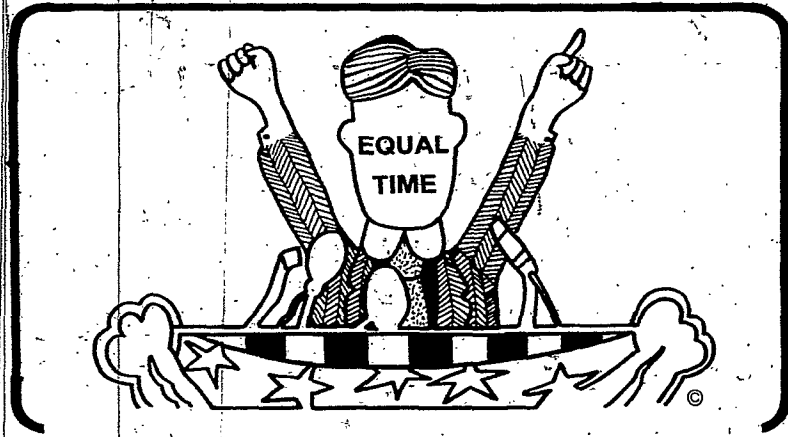


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As a young adult in today's world what are your three main worries?

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Lisa Ventura, freshman, church youth club

"I'm worried about getting a job because they're hard to find. I worry about making it to college, and whether we're headed for a depression or war. I think most young adults worry, especially boys. They worry more because they have more pressures in getting jobs and supporting families."

Sue Onorato, senior, cheerleader

"I worry about college a lot — both financially and socially. I'm worried about after college, whether I'll be successful, and choose the right career. I also worry about getting along with everyday financial problems in our present economic situation."

Kenny Visco, freshman, music club

"I worry about getting my homework done, especially after being sick — getting caught up on school work. I worry about the Spring musical practices. If I'm getting to know the lyrics and dance steps. I worry about keeping in touch with my old friends and being able to make and relate to new ones. I think the majority of young adults do worry."

Karen Doebelin, junior, dancing lessons

"I worry about boys. Also about what I'm going to wear to school each day. I worry about my school work. I hope I'll pass everything. I do think young adults worry, but it's different kind of worry because we're young. Our worries haven't hit the big scale yet."

Chris Lavin, sophomore, varsity basketball

"My school marks are the most important thing I worry about because I have college to look forward to. Then there is my athletic career — to improve my ability in basketball, and then I worry about having a good social life with my friends outside of school."

Dawn Felice, senior

"I worry about not being successful in a job after I get out of high school. I also worry about having enough money for necessities like clothes. The shoes have me worried — that the fashion world will make them go flat instead of the high platform."

Peter Tiberatore, junior, baseball

"I worry about the Regents exams. I'd like to pass them so I can go on to a good college. I worry about my job at McDonald's because of layoffs. Also, I worry about my car payments plus the insurance which is quite high. The young adults worry less today because the pressure is on the parents."

Louie Ventura, sophomore, varsity football

"I worry about my future plans, what I'll do after college. I'm worrying about my driver's test that I will be taking in a few weeks, and also finding a job for the Summer. There isn't too much in the line of work, and I need to work to carry expenses."

A Folk Mass in the Making

By JOAN M. SMITH

Creative inspiration comes at weird times. Just ask Frank Pettrone, a sophomore at Aquinas Institute.

Frank who has composed a new folk Mass which will be presented during the 10 a.m. Mass at St. Anthony's on April 20 is not immune to the capricious nature of the creative mind.

When Mary Dutera, director of the St. Anthony's folk group, decided a musical change in the weekly folk Mass was in order it started the artistic wheels turning in Frank's mind. As in all creative processes, faint images appear in the mind's eye, and will only materialize into concrete ideas in their own good time.

With Frank it was about one in the morning when his ideas began to form into musical notes, chords, and lyrics. Ideas came in a rush and he proceeded to put words and music together. The finished product — a folk Mass complete from the opening hymn to the recessional.

"It's (the music) beautiful," exclaimed Mary Dutera, "and the songs are great."

Frank has been a member of the folk group for five years, and



Photo by Susan McKinney

Frank Pettrone concentrates on a new musical composition.

has written other songs which have been incorporated into its repertoire such as "Mary Whispers," and "That Special Love."

Frank is quick to give credit where credit is due, especially to his music teacher, Edward Rizzo, who taught him the musical theory needed to transform his musical ideas into written scores, and to Mary Dutera who acts as a sounding board for his compositions.

Though he hopes to pursue a medical career, Frank will continue with his music. "I couldn't stand a day without music," he said. When at home he is either playing the guitar or has the stereo turned on.

What are his preferences in music? "Rock," he stated, and named Chicago, Deep Purple, and Black Sabbath as his favorite groups.

Asked if there was a connection between the rock and folk sound he explained, "I think it depends what feeling you get from each. In rock, the music has

the feeling. In folk there is a lot of feeling in the words."

Everyone is looking forward to hearing Frank's music — his grandparents, and especially his parents who he exclaimed, "are more excited than I am!"

As for nervousness, Frank doesn't become jittery too far ahead of the performance, but on that day he'll have butterflies. Those, however, along with the nerves and anxieties will evaporate in his enjoyment of playing for people, and giving them the satisfaction of listening to music — his music.

Vote Signup Continues

Registration of high school students who will be 18 by election day, Nov. 4, is continuing at Monroe County schools.

The signup will take place April 22 at Cardinal Mooney; April 23 at McQuaid; April 24 at Mercy; April 25 at Nazareth Academy; and April 30 at St. Agnes and Bishop Kearney.

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We need suggestions and invite criticism. From all indications, RapAround has gotten off to a successful start. We are pleased but need your help to keep it improving.