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Winner's Circle

Rap Around 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 McQuaid during a sport assembly. The person circled above should bring the clipping to Joan M. Smith, Courier-Journal, by noon, Tuesday, Oct. 4 to receive \$5.

A Step Toward Award

Cardinal Mooney senior, John Cuckovich, has been named a semifinalist in the National Merit Scholarship Program. He will have an opportunity to continue in the competitions for 3,900 Merit Scholarships to be awarded in the Spring of 1978.

He also serves on the Parish Council.

At Mooney he has been a member of the cross country team and this year is working at Wegman's on Mt. Read Blvd.

Tentatively, he is thinking of attending the University of Pennsylvania where he will pursue an Economics and Applied Science degree.

To be considered for scholarships, John must advance to finalist standing by meeting further requirements. These requirements include being fully endorsed and recommended for scholarships by the principal, school presenting school records that confirm high academic standing, and substantiating his high qualifying test scores with equivalent scores on a second examination.



JOHN CUCKOVICH

John is a member of Our Mother of Sorrows Parish, plays in the folk group, is chairman of the Teen Committee and is treasurer of the Legion of Mary group.

Kings Look to C-C Title

By JOHN DOSER

Bishop Kearney High School may make more noise in the City-Catholic football league this season than it has in a long, long time.

In their opener, for example, the Kings whipped Crosstown rival Irondequoit, 34-14, rolling up an extraordinary total of 465 yards rushing, including 113 in the air.

The 465 resulted from some long runs like Craig Cotroneo's 96-yard kickoff kickoff which opened up the second half and gave the Kings a 20-0 lead over the Indians.

Cotroneo, the BK starting quarterback, also put the ball in the air 13 times and connected on seven; running back Alvin English totaled 101 yards in 22 carries and scored on a 36 yard trip around end; and John Gaskin, another running back, hit paydirt twice on runs of 12 and three yards.

Cotroneo and English are seniors; Gaskin is a junior.

Last weekend the Kings collided with Aquinas in a game some observers already billed as the C-C Division One title scrap — a theory totally dismissed by BK Coach Don Della Vella who insists his team plays one game seasons.

(Kearney lost 21-7).

In other words, Della Vella's troops intend to play their tough 1977 schedule which includes former state champion Vestal Nov. 4 at Vestal one game at a time.

"When you play nine one-game seasons, no one game is the outcome," Della Vella says.

He obviously considers Cotroneo, McQuaid, Gaskin and Mooney as division heavyweights and is optimistic to the point where he admits the

current edition of Kings' gridders is one of his best ever.

Last year the Kings finished 6-3, best yet in the school's grid history, and were ranked seventh or eighth in the local coaches poll.

This season the Kings were ranked ninth in one local poll and sixth in the other — trailing such awesome elevens as Rush-Henrietta Sperry, Fairport East, Rochester, Webster Schroeder and Aquinas.

Besides Cotroneo, whom Della Vella says can do everything, and English, and Gaskin, Della Vella has another trio of running backs he rotates in the "starting backfield."

There's also Paul Guadagnino, a junior, Mike Lins, a senior, and Phil Oberst, a senior and brother of former All-Catholic center Dan Oberst from the 1965 BK squad.

With six starters in the backfield, Della Vella concedes BK does indeed have a seasoned back foursome.

On the offensive line are left end Steve Malak, another senior, John Mica a senior tackle, Mike Clawson, a 6-foot, 200-pound guard, Tom Abraham, a junior center, right guard Randy Bouchard, a senior, right tackle Mike Bonachowski a strapping 6-3, 215-pound senior, and split end Mark Intini, another senior.

A lot of BK gridders go both offensively and defensively, Della Vella says.

"We're just hoping our backups become starters pretty soon — we're hoping they come along," Della Vella says.

Kearney numbers a lot of running backs, and many play defense as well.

The Kings' linebacker corps goes both ways as does much of the starting offensive line.

