

Parish Notes



Olympics are special to clown group

St. Joseph, Penfield — Teens and adults from St. Joseph's Carpenter Clown group will travel to South Bend, Indiana on Friday, July 31, to participate as volunteers in the International Special Olympics. The games will take place on the campuses of Notre Dame and St. Mary's Colleges.

The clowns have been assigned to the opening ceremonies on August 1 and 2. A delayed broadcast of these ceremonies will appear on ABC affiliates on Monday, August 3. The group, which has financed this trip through fundraisers and donations, will return to Penfield late Tuesday evening.

St. Joseph's Carpenter Clown group often volunteers with many Rochester-area groups serving youth such as Camp Haccamo, Camp Open Arms, Camp Lots of Fun and Special Olympic events.

Call (716)377-5819 for information.

Ithacans urged to register for Pre-Cana

Immaculate Conception, Ithaca — Couples planning to marry are invited to attend two Pre-Cana sessions on Monday and Wednesday, August 3 and 5, from 7-10 p.m. in Room 108 of the school. Since all engaged couples are required to participate in a Pre-Cana program, and since the number of programs offered is limited, interested couples are urged to register as soon as possible by calling the parish office at (607) 273-6121.

Call for short stories!

We realize it's summer, but our file of Parish Notes is running drier than we had anticipated. This is the perfect opportunity for parishes to send us miniature feature articles about their unique programs and activities.

If you need some help in preparing the information, call our office at (716)328-4340 (collect if it's a toll call in your area) and we'll send out our standard publicity form. So if your parish has a story like the ones we've been publishing in this column in recent weeks, just let us know. We'll be glad to direct some attention your way!

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Thirty-seven eighth-graders from St. Joseph's School in Penfield were honored at a Mass and graduation ceremony last month.

Singled out for special recognition were: Lisa Carli and Andrew Discavage, scholarship excellence; Peggy Riley, Christian Principle Award; Jennifer Kuhn, communication; James Alessi, mathematics; Ellen Hughes, social studies and Spanish; Andrew Discavage, French; Chris Matteson, science; Jodie Banister and James Alessi, excellence in academic growth; Katie Gough-Service, Tina O'Neill and Barry Wilson, conscientious student awards; Susan Ozipko and Dawn Tobin, school spirit; Jennifer Kuhn and Tina O'Neill, instrumental music; Lisa Carli and Chris Bonnano, art; Corinne Stukas and Phillip DiCataldo, citizenship; Susan Ozipko and Eric Young, sportsmanship.

Five of the graduates have earned scholarships to local Catholic high schools. They are: Lisa Carli, Amanda Darlak, Jennifer Kuhn and Chris Matteson, Bishop Kearney High School; and Andrew Discavage, McQuaid Jesuit High School.

Nazareth Academy students have chosen new student senate officers for the 1987/88 school year. Elected to one-year terms were: Margaret Sawyko, president; Nancy Bush, vice president; Sally DeCarolis, secretary; and Sue Connelly, treasurer.

Each student senate candidate must collect 100 student signatures and at least three teacher recommendations before nomination. Candidates then are required to deliver a speech to the entire student body and faculty prior to the election.

Lawrence Searles, a 1975 graduate of McQuaid Jesuit High School, was ordained a priest in the New York province of the Society of Jesus on June 6 at the Fordham University Chapel.

The son of Jeanne and Robert Searles of Fairport, Father Searles celebrated a Mass of Thanksgiving June 14 at Our Lady of the Assumption Church in Fairport.

An alumnus of Fordham and Middlebury College in Vermont, Father Searles will teach at the Colegio San Ignacio this summer and will return to Regis College in Toronto this fall to continue studying theology.

Thomas Nolan and Tony Starnino, student organizers of Aquinas Institute's annual blood drive, were presented with an award by the Rochester Chapter of the American Red Cross. The award recognized Aquinas as the medium-sized Monroe County school that supplied the most blood per eligible donor. Faculty moderator for the blood drive was Andrew Paling.

