

**Personality of the Week:**

**'Josie's' Council President**

By PEGGY PEASE

Hornell — The personality of the week is Miss Josephine Ciancaglino, current president of St. Ann's Parish Council.

The council was formed in April, 1968 with the encouragement and leadership of the then pastor, Father James C. Lane. The charter members were the presidents of the various parish organizations.

The council consists of 15 elected lay members, the pastor, trustees, and school principal as voting members. In the past year, two teen representatives have been added to the membership.

In March 1972, the pastor, Father Robert MacNamara, initiated the meeting of council members with a Diocesan Task Force. Serving as a catalyst, the Task Force helped the council evaluate its growth in some areas and re-define purposes and goals in others.

These emerged as pressing needs: involving youth more intimately with the Church and parish; continuing St. Ann's School with a quality program;



improving the effectiveness of the CCD program; providing a variety of adult education programs; effecting a change in the community-at-large with regard to its attitudes toward the elderly and poor; establishing a committee of parishioners and clergy for developing more fully the liturgical life of the parish. Concrete actions were detailed in each area with the Parish Council accepting over-all responsibility for overseeing their implementation.

The sessions allowed the members to spell out definitely the means of carrying out the larger parish goal of bringing the "good news" of Christ to every parishioner to contribute to the creation of a Christ-like community.

Josie, as she is affectionately called, was recently re-elected



for a second term. A native Hornellian, she is an English teacher at Hornell Senior High School. A graduate of Mercyhurst College, she has also studied at St. Bonaventure and Alfred University. Interested in young people, she teaches CCD in the senior high program and has been advisor to many school and community youth groups.

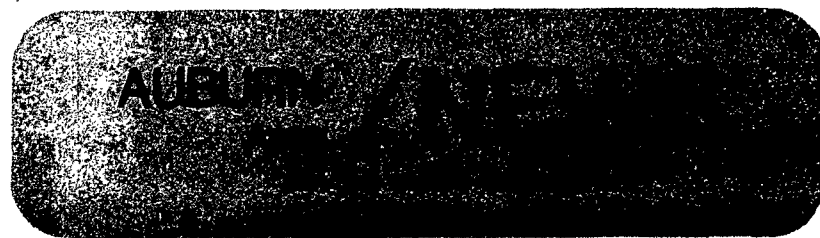
She is actively involved in the church's Social Action Committee and is a member of the Mayor's Planning Board. Because of a love for amateur dramatics, she has directed high school productions and is currently involved in community theatre as a member of the Hornell Area Arts Council.

Other officers of the council are Edward Cannon, vice-president and Thomas Gibson, secretary.

**Hornell K of C Celebrates 75th**

Hornell — A double challenge to return to the basic principles of American patriotism and faith in God was recently put before 175 Hornell Knights of Columbus and their guests. Urging the renewal of these ideals which made this nation "the greatest in the world," were Father Paul J. Cuddy, guest speaker and James E. Foley, K of C Supreme Director, at the 75th anniversary dinner dance at the Hornell Council Home on Main St.

In presenting a diamond anniversary plaque to Grand Knight Anthony Giglio Jr., Foley said, "I commend your Council on the work of the past year. Hornell had the greatest percentage of membership increase, 1,400 per cent, in New York State in the past year." In accepting the plaque, Giglio recognized K of C guests from Delevan, Olean, Mt. Morris, Auburn, Bath and Corning. He also greeted representatives of Hornell's American Legion, Sons of Italy, Eagles and IOOF.



"Hand in hand" went the felt figures constructed by each participant in All Saints Vacation School as several children are entrusted here with the final layout of the banner used in the Mass on the concluding day.

**Vacation School Success**

Ludlowville—Vacation School, the first order of business sanctioned by the new All Saints parish council, was termed a success by Sister Elaine Theresa Mulcahy of the King Ferry Rural Education Center serving Ludlowville.

Sister's goal to make vacation school a learning experience in an atmosphere of fun and happiness seemed accomplished in the two-week program whose religious theme concentrated on an examination of the lives of saints through discussion and dramatic re-enactments.

Sister pointed out that this traditional aspect of religious heritage is often overlooked in today's religious education curriculum but can provide personal enrichment as the lives of the saints are related to Christian living today.

Father Richard Stanton, pastor of All Saints, a mission of Our

Lady of the Lake in King Ferry, is enthusiastic about the renewed vacation school concept as he feels a block of time offers concentration and total involvement in a particular aspect of religious education and can add much to the weekly, but brief released time experience.

The other emphasis was preparation for the mass celebrated on the concluding day. Father Stanton worked with the junior volunteers preparing special homilies and readings, while Father Robert White, SJ, assisted the younger children, and all joined in celebration of the Mass.

Sister was aided by junior volunteers who helped with crafts, singing and athletics. Adult assistants included Nancy DeRycke, Theresa Soencer, Kathleen Monahan, Evelyn Smith, Molly Colt, and Agnes Zavaski.

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