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SPRING 1978

Navajo Rug Claims Attention In Kateri Center

Among the precious articles received last year as a result of "Project Display" is a specially made Navajo Rug by Gloria Deswood of Naschitti, New Mexico.

Through the weekly Navajo Catholic radio program, "The Padre's Hour", an appeal for donations was made to finance the rug for Kateri. The rug would be an answer to the question "What do other Indians think of Kateri?"

The rug design features a white lily with green leaves, surmounted by a white cross, and the entire against a light gray background. The lily, of course, refers to Kateri being acclaimed as "The Lily of the Mohawks."



The words "Kateri" and "Pray for us" in red complete the top and bot-

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Bishop Hubbard Here For Sept. 3rd Mass

The youngest bishop in the country and the ninth bishop of Albany, Most Rev. Howard J. Hubbard, D.D., will pay his first visit to the Mohawk Pilgrims as he will be the main celebrant of the con-celebrated Mass, Sunday, Sept. 3, 1978, in the Shrine Coliseum, at 12:30 p.m.

Most significant is this visit of the Bishop because he is the episcopal person in charge of the Kateri Cause in America. Both vice postulators' appointments, in Canada and in the United States, must be approved by the Bishop of Albany.

The Lily's Cause was introduced during the episcopate of Bishop Gibbons. Rome commented upon the thoroughness of the documents submitted at that time.

Bishop Hubbard is a native of Troy in the Albany Diocese and was educated in the diocesan schools. He was ordained bishop at the age of thirty-eight in March, 1977. Both as priest now as bishop he has an outstanding concern for underprivileged persons, exemplarily

CHECK THESE DATES

March-August - First Friday Mass for League Members in Yap, Caroline Islands.

April 17 - Kateri's Feast Day. Mass for deceased League Members. National Prayer Day 1.

Sept. 3 -Mohawk Pilgrimage Mass, Auriesville. National Prayer Day 2.

Oct. 11-19 -Novena of Masses for League Members.



Most Rev. Howard J. Hubbard, D.D. . . . bishop of Albany

following Jesus in this kind of love.

Deacon Red Elk of the Sioux Rosebud Reservation, South Dakota, has been asked to give the homily at the Mass.

The Mass is offered in petition for the needed miracles for Kateri's beatification and canonization.

Fifty Years for Choir

The Mohawk Indian Choir celebrated its Golden Anniversary last November by fitting liturgical and social events at St. Francis Mission, Caughnawaga, Canada. Mrs. Esther Phillips is president.



ATTITUDE CHANGED

My nephew who graduated from College with a Master's Degree seven years ago and who got married immediately after, became very indifferent about working. Since his marriage, he never held a job but depended on his wife, a teacher for support all these years. My brother who shared to get him educated worried day and night over his son's shiftless and irresponsible behavior and expressed his sorrow not once for getting him educated by saying: "I will die heartbroken over my son." I and the family began praying to Catherine sometime in September and had a set of Novena Masses offered asking Catherine to find him a job. Within three weeks she answered our prayers. nephew is working today teaching in the same school where his wife is teaching. We consider it a great miracle that my nephew's attitude toward work has changed and are very grateful to dear Catherine for answering our prayers. - Pittsburgh, Pa.

RUST GONE

Kateri has not only helped me get the job but she helped me keep it. I was a bit "rusty" to say the least after 14 months. I was worrying about getting my work done so much that I was exhausted. Finally it dawned on me. Put your work in Kateri's hands. Now when there is a problem, I just say "Kateri, I need your help." Then I forget about it. It really worked. Redley Park, Pa.

THOUGHT OF KATERI HELPS

We are not rich here. So in the spirit of the widow's mite I offer the League two Masses. I feel I am helped very much by the "Lily of the Mohawks." She is to me my chief intercessor with God - and I have and trust in so many powerful saints. I suffer from many ailments - a heart condition, diabetes, recurring hernia

Kateri's Answers

etc., etc. But the moment I look at her picture (Kateri's), which I do every morning, I seem to feel that everything is going to be all right! I don't believe very much in these official beatifications, but I do want Kateri raised to official sainthood because I feel that it would do very much spiritually to those who believe in her.- Sri-Lanka.

FANTASTIC JOB GOTTEN

For years I have been praying to Kateri Tekakwitha for an opportunity for my husband Bill. Everytime something turned up, it would fall through. But a few weeks ago, as a gift from heaven, we were at the right time and right place and he will be reporting for a fantastic job next Friday. - Clark, N.J.

