

Newsletter November 1987

Dear Friends,

As we approach the end of our 35th year celebration, "A Legacy of Love" for the mentally retarded and disabled, we offer thanks to Almighty God for His gift of Love to all of us during this year. We fondly recall with gratitude the unique anniversary celebrations – the Art Exhibit – the Reception and Banquet – the Clients' Ball – the Community Appreciation Luncheons in Corry and Union City. Especially cherished in our memory is the Liturgy of Thanksgiving at St. Peter's Cathedral, May 17, 1987. Our special thanks to Bishop Murphy and all of the clergy who joined in the celebration.

The excitement of the beautiful Christmas season is highlighted by the anticipation of the forthcoming events—Family Christmas Celebration, "The Blessing of Christmas" Ball, the Auxiliary Brunch, the Client's Dinner and the children's parties. This year a special meaning will be given to all at these events as Bishop Michael J. Murphy celebrates a Christmas Liturgy with our clients, staff and the Board of Directors at the Barber Center. All the members of the Barber Center Family will be in attendance. As we continue to celebrate the holiday season and to anticipate the New Year, let us work together to ensure that the Center's Mission of Faith, Hope and Love will sustain our handicapped citizens throughout 1988.

Wishing everyone a Blessed Christmas and a Healthy New Year,

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