

# Rap Around Rap Around Rap Around

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## Mercy Clubs Active

Student clubs are increasing so say the presidents of two club additions (Library and Math-Science) over at Our Lady of Mercy High School. These two groups aren't exactly new to the Mercy scene. The Library Club was in existence a few years ago and there had been a Math Club which has now expanded to include scientists.

The Library Club, boasting 12 members, is led by senior Laura McCrank, who is president and Sister Mary Esther, moderator. It was through Laura's determination, Sister's coordinating efforts, and the nods of agreement from the two librarians, Mrs. Barbara Sambey and Mrs. Pat MacNamara, that the club reinstated.

Who joins a library club? According to Laura, those who like to read and like being around books. She explained the members' duties include shelving books, aiding people in finding books, keeping library material in order and sponsoring various events to raise money for library supplies.

Laura, herself, intends to pursue a career as a librarian. Besides her interests in the club she is a member of the yearbook staff and enjoys playing badminton and baseball.

Senior Trisha Sullivan's persistence has paid off in the reformation of an 18-member Math-Science Club. Members meet once a month and are already deeply involved in planning the year's events including guest speakers and

field trips like their recent one to the Strasenburgh Planetarium. Trisha is assisted in her club duties by senior Mary Mutschlet, vice president; sophomore Mary Ellen Adams, secretary; senior Vila Dedinas, treasurer. Sister Karen Berl, Science teacher, and Miss Elizabeth Woods, Math, are the club moderators.

"The aim of the club," Miss Woods explained, "is to let students who are interested in Math and Science become acquainted with projects like the National Science Foundation, various scholarship programs, and science and math com-

petitions which are available to them."

Trisha heartily agreed with Miss Woods. She is determined that through the club the students will be well advised in all fields of their mathematical and scientific interests.

Trisha, herself, is an avid scientific researcher. Through a grant from the National Science Foundation, she spent last summer in Montana working on a research project. She was happy to inform RapAround that she had just been notified this endeavor had won her a letter of excellence from the Foundation.



Trisha and Laura agree that clubs add to student school interest.



Appearing in "The Great All American Musical Disaster" are: Gloria Ferri and Mike Foley who are seated; second row: Karen McCloskey, Bob Kapitan and Kevin Monaghan; back row: Tim O'Connor, Dick Walsh.

## AQ Presents New Play, Dec. 1

The Aquinas Performing Arts Club, under the direction of Father Cullen, is presenting "The Great All American Musical Disaster", a comedy written by Tim Kelly, creator of "MASH". The play is not a musical but a farcical treatment of the trials of a modern day Hollywood producer who is trying to film a great disaster epic.

The cast includes seated from left: Gloria Ferri, Mike Foley; standing second row: Karen McCloskey, Bob Kapitan, and Kevin Monaghan; back row: Tim O'Connor, Dick Walsh.

Performances are Dec. 1-2, 8 p.m. Tickets are \$2 and will be on sale at the door.

## Piano Auditions Set For February

The Rochester Chapter of the National Guild of Piano Teachers has announced the 1979 requirements and audition dates for the Howard Hanson Certificate of Merit which is awarded annually to qualifying high school senior pianists. Auditions will be held Sunday afternoon and evening, Feb. 11 and the evenings of Feb. 12 and 15 at Nazareth College Art Center. Notification of those winning the award will be done by mail immediately after the audition.

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Criterion for judging will be the degree of musicianship shown in a student's playing, not the difficulty of the material presented. No specific music grade level must be reached by the student before he can apply.

For requirement information and application forms (applications for auditioning must be post-marked no later than Dec. 10), contact Mrs. Joseph B. Coughlin, chairman of Award Committee, 663-3596.

Award winners will be

## A BK Spree To Disney World

Fantasy will come alive for 97 Bishop Kearney seniors when they visit Florida, Dec. 6-10. As part of their senior trip, these students will be spending two days at Disney world in Orlando and the young travelers are bursting with excitement.

