

New program begins at area nurse service

WEBSTER — Visiting Nurse Service, 2180 Empire Blvd., has started a new volunteer program known as Serve Our Seniors (SOS).

A branch of the Home Visitors program, SOS caters to patients who need assistance in areas such as grocery shopping and prescription pick-ups.

In addition, several other volunteer positions are available through Visiting Nurse Service. For information, call Leah Warrick, volunteer coordinator, at 716/787-2233, ext. 415; or Sandy D'Ambrosia, hospice volunteer coordinator, at ext. 433.

Developed countries are getting older

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immigration and advocates greater controls and even expulsions," the Vatican paper added.

The growing number of elderly people in the developed world requires social security reforms that provide greater economic equality across generational lines, said the regional report.

It advocated incentives for "those retirees able and willing to remain economically active" and favored "giving financial and other incentives to assist families and individuals in taking care of the elderly."

The Vatican paper favored economic and social measures to help compensate "for the cost of child bearing and child rearing" and for the "contribution to society" of housewives.

"Maternal incentives alone cannot, however, reverse an overall negative attitude toward having children," it said.

The Vatican also warned that a "paradox of abundance" is creating new health and environmental problems.

A consumption-oriented lifestyle "makes excessive demands on natural resources, both within the region and outside," helping cause "environmental degradation in the poorer nations," said the Vatican paper.

Among developed-world health problems, the Vatican cited drug abuse and sexually transmitted diseases resulting from "irresponsible sexual behavior."

Hospital seeking volunteers

ROCHESTER — Monroe Community Hospital, 435 E. Henrietta Road, is seeking volunteers for various activities.

Individuals are needed to assist staff and wheelchair patients on trips which involve shopping, recreation and/or entertainment. Volunteer groups are also sought to help with birthday parties on the third Saturday of each month.

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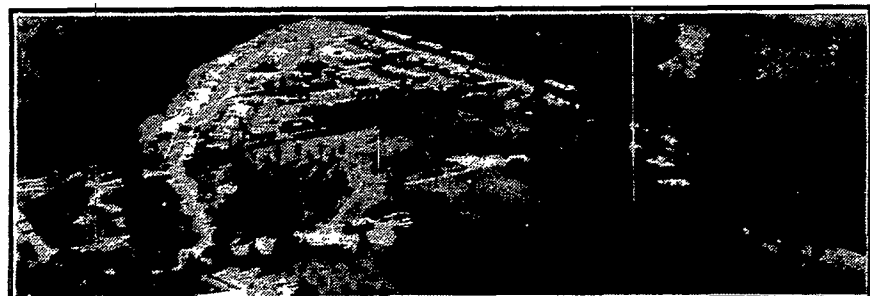
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