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**Call of Laity Is Topic Of Toledo 'Conversation'**

When 21 persons from across the nation met recently in Toledo to discuss the call of laity in the Church, Judith Ann Kollar, executive secretary of the Diocesan Pastoral Council, was among them.

Described as a "conversation," the meeting was hosted by Bishop James Hoffman of Toledo and led by Dolores Leckey, executive director of the bishops' Committee on the Laity.

Among topics were the call of the laity to service in the Church; the training needed for such service; the tension involved in clerical-lay relationships, and the moral and financial support needed by all ministers.

The results of the conversation will become part of the agency of the Committee on the Laity and its work with the National Conference of Catholic Bishops.

The committee heard a presentation by Father James Bacik of Toledo who shared some reflections on the bishops' pastoral, "Called and Gifted." He raised such issues as a change in calling ourselves the People of God, which conjured up images more appropriate to Israel and which does not seem to apply to our experience of Church, he said.

We need to speak of and trust our own experience as Church citizens of the United

States of America, Father Bacik said.

Other subjects were:

- The laity can support the clerical ministries and the lay ministers can and should be supported by the clerical ministers. In many instances, we do not speak honestly to each other; expressing our hopes and our fears and our struggles in ministry to each other would go a long way in supporting the work of the whole Church.

- One specific way to do this is by watching our language. Sometimes we are hurtful by our speech and sometimes by our laughter, when we speak unkindly about one another. Our jokes at others' expense do not build up the Kingdom.

- When speaking of women in the Church, we should speak of the call of women rather than the role of women. The gifts of women should be acknowledged.

All agreed that Father Bacik's reflections gave cause for further thought and that the "conversation" needed to continue.

Bishop Hoffman said that people who opposed the ministry of the laity often make their feelings known to the Vatican. He suggested that those who believe that their experience as lay ministers is valid should make their life in the American Church known even by writing of their own experiences to the Holy Father.

**Seton Gala Highlights 1983 Celebration Year**

Proceeds from this year's Seton Ball, Saturday, Nov. 12, at the Genesee Plaza/Holiday Inn will go to the new ambulatory center at St. Mary's Hospital.

The Seton Ambulatory Center, scheduled to open in December, will be a self-contained, semi-autonomous center while still retaining its link to St. Mary's. It will be convenient to existing services and adjacent to the inpatient surgical suites which will allow for easy access to the hospital facilities if an emergency situation arises. Patients, in need of general surgery such as hernia repair, removal of cysts, ob/gyn and ophthalmological procedures, will have the advantage of outpatient surgery while retaining the quality of care offered in a hospital setting.

"This type setting is often more appropriate for these patients explained Dr. Thomas Shultz, newly appointed medical director of the center. "They do not need overnight hospitalization and can come in and leave in a matter of hours."

Planning for the ambulatory center began in 1979 and the St. Mary's Women's Board and Seton Branches expressed their support through a five-year, \$500,000 pledge to the project. The organizations committed the proceeds from all Seton and Women's Board events - the Seton Ball, October Seton



Seton Ball committee members are Bianca Maria Infantino, Joan VandenBrul, Marguerite Sertle, and Linda Francati.

Sale, spring Tour of Homes and the annual fashion show - from 1980-84.

Bianca Maria Infantino, chairperson of the 28th annual Seton Ball, is planning on Ball proceeds making a substantial contribution to this year's Seton pledge. Last year the event raised over \$27,000.

"We're at a significant time in St. Mary's, the Women's Board and Seton

history," Mrs. Infantino said in regards to the theme of the Ball - "Celebration," and the fact that 1983 is the 350th anniversary of the Daughters of Charity founding in 1633, and the 50th anniversary of the Women's Board and Seton beginning to work together in 1933.

A cocktail hour will open the Seton gala on Nov. 12 and will precede a gourmet dinner and dancing to music provided by Tom Monte.