Disney World six years ago and would like to see the things I missed before."

Maureen Doyle noted it's a fantastic opportunity for seniors and said, "I'm looking forward to the plane ride, the sunshine and rides and seeing my first palm tree!"

For Angelyn Pronti, the trip will be a kaleidoscope of new adventures. "Seeing Mickey and his friends, going on Space Mountain, the warm weather and having a lot of fun and of course my first plane ride, were the experiences she was anticipating.

Debbie Buddendeck is excited about the sunny weather and laughed, "And I can't wait to ride the biggest roller coaster in the world!"

Sister Yvonne, senior class moderator who will be shepherding the crew along with chaperones, is looking forward to the experience and noted, "I've never been to Disney World and am anxious to see it."

"I'm looking forward to going to the Florida beach and the plane ride to Orlando," declared Mike Crittenden. "I visited

## On The Go

**AQUINAS**  
Dec. 1-2 — Performing Arts presentation, "The Great All American Musical Disaster", 8 p.m.

**BISHOP KEARNEY**  
Friday, Dec. 1 — Christmas Instrumental.  
Saturday, Dec. 2 — Disco Dance.  
Monday, Dec. 4 — Red Cross Blood Drive; Parent-teacher conference.

Tuesday, Dec. 5 — Junior parents guidance night.  
Wednesday, Dec. 6 — Cultural assembly.

**CARDINAL MOONEY**  
Thursday, Nov. 30 — PTA meeting, 7:30-9 p.m.  
Saturday, Dec. 2 — Women's Guild Christmas Dance.

Tuesday, Dec. 5 — Men's Guild general meeting.  
Wednesday, Dec. 6 — Women's Guild Board Christmas Party.

**DESALES**  
Thursday, Nov. 30 — Bowling at Bloomfield.  
Monday, Dec. 4 — Faculty meeting.

**MCQUAID**  
Friday, Dec. 1 — Winter sports assembly, 1:31 p.m.

**NAZARETH**  
Thursday, Nov. 30 — Sophomore meeting, 8:30 a.m., a.m.; junior senior Perosians, rm. 402, 8:30 a.m.  
Sunday, Dec. 3 — Honor Society Induction.

Tuesday, Dec. 5 — Roller skating party, USA rink, 7-9:30 p.m.  
Wednesday, Dec. 6 — Student-faculty exchange.

**NOTRE DAME**  
Thursday, Nov. 30 — Clubs meet, 8:45-10 a.m.

**OUR LADY OF MERCY**  
Saturday, Dec. 2 — SAT tests.  
Sunday, Dec. 3 — Advent Family Mass.

**ST. AGNES**  
Thursday, Nov. 30 — Parent conferences, 7:30-9 p.m.

Saturday, Dec. 2 — Parents Club Christmas Dance, 9-1 p.m.

## Science at Work

Passersby recently wandered into Sister Dora's Biology lab at Nazareth Academy and wondered if they were in the right place! Could it be a space research center, a pizzeria, an art shop? they wondered. It was none of these — just a high school science lab where biology students were creatively reviewing the major organelles in a cell. According to school sources, organelles are parts of the cell made up of smaller parts including cell

wall, ribosomes, mitochondria, vacuoles, cell membrane, and pinocytic vesicles.

Using any materials they wished, these biologists fashioned three dimensional models to convey the concept of depth. Creations included mobiles, papier mache, pan cookies, jello molds, pizzas, jars, boxes, pillows, plaster of paris models and cakes. The varied display made real and clear to the students the

concepts they were studying. They enjoyed the edible models after class.

## Winners

Dan Mulhern, a senior at Aquinas, was the recipient of the Winner's Circle \$5 for the week of Nov. 8.

Erin Maguire, sophomore at Bishop Kearney, was the recipient of the Winner's Circle \$5 for the week of Nov. 15.