

Sports Who's Who

Editor's note — Readers are invited to mail brief news items for this column to Who's Who, 51 Boxwood Lane, Fairport, N. Y. 14450.

Two Cardinal Mooney City-Catholic League All-Star gridders who are also Honor Society students, have announced college plans . . . Mike Campanella is headed for the University of Pennsylvania and Eric Metzler has a full scholarship to Wake Forest.

Other recent announcements: Aquinas — Mike Mancarella, Dave Lester, Tom Monna, all headed for Alfred; Larry Finucane to Hobart; Phil Casale to Fisher; Jim Heil to Miami; Jim Brown, full scholarship to Notre Dame; Randy Benjamin to MCC.

Bishop Kearney — Craig Cotroneo and Mike

Lins to Ithaca; Mike Clawson to Hobart; John Mirca to Albany State; John Sullivan to Iona.

Cardinal Mooney — Mike Agostinelli and Joe Mazzeo to Brockport State; Tom Beattieto Colgate; Mary Ellen Hart to Ithaca; Mary Jo Poinan to Nazareth.

DeSales Geneva — Jody Lavin to the University of Rochester.

McQuaid — Tom Holley and Ed Schuler to Fredonia; Mike Lenyk to Cornell; John Thomas to St. Bonaventure; Dan Scheid to Alfred; Tom Hartzell to Notre Dame; Mike Hurley to Plattsburgh State; Pat Horvath to Princeton; Ned Nicosia to John Carroll (Ohio).

A no-hitter by Mike Tedesco and a two run homer by Mike Visconte lifted Aquinas to a 7-0

baseball win over Madison . . . Aquinas' Randy Benjamin is tied for third best time in Section 5 100-yard dash circles with a :10.1 . . . Rich Price and Vaun Grattet of McQuaid are tied for the third best 440 run time with :51.8.

Paul Callens of Aquinas and Mike Testa of Mooney are tied for fourth in the mile run with 4:32 . . . Chris Koller, McQuaid is third best in the two mile with 9:45.1 . . . Grattet, McQuaid, and Dan Callan of Kearney are third and fourth, respectively, in 330 intermediate hurdles with :40.6 and :40.8.

Mooney's Kurt Niederpruem tied for third in high jump with 6-4 . . . McQuaid four-some of Craig Rice, Grattet, Chris Cantabene and Rich Price are third in 880 relay with 1:33.1 . . . McQuaid's Rice, Nathan Peck, Cantabene

and Grattet are second in the mile relay with 3:31.3 . . . and Kearney's Bill Badura, Brian Mongeau, Mark Floegel and John Sullivan lead Section 5 in the two mile relay with an 8:21.

Bishop Kearney's girls' track team finished unbeaten for the second year in a row and nine girls qualified in seven events in Saturday's sectionals at Hobart. They were Denise Cordaro, Lisa Bouchard, Margaret Brennan, Pam Catalano, Barb Ziegler, Shirley Brownie, Maureen McVeigh, Kathy Mueller and Lynn O'Brien.

Mooney's Mike Testa topped McQuaid's Chris Koller in the mile by 4:32.4 to 4:32.5 but McQuaid won the meet . . . Mike Anderson won the high hurdles and the long jump for the Knights.

Dan Callan did :15.3 in the high hurdles and :40.9 in the intermediates in

Kearney's 92-52 win over Madison . . . BK's Bob Politi won the high jump and the long jump.

Jim Brown's two run single in the top of the 7th gave Aquinas a 6-5 win over Kearney.

McQuaid's John Ryan fired a 77 at Oak Hill West to win the City-Catholic League sectional qualifier . . . Next best was teammate Mike Hurley with 79, followed by Kearney's Mike Geitner (82), and Mooney's Ron Howarth (86).

Junior Art Constantine's one-hitter helped McQuaid over Madison, 5-1 in C-C baseball . . . Tom Hartzell's 6-1, 6-1 win over John Nealon gave McQuaid a 3-1 C-C tennis win over BK . . . Both teams share C-C championship honors with 10-1 records.

Sophomore Mark Zabkar held Mooney to three hits in a 1-0 McQuaid win over the Cards . . . Don Condello doubled and scored on Ed Schuler's third hit for the Knights' only run of the game.

NOTEBOOK — The Red Wings surpassed all-time advance ticket sales for the second year in a row . . . Pete Castle (ex-Mooney) and Horace eight trips including two homers and six RBIs in Rochester Zeniths' double loss to Trenton in American Pro Slo-Pitch action.

Bob Tidings (ex-Mooney) had six hits in Thomas (ex-Kearney) ran on the MCC mile relay team which recently turned in a 3:20.4 . . . Mike Shoniker (ex-Mooney) homered to help MCC over Quinnipiac College of Worcester, Mass., 7-5, and further into the junior college baseball playoffs . . . MCC is headed for the Junior College World Series later this month at Grand Junction, Colorado.

AQ Relays Stay in Sports Scene

By JOHN DOSER

Brooklyn Tech won the annual Aquinas Relays at the University of Rochester, outpointing Christian Brothers Academy of Syracuse, 70-64.

Rome Free Academy took third place, Buffalo Sweet Home was fourth, Rochester's Monroe High was fifth, and Buffalo St. Joseph's, sixth.

The Relays are still among the best of its type in the state, but back in 1970 they were slated to die, explains Aquinas Relays Director Father Mike Wesley, CSB.

"I saw the letters, announcing Aquinas was dropping the Relays, on Father Carter's desk when I moved into his office," Father Wesley recalls.

"We had fallen to 18 teams and I saved them (the Relays); the first thing I did was to take that letter out.

