



Winning Spirit

The winning spirit of McQuaid Jesuit High School shows in the faces of Mr. and Mrs. Adrian Prince (left) and Dr. and Mrs. G. Keefe Jackson, cochairmen of the ninth annual McQuaid Jesuit Ball to be held Friday evening, Oct. 10 at Oak Hill Country Club and in the faces of the ceramic student statuettes which will be table centerpieces.

Greece Parish Presents Parent-Child Series

The adult education program at St. John the Evangelist, Greece, will present a series of speakers, each on "a particular aspect of the ever-changing relationships between parents and their children." The meetings are scheduled for alternate Tuesdays, 8:30-10 p.m.

discuss attitudes and environments that encourage or discourage the celebration of religion in the home. Walker is director of development at Nazareth College and a member of the diocesan liturgy committee.

On Oct. 7, George Walker will

Speakers listed for succeeding weeks include Sister Elizabeth Hughes of the religious education office, Father Ed Zenkel, chaplain at Industry; Father William Trott of St. Bernard's Seminary, and parishioners Dave and Judy Wengender and Albert Walz, who will join him in a discussion of vocations. The final meeting, Dec. 9, will concern responses to children's fears about death. Speakers will be Father Elmer McDonald, pastor; Sister Michael Lappetito, diocesan director of religious education, and Fernando Gargenti, a psychiatric social worker.

Card Party Planned

Nazareth Academy Alumnae invite the public to an old-fashioned card party to be held in the school cafeteria at 1001 Lake Avenue, Saturday, Oct. 4, 7:30 p.m.

Tickets are available now at the school or may be purchased at the door Oct. 4.

Those who wish to play at home and still join in the fun can make arrangements by calling Kathy Spahn 464-8744 or Chris Mysliwiec 467-8731. Donation for the evening is just \$1.

FIRST FRIDAY

The First Friday Luncheon Club will meet for Mass at 11:45 a.m. Oct. 3 in the Knights of Columbus rooms at 513 Monroe. Father Edward Zimmer will celebrate the Mass and speak at lunch. Everyone is invited.



Harvest Fete

Eric and Herbert Von Recklinghausen and Sheila Enright show off the Bavarian costumes they'll be wearing Saturday night, Oct. 4, at the St. Pius Tenth Oktoberfest. The Bavarian Silver Stars will play for dancing, and the Alpen Schuplatler Dancers will perform at this fifth annual festival.

AS I SEE IT



Pat Costa

If the test of a TV medical show is the amount of anxiety it arouses in the viewer, then "Medical Story" the anthology series produced by the people who do "Police Story" would win hands down.

The premiere episode starring Beau Bridges as a sole idealist in a hospital staffed with either unscrupulous or indifferent doctors and surgeons or both was every woman's nightmare.

A young woman with a history of gynecological problems is subtly coerced into a hysterectomy by one of those aforementioned surgeons who in this case also happens to be an incompetent. When she dies following the surgery, the autopsy shows the surgeon made a wrong diagnosis. As if that weren't bad enough a worse horror emerges when the incompetent is given a mere slap on the wrist by his peers and the young dedicated doctor who attempted to stop the surgery is dismissed. End of first episode.

Second episode: A brilliant young surgeon (Bradford Dillman) tries to persuade an elderly woman (Ruth Gordon) to have brain surgery to enhance his own knowledge and reputation even though he is aware that the surgery in this case will very likely either kill the patient or leave her a helpless vegetable. Juliet Mills as a compassionate nurse tells the patient the truth, in this case jeopardizing her own career.

Episode three: Tony Musante, a young, handsome, brilliant surgeon (yes, flash and good looks are a requirement for the series' medical schools) cares nothing for his patients as people, sees them only as cases. This

ELECTIONS

Penn Yan — St. Michael's School Board recently met and elected the following officers: Margaret Calder, president; Ed Feiock, vice-president; Rita Rhinehard, clerk. Diano Lenzo is replacing Mary Bolger as a member of the School Board.

particular episode is colored by a compassionate nincompoop facing more than one malpractice suit. At the time we meet him he has just made a patchwork quilt out of the insides of a patient's stomach, sewing something to something he shouldn't have. Unfortunately, my medical terminology is no better than it was before Welby and Gannon came on the scene. I understood none of the terms only the gist of what was being said. As with the other two episodes, there was just enough truth in the situation to scare this viewer, but good. I do not plan to watch the series again even though in this third show Musante, after making a mistake and killing a patient himself on the table, changes his ways somewhat.

In spite of a number of faults which include a tendency to see nothing between black and white,

"Medical Story" has some good things going. Scripts are gripping, it counters the impossible goody, goody images of those TV Saints, Doctors Welby, Kiley et. al. and already it must have done something to educate the nation as to the enormous amount of unnecessary surgery that is performed each year.

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