

Goodhue gymnasium to open with public ceremony May 11

The Children's Aid Society will dedicate its new gym at Goodhue Center, New Brighton, on May 11, Helene Zarembler, Goodhue's director, announced yesterday.

State Sen. John J. Marchi and Borough President Gaeta will speak at the dedication which will begin at 2 p.m.

Named for Sarah Holzka, a New Brighton resident who died two years ago and was a member of Goodhue's advisory committee and a Children's Aid Society trustee, the new center will feature a 12,665-square-foot gymnasium, locker rooms, an industrial-sized kitchen, a movable stage and bleachers that will allow the space to be converted into an auditorium.

Mrs. Zarembler said that workmen, who began building the one-story gym a little more than a year ago, were putting the finishing touches on the kitchen.

Mrs. Zarembler explained that while she had not yet completed a schedule for use of the gym, "We hope to get involved in all kinds of programs. I have a feeling we are going to be inundated once we open," she remarked with a laugh.

At Goodhue, the Children's Aid Society maintains a pool, an administrative building and residences for youngsters on a 47-acre wooded tract of land in New Brighton.

During the school year, there is an after-school and Saturday program of athletics and arts and crafts. During the summer, the grounds and pool are filled with summer day camp youngsters, usually about 800 of them.

People who use the gym will first become members of Goodhue, mainly for insurance purposes, Mrs. Zarembler said.



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