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Recommendations Key To Choice of St. Joseph's

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Elmira — Why St. Joseph's School of Nursing registered a 37 percent increase in enrollment in the freshmen class this year has to be answered with 47 personal stories.

And when asked, none of those stories is more unusual than that of Cindy Tuleja.

Miss Tuleja, who lists San Luis Obispo, California, as her home, had St. Joseph's recommended to her while she was living in northern Africa.

Out of high school five years, Miss Tuleja explained that she had been saving money toward nursing school, and had worked in U.S. embassies in west and north Africa, where her father was stationed. She also has done volunteer work in hospitals in

west Africa; Elizabeth, New Jersey; and Bethesda, Maryland.

But it was while she was in Tunis, Tunisia, in northern Africa, that she decided to seek entrance to a school of nursing. It was a Marine stationed at the embassy as a guard who recommended St. Joseph's to her. It seems he hails from Avoca, and gave St. Joseph's an unqualified recommendation.

Two other members of the class will have to help classmates and faculty tell them apart; they are Theresa and Maria DiLuzio, identical twins from Binghamton.

As to why they passed other diploma schools to attend St. Joseph's, Theresa answered simply, "Everybody's always talking about" St. Joseph's.

During the summer, the

sisters worked in the Willow Point Nursing Home in Vestal, and there they met several nurses, including the nursing director, who were St. Joseph's graduates. Maria also noted that they wanted a diploma school so they could get the extra hospital experience they offer.

The sisters didn't decide to become nurses so they could stay together; in fact, they arrived at the same decision at different times.

Maria said that she has wanted to be a nurse since the seventh grade, but Theresa said that she was "not all that positive" about her future until the experience of working in the nursing home.

The sisters both plan on some sort of hospital nursing, and don't see themselves returning to a nursing home when they complete their



Three new students at St. Joseph's School of Nursing look over one of the school's longest residents, a color-coded skeleton. The students are, from left, Maria DiLuzio, Cindy Tuleja and Theresa DiLuzio.

training at St. Joseph's in 1983.

Sister Remigia McHenry, school director, expressed pleasure with the enrollment in this year's freshmen class,

stating that "It is gratifying to know that the apparent need exists for continuation of the three-year schools of nursing in this area. There is a shortage of nurses, and we are pleased that we are able to

address that lacking through enrollment of one of our larger classes in recent history.

Classes began at the school Sept. 8.

Mt. Saviour Monastery Festival Is Sunday

Pine City — The seventh annual Fall Festival at Mount Saviour Monastery will be Sunday, Sept. 21 at the monastery, located off Hendy Hollow Rd. in Big Flats, with an outdoor Mass at 10 a.m., and festival activities beginning at 11 a.m.

A highlight of this year's festival will be a fine arts exhibit celebrating the 1500th

anniversary of the birth of St. Benedict, the founder of the Benedictine order. Works of 10 area and out-of-state artists will be shown. On display will be paintings, prints, etchings, photography, sculpture and jewelry, as well as icons, wood carvings, handwoven vestments, altar vessels, pottery and bookbinding. Mr. and Mrs. Robert Ivers, Kenneth Lindquist and Brother Luke Pape are hanging the exhibit.

Paul Stoll will be the master of ceremonies for the music program arranged by Brother Gabriel Duffee. Performers will be the Polka Gliders directed by Verna Hamula, Cayuga Bluegrass Works directed by Bill and Maggie Anderson, and the Brassworks directed by Brad Kinsman and conducted by John Stranges.

The children's program will include hayrides given by the

monks, fire truck rides given by the Golden Glow Fire Department, pony rides, face painting, fishpond and the crazy maze.

An arts and crafts show will feature the works and activity of artists and craftpersons demonstrating their skill and creativity.

The traditional Street of Shops will welcome visitors to the Jelly Jar, the Green Thumb and Handmades, with obvious results.

Hot foods, beverages and dessert booths will be open throughout the day.

Sung vespers with the monks will close the festival at 6 p.m.