Brian Haas, a junior, plays one of the defensive end spots, Chris Kausch, also a junior, plays linebacker besides backing up Cotroneo at QB. Kevin Clancy is a backup junior defensive guard and a starter on some occasions. Mike Giordano starts at a defensive line position and is also a junior.

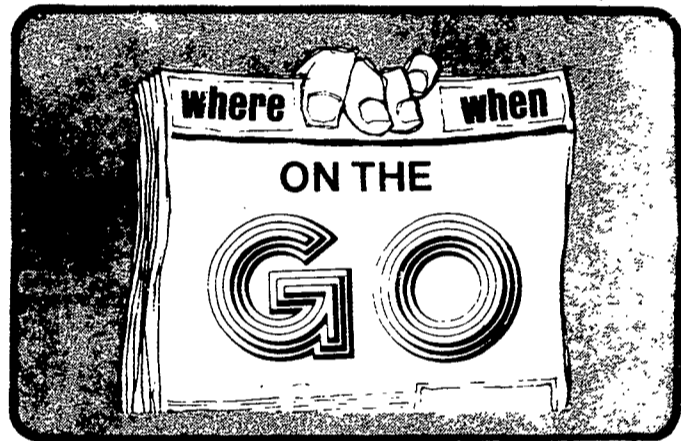
Eric Kolb, another junior, and Rick Verduyse, a senior, will also see plenty of action as defensive backs.

according to Della Vella.

The Kings meet Mooney, East, Madison, McQuaid, Franklin, Vestal and Marshall in their remaining games.

The Kings haven't been in the thick of a City-Catholic title race since 1970 when they managed to split a pair of games with the Little Irish.

Della Vella must believe he's got something cooking at the Kings Highway campus — you just don't go out and schedule former state champion Vestal unless you do.



AQUINAS

- Thursday, Sept. 29 — Yearbook pictures
- Friday, Sept. 30 — Student Council election of homeroom representatives
- Sunday, Oct. 2 — Adult-junior bowling tournament
- Monday, Oct. 3 — Band Booster meeting, 8 p.m.

BISHOP KEARNEY

- Monday, Oct. 3 — Christmas Boutique
- Tuesday, Oct. 4 — College Information Night at Irondequoit High School Junior Achievement presentation, 8:30 a.m.

DESALES

- Thursday, Sept. 29 — Freshman class visit Brookwood the RC&I Brookwood Station
- Friday, Sept. 30 — Class of 79 school rings
- Sunday, Oct. 2 — Walk for Hunger
- Monday, Oct. 3 — Faculty Day of Reflection at Highview
- Tuesday, Oct. 4 — Freshmen-parents day

MCQUAID

- Monday, Oct. 3 — Early college applications due in office
- Wednesday, Oct. 5 — Faculty meetings, early dismissal, 1:30 p.m.

NAZARETH

- Thursday, Sept. 29 — Band practice, rm. 402, 3-4:30 p.m.
- Tuesday, Oct. 4 — Final chocolate drive collection

NOTRE DAME

- Thursday, Sept. 29 — Testing, ninth grade
- Friday, Sept. 30 — Liturgy, 8:45 a.m.

OUR LADY OF MERCY

- Thursday, Sept. 29 — AP senior English visit to Stratford, Canada
- Friday, Sept. 30 — Christian Action Movement dance
- Wednesday, Oct. 5 — Christian Action Movement leadership meeting

ST. AGNES

- Thursday, Sept. 29 — Play try-outs, 3-4:30 p.m.
- Friday, Sept. 30 — Shareholder's Day, 12:30-2:30 p.m., Student Senate dance, Fat City playing, 8 p.m.
- Monday, Oct. 3 — Senior Bazaar Day and homeroom



Candy Mascots

Nazareth students Geraldine Amadio, freshman; Linda Sortino, senior; Caroline Pierce, junior; and Esterilla Williams, sophomore, display the stuffed animals which will be awarded as mascots to the homerooms that achieve the highest daily quotas during the candy sale. Eight tons of chocolate were delivered to the school on Friday, Sept. 23. Sale will continue to Oct. 4.