

Dancing in the Streets For Holy Childhood

Five live bands, for dancing in the streets, right here in downtown Rochester!

Ferris wheel, roller coaster, pony rides and fireworks!

Hamburgers, hot dogs, cotton candy, pizza!

This is Ruth Streb's idea of a bang-up fund raiser for Holy Childhood School. It's scheduled for Sunday, Aug. 3, in the Brown's Race neighborhood — the warehouse and parking lot area between State Street and the Genesee River, across from the Kodak Office building.

The one-day carnival will open at 1 p.m. and close after 10, with

a boom-boom and a shower of stars fading in sky and river.

will open. Faith is needed. No rain date is possible.

Ruth Streb said, "The sisters told us if we'd do the work, they'd take care of the weather."

How did she get into this? She is highly conscious of the needs of Holy Childhood School. Sister Pius, who teaches there, is her sister, and Sister Seraphine, the principal, was a Nazareth classmate.

A year ago, Ruth bought the Lost and Found Tavern, on Brown's Race. Give a benefit dinner? The place is too small. Have a street dance? The city at first demurred.

Then all the neighbors got into the act. "Use our parking lot," everybody said. Volunteers rallied to the cause. They'll be around — about 1,000 of them — in red and white shirts that flash the American Eagle and proclaim: "The American Way — Help the Special Children."

The parking lots belong to Kodak, Channel 21, RG&E, Rochester Button, Mill Street Garage, Sam Perry Tool and Die.

Streets to be closed are Commercial, Platt and Factory. The Platt Street Bridge, closed anyway, will be the fireworks staging area, at 10 p.m. A mobile home will serve as a first-aid station, with two registered nurses on duty, and there will be portable toilets.

The Ferris wheel will turn at Mill and Platt. The roller coaster is described as 40 by 80. Seven other rides, plus five ponies, are especially for little children and teen-agers. Then there will be country fair staples — arts and crafts, a booth full of plants, a flea-market. All at realistic prices, for families to enjoy, Ruth said.

The city issued a permit, and estimated "a walk-in potential of 7,000 from each side of the river," she reported.

The promoter seemed amazed at the way her project had "snowballed," at the numbers that had come forth to help.

"Basically," she said, "The American people want to do things, to help, but these days there's not too much left to do with."

The volunteers are paying for their carnival shirts, profits to go to Holy Childhood School. "The American Way — Help the Special Children."

Deaths

Mary Appelby

The Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated for Mary E. Appelby last Thursday in the chapel of St. Ann's Home. Mrs. Appelby died June 30, 1975.

she had lived lately in Eagle Ridge Circle, Irondequoit.


Survivors include a brother, William Coaker, and his wife, Kay; nieces, nephews and cousins.

She was the mother of Father Gerald J. Appelby, diocesan director of campus ministry. A onetime resident of St. John the Evangelist parish in Rochester,

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Fr. Andrew Greeley

I see by the papers that those two towering Catholic intellectuals, Peter Steinfelds and David O'Brien, have both recently come out in favor of socialism.

I guess that makes it official: the latest fad is Catholic socialism. Just when it turns out that the American economy is apparently not going into a long depression and that those who were cheerfully predicting that we would turn to socialism to escape from such a trauma are hedging their bets, the best and brightest young Catholics jump on the socialist bandwagon.

'Twas ever thus. We always come in late.

But I have a proposal to make. Why don't we take up a collection to send Messrs. Steinfelds and O'Brien, as well as Joe Holland and Peter Henriot (of the Center for Concern), off to spend some time in a real socialist country. I've just come back from one, and I think such an experience would be extremely instructive for them as they marshal their forces to lead us into the Marxist camp.

They could learn about postal censorship and how it is impossible to import "dangerous" books into a country. They could learn how to set up a network of secret police informants in every organization, every classroom, every office in the land. They could find out how to control the flow of news so that people have to go to the bother of listening to foreign radio programs if they want to find out what is really going on in the world.

They might acquire skill at censoring a scholarly article before it can get published (like we used to do in the Church). They can find out how you use the possibility of a precious visa to visit another country as a means of imposing conformity on potential dissenters. They can see how eliminating all political opposition from parliament and governing by party decree. (Obviously Messrs. Steinfelds, O'Brien, Holland and Henriot would be party members issuing the decrees.) They can acquire the technique for flunking students who disagree too vigorously with official theory and firing faculty members who tend to dissent.

There are all kinds of useful

skills you have to know to run a good socialist society. Our American Catholic socialists ought to get them early.

Or, if Eastern Europe is too tame for them, they might try Cambodia where they can find out how to solve New York City's financial problems: you just drive all the citizens out into the farmland (I wonder why Abe Beame never thought of that). If they really want to remake our society, they could go to Tanzania and learn from the saintly Catholic socialist Julius Nyrere how to herd six million peasants into concentration camps. Or they could go to China and see how Mao's thought police keep that busy ant hill running and at the same time practice acupuncture. Or they could take a short trip to Cuba and find out how to suppress all political opposition for 15 years.

Our Catholic socialists really must learn that. You can't expect to be good at running a police state overnight.

Ah, they argue, you can have socialism without a police state.



Where? Real Marxist socialism always turns into a police state once it gets power — as it almost did in Chile and probably will in Portugal. In theory, socialism does not mean a police state, but in practice it always has.

But you see, the trick of the Catholic socialists is to compare the reality of American capitalism with all its obvious faults with the pure theory of socialism; it's a trick they've learned from their secular counterparts and it always works. You can't miss when you compare an ideal theory with grubby reality.

But maybe they mean the social democrats of England or Germany? If that's all they are talking about, then they are not being very radical at all, but only pushing New Deal welfare statism a few steps further down the road. Why all the brave talk about socialism? West Germany may well be the most capitalist nation in all the world (and oddly, with the strongest economy, even if they don't count all the unemployed foreign laborers in their unemployment statistics). England is in the process of destroying itself with the socialist government, deliberately using unemployment, to control inflation — just as Milton Friedman and Arthur Burns would want.

They don't realize that there is a Catholic alternative to both communism and socialism which is in fact far more radical than either. The neglected principle of subsidiarity may be celebrated by the Quaker economist F. E. Schmacher in his "Small is Beautiful," but our Catholic thinkers seem to have a hard time remembering what the word meant when they learned it in school so long ago.

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