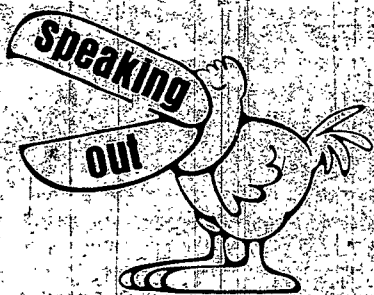


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With the season of college applications coming to a close, for many high school seniors, and a long period of waiting now facing them, many candidates for college admissions sit and ponder as to their chances of acceptance into the college of their choice.

Panic, worry, and anxiety are only a few of the emotions felt during this wait. Grades and college boards are a big worry. But maybe, just once in the academic world, marks are not everything. Ambition and hard work constitute the makings of a respectable mark in this world.

Too often the college-bound high school student thinks that if his marks are low, he will never gain acceptance to college.

Colleges seek the student with ambition, diligence, and perseverance, as well as high marks. Extracurricular activities are a significant part of the high school record. Of course, an excellent academic record is important, but straight A's alone are not too impressive. If a student is truly intelligent, talented, and gifted, he should be able to perform effectively in both academics and extracurricular activities.

For the most part, colleges look

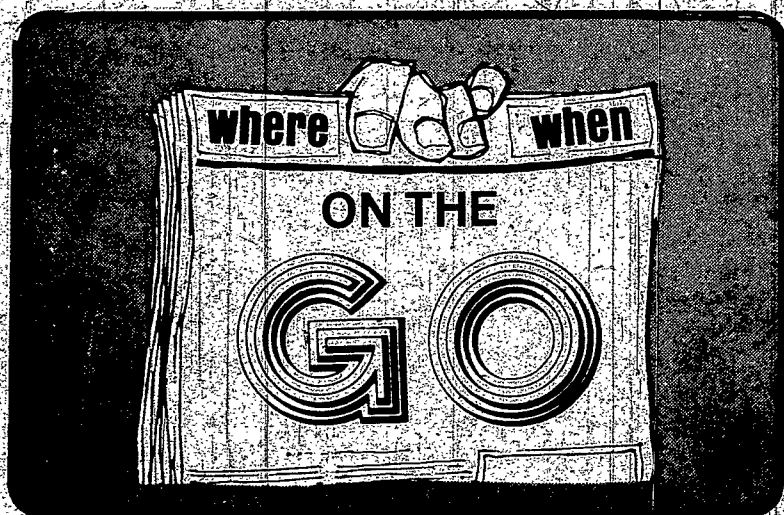
for the well-rounded individual and the admissions office can determine that person only by examining the applicant's extracurricular activities and his recommendations.

Another important but sometimes overemphasized subject is the college board. These are required for admission to many colleges. Yet, really, how important are they? Character, ambition, and perseverance cannot be determined by four hours of examinations.

Recommendations are in some ways more accurate than college boards. They tell about the student's character.

These comments are meant in no way to put down the straight academic student and the student who scores high on college boards. These achievements are commendable and are not reached without hard work and hours of study.

But the student who chooses to participate in extra-curricular activities and who is not able to achieve the straight A average through hard work and hours of study is worthy of equal consideration.



AQUINAS:

Saturday, Jan. 17—Student Council "sock hop", gym, 8 p.m.

Tuesday, Jan. 20—Annual Parents' sports boosters dinner meeting, cafeteria, 6:30 p.m.

BISHOP KEARNEY:

Saturday, Jan. 17—Fathers' Club painting party.

Monday, Jan. 19-21—School exams.

CARDINAL MOONEY:

Tuesday, Jan. 20—Faculty meeting — early dismissal.

MCQUAID:

Wednesday, Jan. 14—Parent-Teachers meeting, 7:45 p.m.

Saturday, Jan. 17—Parents' Club Winter Dance.

NAZARETH:

Thursday, Jan. 15—No classes; faculty meeting; Parents-Teachers meeting.

ST. AGNES:

Wednesday, Jan. 14—Parent-Teachers meeting.

Thursday, Jan. 15—No school — Inter-school faculty meeting.

Wednesday, Jan. 21—Feast of St. Agnes; assembly — Junior ring ceremonies.

OUR LADY OF MERCY:

Monday, Jan. 19—Advisory board meeting.

Tuesday, Jan. 20—Faculty meeting.

Talent Show
The Nazareth Academy Student Council presented a talent show on Friday, Jan. 9 for the student body. Kathy Amesbury entertains with lively guitar strumming.

Photo by Susan McKinney

McQuaid Grad Named Coach

Jim Duffy Hickey, a 1971 McQuaid Jesuit High School graduate, and an alumnus of St. Bonaventure University has been named assistant swimming coach at the U.S. Military Academy at West Point.

In his new position, Hickey will assist head coach Jack Ryan in planning training schedules, coordinating recruiting, and coaching Army's junior varsity swimming team.

While attending McQuaid, Hickey set the school's swim record in the 200-yard individual medley and the City-Catholic swim record in the 200 and 400-yard freestyle. As a senior, he received the "University Award" given to the scholar-athlete of the year by McQuaid coaches.

Hickey set eight St. Bonaventure swimming records in freestyle, back stroke and individual medley during his four years of competition. He also was a member of a St. Bonaventure relay team which set two school records and one Upper New York State Swimming Association mark.

BK to Present "Showtime 76"

Bishop Kearney High School parents are preparing their 10th anniversary presentation* of "Showtime 76" which will be performed on Jan. 29, 30, 31 and Feb. 1.

More than 40,000 people have attended these performances which feature spectacular stage sets, a 40-member pit orchestra, and top notch soloists and choruses.

This year's presentation will be a tribute to the music of Richard Rodgers which will include scenes from "Carousel," "Oklahoma," "Sound of Music," and scenes and music from "A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum."

All proceeds go to the Emergency Tuition Fund which aids orphaned students.

Tickets are \$3. For reservations 342-4000 should be called.

A Little Soft Shoe

Michelle Murray trips the light fantastic with rendition of "Million Dollar Baby."

Photo by Susan McKinney

DeSales Plans Pilgrimage

Geneva — The Feast Day of St. Francis DeSales will be no ordinary day at DeSales High School in Geneva.

On Jan. 23 a pilgrimage is planned which will include students, faculty, administrators, and any of the public who wishes to attend.

The pilgrimage will begin at 10 a.m. from DeSales High School at 90 Pultney St. and will travel through the city to St. Francis DeSales Church at 180 Exchange St.

A special liturgy will be celebrated by Monsignor John Eill and Fathers William Leone and Gennaro Ventura.

Youth Education On Smoking

The week of Jan. 11-18 is National Education Week on Smoking. The students from Aquinas, Bishop Kearney, Nazareth and Mercy who comprise the Youth Against Cancer Committee will have special displays in their respective high schools. They will also distribute literature on smoking in all health classes.

AQ SPORTS BOOSTERS

The second annual Mothers and Dads Sports Boosters dinner will be held in the Aquinas Cafeteria at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 20. Speakers will be Moody Johnson, Aquinas wrestling coach, and Tom Connorton, varsity wrestling coach at Irondequoit High School. Reservations should be made by calling the school, 254-2020, by Jan. 16.