Neighbors



Students in the religious education program at Sacred Heart Parish in Perkinsville concluded this year's classes with a special Marian Mass. At the Mass, the children unveiled a mural of "Jesus Among the Teachers." Among the creators of the mural were: (from left to right) Melissa Shafer, Jason Edmond, Jenny Sahrle, Karen Roberts, Jimmy Sahrle and Daria Perry.

Elmira native Raymond B. Hourihan was ordained to the priesthood by Bishop John Donohue of Charlotte, N.C., on June 20 at St. Mary's Church, Elmira.

The son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Patrick Hourihan, he is a graduate of St. Mary's School, Southside High School, and Elmira College, where he majored in criminal justice and education.

Prior to entering Holy Apostles Seminary in Cromwell, Conn., Father Hourihan worked as chief safety officer at the Elmira Psychiatric Center. After ordination, he planned to work in the Diocese of Charlotte.

Junior Marci Mendola represented Our Lady of Mercy High School at the Hugh O'Brien Youth Foundation (HOBY) New York West Leadership Seminar earlier this month in Batavia.

HOBY programs, founded by a grant from actor Hugh O'Brien, bring students together with leaders in business, government, science, education and other professions to explore and advocate the American economic incentive system and democratic process.

Mendola was chosen by members of Mercy's guidance department. A member of Mercy's volleyball team and student government, she also participates in the Monroe County Inter-High School Student Council.

The daughter of Nick and Marcia Mendola of Pittsford, she is a parishioner at St. Louis Church.

Sister Sharon Bailey, SSJ, was presented the Nursing Administration Award by the Genesee Valley Nurses Association in May. The award recognized Sister Bailey for demonstrating dedication and leadership as co-director of the Corpus Christi Neighborhood Health Center.

The Catholic Daughter of the Americas, Annunciation Court #416, have chosen new officers to serve for the next two years.

Installed by District Deputy Virginia Terpolilli were: Eleanor Heffernan, regent; Madeline DeMaria, first vice-regent; Margaret Crowley, second vice-regent; Anna DeMaria, financial secretary; Phyllis Seidel, treasurer; Gerry Pollino, recording secretary; Kathleen Capozzi, monitor; Mary Felicetti, Virginia Murray and Rose Sollene, trustees; Marianna Moracco, ceremonial coordinator.

The court has also welcomed five new members: Vera Grau, Ruth Oughterson, Mary Cassasanta, Anna Lewis and Esther D'Amico. Three other women were reinstated as active members. They are: Margaret Malone, Helen Smith and Rose Ventura.

Bishop Matthew H. Clark was one of four guests to whom honorary degrees were presented at Holy Cross College's 141st commencement in May.

A member of Holy Cross's Class of 1959, Bishop Clark was presented with a doctor of ministry degree. Also honored were U.S. Senator Bill Bradley, Marian Wright Edelman, founder and president of the Children's Defense Fund, and Dr. Anthony S. Fauci, director of the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases.

Bishop Clark attended Holy Cross prior to studying for the priesthood at Mater Christi Seminary in Albany and St. Bernard's Seminary in Rochester.

J. Jason Berman, an assistant professor of management at St. John Fisher College, has been named the 1987 recipient of the college's Father Dorsey Faculty Service Award. Student Association president James Poggi announced the award at the college's annual senior banquet.

The Father Dorsey Award was established in 1985 in honor of Basilian Father Joseph B. Dorsey, who is currently a member of the college's board of trustees. The award recognizes faculty members "who through outstanding service, dedication and commitment make substantial contributions for the betterment of the student body as well as the entire college."

Two Cardinal Mooney students have earned honorable mentions in the National Scholastic Art Awards Show, held in February at Sibley's Ward Gallery.

Senior Donna Armignacco earned honorable mention for her watercolor entry. Doug Hurrman, also a senior, was recognized for his work in acrylics.

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