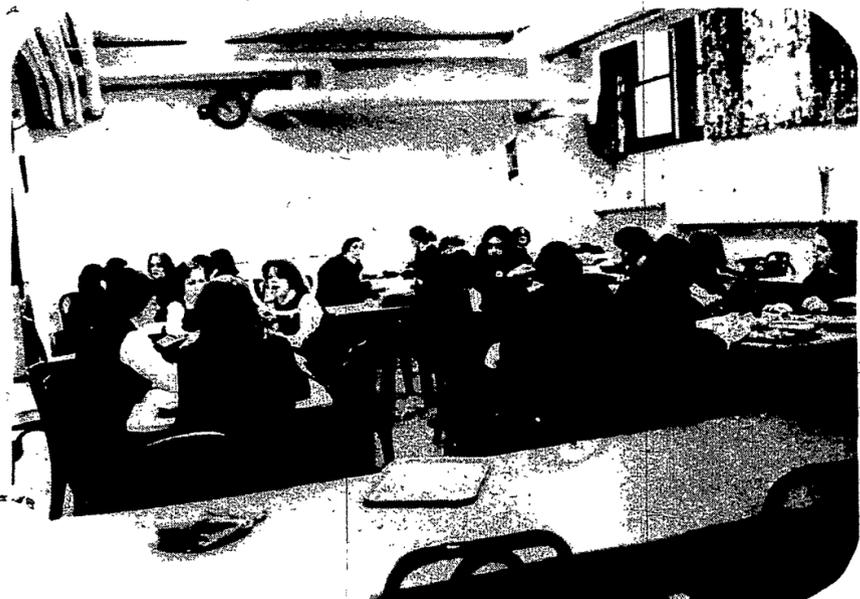


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## More of the Good News

The Quill staff at Our Lady of Mercy High School have something to smile about. The paper will put out a first with the Feb. 9 issue — 8 pages of noteworthy news. Putting it all together along with other Mercy journalists are from left; Mary Beth Higgins, editor; Mary Scheurman and Patricia Fox, co-editors; and Sister Elaine Kolesnick, moderator.



## 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 Our Lady of Mercy during lunch. The person circled above should bring the clipping to Joan M. Smith, Courier-Journal, by noon, Feb. 6 to receive \$5.

### DeSales Celebrates

Sunday, Feb. 4 — Mass at St. Patrick's Church in Seneca Falls, 3 p.m.; Student chorus and musicians will take part in Mass along with faculty, parents, alumni and student council.  
Monday, Feb. 5 — faculty meeting, special events and guest speakers.  
Tuesday, Feb. 6 —

Student assembly, Parent Alumni speakers.  
Wednesday, Feb. 7 — Meeting of DeSales parents, 7:30 p.m.  
Thursday, Feb. 8 — Geneva Catholic School teachers social, St. Francis School, 3:30 p.m.  
Friday, Feb. 9 — Celebration of St. Francis DeSales Day; school liturgy.

### Class Learns By Doing

Learning by doing is a good way to learn. Sister Petrina at Nazareth Academy recently offered her European Culture students that opportunity. Their topic was Byzantine art, icons, mosaics and altar pieces called triptychs were shown to illustrate the beauty and painstaking effort characteristic of Byzantine culture.

Each girl did research on one of these art forms. Then, as a project, they constructed their own models using different materials such as rice, macaroni, and tiny pieces of colored paper. Their models were displayed in a prominent location in the school's main hall where their efforts could be appreciated by other students and friends.

### Mooney Sports

Cardinal Mooney senior Bob Keenehan continued to lead his basketball team in victories over Kearney, Olympia and McQuaid last week, scoring 18 points in each game. Junior forward Jeff Johnson sealed the McQuaid win, at 52-51 with his last minute basket for coach Ed Nietopski's Cardinals.

In the girls department, third year coach Kathy Krenzer has Debbie Berl, Kathy Boughton, Nancy Neary, Lori Pressley and Marian Rhodes returning as seniors, along with four juniors and five sophomores for the start of this years hoop season.

## Equal Time

Do you think it important to have a choice of education systems in this country?

### OUR LADY OF MERCY

**DEBBIE McMANUS**  
Sophomore  
swimming



"There should be different educational systems because people should be able to choose their schools — especially the kids because they are the ones who have to go to school and learn. I think there is an increase in people wanting alternative education. I think there will always be Catholic schools around for my future children to attend."

**ALICE SKUSE**  
Senior  
skiing



"Yes I do. I certainly think the two school system should remain a part of the educational process. Many people feel they get a better education at smaller schools and Catholic schools develop people's values and the atmosphere is more personal with more attention given to the individual."

**ANNE DAVIN**  
Senior



"I think it is necessary to have more than one school system for those people who want alternate education. America should keep the private and parochial school system for the people to have their choice. The Catholic school system brings out society's values."

**KARN TROIDLE**  
Freshman



"I think Catholic and private schools have a valid educational function in our system. It is important that we have a choice. I hope there will be Catholic schools operating when its time for me to send my future children to school."

**CATHY COOPER**  
Senior  
Cheerleader



"Alternative educational systems give people a choice and we should have that choice. Catholic schools offer guidelines toward maturing and they put more emphasis on individualism."

**TERESA REGAN**  
Freshman  
tennis



"I think it is important to have Catholic schools so Catholics can choose their education. Catholic schools develop Catholic values and give more information about your religion and who you are as a person."

**KAY CASWELL**  
Freshman  
tennis



"I think it important to have a choice in education in America and I think there should always be a choice. I think there is better education in the smaller classes in the private and parochial schools and the teacher has a chance to pay more attention to the students."

**DEBBIE LaPLACA**  
sophomore  
cheerleading



"I think it is important because everyone should be entitled to their choice in schools and there should be a choice in this country because there is freedom for everything. If you have freedom of religion you should have freedom of education. I think Catholic schools will always be here."



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