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Hindsight 10

The nine young adults who were their high school's first RapAround coordinators recently visited with RapAround to reminisce about their high school days, talk about what they are doing today, and their outlook on life. They also offer advice to those who are still in high school. It's a trip down memory lane with RapAround, on this, its fifth anniversary, as it reviews what the schools were doing and what the students were writing and thinking about five years ago.

Program Grows 13

Through the efforts of 40 volunteers, primarily women, a service previously unavailable, well child clinics, became available in Tioga County at the end of 1978. At first some local persons thought the preventative screening clinics just weren't necessary. But the program has grown to five sites around the county, and is open nine days each month to serve an increasing caseload that has reached 400 children up to age five. The program has received a major part of its start-up funding from the Campaign for Human Development.

Set Aside 7

The Diocesan Sisters Council set aside a motion to support the nation-wide boycott of J. P. Stevens mill goods until its constituents could become better informed on the boycott. The action was taken at last week's meeting of the council.

Pray Together 5

While it has been almost 20 years since Roman Catholics have been praying with persons of other doctrinal convictions for unity, with the official approval of the Church, such was not always the case. On the eve of The Week of Prayer for Church Unity, Father Charles Angell, an Atonement Friar, gives a history of the prayer-for-unity movement.

Memorial Concert 3

An ecumenical service in Chicago on the feast of the Epiphany celebrated the life and memory of Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen. Featured was the William Ferris Chorale, directed by a one-time Rochesterian whom the bishop befriended.

Kung Loses 'Mandate' To Teach

Stuttgart, West Germany (RNS) — Roman Catholic Bishop Georg Moser of Rottenburg-Stuttgart has withdrawn Father Hans Kung's mandate to teach theology at West Germany's Tuebingen University, a state institution.

The expected action followed the Vatican announcement that Pope John Paul II and five West German Roman Catholic bishops had ruled that a Vatican decision barring the Swiss-born

theologian from teaching must stand. Father Kung said he will defy the ban.

The Vatican Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith, which oversees the orthodoxy of Catholic faith and morals, declared that Father Kung had departed in his writings from the "integral truth of Catholic faith, and therefore, can no longer be considered a Catholic theologian, nor function as such in a teaching role." The declaration had the backing of the pope.

Diocesan Appointments

Father James P. Connolly, SJ to be Diocesan Liaison to Charismatic Renewal Groups; formerly with Campus Ministry, Cornell.

Father Dozia Wilson from the Diocese of Albany to be administrator of St. Bridget's, Rochester.

Father John V. Forni to be assistant pastor of St. John of Rochester, Fairport, a temporary assignment; from St. Bridget's.

Families

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Already four people have submitted their names, indicating their willingness to serve as delegates to the major White House Conference on Families, slated for June in Baltimore.

Those four are Ron Platten of Fairport, Gladys Holloman of Rochester, Mrs. Ardis Dandino of Auburn, and Jim Gillette of Brockport.

The Hollys, in a prepared statement, said of the Times report, "If there is a growing presence of pressure groups, who, in their goodness, stand up for their convictions, we hope that foremost in their hearts and minds is an attitude of 'for family, and not for me.'

Of the nominees, the Hollys said, "their shown value in being part of a family and willingness to share that value with others," is the hall mark of their credentials to represent the diocese.

The Hollys insisted that the nominees are "not asked to focus on any one issue."

"All the nominees are married and have children," they said. "All bring their own specialness, deep sense of caring, and willingness to share their lived experience of being a part of a family."

Registration forms for the regional gatherings are available at rectories throughout the diocese, the Hollys stated.

Assignments

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Father James P. Connolly, SJ, who has been active in charismatic renewal since 1968, was designated diocesan liaison for the movement succeeding Father Thomas Schmidt, CSSR, of Notre Dame Retreat House. He heads a new Service Committee chosen by members of the 60 prayer groups in the diocese, and approved by Bishop Matthew H. Clark.

Father Wilson, ordained about seven years ago, received some of his training at St. Bernard's Seminary. He will devote 20 per cent of his time to the Office of Black Ministries, Bishop Dennis W. Hickey said. His "availability is an answer to prayer," Bishop Hickey added.

Father Forni is from St. Peter's Parish in Great Barrington, Mass. He studied here, at Becket Hall and St. Bernard's, and was ordained April 22, 1977. He was assigned to St. Bridget's two months later.

Father Connolly worked for the diocese from September 1977 until June 1979, in Campus Ministry at Cornell. He is a native Rochesterian and a graduate

of Blessed Sacrament School and McQuaid Jesuit High School (1960). Educated in seminaries of his order and at Fordham University, he holds an MS in teaching mathematics. He was ordained by Bishop Joseph L. Hogan in 1972. His Service Committee has divided the diocese into nine regions, with a pair of members in each region "serving as communicators between the individual groups and the committee as a whole," Father Connolly said. The committee's first public event will be a Charismatic Eucharist celebrated by Bishop Clark Jan. 25 in Sacred Heart Cathedral.

Windsor-Assumption Grads Set Reunion

University of Windsor alumni will assemble Saturday afternoon, Jan. 19, in the recreation center at 10 Manhattan Square. There will be music, food and drink, and a slide show on campus life presented by current university staff. The party is scheduled for 4 p.m.

Sheila McGee of Nottingham Circle, who heads the committee, said she hoped that this notice would be read by graduates of Assumption College, the Basilian institution that gave its own


degrees until 1965, when it became a part of the Ontario provincial university Windsor is across the U.S.-Canadian border from Detroit.

Alumni lists are incomplete, Ms. McGee said; there must be more than 600 Assumption and Windsor graduates in this area. "By word of mouth," she added, "we have pieced together a list of about 200 names — more or less recent graduates. We'd like to have a good showing from all the classes. It's five years since the last reunion."

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Correction

Our Lady of Mercy parish school will close in June, not at the imminent end of this semester.