Stella Maris

'More Than Just a Camp'

Camp Stella Maris opens its 47th season on July 1, and will run until Aug. 18. This year things will be a little different. Instead of nine one-week camping sessions, the camp will conduct only seven, the first four for boys, and the last three for girls.

Father Joseph D'Aurizio, diocesan director of Catholic Charities, of which Stella Maris is an agency, said that the reason for the shortened season is that the last week of June and the third week in August were not good ones, because they come too close to the closing and reopening of school.

He said, however, that the camp will still be able to accommodate everyone who wants to go, and will conduct three weeks of family retreats instead of one.

Peter Clifford, a student at St. Bernard's Seminary, will be the head counselor for the boys; Sister Arlene Semesky, RSM, will direct the girls' camp.

This year there will be three assistant head counselors there for the whole season. Jerry Giehl has charge of the ballfield, John DeSocio the waterfront, and Steven Ward will act as program director.

Father D'Aurizio said that other changes are in the planning stages. The administrative board of the camp has been contemplating some physical and capital improvements, he said.

A heated wing may be built, so that year-round activity may become possible. The second floor would be sealed off during the winter.

Father D'Aurizio hopes that the camp can eventually become a center for weekend retreats, confirmation classes, parish and high school activities, and Catholic Youth Organization events.

By opening the camp all year, he said two things might be accomplished. "First," he said, "we hope to generate enough income to maintain the camp during the summer, because we feel that the residential camp is a beneficial experience in Christian liturgy."

Stella Maris is "much more than an ordinary camp," he said. A chaplain, a different priest each week, is present for the summer season. There are also opportunities for daily Mass and other religious activities.

The second reason, he said, is that "during the Time of Renewal, we would like to open up to something more than the traditional nine weeks."

The camp, if these changes are made, would open its doors to other activities in the late fall.

The St. Thomas the Apostle Cheerleaders, above, are the winners of the White Division in this year's CYO high school cheerleading tourney. With the girls are Helen Smith, Mrs. Dennis Sadler, coach, and Paul B. Schmidt, director of the CYO. Below is the winning team in the Blue Division, Holy Cross. With the team are Ms. Smith, Karen Marcussi and Schmidt. The elementary school tourney will be held April 7 at the CYO.

SCHOLASTIC NOTEBOOK
John Doser

A morning paper sports headline caught my eye, like good headlines are expected to do.

"Some Things I'd Like to See," written by Larry Greybill, a relative newcomer to the Rochester sports scene, was the attraction.

"All of us are dreamers," Greybill wrote. "When it comes to reality, we have very little influence on the rest of the world. Still, if I had my way, here are some things I'd like to see," he continued.

Greybill proceeded to cite some examples, like Yankee pitchers Fritz Peterson and Mike Kekich each winning 20 games; like the Amerks' icers retaining this year's prices; like better streets in Rochester; like Bill Farrell organizing a state high school basketball championship tournament; like an eight-team field including the U of R joining the Lincoln First Basketball Tournament; like Norman Bounds making it as goalie for the Lancers.

Conspicuously missing, I thought, was any reference to Catholic schools' being permitted by Section 5 law to compete in sectional tournaments.

Did the writer forget this awkward situation or did he intentionally keep hands off? We hope he forgot. Strangely enough, only one Rochester sportswriter, the D&C's Jim Rickey, consistently makes his feelings known, pro or con. The others, including the T-U's Bruno Snyder, are far too quiet on the subject.

I suppose it is easier to take a shot at Howard Cosell, hundreds of miles away, or to tell Bowie Kuhn to keep his opinions to himself. Very liberal from Greybill's point of view, and besides, do either Cosell or Kuhn read the D&C?

Something local, like Catholics-in-the-sectionals, apparently never made an impression.

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THREE BROTHERS won championships in the annual Aquinas Mission Bouts, the 41st edition, at the Aquinas gym.

It was the first time that three brothers won titles in the same year.

Bob Birecree, a freshman, won the junior atomic weight title in the first division by decision over Dom Georgetti, and added the Art Telerico Trophy as freshman fighter of the night; Mike Birecree, a junior, won a decision over defending champion Rick Lamson in the intermediate weight division and won the Abe Raff Trophy for fight of the night; and Tom Birecree, a senior, beat Steve Walick in a light heavy match, which incidentally was a rematch of last year's fight of the night. Tom was defending champ.

Kevin Murphy, who had won three straight bantamweight titles, lost to Phil Ricci on decision and Jim Cocilova won a TKO bout over Gene Marrin in the light middleweight range to win the Hickok Trophy.

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A NOTE FROM Spencerport's Fred Holbrook describes our stuff about parochial participation in Section 5 competition as a broken record.

"For what it's worth," reader Holbrook writes, "if private schools were admitted to the sectionals, the champion in 1972 would probably have been Glen Springs Academy, not Mooney."

Cardinal Leads Clemente Rite

Brooklyn [RNS] — Puerto Rico's Cardinal Luis Aponte Martinez of San Juan will be principal concelebrant and preach at a special memorial Mass here, April 6, for the late baseball star Roberto Clemente and victims of the Nicaragua earthquake.

The cardinal will be joined by Bishop Francis J. Mugavero of Brooklyn and Auxiliary Bishop John J. Snyder in the liturgy at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Basilica, Brooklyn.

Bishop Mugavero said the cardinal's presence "honors the values exemplified in the life of Roberto Clemente and will inspire the people of Brooklyn to imitate his generous spirit." (Mr. Clemente was killed on Dec. 31 in a plane crash on his way to aid victims of the Managua earthquake.)

