President Kidera and Richard A. Matzek, university librarian, greet the following members of the newly formed University Regional Council (from left): Mr. and Mrs. Robert Murphy, of Fairfield, and John J. O'Keefe, Council president. The organization, formerly known as the Community Associates, has now expanded its aims and purposes to identify more broadly with the University's entire Southwestern Connecticut commuting region.

President Kidera Conducts Campaign to Develop Widespread Public and Private Support of SHU

During the past Fall, President Robert A. Kidera has been meeting privately with various state legislators to discuss the future role and opportunities provided by Sacred Heart University in servicing Connecticut students and community residents.

The President has discussed contributions which the University has been making to better assist Connecticut residents and has reviewed with them the University's 1967-69 Special Report in this connection.

In addition, the President met December 2 with a newly established legislative committee of the SHU Regional Council — a meeting he indicated was highly successful in providing several further opportunities to present the University's case to legislators.

Members of the legislative committee are: Mr. Jack F. Murphy, III, chairman; State Senator J. Edward Caldwell, Francis V. Donovan, Jr., State Senator Thomas F. Dowd, Jr., Attorney Raymond C. Lyddy, Attorney James P. McLoughlin, and State Representative David J. Sullivan.

Private Section Growth

Several recent private contributions totaling several thousand dollars have provided the University with new funds for library debt retirement support and operational assistance.

A University Developmental Council is now working to further expand and strengthen support from the private sector, President Kidera noted. Members of the Developmental Council are: Alexander Hawley and Robert W. Huebner — co-chairmen; President Kidera, Attorney Leonard A. Schine, John J. O'Keefe, the Reverend Monsignor John F. McGough and Attorney James J. O'Connell. Mr. Hawley, Mr. Huebner, Attorney Schine, and Msgr. McGough are members of the University Trustees.

Several events and activities have either taken place or will be planned to increase the total climate for institutional confidence and support, including various alumni, trustee and regional council gatherings.

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Head Start Grant Received by University

A maximum grant of $28,737 for the academic year has been received by Sacred Heart University to administer a supplementary training program for full-time staff members at Head Start centers throughout Connecticut.

Under the training program, the federal government meets tuition and book costs for center personnel who have been working there six months and want to continue their training in a higher educational institution.

Forty-four staff personnel are now attending college on a part-time basis under the program. Mrs. Marian I. Calabrese at the university acts as coordinator for the students aiding them in enrolling at the colleges and solving any academic or related problems they might encounter.

While a Head Start staff member could enroll in just about any course of study at Sacred Heart University for which they meet the admittance requirements, administrators are currently working to establish a course in early childhood development, the curriculum that interests most Head Start staffers heading back to school.

The university will hold the government training program contract until June 30, 1972.

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President Kidera Conducts Campaign

President Kidera indicated that "the growth of such volunteer leadership is becoming an increasingly important factor in the work of the university to expand public confidence and interest through private corporate and individual investment in Sacred Heart University. During the months ahead, it is our hope that an established network of volunteer leadership will be a central factor in our growth and development."

Greater Understanding Noted

The president also noted that his recent contacts with key state legislative officials have encouraged him in many ways and he commented:

"While there are admittedly difficult problems in state revenue raising, I think we are now getting across clearly the point that retaining the use of existing private college faculties and facilities through minimal state and federal aid to both students and the colleges themselves is far preferable to creating any new and more costly additions to our already overburdened state capital budget."

"I do not regard this type of approach as in any way an attack upon the fine work which our public institutions are doing but rather a call for total future higher educational planning based upon all existing resources now available within our state. By making relatively small payments to students and their colleges within the private sector of higher education, the state taxpayers can substantially ease the drain of students to already overburdened public facilities and prevent further mushrooming acceleration of future tax dollars to create additional public facilities. In this way, the Connecticut taxpayer can meet the increased demand for post-secondary study among young people at only a fraction of the total cost for the creation of new facilities, since tuition and private gifts will greatly supplement these efforts."

The president expressed confidence that, "with renewed determination and vigor on the part of all private colleges, Connecticut can have a program of effective aid to private institutions similar to the ones already in effect in many other states."
Seven SHU students were recently named to the annual edition of "Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges." The students were: Miss Marilyn Fuller and Epsilon Sigma Society, the national scholastic alumni association of Catholic women; Miss Avril Aubin, of Bridgeport, who was selected as the university's first four-year evening bachelor's degree; and Mr. Sam Wechter, of Westport, a systems analyst for the Sears Roebuck Foundation.

Two biology students, Rene Sanz, a junior from Bridgeport, and Daniel J. LaBonte, a senior from Putnam, both undertook study efforts investigating the feasibility of a new synthetic process for the preparation of nitriles.

The 72,000 volumes and copies of 760 different periodicals at the university library are accessible to area residents through a free community card system for adult borrowers.

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Forty Spanish-speaking juniors from Bridgeport public and private secondary schools attended conference sessions at the university for three days in December. The students were informed of higher educational opportunities available to them and participated in education majors in an art course were loaned to area residents through a free community card system for adult borrowers.

A gift of $100 has been given to the university to establish a Faith O'Gorman Memorial Fund to assist hospitalized children in memory of the late Miss O'Gorman, a former student.

A two-day management seminar on the "Ineffective Employee" was conducted in November by the department of business administration for area executives and managers.

A mock criminal trial on the possession of marijuana was staged by a business law class with the help of three local attorneys who drew a large convocation crowd December 7.

