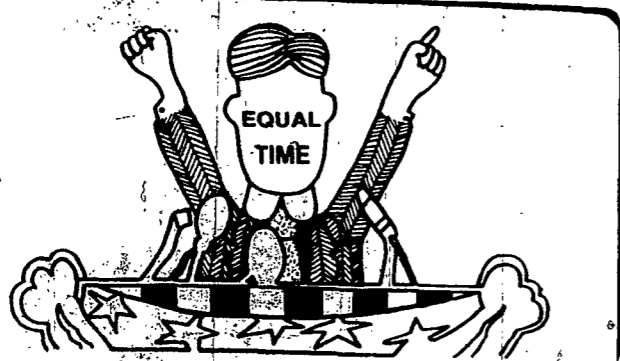


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What does Lent mean to you?

CARDINAL MOONEY



Sharon Hammill
senior
Ski Club



Shawn Duffy
junior
band

"It's a time when people should reflect upon how much Jesus did for us when he was on earth. I don't think people are giving up things as much as they are doing things for people during the Lenten season. This year I'm going to try to do something special for someone who is in trouble in order to fulfill my Easter duty. A special service I would like to see during Lent would be something like what we have during the Christmas season — food baskets."

"I think Lent should be important to every individual because God gave his life for us and we owe him a lot. It should be up to the individual to sacrifice as long as he understands why he is sacrificing. People don't understand the historical facts or symbolism behind the rules. Perhaps during the six week Lenten season emphasis could be put on explaining to the people the importance of Lent."

Homes Away From Homes

Mark Gilbert, from McQuaid, lived in Nyack, New York last year and attended Albertus Magnus High School which is the size of McQuaid but a co-educational facility. He found the people of this community, not far from New York City, to be outgoing with relaxed and pleasant attitudes. According to Mark, living so close to the "big apple" with its array of museums, theaters, concert halls, art galleries, "You can always find something to do."

hometown's friendliness, cosmopolitan atmosphere and the well known Corning Glass Works.

To Dennis, the advantage of living in different communities away from home is that the individual becomes accustomed to making decisions.

Mark has also lived in Albany and been to San Francisco where he wouldn't mind living.

"It's a clean city," he said. "Has lots of culture."

He particularly enjoyed Fisherman's Wharf and emphasized how the climate differs from the East.

His personal thought about living in various communities is it has made him aware of people and the different types which make up our society.

Mark's classmate, Dennis Cushman, is a native of Corning, N.Y., and has lived in Rochester four years. He leans toward big city living and zeroed in on Washington D. C. as a place where he would enjoy living.

"I've always been impressed with Washington. It's a city where you're exposed to an urban environment."

He has found living in Rochester an interesting experience and though he comes from a smaller community, (he estimates Corning's population at 17,000) he emphasized his



MARK GILBERT



DENNIS CUSHMAN



Photo by Susan McKinney

Nip and Tuck

Bart Shuler, number 30 for Monroe High School, attempts to block a shot by Bishop Kearney's Randy Lockhart, 45, during basketball action at Monroe Jan. 31. Lockhart was the game's high scorer with 22 points, but Monroe broke Kearney's halftime lead of 38-33 to win 66-64.



Mary Ellen DiPasquale
senior
National Honor Society



William Birecree
senior
wrestling team

"I think Lent nowadays has more personal meaning to the individual than when the rules were stricter. I think it's better at least for me because it makes me realize what Christ has done for us."

"I think Lent means that we should make sacrifices for each other — rather than giving up things because giving up things is meaningless. I think as you grow older you become more aware of what the Lenten season means."

Artistic Competition

Entries from over 130 junior and senior high schools in Central Western New York State are being catalogued in preparation for Sibley's Scholastic Art exhibition. Winners will be announced on Feb. 9 and the exhibit will open to the public in Sibley's downtown store's Ward Gallery, Feb. 11.

