DIOCESAN ROUNDUP

LILAC Volunteers Honored

Catholic Charities awarded certificates to 20 LILAC volunteers on Thursday, May 2 at the program's second Volunteer Appreciation Evening. Also honored were 11 staff members at two state institutions who have supported the program.

LILAC, or Life in Institutions, Loving and Caring, involves more than 115 volunteers visiting patients at the Rochester Psychiatric Center and the Monroe Developmental Center in its two-year history.

Mass at the psychiatric center chapel was concelebrated by Fathers Charles Mulligan, director of the Office of Social Ministry, and George Heyman, a volunteer and key organizer in the program, and associate pastor at Blessed Sacrament Church.

Joining with Catholic Charities staff to present awards were Dr. Martin Vanholden, director of the psychiatric center, and Sylvester Zielinski, director of the developmental center. Both noted the importance of the community involvement LILAC brings to patients.

Recommended to other state institutions by the State Commission on the Quality of Care, the program is active at the following parishes: St. Joseph's Church, Penfield, St. Thomas More, St. Salome, St. Pius the Tenth, St. Anne, Our Lady of Lourdes, Good Shepherd, St. John the Evangelist on Humboldt Street and Guardian Angels.

Notre Dame Club

The University of Notre Dame's Rochester Alumni Club held its Universal Notre Dame Night May 7 at Lakeshore Country Club. This night is an annual event, held in conjunction with similar gatherings of Alumni Clubs across the country.

Newly elected officers are Jim Mason, president; Kevin Phelps, vicepresident; Mike Kirk, secretary; Ed Knauf, treasurer; Joan Fitzgerald, Leo Welch and John Stoffregen, board members.

The 1985 Notre Dame Junior of the Year Award was given to Pittsford-Mendon student Kenneth T. Hall. Award of the Year recipient was Edward Norton, a 1960 Notre Dame graduate and CPA for Price, Waterhouse.

Kearney Driver Education

Bishop Kearney High School is now taking registration for its Summer Driver Education Program. The six-week program will begin Monday, June 24, and conclude Friday, August 2.

Students who are 16 or older may register at the Kearney Tuition Office Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Registration fee will be \$150. All registration forms must be signed by a parent or guardian, and the student's permit or license must be presented at the time of registration. No one will be permitted to register if he or she does not plan to attend all sessions.

Peace Ribbon Joined

Residents from across the southern tier and students from St. James School in Rochester are taking part in a nation-wide movement for peace by preparing panels for the Peace Ribbon.

More than 100 panels were contributed by individuals and church groups from the southern tier area to the New York State Peace Ribbon which was wrapped around the state capitol in Albany on Sunday, May 26. Representatives from the Schuyler Interfaith Peace Group, Elmira Nuclear Freeze, Chemung Coalition for Equity and the Southern Tier Office of Social Ministry attended the demonstration.

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At St. James School, students each contributed a fingerprint to a canvas panel which will be part of the U.S. Peace Ribbon celebration on August 7, the anniversary of the atomic bombing of Japanese cities, in Washington.

To mark the anniversary, state ribbons from around the country will wrap the Pentagon "in a creative, united call for no more Hiroshimas, no more Nagasakis," according to Kathy Dubel of the Southern Tier Office of Social Ministry.

Nazareth Summer Programs

Nazareth Academy will offer dance programs and high school driver education this summer. The dance programs, taught by Mary Ellen Campbell, Nazareth dance instructor, will be held in the Academy of Dance studio on the Nazareth grounds. Courses include modern and jazz dance, aerobic dance and Jazzercise. Classes will be held weekday mornings for 20 sessions, with the exception of Jazzercise, which will be taught on a drop-in basis.

Driver education will also be offered for high school credit. Hours in classroom instruction and road experience will comply with New York State Education Department requirements for the "blue card." The course will run weekdays from July 2 to August 13.

For cost and registration information, contact Sr. Carol Cimino at 458-8583.

Mercy Monarchs Undefeated

Our Lady of Mercy High School's track and field team defeated Cardinal Mooney to win its fifth straight private-parochial league title and complete a third undefeated season Wednesday, May 22.

The meet was highlighted by a new league record set by Mooney's Renee Rombaut in the 3,000-meter run (11 minutes: 33.2 seconds).

