

Scholastic Notebook

# Cramer Wins Award

By John Doser



Mike Cramer, 18-year-old McQuaid senior, received the first annual Vincent T. Lombardi Memorial Plaque, awarded to him at McQuaid's fall sports banquet.

Mike, a member of the Knights' harriers for four years, captained Coach Bob Bradley's running crew to one of its best seasons ever including championships in the Diocesan Tournament and the Jesuit runoff in New York City.

The Lombardi plaque will be awarded each fall to the cross country performer who best typifies "the devotion to his faith, his sport and his team that marked the greatness of Vince Lombardi," the late head football coach of the Washington Redskins and formerly the Green Bay Packers.

Other cross country awards at McQuaid went to junior Ken Sigmund for Most Improved and sophomore Joe Crimi as Most Improved During Season.

Although McQuaid won the diocesan title, the Catholic League championship went to Aquinas and the Irish placed three of its runners on the All-Catholic team chosen by coaches. From Aquinas—senior Bill Fox, junior Dan Ambrose and sophomore Sean McGuinness; from McQuaid—junior Dick Sheridan and sophomore Chris Horton; from Bishop Kearney—junior Kevin Hanna and senior Darrell Youngman; Honorable Mentions — John Hurley, Dave Lane (McQuaid); Dave Conover, Tom Hoerner (Cardinal Mooney); Greg Fox (Aquinas).

IT'S EARLY OF COURSE, but Aquinas is in another dogfight with the Comets from Rush-Henrietta. This time it's basketball and the Irish have the upper hand.

Coach John Uriah's cagers blasted ND of Batavia in their opener and ran roughshod over McQuaid in their first City-Catholic League encounter — beating the Knights by 20 points after leading 40-14 at halftime.

Rush-Henrietta, considered by many as one of the top five clubs in the Greater Rochester Area, was beaten in its opener by a surprising Brockport team on its home floor.

Aquinas was atop the D&C ratings in that newspaper's second poll of coaches. Monroe, Edison, RH and Webster followed. Things may have changed by now.

Cardinal Mooney, coached by Ed Nietopski, lost its starting five plus a couple of others, but managed to nip Kearney in its C-C opener.

Mooney was rated 10th in the D&C poll and although Nietopski calls his old club, Brockport, a real sleeper, it's his own Cardinals who may prove to be just that

Danny Panaggio, whom Nietopski compares to Doug Farrell, now at Niagara, is the youngster who makes his Cards go. "He's a money player," Ed claims, obviously reflecting the success in winning of his dad Mauro at East, R-H and now Brockport State. Can't expect anything else — it runs in the family!

TWO CATHOLIC SCHOOL gridders made the Greater Rochester Football Team sponsored by the Times-Union and Democrat and Chronicle. They were Bishop Kearney's Tom Snyder and Aquinas' Mark Schmidt.

Snyder, considered by many as the best all-around player in the area, totaled 1,091 yards on offense, made 81 solo tackles, assisted on 73 others, broke up 21 passes and intercepted five others. Snyder scored seven TDs and seven PATs and is the first player ever to make All-Catholic three times.

Schmidt spent all last year as a blocking back for Greater Rochester teammate Rich Russo but did manage to pick up a few touchdowns. He totaled 1,007 yards in 90 carries and scored 58 points. He missed the only game Aquinas lost this year. He was All-Catholic twice.

## CYO Basketball

St. Bridget's looms an early favorite in the Grammar School Basketball Division with impressive victories over St. Lawrence and Our Lady of Mercy.

The CYO Basketball League is using the St. John Fisher College gym Sunday mornings.

Sunday, Dec. 20, 1970, games were played at the following gyms: CYO Auditorium, CYO Gym, St. Theodore's, Good Shepherd, St. Charles, St. Jerome's, St. Stanislaus, St. Thomas More, McQuaid, Good Counsel, St. John Fisher, St. Joe's Penfield, St. Monica, Holy Cross, Cardinal Mooney.

The league will have a full slate of games Sunday, Jan. 3.

## Kearney Bowlers Upset Mooney

By TOM O'NEILL

In the fourth week of Catholic High School league bowling, Bishop Kearney keggers upset previously unbeaten Cardinal Mooney, 6-2. Mooney's record as of Dec. 3: 26-6; Kearney's, 8-24. M. Cashion of Kearney had a 221 single game, and team mate Art Gladfelter followed with 210.

Aquinas trounced McQuaid 8-0, rising to within four points of first-place Mooney. Pete McCracken led the winners with a 591 series. Lyle Beach of Mooney continues to roll highest scores in individual games and series.

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