

Nada Knights Donate \$25,000 For Missionary Church

Father Edward Schoellmann, a native of St. Mary's Catholic Church in Nada, has dedicated his life to the Maryknoll Mission in different areas of Africa. He is presently doing his mission work in the Bukundi area,

a town situated in the northern part of Tanzania, south of the Serengeti Plains. Rainfall in this area is just above desert conditions, yet the local people living in this area engage in agriculture such as farming cotton, maize, corn and

keeping extensive herds of goats, sheep and cattle. Bukundi is rapidly growing with Catholics moving in from surrounding areas. There is a growing interest in religion. Catholicism is one of the major religions people look to. Bukundi and the surrounding area is stated to be a full fledged parish depending on development of the faith among the people and the establishments of supporting structure of a church, parish house, small adjacent buildings for teaching and catechetical staff. An initial church structure of approximately 400 capacity is deemed a beginning stage for the proposed parish in Bukundi.

Bishop Balina of Shinyanago Dioceses has given Father Edward Schoellmann support in starting this project. With the help of St. Mary's Parish, Nada Knights of Columbus, Barnabas Held Council #3371 and many other individual donations, Father Schoellmann will begin his Mission Project. Father Schoellmann has been a Maryknoll Missionary for over 44 years. His first 25 years were spent in Africa in the Ndoelji, Shinyanago Tanzania area and Russia for some years. Father Schoellmann's desire always was to help the poor and needy in the African countries and to help these people to find God in their lives.

Rev. Rhodes Named Minister Of Year

Johnson-Phillip All Faith Chapel presented the 52nd Session of the Annual Ministers' Conference Feb. 2 and 3. The theme was, "Preaching Christ: Restoring Our Faith in Changing Times." The session was held at Prairie View A&M University in Prairie View, TX. Dr. Obie Rhodes was presented with the Minister of the Year Award. Serving as Dean of Chapel was Dr. Charles H. Lewter, IV; Conference Chairman, Dr. Lee Jones, Sr.; and President, Dr. Wright.



Dr. Obie Rhodes

City Council

Continued from front page clinic. They said that the street is quite dark and that because the facility is used 24 hours a day, there should be more light on the street there. Councilman John Young said that he had recently taken a survey around town and counted 25 intersections in the city that do not have streetlights. Council agreed to look into the matter further and see how much putting lights up would cost. It was noted that it appeared there were already poles that could be used at the hospital. Council has turned down requests from residents for lights in the middle of a block in the past. Heard a request for road repairs on Willis Street. Residents said that the gravel road has been torn-up by trucks in the past, but that the trucks do not use the road regularly any longer. Councilman Michael Cooper said that a number of years ago an agreement was made with some residents on the street who drove trucks for a living that they could drive their trucks on the street if they helped maintain the road. City Manager Bill Rankin said that County Commissioner Darrell Gertson has offered some equipment and manpower to

help. -Council gave approval for the annual Lions Club Mop and Broom Sale on the square downtown. -Approved getting an appraisal on a piece of property that the airport is planning to purchase. The cost of the appraisal will be \$1,250. -Received from Police Chief W. E. Lattimore the annual racial profiling report that he is required to compile. He said he felt that the statistics for the city accurately reflect its demographic makeup and that the department had received no complaints of racial profiling in 2009. -Heard from Rankin a brief report on the city's water quality. He said that in light of some recent allegations of water contamination from a company near town, that he wanted to make it clear that the city's water supply is tested and monitored regularly and that the water has not been and is not currently contaminated. Rankin also told council that the Environmental Protection Agency may be interested in helping clean-up the site 320 Church Street. He indicated that they would be coming to town soon to take a look at the site.

Football Stadium

Continued from front page walk all the way around and that there was not much parking on the west side of the stadium. There was also discussion about the placement of the concession stand/restroom as well as the single entrance. Questions were raised about having the fans from both sides entering the same gate. It was noted that many schools only have one gate.

Lanier said that one of the goals with the project was to reduce the number of workers needed for football games. He said that it is difficult to find workers currently and they have to be paid, and that reducing to one gate would eliminate the need for as many people. He also said that moving it to a central location in an end zone would allow those workers to be able to see the field, whereas they cannot at the current facility. The same is true of the concession stand, which the proposal has in the southwest corner so that workers there could potentially see the football, softball or baseball fields.

One board member asked about the possibility of moving the entire stadium to where the current track is located. The architects said that more costs would be incurred moving everything over to that site. While the board did not seem to totally agree on individual details of the plan, they were in agreement that nothing should be rushed into. There was talk of trying to get some aspects of the project done before next season, but that seemed unlikely as the discussion progressed. "If it takes a year to do it right, then we need to do that," said Wayne Bowen. Athletic Director Brad Dumont was at the meeting and the board asked for his opinion on the plan. Dumont said that he really felt that the bottom line is the kids. "It seems like everything being talked about it kind of cosmetic," he said. My interest and concern is what are we doing for the kids. "If it were up to me as a coach, I would spend the money on improving the field and track," he said. "Those two sports have the most participation," he added. In regards to the fence-work, he also said that he felt they needed to find a way to fence in the baseball and softball fields so that

admission could be charged. "We are one of the only schools that doesn't charge at those events," he said. The board did agree to go ahead with the site survey to see if the proposal would work, then discuss the matter in the future and see what changes would be made to the plan.

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