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A Lesson in Tradition

Josephine Reeves, back right, student teacher at Guardian Angels School, and some of her second grade charges -- Robert Caulkins, Lisa Prokop and Marla Ingerick -- get a lesson in basket weaving as done by the Mohawk Indians of New York State. The demonstration included an explanation of life on a reservation and helped reinforce lessons previously taught on respect for and proper use of earth's resources.

Student Officers Are Keeping Busy

Since being elected by their classmates in November, St. Augustine's Junior High class officers and student congress have been very busy. They were in charge of the school's Thanksgiving Food Collection and Prayer Service. Just before Christmas, they began a two-month campaign to collect funds for Catholic Relief Services' African Famine Alert. This collection will end with a prayer service on St. Valentine's Day.

The student government also is responsible for school displays for Catholic Schools Week and Black History

Month. Many members of the seventh and eighth grades participated in services honoring Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.

The students' major project for the second semester will take place on March 5. They have invited principals and two eighth grade representatives from every Catholic school in Monroe County to attend a program entitled SCORE. Student Conference on Racial Equality. The day will include guest speakers, films, small group discussions and a prayer service. Both civic and diocesan leaders are being invited to visit the young people.

Corning Students Raise Funds for Famine Relief

During Advent, students at Corning Catholic School South held two "Pizza Days" to raise money for the starving in Ethiopia.

Mrs. Ann Hatton, president of the Home School Association, encouraged students to earn money themselves to match what

they would spend on their pizza.

Many students did odd jobs to earn the money they donated; others went without pizza themselves in order to make a donation. In all, a check for \$206.44 was sent to Catholic Relief Services for the people of Ethiopia.



Service Project

St. Thomas the Apostle eighth grader Kristen Knapp helps kindergarteners Michael Perkins and Lisa Race get ready to go home.

St. Ann's Celebrates International Day

Seventh and eighth grade students at St. Ann's School in Hornell celebrated International Day on Thursday, Jan. 24. In conjunction with nutrition and health classes, the 41 students studied eating habits and customs of various countries, then made appropriate flags for display. On International Day, they attended school dressed in costumes representing England, France, Holland, Italy, China, Greece, Germany, Sweden, Spain and Mexico. Faculty, clergy, mainte-

nance personnel and aides were invited to join the classes at a luncheon prepared by the students, which offered dishes typical of all countries represented.

Following lunch, Georg Niedermueller, A.F.S. Exchange Student from West Germany, showed slides of his country, discussed German customs, and commented on his experiences in the United States.

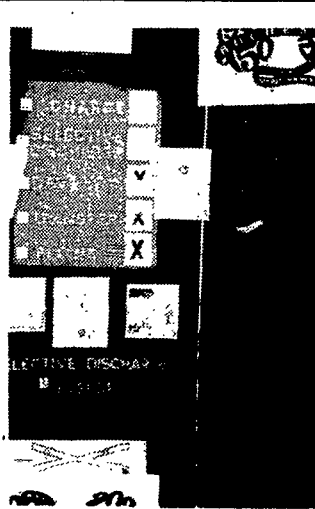
The International Day program was supervised by Marguerite Mauro of the St. Ann's School faculty.



Bruce Ellsworth, Sarah Fahey, Jennifer Martin and Jennifer Davis doing their part in painting Blessed Sacrament School.

Student's Project Honored

Marcy Mendola, an eighth grade student at St. Louis School, Pittsford, recently received the honor of having her science fair project on Xerography chosen to be part of the Rochester Sesquicentennial Future Exhibit at Midtown Plaza. She had previously won "high honors" for the same project at the Science Congress at Nazareth College. She also had the distinction of being the only Catholic and junior high school student



chosen for the honor. The other nine exhibitors were public senior high school students.



Learning Needs Met

St. Patrick Junior High in Elmira has a unique way to meet the special academic needs of its students. Two parallel programs are scheduled for both seventh and eighth graders who meet the requirements for the Locals level of instruction. This smaller class size program works with a learning assistance team of Title I personnel -- Sisters Robertina Finegan and Constance Bickford, special education teachers. The diocesan curriculum is followed but is taught at a slower pace and altered where appropriate to meet the needs of the students. Exams, testing and homework are paced to encourage students to work up to grade level expectations. Many students have evidenced significant growth in achievement as measured by the diocesan standardized testing program.

A Gift from President

The first grade at St. Mary's School, Waterloo; had a pleasant surprise on Jan. 8 when they received a present from the White House in Washington. President Reagan sent each student in Miss Adele Giovannini's class a booklet entitled, "The President's House."

Reagan or Walter Mondale in a mock election held in their classroom. Mrs. Christiano, school secretary, was called in to count the ballots. She, in turn, sent the results to the President at the White House.

The election was forgotten until the special package arrived at St. Mary's. Needless to say, the students were very excited and happy to hear from their President.

Last November, at election time, the first graders all voted for President

Students Tackle Service Projects

Blessed Sacrament Junior High School students are involved in a voluntary program of helping to prepare, serve and clean up for approximately three hours (11 a.m.-2 p.m.) on one given day at St. Martin's Place.

St. Martin's Place, a home of hospitality on the northeast side of Rochester, offers a main meal to people who are in need. This program is housed at Mt. Carmel Parish.

Students from Blessed Sacrament, given this opportunity to participate,

hopefully will grow in their awareness of the needs of others and learn to be responsive in an active way.

The students have also been involved in a service project within their own surroundings, and because of it Blessed Sacrament School now has a fresh, colorful look!

On six Saturdays and evenings, parents and students, under the direction of Paulette and John Raniewicz, dabbled in color coding the school. This industrious project created spirit and enthusiasm.

St. Andrew's Donates To Supplies Campaign

Through the month of December and into the first week of January, St. Andrew School participated in the Toys and School Supplies Campaign for Nicaragua.

St. Andrew's children collected stuffed animals, balls, toddler toys, pencils, crayons, paper and other needed supplies. During Jan.

5-6, Rochester collection weekend, St. Andrew's School delivered a dozen or so boxes of supplies to Blessed Sacrament School. City organizers said that St. Andrew's made one of the largest donations of the Rochester campaign.

This campaign was an ideal way for the school to celebrate the Christmas season.



Sister Mary Hermina SSND, school librarian, helps the fourth grade with their library assignments.

Funds Raised For Library

In November and December last year, the students of Holy Ghost School sold Christmas items and sun-catchers to benefit the school's library.

Most grades far exceeded their goals. The class with most sales was Ms. Carol Statt's sixth grade homeroom. The top three individual salespeople for the

school were Christine Stauber, Arthur Louis DiNieri III, and Traci Romano.

The fund drive was chaired by Mrs. Pat Mitchell and Mrs. Joyce Piarulli. The Holy Ghost Home School Association thanks everyone who volunteered their time to work on the project.