

Honorees 'share light'

Finger Lakes Charities to fete four for service

The board of directors of Catholic Charities of the Finger Lakes will honor four people at its Ninth Annual Sharing the Light Awards dinner on June 4 at 6 p.m. in the Seneca Falls/Waterloo Holiday Inn.

The honorees are **Father James E. Hewes**, pastor of St. John the Evangelist Parish in Clyde, and its mission parish of St. Patrick's in Savannah; **Dan Motill**, chairman of the church restoration campaign at Holy Cross Parish in Ovid; **Marion C. Freeland**, a community volunteer from Seneca Falls; and the **Rev. Tony Roberts**, pastor of Ovid Federated Church.

According to a statement from CCFL, the honorees were selected because their service "contributes to the betterment of our communities and reflects God's healing light to those in need of love, kindness, hope and understanding."

Father Hewes was instrumental in the opening of Catholic Charities of Livingston County, and has served on diocesan committees and task forces on such issues as the death penalty, Third-World debt, human sexuality, and medical and moral issues. He

has also worked in jail ministry, and helped found Project Rachel, a post-abortion ministry.

Motill is involved in area historical societies as well as the Ovid-Willard Lions Club. He has received service awards from the Lions, and has also worked on behalf of the United Way of Seneca County, the Seneca Chamber of Commerce and the Romulus Foundation for Educational Opportunities. He is also a sponsor of a talent program that allows new and established artists to exhibit work.

Freeland has volunteered for such organizations as the American Red Cross, the Council of Churches, Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, First Ward School, Seneca Falls Historical Society and various area churches. She is a member of such organizations as the United Way and the National Women's Hall of Fame.

Rev. Roberts and his wife, Alice, serve as foster parents for Seneca County, and the minister co-leads a county program that trains prospective foster and adoptive parents. Rev. Roberts also works in jail ministry and in ministry to people with addictions.

Tickets for the dinner are \$10. For information, call 315/789-2686.



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Senior priests gather

Father Austin "Gus" Hanna (left) and Father Elmer W. Heindl join other retired diocesan clergy at Canandaigua Inn on the Lake for the Senior Priests Luncheon May 14. The annual event is an opportunity for senior priests to get together and to meet with Bishop Matthew H. Clark.

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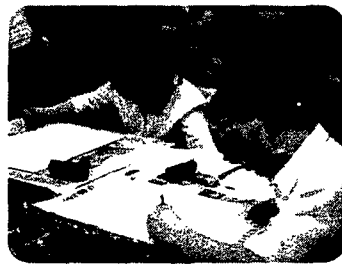
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