

Pauline, Frankie and Vincent Piazza in front of their

## Frankie's Back From a City **That Cares**

he doesn't mind the his mother. chemotherapy he's receiving three times a week at Strong Memorial Hospital. Except for the medicine injected in his right hand — "that hurts," he said last week.

Frankie is now back in Rochester after a three-month stay in Baltimore where he a patient at Johns Hopkins University Hospital and where doctors transplanted bone marrow from his triplet, Luigi, in an effort to stem the course of his leukemia.

After doctors discovered more leukemia following the operation, they discharged the six year-old to enter the care of physicians at Strong.

But not before the child and his family won the hearts of many, especially at Holy Cross Parish in south Baltimore.

According to a report by Linda Taggart in The Catholic Nazareth Names Review. Baltimore's diocesan paper, "The whole Piazza family will especially remember one local resident who opened not only his heart but his home to the Rochester family.

In response to advertising by The Catholic Review Father Richard Parks, pastor of Holy Cross, figured he knew "just the place" where the Piazza family would find welcome and shelter as they waited through Frankie's surgery and recovery.

It was the home of a Holy Cross parishioner who wishes to remain anonymous. "The more I heard of the story; the more I knew I couldn't decline," the Federal Hill resident said.

Prior to Frankie's surgery the Piazzas in Baltimore numbered five: Vincent, his father; Pauline, his mother, Luigi, his brother, and Nina, his sister.

During his convalescence

Frankie Piazza insists that Frankie was looked after by

And during all that time, "Uncle Al," as their host became known to the Piazzaswas growing "extremely close to the Italian Catholic

He would take the recovering youngster on outings to the zoo and to The Catholic Review offices. Frankie said last week that it was Harbor Place, "with all the boats," that proved his favorite junket.

Then, a few weeks ago, Frankie's doctors found leukemia cells.

Uncle Al, the Review reports, "is taking Frankie's setback rather hard." He is quoted as saying "Heaven's gates are being bombarded with prayers for a miracle by a lot of loving and caring

### **Faculty Dean**

Dr. Richard DelVecchio, professor of history at Nazareth College, has been appointed to a three-year term as the college's dean of

The dean of faculty will be the chief teaching officer of the college and report directly to President Robert A. Kidera.

"I have asked Dr. DelVecchio to assume leadership of the faculty and work to stimulate faculty growth and creative work through faculty development programs and activities," Kidera said.

#### SINGLES PICNIC

Friends, Inc., sponsored by St. Charles Borromeo parish, has scheduled a picnic for noon, Saturday, June 27, at Shelter 2, Durand Eastman Park. All singles, 18 to 35, are invited. Cost is \$1.50, plus a dish to pass.



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**Organ Dedicated** 

Father John Firpo, left, and Father Bartholomew O'Brien during the blessing of the organ at St. Mary Our Mother Church, Horseheads. At the keyboard is Mary Potter, who later gave way to Father David Fedor, St. Stephen's, Geneva, associate, who was largely responsible for getting the organ from Notre Dame University for the church. He played a dedicatory concert.

# Pair Feted

Greenwood - Two athletes who were centerstage in the most successful athletic year ever at Greenwood High School have combined their athletic and academic activities with another — they belong to the St. Mary's, Rexville, Parish Council.

Twins Terry and Tim Gooley recently represented Section V as a doubles team in the state tennis tournament, after winning the Class D title; and finishing third in the inter-class playoff. They won their first match at the state level, but were defeated in the second round.

For the Gooleys, it was their second appearance in state competition this year. were members of They Greenwood's Section championship basketball team which was undefeated until a loss in the states, finishing the year at 22-1.

sports banquet, the Gooleys shared three awards: Outstanding Male Athlete, MVP honors in basketball, and, with German exchange student Jurgen Blohm, the tennis award. Tim won the soccer award outright.

The Gooleys, also honor students, were coached in tennis by their father, Don Gooley, who is superintendent of Greenwood schools. With only 81 students in grades 10-12, Greenwood is the smallest high school in Steuben County.

