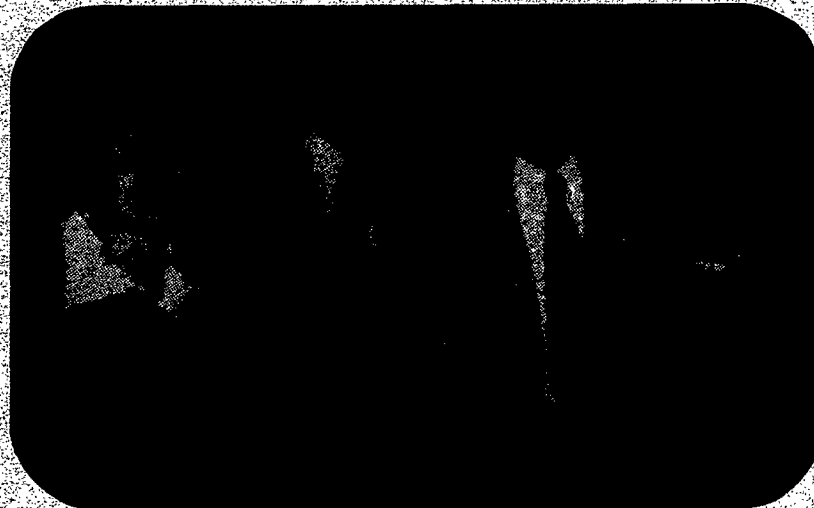


# At St. Thomas the Apostle Parents Give Project First Hand Attention

St. Thomas the Apostle School parents recently participated in a spirited exchange of thoughts as they were asked to discuss "Sharon's Dilemma," one of the many "conflict situations" to be presented to their children through the Values Education Project curriculum to be inaugurated in the school during October.

Remarks and slide presentation delivered by Thomas M. Jones, West Irondequoit School District social studies teacher, and project director of "Values Education," were featured last Tuesday evening at an information meeting of parents and faculty sponsored by the Home-School Association. St. Thomas is one of the three parochial schools and six area public school districts, participating in a project dealing with Values Education for Responsible Citizenship and Decision-making, such project having been funded by E.S.E.A. Title IV-C, through the State Education Department.



Sister Roberta Rodenhouse, Jones, James Kloster, president of St. Thomas the Apostle Home-School Association, and Msgr. Burns.

According to Jones, the project addresses a number of important concerns expressed by the state commissioner of education and State Board of Regents relating to

values education and citizenship development.

St. Thomas teachers, within their regular classes and using project curriculum materials, will endeavor to improve students' levels of reasoning and decision-making.

Three St. Thomas teachers, representing the school's primary, intermediate and junior high levels, attended a once-week training institute at Pinegrove School this Summer and will attend additional training sessions throughout the year.

Sister Roberta Rodenhouse, RSM, principal of the school, and Mrs. Ronald DeBlase of Thomas Avenue, member of the parish's Board of Education, also attended a summer parent-administrator training workshop which encompassed project objectives, curriculum, teaching strategies and formulation of plans for parent-community communication and parent-community involvement in the operation and activities of the project.

According to Sister Roberta, "Values Education and teaching of morals and values have always been a part of our religious education programs. Each of our teacher's manuals used with Come to the Father religion program (used in grades K through 8) contains a section which incorporates Kohlberg's stages of moral development in teaching of religious doctrine and on conscience formation. We are excited about the project beginning here at St. Thomas and for the opportunity to evaluate the implications and impact it would have on our students."

## Environmental Festival Set In Naples

Naples — Wild Winds Organic Farms, will host the fourth annual Fall Organic Farms Festival on Oct. 9 and 10.

Composting demonstrations, nature walks, wild food foraging, food demonstrations, and craft exhibits and demonstrations are scheduled. All visitors are welcome. Admission is by contribution.

Wild Winds is run by The Center for Environmental Awareness, a tax-free learning center utilized by the general public, various colleges and universities, deaf students from the National Technical Institute for the Deaf, etc.

