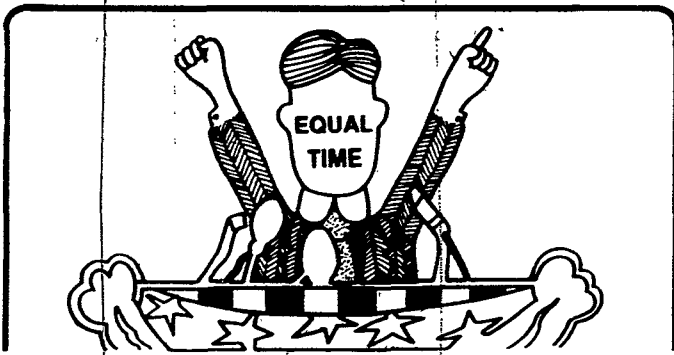


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How important to you are your English classes?
BISHOP KEARNEY

Shirley Johnson, volleyball team . . . "I think English class is very important because it helps you in school especially in the other classes. It helps you to communicate with other people. I've learned a lot in the course. Four years of English courses isn't too much because each year you are learning. English has helped me in writing letters. I'm more conscious of the grammar and how I compose a letter."



Linda Wisniewski, junior, frisbee club . . . "I find English very important in my life because it gives me a background in grammar. It helps me with my letter writing and also in understanding what I read. I feel reading is the most important part of English. Another reason English is so important is because I plan to go into language and communications and it's important to know English before you go into another language."



Ginny Foss, junior . . . "I think English is important as it gives you a well rounded background, and you can use it no matter what direction you go in later life. I like the English literature classes because I enjoy reading."



Linda Szpiler, junior, color guard "English is basically your whole life as it helps with communication. English Literature extends your knowledge and makes you aware of what goes on. You become informed about other cultures."



Cindy Pasch, junior, tennis . . . "I think it's important in later life because you learn to express yourself. But in high school English you have the same thing over and over during the three years. I would think being able to write well is the most important part of the subject."



Mary Anne Brugnoli, junior, ski club . . . "I think English class is important. It helps me in Spanish especially in the grammar part. I think we need all four years of English. Basically knowing how to write well is the most important."



Chris Ellsworth, junior, drum corp . . . "I think it's important because it teaches you how to communicate with other people. I'm taking college English next year and I feel it's a constant learning process. You are learning whether you are in class or not. You certainly use it every day of your life. As far as the English classes go, if it weren't for the class I probably wouldn't read as much as I do. The stories we're reading I've heard about but I wouldn't have taken the time to read them."



Karen Farina, junior . . . "I think the English classes are important because you have to talk and write English all your life. And you have to write well to get anywhere because it makes an impression. I enjoy the English classes because I'm learning quite a bit. I especially enjoy English Literature because I gain an understanding about what I read."



Garage Sale May 7

The Women's Guild of Cardinal Mooney High School will hold a garage sale on May 7 from 10-4 p.m. at 800 Maiden Lane. Donations may be brought to the school anytime Friday, May 6 or call 663-2499 or 225-5939 for pick-up of large items.

Proceeds from the event will go to the school's Guaranty Tuition Fund. Co-chairing the event are Mrs. Robert Chambers and Mrs. Richard Lanphere.

Dance Into Spring

The Aquinas Institute Band Boosters Club will sponsor a Spring Dance in the school cafeteria on Saturday, May 7 at 8:30 p.m. Music will be by Ed Voit. The dance is open to parents, alumni, and friends. A buffet will be served.

Tickets are \$3.50 per person and can be reserved by calling Carm Julianello at 671-4661 or Olga Carroll at 473-3563.

Ethnic Awareness

In recognition of Nazareth's ethnic student diversity the school has devoted this week to numerous activities projecting the various cultural backgrounds.

The cafeteria menu is highlighting different ethnic dishes each day. Students are holding baked food sales featuring their favorite specialties. Also there will be an assembly where students will present dances, songs and literary readings reflective of their cultural backgrounds.

