickets at the April vigil hours, which will be held at their respective centers on Daylight Saving Time.

## Bishop to Preach at Princeton U.

Bishop Fulton J. Sheen will preach at a special ecumenical service in the Princeton University Chapel Friday evening, April 28 at 8:15, a service which will also be attended by other Roman Catholic clergymen.

It will be Bishop Sheen's first visit to the Princeton campus, according to the Rev. Carl D. Reimers, assistant dean of the Chapel.

Others expected to attend include Bishop George Ahr of Trenton, and the Rev. John Connolly, Catholic chaplain at Princeton University. The full-length ecumenical service, sponsored by the University Chapel, is open to the public.



Some of the Sisters of St. Joseph who will take part in this year's concert: Sisters Cordis, Constantia, Dorothy Ellen, Honora and Richard.

## Sisters to Sing CFM of Four Dioceses To Meet May 17 in Ithaca

The 100-voice choral group of the Sisters of St. Joseph of Rochester will present their third annual concert May 4 and 5 at St. Agnes High School, 300 East River Rd.

Under the direction of Sister Claudia Hogan, the group will present a varied program ranging from sacred music to folk songs to music of the Broadway stage.

"A Canticle of Celebration" a piece composed specifically for the Sisters to sing in honor of the Rochester Diocese's centenary this year by William Ferris, will highlight the program. Mr. Ferris is music director at Sacred Heart Cathedral.

The Sisters are also giving four performances of their concert outside of Rochester: one at Ithaca College April 27 at 4 p.m.; one at Notre Dame High School in Elmira April 27 at 8 p.m.; one at DeSales High School in Geneva April 28 at 4 p.m.; and one at East High in Auburn on April 28 at 8 p.m.

Ithaca—Active leaders in the Catholic Family Movement of four dioceses will meet here Friday, May 17, for a discussion evening headed by Mr. and Mrs. Patrick Crowley of Chicago, nationally famed as organizers of the CFM.

The program in Immaculate Conception parish hall will begin with concelebrated Mass. Topic for the group discussion will be "International Inspirations for Action."

Ithaca organizers of the gathering are Mr. and Mrs. Richard McNell, Mr. and Mrs. William Bauman, and Mr. and Mrs. Ray Saatman.

Delegates from approximately 25 CFM groups in the diocese and others from the dioceses of Syracuse, Buffalo and Albany are being invited. Mr. and Mrs. Norbert Jozdzinski of Rochester are the contact couple for the Rochester Diocese.

CFM, founded in the Midwest 20 years ago, is a parish organization

enrolling husbands and wives together for discussion of issues of neighborhood, family, marital life and others, pointing toward individual and collective group action.

**Cornell Chapel Fire**  
Ithaca — Fire destroyed the altar and some sanctuary furnishings of the Interfaith Chapel of Anabel Taylor Hall at Cornell University early Tuesday morning. Property loss will exceed \$50,000, authorities said.

The Interfaith Chapel, which seats about 125, is used by the Catholics, Episcopal and Jewish campus communities every weekend and is the scene of all campus weddings.

A unique revolving three-sided platform with separate altars for Christian worship, Jewish worship and services of groups who want no symbolic decoration, was installed here before the age of ecumenism, in 1952.

## PAT ANSWERS

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Q. Last week's PAT ANSWERS about weddings prompts this question: Do I need special permission for my best friend, who is not a Catholic, to be my maid of honor?  
—A. C., Rochester.

A. No special permission is necessary any more. Witnesses and attendants may be either Catholic or not. It is considered "proper" that you not have divorcees or invalidly married Catholics in the wedding party. It also might be appropriate to mention here that Catholics may act as witnesses and attendants at valid marriages in Protestant churches.

Q. What are "stole fees"?  
—V. N. P., Elmira.

A. The term comes from the vestment which a priest wears when he celebrates the sacraments such as Baptism, Marriage, Matrimony, Last Rites. Fees were often associated with this service for the faithful. Today there are no diocesan fees for weddings, but for the other sacraments. An of-

fering is traditionally made for Baptisms, but it is not required.

Q. Is there any Catholic social group in Rochester which will come to pick up used furniture or clothing?  
—R. P., Rochester.

A. The St. Martin De Porres Center, 537 Clinton Ave. N., does pick up used gifts for which they have an immediate need. (They have no warehouse). Call 325-2818 and describe what you have.

Q. Please give me the address of the three Rochester priests who are serving as missionaries in Bolivia.  
—B. C., Rochester.

A. Grand idea to drop them a line, or some gift to remind them of the States. The three Fathers—Paul Freemesser, Peter Deckman and Thomas O'Brien can be reached at "Padres Rochester Castellana, 4814, La Paz, Bolivia" . . . Airmail is 15 cents.

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