

Charities, City Join in Plan for Disabled Adults

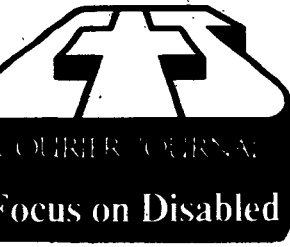
By John Dash

An unusual new program, funded by the City of Rochester and administered by Catholic Charities, will open Feb. 15 to provide a wide range of services to disabled adults.

The program, Project

SEED, will concentrate on providing recreational opportunities for the disabled, its director said last week, and will also meet certain educational and employment needs.

Adele Carlson, on the Charities staff since last May, developed the program, basing



it on a similar project under way for the past 12 years in Wilmington, Del.

A major advantage of the program, Ms. Carlson said, is that it will provide a "respite" for family members caring for a disabled adult. That respite, she said, could spell the difference in determining whether the adult should be institutionalized or not.

Two aspects that make the project unusual are that it is geared for the adult disabled, and that it concentrates on recreation.

Ms. Carlson said that most social service programs for the handicapped stop when the person is 21. She also said that most programs concentrate on educational and employment development rather than recreation.

The program will operate in the Edgerton Recreation Center, she said. The Xerox Corp. has donated office equipment and the city has provided funding.

Ms. Carlson said last week that she is seeking both volunteers and participants for the project and that persons who are interested may call her at 865-0004.

Deaths

Sister Mary Andrew Lally, 87; Mercy Order Nun for 64 Years

Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated last Saturday, Jan. 30, at the Sisters of Mercy Motherhouse for Sister Mary Andrew Lally. She was 87.

Sister Lally entered the Mercy congregation in 1917, and was a cook in Mercy convents, among them Holy Cross in Rochester and Holy Family, Auburn. She spent over 20 years at the Auburn parish, leaving there in 1969 when she retired from active ministry and returning to the motherhouse.

Born Hannah Marie Lally on July 19, 1894, she came to the United States in her twenties from her native town, Ahaserogh, County Galway, Ireland, following her older sister, who also entered the Sisters of Mercy, Sister Mary Nolasco.

Sisters who lived with Sister Lally at Holy Family recalled how solicitous she was for the poor, the transients, and the children at Holy Family School, often giving the children cookies and seeing that the poor had food.

Sister Mary Constance Casey noted her "beautiful



SISTER LALLY

faith," recalling the effort she made, though it was hard for her to walk, to go down the motherhouse chapel aisle to her front seat pew for daily Mass.

The last member of her immediate family, her sister, Katie, died a little over a

month ago on Dec. 21 in County Galway. Sister Lally, herself, died on the feast day of St. Peter Nolasco, her older sister's patron saint.

She is survived by several cousins, nieces and nephews.

Peter Hadeed

Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated Jan. 27 at Our Mother of Sorrows Church for Peter M. Hadeed, who died Sunday, Jan. 24, 1982.

Mr. Hadeed is survived by his wife, Shafica (Lutfy) Hadeed; three sons, Kaleel, Fred and Victor; three daughters, Miss Helen Hadeed, Mrs. Paul (Margaret) Cooley, Mrs. John (Violet) Psak; 15 grandchildren; eight great-grandchildren and several nieces and nephews.

Family Alcoholism On CWU's Agenda

"Alcohol — As a Member of the Family," is the theme of the 22nd Legislative Institute of Church Women United, opening at 9 a.m., Friday, Feb. 5, at Brighton Presbyterian Church, 1775 East Ave.

Featured on the day's program are a film,

"Guidelines," talks by Dr. Walter Lee-Szymanski, a family therapist and associate pastor of Calvary-St. Andrew's Church; Mrs. Shirley Connell, assistant program director of the local chapter of the National Council on Alcoholism, and a panel of women affected by alcoholism.

Fr. Paul J. Cuddy



On the Right Side

We're Called To Spread The Kingdom

In early December, Father Paul Wohrab, pastor of Good Counsel parish, Rochester, phoned. "Are you available to take care of our parish weekdays, Jan. 18-30?" "What's involved?" "Daily Mass at 11:10. Bishop Hickey says the eight. Cover Highland Hospital for 24 hours Friday. And care for any needs that come up." I consider it a privilege to assist, and am always grateful for the confidence these pastors and chaplains have in me.

