



Sister Margaret Mary, RSM, practices Spanish with her class at Mount Carmel School. Sister is a student in one of the Human Development Office's Spanish Apostolate classes. The theme of the class is teachers learning from students.

Photo by Susan McKinney

Bridging the Language Gap

Faculty members and social workers of diocesan inner city schools have spent one night a week for the past three months learning to talk to their students.

Last Fall Sister Annette Truby, staff member of both the Office of Human Development and Spanish Apostolate, surveyed the religious staffs and school faculty

members of the six inner city parishes to learn their feelings on teaching Spanish-speaking children.

"They agreed the language gap was the biggest barrier to real accomplishments in school," says Sister Annette.

The result of that survey is

Fairport Junior Wins ND Award

Brian James Grogan, son of Mr. and Mrs. James F. Grogan of 37 Old Post Road, Fairport, is the 1973 winner of the Junior of the Year award sponsored by the Notre Dame Club of Rochester.

The award is made annually to a Monroe County high school junior for academic achievement and outstanding accomplishments in school and community activities.

Brian was selected over 25 other area candidates each of whom was chosen by his or her respective school as its junior of the year.

Brian is currently first in his class of 409 at Fairport High School while participating in school dramatics, sports, the yearbook staff and volunteers his

leisure time to work as a counselor at the YMCA.

Brian's award, a \$100 U.S. Savings Bond and a certificate signed by Father Theodore M. Hesburgh, president of Notre Dame, will be presented to him on May 7, at a dinner celebrating Universal Notre Dame Night.

classes in conversational Spanish for the schools' staff who want to attend.

About 25 teachers and social workers attend the classes offered at St. Francis Xavier. Tuesday the elementary class is taught by Sister Grace Marie, SSND, who teaches Spanish at Bishop Kearney High School. Wednesday and Thursday, Clara Moraino teaches elementary and intermediate classes.

Sister Annette speaks Spanish, and feels it is important for the teachers to make an effort to bridge the language barrier.

A few of the teachers have reported, Sister Annette continued, using Spanish with the students and have even coerced their students into staying after school to tutor them.

85 St. John Knights To Receive Degree

Approximately 85 candidates from Rochester and other upstate communities will be installed in the Noble and Exalted Degree of the Holy Cross, Knights of St. John, on Sunday, May 20, at Our Mother of Sorrows Church.

A banquet will follow in the parish center. Gen. Emil G. Eckert will be toastmaster. Newly elected officers of the Rochester Temple will be installed.

RUMMAGE

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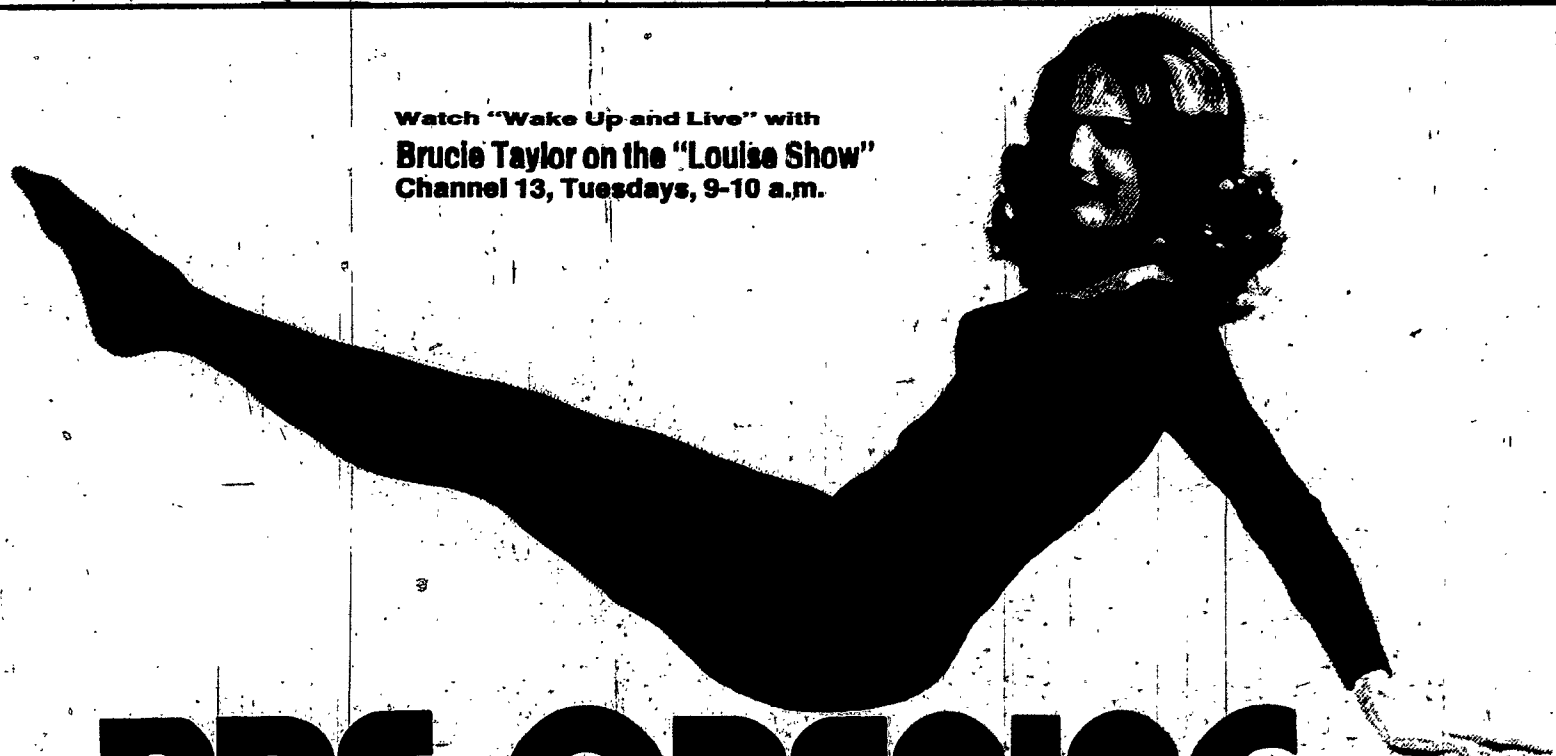
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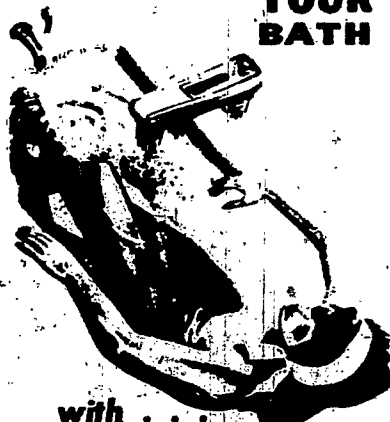
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