

# Contest Winners Named

By DICK BAUMBACH

Waverly — Winners have been announced in a poster contest conducted at St. James School

held in conjunction with National Book Week.

Students in each of the school's six grades participated, with

prizes awarded to top winners. Other students received honorable mention acknowledgments.

Mrs. Mary Charlotte Donnelly, school library aid, explained the significance of Book Week. "At this time each year the knowledge and love of books is put before the community, to inspire children to love and appreciate good books and to gain the knowledge and joy they can derive from reading."

Winners of the poster contest were: Michele Bunao, 1st grade; Aileen O'Brien, 2nd grade; Michael Temple, 3rd grade; Brian Brown, 4th grade; Jill Witmer, 5th grade; and Maureen Kelly, 6th grade.

Honorable mentions were given to Jeffrey O'Brien, 1st grade; Mary Terwilliger, 2nd grade; Regina McLernon, 3rd grade; Matthew Gorman, 4th grade; and Mary Gorman, 6th grade.

Judges for the contest were Miss Mary Falsey, Mrs. James Nolan, and Mrs. G. E. Simaitis.

## Furniture Needed In Corning Area

Corning — St. Mary's Church here has issued a plea for donations of usable furniture, appliances, beds, lamps, and kitchenware, to help victims of the June 23 flood disaster.

Many families who had their homes badly damaged by the flood have repaired their residences, but the homes are empty because all items inside the houses were destroyed by the disaster.

Persons interested in making donations should contact Mrs. George Minno at 607-962-5482. The Red Cross has consented to distribute items collected.

## Don't Like Guns Santas Get Ax

St. Paul, Minn. (RNS) — Two "non-violent" Santa Clauses who tried to talk children out of requests for toy guns were fired from their jobs at a department store here.

The Santas, Darrell Baird, 23, and Bill Devine, 24, both of St. Paul, were dismissed by Western Temporary Services, Inc., the employment firm that hired them, after a complaint by a woman whose child had asked Baird for a Tommy gun. The woman told Dayton's officials that Baird had been pushing a particular brand of toys, Tonka Toys, as an alternative to the gun.

Baird conceded that he often mentioned Tonka Toys "because it just happens to be one of the few well-made toys around. I think it's part of a Santa's job to be aware of what the good toys are."

"Every time a child asks for a gun, I tell him that Santa doesn't like guns and I try to explain why," Baird said. "Many times a child will say, 'Well, it's only a toy and won't hurt anybody.' And I tell them that when little boys become big boys the guns often become real and people get hurt."

A spokesman for the employment firm said all Santas are told that they are not allowed to promise a child anything or to tell a child he can't have something — because parents buy the toys.

Baird, the spokesman said, told the child in question he couldn't have the gun "and then proceeded to impose his own views on him. So the parents complained to Dayton's."

## HANABEL SHOW

Hanabel, the Lady Clown, will be presented by the Cultural Arts and Children's Department of the Jewish Community Center, Sunday, Jan. 7, at 2 p.m.

Wednesday, January 3, 1973

# HORNELL NEWS

## Arts Festival Winners Named

Wayland — Winners selected at the area's first Religious Arts and Choir Festival have been announced by the Wayland Area Council of Churches.

Judged best in art work by a popular vote of congregations attending the interdenominational event was the creation, "Church and the World," done by Bunnie Cooley.

An entry by John Drum won the second prize.

Best art following the Advent Celebration theme was an oil painting by Mrs. Doty Ferrainolo. In the water color division, James Landino won top honors. First, second and third winners, respectively, were David Engel, Cora Reigelsperger and Donna Adams.

Top honors in the arts and crafts category were shared by Audrey Ryan and Geannie Bellanger. Other winners were Cora Reigelsperger and John Drum, first; Mary Sanford, second; and Luke Lorenzo and Cindy Ruscitto, third. Jill St. George was the prize winner among collage entries, and another prize in that division went to Kathy Selbig.

Best acrylic work was done by Theresa Clark. First and second prizes were also awarded to Laurie Richardson.

Judges selected Cindy Meyer as the best worker in decoupage. Prizes also went to Bill Morsch, Joe Meyer and John Warner.

Most outstanding original art work was presented by Miss Ruscitto who entered a wire sculpture; Bunnie Cooley whose work was on an "In Fullness of Time" theme; and by James Ruffner, who displayed his photographs.

