

Mr. Rogers' to deliver Divinity School address

ROCHESTER — Fred Rogers, the Emmy-award winning creator and host of "Mr. Rogers' Neighborhood," is scheduled to deliver the commencement address May 14 at Colgate Rochester Divinity School, 1100 S. Goodman St. The school's graduation services will take place at Asbury First United Methodist Church, 1050 East Ave.

In addition to his long-running TV program, Rogers has been an ordained Presbyterian minister since 1962.

Rogers has received two Emmy Awards and a George Foster Peabody Award for his program. In addition to being an honorary fellow of the American Academy of Pediatrics, he is president of Family Communications, Inc., a nonprofit corporation he founded to produce materials that encourage the healthy emotional growth of children and families.

Tickets are required to attend the commencement. For information, contact the Divinity School at 716/271-1320.

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represents Ss. Peter and Paul Parish, 720 W. Main St., on the Bull's Head Community Development Corporation board.

She recalled that a 1990 public meeting on the project drew 250 people.

"People want the hospital to stay in the neighborhood," Marquez said. "They feel the project will help the hospital stay in the neighborhood."

On the other hand, community residents and small-business owners have also viewed the project with a less-than-favorable eye at times, she noted.

"It's hard for some residents. They feel things get done to them," she said. "Generally, people have a hard time trusting institutions like the hospital and the city."

Recognizing that fact compelled Madden to insist on neighborhood involvement in the development plan, observers said. A 22-member citizen advisory committee played a key part in the planning process, and Stevens noted that one-third of the corporation's 17-member board must comprise local residents.

"It was clear that placing a series of new buildings here without the neighborhood's input really wouldn't be a cat-

alyst for the neighborhood's revitalization," Stevens said.

Marquez echoed Stevens contention. "This project could not have been done without the CDC," she said. "That's one way for the people in the neighborhood to say 'We own the land. This is our project.'"

Part II of this article on the Bull's Head plan will examine how residents and businesses were involved and how they view it.

Right to Life

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forts in the Southern Tier. It also may help draw more people to help sponsor an ad the group plans to take out Mothers' Day in Elmira's daily newspaper, Star-Gazette. The ad will list the names of people who oppose abortion. It also offers additional information relative to the pro-life movement.

"It's a sign that the pro-life community is here, and it's an educational opportunity," Pearte said.

EDITORS' NOTE: Anyone interested in more information about the Chemung County Right to Life Committee, or the Mother's Day ad, can contact Pearte, 607/734-2680.

CRS official

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lion. Combined with other cuts, a total of 17 percent — or \$290 million worth of aid funding — may be axed, the agency claims.

Secondly, the United States is no longer holding surplus grains and oil-seeds for international food emergencies. Such commodities saved millions from starvation in Somalia and 11 other African countries in 1993, CRS stated.

And finally, with the signing of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade, world food prices are expected to increase, and poor, food-importing countries will be less able to buy commodities at the same time that U.S. food aid is being cut, CRS claims.

CRS programs to combat malnutrition in Africa and Asia are also threatened. Maternal child health programs and school feeding programs face elimination or cuts in Togo, Burkina Faso, Ghana, Sierra Leone, Benin, the Philippines and Indonesia, CRS contends.

Wiest hopes that Catholics will write their congressional representatives urging them to restore food aid in the 1995 U.S. budget.

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