Junior Award Finalists

Nazareth Academy junior, Sara Ann Solaun has been named one of the nine finalists in the annual Junior of the Year Award sponsored by the Notre Dame Club of Rochester. These juniors were selected from nominees presented by 21 high schools for their academic ability, and outstanding participation in extracurricular activities in their schools, parishes and the civic community.

The finalists accompanied by their guidance counselors, were guests of the Notre Dame Club at a breakfast on April 30. Through personal interviews the Junior of the Year will be selected and recognized at the Club's annual Notre Dame Night.

Mercy Swim Team Starts Off With Big Splash

By JOHN DOSER

It took a little while for Mercy High to get into the swim of things, but now that they've been at it for a few weeks, two out of three victories in their first three meets hasn't dampened any enthusiasm.

At least that's the observation of Mercy swim coach Tom Hay who should know what he's talking about. He's with some 19 Mercy girls each morning from 6:30 a.m. until 7:45 a.m., during practice sessions at Perkins Swim Club, Penfield.

"I give these girls and their parents an awful lot of credit for making the sacrifices in order to have a swim team at Mercy," Hay explains.

Actually, Hay is sacrificing, too. He's doing his thing as head coach without compensation because he's currently a physical education student teacher from Brockport State who's student teaching assignment at Penfield High (and occasionally some Penfield elementary schools) keeps him in the Penfield school system from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m.

As a student teacher (he's a senior at Brockport) Hay can not accept pay for coaching and Sister Cathy Pflugar, Mercy's athletic director, must be credited with making a sharp, although possibly short-term, investment in finding Hay as coach.

Almost 40 girls turned out for initial Mercy swim team meetings according to Hay, but after he explained that morning practice sessions

were to be the vogue, team membership dropped to under 20.

Sister Cathy put together a five-meet schedule and Mercy topped Madison and Franklin before losing to Eastridge in its first three meets.

Two others remain — Monday, May 9 at Monroe and Tuesday, May 10 at Spencerport, both 3:45 p.m. starts.

Hay breaks his team into categories by events. His best backstrokers include sophomore Kathy Smith and freshmen Therese Siebert and Jean McDermott; his top breaststrokers are junior Gail Maloney, sophomore Theresa Riedmann, and freshman Erin Sheehy; his best butterflyers are sophomores Barbie Rath, and Julianne McGowan and freshman Mary Beth Pulsifer; his top freestylers include seniors Meg Schnorr, Judy McVeigh, Sue Laiosa, juniors Erin Siebert and Wendy Kastner, and freshman Molly Meath.

There are no divers and Hay laments the automatic forfeiture of eight points every meet, but he says there hasn't been time, and there won't be time, to find a diver.

Therese Siebert, McGowan, Pulsifer and Sheehy constitute his heavy artillery and are among his most consistent double winners.

Siebert usually wins in the backstroke and individual medley events; McGowan and Pulsifer are usually on top in the freestyle and butterfly events; and Sheehy can be counted on

to win most of the breaststroke and freestyle events. All four comprise Mercy's fairly strong relay teams, Hay adds.

Mercy's swim season started March 14 and will officially end May 10, but Hay expects some of his swimmers to qualify for Section 5 competition

The Mercy girls' swim team will hopefully grow and improve with time, Hay anticipates, and he looks forward to next season when most of the team returns.

Clean Up Project

On Saturday, May 7, the parents and students of Geneva DeSales High School will combine forces in the annual Spring Clean Up Day. The program is directed by Pete Arthur, a member of the Board of Trustees and chairman of the building and maintenance committee. Sister Patricia Flass, vice principal and school maintenance coordinator, will assist in preparing job descriptions.

A Comedy Surprise

The Performing Arts Club of Aquinas will present their spring production, Surprise, on May 13-14 at 8 p.m. in the school auditorium.

The play is directed by Father Edward Heidt and the cast will include actresses from area high schools. Tickets may be obtained at the door on both nights.

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