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A Great Day for the Bands



Walter Iannacome Aquinas That great day is here again and the Aquinas Band, under the direction of Dennis Ciazza, will be out in full swing this Saturday to celebrate it. Appropriately, the Little Irish will march to the tune of the Notre Dame Victory Song in Rochester's St. Patrick's Day Parade scheduled for noon at Main and Scio St.

Grand Marshall for the parade is Dennis O'Connor who will be accompanied in the line of march by Father Charles Bennett from St. Mary's Church. A statue of St. Patrick will be featured in the parade and the mounted police patrol, Xerox clowns, the Irish Society's color guard and the

Syracuse University, Marching Band will be among the marchers.

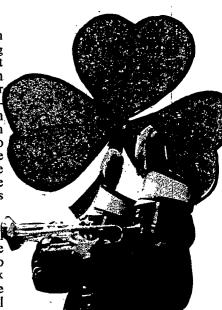
The Downtown Promotional Association is sponsoring the day's activities and other events include a Mass at St. Mary's Church, 9 a.m. and a flag raising ceremony at City Hall, 11 a.m.

While Aquinas is celebrating here, the Bishop Kearney Marching Kings under the batons of Ray Shahin and lead majorette Kim Jackson, will be parading down O'Connell Street in Dublin.

Band members, school officials and parents left

today for eight days of Irish hospitality. The Marching Kings, Jazz and Concert bands will perform throughout Ireland. Their musical selections will include the theme from "Rocky" and "A Nation Once Again". According to Shahin, this latter piece means to the Irish what the "Battle Hymn of the Republic" or "Dixie" means to Americans.

However, it won't be all work for the BKers. There are visits planned to Galway, Callan, Limerick and the 15th Century castle of Bunratty where they will be treated to a medieval banquet.



David Reinhart Greg Haehl Bishop Kearney

Mercy Receives Honors

Our Lady of Mercy High School has been awarded the James E. Allen Award for its Foreign Language Program. First runner-up was the Pittsford Central School District and second, the Spencerport Central School District. The awards were announced, Saturday, March 10 at the Rochester Regional Conference of the New York State Association of Foreign Language Teachers at the Otto Shults Center, Nazareth College.

The award is given to the district school board which in the opinion of the judges has provided an outstanding Foreign Language Program and has encouraged the study of foreign languages in school. Administrative representatives from the honored schools were on hand to accept the awards.

Speaking Out

By PATRICIA DENDIS DeSALES

"People are afraid to live."
I heard a freshman say this to a classmate as I waited for the bus. The more I thought about it, the more it made sense.

To me, living is not just existing or surviving. It is reaching out to others, taking risks. It is looking at the world in which we live and the people who make up our everyday lives to find the beauty that is there. To be alive is to be aware. We must see life as it is, to change what can be changed and to accept the things that cannot.

Before a person can reach out and touch upon life, he must reach within and pull out his real self. That is

where the fear comes in and so we pull out different masks to hide who we really are. I am convinced that fear is the most damaging, destructive thing there is. It inhibits you, ties you down, keeps a person from being happy, carefee, totally alive. The basic fear we all deal with is fear of rejection. That is one reason behind cliques. It's easier to walk around in groups and "safer". Joining a group is like losing your identity. You go along with the crowd even when you don't want to and don't believe in what they are doing. You do it because of that basic need; to be accepted. After awhile you wonder, or you should wonder, if it's worth it.

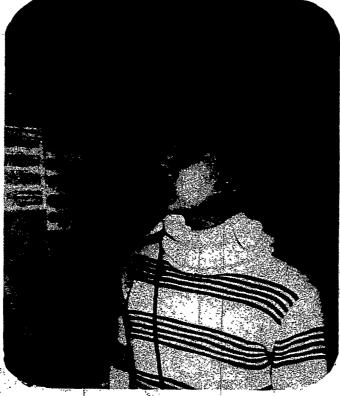
I think we've all been in a situation where we're torn between our own values and the fear. For example — a person is being insulted by the group we're with and we don't think it's right but we either join in/or let it happen without saying a word. We don't want to end up a "reject". We don't want to sacrifice our security by being ourselves just once.

Society is like one big group. We copy each other. We wear the same clothes, do what others do just because everyone else is doing it. There is no in-dividualism. Things become boring when people do all the same things. . When we go along with the world, we have no idea whether we're right or wrong. But because everyone else is doing it, we figure it must be all right. Bishop Fulton Sheen called this practice "drifting". We just float along with the

changing tides not bothering to pull ourselves out.

There was a man who dared to be different. He was so different, death could not hold him. Christ will live forever. His way is not the easiest but I've found it is the way to happiness. He offers the challenge of today: let go the fear, dare to take off your mask and follow Him. Of course, there is always one possibility you'll say no to Him and what He offers. In that case, you will remain a stranger to yourself.

Life is an adventure to be lived. True joy comes from discovering who you are and putting that discovery into practice.



History Pursued

Nazareth Black Student Union member, Meg Gilbert enlisted the help of her father in creating a display for the library focusing on the school's Black History Week, Feb. 11-17. Above, she pauses to study one of the many collages which were displayed throughout the school during the event.

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Business of the Day

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Rochester Junior Achievement recently held it's Trade Fair in Midtown Plaza. Over thirty companies participated. Shown in left photo are Judy Kamisch and Ralph Azzarone from Bishop Kearney talking about their company's product (WEEB, sponsored by Rochester Products) to interested buyers. On right, Kathy Seward and Michael Szatkowski, BK, demonstrate their company's (Small Fortunes, Farrel Co.) idea, the body bug, which has won the product of the year award.