



Gary Francione, Anthony Gugino and Robert Presutti, left to right standing, go over plans for concert with Father Richard Noonan of development fund.

## McQuaid Seniors Present Mangione

A concert sponsored by McQuaid High School seniors will feature local musician Chuck Mangione at Mercy Auditorium, Saturday, Feb. 12 at 8 p.m.

Purpose of the concert, according to students in charge of arrangements, is to raise money for a gift to the McQuaid Development Fund. They hope this will set a trend for future

classes.

Co-chairman of arrangements Anthony Gugino and Robert Presutti are assisted by committee chairmen Gary Francione, Joseph Blake, John Limbeck and Drew Scott. Advisor to the group is Father Richard Noonan of the McQuaid faculty, and head of the development fund.

## ITHACA Area NEWS

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## Ithaca Area Groups Plan Spring Activities

Ithaca—January has unquestionably come to the Ithaca Area. Holidays have passed. Skies are slate gray. Moods may match. Many seem to be looking for new directions, a new undertaking, or just a night out to boost the spirits. Others are simply trying to get organized. For the former group, a few suggestions; for the latter, a few dates.

At St. Michael's in Penn Yan, one of the most active groups is the Catholic Daughters of America. Always interested in new members, the group meets regularly in the church hall on the second Wednesday of each month to plan and undertake a variety of charitable and social activities. Mrs. Ignatius Scott and Mrs. Robert Chrosniak can supply additional information.

One of the big functions coming up in which St. Michael's CDA members will assist is the parish Sports Night on Thursday, April 6. The evening, which will benefit the parish school, will include dinner and a program featuring sports figures of the past and present. Included among the guests will be Walt Patulski, captain of the 1971 Notre Dame football team and rumored to be in line for selection as the No. 1 pro football draft choice. Tickets are available through Jim Ashe or Ken Johnson, and they are going fast.

In Ithaca, Immaculate Conception folk anticipate the gala St. Patrick's dance planned for Saturday evening, March 18. Tickets are available at the rectory.

At St. Catherine of Siena, the adult choir is greeting the new year with renewed enthusiasm under the direction of Mrs.

John Warner. Those interested are invited to attend rehearsals each Thursday evening. Particular need exists for some deep and mellow male voices.

For a couple of special groups in Ithaca, the high schoolers and those about to be married, there are special dates to note. Religious education classes resume for those in the high school program on Sunday evening, Feb. 6. The next pre-marriage series gets started on Friday evening, Feb. 4, at 8 p.m. in Immaculate Conception School. It will continue on two succeeding Fridays, Feb. 11 and 18. Couples planning marriage before July should plan to participate. They can pre-register by writing or phoning Father David Mura at Immaculate Conception, 113 N. Geneva St., Ithaca, telephone 273-6121.

In all of the parishes of the area, the week of January 19-25 will be celebrated as an ecumenical week of prayer. St. Mary of the Lake in Watkins Glen launches its activities tonight, Jan. 17, with a meeting in the parish center at 7:30 p.m. Included will be a brief talk and group discussions concerning the meaning of religion in each individual's life and the search by all men for Christ. Parish bulletins should be consulted for information on local activities during the week.

The men of St. Mary's in Rushville and St. Theresa's in Stanley, should mark April 14-16 on their calendars. Those are the dates for the men's retreat at Notre Dame Retreat House. The dates have been changed this year from the old mid-winter ones to allow more men to attend.

# What your throat, your furniture and your fuel bill have in common

Every winter, for many of us, it's the same story. We wake up with a dry scratchy throat, our skin is dry and chapped. Cold symptoms prevail. And as if that were not enough, our heating bill is the highest for the year.

Every winter we gargle, use skin creams, and swallow a variety of pills to get rid of cold symptoms. Every winter we dig further into the pocket to pay the fuel bill.

This needn't be your story. All of the foregoing, which are often the results of too-dry air, may be corrected by placing humidifying equipment in your home.



At the Rochester Gas and Electric's Consumer Information Center during January an expert in humidification will be on hand Mondays through Fridays from 11 am to 3 pm and Tuesday evenings from 7 to 8:30 to explain to you how dry air

inside your home, or air with a too-low relative humidity, affects you, your home and your heating bill. He can also tell you what you can do to maintain an ideal relative humidity in your home—between 30% and 45%. (You will be comfortable with a relative humidity of over 45% to 60%, but a relative humidity this high will result in damage to your walls and furnishings.)

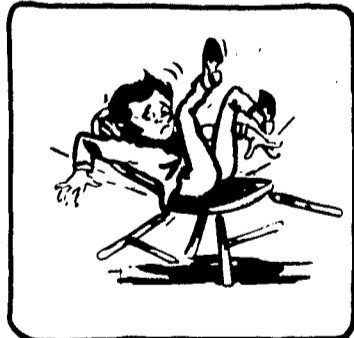
He'll tell you that relative humidity is the percentage of moisture in the air in relation to the maximum amount of moisture the air could hold at the same temperature. As the temperature rises, the air's ability to hold moisture increases, thus the relative humidity decreases. For example, outside air at 0° F has a relative humidity of 80%; after it enters the house and is heated to 70° it has a relative humidity of only 5%. This is why dry air is a problem during the winter.

Of course some moisture is added to the air from various activities, such as cooking, bathing, even breathing and perspiring. But these routine activities do not usually produce adequate moisture. Additional moisture must be added with a humidifier which is either installed into the heating system or is of the portable appliance type.



### DRY AIR: IT DRIES THROAT LININGS

Without this additional moisture the air will try to absorb moisture from you, your home and its furnishings. This causes you a lot of physical discomfort and expensive damage. The linings of the nose and throat may become dry, increasing susceptibility to colds. More dust is present in the air, raising the bacteria count. Irritated sinus passages, chapped dry skin, dry hair and scalp may occur.



### DRY AIR: IT WEAKENS FURNITURE

Dry air causes expensive damage to home and furnishings, such as the separation of wood joints, flooring, interior trim, doors and paneling. Furniture pulls apart and loses its original strength; fiber in rugs, draperies and upholstery deteriorate and wear badly; plants and foliage lose luster, and growth is retarded. These and other problems are usually signs of dry air.



### DRY AIR: IT MAKES YOU FEEL CHILLY

Dry air costs money not only because of the damage it causes but also because it can result in an increased fuel bill. Even though your thermostat registers 72°, you may feel chilly if the air is dry. This can cause you to turn up the thermostat higher than necessary. (Every degree above 72° requires about 3% more fuel.)

There is a lot more you can learn about dry air in the home and what you can do about it all this month at RG&E's Consumer Information Center on the main floor at 89 East Avenue. Stop in any time. We are always glad to help.

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