

Kinship Group Adds Second Home



Christmas Show

Actor Raymond Burr will rely on a network of communications satellites like the one in the photo when he narrates Christmas Around the World on Dec. 24, to be broadcast by Channel 21. The program will be shown at 4 p.m. and again at 8 p.m. It will consist of entertainment from seven countries.

Perkinsville—Steuben County Surrogate Judge Myron E. Tillman and Joseph Weider, executive director of Kinship Group Home Program, Inc., a member agency of Catholic Charities, recently announced here the acquisition of a new home to be used for troubled adolescent girls.

The five-bedroom home, located 11 miles east of Savona, will serve Steuben and surrounding counties Kinship Group Home now operates a home for boys in Perkinsville.

In announcing the acquisition of the new site, Judge Tillman noted that in 1977 alone, "there have been over 20 teenage girls between the ages of 12 and 16 who were either placed out-of-state or out-of-county because of the serious

shortage of residential care for girls." He said, "the Kinship Home concept allows troubled youth to work out their problems adjusting to adolescence in the natural surroundings of a home rather than the artificially structured environment of an institution."

He added that, "Maintaining a child in a training school costs taxpayers over \$60 per day as compared to \$30 in a Kinship Home."

Weider cautioned that although \$12,000 has been contributed towards the girls' home, another \$20,000 is needed for renovations, staffing and household furnishings before the home can be certified by the State Board of Social Welfare.

The projected date for formal opening of the home

is June 1, 1978. Both Tillman and Weider expressed their appreciation to the many organizations in the area who have contributed to the

Kinship Group Home Program. Kinship Home headquarters is located in Perkinsville, the phone number is 716-728-5414.

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Oratorical Contest Planned by Knights

The Webster Knights of Columbus Trinity Council 4618 is accepting applications for its annual oratorical contest. The State Council has selected "Is There Really an Energy Crisis?" as the topic for the 1978 contest to be conducted by the State Circle of Columbian Squires.

Open to any student who is a resident of the state and who will be graduated from an accredited public or private high school in January or June, 1978, the competition consists of the local council contest Feb. 2 and area finals by April 1. Nine area winners will then vie for the awards to be presented at the state finals in conjunction with the state convention in May.

First prize in the state finals is a \$2,000 scholarship; the runnerup will receive a \$1,500 scholarship and third place will be worth a \$1,200 scholarship. The remaining six finalists will receive \$200 each in U.S. bonds.

Contestants will be required to prepare an original speech on the topic and deliver it within a minimum time of four minutes and a maximum of five minutes.

Trinity Council co-chairmen Thomas Freundsuh and Philip Klei have distributed applications to 38 high schools in the Rochester area. The local

contest will take place at the regular K of C meeting Feb. 2. First prize is a \$100 U.S. bond with the runnerup getting a \$50 bond and third place a \$25 bond.

Last year's winner was Tom DeWald of Fairport High with David Fratta of Aquinas second and Randy Martens of Fairport third. DeWald placed second in a field of six in the area contest.

Further information may be obtained from high school speech departments, Ron McNitch at 265-1528, Tom Freundsuh at 265-0439 or Philip Klei at 248-8997.

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One of the benefits of the modern age (each generation refers to its own era as the modern age) is our healthy emphasis on correct terminology relative to human sexuality. Unfortunately we are inconsistent in our application of this emphasis. In many Catholic schools, correct terminology has reached the point of overemphasis in the second and third grades, while not a single word of natural terminology is found in the eighth grade when family planning is taught. Ignoring Natural Family Planning altogether, "Education in Love" (Paulist Press) teaches all the artificial methods. It fails to stress the very real dangers of either the IUD or the pill, and it teaches that the old Calendar Rhythm System is the "only" method approved by Pope Paul VI, which is a blatant misrepresentation of the Pope's views. As a result, young Catholics learn only of the artificial method of contraception and nothing of the clearly stated and repeatedly reaffirmed Catholic moral principles. Despite Pope Paul's strong support of NFP, our Catholic youth think he is hung up on the Calendar System. No wonder there are so many prescriptions for the pill and the IUD in Catholic homes; those are the specific methods they have been taught. We have completely shortchanged a beautiful generation.

Some correct terminology omitted from Catholic education 1) During the ovulation phase of the female menstruation cycle when the estrogen levels are at their highest, the cervix secretes a clear mucus. 2) This increased volume of mucus sustains the viability

of the sperm and, acting as a lubricant, facilitates its penetration of the upper reproductive tract. During this time the woman is fertile. 3) Within 24-48 hours after ovulation, this secretion or discharge of mucus decreases sharply in volume, and may assume a cloudy appearance. The vaginal atmosphere then becomes acidic and is hostile to sperm survival. 4) Fertile days are presumed to begin on the first post-menstrual day on which the clear mucus appears, and to end on the fourth day after the peak appearance of the clear lubricative discharge. These observations are simple for a woman to make and record. She learns to recognize the "wet" days and the "dry" days. This Ovulation Method is safe, inexpensive and easy. Furthermore it promotes a wholesome, natural and desirable self-awareness.

Please note however that the brief presentation in this afternoon's column is incomplete at best. I am Not an NFP teacher. This is simply a listing of one set of NFP observations.

Next week, the Symptothermic Method



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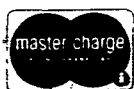
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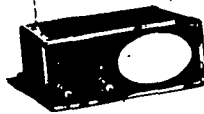
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