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STANDINGS SPORTS SCHEDULES

CITY-CATHOLIC BOYS BASKETBALL

	W	L
East	6	1
Madison	5	2
Edison Tech	4	2
Cardinal Mooney	4	3
McQuaid	3	3
Monroe	3	4
Franklin	2	4
Bishop Kearney	2	4
Aquinas Little	0	6

Games Friday
Monroe at Aquinas, 3:45 p.m.
Edison Tech at McQuaid, 8:30 p.m.
Franklin at Bishop Kearney, 8:30 p.m.
Madison at Cardinal Mooney, 8:30 p.m.

Games Saturday
East at McQuaid, 8:30 p.m.

Games Tuesday
Bishop Kearney at Edison Tech, 3:45 p.m.
Aquinas at Franklin, 3:45 p.m.
Cardinal Mooney at Monroe, 3:45 p.m.

CITY-CATHOLIC BOWLING

	W	L
East	9	0
Edison Tech	8	1
Bishop Kearney	7	2
Charlotte	6	3
Aquinas	6	3
Franklin	6	3
Cardinal Mooney	5	4
Monroe	3	6
Jefferson	2	7
McQuaid	2	7
Marshall	0	9
Madison	0	9

Games Thursday, 4 p.m., North Park Lanes

McQuaid vs. Bishop Kearney; Marshall vs. Monroe; Franklin vs. East; Aquinas vs. Charlotte; Edison vs. Mooney; Jefferson vs. Madison.

MONROE COUNTY BOYS HOCKEY

North Division

	W	L	T
Webster	7	1	0
Aquinas	4	2	1
Irondequoit	4	2	2
Eastridge	1	5	1
Fairport	1	5	0
Bishop Kearney	0	6	1

South Division

	W	L	T
Penfield	5	1	1
Pittsford	5	1	1
McQuaid	5	1	1
Brighton	2	4	0
Rush-Henrietta	1	6	0

Games Saturday
Brighton vs. Aquinas, Noon, at RIT
McQuaid vs. Webster, 1 p.m., at RIT
Penfield vs. Bishop Kearney, 2 p.m., at Lakeshore
Irondequoit vs. Rush-Henrietta, 4 p.m., at Lakeshore
Eastridge vs. Pittsford, 6 p.m., at Lakeshore

Games Tuesday
Fairport vs. Aquinas, 6 p.m., at Lakeshore

CITY-CATHOLIC BOYS SWIMMING

	W	L
McQuaid	6	0
Marshall	5	0
East	5	0
Aquinas	4	1
Charlotte	2	3
Harley-Allendale/Columbia	2	3
Jefferson	2	3
Edison Tech	2	4
Monroe	2	4
Madison	0	6
Franklin	0	6

Meets Thursday
McQuaid (H) at Jefferson, 3:45 p.m.
Marshall at Edison, 3:45 p.m.
East at Harley-Allendale/Columbia, 3:45 p.m.
Aquinas (H) at Madison, 3:45 p.m.
Franklin at Charlotte, 3:45 p.m.

Meets Tuesday
McQuaid at East, 3:45 p.m.
Aquinas at Marshall, 3:45 p.m.
Jefferson at Monroe, 3:45 p.m.
Edison at Charlotte, 3:45 p.m.
Harley-Allendale/Columbia at Franklin, 3:45 p.m.

CITY-CATHOLIC BOYS WRESTLING

	W	L	T
Bishop Kearney	2	0	0
McQuaid	1	0	0
East	2	1	0
Madison	1	1	0
Franklin	0	1	0
Cardinal Mooney	0	1	1
Edison Tech	0	2	1

Matches Wednesday
*Greece Arcadia at Cardinal Mooney, 3:45 p.m.

Matches Thursday
Madison at Franklin, 3:45 p.m.
*Jefferson at Bishop Kearney, 3:45 p.m.
McQuaid at Edison Tech, 3:45 p.m.
*Aquinas at Monroe, 3:45 p.m.

