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THE ORBIT

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DIOCESAN CATHOLIC DEAF NEWS

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PRESIDENT'S COLUMN

Hello, CCDC Members!!

Many of the members have complained that they have never received the meeting notices or event notices for the last couple months. Here they are. Now you can see the below information regarding the meeting dates and what events we will be having this year.

1. Meeting was held on June 4 at 12:30 p.m.

1995 CCDC Meeting Schedules

September 10 and November 5 meetings will start at 12:30 p.m.

Reminder: November meeting will have an election of '96 and '97 officers. 2. Breakfast (eggs, sausages, hash potatoes, orange juice, coffee or tea)

will be served on Sept. 10 and Nov. 5.

3. Strawberry Social will be held on June 18 at CCDC at 1:00 p.m.

- 4. Remaining events' schedules are:
 - 1. Poorman's Raffle on September 17.
 - 2. Halloween's Social on October 29.
 - 3. Thanksgiving Social on November 19.
 - 4, Christmas Party on December 10.

If you would like to volunteer at any or those events, please see me.

If you would like to run for next term's officers but can't be at the November meeting, please be sure to turn your letter to our Secretary Mary Juhnke.

Please keep this for your record. I will notify you of any changes in our meeting or event schedules.

JEAN M. COX, PRESIDENT

P.S. For those of you at Poorman's Raffle, I hope you had a great time and thought the food was so great !!!. Thank you for your support.

THEODORE C. CEHOVIC, SR., VERY ACTIVE MEMBER OF NFSD'S NO. 21

We are saddened to know that Theodore C. Cehovic, Sr., who died at age 72 last April 11. He was 52-year and 34th Degree member of Cleveland Division No. 21 of National Fraternal Society of the Deaf (NFSD).

Theodore was treasurer of No. 21 during 1978-1994 (16-year). He resigned as treasurer about last January due to his illness. He was also trustee ten years before.

Theodore was Delegate to NFSD Convention in Denver, Colorado in 1983. He was very active as committee of No. 21's many events.

He was also very active member of Cleveland Catholic Deaf Center and ICDA Chapter No. 18 for many years.

Theodore was a former student of Alexander Graham Bell School for the Deaf in Cleveland.

He retired from Yoder Company in Cleveland in 1985 after his 52-year service as tool and die maker.

Service for Theodore was at St. Thomas More Church in Cleveland last April 14 where he was an active member. His burial was in Holy Cross Cemetery.

We extend to Theodore's wife Juliana and family our sincere symapthy and prayful wish that he is now enjoying the beauty of eternal life.

IN MEMORIAM - Our sympathy to the families of the following who passed away:

Dorothy Hess' niece Joan Yanky, 58, last February 17.

Jerry Knaus' oldest sister, Christine Verbic, 97, Last February 21. Late John Kapina's cousin John Manchak last March.

Marie Stitt's father, 84, of West Virginia, March 27.

Frank Salvo's brother Paul. last March.

Frank Iammarino's favorite nephew John Michael Iammarino of Chester Township, 38, last April. (John's car went out of control as he was killed by the accident. He worked at LTV Steel Co. since 1978.

Josephine M. Macron, 83, last May. She was a member of Buckeye Senior Deaf Citizens, Cleveland Catholic Deaf Center, St. Nicholas Order of the Meikite Catholic Diocese and St. Elias Ladies Guild.



FOR ALL! disabled and non-disabled children

The Augustine Rainbow Camp is a five week program which begins the last week of June and runs to the end of July.

The camp day is from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Monday through Friday. Campers are grouped according to age in groups of 12 to 15. Activities are planned around a general theme developed for each week. Olympics Week, Circus Week, etc.) with the focus always being: Togetherness and Positive Self Image. The Camp is located on the grounds of St. Augustine School Building. A second site of the camp is also located at OLA/St. Joseph Center. Many outdoor activities are conducted at Lincoln Park, across the street from church grounds. Swimming is at Lincoln Pool.

ARE YOU AWARE OF PAY PHONES' PROBLEM?

Two consumers wrote to Ohio Rehabilitation Service Commission's NewsNet magazine expressing their concerns on what they feel are shortcomings in telephone service for people who are deaf using pay phones to make local calls.

