

Lourdes Shines in CYO Track

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Elmira — Youngsters from Our Lady of Lourdes Church here took top honors in all categories to capture three first place trophies in the annual Catholic Youth Organization (CYO) Track and Field Meet.

The Lourdes team racked up 74 points to walk away with first place honors in the overall competition, Sts. Peter and Paul's team turned in a second place overall score of 60 points.

The third place team in the

overall competition was St. Patrick's with 32 points. The remaining three positions were held by St. Mary's of Elmira, St. Charles Borromeo of Elmira Heights and St. Mary Our Mother Church of Horseheads.

First place winners in the senior boys competition were: 80-yard dash, Edward McGarrel, Our Lady of Lourdes; 60-yard dash, Edward McGarrel, Our Lady of Lourdes; shuttle relay, Sts. Peter and Paul's; 80-yard relay, Sts. Peter and Paul's; standing broad jump, Edward McGarrel, Our Lady of

Lourdes; tug-of-war, Sts. Peter and Paul's; sack race, John Wrigley, Our Lady of Lourdes; triple jump, Edward McGarrel, Our Lady of Lourdes.

Top winners in the senior girls competition were: 50-yard dash, Valerie Best, Sts. Peter and Paul's; 40-yard dash, Theresa Gingrich, St. Patrick's; shuttle relay, Sts. Peter and Paul's; sack race, K. Ginniero, Our Lady of Lourdes; volleyball throw for distance, Barbara Clarke, Sts. Peter and Paul's; standing broad jump, Theresa Gingrich, St. Patrick's.

In the junior boys division the first place winners were: 60-yard dash, Bill Nichols, St. Mary's Elmira; shuttle relay, St. Mary's Elmira; standing broad jump, Steve Kunzinger, Our Lady of Lourdes; sack race, Charles Hughes, Our Lady of Lourdes; volleyball throw for distance, Steve Kunzinger, Our Lady of Lourdes.

The junior girls division saw the following capture first places: 40-yard dash, Linda Genung, Sts. Peter and Paul's; shuttle relay, Sts. Peter and Paul's; standing broad jump, Linda Genung, Sts. Peter and Paul's; sack race, Chris Lupica, St. Charles Borromeo Elmira Heights; volleyball throw for distance, T. Berger, St. Patrick's.

Trophies were awarded by The Knights of Columbus.

CARMEN VIGLUCCI

The Slot Man



Dear reader, you will be glad to know that this column will conclude your editor's sad tale of his bus trip home from Houston, Texas, which was occasioned by his new-found fear of flying.

After the bus driver finally choked off his laughter on learning that his editor-passenger was indeed busing it from Houston to Rochester, the trip began.

Some impressions gleaned by grass-roots travel through eight states (mostly the long way) in two days:

Generally speaking, bus stations are literally filthy. Not all, but most. The restaurants don't deserve the name. Indeed, at some stops, after perhaps six hours of traveling, the eatery consists of some vending machine sandwiches.

Mostly people travel the buses because they can't afford to go any other way. Although a close second reason is the non-existent service afforded by trains. Then there is the rare coward, such as me.

Many people on buses drink. Or they drink just before they get on — the odor is the same.

The buses are amazingly on schedule. Right to the minute from Houston to Pittsburgh (I will mention later why I ended my trip near that sparkling metropolis).

Parts of Arkansas and Missouri are breath-taking in their beauty, but the towns, mostly in Arkansas, are often nothing more than slums.

To feel the gut impact of pollution, go up the Ohio Valley on a sunny mid-morning. How industry and people have raped the land in this once-elysian area of wide river, and beautiful hills hits home in scores of smokestacks vomiting smoke,

of sludge-filled ponds and de-generated river.

Treatment of blacks across the country is inconsistent, at times maddening and at others heartwarming.

For instance, in the Houston bus station they have double seats. A black woman was sitting, the seat next to her empty. A white woman, circa 1910, approached, asked the black woman to move because she wanted to use the empty seat. The black woman acquiesced.

A policeman roamed the waiting room. Stopped and asked two black couples to show him their tickets to make sure they were not loitering. Asking no one else.

