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Equal Time

Is cigarette smoking harmful?

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SIMA WALKER
sophomore, pianist



"It definitely is unhealthy especially regarding lung cancer. The government, however, shouldn't become involved because smoking is a personal choice. Smokers should be segregated because a lot of non-smokers are bothered by the cigarette smoke. A lot of people smoke because their friends do and then they start getting hooked."

REGINA MORANO
sophomore



"Yes it is harmful because it destroys your body. Smokers shouldn't infringe on non-smokers and should be segregated in public places. Smokers know what smoking can do but they don't think of the immediate effects on them. Kids are definitely smoking at an earlier age — when they're young they say authority isn't going to tell them what to do. I don't think a government campaign against smoking will work but it does have a responsibility to protect us against health hazards. There's a whole new generation growing up that can be reached by the campaign."

SHARON RICKETTS
sophomore, basketball



"Yes it is, because of lung cancer. By smoking, most kids are trying to impress their friends and by the time they get older it has become a habit. Yes, smoking can be addictive. Smokers should be segregated in public places because their habit is annoying to non-smokers. To smoke or not to smoke should be a personal decision and the government should stay out of it. An anti-smoking campaign won't help — kids will still smoke because their friends are doing it and it's a way to break rules."

SHEILA GAVIN
freshman, ski club



"Yes, I think it is harmful because of cancer. Kids probably smoke because everyone else does it. Smokers should be segregated because it is harmful to the people around them but they have the right to smoke if they choose to do so. A government campaign may have a small effect but not much because pressure never works."

JACKI KELLY
sophomore, basketball



"Yes it is harmful because it can cause lung cancer and other diseases. Kids continue to smoke because of peer pressure. I don't think the government will have an influence with its anti-smoking campaign. Smokers should be segregated because even if you don't smoke, inhaling the smoke of others is harmful and it infringes on the rights of others."

BARBARA HUBER
sophomore, class president



"Yes, definitely because it not only is harmful to the person smoking but it is also harmful to those around them. Smokers should be segregated in public. They have a right to smoke but not when it infringes on those who don't. It is a personal choice whether to smoke or not and the government should not campaign against it but there should be laws as to where you can't smoke. People continue to smoke because of peer pressure and nervous habit."

MARY BRENNAN
senior



"I suppose it is. It is said that it is. Smoking should be a personal choice but smokers should be segregated because it bothers a lot of other people who don't smoke. A government campaign won't do any good — people will continue to smoke. There's a lot of answers to why they do but a lot of them do just to be one of the crowd."

PEGGY MARCHAND
freshman, baseball



"Yes, because sometimes it can give cancer of the lungs. Kids smoke to be 'cool' and to be in a crowd with their friends. The government should try and prevent smoking. Yes smokers should be segregated in public places because those who don't want smoke in their lungs shouldn't have to be subjected to it. Smoking becomes a habit which is hard to break."



Winners 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 McQuaid during lunch. The person circled above should bring the clipping to Joan M. Smith, Courier-Journal, by noon, Tuesday, May 9 to receive \$5.

Student to Attend June Political Forum

Geneva DeSales junior, Donna Amatulli, will be a representative at the Empire Girls State at Cazenovia College in June. The project is sponsored by the American Legion Auxiliary and is an educational program which instructs young women about the privileges of the vote, the formation of political parties and the process of choosing and electing leaders to fill governmental offices.

It was through her American Studies Class that Donna realized politics had a lot to do with world happenings, and since she likes to be involved decided, "I wanted to know more about the government."

"Women's interest in politics," she said, "is an up and coming thing. It was only a matter of time when they would want to know more about it."

She credits education with the evolving expansion of women's political awareness and admits that perhaps the women's liberation movement also had something to do with it.

Aside from her duties as a student government

representative, Donna is an active sportswomen playing basketball, softball and soccer. Though she has another year at DeSales to finish, she already has given her future some thought and plans to go into the business field.

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Donna Amatulli

Winner

David Loewenguth, a junior at Aquinas Institute, was the recipient of the Winner's Circle \$5 for the week of April 19.

Spanish Class Places Second

Nazareth Academy's Spanish 4 Class placed second in the Foreign Language competition at St. John Fisher College recently. The students adapted a Spanish short story to a play.

Students wrote the Spanish dialogue and staged the drama. A certificate of merit was presented to Christine Goreczny, Teresa Welch, Margaret Mary Rimore, Theresa De Coninck and

Linda Vulaz.

The girls also presented their play at the Ethnic Assembly at Nazareth Academy.

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