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The Bishop James E. Kearney Assembly 4th Degree Knights of Columbus recently presented their 1992 Memorial Chalice during their annual Lincoln Day Dinner. The chalice is presented in honor of deceased members over the past year. Pictured above are: Rev. Mr. Thomas Agness, recipient of the chalice; Father John F. Gagnier, faithful friar; and Dennis Cody, faithful navigator.

Church to host brunch

SHORTSVILLE — St. Dominic's Church, 6 Canandaigua St., has set May 10 as the deadline to sign up for this year's family brunch, scheduled for May 17.

The brunch is slated to begin 11:30 a.m. at the Sunrise Hill Inn, 6108 Loomis Road, Farmington.

Cost for the brunch in \$7.25 for adults, \$3.65 for children ages 5-12, and \$1 for children under 5.

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Kenyan bishop will speak at graduation

PITTSFORD — Bishop Raphael S. Ndingi, a 1969 St. John Fisher College graduate, will be the principal speaker May 17 during the 38th commencement at the college, 3690 East Ave.

Bishop Ndingi is from the Catholic Diocese of Nakuru, Kenya, where he currently serves as chair of the Kenya Episcopal Conference's Education Department. An active supporter of human rights and democratic reform in his homeland, he is regarded as Kenya's most outspoken Catholic bishop.

Following his graduation from Fisher, the bishop became the ordinary of the Diocese of Nakuru. He also acted as a liaison in working with the late Father Charles Lavery, former Fisher president, to bring Kenyan priests



Bishop Raphael S. Ndingi

and religious to the college for study.

More recently, Bishop Ndingi helped arrange a volunteer teaching program between Fisher and the Diocese of Nakuru. Now in its second year, the program brings recent Fisher graduates to rural schools in Kenya for a year of volunteer teaching.

Stars come out to help St. Joseph's Hospital

ELMIRA — Approximately 1,500 spectators turned out to see local and national celebrities play basketball in April, and the support helped raise \$5,000 for St. Joseph's Hospital, 555 E. Market St.

The first-ever Patrick's Celebrity Basketball Classic was held April 10 at Southside High School. Proceeds will benefit the St. Joseph's Hospital Foundation as well as the hospital's Catastrophic Illness Fund and Alcohol Treatment Services.

National celebrities came away with a 51-35 win over the local team. Among those who participated were Otis Smith, cornerback for the Philadelphia Eagles; Troy Slayton, from the Fox Network show Parker Lewis Can't Lose; and Jeff Phillips, from the daytime soap opera The Guiding Light.

"The whole event turned out great. We raised \$5,000 and it was only \$5 a ticket," said Kim Hayes, development assistant at St. Joseph's. "We're planning on doing it again next year."

Diocese offering finan cial aid for students

ROCHESTER - The Diocese of Rochester is offering financial aid for the 1992-93 school year to students attending Catholic elementary and secondary schools in the 12-county diocese.

More than 1,000 children received more than \$795,000 in diocesan aid during the 1991-92 school year. Funds are drawn from the Thanks Giving Appeal, the Monroe County Shared Pool, the Monroe County Catholic School Endowment Fund, and anony-

mous individual donations in support of the 11 Catholic elementary schools in Rochester.

Financial-aid applications are available for registered students at any of the Catholic elementary and secondary schools. The diocese will notify families who will receive financial aid during June.

Call Fred Seiler, assistant superintendent for business and finance, at 716/328-3210, ext. 261 for information.

Miss America visits St. Lawrence in Greece

GREECE — Moments before Carolyn Sapp, Miss America 1992, was scheduled to arrive at St. Lawrence School, eighth-grader Jay Wegman was busy coordinating the welcoming efforts along with Michael Langelotti, Kevin Sullivan and Joe Rinaudo.

The four boys stood guard outside the school, 1000 N. Greece Road, ready to help Sapp when she made her entrance for a speech to the student body on Friday afternoon, May 1.

After she was introduced, Sapp explained that she herself had originally entered beauty pageants in her native state of Hawaii in order to obtain a college education through scholarship prize money.

She then related how she had tried three times to win the Miss Hawaii title, only to receive a runner-up position each time. She entered the pageant a fourth time last year, and went all the way to winning Miss America.

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"I was chosen for this honor because I was standing around in the gym," Wegman said.

Inside the gym, more than 300 prekindergarten through eighth-grade students waited for Miss America. Earlier in the day, Sapp had visited Holy Cross School, 4488 Lake Ave.

Her school visits in the area were sponsored by Bob Johnson Chevrolet/Geo, 111 Stone Road.

The dealership was one of several Chevrolet/Geo dealerships around the country participating in the "Driving for Education" program. From May 4-9, Johnson's dealership will tally up the number of people who test drive a vehicle and identify themselves as "St. Lawrence supporters."

Depending on the number of test drivers, St. Lawrence is eligible to win everything from encyclopedias to computers and videocasette recorders.

Seventy-five test drives by St. Lawrence supporters could win the Catholic school a 20-inch Magnavox color TV/VCR. St. Lawrence could also win an Apple computer complete with software for 125 test drives.

Sapp pointed to her experience with various pageants as examples of encouragement to students when they suffer setbacks. But she stressed that even worse than temporary setbacks are the possible permanent scars left by drug abuse.

"I can tell you I have never had drugs in my life," Sapp said, "and you don't need (them) to be a positive person."

Upon request from the assembly, Miss America sang America for the students, and also took questions from students.

Third-grader Matthew Sopko asked, 'How come there's not a Mr. America?" Sapp told Sopko he might make a good one when he grew up.

Miss America also handed out certificates with her picture that the students could sign pledging themselves to "educational excellence."

EDITORS' NOTE: Holy Cross school supporters can test drive a vehicle at Bob Johnson's dealership the week of May 18-23. For information, call the school at 716/663-6533.

--- Rob Cullivan

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