BACK TO HEALTH

I promised I would write this letter. A girl about 7 or 8 years old, who is our neighbor fell while riding her bike. She was sick for a day and had an awful headache. X-ray showed nothing. She kept getting sick and was admitted to a hospital. They said she had a slight concussion, then they said she had a blood clot or a fractured skull but very serious. They transfered her to another hospital where she was considered very serious. I prayed hard to Kateri Tekakwitha that she would be made well and strong. Almost over night she began to recover. Today just one week later I was speaking to her outside, just like nothing happened to her.-Philadelphia, Pa.

EXAM PASSED

I recently took an oral examination for a permanent appointment. For over two months I sweated it out and studied fervently. Through Kateri's intercession, she gave me the confidence I needed to be successful in the exam. Kateri has continuously come to my aid whenver I called upon her for help. Niagara Falls, N.Y.

EMPLOYED

Profound gratitude for much needed employment thru Kateri. -East Weymouth. Mass.

BRACE DISCARDED

While on a tour about ten years ago, I visited the Shrine of the First Martyrs and Kateri Tekakwitha. I purchased a novena prayer with silk applied to Kateri relic which I have been using ever since.

I had arthritis in my right knee and when her relic touched this knee, I had no more pain. I had worn a brace for one year before the tour. After the tour, I didn't need it.

- Louisville, Ky.

RECONCILED

I wish to relate a favor obtained thru Kateri. For about two years Mrs. A. .. has been praying to Kateri for her daughter who has been running around with a cousin. I do not know much about their behavior but the mother assured me that this living together was wrong. The daughter had married before the Justice of Peace, had two children, and then left him. Well, to make the story short a few weeks ago the husband was killed in an auto accident. The girl returned to her parents, went to see the new pastor, made a good confession and received Holy Communion. They did not wait to write the good news but phoned last Monday. - DeSmet. Idaho.

FILM RENTAL AVAILABLE

On a rental basis the 16mm color film, 18 minutes in length, of the Kateri Story by Mary-Eunice is now available.

A deposit of \$25 is asked, \$15 to be retained for fee, and \$10 returned to renter when film is sent back.

Apply for use: Tekakwitha League, Auriesville, N.Y. 12016.

A 16mm projector in good condition is needed. Film is excellent for entertaining all age groups and for study sessions on Kateri's life.

LEAGUE BOARD REORGANIZED - 3 NEW MEMBERS, 2 RESIGN

Eleven members comprise the Board of Directors of the Tekakwitha League. Three new members have been elected and two have resigned.

New are: Fr. Robert Fleig, S.J., Shrine Staff, Margaret Kane, League secretary, and Anne Scheuerman of Pittsford, N.Y.

Resigned: Fr. Thomas Dominiak of Indian River, Mich., and Joseph Spagnola of Belford, N.J.

Remaining: Chet Adams, Solomon Cook, Fr. Egan, Fr. Gampp, Fr. Jacobs, Fr. McBride, Fr. Sams, and Mary-Eunice Spagnola.

Coffey Kateri Pamphlet in Braille available

Now available from the National Kateri Center is Father Edward Coffey's pamphlet "America's Marvelous Maiden" in braille.

The transcription of the text was

KATERI CHAPLETS?

As soon as a supply of Kateri Chaplets came in last year it was gone. The chaplet has proven what an excellent means of private devotion it is.

Chet Adams of Detroit is inquiring about mass production with a reputable manufacturer. When word comes it will be announced.

done by the Xavier Society for the Blind, 154 23rd St., New York, N.Y. 10010 which is under the directorship of Rev. Anthony LaBau, S.J.

The braille copy runs to 50 pages, exclusive of title page, fly sheets, etc. Cost per copy is \$1.25 including postage.

In the planning stages is another edition in large print, which would run 65 pages of text. One copy is now ready. Producing multiple copies presents costs problems. Running it in offset would be most economical and practical since both sides of the page could be used and a much better book would result. This will not be for sale but issued on a loan basis either from the Kateri Center or from the Xavier Society for the Blind.

Fr. Weiser's book on the life of Kateri is also being done in braille and will be ready within several months. Again, this volume will be available on loan.

