



Sister Mary Kruckow addressing the Human Development workshop at the Livingston-Steuben Assembly. To her right is Bishop Hogan.

Workshops Highlight Livingston-Steuben Regional Meeting

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Wayland — Ninety-eight delegates representing the 37 parishes and institutions of the Livingston-Steuben Region gathered in St. Joseph's School and heard reports of regional activities and participated in workshops Sundays, Nov. 14.

Bishop Joseph L. Hogan opened the meeting, and also spoke to the delegates during a concluding service in St. Joseph's Church.

Bishop Hogan told the delegates that it's "very good to be with you today," and he encouraged them to "think regionally," and to "extend your vision" beyond "narrow parochial interests." He told the delegates that "to reach out is to be self-enriched."

Father Lewis Brown of St. Ann's, Hornell, had called the Livingston-Steuben Region "L-SMFT" meaning "Livingston-Steuben means Mighty Far Travel." Bishop Hogan acknowledged the distances involved in the region, and complimented Father Charles McCarthy, regional coordinator, for delegating his authority, forming three clusters in the region, each with its own coordinator.

Diocesan staff conducted three of the five workshop sessions, which reported to the total assembly.

Sister Mary Lynch, St. Patrick's, Corning, reported on the education workshop, conducted by Father Donald Schwab. Topics discussed included diocesan support of the Continuing Education for Religion Teachers program, and the appointment of Education department staff persons outside Rochester on a permanent basis.

The Human Development

workshop, conducted by Father Neil Miller and Sister Mary Kruckow, OHD Appalachian Tier staff, discussed the purposes and goals of human development. Sister Mary urged study of the many pastoral letters by the nation's bishops and encyclicals of the popes that deal with human development. Bishop Hogan also urged study of the documents, which have been written "since 1891," and are meaningless unless studied and put into action, he said.

David Nowak of the diocesan liturgy office addressed the liturgy workshop, which, among other things, discussed copyrighted music. Nowak told the group that a publisher has begun suits to stop copyright violations by churches, and those churches which are copying music should get permission to do so. He recommended parishes contact the liturgy office for assistance.

Josephine Ciancaglini of St. Ann's, Hornell, conducted the Parish Council workshop, which discussed the importance of councils setting goals for themselves. The workshop also asked for study by the regional executive committee of a proposal for a regional leadership workshop for parish council presidents and other leaders.

A regional youth committee was the suggestion of the workshop on Youth Ministry, Sister Edna of St. Mary's, Corning, reported.

In other announcements, Sister Agnes Catherine of St. Patrick's, Corning, told the delegates of the planning which is under way for a regional divorced and separated Catholics group based at St. Patrick's. A meeting concerning ministry to the divorced and separated has been scheduled for Dec. 7; the first meeting for interested divorced and separated persons is set for Jan. 10.



Walkathon

Supporters of Catholic education in Chemung County turned out in force Saturday, Nov. 13 for the second annual Walkathon. Students, teachers and parents walked from St. Patrick's Junior High to Notre Dame to show their support of the schools, and to raise funds. Above, the St. Casimir's section of the march, leaving St. Patrick's.

Taking AIM At Needs Of Youth

By Mary Ann Ginnerty

Auburn — The needs of youth and the ability of the community to meet these needs will be the topic of the Auburn Interfaith Ministries (AIM) panel set for 8:30 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 2 at St. Alphonsus Parish Center.

Participants in the panel include Dr. James Knox, superintendent of schools, Asst. Police Chief Francis Tenity, Michael Orpallo, director, City Recreation Department; Edward Bell, director of Neighborhood House; Mrs. Stasia Sage, community leader and Rev. Roger Rishel, representing AIM. Panel moderator will be Paul Kelly, director of Cayuga Counseling Services. Young persons will serve as reactors.

The AIM business meeting begins at 7:30 p.m. A demonstration of "Alternative Resolutions in Conflict Situations" is being co-sponsored by Church Women United and will demonstrate techniques which are available through workshops for classroom teachers and youth leaders. A CWU spokesperson indicated these techniques for use with the middle school aged child would also be of interest to religious education teachers.

The meeting is open to the public.

NOTRE DAME REUNION

Elmira — The alumni of both Elmira Catholic High School and Notre Dame High School will celebrate with the 20th anniversary class of 1956, the first to graduate from Notre Dame, with a Mass and dance at Notre Dame Saturday, Nov. 27 at 8 p.m. Father Joseph F. Hogan will be the principal celebrant of the Mass for deceased alumni and faculty. Following the Mass, there will be a dance from 9 to 12 p.m. in the Notre Dame gym. Dress will be casual. Donald Kent, president of the alumni association, and the reunion committee have planned the event.

CHARISMATIC MASS

Elmira — A charismatic Mass will be celebrated Sunday, Dec. 5 at 6:30 p.m. at St. Mary's Church, 224 Franklin St. Following Mass there will be a regional prayer meeting for all area prayer groups, in the Marion Center.

Early Treatment is Clinic's Goal

Elmira — Preventive medicine and proper medical treatment for senior citizens is the goal of Senior Health Services, an agency which conducts screening clinics for senior citizens in Chemung County. The next such comprehensive screening clinic is scheduled for Dec. 8 at the North Presbyterian Church, 921 College Ave., from 1 to 5 p.m. Tests will be available for vision, hearing, diabetes, cancer, tuberculosis and hypertension.

The program, operated by St. Joseph's Hospital through a federal Appalachian Regional Commission grant, is based in Newtown Towers, senior citizens residence.

In addition to the screening clinics, the agency staff of three nurses, a social worker and a secretary provide follow-up on the test results, drug supervision, counseling educational programs, and referral services.

Rob Coleman, the agency's social worker, explained that the emphasis is on helping individuals remain independent as long as possible. Preventive medicine is an important step towards that goal, he noted. The object, he pointed

out, is to identify such problems as diabetes and cancer early, when they are more easily treated.

One woman who attended a screening, Coleman said, had been nearly deaf for five years. At the clinic it was determined that she had an operable condition. The operation was performed the first week in November, he said, and was a complete success.

Local health organizations do the actual testing at the clinic, Coleman explained. He noted that Senior Health Services has received good cooperation from other community, health and senior citizen organizations.

Transportation problems are usually handled by the institution where the clinic is being held, Coleman said. He noted that church groups, such as human development committees, have been helpful in transportation, and in identifying persons in the neighborhood who would benefit from the clinic.

The agency also has available a variety of educational programs addressing health problems of the elderly.

Anyone interested in further information can contact the Chemung County Office for Aging, Info-line, St. Joseph's Occupational Therapy or Senior Health Services, 732-1486.

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SQUARE DANCE

Elmira — There will be a Round and Square Dance in St. Patrick's Hall, Clinton St., Saturday, Nov. 27 from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. Music will be provided by the Jim Caccia Trio. Tickets will be available at the door.

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Mass Goes On

A boiler breakdown at St. John the Evangelist's Church in Clyde did not stop daily or Sunday Masses. Father William Cosgrove has been celebrating daily Masses in the rectory, above, and weekend Masses at the Clyde-Savannah Junior High School. Hopefully, the boiler will be repaired and things back to normal by this weekend. Below, Father M. Gerard Hafner oversees some of the boiler repair work.

