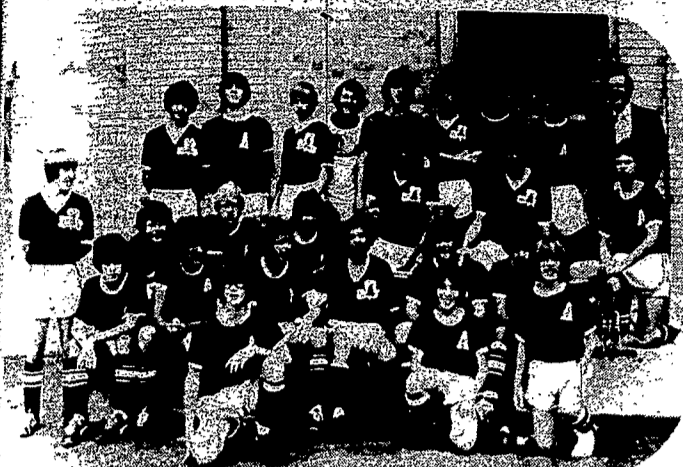


Rap Around Rap Around Rap Around Rap



The Aquinas varsity soccer team ended their season with a 11-5 record. Pictured in front row, kneeling: Todd Warren, Rick DiPasquale, Dave Wehner; second row: Brian Maas, Eric Trabold, Bob Callens, Tony Pastore, Pat Kane, Mark Raymond, Paul Rosati; third row: Al Burchfield, Dave Riedman, Joe Papalia, Charlie Bernitt, Mike Schiano, Tim Sullivan; Back row: Eric Mueller, Brian Izaro, Jim Daley, Blaine Root, Al Neu, Bob Holley, Greg Price and Tom Gosdeck, coach.

Dancing in Royal Company

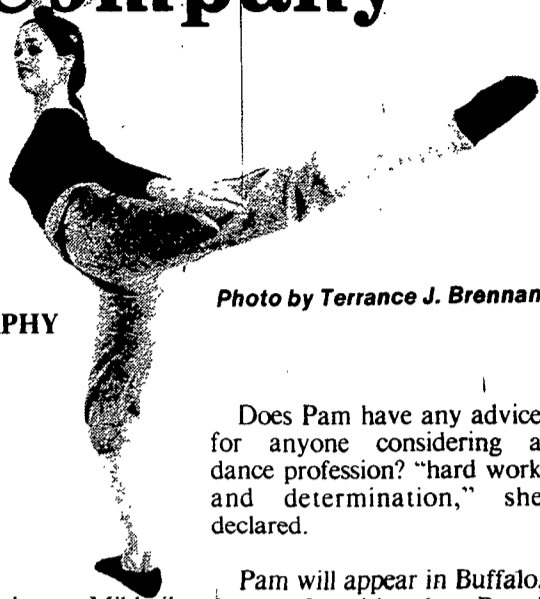
By JOAN M. SMITH

St. Agnes sophomore, Pamela Murphy, will be performing in the "Holiday on Horses" program at the Eastman Theater, Dec. 29-30, 8 p.m. Matinees will be Dec. 30-31, 2 p.m. Focus will be on the Lippizan horses with the dance group introducing each of six skits preceding the equestrian performances. Pam will not only be performing but also assisting in the choreography for the show.

Pam, who has been dancing some 12 years and takes instruction at the Joyce Winters and Botsford schools of dancing, explained her artistic vocation; "Dancing is different," she said. "There's a

lot of creativity, freedom and discipline." And of course hard work. She puts in a good seven hours a day with classes, rehearsals and basic warm-ups — the latter giving evidence of Pam's professionalism. Like an athlete who won't take a step onto the field without first loosening those body muscles, Pam took time to warm-up before she'd consent to perform for the RapAround cameras.

Pam is a confident young lady who is dedicated to her art. Though only a sophomore she is already looking to the future. She has a few schools in view through which she will continue her education in dance.



PAM MURPHY

Photo by Terrance J. Brennan

Does Pam have any advice for anyone considering a dance profession? "hard work and determination," she declared.

