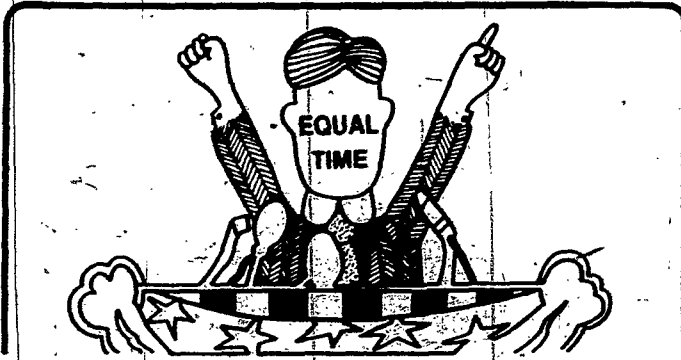


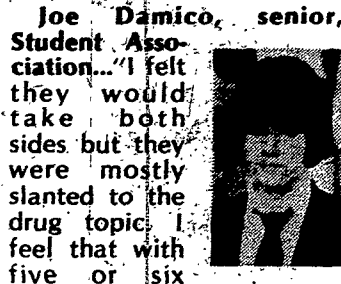
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What did you think of the Channel 8 news story telecast?  
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**Tom Passaretti, senior, Stage Manager...** "I thought while watching it, the report was bad and very slanted. I have this thing about irresponsible news-casting whether written or on TV. I was angry and upset. At the very least there should be a public apology and a personal one to Brother Stoldt."



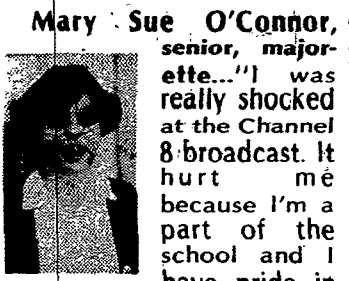
**Joe Damico, senior, Student Association...** "I felt they would take both sides but they were mostly slanted to the drug topic. I feel that with five or six students in a room for a half hour you can't get into a problem and get it straight. It's good to be open about problems but not use given information out of context."



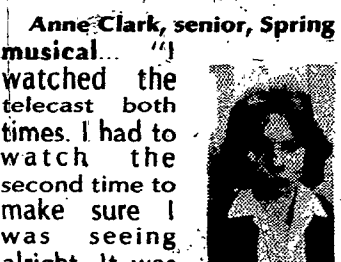
**Scott Hickey, senior, Lighting crew...** "I feel it was a put down to the school by a reporter who went to the school and must have had a grudge. I feel he had a preconceived idea of what he was going to do. He came here under another reason and then started on the drug problem. It was funny that they would focus on something like this."



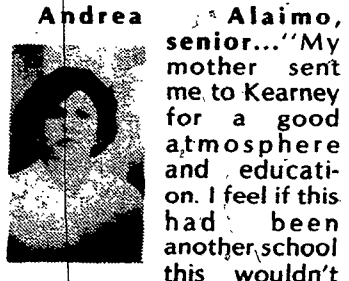
**Lydia Riopka, senior, twirling...** "I was shocked when I saw the first broadcast so I watched again at 11 o'clock and this just isn't true. I've gone here four years and I've never been aware of the problem being so severe. I was pretty upset about the way they would show Brother Stoldt and then flash to the kids, trying to make it look like they were contradicting each other."



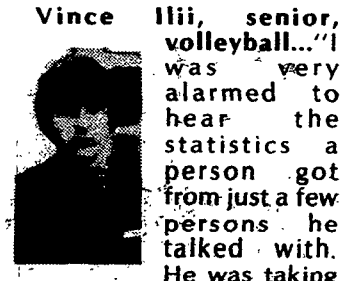
**Mary Sue O'Connor, senior, major-ette...** "I was really shocked at the Channel 8 broadcast. It hurt me because I'm a part of the school and I have pride in the school. I couldn't see why they couldn't have reported the good in the school. When I saw it I immediately knew it was a put down on the school. We couldn't believe it. I think it's good to be open about social problems but this feature wasn't good, it was exaggerated."



