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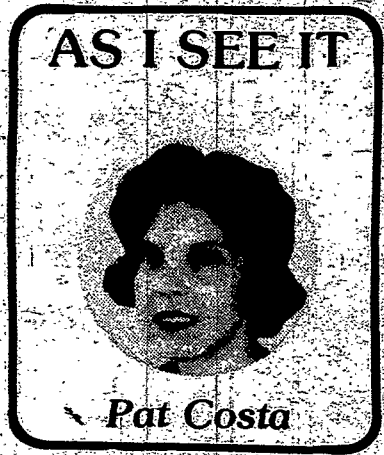
Recently installed members of Webster's Trinity Council of the Knights of Columbus are, seated (l. to r.): Andrew Stadtmiller, warden to district deputy; Father Paul Cuddy, chaplain; Raymond Pfeifer, district deputy; Thomas Sweeney, grand knight. Standing (l. to r.): Roger Zurat, representing Philip Rohnke, deputy grand knight; Raymond McNinch, lecturer; Robert Stein, financial secretary; Douglas Oglia, recorder; Joseph Van Chieri, treasurer; Wallace Goodsell, chancellor; Michael Pellittiere, guard; Frank Lombino, trustee; Larry Lochneer, guard; Gerald Driscoll, advocate; Karl Steigerwald, trustee; Henry Imm, guard; Stanley Zawacki, warden; Joseph Fox, trustee.

Report Commends Center

A United Community Chest evaluation report of Catholic Family Center commends the counseling agency for "serving the community effectively in its programs." The report says that

family center board members are "active, interested, and well-organized," and that staff are "competent and dedicated to providing quality service to their clientele."

The report, however, also cites several factors which, at the time the evaluation was conducted, indicated a "lack of strength and/or resources in the administration of the agency."



AS I SEE IT

Pat Costa

In the past week or so we have seen many of the season's new TV series and while we have enjoyed a number of them in varying degrees by far the most satisfying TV "event" was the spectacle of Mrs. Rosalynn Carter besting a "Meet the Press" panel at their own game.

The Democratic candidate's wife deserves a lot more space than we are about to give her in the next few lines but make no mistake. The tribute here may be brief but it is undiluted.

Watching both Jimmy Carter and Gerald Ford as we most recently did during the first round of debating.

Mercy Slates Alumnae Reunion

The annual Mercy High School Alumnae Reunion Banquet celebrating the anniversary of classes '36, '41, '46, '51, '56, '61, '66 and '71, will be held Friday, Oct. 15, at 7 p.m. in the Mercy High School gym. All alumnae are invited.

The banquet will be preceded by a social hour in the auditorium lobby and balcony lounge. Present and former faculty members will be on hand to greet alumnae.

Mrs. Mary Louise Ermatinger Pfleging, General Chairperson, is assisted by a committee of chairpersons from each of the classes: Betty McCarthy Lange and Joyce Miller Meteyer, '36; Marie E. Moll Coleman and Loyola Nolan Connolly, '41; Mary Lou Napoleon, '46; Thelma Prinzing Will and Shirley Lochner Bonisteel, '51; Ann Burns Halligan and Sandy Dengler Kromer, '56; Mary Lou Ralph Doyle and Rosemary Stoffel Webster, '61; Molly McCarthy and Sharon Petrus De Clerck, '66; and Margaret Guernot Bohrer, '71.

Reservations close Oct. 8.

we frequently end up wondering exactly what it was that the former governor and the incumbent president said.

Nobody ever has to wonder about that with Mrs. Carter. Certainly not Walter Cronkite whom she caught in an error while he was interviewing her during the Democratic National Convention and certainly not the "Press" panel hosted by NBC's Bill Monroe who attacked Mrs. Carter's husband on grounds that he was doing a lot of "apologizing" lately including to Gov. George Wallace. But when Mrs. Carter questioned Monroe as to the incident, Monroe couldn't remember Touche for the lady from Georgia who belies the old notion of helplessness. Southern womanhood. This particular woman is quiet, intelligent and more than competent to deal with reporters who like to put words in people's mouths among other things. Rosalynn Carter will have none of it.

Back to the new series. The most attractive new situation comedies were Norman Lear's "All's Fair" and "The Tony Randall Show," another winning entry from the Mary Tyler Moore company.

"All's Fair" deals with the love-hate relationship between Richard Crenna playing a conservative middle aged Washington based columnist and Bernadette Peters as a young liberal photographer. The two met, fought and fell in love in the first episode. The only question here is what have they got left to offer in future episodes.

Tony Randall's half hour casts him as a Philadelphia judge who is a widower with two children. Randall's characterization is not much different than his photographer in "The Odd Couple." This time his wife is dead instead of divorced but he's still in the position of trying to reconcile his past life with new romances.

Both shows owe a great deal to witty rejoinders, attractive stars and quick pace rather than skillful plotting. Still they are entertaining particularly when compared with some other new sit coms notably "Mr. T and Tina" which has Susan Blanchard as a governess in the home of an Oriental gentleman played by Pat Morita. This one hasn't got a prayer unless they immediately dispense with the computer and hire a writer.

"Holmes and Yo Yo" is a little funnier. But it's a one joke series, the joke being that Yo Yo is a robot who looks, acts and talks like a cop except when his record sticks.

Those factors, most of which already have been corrected or improved by Catholic Family Center since the evaluation's completion in June 1976, include the lack of an updated personnel practices manual, the absence of a performance/appraisal system, a deficient affirmative action program and evidence of poor supervisory support to the agency's outreach program.

Following its six-month long review of the family center, the UCC evaluation task force headed by Barry Jesmer recommended, among other things, greater interaction between Catholic Family Center's board of directors — which essentially is an advisory board — and the board of directors of Catholic Charities, under whose auspices the Center operates. The task force also recommended that the Catholic Family Center board formalize its goals and objectives based on client population data.

Catholic Family Center officials responding to the UCC evaluation said that "the report and its recommendations are concurrent with the agency's plan of striving towards a management-by-objectives concept which we have already initiated" but that "some of them will be difficult to achieve given current financial and staffing constraints."

However, the family center already has taken steps to involve more consumers of services on the board of directors, and plans to restructure the board's long range planning committee into a goals committee. Both actions were recommended by the evaluation task force.

Following the UCC's recommendation that the center provide closer supervision and professional support to the outreach program, the family center appointed a new supervisor of inner city offices even before the evaluation was completed.

The evaluation task force also had suggested that Catholic Family Center examine its role in providing foster care and outreach services in relation to the role played by the Monroe County Department of Social Services.

In their response to the evaluation report, CFC officials said they already had signed a purchase of service agreement with MCDSS to provide foster care services where cooperating with the county department to implement a preventative services program for which the agency had just been awarded a state grant.

Neri Women Plan Meeting

The monthly meeting of the Women's Club of St. Philip Neri parish is scheduled for Tuesday, Oct. 26.

A Mass will be said for the late William Frost, longtime school custodian, at 7:45 p.m. Following the Mass, the meeting will be held open to all.

Mrs. Kathy McFall, will answer house plant questions and will have a large collection of terrariums for sale. Mrs. Marilyn Palermo and committee are hostesses for the meeting.

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