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'Get Involved' Advise Mooney Achievers

By JOAN M. SMITH

This is the time of the year when outstanding students receive recognition for their contributions to their schools and community. Involvement seems to be the honored student's ingredient for success — an opinion which three Cardinal Mooney achievers heartily agreed with. In fact, it was their prime advice to those who will be entering high school this Fall. As senior Yvette Rhodes put it, "Get involved in school activities. Try and meet different types of people."

Yvette who was a National Merit Finalist, winning the International Business Machine (IBM) Scholarship will be off to Fisk University in Nashville, Tennessee this Fall. She's considering pre-law with eventually specializing in criminal law. The career interests her she said, because it's a way of helping people."

Yvette has been an active member of the Mooney student body, managing volleyball and baseball teams. She has also been co-president of Entity, a student group whose aim is to educate their fellow classmates about the various ethnic groups in school.

Aside from her school activities, Yvette belongs to the Trinity Emmanuel Presbyterian youth group and choir. In her spare time she likes to sew, play the piano and is an avid sports fan; basketball being her favorite. Regarding sports, she noted that game violence is increasing and says "It's uncalled for. They're (players) there to show their athletic abilities. Violence shouldn't be a part of it."

Though she admitted to being a bit frightened about her new life come September she sees her college years as a challenge, or will "once I get

over my initial nervousness," she laughed.

Mary Beth Graham, from St. Augustine's, may be just a sophomore but she's already made an impact. She won the Hugh O'Brian Youth Foundation Award for Outstanding Sophomores. The award was created by the actor to encourage students to use their abilities in their daily existence.

And Mary Beth has been doing just that as treasurer of the Spanish Club and sewer of costumes for the school plays. Though she has two years of high school to complete, she has been giving her future some thought. She would like to combine a language major with the physical therapy field and then link up with an organization like Vista.

Her outside interests are cooking and reading. "She considers her education at Mooney a great asset and explained, "It's a combination of everything especially the school spirit."

She was adamant in her advice to those who will be high schoolers next year. "Get involved in as many things as you can," she stated.

Patricia Batchelor, a junior and National Honor Society member, was Mooney's finalist in the Junior of the Year Award contest sponsored by the Notre Dame Club of Rochester. Her grades, class rank and extracurricular activities recommended her as a nominee for the honor.

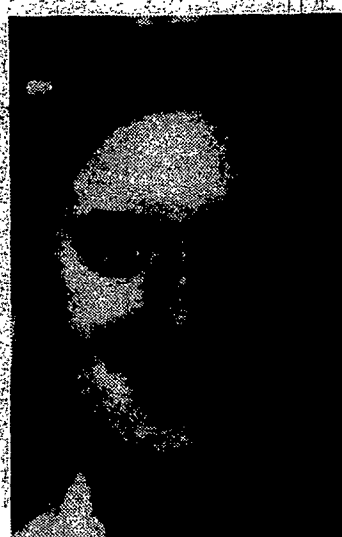
Pat's three years at Mooney have been active ones. She's a member of the Apogee (yearbook) staff, Action for People Association (APPA) and the school band. Aside from these endeavors, she works



PATRICIA BATCHELOR

part-time and offers her services as a babysitter at Mass for her parish, Our Lady of Mercy. Her future plans include college where she would like to major in

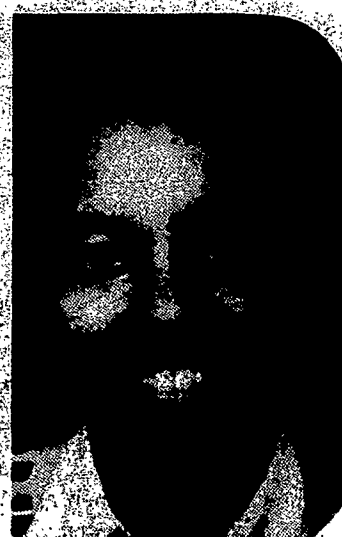
Math and then pursue a career in pediatrics.



MARY BETH GRAHAM

"I've always wanted to work with children," she said adding, "and I want to get into a field where I'm needed."

Pat finds TV boring and never watches it, preferring to spend her time sewing,



YVETTE RHODES

cooking and swimming. She also dabbles in needlepoint.

She concurred with her fellow students' advice about receiving the most out of high school. "Get into as much as you can," she declared, "that's how you meet friends."

On the Go

- AQUINAS
 - Wednesday, May 31 — Senior exams.
- DESALES
 - Saturday, June 3 — Junior-Senior Ball.
 - Monday, June 5 — Faculty meeting.
 - Tuesday, June 6 — Senior-Faculty Banquet.
- MCQUAID
 - Friday, June 2 — Reading survey for grades 9, 10, 11; 1:31 p.m.
 - Sunday, June 4 — Senior father-son Field day.
 - Monday, June 5 — Awards assembly.
 - Tuesday, June 6 — String Band assembly; 11:08 a.m.; field events (optional), 11:45 p.m.; faculty-staff picnic.
 - Wednesday, — Language exams.

- NAZARETH
 - Sunday, June 4 — Senior Banquet.
 - Wednesday, June 7 — Awards assembly.
- NOTRE DAME
 - Friday, June 2 — Senior Day.
 - Sunday, June 4 — Family Liturgy, 1-2, 11 a.m.
 - Tuesday, June 6 — Home Economics Department meeting.
- OUR LADY OF MERCY
 - Thursday, June 1 — Sports Banquet.
 - Friday, June 2 — Senior Ball.
 - Sunday, June 4 — Family picnic.
 - Tuesday, June 6 — Class elections; faculty Mass, 3:15 p.m.
- ST. AGNES
 - Wednesday, May 31 — Fine Arts assembly.

Busy Time At St. Agnes

Over the last month St. Agnes High School has been bubbling with a variety of celebrations. Father Cushing's assembly was a presentation of 600 slides which depicted the school life of this past year. The Shareholder's Day event included numerous activities: softball, disco dancing, modeling, movies, dance exercises and demonstrations in yoga, haircutting, dance and plant care.

"Guess Who's Coming to Dinner" was the theme for an English III honors class event. The students, dressed as the literary authors and characters they had studied during the year and performed skits which revealed their identities.

A Civil War Southern dinner was created by Sister Marie Susanne's American Republic class. In period costumes students sat for three hours conversing and eating their gourmet creations — chicken gumbo soup, baked chicken with honey, fried chicken, braised chicken with almonds, fruit salad, sherry baked bananas and black bottom and key lime pie.

"Lacking television and grapefruit diets, people in those days entertained by talking and eating," commented Mary Jane Kaddis.

Sister Patricia Frisk's class recently visited the Hall of Justice. They viewed arrangements, had a special briefing observed the Alamo Nursing Home trial lunched downtown and were later introduced to the sheriff's department.



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 Nazareth Academy during an assembly. The person circled above should bring the clipping to Joan M. Smith, Courier-Journal, by noon, Tuesday, June 6 to receive \$5.

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