

CELEBRATING 100 YEARS OF SCOUTING

ROBERT P. DeNOON

Robert P. DeNoon of the Brockway area, a deacon in the Catholic Church and a retired career executive in the Boy Scouts of America, was born in 1939 in Meadville, Pa., the only child of the late Robert S. and Phyllis M. Britton DeNoon of Brockway. His maternal grandparents were the late Harry and Marie Britton of Brockway.

DeNoon attended elementary school in Brockway and graduated in 1958 from high school in Lapel, IN, where his father was working for Brockway Glass Co., Inc. He received a BS Degree in history at Anderson University, Anderson, IN in 1962.

As a youth, DeNoon was active in the Boy Scouts, attaining the top rank of Eagle Scout. Shortly after graduating from college, he began a 32-year career as an executive with the Boy Scouts, having served in local Boy Scout councils in Indiana, New York and Pennsylvania, retiring in 1995.

As a member of St. Tobias Church in Brockway, DeNoon was ordained by Bishop Donald W. Trautman of the Diocese of Erie, Pa. as a permanent deacon in 1999. He was then appointed as a contract chaplain at DuBois Regional Medical Center. While assigned at DRMC, he earned a certificate in deaconal studies from Gannon University in Erie a year later and in 2001 DeNoon became a staff chaplain at DRMC.

In 2001, DeNoon was named director of the pastoral care department at DRMC, responsible for coordinating the daily activities of chaplains serving the hospital, along with other ministerial duties.

He is a member of the DuBois Ministerium, the Erie Diocese Deaconal Personnel Board and the executive board of the Bucktail Council serving as council chaplain. He continues to assist regularly in Masses at St. Tobias Church.

DeNoon and his wife, Sue, a retired elementary principal and teacher in the DuBois Catholic Schools, have been married 46 years. They live on the family farm located just west of Brockway established by DeNoon's maternal great-grandparents when they immigrated to the United States from Ireland in 1872. They call it Britton Meadows Farm.

They have two married sons, Rob and Stuart, both of Brockway.