The two will be continuing their education together, as both are entering the Air Force Academy this summer.

### X-Ray School Accredited

Elmira — The Committee on Allied Health Education and Accreditation; and the state Department of Health, have announced accreditation of St. Joseph's Hospital School of Radiology for a three-year

### Greenwood TCRM Sisters **Issue Report**

Owego — The Sisters of wouldn't have had any. Six Mercy working as the Tioga County Rural Ministry project have issued a report covering the first five months of the year.

Sister Mary Kruckow and Sister Sheila Geraghty reported on various activities, including participation in public programs and in oneto-one assistance to the rural DOOF.

The sisters attended a workshop in January given by the Cooperative Extension which was designed to help professionals assist their clients with managing their limited resources.

TCRM received donations of candy after Christmas, which they presented to some children who otherwise visits and 83 hospital visits.

donated poinsetta plants were given to shut-ins. In February, 114 fruit baskets were delivered to the elderly, lonely and shut-ins.

Not missing St. Patrick's Day, the sisters distributed 150 shamrocks. At Easter, 24 baskets were distributed.

The sisters also gave four slide presentations on their work, and three other talks. The monthly Mass and luncheon at St. James, Waverly, for senior citizens was resumed following the winter, with 17 meeting in

Statistics the sisters listed for the period showed 264 home visits, 47 nursing home

### **CCGEB Discusses** At the recent Greenwood JH Staff Levels

By Martin Toombs Southern Tier Editor

Elmira — The Chemung County General Education Board discussed the staff size at St. Patrick's Junior High, and approyed several projects at its meeting June 11 at St. Casimir's.

Approved were resolutions to continue in the swimming program next year; allow the system to sign a one-year contract with the Board of Cooperative Educational Services for use of its film library; for a thrice-yearly newsletter to be begun in the fall; and to spend \$6,400 on capital projects.

The capital projects will be fluorescent lights in four classrooms at St. Mary's School, replacing incandescents; and repairs to chimneys at St. Patrick's School, and a driveway at Our Lady of Lourdes.

The major part of the meeting was spent discussing junior high staffing. Sister Patricia Carroll, St. Patrick's principal, described the academic program at the school, making a case for current staffing to preserve the program.

Martin Tracy, board president, noted that in the past five years, while the junior high enrollment has dropped from 315 to an expected 195 students in September, the staff has not been reduced.

The discussion fell along two lines: concern that program quality not decline due to staff cuts, and the need to conserve funds by reducing staff in line with enrollment declines.

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### **Alumnus** Honored

Elmira — Marie Generas of Horseheads, a 1922 graduate of the St. Joseph's Hospital School of Nursing, received the "Alumnus of the Year" award at the school's alumni banquet recently.

Mrs. Generas worked as a private duty nurse for a time following her graduation. Over the years, she has donated much time to community organizations and to people in need. She has been a member of the St. Joseph's Hospital Auxiliary since its inception in 1954, and started the gift shop in the hospital lobby. Her donation of more than 10,000 hours of volunteer time to St. Joseph's is a record for a lay person.

In addition to her hospital work, she helped organize the Horseheads Free Library, and has worked with the March of Dimes, the Polio Foundation, Red Cross, Cerebral Palsy Foundation, Horseheads Women's Club, St. Mary Our Mother Church, Horseheads, and has been president of the Ladies of Charity of Chemung County. She still works every Friday night at the hospital, and is chairperson of the Advisory Committee of the School of Nursing.

#### Polish Music, **Food Featured**

Parish Festival will begin at 1 p.m., Sunday, June 28, on the parish grounds at Roe and

The 11th annual festival will feature its usual array of booths and events, as well as musical performances which annually attract persons from miles around to attend the event.

Before the festival itself opens, a Polka Mass will be celebrated at noon in St. Casimir's Church. The Mass will feature Joey Augustine and the Black Madonna choir. During the afternoon, Joey Augustine's band will perform, as will the Polka-Jaks.

Pierogis and many other Polish foods will be featured as part of the afternoon, as will a fish pond, plant booth, face painting and fire engine

#### **Deadline**

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