Festival coordinators this year are Dr. and Mrs. Robert Hain and Brother Pierre Pratt.

Three Complete X-ray Training

Hornell — Three students of the St. James Mercy Hospital School of Radiologic Technology received diplomas Friday, Aug. 29.

Marlene Stone of Portville received an award from the E.R. Squibb Company for attaining the highest scholastic average in the two-year course in X-ray technology. She received the award from Mrs. Rita Coleman, the 1979 winner.

Also graduating were Patricia Watches of Hornell, and Steven Winans of Wellsville.

Sister Margaret Ann, the school's education director, introduced the graduates and welcomed those attending the ceremony. Dr. Edward Auringer, the school's medical director, introduced Dr. James MacFarland, who founded the school in 1948 and served as the medical director until his retirement. Dr. MacFarland presented the diplomas.



Graduates of St. James Mercy Hospital School of Radiologic Technology are, from left, Marlene Stone, Patricia Watches and Steven Winans.

The graduates will take examinations given by the National Registry of Radiologic Technology and the state Licensing Bureau in the fall.



New Duties

Alice V. Burns, associate professor of executive, secretarial science at Alfred State Agricultural and Technical College, has been appointed to the Board of Directors of the National Secretaries Association. Mrs. Burns, of Hornell, will serve as the Northeast District representative to the Institute for Certifying Secretaries, a department of the national association headquartered in Kansas City, Mo. Mrs. Burns is a graduate of Nazareth College and Alfred University. Active in her local church, St. Ann's, she is a past officer of the parish's Mothers' Club, was co-chairman of the St. Ann's Stewardship Drive last November and is presently a Eucharist Minister for the church.

Respiratory Problems Subject of Program

Elmira — The Cardio-Pulmonary Services Department of St. Joseph's Hospital and the Finger Lakes Chapter of the American Lung Association will present a four-day seminar for persons with respiratory difficulties Sept. 22-25. The sessions are free, open to the public, and will be in the Dunn Memorial Building at the hospital.

The program begins Monday, Sept. 22, when the topic "Chronic Bronchitis and Emphysema" will be presented by Dr. Earl P. Robinson, Jr.

Tuesday, Sept. 23, a talk "Diet and Exercise for Those with Respiratory Problems" will be given by Barbara

Woznek, a dietitian, and Joyce Wasserman, a physical therapist.

"Smoking — Calling It Quits" will be addressed by George Wetherup, technical director of St. Joseph's Respiratory Care Services, and Mary Frawley, American Cancer Society smoking clinic facilitator, on Wednesday, Sept. 24.

The series will end Thursday, Sept. 25, when Roger Burns, hospital director of fiscal services, will speak on "Medicare — Your Benefits."

All programs will start at 7 p.m. in classroom 2 of the Dunn Memorial. Time will be allowed for questions.

Family Health Is Topic

Elmira — St. Joseph's Hospital will begin its fall series of "To Your Health" seminars Wednesday, Sept. 24, at 7:30 p.m. Dr. Stephen V. Allen, Jr., will present "A Family Night of Health."

Getting back to school and coming back indoors after a summer of activities is a fine time to concentrate on good health for the family. Dr. Allen will speak on family health, and present some pointers, not only on being prepared for illness, but making the most of the family's well being, too.

In October, the topic will be "Hypnosis in Medicine."

"To Your Health" seminars are free and sponsored by the Community Relations Committee of the hospital's Development Council. Reservations are not necessary, but seats may be

reserved by calling the Community Relations Office at 733-9137.

DCG Schedules Programs

Elmira — The Elmira Divorced, Separated and Widowed Catholic Group will conduct a relaxation program Sunday, Sept. 21, at 7:30 p.m. in St. Patrick's School Hall. James Diehl, associate physiologist with the Twin Tiers Rehabilitation Center at St. Joseph's Hospital, will speak on "How to Deal with Stress and Tension."

The group also will sponsor a rap session Sunday, Oct. 5, at 7:30 p.m. in the Christian Living Room in St. Patrick's School.

Any interested persons are welcome to either program.

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