Seton Groups Prepare Annual Fundraisers

The Seton Sale and Ball, two of the local Catholic women's group's most prominent annual events, will celebrate their 25th and 26th anniversaries, respectively, this fall.

The Seton Sale is chaired this year by Pat Hammele of Penfield and Marg Sertl of Pittsford, and takes place from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 24, in the Otto Shults Center at Nazareth College.

Items for sale include hand-sewn handbags, a knitted Irish afghan, China paintings, hand-crafted latchhook rugs, and hand-crocheted and knitted baby bonnets and sweaters, among many others.

Items will also be marked with silver stars commemorating the sale's silver anniversary.

Other highlights include Christmas ornaments and baked goods sales, a silent auction, antiques, and, new this year, a swim-a-thon, in which all entrants will be given tee-shirts.

The Seton Ball, entitled "Visions," is scheduled for Saturday, Nov. 21, at the Americana Hotel. According to Gen Greisberger of Pittsford, chairman for the event; the evening will feature French cuisine and dancing to the music of Tom Monte.

All monies accumulated by the two major fund-raisers will go towards the upcoming multi-million dollar modernization of St. Mary's Hospital.

This year's funds will be used to equip an operating suite which will be part of the hospital's new surgical wing. Monies raised last year by Seton projects totaled more than $100,000, and will be used for the outpatient ambulatory surgery portion of the new wing.

Other Seton projects include an annual fashion show, tour of homes, and a Next-to-New Sale held in conjunction with Mercy High School.

Further information on any Seton function or the modernization program of St. Mary's can be obtained by calling the hospital's public relations department at 464-3519.

Members of the Seton Sale committee are, from left, Edna Shafer, co-chairmen Pat Hammele and Marguerite Sertl, and Virginia Mack.

Gen Greisberger, second from right, chairman of the Seton Ball, plans with her committee, from left, Mary Grace Crerand, invitations; Mildred Lipani, administrative assistant; and Ann Bergan, secretary.

Gen Greisberger, left, and Pat Hammele, right, chairmen for the Seton Ball and Sale, respectively, survey an artist's sketch of the planned modernization of St. Mary's Hospital with Sister Ann William Bradley, hospital president.

No Smoking

The United Cancer Council is offering two smoking reduction programs — a daytime clinic will run from noon to 1 p.m., beginning Monday, Nov. 2, and an evening program will run from 7:30 to 9:30, beginning Tuesday, Nov. 3.

All meetings will be at the Cancer Council office, 1441 East Ave. and will cost $10 (those unable to pay will not be turned away). Registration may be made by calling the council at 473-8230 before Oct. 18.