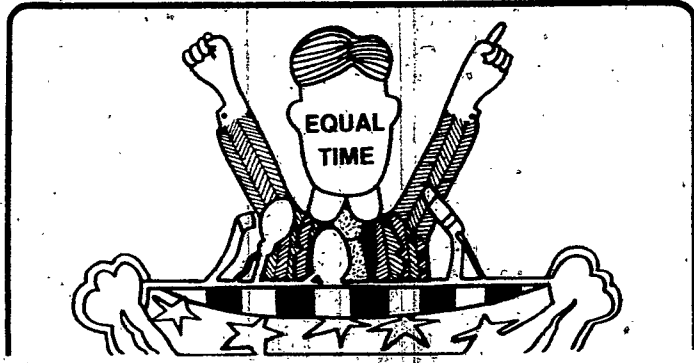


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Do you believe news media coverage

AQUINAS



Tom Yorkey
junior
football

"I believe the TV newscasts as well as what I read in the paper. I believe the media people understand their responsibility in giving the news out. One fact is that at times they don't have enough details to do a good job so they sometimes present a story which isn't accurate and it misleads the public making them jump to conclusions. I don't think they should delve into personal lives because it is a main news story. Warren Doremus is my favorite newscaster because I feel he's dedicated to his job."



Ben Bauer
sophomore
debate team

"Up to a certain point. I think there's a lot of politics involved in newspaper reporting. They can only print so much because of pressure from higher ups. I don't think they emphasize bad news. I don't think people would read or listen if the news reported was all good. I believe TV more than the newspapers — also newspapers tend to slant and go after personal lives more. My favorite newscaster is Dan Rather because I've read his book, 'The Camera Never Blinks,' and he's really educated and he's good at his job."



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 Cardinal Mooney during lunch. The person circled above should bring the clipping to Joan M. Smith, Courier-Journal, by noon, Tuesday, Feb. 21 to receive the \$5.



John Miller
senior
track

"One thing I don't like is when they report morbid happenings and report on the personal lives of people. But they do so because that's what the audiences are interested in and that's their job. I like to see the news but I like to read the newspapers because they're much more detailed. I prefer the local news."



Gary Sciaratta
senior
baseball

"Yes. I think they do an adequate job. I'd believe them if they reported another storm — they were doing it for our safety. Personally from watching TV and reading the papers I'm fully aware of what is going on. I think the media is aware of the job it has to do and it does it to the best of its ability. I like Mark Wolfe."



John Vicaretti
junior
football

"On the whole you have to believe what they say because they realize their responsibility. But sometimes they do exaggerate their stories. Like on TV, there are days when nothing is happening but one piece of news and you hear it over and over again which makes you think it's real serious because they've spent so much time on it. In trying to keep their ratings they'll try to spice up news stories but I think all newscaster do a fairly good job. If you want to know further details, however, the newspapers are good."



John Uebelacker
sophomore
CYO
basketball

"I generally believe what I hear in the news. I believe the main plots of the story but the reporters tend to stretch some of the details so the people will read or listen to what they say. Walter Cronkite is my favorite newscaster because I think he brings the news to you the way it's supposed to be and doesn't exaggerate the facts."



Bob Mulcahy
freshman
football

"I believe some of the news but there is some that isn't true. I think the media stretches the news to fit its purposes. In the case of the storm the media wanted to get us ready. I feel that if personal lives are the main part of a news story, it shouldn't be reported."



Jim Tacci
freshman
football

"Usually I believe what newscasters are saying but there are times I feel they're exaggerating. A lot of times they build up the bad news because they feel it will capture the audiences more. I think the media does a pretty good job and my favorite newscasters are Walter Cronkite and Dan Rather."

K of C Winner

On Feb. 1, Aquinas senior, Larry Latvala took first place honors in the Knights of Columbus local speech contest with his delivery of "Is There an Energy Crisis." He now qualifies for the area (Greece, Irondequoit, Henrietta) finals to be held at Bishop Kearney High School, March 5. If successful there, he will then continue to district competition.

Larry is a member of Father Stephen Martin's debating team.

DeSales Winner

The grand prize winner in DeSales' recent creative writing contest was freshman Christopher Colizzi for his short story "Writer's Block."

Other winners included senior Chris Lynch for the poem "Who am I?"; junior Mary Combs for her short story, "The Legend of Smuggler's Notch"; and sophomore Kenneth Reid for his poem "It's a Long Way to the Top Top."

The contest was open to all DeSales students who were asked to submit original works of poetry, short stories and essays. Judging was done by Sister Ann Patrice, a former English teacher at DeSales now at St. Agnes High School.

WINNER

Patty Rinehart, a freshman at St. Agnes High School, was the recipient of the Winner's Circle \$5 for the week of Feb. 1.

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