So on a freezing Monday at 10 a.m., I left Webster for Good Counsel. En route, I noticed the gas tank was low, so I stopped at a station. A young man, about 23, came. "Fill it, please." Though it was cold I got out of the car and we chatted. "Did you work on those below-zero days?" "Our boss called and said to close at noon. He didn't want us to get frost bitten." Then I showed him my cassette deck in the car, and a new cassette album of retreat conferences: "A Weekend with Cardinal Newman" by Jesuit Father Basset.

"Have you ever heard of Cardinal Newman?" I asked. "No, I don't think I have." "Well, he was an English cardinal who was born in 1801 and died in 1890, but his writings and life still are influential in the Church. He's up for canonization." This jogged the young man's attention. "I have a great aunt in Philadelphia who is a nun." "Oh. That's fine. What order does she belong to, do you know? St. Joseph of Chestnut Hill and Immaculate Heart of Mary are the two strong orders there." "I think it's St. Joseph. She's been in for years and years and years." His pride of having an aunt who is a nun

was obviously a special jewel in the family crest.

Now, I always carry a pail of books in the car, so I reached into the pail and gave him a copy of Archbishop Whealon's "Living the Catholic Faith Today." "Here's a present for you. It tells you a lot about our religion." Then I reached into the pail again and got the popular little prayer book, "Treasury of Prayers," and handed it to him, saying, "This will refresh your memory about your prayers."

His co-worker at the station was filling up another car. "Is he a Catholic?" "I don't know." Then he shouted over, "Bill, are you a Catholic?" With no great enthusiasm, Bill replied, "Yes." "Good. Here. Give him a prayer book, too."

As I was getting into the car, my new-made friend said with moving simplicity, "I'm sorry to say I've been slipping about going to Mass lately. Part of it is the work schedule. But I better get started again."

I narrate this incident because there are thousands of people, young and old, just drifting spiritually who will return to the harbor of the Church if people are kindly concerned about them. Wearing clerical garb or a religious habit has an obvious advantage, since they are accepted symbols of a special religious concern. But the words of the Scripture, "You are a chosen generation, a kingly priesthood, a holy nation, a people set apart" (1 Peter 1:1), reminds each one of us that we are called to spread His kingdom. And a tangible instrument — a medal or a Sacred Heart badge, a prayer book or an apt booklet, or even an interesting parish bulletin — can frequently clinch the opportunity, and persist as a reminder: "Someone cares, the Church cares. And God cares most of all."

Panel to Debate Tuition Tax Bill

"Public and Private Schools: Where Are they Today?" is the title of a panel discussion at 7:45 p.m., Monday, Feb. 8, at the Martha Brown Junior High School Library in Fairport, sponsored by the Fairport branch of the American Association of University Women (AAUW).

Dr. Alice Foley, former president of Nazareth College who served several years as principal in the Brighton School district, and James R. Kolster, headmaster of Allendale-Columbia School, will be featured on the panel, which also includes Dr. Walter Garmes, dean of the Graduate School of Education and Human Development at the University of Rochester, and Nancy Kleintop, president of the Rush-Henrietta Educators Association. Mary Ellen Stampfli, education chairman of the AAUW, will moderate the discussion.

The panel will debate the notion that tuition tax credits, as proposed by Sen. Daniel P. Moynihan and Sen. Robert Packwood, will destroy the public school system, in

McQuaid Plans Winter Party

The Parents Club of McQuaid Jesuit High School has planned its "February Fantastic Fling," for Saturday, Feb. 6, in the school cafeteria. A buffet dinner will be followed by regular and square dancing.

Shirley Cusick is chairperson of the event, and Madge Callari is handling decorations. Reservations may be made by calling Mary Ann Finigan, 207 Bonnie Brae Ave., at 473-4032, or Marie Knight, 15 East Park Rd., Pittsford, at 586-9083.

addition to violating the separation of church and state. The other view maintains the question deals with freedom of choice and "simple justice," the AAUW statement said.

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