The extensive lands of Wild Winds have nature trails, fields, forests, mountains, ponds, streams, abundant wildlife, a maple sugar house, a country store, a restaurant, and clean air, food, and water.

extension of the kitchen. Unhappily the family room is barely large enough to accommodate seating facilities for the five of us much less a 16-inch closet door positioned on two tiny filing cabinets which will form the aforementioned desk.

The living room, on the other hand which, incidentally, is a very nice place for a showoff desk but not a working desk, is big enough to take three filing cabinets and a 30 inch door.

All of which serves to reinforce my urgent wish that women quickly infiltrate the field of home design and dominate it.

A man who leaves the house at 8 and returns at 5, does no cleaning, cooking or other household chores has no business drawing proportioned rooms that look very nice on paper but will sooner or later lead to women pulling their hair out on an average of once a day in total frustration.

Take the matter of the size of the family room versus the living room. Most people entertain only occasionally. Families are in residence nearly every night. Therefore the family room should be bigger than the living room. When have you ever seen one designed that way?

Then there's the matter of the mud room. Non-existent here. Our garage leads directly to the family room which we have carpeted for warmth and comfort and obviously as a sponge to absorb dirt and grease from the garage.

The cellar door is another sore point. What woman who has ever cleaned tracks of workman or meter readers would locate it so that to reach it the said workman would have to trot over A, the carpet or B, tromp through the front door.

These are all relatively annoying, true. The architectural feature that really upsets me is the position of the bathroom which is located at the head of the stairs. Any child who comes wandering half asleep into that facility in the middle of the night is taking his life in his hands. Should he veer a little to one side he could go headlong down the stairs. Another interesting feature of that particular room is that should you have glass panels on either side of your front door as some do it is possible from the outside to look straight up into the bathroom. With lights on at night the view is better and woe the kid who decides to run from tub to bedroom in search of pajamas.

So girls to that list of professions once almost exclusively male add another — Architecture.

**ALL IN THE FAMILY**

Sarah Child

I have been moving furniture around for the better part of the day—all in attempt to make room for this typewriter somewhere other than the dining room table.

What I am after is a space for a desk downstairs, hidden from everyone except the family, so that I might work in proximity to the stove and the washing machine, keep my clutter out of the line of vision of those who come to the front door and if possible take advantage of the natural light afforded by one of the sliding glass doors which face south east.

To accomplish all these things the ideal spot would be in the family room, which is actually an

## Deaths

### Sister Lucinda

Mass of Christian Burial for Sister Lucinda Gilmartin of the Sisters of St. Joseph was celebrated in the Motherhouse chapel by Bishop Joseph L. Hogan on Sept. 18. Bishop Hogan was assisted by Msgr. John Ball, Msgr. John Duffy, and Fathers Michael Hogan, Michael Conboy, Joseph Reinhart and James Doyle. Also present were Msgr. William Naughton and Father Frederic Walz.

Sister Lucinda, a member of the Sisters of St. Joseph for 70 years, was born in Corning and spend 33 years teaching grammar school in Lima. Among her students was Bishop Hogan.

Sister also taught at St. Patrick's Cathedral School, St. John's, Spencerport and St. Patrick's in Seneca Falls.

She retired from teaching in 1957 and did voluntary work in St. Joseph's Hospital, Elmira. She is survived by two nieces and two nephews in Corning.

### 1,000 "WALKERS"

Nearly 1,000 young people will raise money for charity by walking a 20-mile route on Sunday, Oct. 24, in the second annual Monroe-Wayne County March of Dimes Walk-a-thon. According to Lynn Boddy, director of the Educational Outreach Program for the Monroe-Wayne County Chapter of March of Dimes, last year's walk resulted in \$8,000 in donations from sponsors of the walkers. This year's goal is \$20,000.

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**ST. CASIMIR'S ELECTS**  
Elmira — St. Casimir's Parish Council has elected officers for the current year. Serving as president will be Henry Mangles; Robert J. Rohde will be vice president, Regina Kalac will be secretary, and Henry Gublo and Raymond Novick will serve on the executive committee.

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