"I told Father Leon Hart, the principal, not to make my first official duty one of killing the Aquinas Relays. He said, 'All right, if you want to put it on . . .'"

Father Wesley at that time had been appointed interim athletic director by Father Hart when Father Carter became too ill to handle the job.

"I didn't know what on earth I was taking on," Father Wesley recalls but when he got back to the office he took the letters and dumped them into the basket — and began to call key track and field people around the city to help the Relays get back on the right track.

This year, for example, 34 teams from around the state entered, and 32 showed, the largest number of entrants in the Relays' history.

Who watches the Aquinas Relays? Mostly relatives of the participants, according to Father Wesley.

"Coaches, brothers and sisters, fathers; I'd say we probably average one spectator for every two athletes. We had between 600-700 athletes this year, about an average of 20 per team."

Some teams bring as many as 40 boys, others may enter only four.

Since 1970, the Relays have improved and the question of canceling them has never again come up.

In fact, Father Wesley says, he's quadrupled the Relays' mailing list to more than 400 schools.

One of the attractions is the low entry fee and for years Aquinas didn't charge an entry fee at all.

Ironically the idea of charging an entry fee was prompted by an opposing coach who was aware that the Relays were getting bigger, officials were more professional, and that more awards and trophies were being handed out.

"I charge \$3 for every relay a team enters. There's 14 events but once you reach seven events, we don't charge anymore. We level it off at \$20 per team," Father Wesley says.

Aquinas pays the Relays' officials the standard agreed upon fees and also pays the U. of R. for renting the stadium.

"I sympathize with the U. of R. for what they have to charge — it's not just the rental of the stadium, it's the paying of the maintenance people, lining the track, setting up the loudspeakers — it's about \$400 a year now.

"Then we have people like Kodak, Xerox, Heinrich Chevrolet and the Knights of Columbus mothers who make donations and of course that helps too," Father Wesley says.

Aquinas track coach

Charles Maggio considers Father Wesley one of the "great track and field authorities" of all time, he says, but Father clarifies the compliment by simply saying "of the Aquinas Relays."

"Father Wesley does the Relays and all we do is enter them, like anybody else," Maggio says.

The Irish finished 5-3 in dual meets this year, Maggio's first as head coach. He succeeded Ed Mancuso and was Mancuso's assistant for the three previous years.

Father Wesley has been Relays' director for the past nine years and has seen Aquinas finish low in scoring (this year with only 1½ points), but he points out many teams didn't score at all and Aquinas has won the Relays before.

"We won the first two years in 1964 and 1965 when

we were a scholastic here and Father John Ware was the coach. I know we were runnerup back in 1972 and again in 1976, the year we won the Sectionals."

He says this year Aquinas was in over their heads, in the Relays, but the competition was good.

The Relays are the largest of its kind upstate, Father Wesley explains, but there are several downstate which would "dwarf ours," he adds.

Actually there just aren't too many "all-relays" held — there are many others which run invitational miles and other individual events which the Aquinas Relays don't have.

The Aquinas Relays have become one of the key events in upstate track circles and Father Wesley deserves the credit for both saving them and improving them.

Youth Weekend

The Downtown Promotion Council of the Rochester area Chamber of Commerce will sponsor a "Rochester Young at Heart," week-end, June 2-3 (rain date, June 14). It will include a series of events geared to youth between the ages of 13-18.

A concert, Friday, June 2 at the Rochester War Memorial, 7:30-10:30 p.m. will open the festivities. It will feature three local bands; Wizzard, Wells Curtis and the Whizz Kidds. Fickets (\$2.50) will be sold in advance at area Record Theater stores, in high schools throughout Monroe County and at the door.

There will be a special youth arts and crafts show, on Main St., from 9-5 p.m. A disco street dance will be held at the Mortimer Street Allright parking lot.

Featured sports events include a road runner race, sponsored by the Plaza

Athletic Club; a bicycle race at Manhattan Square Park, sponsored by the Midtown YMCA and a frisbee throw also at the park and sponsored by the Rochester Frisbee Club. Further information may be obtained by calling James O'Brien, 454-2220.

Art Week

June 5-11 will be Fine Arts Week at St. Agnes High School. It will be a week filled with singing, dancing, drama, art and piano. Festivities will start on Monday, 7:15 p.m. with a reception by art students who will exhibit their work in the school foyer and front hall. Glee club and Chorus selections followed by dance demonstrations will take place at 8 p.m.

A senior recital by graduating music majors will be at 2 p.m. on Sunday in the auditorium.



Photo by Terrance J. Brennan

Section 5, Watch Out!

Jubilant over their qualifying for the Section 5 track competitions are (bottom row from left): Denise Cordaro, (880 relay); Lisa Bouchard (880 relay); Lynn O'Brien (880 relay); second row: Margaret Brennan (880 relay); Pam Catalano (880 relay); Shirley Brownie (mile relay); top row: Kathy Mueller (mile relay); Maureen McVeigh (mile relay); Barb Ziegler (mile relay).

DeSales Hosts Brazil Student

Alberto Nassur is from the State of San Paulo, Brazil. At present, he is attending Geneva DeSales as an exchange student under the auspices of the Youth for Understanding Organization.

Shaking his head over our western New York weather, Alberto noted that the sun always shines in Brazil but that the temperatures can climb to 120 degrees. In comparing school days, he pointed out that in his country the school hours are from 7:30 a.m. until mid-day.

According to him, soccer is the number one sport in Brazil and he's had the privilege of seeing Pele play many times. Although Alberto missed the American football season he has been



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watching hockey on TV but finds it a violent sport. Regarding his future plans, he will return to Brazil to continue his education after completing his courses at DeSales.

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