"A deaf person using a TTY pay phone can't call the Ohio Relay Service to talk to a hearing person using a regular phone. And a hearing person using a regular pay phone can't place a call via the relay to a deaf person using a TTY," (without incurring third party charges) wrote one person.

"Imagine discovering that a local call from a pay phone had suddenly leapt from 25 cents to 60 cents or \$1.50?" asked another. "Stateside telephone relay services which use TTY's and communications assistants, are required by the Americans with Disability Act. The current cost and inconvenience of using these services from a pay phone, though, fall short of the equal access' envisioned by the law's creators."

Both writers feel the unequal rate policy is discriminatory and that the Federal Communications Commission is allowing states too much time to find the technology necessary to make the rates and the access equal.

NewsNet contacted Eric Parks, a commissioner for the Ohio Rehabilitation Services Commission, who said he is aware of the problem. Parks also sits on the Advisory Board for the Communicatively Impaired of the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio. He said the board is working with local telephone companies that have pay phones to find a reasonable solution. There are more than 100 local companies that would have to work out the - NEWSNET MAGAZINE technical details of the solution.

ORSC TO SEEK DEAF PEOPLE WHO CAN HELP WITH SURVEY

The Ohio Rehabilitation Services Commission is planning to survey people who are deaf and hard of hearing who use sign language interpreting services or need these services, in order to determine service delivery and availability.

The survey will be done in different ways. One way is a written questionnaire if the person can answer the questions without assistance; and, the other way is to interview person to person to answer the questions in sign language. The survey has 30-40 questions. It take about one half hour to one hour to do the questions depending on the answers to the questions.

NEWS NOTES - Our thanks to Mr. and Mrs. Frank Kisiel for donating a new toaster to CCDC kitchen ... Hattie Gasper flew to Colorado to visit her daughter Marilyn during May 9-June 14. Enjoy!... Last May 25 Gladys Revelt's sister-in-law Marianne of California visited Gladys' family and ten grandchildren. Then Marianne greeted her old friend here from Los Angeles... Ten deaf women were pleased to meet Honorary Chairperson Wilma Smith (News Anchor for Channel 8) at Cleveland Hearing and Speech Center and Saks Fifth Avenue's reception, luncheon and Fashion Show last April 19...Cleveland Catholic Deaf Center. Cleveland Play House and Fairmount Theatre of the Deaf present Instant Theatre May-28-June 24.



"Buy me! I know sign language!"

CONGRATULATIONS

Florian and Lillian Grim celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary May 5. More many years of happiness together.

Gladys Revelt was elected Delegate to ICDA Convention in Utica, NY this July 9 to 15. Enjoy yourself, Gladys!

Gladys Revelt's grandson Jason received his First Communion May 14.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Kisiel's son Brian graduated from Garfield Hts. School ... Peggy Kapina's daughter Jenny graduated from Notre Dame Cathedral Latin High School June 5. Good luck to Brian and Jenny!

Dick and LaVerne Petkovich received their free membership cards from Cleveland Association of the Deaf. Dick is 53-year member. LaVerne is 50-year member. Their time goes fast!

Janice Giles' brother Gregory and Nancy Grossman were married in Slippery Rock, PA on May 27th.

STORK CLUB - Mildred Duch became great-grandmother of a baby boy born last Easter ... Lillian McMarlin is great-great-grandmother of two baby girls born April 2 and May 29 ... liana Cehovic is a proud grandmother a baby boy born May 20 for the 1st ... John and Betty Hovan are greatgrandparents of a baby girl born May 28. Frances Hovan proudly became great-great-grandmother.

SICK LIST: - Fred Waltz had his foot surgery April 5. Hope he walks well ... Frank Kisiel successfully had his hip replacement surgery in Cleveland Clinic...Walter Juhnke had his right shoulder surgery. He is doing well ... Please remember the following who are ill in your prayers - Dorothy Ruocchio's brother, Mary Ellen Czelusniak's son and Steve Fundak. <u>AT PRESSTIME: - Lillian McMarlin's</u> granddaughter Bridgette graduated from grade 8th. Lillian's granddaughter Melissa Rowe graduated from Elyria High School. Best Wishes!

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