On the road, a young black mother and her young daughter, about 16 months old, get on at a hamlet in Arkansas. Several white women aboard make a big fuss over the baby and mother, with enough "Hon-eyes" drawled to make you think you were in a beehive factory.

Two blacks separately board in Pittsburgh, sit together, spar verbally then finally exchange a weird handshake such as college fraternity kids do. Your naive editor assumes immediately they are Black Panthers. Their language and manner is frightening, considering the close confines of the bus.

In Pittsburgh, your editor makes a decision. He can't take it anymore. Gets instructions from home — continue on bus to Kane, Pa., where he will be picked up, by his mother-in-law. Well, you can't have everything.

Oh yes, said editor's luggage turned up missing almost immediately on starting trek. It was the only logistical mishap about the bus. And even that arrived only one day later in Rochester.

As for summation — the next time I'll fly.

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Breakfast Scheduled In Elmira Heights

Elmira Heights — The annual Mother and Daughter Communion Breakfast sponsored by the Altar and Rosary Society of St. Charles Borromeo Church here will be held Saturday, June 12.

A Mass for the deceased members of the society will be held at the church at 9 a.m. prior to the breakfast which will be at the Tom Sawyer Restaurant in Elmira Heights.

Guest speakers for the affair will be Sister Mary Champion, S.S.J., principal of St. Mary Our Mother School, Horseheads, Sister Champion's topic for the communion breakfast will be

"Mary, Our Mother, Leads the Way".

Other honored guests at the breakfast will be Father Joseph T. Gaynor, pastor of St. Charles Borromeo and spiritual advisor and executive director of the Altar and Rosary Society, and Father Robert L. Beligotti, assistant pastor at the church. Father Beligotti will concelebrate the Mass with Father Gaynor.

All women of St. Charles Borromeo Church are invited.

Reservations can be made by contacting Mrs. John O'Leary, Mrs. Audrey B. Link or Mrs. Douglas Bauer.

Mt. Saviour Festival to Mark Monastery's 20th Anniversary

Elmira — The Fall festival at Mount Saviour, marking the 20th anniversary of the founding of the Benedictine monastery, has been scheduled for Sept. 19. It will be the 18th annual fund-raiser.

Robert Ivers of Big Flats, chairman of the arts and crafts exhibit and sale, said work shown would be "by invitation and of the highest level obtainable, and in keeping with the values and spirit of inspiration of Mount Saviour."

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Slagis of Big Flats share the position of general secretary. Mrs. Thomas Wingert of Elmira has charge of the Street of Shops; Joseph Crowley of Big Flats is food chairman, and Mrs. Fran-

cis Bodewes of Pine City will run the children's program.

Other chairman are Mr. and Mrs. Curran Sekella, Mrs. James Palford, Mrs. John Cloke, Mrs. Anthony Ekes, Mrs. John Mack, Miss Ann Manocchio, Mrs. George Deegan of Corning and Sister Johanna of the Buffalo Sisters of Mary de Namur.

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Elmira Area Notes

Elmira — An ice cream social sponsored by the Altar and Rosary Society of St. Cecilia's Church here will be held Thursday from 5 to 8 p.m. The social will be in the church hall.

Elmira — New officers of the Immaculate Heart of Mary Society of Sts. Peter and Paul's Church here were recently announced. They are: Mrs. George Bragg, vice president; Mrs. Leon Cannon, secretary; and Mrs. Alice Steiner, treasurer.

Mrs. Margaret Gates was re-elected president.

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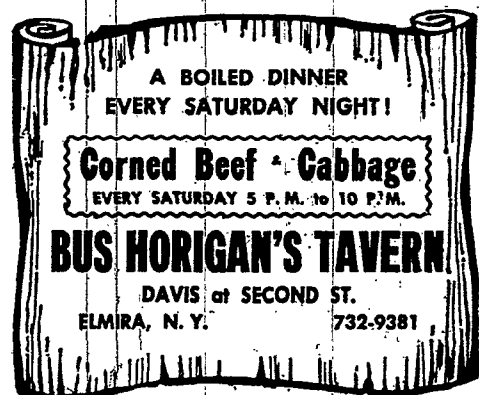
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