Multiple winners for the Mercy Monarchs were: Therese Franklin — 100-meter hurdles (:17.8 seconds) and high jump (4-8); Karen Mueller — 1,500-meter run (5:19.9) and 400 hurdles (1:13.6); and Donna DeKing — 100-meter dash (:13.3) and 200 dash (:28.1).

DeKing also anchored the victorious 400-meter relay team with Liz Hanna, Joann Barney and Bethany Parrinello (:54.4).

Other Mercy winners were Parrinello—long jump (15-½), Maureen Paonessa—800-meter run (2:34.1), Paonessa, Katie Seeman, Katie Hanna and Tausca Bean—1,600 relay (4:27.8), and Jeanine Muoio, Kris Boehm, Sue Starkweather and Ann Paonessa—3,200 relay (11:12.8).

Catholic Physicians' Conference

The Catholic Physicians Guild will host a conference on Sunday, June 23, with Father George Freemesser, M.D., as special guest speaker. A native of Rochester and 1956 graduate of St. John Fisher College, Father Freemesser will speak on "The Physician from Galilee."

The conference, which is open to all members of the guild and their spouses, will begin at 9:30 a.m. with a Eucharistic liturgy at the Genesee Plaza Holiday Inn, followed by a breakfast meeting at 10:30 a.m. Call Dr. Fernando Ona, (716)464-3592, for more information.

Catholic Daughters' Elections

The Catholic Daughters marked the installation of new officers with a Mass on Tuesday, June 18 at St. Phillip Neri Church on Clifford Avenue. The following people will begin their active terms at the next meeting in September: Mary Alice Ackin, regent; Barbara Zaso, first vice regent; Angelina Hunt, second vice regent; Barbara Stein, financial secretary; Eleanor Cook, treasurer; Betty Ryan, recording secretary; Sophie Voelmer, monitor; Minnie Finley, Dorothy Tallie and Frances Lenhard, trustees; and Monsignor John F. Duffy, chaplain.

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Mother Teresa To Visit U.S.

Mother Teresa of Calcutta will visit the U.S. this month to receive the Presidential Medal of Freedom and to address the National Right to Life Convention in Washington, D.C. In recognition of her work with the world's poor, Mother Teresa will be honored Friday, June 21.

She will also visit the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, D.C. on behalf of the Institute of Religious Life on that day. A press conference is scheduled at 2 p.m. in the shrine's Visitor's Center after which Mother Teresa will speak in the main church.

Mass will be celebrated at 4:30 p.m. and after her speech, Mother Teresa will greet people on the shrine's front steps before departing.

St. Rita's Hosts Summer Classes

An adult prayer course will be taught in conjunction with children's Vacation Bible School at St. Rita's Church in Webster, Monday through Friday, July 15-19 from 9:30-11 a.m. The same themes will be developed with both parents' and children's sessions. Denise Mack, director of religious education at St. Rita's, will lead the adult class.

To register or for more information, please call Coleen DeKing, (716)671-2371, by Thursday, June 20 when registration closes. An adult book is \$3 and children's materials are \$5 each, or \$8 for two or more children from the same family. Babysitting is also available.

Pastoral Musicians Meet

Rochester's chapter of the National Association of Pastoral Musicians has voted to become a permanent member of the national association, a group of more than 8,500 musicians and clergy from the U.S. and Canada devoted to improving and fostering liturgical music.

Officers of the Rochester chapter for the coming year are: Helen Halligan, chapter director; Jean Thibodeau, assistant director for recruitment; Ginny Miller, coordinator for planning; Father Robert Ring, animator for Koinonia; Gretchen Dent, secretary/treasurer. Outgoing officers are Carol Doran, temporary chapter director, and Vincent Parks, III, treasurer.

On July 20, the chapter will sponsor an all-day workshop of gospel music led by composer Leon Roberts at St. Bridget's Church in Rochester. In July 1986, the chapter will welcome some 800 musicians and liturgists from the New England area to Rochester for the national association's regional convention. For more information about the chapter or upcoming events, contact the diocesan Office of Liturgy, 1150 Buffalo Road, Rochester, N.Y., 14624.

Aguinas Graduation

Aquinas Institute's graduating class was honored with a baccalaureate Mass on Saturday, June 1, at the school auditorium and graduation exercises on Sunday, June 3, at the Auditorium Theater.