Original Portrait Found

"Portrait of Kateri Tekakwitha by Sister M. Fides Glass, Seton Hill College, Greenburg, Pa. posed for by Mrs. Mimi Landes (an artist) of



Sr. M. Fides Glass

Phoenixville, Pa., August, 1951. Presented to Rev. Thomas J. Coffey, S.J., Tekakwitha League, 30 West 16th St., New York, 11, N.Y." This is the inscription on the back of the painting recently discovered here. The portrait is used on a popular post card offered by the League.



Kateri Portrait on Post Card

Sister Fides Glass, the author, was born in 1890 in Pennsylvania, entered the Sisters of Charity at Greensburg, Pa., April, 1908. She died February 13, 1955 at the age of 65. She was well known as a portrait painter, book illustrator, author and art teacher.

Among the books she wrote were two that told stories about Dimitrious Gallitzin, a Russian nobleman, who settled in the United States and became the Apostle of the Alleghenies. They were entitled "The Prince Who Gave His Gold Away," and "Prince Mitri's Mountaineers."

The original portrait and more about Sister Fides will be on display in the National Kateri Center.

Catholic Indians Bureau Plans Kateri Conference

The Bureau of Catholic Missions, whose director is Msgr. Paul A. Lenz, has issued its first Newsletter. "Allow the Bureau through the NEWSLETTER to be a clearinghouse for the exchange of information and a forum for the sharing of ideas and experiences", writes editor Darla Fera. The Bureau is located at 2021 H Street NW, Washington, D.C., 20006

Fr. Gilbert Hemauer, Capuchin, is in charge of the task force committee for the Tekakwitha Conference 1978. Responsibilities such as obtaining a life of Kateri, preparation of a para-liturgy on Kateri, and obtaining a picture of Kateri for conference display, have been assigned to committee members.

To assist the committee in securing the above the League Office has sent Father Weiser's life of Kateri and has offered the use of the 16mm film on Kateri's life for the conference.

The dates for the 1978 Tekakwitha Conference are set for August 7-10, more than likely for Rapid City, South Dakota.



CHARACTER SKETCH MONOLOGUES ON THE

THE EARLY YEARS OF KATERI

I was born in the Mohawk Valley at a place called Ossernenon in 1656. It is known as Auriesville, New York near Amsterdam. My father was a Mohawk Chief, and a great man. My mother was a Christian, good and kind. Still I remember little about my own family. and I had a younger brother. They are all gone now. When some of our braves would capture enemy Indians. they were made slaves. and some of them were Christians. I was told that long before I was born there was a Missionary by the name of Father Isaac Joques and also two of his companions who were martyred on the very same hill I was born. They say that Fr. Joques said before his death to some of our people: "YOU MAY KILL ME, BUT IN THE VALLEY OF THE MOHAWKS . CHRISTIANS WILL BE MULTIPLIED. AND IN YEARS TO COME THIS LAND WILL BE KNOWN AS THE LAND OF MARTYRS. AND MANY PILGRIMS WILL COME ON THIS HOLY GROUND."

The name given to me was Tekakwitha, which meant "putting things in order." Later in life I would understand the necessity of order. When I was four years of age the great disease of smallpox came. Many people died with it. .including my mother, father and brother. I too, became ill and everybody thought I would die. .a burial spot was made for me next to my parents. My body burned with fever. .and there were spots on my face. .but my mother's friend, Anastasia, cared for me. .She too, was Christian. I lived because she cared for me. She taught me to pray to the Great Spirit like this: "OH, GOD, I LOVE YOU. I THANK YOU FOR THE BLUE SKIES, GREEN EARTH AND ALL LIVING CREATURES."

We moved from Ossernenon to a place that was free of disease. My Uncle Iowerano, Chief of the Mohawks, adopted me as his daughter and his wife and sister did teach me to sew, mend and work in the cornfields. They say that I was very skilled in making beads for clothing and ornaments. Though I made them I had no desire to wear them.

I would see Anastasia often and she would tell me stories of the Christian God. .of Jesus, Mary and Joseph. I liked mostly to hear of Jesus's love for all mankind and how He died for us.

Some of our people were cruel and often they would put to death the enemy Indians. I would not go near the torture ceremony of captured enemies. My aunts said I was a disgrace among the true Mohawks. They said if I did not decorate myself with beads and assert myself I would not be fit to be the wife of a young brave.