**Anne Clark, senior, Spring musical...** "I watched the telecast both times. I had to watch the second time to make sure I was seeing alright. It was really hard for me to believe. I've been here for four years and I feel the problem isn't equal to what Channel 8 portrayed it. I think we were slapped in the face. It came across as that on TV. I feel he (reporter) should have checked out his statistical facts before he aired it."



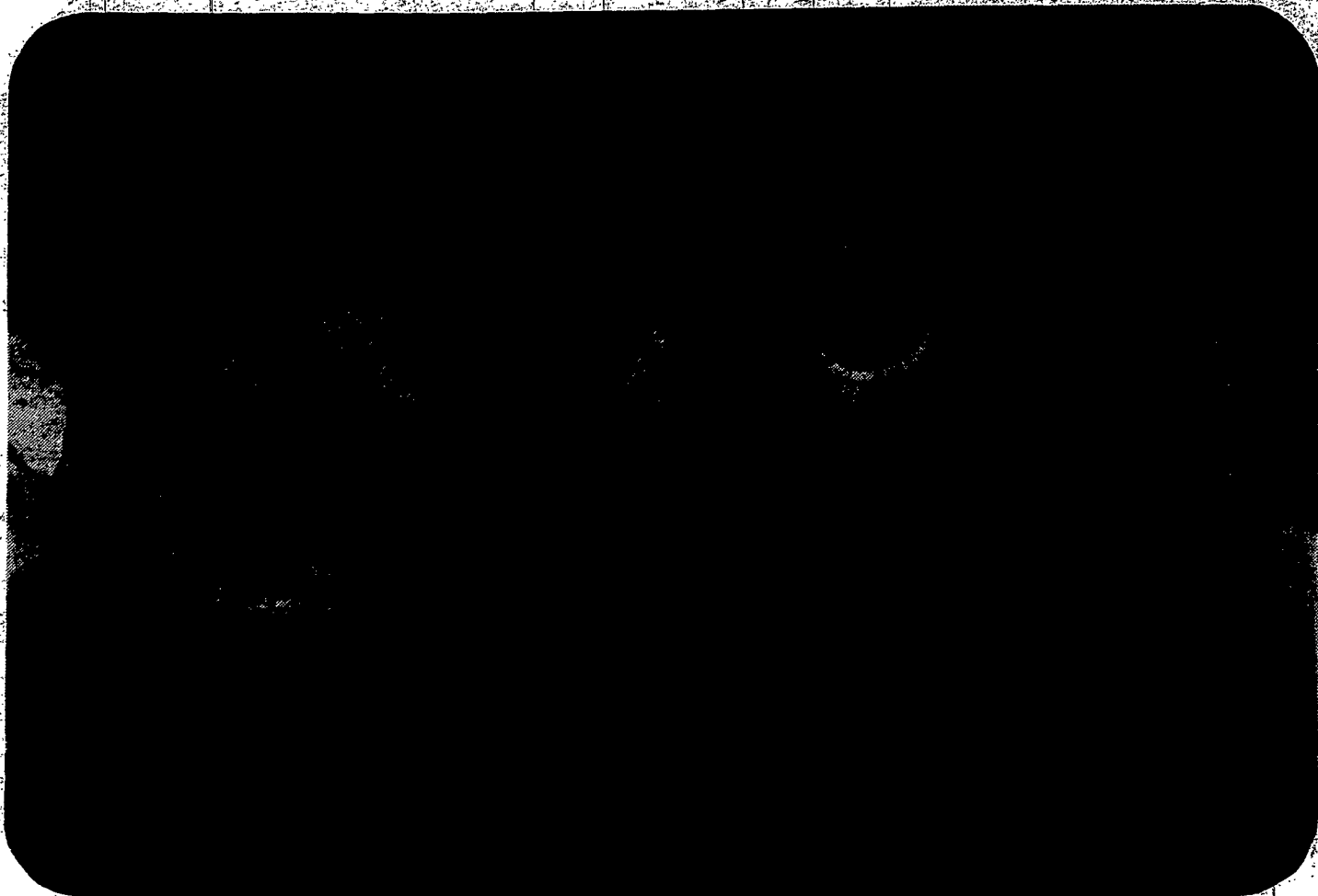
**Andrea Alaimo, senior...** "My mother sent me to Kearney for a good atmosphere and education. I feel if this had been another school this wouldn't have been made a big deal but because it is a private school and BK it was a different story. Yes, I feel it's good to be open but the news media has exploited the issue with exploding the statistics. I feel they wanted a big news story. Brother Stoldt and the faculty know everything about what goes on. They're not walking around with blinders on."