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Three newly released books on the nature of religion were recently reviewed by Richard A. Matzek, university librarian, in THE NEW YORK TIMES Book Review section.

Two university juniors and one alumnus were inducted into the Delta Gamma Chapter of Delta Epsilon Sigma Society, the national scholastic honor society for Catholic colleges and universities. The students were: Miss Marilyn Fuller and Michael Rampino, both of Bridgeport, and the alumnus was John Walsh of Brooklyn Heights, New York.

Guidance counselors from 65 area private and public secondary schools attended conference sessions at the university for three days in December. President Kidera, John A. Crofzy, dean of students, and William H. Dean, admissions counselor, addressed the guidance personnel.

President Kidera addressed the National Catholic Education Association (NCEA), New England unit, college and university department, at its annual meeting December 11 at Newton College of the Sacred Heart in Newton, Massachusetts.

The university soccer team, The Pioneers, finished its season on November 10 with the best record ever with 10 wins and one loss. The previous season's record had been 7-4-4.

The Sears Roebuck Foundation recently contributed $1,800 unrestricted and $500 restricted for library purposes to the university.

**Seven Students Complete Research Grant Projects**

Seven SHU students who last spring received grants totaling $1,000 from the Connecticut Research Committee have reported on their projects.

Mrs. Janet P. Egan, a senior from Westport, studied religious education and home relationships between immigration and industrial growth.

Daneen Cali, of Fairfield, who has since graduated, did experimental research in psychology involving voluntary control of a physiological process.

Thomas C. Buch, of Norwalk, another graduate, studied relationships between film and propaganda.

John C. Georgette, Jr., of Stratford, a philosophy major, reported on ideas concerning peace and nonviolence.

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Stephen J. Bennett, dean of the college, supervised the efforts and noted that all reports were submitted as directed and met their deadlines. After the first of the year, they will be filed in the SHU library and be available to interested parties.

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**THE PRESIDENT'S CORNER**

"Where We're At . . ." by Robert A. Kidera

President, Sacred Heart University

Most universities have little difficulty in describing their location in terms of geography.

Not all universities, however, can locate themselves easily within the spectrum of American higher education; they are not entirely clear when describing the particular constituencies they seek to serve, nor when stating their educational goals and objectives.

We at Sacred Heart like to feel that we know "where we're at," — on both counts.

Sacred Heart University was founded by the people of Greater Bridgeport and Southwestern Connecticut — and they and their most pressing unmet educational needs — are the continuing exclusive concern of this university. Sacred Heart seeks to do this in the most effective and economical way possible — by making a relevant, career-oriented education available to students in their home community, thus reducing the financial burden to parents of supporting a home-away-from-home, while strengthening the relationship between parents and their sons and daughters at a critical age in their lives.

When Sacred Heart University appeared on the educational horizon, eight years ago, as a faint new beacon, signaling the creation of a new type of college, its primary concern was the innovative task of up-dating the religiously sponsored Liberal Arts college in modern American society. To this was added the emphasis on career-preparation for several special areas.

Today, this concern for career-preparation is broadening, keeping pace with the new, changing needs of local industry, business, government and other social and community agencies. To better identify their needs, the University is in the process of expanding its Board of Trustees, and its Regional Council composed of leaders from all walks of life.

Their guidance and judgment will enable the University faculty and administration to adjust the curriculum to include two and four-year degree programs and special continuing education courses to meet these new or changing needs.

In areas of the arts, the University has expanded its music, its theatre and dramatic productions to include both students and adult area residents, and is refocusing the programming of its radio station WHU-FM to provide a needed thrust towards deepening the cultural taste and sensitivity of the entire area.

This sharpening of the focus of its educational objectives, enables Sacred Heart University to concentrate its efforts more effectively. Together with the leaders of our area, we seek to improve the quality of life and the personal satisfactions of all the people of our part of the state of Connecticut — the people who founded and continue to support Sacred Heart University.

**University News**

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A two-day management seminar on the "Ineffective Employee" was conducted in November by the department of business administration for area executives and managers.

Sam Wechter, of Westport, a systems analyst for Ebasco Services in Manhattan, recently earned his university's first four-year evening bachelor's degree.

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University is Center of Holiday Attraction

Thousands of area residents and students participated in a number of major athletic, dramatic and musical activities at Sacred Heart University during the holidays.

The varsity basketball "Pioneers," with an outstanding 7-1 December record in pre-New Year play, ranked third in the SHU 1971 "Holiday Classic" by defeating Clark (87-78). Rated one of the top smaller college teams in the nation, the quintet also defeated Pace (97-84), Babson (110-70), C. W. Post (76-74), American Int. College (96-90), and Lehman (87-75). SHU stopped Bowdoin (82-58) and lost to Wesleyan (76-71) in the Classic.

Performances of the award winning Broadway "Cabaret" production by the SHU drama players brought several thousand to campus during various nights in December. Patty Hemenway, an English major, played the lead role and Claude I. McNeal directed the undertaking. The group received a great deal of attention throughout the Summer and during the Fall because of their highly successful "Cabaret" Theater series.

The Most Reverend Walter W. Curtis, chairman of the SHU Trustees and Bishop of Bridgeport, was among an overflow audience attending a Renaissance Concert by the music department November 21. This concert and another holiday undertaking December 5, both under the direction of Leland R. Roberts, filled the University All-Purpose Conference Center to capacity.

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