When I was eleven there was great excitement in our village. The wars between the Whiteman and Indians were over. Three Blackrobe Priests came from Canada. Since the government sent them they were received honorably. and allowed to talk of their religion to all Christians taken captive by the Mohawks. They stayed at our longhouse and I served them. If only I had courage to tell them I loved their God. but I knew my family inwardly hated them. so could not. but when they left. I went to my favorite place of prayer. knelt. and said: "OH, RA-WEN-NI-IO, GREAT SPIRIT WHO DIED ON THE CROSS FOR ME AND WANTS ALL MEN TO BE BROTHERS. I WISH TO BE A CHRISTIAN. I SHALL NOT REST UNTIL I AM A CHRISTIAN. OH, MY JESUS, I LOVE THEE. I LOVE THEE. AND ONE DAY I WILL BE A CHRISTIAN. I WILL!"

(END OF FIRST MONOLOGUE)

THE BAPTISM AND ESCAPE TO "LAND OF THE PRAYING INDIAN"

I knew my name TEKAKWITHA meant putting things in order. I wondered how will I ever put my soul in order. Some of my friends became Christian. but I was the daughter of the Chief and it would bring him disgrace. What should I do? When I grew older my people wanted me to marry. My aunts talked about it continually. day after day. They said a brave would be a great help to Iowerano. One day I was helping my aunts and had my best dress on since there were visitors in our area. At supper my aunts gave me a bowl of cornmeal to give to one of the young Mohawk men. I

by Mary-Eunice

NOTE: Further instruction on how Page 6.

was just about to do so. .when I rea gave the bowl to the Mohawk. .it wo I WILL NOT GIVE IT! HOW COUWISH TO MARRY. .NEVER!" The Marry I would not!

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One day I hurt my foot. and becfields, I was told to stay in the long suddenly I saw a black figure. It PLEASE, I MUST SPEAK WITH was called Father James de Lambe St. Peter's.

I shouted: "I WANT TO BE BAP AND LIVE ONLY FOR GOD. I V POURED ON MY HEAD!" He told My relatives called me a Christian understand. It was Easter Sunda received the Sacrament of Baptism which meant purity. I was named a andria who had suffered martyrdom

Now my people were truly angry to work as a slave in the cornfields. thought I would die because of this t escape with two Indian guides. .He Canada.

It was a cold November day whe village. .We took the canoe part of people found out we had gone away Great Spirit was with us all the wa

We arrived at the Mission in Ca greet me. I gave the Priest the lett open it and it read: "WILI TEKAKWITHA?. .YOU WILL SO HAVE SENT YOU. .GUARD HER

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My joy was complete on Christi COMMUNION. I knelt at the little Joseph. God had answered my pra

I was happier than ever before... There were over 500 Indians. of a could hear Mass. recite the Rosar because of our love of Christianity often. Anastasia used to say that a church. and one to the cornfield. Benediction. I was there waiting a ..but God's love kept me warm.

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IFE OF VENERABLE KATERI TEKAKWITHA



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were like sisters. .we became the best of friends. .and did penance together. Many times I would take off my mocassins and say my Rosary barefoot in the snow. I tried not to let people see me do this. .because they might not under stand.

I had met several servants of God. called Sisters. or Nuns. Oh, how I longed to be like them because they were giving their lives for Jesus. I hoped we could have Indian Sisters. I thought: "MAYBE MARIE-THERESE AND I COULD BE SISTERS TOO. MAYBE WE COULD BUILD A LITTLE CONVENT OVER THERE ON THE ISLAND." When we told this to Father Cholenic. he said we couldn't. but he enrolled us in the Holy Family Association. which was for people that loved God and helped others. We were honored to belong. we were able to get other girls to join also. and they called themselves. "KATERI'S BAND." Can you imagine? I thought if I could not be a Sister. I would live like a Religious. and so on March 25, 1679, I made a private vow of virginity. a promise to God that I loved Him above all others and would remain unmarried.

I tried to help the elderly, the sick, and teach the children. There was so much to do. I felt penance was necessary and so I tried to eat little food . Once I heard of a great Saint putting thorns under his mattress and I tried the same. When the Priest heard what I was doing he forbid me to do so. I told him that I did it for the souls that were in purgatory. but promised not to do it anymore. My fastings weakened me. finally I could not walk. I had to stay in bed. Anastasia and Marie-Therese took care of me. I knew I was dying. Soon I would be home with Jesus. My exile would be over! I had given most of my clothes away so Marie-Therese gave me her good dress for the Last Sacraments.

