

Parish Council Elects 4 At-Large Members

Corning — The Parish Council at St. Patrick's Church here will soon be expanded to 13 members with the recent election of four at-large members.

The expansion of the council hopefully will increase the group's capability for working on new projects dealing with parish needs.

The new members are Mrs. Robert (Sue) Leavy, Richard Corcoran, Joseph Maloney and John Riesbeck.

Miss Susan Reilly was elected the youth member. She will re-

present the 14 — 17-year-old church members.

The new members were elected by balloting participated in by more than 250 parishioners.

On Jan. 9 they will officially

join the council. Each will be assigned to one of the council's five standing committees; finance, building and maintenance, liturgy, education and social action.

Old Horseheads Church Sold

Horseheads — In 1903 old St. Mary Our Mother Church here was opened for its first worship service. On Oct. 10, 1965 the same church closed its doors as the congregation moved to

larger quarters several miles away.

Two weeks ago, Glenn S. Spencer of Horseheads purchased the church, the former rectory, the parking lots and an annex building as an "investment in the future."

The actual purchase price was not revealed, but informed sources indicated that the sale was in the neighborhood of \$25,000, which was the asking price.

Spencer says he plans to remodel the rectory into upper and lower apartments. He also hopes to renovate the annex building into a single family dwelling.

Current plans indicate that the old church will not be demolished for at least two years. The Horseheads man said he understands members of another religious organization are interested in purchasing the church but have made no definite commitment.

St. Anthony's Play a Gift To Christ

Elmira — "We wanted them to understand that Christmas is Christ's birthday and that this was their gift to God."

That's what Mrs. Mary Niekras, a first grade CCD teacher at St. Anthony's Church here, said recently about a play which she and another first grade CCD teacher had their combined classes present just before Christmas.

Titled "The Story of the First Christmas", the play took place in the parish center. All 29 youngsters in the first grade CCD classes had various parts in acting out the pageant.

Children were dressed up as the wise men, shepherds, angels, the drummer boy, St. Joseph and the Blessed Mother.

More than 150 parents and friends of the youngsters attended the program which was produced by Mrs. Niekras and Mrs. Agnes Nichols.

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4 Teams Unbeaten in CYO

Elmira — The excitement grows more intense as the Chemung County CYO basketball program moves into the middle of its season with four teams still unbeaten.

Steve Ramich of St. Patrick's scored 23 points as St. Patrick's beat St. Mary Our Mother, of Horseheads, 37-13 in the B Division.

In another B Division contest, clutch free throws by John Reynolds of Our Lady of Lourdes helped his team to remain unbeaten. Lourdes came from behind against St. Mary's Southside and outscored the losers by 11-3 in the final quarter.

In the match between St. Casimir and St. Charles Borromeo B Division teams John Sorgenfreis' 10 points helped St. Casimir's to a 24-23 victory in overtime.

In another B Division contest St. Anthony's slipped by Sts. Peter and Paul, 24-22. Thomas Clark racked up 16 points for the winners, while Mark Olsen had 10 points.

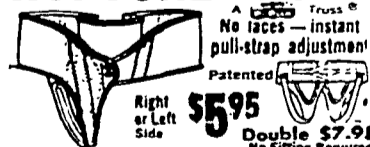
In an A Division game Sts. Peter and Paul defeated St. Anthony's 47-44.

Mike Ransey's 15 points paced the winning team, while Steve Olsen had 18 points for the losers.

Robert Murdock had 24 points, Wayne Oliver 23, and Paul D'Aloisio 20 for St. Anthony's. Brian Melk had 23 for the losers.

In other high school contests St. Mary Our Mother defeated St. Patrick's 74-64; St. Casimir's walloped St. Charles 78-62. St. Mary's Southside defeated Our Lady of Lourdes, 70-40.

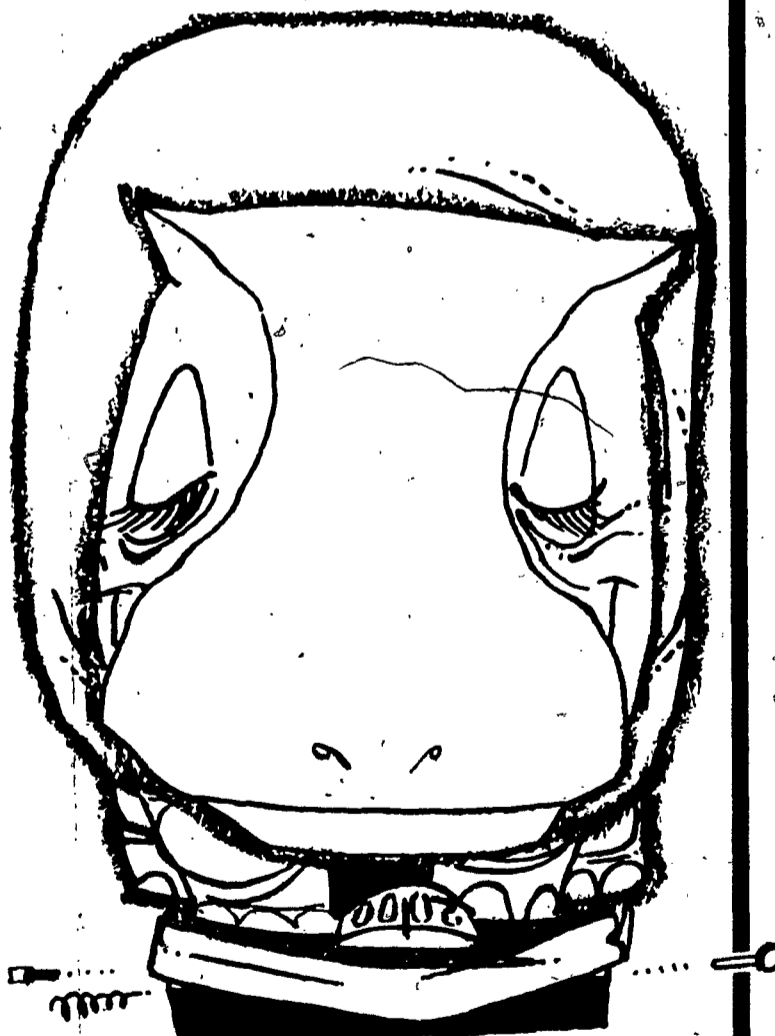
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