# He Gets Involved, Honored Too

John F. Kernan, 197 Melrose St., Rochester, is an example of a citizen "getting involved."

Father of seven children, he still found time for more than a year to "fight City Hall" and to have been primarily responsible for an adjustment in property assessments for 73 of his neighbors.

His energies will not go unrewarded.

Next Monday night His Honor the Mayor of Rochester will present Kernan with the "Citizen of the Year Award" presented annually by the city's 19th Ward Community Association.

**Kernan is a member of the St. Monica's Church School Board and treasurer of the parish Men's Club. Manager of quality assurance at RF Communications, he is pursuing a B.S. degree at Rochester Institute of Technology — which, with their seven children, has got to be a tribute to Mrs. Kernan.**

Each October a "grievance period" is held during which property owners may petition the City Assessor for reduced assessments. Unsuccessful in 1967, Kernan organized his neighbors, and their group petition in 1968 brought reductions. The former assessments, Kernan contended, did not reflect true value.

Mayor Frank T. Lamb will present Kernan with the Shirley Welch Memorial Award at a dinner at 6:30 p.m. Monday, May 12, at Westminster Presbyterian Church.

Mrs. Raymond Welch, who died in December, was a parishioner of St. Augustine's Church. She personally recruited nearly 100 members to help found the 19th Ward Association in 1966, and devoted much of her energy to its endeavors to upgrade the neighborhood.

The Association, now numbering more than 1,000, is planning a Spring Follies Variety Show at 8 p.m. Saturday, May 17, at Our Lady of Good Counsel Hall, and a Community Fair and Arts Show in Aberdeen Square from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, May 24, featuring art and flower displays, a flea market, and a used book and bake sale.

## *9 Retreats Set At Notre Dame*

**Canandaigua** — Nine weekend retreats for couples have been scheduled from June through September at the Notre Dame Retreat House on Canandaigua Lake here.

Slated from Friday night to Sunday noon, the couples' retreats are scheduled as follows: June 20-22; July 11-13, 18-20, 25-27; Aug. 1-3, 8-10, 15-17; Sept. 5-7, 12-14.

Information may be obtained by telephoning the Retreat House at 1-317/394-5700.

## Cenacle Sisters Plan Feast Day

The Sisters of the Cenacle invite their friends to join them in the celebration of their patronal feast next Saturday, May 17.

Bishop James E. Kearney will offer Mass at 10 a.m. at the Cenacle Retreat House, 693 East Avenue, Rochester. Breakfast will follow.

## *Something's Brewing*

**Globe, Ariz.** — (RSN)—A copper still having a capacity to make 80 gallons of liquor brought $52 at a church auction here.

Members of the Church of God of the Union Assembly had no idea they were putting up a still for sale—it came as part of a truckload of old furniture contributed to the congregation's drive to build a new church.

It was sold for $52 to a farmer who, in declining to give his name, volunteered that his purchase was really a "speculation."

### AID FOR LATINS

**Essen, West Germany** — (RNS) — West German Catholics contributed $12.5 million to the annual Adveniat Collection for Latin America taken up during Advent.

# *Parties, Dinners In the Diocese*

**Our Lady of Perpetual Help** parish is planning a Polish dinner for Saturday night, May 17, as a benefit for the kindergarten. Mr. and Mrs. Fred Klejment, 342-6477, will take reservations through May 11.

In **St. Theodore's** parish, the Ladies Auxiliary of the Knights of St. John will sponsor a card party at 8 p.m. Monday, May 12. Ann Stauber is chairman.

Tonight, the **St. Christopher Social Club** will take some children from St. Joseph's Villa to the rodeo at the War Memorial.

The Parents' Association of **King's Preparatory School** has scheduled a card party for Monday night, May 19. Mrs. Dorothy Charleton is chairman. For tickets in advance: Mrs. Osa Galen, 889-4404, or Mrs. Mary Klinger, 328-9778.

The Rosary Guild and Men's Club of **Holy Rosary** will have their Spring banquet at 6:30 p.m. next Friday, May 16, in the Party House, Beahon Road. For reservations: Helen Mykins, 458-9516.

The Alumni Association of **St. Agnes High School** will hold its mother-daughter dinner at 6:30 Monday night, May 12 in Sellitto's Restaurant, Driving Park. Rita Guiliano is chairman.

An auction will be held at the **Mercy Guild** meeting at 12:30 p.m. Tuesday, May 13 in the McCauley College building. Members are asked to bring things for the sale, which will fund a picnic for the children at the Mercy Sisters' Joseph Avenue Center.

**Seton Branch 19** will be entertained at luncheon Wednesday noon, May 14, by Mrs. Emmett J. O'Neill of 68 Holmes Street.

Father William Graf will be the speaker at the **Holy Family** Rosary Society's installation banquet, 24 Lincoln. Reservations must be made by May 14 with Mrs. Joseph Smarsh, 436-0327, or Mrs. Robert Spahn, 235-3136.

Mrs. Margaret Muchard, director of the St. Martin de Porres Center, will speak at a meeting of **St. Rose Alumnae** at 8:30 p.m. Thursday, May 15, at the home of Mrs. Joseph Flatley, 1886 Danbury Circle So., Brighton.

Bishop James E. Kearney will address the **Men's Guild of Cardinal Mooney High School** at the monthly dinner meeting in the school, at 7 p.m. Wednesday, May 14. Reservations may be made through Tuesday at the school office, 865-1000.

Next Saturday afternoon, May 17, from 2 to 4, there will be entertainment for children in **St. Philip Neri** school hall. Fifty-cent tickets are available through Mrs. Frank Carra, 482-8604, and Mrs. Sam Calarco, 671-4705, who head the committee. Magician Hal Newton and a cartoon show are on the program.


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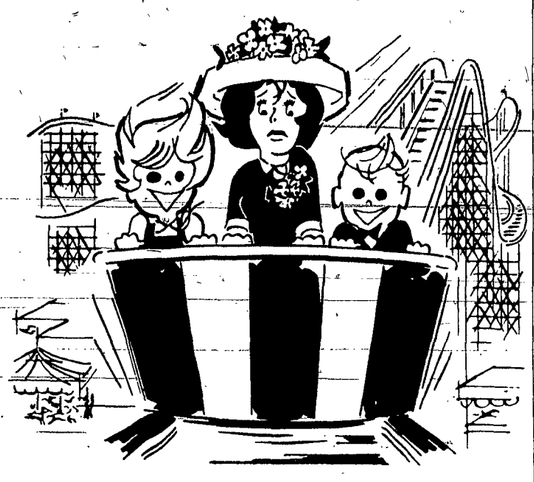

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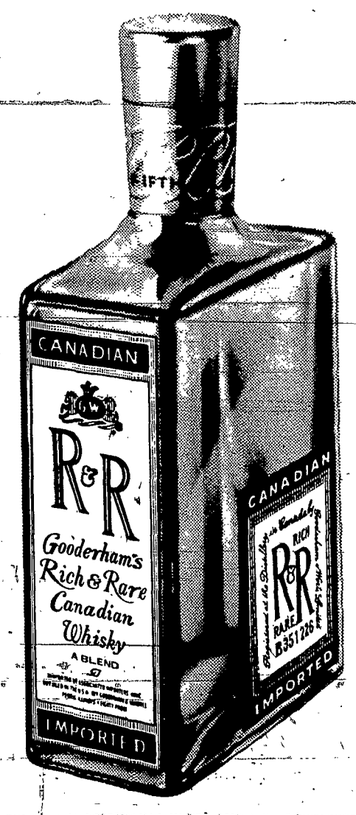


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