

Elmira Human Development Gets \$2,700

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Elmira — The Chemung-Schuyler-Tioga Task Force for Human Development presented funding checks totalling \$1,900 to two poverty organizations at a special ceremony held Wednesday here.

A third grant for \$800 will be given later this year.

The largest amount funded by the local Task Force came to \$1,500 and was given to the Black United Tradesmen organization. The funds are to be used for educational needs and

to provide on-the-job training for members of the organization.

The Elmira Welfare Rights Organization was granted \$400 under the title of program development.

Father Roy Kiggins, co-chairman of the local Task Force, explained that seven proposals were made to the Task Force for funds. Three of the proposals failed to meet the criteria established by the national Human Development group, while one proposal was

sent to the national campaign headquarters in Washington, D.C. for further evaluation.

The seventh proposal requested by The Wednesday Morning Women's Group of the Elmira Neighborhood House to establish a food service owned and operated by the Women's Group will be granted later this year. The group will receive \$800.

Father Kiggins said the funds were from a diocesan-wide collection held in November of last year. Under prior

arrangement 25 per cent of the funds collected are retained in the local area while 75 per cent goes to the national headquarters.

The November collection in the three county area provided \$10,800 for the Human Development campaign. The local group received \$2,700 or 25 per cent of the total donated.

Father Kiggins said:

"The nature of the Human Development campaign is drawn from the preamble of a November, 1969 resolution of the National Conference of Catholic Bishops; specifically, that '... the problems of poverty, economic inequity, racism and minority tensions require of us a constant reevaluation of our investments of human energy and financial resources.'"

The Campaign for Human Development is a nationwide organization. In the diocese the campaign is headed up by Fa-

ther John Hempel, director of the Diocesan Office of Human Development.

Father Kiggins said the local task force units are composed of people who are conversant with local poverty conditions. They evaluate the funding proposals submitted by organized groups of poor in their area.

Members of the Chemung-Schuyler-Tioga Task Force are: Mrs. Anthony Cicariello, Mrs. Lucy Dixon, Mrs. Geraldine Emerson, the Rev. George Kingsley, Charles Kromer, Mrs. Mary Shepard and Mrs. Arthur Wellington.

Father Kiggins pointed out that the "Campaign for Human Development is to be a permanent part of the Catholic Church's social development efforts in this country. The Diocesan Office of Human Development will continue to depend on the Task Force to implement the Campaign for Human Development locally."



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'Meatballs, Anyone?'

Father John Hempel of the Office of Human Development grabs a ladle to stir up the sauce for spaghetti served at the Italian Festa held at Beck-et Hall for the benefit of the Rushville Clinic which serves Yates County.

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Father O'Neill Named to Post

Elmira — Father Edward O'Neill of the Carmelite Fathers from Waverly has been named coordinator of the School of Religion at three parishes here.

Father O'Neill will serve as a parttime coordinator at all three parish Schools of Religion.

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Diocese May Move Central Offices

The "50 Chestnut Street" address for all diocesan departments may soon be changed if the Columbus Civic Centre Building can be sold this summer.

The 43-year-old building has been diocesan headquarters since the late-30's. Announcement that it had been listed for sale was made last weekend by Louis A. Langie, Jr., chairman of the executive committee of the board of directors of the non-profit membership corporation which runs it.

Rev. James M. Moynihan, chancellor, and John R. Ritzenthaler, diocesan comptroller, said that the diocese had known of the real estate action and had been studying the problem of relocation of its offices. The vacant King's Prep School at 1150 Buffalo Road in the town of Gates is one of the possible alternatives, they revealed, if a move has to be made when the building is sold.

The Pastoral Office statement said: "Because of the intended sale of the Columbus Building the diocese has been contemplating the possible necessity of a move of office locations for the Pastoral Office and other departments of the diocese. One of the sites under discussion is the King's Prep building.

"But at this time we cannot say whether that will be the final choice nor which offices will be involved nor how soon the transfer will be made.

"Until full relocation plans are completed, contingent upon the sale of the building, no formal announcement will be made."

King's Prep closed in June, 1970, for financial reasons after the diocese decided it could no longer be subsidized from seminary funds or other resources.

The Columbus building has housed the Pastoral Office of the diocese since 1937 when the old cathedral and chancery on Plymouth Avenue North were sold to Eastman Kodak and torn down.

Bishop Joseph L. Hogan re-

sides on the second floor in the suite built for Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen when he came to Rochester in 1966.

Other tenants are the office of Catholic Charities, including Catholic Family Center and the De Paul Clinic, the Propagation of the Faith, the Marriage Tribunal, nearly the entire diocesan Department of Education, the Office of Communications and the facilities of the Catholic Youth Organization. The diocese pays rent for all the space it uses as do all the other agencies not funded by the diocese.

About 150 tenants live in the upper six floors of the building plus some 60 women Rochester Business Institute students.

The building has a 1,000 seat auditorium, a ball room, a small chapel, luncheonette, meeting rooms, large swimming pool, gymnasium and other athletic facilities plus the rental rooms on the upper floors.

Langie said: "The decision to put the building up for sale reflects our opinion that the facility is no longer the best

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12 from Aquinas 'Outstanding'

The Society of Outstanding American High School Students has added the names of 12 Aquinas boys to a list it publishes for distribution to universities and corporations. The students are eligible to compete for the society's scholarship awards.

Father Albert Gaelens, principal, announced the selection of the following:

James Modney, James Candela, David Hayes, Steven Izzo, Thomas Rolwing, John Donovan, Robert Crocetti, Daniel Mahns, Daniel Leta, Patrick O'Connor, John Giannetti, Dennis Damagchke.