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\$731,000 Budget Mulled

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Elmira — A 1980-81 budget that is \$94,000 higher than this year's was proposed at the Chemung County General Education Board meeting March 13 at St. Mary's School.

More than \$36,000 of the increase will be spent on pay increases for religious and lay employees in the Elmira Catholic schools, according to a plan that was approved unanimously by the board.

Lay teacher pay increases of \$850 bring the schools within \$200 of the diocesan recommended scale. Thomas Santulli of the Personnel Committee reported, closer than they have been in recent years.

Those increases are part of the proposed budget, which, with proposed tuition rates, will be considered for further action at the next board meeting, scheduled for April 17, one week later than usual.

The proposed budget includes 30 percent increases in tuition, bringing the charges to \$150 for one child, \$240 for two, and \$255 for more than two. Kindergarten tuition would be \$75. Tuition for students not members of participating parishes would remain at \$910.

The proposed \$731,000 budget, up from \$637,000 for the current year, includes parish assessments of \$485,525, which is a four percent increase over the current year.

Expense items in the budget also include a contingency fund of \$20,027, and operation of the pre-school programs at Our Lady of Lourdes, St. Mary's and St. Casimir's for the first time.

Anticipated income figures include \$22,000 from the pre-school programs, and a \$30,000 goal for system-sponsored fund raising events.

At the meeting, the board changed the disposition of the Mandated Services money that had been received last year. The more than \$31,000 received from the state, representing payments for past years, had been scheduled for inclusion in the 1980-81 budget to reduce parish assessments. But when looking at the system's future needs, it was decided to approach the pastors with a proposal to save the money for future use. With the support of the pastors, the board approved a motion to postpone indefinitely use of the money.

A key to that discussion, Martin Tracy explained, was a five-year budget projection he prepared. The projection revealed that the system will be fully funded through the 1980-81 and 1981-82 school years. But projections for the following three years revealed unfunded expenses, first of \$25,000 and then rising to \$114,500 for the 1984-85 school year.

Thomas Klotz noted that he looked optimistically upon the report, as it indicated two years of stability during which

to plan for future needs. He noted the value in having such projections, and suggested they be updated each year.

He also commended the pastors for their foresight in agreeing to postpone use of the Mandated Services money.

In other action, Klotz reported on the results of the donkey basketball game. He noted that he had just seen Mrs. Nancy Trumble, who was stricken at the game, and she was doing well and hoping to get out of the hospital soon.

He reported profits from the game of approximately \$4,000.

St. Joseph's Blood Bank Accredited

Elmira — St. Joseph's Hospital has been awarded a two-year accreditation by the American Association of Blood Banks (AABB). Sister Martha Gersbach, administrator, has announced.

Accreditation follows an intensive on-site inspection by trained association representatives, and establishes that the level of medical, technical and administrative performance within the facility meets or exceeds the rigorous AABB standards. By successfully meeting them, St. Joseph's joins more than 2,000 similar facilities across the United States that have earned the accreditation.

Sister Martha explained: "The AABB's inspection and accreditation procedures are voluntary. It is not legally necessary for a blood bank or transfusion service to be accredited, but like many others, our facility has sought accreditation because it represents a level of professional and medical expertise that meets and exceeds government regulations. The primary goal of the program is to assist facilities like ours to achieve excellence, and thus provide higher quality blood, blood products and service to patients."

Founded in 1947, the AABB is the only national organization devoted exclusively to blood banking and blood transfusion services.

Antique Sale Planned in Waterloo

Waterloo — St. Mary's Church will present its annual Antique Show-Sale Saturday, April 12, and Sunday, April 13.

The event will be in the school gym, from 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. on Saturday, and from noon until 6 p.m. on Sunday.

In addition to viewing and buying antiques, there will be a bake sale and a chicken barbecue. There will be an admission fee of \$1.50.

Invitations have been sent to antique dealers throughout New York and Pennsylvania, and many dealers have signed up for the show. A variety of furniture, primitive tools,

Scouts Earn Eagle Award

Elmira — Presentation of a single Eagle award, the highest award a boy can earn as a Boy Scout, is a special event for him, his family and his troop.

So when Troop 62, sponsored by Our Lady of Lourdes Holy Name Society, conducted its annual dinner and award ceremony Saturday, March 15, it was with great pride that four troop members received the award.

The honored were Tom Aber, son of Dr. and Mrs. John Aber; Tony King, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles King; Mike Mehalick, son of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Mehalick; and John vonHagn, son of Mrs. and Mrs. Harold vonHagn.

