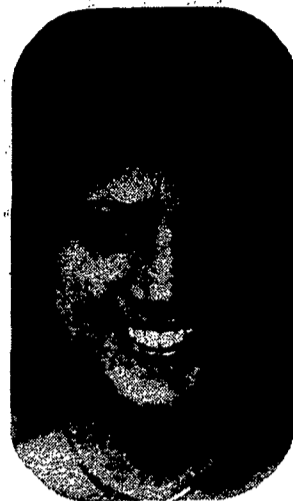


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## Speaking Out

By JO-ANN ESPOSITO  
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As this is the usual time most people attempt to reevaluate the past year, perhaps as Americans we can take the opportunity to reevaluate ourselves as a people. Let us disregard all the negative things we see around us for one moment. Forget about the state of the economy; forget the trade deficit and the depreciation of the dollar; forget about President Carter and his "summit in the sun"; forget about Iran, Egypt, Israel and all conflicts abroad. Let us take this occasion to try and remember the foundations of this country and the significance of our Constitution.

This country was established by a people voyaging from oppression and searching for freedom. The freedom of religion, speech, property and the right to live as they chose were the basic rights sought by the builders of our nation. They wanted to begin a nation opposed



to persecution. They began a nation which believed in individual rights and the right to express these rights. They created a country for the people. Through us, the people, the nation retains its strength. When the Constitution of the U.S. was ratified these principles were the very substance of our new government.

Have we ever taken the time to think that, even though, as a nation we are only 202 years old, we

have one of the oldest constitutions in the world! It is quite astounding that one simple document could endure throughout the decades with only 23 changes. Through this document we can speak freely. We have an instituted Bill of Rights that the government can't take away. We are even one of the few countries in the world that believes a person is innocent until proven guilty. We take these liberties for granted.

I do not claim we are perfect. Seeing our bad points is just as important as seeing our good. Unfortunately, we often neglect to see the good side. Admittedly, I believe this is the best governmental system we could have. Americans should appreciate it more than they do. What I believe we need is a re-establishment of the national spirit which was alive with our forefathers during the beginning of this country. Perhaps a renewing of ourselves as Americans is in order.



## FBI Visit

Mercy students Rita Pudetti and Maureen Sullivan along with Business Law teacher Kathy Wisner listen to Rochester area FBI director Hugh Higgins and agent Mary Denn give rundown on their talk about organized crime to be given to class.

## On The Go

**AQUINAS**  
Jan. 24-25 — Exams.  
Friday, Jan. 26 — No School.

Monday, Jan. 29 — No School, Feast of St. Thomas.

**BISHOP KEARNEY**  
Jan. 24-25 — Midterm exams.  
Wednesday, Jan. 31 — Student Council assembly.

**CARDINAL MOONEY**  
Thursday, Jan. 25 — Exams.  
Friday, Jan. 26 — Second quarter ends.  
Monday, Jan. 29 — Student Council meeting.

**DESALES**  
Friday, Jan. 26 — Faculty workshop, no classes.  
Tuesday, Jan. 30 — Mid-year report cards.

**MCQUAID**  
Monday, Jan. 29 — Faculty conference day, no classes.

**NAZARETH**  
Jan. 24-26 — Regents examinations.  
Monday, Jan. 29 — Faculty evening of recollection, 4-8 p.m.  
Tuesday, Jan. 30 — Faculty Advisory meeting, 2:45 p.m.; Student Council meeting, 2:40-3:30 p.m.  
Wednesday, Jan. 31 — Student Exchange with Aquinas.

**NOTRE DAME**  
Jan. 24-26 Regents.  
Friday, Jan. 26 — Student Council dance, 8-11 p.m.  
Tuesday, Jan. 30 — Catholic School program;

report cards mailed.  
Wednesday, Jan. 31 — Homeroom teacher's meeting.

**OUR LADY OF MERCY**  
Jan. 24-26 — Regent exams.  
Thursday, Jan. 25 — Interim reports due.  
Saturday, Jan. 27 — SAT tests.  
Wednesday, Jan. 31 — Parent-teacher conferences.

**ST. AGNES**  
Jan. 24-26 — Exams.  
Thursday, Jan. 25 — Administrative Council meeting.  
Friday, Jan. 26 — Correcting day for teachers, no school; Senate Dance, 8 p.m.  
Monday, Jan. 29 — Second semester begins.

## Uniform Change

According to Mercy sources, through the efforts of the Student Faculty Administration Board (SFA), the uniform dress code has been modified.

The SFA serves as a means of communication between faculty, students and administration. The decision of the first meeting this year dealt with the dress code. Formerly, winter uniforms were a navy princess style jumper or navy pants with white or yellow blouse. Students wanted to wear khaki pants with the uniform and their request was forwarded, by SFA, to the administration which voted in favor of the uniform modification.



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