More than 2,500 persons of Hispanic background are expected to attend the Mass. Representatives of professional baseball have been invited to attend, including Commissioner Bowie Kuhn, team general managers Bob Sheffing of the New York Mets and Joe Brown of the Pittsburgh Pirates, for whom Mr. Clemente played.

IN THIS CORNER
George Beahon

'Tis the season to be silly. Dehibernation time is ended. The slaves made it to spring exercise sessions without a strike or a lockout. It is time to check the winter book, and then make the Practically Peerless Prognostications for the 1973 baseball whirl.

As usual, in a game accused of never yielding to change, there is a change. This is the Designated Hitter rule in the American League. The AL wants more runs and more excitement (and hopefully more customers) so it will use a professional hitter in the pitcher's spot.

When it comes time to play the World Series, the AL pitchers will have to practice striking out all over again, because the National League will not permit such nonsense. And what is more nonsensical than the NL refusing to permit the AL to use its DH rule during spring exercises?

What other changes, somebody asked? Well, in recent seasons, they changed the sacrifice fly rule. They added umpires. They reduced the height of the pitcher's mound from 16 to 10 inches. The strike zone, once measured from shoulders to beneath knee, now is reduced to armpits to above knee. Ticket and concession prices continue to rise, revenue from television never ceases to climb.

Since the Oakland A's won the West and the East, North and South last season, the brave, bold bookmakers have established them as solid favorites to repeat in the AL West. It says here the wizards of odds are wrong, as we run down the AL West:

1 — Chicago White Sox. Everybody in FLorida reported the White Sox have got it all together. This includes super swatter Richie Allen.

2 — Oakland. With or without Vida Blue, Oakland has too much talent to finish worse than second. But this should be considered a bad finish. Owner C. Finley will think of some way to sidetrack the club from a championship.

3 — California Angels. Surprise! Front office genius of Harry Dalton, managing of slide-ruler, college guy Bobby Winkles, and some fine pitching make the Angels a threat.

4 — Minnesota. If you believe him, Calvin Griffith is one of the few owners able to lose money in professional baseball. He should save quite a hunk with the salary cuts he dispensed, but he'll get it paid back in lack of hustle.

5 — Kansas City. See next line.

5 — Texas. Both these clubs deserve to finish last.

In the American League East there is a difference of opinion between two of the leading pricemakers in Las Vegas. One house has the Yankees listed as slight favorites. Another says the Baltimore Orioles will bounce back this year.

1 — Boston. Eddie Kasko manages the Boston Country Club one more time. And it's win or else. May be more like a prison camp this time around, but Kasko says everybody plays the same rules — or else. That means Kasko goes if the Sox don't go. Lots of help from the farm system.

2 — New York. The Yankees are coming back, no question about it. If Craig Nettles delivers at third base, they may go all the way. (It will be about July 15 before the printers stop volunteering to "correct" his first name spelling to Craig. Why would anyone name a kid Graig?)

3 — Detroit. This is an Over The Hill Gang that plays better than most Top Of The Hillers. It may be a team of Designated Hitters, but it's also a team with power, experience, cool and the incomparable Billy Martin.

4 — Baltimore. Lo! The poor Orioles! They gave up a lot of talent for a catcher who may not be able to catch. Pat Dobson is gone from the "big four," and who says the remaining three can continue to carry the load? A bad year for the Birds.

5 — Cleveland. Everybody beats Milwaukee.

6 — Milwaukee. Where else?

Cincinnati is the morning line pick in the NL West and for this time only, we go with the chalk.

1 — Cincinnati. Class, from Sparky Anderson down.

2 — Houston. Best team, but Leo will think of some way to louse up this club.

3 — Atlanta. Along with about 35 homers from Hank Aaron, the Braves will set turnstile records for a third placer.

4 — San Francisco. How did the Giants trade Ken Henderson?

5 — Los Angeles. Walter Alston has so many wrinkles in his head, says broadcaster Vince Scully, they have to screw on his baseball cap.

6 — San Diego. Best bet on the board.

In the NL East the Pirates are everybody's No. 1. Un unh.

1 — Chicago. All the super vets have super years.

2 — Pittsburgh. The defense could keep the Pirates out.

3 — St. Louis. Best of a poor remaining lot.

4 — New York. The Mets have no third baseman, little pitching, and almost no hitting.

5 — Philadelphia. Fifth place is a winner in Philly.

6 — Montreal. When the manager talks fundamentals in spring training, look out.

Make it an all-Chicago World Series. And what do you suppose a returning POW would think if you told him real quickly that the World Champions of baseball are the Oakland Athletics?

CYO to Expand Pool Program

The CYO plans to expand its outdoor swim program this summer with the addition of more neighborhood private pools. Anyone interested in offering the use of a pool, please contact CYO, 50 Chestnut St. or phone 454-2030. The pool should be an in-ground type, preferably heated and large enough to accommodate a group of 10 to 12 children. Swimming instructions are handled by qualified CYO instructors and swimming cards and badges are awarded on completion of each session.

The program is made available to elementary age children from 5 to 14, pre-school children, ages 3 to 5 and adult ages 15 and up. The program will be run from June 25 through Aug. 31.

HELP FOR SICK

During the year ending June 30, 1972, 2,074,512 pounds (1,037 tons) of drugs, medicinals and hospital supplies having an approximate value of $8,036,000 were shipped to 59 countries by Catholic Relief Services-USCC.