The Mass was celebrated by Father Thomas Mull, an Aquinas trustee. Presiding at the graduation of approximately 150 students was Father James E. Daley, CSB, vicar general of the Basilian Fathers. Sister Anne Guerin, SSJ, presented awards. Pasquale Iannoli was chosen as valedictorian and Joseph Catone as salutatorian of the class.

Elmira Group Marks 90th Year

Women from the Rosary/Sacred Heart Society of St. Casimir's Church in Elmira gathered for a Mass and anniversary banquet on Sunday, June 2, to celebrate the group's 90th anniversary this year.

Originally two separate societies were formed in 1890 by the first pastor, Father B. Swinko, but they were later combined because of decreasing membership and duplication of meetings. The women's contingent of the society meets monthly for rosary and benediction services in church and does corporal works of mercy for the whole parish.

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Nursing Students Promoted

Junior and senior students were awarded stripes by the St. James Mercy Hospital School of Nursing in Hornell on Sunday, June 2, at St. Ignatius Loyola Church.

Also during the annual ceremony, awards recognizing the dedication of two junior students were presented. Karen Rettew of Pittsford received the Arthur R. Foreman Memorial Merit Scholarship Award, and Anne Burritt of Arkport was recognized with the Hazel Stewart Award.

Thirteen juniors were promoted to senior level, receiving two stripes, and 16 freshmen moved up to junior level, receiving one stripe. Loretta Haefele, the school's director, handed out the awards.

In her address to the students, Ellen Stephens, head nurse of the hospital's psychiatric care unit and Nursing Alumni Association member, described the privileges and responsibilities of being a nurse and noted the milestone they had reached in pursuit of a nursing career. Father Jeremiah Moynihan, chaplain and pastor of St. Ignatius, gave the invocation and benediction and blessed the stripes.

Fisher Marks Anniversaries

Two historical anniversaries will be marked at St. John Fisher College by a special Mass celebrated by Bishop Matthew H. Clark on Saturday, June 22.

On that day in the year 1435, John Fisher, Bishop of Rochester, England, was beheaded by order of King Henry VIII for refusing to sign the oath of supremacy. Fifty years ago on July 6, 1535, Fisher and Sir Thomas More were canonized by the Church.

The Mass honoring Fisher, the patron saint of the Rochester diocese, will begin at 4:30 in the Murphy Chapel of Murphy Hall on the Fisher campus. Bishop Clark will be the homilist as well as the presider. For more information, call (716)385-8196.

Testimonial for Father Lavery

A special testimonial dinner honoring Father Charles J. Lavery, CSB, chancellor and former president of St. John Fisher College is set for Monday, June 17, at the Rochester Plaza Hotel.

Although he plans to continue his active role in the community, Father Lavery, who turned 70 on May 1, is bringing to a formal close his 27 years of service to St. John Fisher as president and chancellor. The college most recently recognized his outstanding achievements and life-long dedication to education by awarding him the doctor of humane letters degree on May 19.

Principal speakers Malcolm Wilson, former governor of New York, and Thomas H. Hawks, a college trustee and former chairman of the board of Rochester Savings Bank, will be among the friends, colleagues and local and state dignitaries gathered for the dinner. Call (716)385-8009 for more information or reservations.

Nazareth Administrator Chosen

Nazareth Academy has a lay administratorfor the first time in the school's 114-year history. Mary Rose McCarthy was named assistant principal for student affairs on June 5 by Sister Elaine Englert, principal. She will be responsible for discipline and student activities as well as administrative assistance.

"The school ... has always had a religious in the administrative positions," explained Sister Elaine in her announcement. "The fact is that there are fewer and fewer sisters and more and more qualified lay persons. Mary Rose McCarthy is eminently qualified."

McCarthy has been chairman of the school's religious studies department and has a bachelor's degree in philosophy from the State University at Brockport, where she is working toward a graduate degree. She coordinated the in-service conferences of diocesan personnel recently on the peace pastoral and has led women's seminars in various communities around the state.

Seek Families

Rochester-area homes are urgently needed by American Student Educational Travel (ASET) for four weeks this August to host 30 French teenagers. Host families need only provide room, board and friendship students have their own spending money and insurance, and speak English.

ASET is a non-profit organization which aims to bring the youth of the world together for better understanding. Please contact Mary Lou Hetzke, local coordinator, (716)594-2147 or 594-1200.