



**Corning Open House**

Richard Sadlowski of St. Vincent de Paul School, Mike Post of St. Mary's and Beth Haughey of St. Patrick's (l-r) inspect audio-visual equipment during Catholic Education Week, Feb. 2-8. The Corning Catholic Schools held open house, Feb. 4-5. The week was concluded with a special liturgy on Friday.

**Parish Renewal Program Held in Horseheads**

Horseheads — A parish renewal program was conducted last week at St. Mary Our Mother Church here under the direction of Sister Jose Hobday, a member of the Sisters of St. Francis of Assisi who has given renewal programs throughout the United States and overseas.

Sister Jose's programs included church leadership workshops, lectures and special workshops on prayer. She currently resides at the Fort Peck Indian Reservation in Montana and is involved in working with the Indians on the reservation.

"I am deeply concerned with

people concerned about their right for self determination, those who are in special need, and those who are in cycles of despair and depression," Sister Jose said.

Sister Jose's main theme during the past week's renewal at St. Mary Our Mother was hospitality which, she said, is not just having people coming into your home to eat and visit, but instead to get to know and understand the guests as they are.

During the past week Sister Jose spoke to numerous parish groups as well as persons in specific age groups ranging from pre-school to elder parish members.

**Interfaith Program Set In Elmira Churches**

Elmira — St. Mary's Southside will be the site during February of a special interfaith Lenten program prepared by both Roman Catholic and Protestant clergymen.

The program, called the Southside Interfaith Lenten Program, is a family-centered project to provide a fellowship experience across denominational lines, with special emphasis on study and action appropriate for Lent.

The program, which will run through March and which will be held that month at the Pennsylvania Ave. United Methodist Church, will be conducted on Thursdays beginning at 6:30 p.m. with a pot-luck supper, followed by study and action sessions and ending with a worship service.

**Father Kelly Man of Year**

Father Leonard Kelly, pastor of the Church of the Assumption, last Saturday, Feb. 8, noted his 70th birthday with the title Man of the Year bestowed on him by the Fairport Chamber of Commerce.

At the Chamber's annual dinner dance, held recently, Father Kelly was given a standing ovation by the crowd of 150, as his name was announced.

Father Kelly is nationally recognized as a pioneer in catechetics.

Bishop John E. McCafferty also was present at the dinner and introduced Father Kelly by speaking of his 45 years in the

A nursery service will be provided at both churches.

Some of the study and action groups will discuss the following topics: the person of Jesus Christ as seen in the gospel of Mark, family life and marriage enrichment in the Christian context, Church music and drama in contemporary form, life-styles and world issues, the shared values of ecumenical involvement and creative crafts.

Nine Southside churches are involved in the program and the sessions will be at St. Mary's Southside on Feb. 13, 20 and 27, while the program will be conducted at the Pennsylvania Ave. United Methodist Church on March 6, 13 and 20.

priesthood.

A plaque, noting Father Kelly's Man of the Year title, was presented to him by Glen Peters, outgoing president of the Chamber.

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**Nazareth College Plans Italian Studies Center**

The Board of Trustees of Nazareth College has approved a proposal from three prominent business and civic leaders to build a "Casa Italiana" on campus which will serve as a Center for Italian Studies, according to Dr. Alice L. Foley, president.

Dr. Foley said that Joseph J. LoCurto, Joseph Mancini and Joseph P. Gagliano, will head a special committee which will arrange for funding the new building. The three community representatives will work closely with Dr. Virginia Otto, chairman of the Nazareth Foreign

Languages Department, on developing plans for the center. Dr. Otto initiated the idea for an expanded Italian studies program, Dr. Foley said.

"We are obviously delighted with the prospect of the gift of a new building which will help us strengthen the cultural and social ties between the college and the Italian-American community," Dr. Foley said.

The "Casa Italiana," according to Dr. Otto, "will provide facilities for academic, cultural and social events related to the college's Italian language program and activities of mutual interest to the Italian-American community and the college community."

LoCurto, president of New Crown Beverages, Gagliano, president of Mike and Joe Equipment Co. Inc., and Mancini, president of Monroe Forgings Division of Amtel Metals Corporation, have all been active on an existing committee, chaired by Dr. Otto, which has been planning a week-long Italian Festival as part of Nazareth's 50th anniversary celebration. The committee recommended that more specific plans for the Center for Italian Studies be outlined at a reception for the Consul General of Italy in New York which will open the March 31-April 5 "Primavera-Italiana."

**Benefit Planned To Assist Elmira Inmates**

Horseheads — A special committee, known as Interaction in Faith which has members from four women's church groups in Chemung County, will hold its first annual benefit and coffee to help with the evening enrichment program at the Elmira Correctional Facility on Thursday, Feb. 20 at the First United Methodist Church of Horseheads.

The program will run from 12:30 to 2:30 p.m. and will feature an arts and crafts show by inmates along with musical presentations by the inmates' choral group and jazz band. It is open to the public and a donation will be taken at the door.

The idea for the special committee grew out of the discovery that state correction officials have limited budgets for evening enrichment programs for inmates.

Proceeds from the benefit will go towards purchasing supplies for the enrichment program. Free babysitting service also will be offered.

The groups making up the special committee come from Church Women United of Chemung County, the Ladies of Charity of Chemung County, the Sisterhood of Shomray Nadath and the Sisterhood of B'nai Israel.

The Interaction in Faith group also designed a special symbol to be used by the group. The symbol is three intertwining circles. Outside of each circle is a bright yellow background, signifying people as individuals, while the inside color is gold signifying the aim to work together to enrich each other.

**Deaths**

**Mrs. Sullivan, Priests' Mother**

The Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated for Harriett Sullivan of Penfield on Feb. 3, 1975, at St. Ann's Home.

Mrs. Sullivan, mother of Msgr. Joseph J. Sullivan of Holy Family Church in Auburn, died Jan. 31.

Survivors include three other sons and a daughter, George T. Sullivan of Rochester, John B. of Olean, Bernard T. of Syracuse and Mrs. Richard (Mary) Carey; also six grandchildren and six great grandchildren.

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**Hornell Men Plan Retreat**

Hornell — St. Ann's men's retreat is scheduled for April 11, 12 and 13 at the Notre Dame Retreat House. The officers are: county vice president, Rudy Schneider (324-3282); area coordinator, John F. Murphy (324-1944); parish leader, Jim Fahl (324-4412); co-leaders, Frank O'Connor (324-1251) Phil Logan (324-7121) and John K. Murphy (324-7505). Anyone wishing to make this retreat should contact one of the above.

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