It was on Wednesday, April 17, of Holy Week, 1680. .my friends were all present. I said to Marie-Therese: "NEVER GIVE UP MORTIFICATION ..TAKE COURAGE. .I WILL LOVE YOU IN HEAVEN. .I WILL PRAY FOR YOU."

It was about three in the afternoon and finally the end did come. and I WAS HOME WITH JESUS.

(END OF THIRD MONOLOGUE)

LIFE AFTER DEATH

MY spirit was free! I had escaped the prison of my body. No longer did I have severe headaches, stomach pains. and my vision was fully restored in the spirit. There was complete happiness! My God did truly love me and all souls!

Many people did weep after my death. but they would not if they had known my complete joy. I had come "home" for the Easter celebration. My poor vacant body was on the bed. the pock marks that had been on my face went away. and my friends marveled at it! Some even said it was a miracle! The joy of heaven is the true miracle! Many said that there was a radiance around my body and a smile on my lips. (THAT RADIANCE COULD NEVER COMPARE WITH THE RADIANCE OF HEAVEN. AND OUR BLESSED LORD.)

The Priest said: "KATERI IS NOW A SAINT IN HEAVEN." (Anybody that has lived and died in the state of grace is a saint.)

Many turned out for my funeral. .and somehow they knew I was happy in heaven. .and it was a day of peace and rejoicing.

Some of my people began to pray to me to intercede with God. and before long they reported favors. and even some miracles. Those outside of the Mission said that they too had received favors. and before long they called me KATERI TEKAKWITHA. THE PROTECTRESS OF THE NEW WORLD. and eventually even. THE STAR OF THE NEW WORLD.

It was Pope Pius XII, in January 3, 1943, that declared me Venerable. .and when there are enough prayers. .there will be another step. .and eventually Sainthood in the worldly way. .Some say that perhaps I shall be called. .THE SAINT OF ECOLOGY. .AN APOSTLE OF PRAYER. .All is possible with God.

met a friend, Marie-Therese. We

(END OF FOURTH MONOLOGUE)

NOTES ON **MONOLOGUES**

A monologue is a presentation by one person of a literary composition, a poem or a story. A character sketch monologue presents the life Costumes and apof a person. propriate props may be used in the dramatization.

Mary-Eunice of Mary Productions has prepared four monologues dealing with Kateri's life on pages four and five of this LILY. They have been written especially for youth groups such as Jr. C.D.A., Camp Fire Girls, Scouts, and young students.

In a monologue, Mary-Eunice suggests that one make the audience understand through actions, gestures and the like, what other invisible characters are thinking and doing. The monologist must act and react as though others are on stage with him, listening when they speak, letting their words affect you, allowing your eyes to follow their imaginary movements.

More information about this art and for other scripts may be obtained by writing Mary-Eunice, 58 Lenison Ave., Belford, N.J., 07718.

Navajo Rug

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tom of the rug. Along the sides is an unusual design taken from an old



Gloria Deswood





Mohawk pouch. The straight lines of the design symbolize the original revelation given to man. But in the course of time, this original revelation became diluted with paganism and this is shown with the zig-zag lines. Finally, the Mohawks were introduced to christianity, the crosses in the design.

In presenting the rug Father Cormac Antram, O.F.M., proponent of the project, wrote: "We believe that this rug truly represents the feeling of a segment of the Navajos for Kateri, and hope that knowledge of this holy Indian maiden will continue to spread among all American Indians.'

> BE A SPECIAL "K" PERSON SUPPORT THE KATERI CAUSE. BECOME A **LEAGUE MEMBER**

MARY KOBRZYCKI, LEFT, FOUN-DRESS of Kateri Club in Phoenix. Arizona, introduces the players in Mary-Eunice's "Christmas Star" at two CCD Programs. Above are pictured Mary Ann Benjiovi, Geraldine Cuda, Marian Cuda, Mary herself, Christina Cuda as Kateri, and Don Hermann as Father DeLamberville.

Here is Mary's opening speech: "We would like to welcome everyone here today, and we hope you enjoy the entertainment we have scheduled for you. While the cast is getting ready back stage, I would like to give you a little background information on the Kateri Club, and tell you some of the things we have done this year. At present, there are 25 girls in the Kateri Club, their ages range from 7 to 19. Our spiritual advisor is Sister Margaret Cecilia. Our main purpose is to make Kateri known and loved, and to try to help our members imitate her faith and confidence in God.

