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## **Fashion Show**

The Bishop Kearney Mothers Club will present their annual Spring Fashion Show at 8 p.m. on Thursday, March 19, at Bishop Kearney High School, 125 Kings Hwy. S. Students and their mothers will model clothes from Casual Corner, shoes from Altiers, and jewelry from Hershberg's. Hairstyles will be courtesy of Shear Ego. Above, from left, Kearney student Kristy Gau shows off a blouse that will be part of the show to Brother John O'Brien, Mary Gau, Kathy Krowl, president of the Mothers Club, and Mary Jean Herberger, chairman of the fashion show. A limited number of tickets at \$3 each will be sold at the door and can also be purchased in advance by calling the school at 342-4000.

## Dialysis

Continued from Page 1 meals that "I don't go around gnawing at the woodwork.

As for many others, a transplant holds the hope of an end of the treatments for Mrs. Aker. Tissue samples are sent to the Upstate Medical Center in Syracuse each month, and she waits for the call to go there for a transplant. She tries not to place too much hope in a transplant, she said; even after getting the call, additional tests may indicate that she and the donor are not closely enough matched, and the transplant won't take place.

Mrs. Aker is one of 43 patients currently getting regular dialysis at the Arnot-Ogden Hospital. An additional six patients are using home dialysis; Mrs. Shields explained that there are several reasons why more patients don't do home dialysis. A second person at

# Dialysis Is Costly

The life-saving dialysis treatments would be a financial burden few persons-



Making change for a snack bar customer at the Arnot-Ogden Hospital is kidney dialysis patient Fran Aker. Mrs. Aker is a volunteer at the hospital.

home must be able to do the treatment, she said, and some other patients don't want to learn the procedure.

A few patients who have no \* home backup learn to do the treatment and then treat themselves in the hospital. Susan Dana, hospital Community Relations Community director, noted that that gives the patients more control over their treatment, and they tend to then be more conscientious about their diet.

The patients tend to be more disabled than their

them, and on Medicare disability rules which make it difficult for patients to take a job. Several dialysis patients do volunteer work at the hospital.

Dialysis is only available at regional centers, and patients often have to travel many A marriage encounter A time to share themselves as individuals. miles to get to the Arnot-Then they examine their weekend is not somethin What's a Marriage Encounter relationship together, and how Ogden for treatment. That weekend all about? Basically, you need - It's something to build on the love they can be a problem, especially in it's a 44-hour experience you deserve. already have. Up-coming weekends: the winter; Mrs. Shields said (Friday evening to Sunday that they have had patients afternoon) designed to give March 13-15; 27-29; A time for us to be alone arrive in ambulances, police married couples the op-April 10-12: portunity to celebrate their There is no group discussion. May 1-3; 15-17 A \$15. registration fee is cars, and, during the Agnes On a Marriage Encounter, you lives together. It's a time to flood in 1972, patients were share feelings, hopes, joys, frustrations and dreams. In a concentrate on your spouse to required to insure reservations. flown in by helicopter. She such an extent that you're Couples are asked to make a supports additional dialysis hardly aware of the other contribution on the weekend. private atmosphere - away installations at other hospitals from all the tensions and couples present. The to reduce travel problems. However, we do not want distractions of everyday life. presentations are given to the money to be the reason for any group as a whole. After each couple staying away from the presentation the husband and Encounter. An anonymous A time to look at wife have time in the privacy of blank envelope contribution is **Bishop Matthew H. Clark** ourselves their own room for their own asked for on the weekend, and President What happens at a Marriage personal sharing. Marriage more details given then. Encounter? A series of talks are Encounter is not a marriage given by a team of trained clinic, a sensitivity session, or a Make "a weekend." Anthony J. Costello retreat. It's unlike anything you couples and a priest. Each talk Publisher & You deserve it. gives a husband and wife an may have heard about or General Manager opportunity to look at experienced before. Carmen J. Viglucci Editor WE'RE READY TO GO: WEEKEND O When using this form to reserve a weekend, please enclose a check or money order in the amount of \$12,00, made out to Couple enciose a Rev. Louis J. Hohman 011.11 D WE NEED MORE INFORMATION **Episcopal Advisor** Mail to Couple Power or call 663-1727 brochure. March 11, 1981 Names Courier-Journal (USPS 135-580) Address 4 Published weekly by the Rochester City/State/Zip Catholic Press Association: Sub Phone scription rates: Single copy 25¢. 1 year subscription in U.S. \$10. Canada and Foreign \$15. Offices: 114 South Uniog **Couple Power Inc.** St., Rochester, N.Y. 14607 (716) 454-7050. Second Class Postage paid at P.O. Box 345 East Rochester 14445 (716) 663-1727 Spanisi Courier Journal



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could bear. The three weekly treatments typically cost \$130 each, giving the average patient an annual bill exceeding \$20,000.

To insure that the treatment is not stopped for financial reasons, in 1973 a special rider was added to the federal Medicare program which provides Medicare coverage for nearly all those who have suffered permanent kidney failure, regardless of age. Dialysis, transplant and other medical costs of the kidney patient are all covered. Kidney disease is the only illness to receive such special treatment

Medicare pays 80 percent of the "reasonable charge" for all such services. Often a private health insurance pays the remainder.

Approximately 45,000 persons nationwide are kept alive by dialysis; their Medicare coverage costs the federal government more than \$1 billion annually.

doctors would like, Mrs. Shields said, placing the blame on employers who won't hire

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