



CB Jamboree Pays Off

The recent CB Jamboree against Cancer yielded a net benefit of \$3,135.49 for the American Cancer Society, chairman Gene Fields reported. The sponsors, Channel 1 CB Family, Inc., added a gift of \$400 on behalf of a member who has cancer. Here, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Conlin acting for the cancer society, accept two checks from Fields. The jamboree was a 12-hour family entertainment at the Ramada Inn April 30. Fields predicted it would become an annual charity enterprise.

DPC Sets Budget Action

Watkins Glen—The longest business meeting in the three-year history of the Diocesan Pastoral Council (DPC) will be Saturday, May 21 from 9:30 a.m. to 4:15 p.m.

The meeting also will be the first convened in the Southern Tier, in the St. Mary of the Lake Parish Center.

Bishop Hogan will celebrate Mass to open the meeting.

The DPC is scheduled to take action on several subjects including the diocesan budget and objectives for the coming fiscal year. Richard Wardell of the Ministerial Review Committee will explain the recommendations of his committee.

The DPC also is being asked to vote on the proposal concerning chaplaincy coverage for health care facilities, which was discussed at the March meeting.

Proposals also are being offered by the DPC Pastoral Organization Committee and the DPC Executive Com-

mittee concerning the responsibilities of DPC regional representatives. The two proposals conflict on some points. The Executive Committee will offer that the regional delegates be more closely involved with the region and the regional coordinator. The Pastoral Organization proposal calls for continued efforts to establish direct contact between delegates and parish councils.

The Pastoral Organization Committee also has proposed guidelines for the operation of regions. Among other items, the proposal calls for meetings between the regional coordinator and the regional DPC delegates following each DPC meeting; for regional coordinators to function "with, and in service to, the regional assembly;" and for regional delegates to be members of the parish council in the parish they represent.

The proposal also notes that "the expectation of institution involvement in a region is unrealistic," calling instead for voluntary participation by institutions.

The DPC also will hear

reports on the survey on women in ministerial roles in the diocese; on the Bishops Selection Committee, and from the Priests and Sisters Council liaisons.

NFP Events Scheduled

Natural Family Planning Education of Rochester has slated both an NFP class and an NFP follow-up session this week.

Tonight, May 17, in Elmira, Nick and Beryl Iven will teach a limited registration class at the Doctors Meeting Room in St. Joseph's Hospital. The Ivens' phone number is (607) 594-2380.

Tomorrow night, May 18, an NFP follow-up session will begin at 8 p.m. in Christ the King School. The session will be headed up by Ed and Maxine McDonald and pre-registration is required by calling (716) 464-8705. The session is designed for couples now using NFP and who wish to discuss various aspects of the method.

Seniors' party

Senior citizens of Blessed Sacrament have been invited by the Parish Life Committee to a luncheon card party Tuesday noon, May 23, at the convent. Transportation will be provided if necessary. Reservations should be made with Barbara Clark, 442-4414, or at the rectory, 271-7240.

DPC Agenda

DIOCESAN PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING
Saturday, May 21, 9:30 a.m. to 4:15 p.m.
St. Mary of the Lake Parish Center
Watkins Glen

1. Celebration of the Eucharist, Bishop Joseph L. Hogan
2. Acceptance of Minutes and Agenda
3. Bishop Hogan's Remarks
4. The Diocesan Plan and Supporting Budget, Richard Wardell, Ministerial Review Committee
5. Action on the Health Care Proposal
6. Report on the Survey on the Participation of Women in Church Activities, Cecelie Bodnar
7. Proposal on Responsibilities of DPC Regional Representatives, Andrew Molloy and Frank Riesenberger
8. Proposal on Regional Responsibilities and Accountability, Frank Riesenberger
9. Report from the Selection of Bishops Committee, Father John Mulligan
10. Liaison reports from the Priests and Sisters Councils, Father Charles Latus and Sister Francella Quinn
11. DPC Self-Evaluation for 1977-78
12. Chairperson's Remarks, Andrew Molloy
13. Closing Prayer

Capitol Letters

Bill Requires Notification

In pursuing their objective of making contraception, sterilization and abortion available to everyone regardless of age, marital status, parental or spousal consent, the population controllers, spearheaded by legal counsel of Planned Parenthood and American Civil Liberties Union, won a Supreme Court decision allowing physicians to perform abortions on legal minors without parental knowledge or consent. However, within the Supreme Court decision granting this (Planned Parenthood v. Danforth), the courts and the state may identify safeguarding of the family unit and of the parental authority as "a compelling state interest" which would limit the absolute right of a dependent minor to secure an abortion.

vote by the entire Assembly on this bill, before the session ends, as called for under the Assembly rules for open government. Address: Legislative Office Building, Albany, N.Y. 12224.

3. It is also extremely important that you take the time to write to Gov. Hugh Carey asking him to support this bill in recognition of the rights of parents to care for and guide their children. Bring to his attention that this is a family life issue. (Gov. Hugh Carey, State of New York, Executive Chamber, Albany, N.Y. 12224).

The proponents of abortion are influential and have many fulltime paid

workers who never relax their efforts. The above is the minimum work required of pro-life people for this bill. A response from each and every pro-life person will be our key to success.

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In addition, the final report of the "Governor's Commission to Review the New York Abortion Law as it Affects the Rights of Parents whose Minor Daughters Seek Abortions" judged a Mandatory Notice requirement as constitutional under Danforth in light of the state's interest "to insure that the pregnant young woman receives sound advice on a matter of crucial significance to her." In considering possible legislation, the governor's commission listed the following as "three important functions: that: 1. parents would be notified of the troublesome situation which their daughter is in; 2. minors would receive mature advice regarding the abortion from those who would presumably be acting in the minor's best interests; and 3. the pregnant minor would have someone to turn to for emotional support.

Bill S7560A (Padavan) and A9908A (Nicolosi) accomplished these laudable objectives. Bill S7560A (Padavan) passed the State Senate and will now go to the Assembly. Your immediate action is needed to get this bill enacted into law.

1. Contact your assemblyman and ask immediate action on this bill (Nicolosi A 9908A).

2. Write to Assembly Speaker Stanley Steingut calling for a fair and open

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