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Winners of a pizza party for their Walkathon slogan, "Walk with Determination for Education," the Reed family takes a look at the tickets being sold for the annual event. The Reeds, from left, are Chris, a freshmen at Elmira Free Academy; Candis, Sidney and Amy, a fifth grader at St. Mary's.

## Students Preparing For Sixth Walkathon

Elmira — Preparations are under way for the sixth annual Walkathon benefiting Chemung County Catholic schools on Saturday, Oct. 25.

Catholic school students and their families will be marching from St. Patrick's Junior High to Notre Dame High School, with the march forming at St. Patrick's at 1:30 p.m.

They will be walking under the slogan, "Walk with

Determination for Education," the winner of the annual slogan competition, submitted by the Reed family, whose daughter, Amy, is a fifth grader at St. Mary's. The Reeds won a family pizza party.

Students from St. Mary's, Our Lady of Lourdes, St. Casimir's, St. Patrick's, and St. Mary Our Mother, Horsheds, schools are selling the \$1 sponsorship tickets for the event which, during the past

five years, has raised more than \$25,000 for Catholic education.

In addition to the slogan contest, a poster contest also has been conducted, and several prizes will be awarded to top sellers. The "Bronze Foot" trophy will go to the school with the highest number of tickets sold per student. The top-selling school also will lead the line of march Saturday.

## St. James Is Prayer Service Host

Waverly — An ecumenical prayer service for residents of the towns of Sayre and Athens, Pa., and Waverly has been planned for tonight, Wednesday, Oct. 22, at 7:30 in St. James Catholic Church.

Sponsored by the Valley Clergy Association, which includes pastors from the three Valley communities and the surrounding area, the program is being organized by three women interested in continuing the community prayerfulness which occurred at a service the association sponsored last spring.

That service, on April 29, was committed to prayer for the hostages held in Iran, and was conducted in the Methodist Church in Sayre.

Patricia Redman and two of her friends saw there a prayerful community they would like continued on a regular basis. They wrote a letter to the local paper noting their interest, and were asked by the clergy association to organize the event.

This evening's program will be the first of what Mrs. Redman, Mrs. Lois Cullinan

and Mrs. Shirley Ropp hope will be monthly prayer services, with the Valley parishes taking turns as sponsors.

The theme for the event will be "Behold, how good and pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity."

Among the clergy expected to participate are Rev. Francis Washburn, Church of the Redeemer (Episcopal), Sayre; Rev. Bruce Gallup, United Methodist, Waverly; Rev. Joseph Gasper, Presbyterian Church, Athens; Rev. Richard Schuster, United

## CCGEB Names Debates Swimming

By Martin Toombs  
Southern Tier Editor

Elmira — Committee chairpersons were named and a swimming program for the fourth and sixth grades was discussed at the Chemung County General Education Board (CCGEB) meeting Oct. 9 at St. Mary's.

Named to head the finance committee is T. Curran Sekella, Our Lady of Lourdes representative. Thomas Klotz of St. Patrick's will continue as Future Planning head. Gail Kozemko of St. Casimir's will chair the Personnel Committee, and Stephen Fesh, Jr. of St. Anthony's will convene the Registration and Public Relations Committee.

The board had a lengthy discussion concerning the swimming program which they had expected would be available this year through the public school district. Our Lady of Lourdes students participated in the program last year, and provision was made in the current CCGEB budget for buses to transport the students involved from all three elementary schools. But as of the board meeting, St. Mary's and St. Casimir's had not been scheduled for the program. The board discussed actions it could take on the matter.

The following Wednesday,

the three elementary principals and Martin Tracy, board president, met with public school district officials on the matter. Tracy reported that the school district made a proposal which would allow participation in the swimming instruction if the Catholic school system paid for the teacher time required.

Tracy commented that he will have to study the proposal and contact board members about the next step the board will take.

Questions they will have to consider include the principle involved in requiring the Catholic schools to pay for

instruction which is provided to public school students as part of their curriculum. Tracy noted that he is consulting with a lawyer concerning the state law governing such arrangements.

If the decision is made to pay for the instruction, the board will then need to consider the expense involved and decide whether or not to spend the money.