Area Catholic schools whose art classes have submitted entries include: St. Joseph's Villa, Aquinas Institute, Bishop Kearney, St. Agnes, Our Lady of Mercy, St. James, Cardinal Mooney, Geneva DeSales, St. Ambrose, Our Lady of Perpetual Help and McQuaid.

According to Loretta Neuhardt, director of the show, more than 1800 entries have been received at the Gallery. Among them are: photographs (including photo portfolios), textiles, sculptures, paintings (all media), print making, graphics, pottery and jewelry.

Honors will include: Hallmark nominees, best of show, five junior awards, an opportunity award, craft awards, Kodak Medallions of Excellence, blue ribbon finalists, red ribbon winners, college scholarship nominees and recognition.

Scholastic Art jury will include: Luvon Sheppard, Director of All of us Art Workshop; Kurt Feuerherm, art educator; Jack Wolsky, art educator, State University College at Brockport; Philip Bornarth, chairman of Fine Arts Department, Rochester Institute of Technology; Betsy Brayer, art editor, Wolfe Publications; Jackie Schuman, art reviewer, Channel 21; Thomas F. Insalaco, Community College of the Finger Lakes; Joyce Fisher Robards, creative workshop, Memorial Art Gallery; Sister Magdalen LaRou, art educator, Nazareth College of Rochester; Max U. Lenderman, Rochester Institute of Technology; Hans Christensen, Rochester Institute of Technology.

Potpourri

St. Agnes is inviting Moms and Dads to a couples enrichment program on Feb. 12.

The BK Marching Kings are preparing for their Rome adventure, March 15-23.

Nazareth students are sharpening their wits for the annual College Bowl competition, Feb. 16.

The McQuaid community is working on the March Bash event while Mercy is beginning its plans for the school's Mission Days in March.

Aquinas Junior Wins State Contest

Mark Foley, Aquinas Institute junior, took first place in the New York State Voice of Democracy Oratorical Contest held recently at Rockefeller Center, New York City. The event was sponsored by the Veterans of Foreign Wars and Mark will now go on to the national competition in Washington, D.C., March 3-8.

Mark is a three year veteran of Father Stephen Martin's Aquinas debating team and he thoroughly enjoys the challenge.

"I love to speak," he confided, "and the bigger the audience the better I like it."

His oratorical career has not only been successful — 1977 winner of the New York State Knights of Pythias Contest, 1976 winner of the New York State Optimist competition — but lucrative. In winning the Monroe County and State Voice of Democracy contests he received scholarships for \$250 and \$2,000 respectively. National scholarship awards range from \$5,000 to \$15,000.

Was he nervous waiting for the coming event?

"I wouldn't say nervous," he smiled, "just anxious."



MARK FOLEY

Stamp Results

Our Lady of Mercy's Christian Action Movement (CAM) and Catholic Student Mission Crusade (CSMC) sponsored a stamp drive during the month of January. It was reported that a total of 301 books were obtained with the freshmen coming in first with 98 books, seniors following with 90 and the sophomore and junior counts at 70 and 43 respectively. All proceeds of the drive will go to the school.



Peter Borreggine
senior
Swytch member



Lisa Messe
senior
National Honor Society

"It means being close to God and giving up things makes you realize the sacrifice He made for us. It means we can sacrifice things in our lives the same way God did. However, giving things up that don't mean much to us isn't relevant."

"I think Lent should be a time when we give of ourselves to others. It should be as important as Christmas because Christ died for us and that's the important basis of our faith. I don't think people realize how important Lent is. It gets overlooked a lot."



Michele Bucklin
senior

"It's a time when people should be thankful for the things in life especially the right to live because Christ died for us. I usually give something up for Lent but just being nice to people and going out of your way for people is also a part of what Lent means. People should be made aware of what Lent really means. I'd say bring back the stricter Lenten rules."

"I think Lent means sacrificing in preparation for Easter. I don't think it means much to people anymore. I think they should bring back the more traditional rules to regain the true meaning of Lent."



Chris Brescia
junior
football