Pam will appear in Buffalo, Jan. 6-8 with the Royal Lippizans and if the show continues to be successful a 12 week tour will be planned to include Toronto, Boston and east coast cities.

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What is the most important virtue a person can possess?

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PHIL LANZATELLA
Senior
football



"Friendliness and openness. It's easier to meet people if they're friendly. Also if a person is always honest about their feelings, it helps. Around McQuaid it's easy to come by friendliness but people, in society, seem to keep to themselves. It's becoming secluded which I don't think is good. People don't want to make the effort to be friendly."

LEO SPEZIO
Junior
soccer



"Just being a good person and a hard worker and to have certain values to live by. When a person has these virtues I think this makes other people's lives better. And these virtues make the person respected — and that's important — personal respect. Things are getting better. People are beginning to straighten out."

CHRIS LEO
Junior
baseball



"Having a set goal in mind and achieving it by working hard. I think if you have a set goal you have to have values and you'll follow them. A lot of people set goals and never achieve them because they put them off and they don't want to work at them. It's easy to say you're going to do it, but it's tough getting around to it. People are stealing because they don't want to work for it and they feel they can get away with not working for what they want."

DARYL WAGNER
Freshman
hockey club



"Respect for others and respect for their ideas and feelings. Just treating other people right so that you are respected. People today aren't treating people nice or the way they should. People don't care like when they steal, they don't respect the fact what they are taking belongs to others."

TONY NOCE
Eighth Grade
swimming



"Honesty and hard work because if you work and if you're honest you'll try to do good by everyone and you won't want to cheat. Some people aren't honest but on the whole I think people are generally honest. Honesty is considered by a lot of people. When you hear of the percentage of shoplifters you have to remember there is a greater percentage of people who don't shoplift. I'd say most people are honest."

ANDY SPRINGER
Junior
wrestling



"Integrity, honesty, straightforwardness. Don't put up a facade. Just say what you mean and not what others want you to say. These virtues are less and less apparent because of greed. People are striving for power. People are using each other to achieve their goals."

MICHAEL HIGGINS
Junior
Glee Club



"A person who is a hard worker. If you're not a hard worker you don't set good examples. You could be an honest guy but if you just sit around you're not helping others. Other virtues are important but being a hard worker is the most important. I don't think industriousness is declining. There are a lot of people especially in politics who want to take the leadership roles. The real ambitious people are coming up."

EDWARD SHIVELLY
Freshman
intramural basketball



"Honesty. I like to know I can trust someone and also to be able to count on someone. There aren't too many people now days you can trust. If you could trust people it would be better. Honesty isn't as disciplined as it used to be."

Speaking Out

By SHEILA
McWILLIAMS
DeSales

There are many arguments against sports in school and I have an answer to every one that I've heard.

"School sports are just a waste of money and the athletes time."

Wrong! School sports build character and morals which students cannot receive in a classroom. I'd like someone to explain to me how a child can learn good sportsmanship sitting in a classroom.

Another argument is that "sports do absolutely nothing for the school."

I completely disagree. A school can be rich moneywise but it can also be dead at the same time. If a school has no spirit, there is no way it can survive. A school without sports is

like a man in the desert thirsting for water. I've found because of school spirit the kids are brought closer together and this closeness we call spirit can keep even the poorest school open.

"Sports only get one school angry at another."

Wrong again! If the players are good athletes, they know good sportsmanship. If they played lousy its their own fault and good athletes know it.

One other important point is the way people react to other people. They learn to get along with people and more importantly, they learn that it's more important to work with other people than to try to be superstars.

As a freshman, I was very frightened moving from our elementary school to a high school. I

didn't really know anyone except my sister.

I set high goals for myself; high honor roll, varsity letters — everything.

I started out the year with soccer. I was a bit squeamish about it because I'd never played before. Would people laugh because I wasn't good?

After my first practice my worries were over. The girls who had played before showed me new techniques and helped me.

"We're here to help you," said one.

"You're on our team and our team's got it," said another.

Their enthusiasm rubbed off on me and got me interested in sports. I am grateful to them and plan on participating in additional sports.

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