The evening began with a Mass at which the scouts participated as a troop, and the Eagle Scouts presented the gifts. Father Paul McCabe, pastor, blessed the awards and spoke of the great honor they represented to the troop, the parish and to the scouts themselves.

More than 100 family members and guests attended the award dinner, and Scout commissioners Craig Henderson and Raymond Benedict spoke of what it means to be an Eagle Scout, and charged them to rededicate themselves to the principals of Scouting. Scoutmaster Melvin Gray presented the awards to the scouts, and they in turn pinned miniature eagles on their mothers.

The Courier-Journal has instituted a new system in the Auburn-Seneca Falls-Geneva area in the hope of providing expanded news coverage.

Any parish or organization publicist is invited to send news items to John Dash, News Editor, Courier-Journal, 67 Chestnut St., Rochester, N.Y. 14604.

The newspaper can also use photos of newsworthy events, provided they are black and white and in sharp focus.

Any news events requiring further news or photo coverage should be discussed with Dash, 1-716-454-7050 (collect).

Longtime correspondent Mary Ann Ginnerty is also still available for assignment. To expand area coverage, however, we have added the home office staff to past capabilities.

include attending college and a career in medical or commercial photography.

Mehalick, in addition to playing football, wrestling and track in high school, has served as an altar boy. His future plans include attending Cornell University and a career in science.

In addition to his troop activities, vonHagn has been active in high school sports, including track and wrestling, where he was a co-captain. He also plays in the school band. For the future, he plans on going to St. Joseph's Hospital School of X-ray Technology to become an X-ray technician.

King, described as an excellent camper and white-water rafter, also has been an altar boy and varsity football player. His future plans in-

Nurse Awarded Oppy

Elmira — Sylvia Moroz, RN, a member of the St. Joseph's Hospital nursing service, received the OPPY Award in ceremonies March 17.

Head nurse on the B-4 unit of St. Joseph's, Mrs. Moroz received a plaque and pin in ceremonies in the hospital cafeteria.

John J. Reed, associate administrator, joined with her family, friends and members of the hospital staff in paying tribute to Mrs. Moroz for her "Florence Nightengale-like" performance in 14 years at St. Joseph's.

The award, to which employees and volunteers can be nominated by employees, patients or visitors, is presented semi-annually. Mrs. Moroz' nominator stated that "she is a living example of the nurse described as representative of the tradition of nursing. There is nothing that she asks others to do that she wouldn't do herself. Her relationships with patients and nursing colleagues is exemplary. She is a model nurse."

Mrs. Moroz joined St. Joseph's staff in 1964, and two years later was named head nurse on B-4, and has remained there since.

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SYLVIA MOROZ

The OPPY Award is presented to an employee or volunteer of the hospital or someone associated with the institution through its educational facilities. Through nominations by their peers, patients and visitors, the Operation People Committee screens the nominations and selects the recipient, of which Mrs. Moroz is the 24th since the award was instituted in 1971.

Mrs. Moroz and her husband Michael live at Berwick Turnpike, Wellsburg.

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Roxanne Williams, left, winner of the Riedman and Travis Awards, and Sandra Mulhollen, winner of the Ethan Welch, MD, Award.

Nursing Students Receive Awards

Hornell — Fifteen St. James Mercy Hospital School of Nursing students received gold crosses signifying successful completion of their first semester of studies at a ceremony March 16 in St. Ignatius Church.

Two class members received awards. The Ethan Welch, MD, Scholarship went to Sandra Mulhollen. The \$100 award is given by the family of the late Dr. Welch to a freshman who desires to pursue a career in nursing and has financial need.

Roxanne Williams of Wellsville received the Riedman Agency Award. The award is presented to a student who has scholastic ability and financial need; the student receives \$150 each year of the three-year program.

Mrs. Williams also received the Jan R. Travis Award, presented by the school. The award of \$25 is given in

memory of the late Mr. Travis who served as school secretary and was noted for his charity toward others. The award is presented to the student who notably demonstrates humanitarianism and kindness toward fellow students, and is chosen by a vote of the student body.

Sister Mary Rene, hospital administrator, congratulated the students on accomplishing the first milestone toward becoming a registered nurse, and noted the symbolism of the cross. Rev. Carlos Mooney of the Canisteo First Baptist Church gave the invocation and benediction.

Representing the freshman class, Ellen Prutsman extended the thanks of her class to their parents, spouses and faculty for their support.

The gold crosses were presented by Loretta Haelele, school director, assisted by Orthonia Viray, Rosemary Jacoby and Sonio Rubio.