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## DeSales Roundup

By DAN NINESTINE

Sixteen returning lettermen set the stage for the 1977 season of the DeSales Saints.

"We have a great bunch of guys and we are eager to learn but we are inexperienced and we have a little polishing up to do before we meet up with Lyons and Red Jacket." Those were the words of All League Tackle John Sroka and other football minded people seem to agree

Two of those returning lettermen include All League players Dave Eddy and Tim Tapscott, co-captains. On the offense at center, Eddy will be flanked by either Cliff LaVoie or Dave Bero, both third year varsity players and Steve DeRaddo will man the guards. Tom Ninestine and Sroka will nail down the tackle positions. Tapscott, Paul Van deMortal and Dan Ninestine will be at the receiving end of quarterback Mike Bradley's

passes. All are veterans and seniors with the exception of Tom Ninestine.

Mike Riley, called on to start last year as a junior and who scored 10 touchdowns, will be back at fullback with third year player, John Quethera, a junior, as his running mate. Senior Greg Adams will start at slot back and Greg Graham will be the backup signal caller.

Defensively, the Warf Rats, as termed by Coach Harry Furman will have Eddy, Adams, Riley, junior Aaron Laqutara, Bero and LaVoie as linebackers. DeRaddo and Ninestine, backed by Sroka, or soph Tim Driscoll, or John Eddy will man the tackle positions.

Holding things down at the ends will be sophomore Bob Taney, Dan Ninestine, Van deMortal and Tapscott. Rounding out the defense is the secondary consisting of sophomore Bill Maher, junior Bill Knight, Joe Emmi,

Quethera or Bradley.

Coach Furman said, "Boys here at DeSales have got a reputation for winning and win they do!"

In the last three years the Saints have lost only five games; the last two by a matter of 26 and 18 seconds, respectively, which have cost them the championship both times.

"Whoever can beat DeSales will win the league," proudly says utility man Cliff LaVoie.

DeSales practices in the local ball park and had to practice behind the right field fence until the Geneva Cubs finished their season. However, things are looking up for the Saints this year. Through the funds raised by a circus and car washes, new game jerseys were purchased.

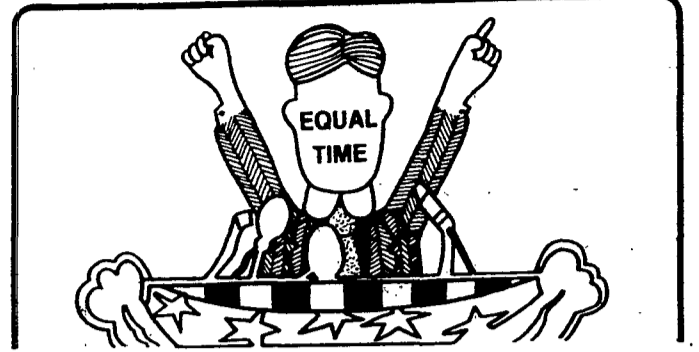
Probably the toughest game for the Warf Rats will come when the rest of the student body is enjoying Homecoming. The Saints will battle Lyons (Oct. 8) who are picked to win the Wayne-Finger Lakes Western division. DeSales is picked third.

## Events Include Parents

Freshmen and their parents joined the Nazareth Academy faculty on Sept. 14 for Freshman Parent Night.

Sister Mary Jean, principal, explained the philosophy and procedures of the school, explained points of common interest and concern and asked for mutual cooperation so that the students could receive the best possible education. Freshmen teachers were on hand and officers of PATON (Parents and Teachers of Nazareth) were introduced by Don Lupiani, president of the organization.

Other parent gatherings planned for the coming year are: Open House, Sunday, Oct. 30 which provides an opportunity for parents, junior high students, educators and the general public to have an inside look at the school; and on Nov. 17, parents are invited to trade places with their daughters to participate in an ordinary school day, meeting their teachers and discussing with them some of the expectations that will make their educational program most beneficial.



## Should the U.S. turn the Panama Canal over to the Panamanians?

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Dianne Dobbins, senior, member of Swytkh... "No. I think we should keep it because we paid all that money to build it and it is important to our military status. Of course Panama demands it because it is in their country and the government feels it has a right to the Canal."



Joseph Connor, senior, drama... "Yes. I think we should turn it over but should control the running of it and advise them because they don't have enough technical people to operate it. Giving it to the Panamanians will help with our relations with the Latin American countries."



Doug Schneider, senior, varsity football... "We should keep it because it is good for our economy as well as theirs. If we don't control it the other countries in South America might seize it and block our shipping. It is vital to us for military purposes."



Mike Sofia, senior... "No. We should keep it mainly for military purposes because if we give it to the Panamanians they might prevent us from using it. They could strangle us economically by charging us more to use it or preventing us from doing so."



Karen Walker, senior... "We should give it to Panama because it is useless to us. It is old and can only be used for certain size ships. It can't accommodate the huge oil tankers. If we turn it over it will improve our relations with the Panamanians and if we do it right away there shouldn't be any trouble. I think President Carter's treaty will pass."