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On the Right Side

**Infiltration By Soviets Frightening**

Don't you think this concern about Soviet infiltration is a kind of hysteria?

I do not. Get acquainted with Arnaud DeBorchgrave, who was senior editor and chief foreign correspondent for Newsweek for many years. The editor-in-chief of Newsweek wrote: "DeBorchgrave has played a role in world affairs known to no other journalist. He has been able to tap the thinking of world leaders. He has made significant contributions to world peace and understanding."

He certainly comes out with facts, figures, dates and persons regarding Soviet infiltration of our political and media systems, by the KGB bureau of "disinformation," not only in the States but in Europe, Cuba and Central America. It is frightening that good people accept the disinformation of the Soviets so tranquilly. What is disinformation? It is twisting, manipulating information to give our people false information under the guise of correct information. Some good people are being induced to hate our own government, and yet to close their eyes at the Soviets, with their repression of their own people, their gulags, their gobbling up countries like Afghanistan, policing countries like Poland, Czechoslovakia, Hungary, Lithuania, plus their hold on Cuba and being behind the scenes in Central America.

What has DeBorchgrave written?

He not only writes. He is a lecturer and is often on television and radio. He wrote "The Spike," a novel exposing the Soviet infiltration in the U.S.A., England, France and Vietnam. It is hair-raising, fictionalized non-fiction. He, collaborating with Robert Moss, editor of

Foreign Report, a publication of the London Economist, have a new book: "Monimba," which should be of special interest to honest people with the Grenada revolution and Lebanon another source for the "Hate the United States" crowd. I have a tape by DeBorchgrave, an interview. Here are some thought-provokers. His thesis is the effectiveness of the Bureau of Disinformation, a branch of the KGB. Speaking of the media, he said: "They have a kind of mind-set. 'No enemies on the left' syndrome. This is a result of KGB manipulation through the technique of disinformation. Ravelle, editor, of the French Expresso, a kind of French Time magazine, has written a book, 'How Democracies Die.' It exposes the disinformation techniques of the Soviets, and has been a best seller in France for 23 weeks and is soon to be published in English. . . . When I was in Afghanistan covering the Soviet invasion of 1979-80, we listened to the president of the States before we were expelled. The Soviets had been able to disinform the president, with detente, so that Jimmy Carter said of the invasion, that he learned more about Soviet intentions in the two days of the invasion than he had realized in all his previous time in the White House. This scared hell out of our allies, to find how even a man like Carter had been disformed."

When asked "what is to be done," DeBorchgrave said, "The last thing we want is a McCarthy witch hunt. But we do want to enlighten public opinion on what is going on, and how hostile intelligence services operate within our society, to paralyze us, to make sure they can defeat us without having to fight us."

If anyone wants to borrow the 2-minute taped interview, send me a dollar for handling, and you will receive it as a loan. It's important.

**Wilmot Grant Expands Nazareth Library Facility**

Robert A. Kidera, president of Nazareth College announced that a \$250,000 gift from the sons and daughter of the late James P. Wilmot will make it possible for the college to undertake a three-year project to automate the college's Lorette Wilmot Library.

"The children of Jim Wilmot," Kidera said, "are continuing the benefactions of their father in support of the library as an outstanding educational resource for the college and the Rochester community."

According to school sources, the automation is one of a series of advances that has made the Lorette Wilmot Library increasingly sophisticated since its capacity was doubled five years

ago. James Wilmot, who was a trustee of the college, was the largest single contributor to that \$800,000 project. The expanded library was dedicated in April 1978 and named in honor of his late wife, a long-time friend and benefactor of the college.

When the present project is completed, said Richard Matzek, library director, the present catalog and circulation systems will be entirely automated and the computer will be linked to the Online Computer Library Center, a sharing network of 3,000 libraries in the U.S. and in several countries.

The library's holdings have almost doubled since 1970-71 and this month the library celebrated the acquisition of its 200,000th title.

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