**Vince Ilii, senior, volleyball...** "I was very alarmed to hear the statistics a person got from just a few persons he talked with. He was taking advantage of the situation...taking advantage of the kids themselves forcing them to come up with statistics. That is an awfully high statistic. How can you run a film strip about this and leave out important parts. They seemed to have focused on the negative side. It is definitely good to be open about problems."



**Claron McFadden, sophomore, band...** "To put it bluntly we were misrepresented. Not that we're perfect but it was blown out of proportion. I've been here two years and certainly am not aware of there being such a problem."



## Winner's Circle

RapAround weekly will run a photo of a group of students taken somewhere in the diocese. One person will be circled and if that person brings the clipping to the Courier-Journal before noon of the Tuesday following our publication date, he or she will receive \$5. This week's photo was taken at DeSales High School during an assembly. The person circled above should bring the clipping to school office to be forwarded to Joan M. Smith, Courier-Journal, by noon, Tuesday, March 29 to receive \$5.

## Mooney Faculty To Play Pros

On Friday, March 25 at 7:30 p.m. there will be a basketball game at Cardinal Mooney High School, sponsored by the Student Council, between the school's faculty and the Silver Wheels.

The Silver Wheels are a traveling squad of paraplegics led by Handicap Olympic Weightlifting champion,

Gary Genthner who directs the offense and leads the team in assists. Guard Steve Barbato who averages 21 points a game is complemented at forward by Eddie Herzig. John Schwartz, Lou Lucchessi, Len Strom and Jon Faber round out the Silver Wheels' roster. Proceeds from the event will go to the Silver Wheels and the Cardinal Mooney athletic program.

## Nazareth Offers New Course

A new Hispanic Cultures elective will be offered at Nazareth Academy next year. Directed toward profiles of countries of Hispanic background selected by student interest and choice, this course will focus on the folklore and fine arts of Hispanic peoples.

Individuals and groups active in Rochester's Hispanic affairs will be contacted as special resource people.

## St. Agnes Hosts Visitors

It was reported that half the fun on Little Sisters' Day at St. Agnes High School, March 16, was watching the reaction between younger and older students. Quicker to raise hands than their older sisters or friends, the younger seemed happy spending a day in a new school.

One such student, Michele Smith, eighth grader at St. Boniface, enjoyed seeing the results from mixing chemicals in the chemistry class.

## Piano Enthusiast

On Sunday, March 13, Cardinal Mooney senior Ronald Blankfield performed in concert with the other 17 artists who won this year's Howard Hanson Award.

Ronald received the award in competition held at the Nazareth Arts Center in February. His competition pieces included preludes by Bach and Chopin and a composition by Bartok.

Ronald, who also plays the trombone, began taking piano lessons four years ago

after a year of picking up the basics on his own. His interest came about when his family stored a piano for friends, and now has expanded into a musical career which includes Ithaca College where he will major in Music Education.

His favorite music is that of Bach and the Romantic Period. He spends three hours a day practicing and this is in addition to his weekly music lessons. In his spare time he has developed the hobbies of photography and woodworking.



Cardinal Mooney's National Scholarship Merit Finalists Jim Gendron and Pam Biracree.



Ronald at the ivories practicing Chopin. He takes lessons at the Hochstein Music School.

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