Joseph Siconolfi, senior, CYO basketball... "I think we should own it so that it will stay open for everyone. We put all our work into building it why should we give it away. If we turn it over, the Panamanians in time might say we can't use it. I think Carter will have problems getting the treaty passed. If we don't give it to them there will be trouble. Panama will protest but we own it and we should hang onto it. I think the problems could be solved if we brought in more Panamanians to work in the Zone."



Pattie White, senior... "We should give it to Panama because it will show that we are trying to keep peace and achieve better relations with Latin America. We're putting ourselves on the spot because they could prevent us from using it but if it helps our foreign relations then it's a good chance to take."



Mary Balcerak, senior... "I think we should keep it so that it stays neutral and everyone can use it. I have a feeling that if we turn it over to the Panamanians they could very well stop us from using it. I think, however, that President Carter's Panama treaty will be passed and we'll have to turn it over."



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High school is a time of friendship, learning, accomplishments, and disappointments along with many other experiences. If you look at these experiences you have to wonder what makes them so great or so bad? Well, in most instances it is the classmates who surround you. At the high school level, friends mean a lot to kids. There are the kids that are insecure with themselves and they want to be accepted by those around them. Often they are the wise guys of the school and by making fun of people they find security. This type of student can embarrass and hurt a man. Although afterwards he might feel bad for putting someone down it is too late, the damage is done.

Next there are the followers. These people haven't yet developed their personalities. They tend to go along with the crowd. The followers have many feelings and ideas inside but they aren't strong enough to say them in a group. Sometimes it just takes one open person to relate on a one-to-one level with the follower and he might become strong. If kids could just honestly communicate, without being mocked, personalities would come out from hiding and individuals would appear. Too many kids have images they have to uphold. Instead, if the barriers were broken down, they could find the beauties of a friendship. There is nothing better than to see a whole class that gets along together.

A group which is hard to understand is the kids who don't do anything. Is it that they are too scared to talk or don't they care? In a way,

these students are good. They never say anything bad about anyone, spread false rumors, or make fun of others. How much better it would be though, if they contributed to their class. They must have good ideas in their heads and if they contributed them, their goodness would grow.

The last group is the outgoing group. These kids do things not only for their school, but for others. They honestly care about the kid who is two lockers down. It is this group who try to bring the followers out their shell. They are proud to go to their school. Why? Because they put something into it. Instead of being 'cool' and putting down their school, they talk it up. They are liked by their fellow classmates because of the kindness and concern they show.

In general, high schoolers worry about calling girls or going out with boys. It is natural for this to be a big problem for them. Adults just brush it off as a trivial problem, but to the high schooler, it is the end of the world if he gets turned down for a date.

Usually not until your senior year does your character develop enough to say this is how I am. I'm not going to be someone else to impress you. When this happens you realize the beauty of high school. Guys can all go out and have a riot. They know there is a close bond. Girls open up and form a big family of loving sisters. Girls and guys go out and fall in love. Best of all though, you start to find out who you really are and grow into men and women.

## Adult Education Scheduled

Nazareth Academy's Fall Adult Education program will begin Oct. 4. A series of eight classes will be held Tuesday evenings, 7:30-9:30 p.m. from Oct. 4 through Nov. 22.

Course offerings will include Sister Kathleen Weider's The Bible, a message for today; Sister Marie Lawrence's Clothing Construction; Sister Delores Anne's Beginning and Advanced Typing; Sister Helen Weber's Gregg Shorthand Refresher.

Pre-registration by mail is required; deadline date Oct. 1. For additional information or a registration form, call the school office (458-2350) between 8 a.m. and 3:30 p.m.

## DeSales Notes

Geneva DeSales High School held its first Fall Festival, Sept. 16-18 and according to Edward Tracey, principal, it was a success.

"Even though the weather was against us," he said, "we surpassed our goal of \$5000."

He also discussed the new opportunities being offered the students this year through an expanded field trip program. It will begin on Sept. 29 when the freshmen, accompanied by Sister Patricia Flass, will visit the RG&E Brookwood Station. On Oct. 22-23 the whole student body will embark on a trip to Toronto where they will visit the Science Center and Ontario Place.



## Crazy Hats

A freshman family picnic, sponsored by the Parents' Association of Our Lady of Mercy High School was held Sept. 18. Activities included a family bubble-gum blowing contest, homeroom challenges at volleyball, balloon games and dodge ball. A special feature was the Crazy Hat contest which was won by Luciana Pautz, Brenda Plonsky and Kathy Bunce.

## Into Metrics

According to a report in the New York State Education Department's Inside Education, 95 percent of the world's population is now using the metric system of measurement. Because of this fact, business and industry are changing to metrics to compete in the world market.

"The Metric Conversion Act of 1975 encourages the change to metrics and education must follow."

prepare students for the world of the future," emphasized Gordon M. Ambach, commissioner of Education.

The State Education Department recommends that measurement in the educational programs be predominantly metric by June 1980. Teachers are encouraged to use some metric measure in their classrooms now.