Rev. Ferdinand Kurz was chairman of the arts committee. Judges were Martha McKelvey, Ellen McAllister, Elise Hartenstein, Ann Marie Perkowski, Rose and Monica Wittig, Mary Martina, Karen Bronson and art teachers, Larry Thomas and Mrs. Francis Johnson. Prizes were donated by area merchants. Music was provided by choirs of St. Joseph's Church, St. Peter's and St. Paul's United Churches of Christ, United Methodist Churches of Wayland and Springwater and the Seventh-day Adventist Church.

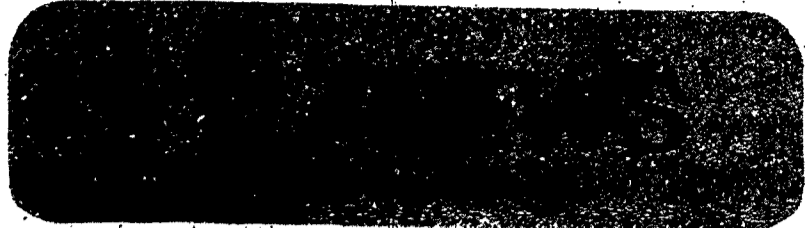
## Hornell Area Notes

Hornell — Anyone interested in being drill instructor for St. Ann's Band, please call Mrs. Hardy at 276-6193.

Dansville — Adults and girls in grades six through 12 are being sought to serve as Sunday School, Nursery aides by St. Mary's Church. Those willing to help are asked to contact Mary Knapp.

## VATICAN CZECH TALKS

Vatican City (RNS) — Vatican press officer Federico Alessandrini announced that a delegation representing the government of Czechoslovakia had recently concluded secret talks here with Vatican officials. The talks, which were aimed at improving Church-State relations in Czechoslovakia, took place Dec. 11-21. Alessandrini said the results of the talks "cannot be announced" and declined to elaborate further.



## Corning Christmas

Richard Maggi and Sister Mary Lucetta load up a truck with Corning-bound Christmas items collected by Holy Cross fourth, fifth and sixth grade



## 2 Modern Interpretations Of the Birth of Christ

By JOY CHALONE

Ithaca — Father Richard Belgotti, associate pastor at Immaculate Conception here, recently asked his religious education classes to write an up-to-date account of the birth of Christ. They were to parallel St. Luke's Gospel. Father allowed the names to be changed if they wished. Otherwise, the characters and situation had to simulate approximately the original account.

Here are two examples, printed in their original form. One is from a parochial school student and one from a CCD class student; one by a boy, the other, a girl.

"Mary and Joseph were driving a 1971 Volkswagen when they ran out of gas. May was getting labor pains. Joseph helped Mary as they walked deep into the woods on Connecticut Hill. Mary's pains were getting worse. After about a mile's walk, they came to a log cabin where an old couple lived by themselves. Out in a barn in back of the cabin there were horses, cows, sheep, pigs and fresh hay. They knocked on the door. The old couple invited them in. You could tell

they were poor, but very generous. They gave them food and shelter in the barn. Finally Mary delivered the baby Jesus. The old couple gave them a cow and spread the news to all the town. And they brought gifts with them and God blessed them all."

The second story: "In the year of 1972 President Nixon asked for all the people of the country to go to the city of their birth so that a census could be taken. At that time Nelson Rockefeller was the governor of New York State. So Charlie Jones and his wife Sally had to go from their home in Ithaca to the nearby 'hicktown' of Freeville in his 1966 Chevy pickup. Around that time he found his wife pregnant, conceived by the Holy Spirit. When they reached it, the one inn had no vacancies because it had only four rooms, but the innkeeper told him there was a crumbling shack behind the hotel. Charlie used it. He went next door to the Salvation Army where he got used clothes in preparation. And the Savior was born to Sally and Charlie, a garbage collector who was very poor. A star appeared overhead and the gas station attendant, policeman and most of the population crowded to see the new baby. The Savior was born!"

## Nazareth To Offer New Major

Nazareth College will offer students a new major next semester, in management science. The program is designed to prepare students for executive positions in business and industry, government, charitable and service organizations.

Dr. Herbert Elliott, associate professor of Mathematics at the college, will coordinate the new program, which is expected to be fully operational by the Fall of 1973.

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## Prison Drama To Be Shown

"Holidays . . . Hollow Days," an original drama about prison life written by a convicted murderer and performed by inmate actors will be seen Jan. 4 at 9 p.m. on Channel 21.

Originally titled "Christmas in Time," the play deals with the ironies of holiday celebrations "outside" as perceived by men behind bars, and with their hopes for the new year. The 27-year-old playwright Rhozier T. ("Roach") Brown, Jr., serving a life sentence at the District of Columbia's Lorton Reformatory, has adapted the play especially for television.

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