In other action at the meeting, the CCGEB approved paying 50 percent of the cost of emergency repairs to the plumbing at St. Patrick's School, expected to total approximately \$5,500.

## Estate Planning Seminar Announced

Elmira — St. Joseph's Hospital Development Council will sponsor an estate planning seminar Tuesday, Oct. 28, at 7:30 p.m. The program will be a new look at estate planning in the 80s, and will present new information as well as updating participants who attended the series since its inception in 1977.

Robert Hodgson, trust officer at Chemung Canal Trust Company, head of the Estate Planning Committee of the hospital's Development Council, announced the program's panel.

"Tax aspects of estate planning" will be addressed by Attorney John Alexander. Attorney Thomas Farstad will focus on estate planning problems which could be avoided. "Investments and their effect upon the estate," will be handled by Jan Updegraff, Chemung Canal Trust Officer.

## Parish Marking 50 Years

Catonsville — St. Francis Parish will be celebrating its 50th anniversary with a Mass and dinner for parishioners Sunday, Nov. 2, at 4 p.m.

Father Eugene Weis, pastor of St. Francis and of St. John the Evangelist, Newark Valley, reports that the Mass will be concelebrated by himself and former pastors of the parish, joined by other Tioga County clergy.

A dinner will follow at the VFW in Owego.

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The "How to" of estate administration will be discussed by Hodgson.

The seminar is conducted free of charge by the Development Council's Deferred Giving Committee. There is an attendance quota of 90 persons on a first come, first served basis. Reservations, although not necessary, may be made by through the Community Relations Office at St. Joseph's at 733-9137.

The program will be in the lower level Dunn Memorial classroom area.

## Pastor Feted

Elmira — St. Mary's Rosary and Altar Society surprised Father John Leary, St. Mary's pastor, with a dinner and "This Is Your Life" program celebrating his 70th birthday Tuesday, Oct. 14. Meeting in the Marion Center, the society's program highlighted Father Leary's years at St. Mary's.

## VFW Auxiliary

Jamestown — Mrs. Lloyd Andrus of Wildbriar Road attended the 21st annual fall conference of the state auxiliary to the Veterans of Foreign Wars here recently.

She is a past Monroe County Council president and member of Gold Chevron Auxiliary 2700.

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## Workshop to Discuss Nursing in the 80's

Hornell — Hospital administrators, nurses and nursing instructors concerned about nursing in the future will be able to hear Luther Christman, dean of the College of Nursing of Rush University, Chicago, lecture at a "Nursing in the 80's" workshop Monday, Nov. 10 at the Hornell Country Club.

Sponsored by the St. James Mercy Hospital School of Nursing, the workshop, starting at 8 a.m., will feature lectures followed by group discussion.

Topics covered by Christman will include faculty and nurse preparation,

professional development, pay and job satisfaction, and professionalism versus unionism.

In 1975, Christman was honored as the outstanding male nurse in the nation by the National Association of Male Nurses. In addition to his medical training, he received his doctorate in sociology and anthropology in 1965 from Michigan State University.

Persons interested in participating in the conference should contact the St. James Mercy Hospital School of Nursing.

## Craft Show Scheduled

Elmira — Skilled area artisans will be the primary attraction at the First Annual Notre Dame Art Festival Saturday, Oct. 25, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Sponsored by the Notre Dame Booster Club, a variety of crafts will be demonstrated and for sale. Also featured will be homemade food, including Italian specialties. A children's program will occupy them so parents can browse among the booths, which will be inside the school.

There will be signs marking the proper entrances; there will be a 50 cent admission charge. Mass will be offered at 5:30 p.m.

## School Benefit

Batavia — The Notre Dame High School Home School Association has scheduled its 17th annual Batavia Antiques Show and Sale from noon to 10 p.m., Saturday, Nov. 1, and from noon to 7 p.m., Sunday, Nov. 2, at the high school on Union Street here.

Available will be antiques for collectors, gifts and home decorations. Some 30 prominent dealers will offer for sale various antique items, including jewelry, dolls, china, porcelain, silver, brass, etc. Donation is \$1.50.