Matches Saturday
McQuaid at Cardinal Mooney, 8 p.m.
Edison at Charlotte, 1 p.m.
*Bishop Kearney at Eastridge, 8 p.m.

Matches Tuesday
*Marshall at Madison, 3:45 p.m.
*Cardinal Mooney at Jefferson, 3:45 p.m.

*Non-league meet

Photo by Susan McKinney

Pattina Puninagool takes time out to do research at Mercy's resource center.

Mercy's Touch of Thailand

By JOAN M. SMITH

While we look out our window and grumble at the snow, a young lady from Thailand takes great delight in its frigid beauty. In fact, Rochester's initial storm in December was the first snow Pattana Puninagool had ever seen.

Pattana, an exchange student who attends Our Lady of Mercy High School, is from Udorndhan, Thailand, where the temperatures range from 84 degrees in Summer to 40 degrees with rain in Winter. Her home town is one fourth the size of Rochester, so her lasting impression of the United States will be its spaciousness. "It's a big country," she exclaimed.

Pattana, the youngest of five sisters and three brothers is residing with one of her sisters and family who live in the town of Greece. When Pattana first started school here she found, "it very different, and I got so confused." She didn't stay confused long. Mercy classmates, and faculty all adopted her, and made her feel at home. "Everyone accepted me," she brightly declared.

With fellow classmates taking her in tow it didn't take her long to become Americanized. She confided her favorite hobby was dining in good restaurants. 'Her favorite food — steak, tossed salad and baked potato!

Pattana, a junior, is taking early graduation, and after commencement will return to Thailand for college. Asked about her future she acknowledged, "I would perhaps like to be a secretary or work in a bank."

According to Pattana, there are few differences in U.S. and Thai educational systems. The school days in Thailand are longer. They begin at 8 a.m. and end at 4 p.m. with an hour break at mid-day. "There is no free time at all," commented Pattana. One unique difference is in the educational facilities. In Thailand, it is the public schools which separate male and female students — the private schools are co-educational.

During her stay in the United States Pattana has discovered American girls have more freedom then girls in Thailand, especially in dating. She explained that in Thailand if a boy asks a girl for a date the parents have to consent — if they don't, it's no date!

Though Pattana will miss Mercy and her classmates she is anxious to go home. "I'm homesick," she wistfully said, but smiled when asked if her boyfriend back home was the reason for it.

Mercy will certainly miss their young lady from Thailand. Her warm sincerity, and graciousness has endeared her to everyone out on Blossom Road, especially the teachers who refer to her as "Our Pattana."

Mary Quinn

Speak Out

Americans Are Too Ethnocentric

Weekly a diocesan student will be invited to speak out on issues as he or she sees them. RapAround through this feature hopes to present student opinion on provocative issues.

By MARY QUINN
Bishop Kearney

Until recently, "ethnocentricity" was just another "e" entry in my alphabetical list of vocabulary words. I hardly realized that such a word was in reality a common American practice.

Ethnocentricity is defined as the belief that a particular race or nationality is superior to all others. Unfortunately, many foreigners feel that Americanism and ethnocentricity are synonymous.

The only relief in the situation is that we, as Americans, do not realize our faults. We do not fully understand the narrowmindedness that we convey.

Unknowlingly we place American values on everything. In England, we are Americans; the English are foreigners. "In France, they just don't to it right." Actually the "it" doesn't matter; rather it is the "right." Since when does Mr. Webster define the right way as the American Way?

The problem lies in our inconsistency. We are the first to complain of pollution, inflation, and government — and rightly so. It's the old "our economy is failing, but at least we place our forks on the right side of the plate" syndrome.

Why are we so surprised to enter one of the few European shops whose salesmen do not speak English? How many American stores would be able to serve foreign customers? Yet Americanism has invaded so much of foreign life styles and markets that a European business man can't make it today without a knowledge of English.

Perhaps people throughout the world have decided that if you can't beat the Americans, join them.