Pageant raises money for John Price memorial scholarship

Joel’s “Piano Man,” a popular song choice with the crowd, who quickly joined him in singing along.

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Expert makes recommendations for child welfare reform

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reach and reach their developmental ability.” Unfortunately, as he illustrated with the example involving the children from Philadelphia, many children are not being helped by the system. It is just giving them new, different problems.

Gelles concluded his argument by reiterating the point that the goal of the child welfare system should not be simply to blindly look and place children back down to six finalists for the question and answer part of the program. Questions, like the rest of the pageant, were light-hearted and good for a laugh, such as, “Who would you rather go out with, Mary Anne or Ginger?” and “If you could hypnotize anyone, who would it be and why?” After listening to all the answers and tallying their scores, the judges awarded Simmons the title of Mr. Holy Cross.

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