At Annunciation school,

'Three little pigs' act out danger of playing with fire

By Richard A. Kiley

Chants of "Stop, drop and roll" and "Get real low when there's smoke" echoed throughout Annunciation Church on Thursday evening, Feb. 13, as kindergarten, first- and second-grade students entertained about 150 parents and friends with the play, "The Three Little Fire Experts."

Based on the classic tale, "The Three Little Pigs, the play was sponsored by North East Area Development (NEAD), an organization working closely with children and parents to stress the dangers of experimenting with matches and lighters.

"The play is a great medium to teach kids as well as adults about the dangers involved," said Mike Horwitz, a NEAD representative. "The parents learn through the kids.

Horwitz wrote the play and co-directed it along with Sheila Miller, principal of Annunciation.

"The timing of the play is crucial in view of the recent fires in the city," Miller said.

Lieutenant Daniel Covuoto of Rochester Fire Department's Engine-Nine Truck Nine narrated the 30-minute presentation, which depicted a wolf (Thomas Haley) tempting the three pigs to use matches in their homes. The pigs resist the wolf's trickery, thanks mostly to the warnings of the eldest pig, Lester, portrayed by Carmine Saturno.

Though the play's purpose was strictly serious, comic relief drew a big roar from the audience when the wolf's efforts were snuffed by the presence of a fire extinguisher. The audience, as well as the choir of students donning red fire hats, cheered near the end of the play when two Rochester firefighters carried the outwitted wolf off the stage and presented the three pigs with fire safety certificates.

The Rochester Fire Department has recently devoted considerable attention to the education of children on questions of fire safety. Statistics show that 40 percent of all fires set involve children, and 65 percent of those are caused by children between the ages of five and nine-years-old experimenting with matches and lighters.

Organizations like NEAD are also hoping to familiarize children with the 911 emergency telephone number and with Operation EDITH (Exit Drills In The Home), a New York State program for training family members to escape safely from fire.

The fire department videotaped the Annunciation school play and is hoping to distribute it among neighboring schools. Horwitz said he would like the Annunciation students to tour local school districts and involve as many children as possible.

It's not hard to see why he feels that way. A statement on the front of the programs distributed at the play read: "Consider the results of one child with one match."

With the recent rash of youth related fires, area residents are finding out what those results can be.



Lester guides the players in an exercise called "Stop, Drop and Roll," teaching them what to do if their clothes were on fire.



The Big Bad Wolf, played by Thomas Haley, carefully hangs on to his tempting matches and a lighter.



Elrod and Wilma, played by Kristina Yorks and Kimberly Roth, helped to direct the chorus in song.

Bishop's Day with Youth Planned

Some 50 high school seniors will be presented with the first "Hands of Christ" awards at the third annual Bishop's Day with Youth, Sunday, March 2, at Bishop Kearney High School.

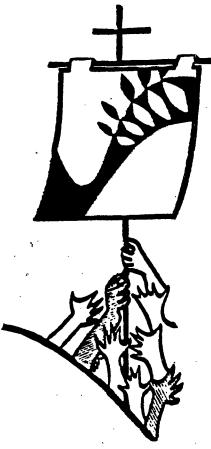
Nominated by their pastors, these young people will be recognized for service to their communities, parishes, schools and families.

The Bishop's Day with Youth is an effort to gather teens of the diocese for a celebration of their identity and unity. All high school students are invited to the day-long gathering, which will feature 31 workshops on topics ranging from effective listening to justice and peace, suicide, stress, racism and clown ministry. Most of the presenters will be parish youth ministers, including Ron Howe, Paul Swiatek, Matt Flanagan, Sister Cheryl Lee and Michael Lombard.

Traditionally, part of the afternoon is set aside for youth to question Bishop Matthew H. Clark informally. This year, the usual format will be reversed and Bishop Clark will ask the questions.

Although less than 100 participants have registered to date, Pat Fox, diocesan director of youth ministry, expects as many as 900 young people from Elmira to Auburn to attend. Last minute registration has been a fact of life for organizers of the event, Fox noted. Last year, for instance, only 200 youths registered but more than 900 at-

Registration begins at 11;45 a.m. at Bishop Kearney, 125 Kings Highway. The program is scheduled to end with Mass at 6:15 p.m. The fee is \$7 for pre-registrations and \$9 at the door. Reservations are requested by



February 25. For more information, call the Department of Youth Ministry, (716)328-3210.

Legal Notice STATE OF INDIANA COUNTY OF ALLEN SS:

IN THE ALLEN SUPERIOR COURT FAMILY RELATIONS DIVSION FORT WAYNE, INDIANA CAUSE NO. W-84-104

IN THE MATTER OF TERMINATION OF THE PARENT-CHILD RELATIONSHIP OF AISHA JONES, ALEXANDRA JONES, ALONZO JONES, ASHINAFAE JONES, JOSHUA FERGUSON, A CHILD, AND ROOSEVELT FERGUSON,

> SUMMUNS FOR SERVICE BY **PUBLICATION**

Notice is hereby given to the (alleged) (biological) (adjudicated) father of the above-named minor child, whose whereabouts are unknown, that The Department of Welfare of Allen County, Indiana, has filed its petition, on January 17, 1986, which is a proceeding whereby the petitioner is asking that the parentchild relationship, and the parental rights of the person to whom this notice is given, be permanently terminated and that said child be made available for possible adoption which said adoption proceedings may not be contested by the person to whom this notice is given if such person to whom this notice is given fails to act within the time and in the manner hereinafter set forth.

Notice is further given that the attorney representing The Department of Public Welfare of Allen County, Indiana, is Philip H. Larmore of the law firm of Adair, Perry, Beers, Mallers, & Larmore, whose address is 2200 Fort Wayne National Bank Building, Fort Wayne, Indiana, 46802.

That said person to whom this notice is directed must respond to the petition of The Department of Public Welfare of Allen County, Indiana, by appearing in person or by attorney within ten (10) days after the last publication of this notice, and in case such person fails to do so, judgment by default may be enthe petitioner's petition, filed January 17, 1986.

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