As members, we say certain prayers every night, so that Kateri may soon be raised to the honors of sainthood. During the past year, we have had fund raising activities such as rummage sales. With this money we have made contributions to Father Werenfried Van Straten's Aid to the Church in need in missionary areas, and have sponsored this Christmas Program for your enjoyment. We now present "Kateri's Christmas Star."

Also, for members and friends the Kateri Club publishes a bulletin called "The Lily."

TWO MAIN **EVENTS** brought Bishop Stanislaus Brzana, bishop of the Ogdensburg Diocese, among his Mohawk Indian friends. Here he is with the young Indian Princesses when he attended the St. Regis Mission celebration, Dec. 4. to commemorate the 300th Anniversary of Kateri's First Holy Communion. A new carved wooden Kateri statue was blessed for the Mission Church.



The same girls danced at the blessing of the National Kateri Center by the Bishop in September, 1977, Mrs. Laughing Cook, kneeling at the left, is the instructress and led the ceremonies when the bishop was initiated and named Te-ho-ni-kon-ta-Bishop "Bright Mind." Fr. Michael Jacobs, S.J., is the enthusiastic spirit behind the preservation of the Indian dancing.

THE STATE OF THE LEAGUE is

given here by the League president, synonymous with the vice postulator, Father Joseph McBride, S.J. Like a ship needing fuel to keep going so does the League need the power and energy which is supplied by the free-will donations by members and friends of the Tekakwitha League. No high pressure fund raising campaigns, no demands through mailing, etc., are used. With this in mind the state of

Father Egan Falls Leg Muscles Torn

Martyrs Shrine Director, Father Thomas Egan, slipped on ice as he entered St. Mary's Church, Amsterdam, to offer Mass in December.

The fall resulted in painful tearing of muscles around the right knee. To mend, Father was hospitalized for five days, and his leg was set in a large cast.

One would predict that this accident would slow the energetic Shrine Director. Temporarily, yes. Another prediction is that when the Shrine opens this zealous master of pilgrims will be going at his usual pace, in high gear, whether in a cast or on crutches. Providentially, the fall has caused him to get some needed rest.

State of League Reports given by President

the League is excellent and slowly attains its purpose and goals.

RECEIPTS - 1977

For Cause	\$13,533.40
Memberships	$\dots 551.25$
Masses	585.00
Books, Pams	$\dots 527.49$
Statues, Medals.	$\dots 954.98$
Misc	2,781.84
	\$18,933.96

EXPENSES - 1977

Office	\$5,665.72
Printing	1,945.75
Postage	1,931.09
Travel	691.97
Materials	5,746.15
Alms	559.00
	\$16,539.68

SAVINGS & CERTIFICATES OF DEPOSIT - 1977...\$12,863.25



Each heading could be explained further if space were available, e.g., under RECEIPTS "Misc" includes donations received at the National Kateri Center, postage paid, amounts for other promotional items other than listed above; under EX-PENSES "Office" includes wages and maintenance.

In January, 1977, \$1500.00 was put into the Savings Account. This category and the C of D's are the amounts set aside for beatification and canonization expenses.

Through the Center now a reality hundreds of persons have come to know the Kateri Story and through mailings many more Indians throughout the country are now more aware of Kateri. The future requires a larger Center. Cost for this would come from the Savings. A proposal to use some of the Cafeteria space has been made but Shrine Officials must gravely consider this.

EVERY MONTH in Sacred Heart Church, Dayton, Ohio, Anna Rose Balsamo has a mass offered for the canonization of Ven. Kateri. Again, she plans to send a Kateri medal and prayer to all First Communicants as she did last year. Miss Balsamo is a '75 Tekakwitha Award Recipient.

LILY OF THE MOHAWKS 7







DO YOU LIVE HERE ALL WINTER? YES. WHAT'S IT LIKE? THESE PICTURES PARTLY TELL THE STORY. Top left: procession through main gate, Sept. 4, 1977; right, gate 3 months later. Center left: Coliseum amidst snow. Lower left: guests at Kateri Day on lawn; right, same scene 3 months later. Add several more layers of snow because these pictures were taken before the snow really fell. Add, too, blistery winds and chill factors below freezing. Get the picture? This is Auriesville in Winter.





Kateri Tekakwitha League

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