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Notre Dame senior Phil Lombard, and freshman George Bullock, happily display the ND banner to let every one at Madison Square Garden know that Notre Dame was on the scene and proud of it.



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Four of the 61 Notre Dame students who went to New York City to see Pope John Paul II are, from left, Kathy Hyland, Kevin Jones, Alison Stachowski and T. J. Stapleton.

They Were There . . .

By Terrance Brennan

Of the many stops made by Pope John Paul II during his recent visit to the United States, perhaps none was more inspiring than his "dialogue" with 19,000 high school students in Madison Square Garden in New York City.

In the throng, well concealed by an enormous projection screen used for a slide-tape show for the Pontiff, this reporter caught a glimpse of a rather large banner being waved frantically by a few of the youths. Upon closer inspection, the group sitting below the banner proved to be from Notre Dame High School in Elmira.

According to Sister Mary Walter, RSM, school principal who was hard to pin down in the excitement, 61 students chosen randomly, and ten chaperones filled two buses, that left Elmira Tuesday morning, Oct. 2. The group was fully equipped with sleeping bags and other overnight gear and spent that night at the Cardinal

Spellman Youth Center. According to Sister Walter, also spending the night at the center were some 100 youths from Buffalo.

"It's a wonderful, heart-warming experience for the kids to see the Pope," Sister Walter said. "Father Bob Hammond's youth ministry experience helped greatly in obtaining necessary credentials."

Father Hammond, school chaplain, made arrangements in advance so the group could

see the Papal Mass at Yankee Stadium, also.

"It was just great!" exclaimed senior class president John Farr. "Even though we were so far away at Yankee Stadium, we seemed so close to him. All of us and all around us were in awe."

Suzanne Eisenhart, a freshman, found words hard to come by when asked about her experience in the Big Apple. "I've never been to New York before. The whole trip was really great."

Parents Night At Nazareth

According to sources at Nazareth Academy, parents as well as their daughters need orientation. This is the reason for the Freshmen-Parents Night held recently at the school. This year the parents participated in an information and social program held in the school auditorium and cafeteria.

Sister Judith McKay explained the school philosophy

and the expectations of both parents and students. Sister Carol Cimino, assistant principal, explained the freshmen courses, the systems of schedules, graduation requirements and the new dual enrollment program between Nazareth and Edison Tech; Sister Elaine Efigliert, assistant principal for Student Affairs, discussed her role in recruitment, fund raising and discipline.

. . . Later Reflections

By Martin Toombs
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Elmira — Sixty-one Notre Dame students were treated to an experience they won't soon forget during Pope John Paul II's visit to the United States.

The students journeyed to New York City and participated in two of the pope's appearances there.

They left Elmira Tuesday, Oct. 2, by bus, and went to Yankee Stadium for the Mass celebrated there that evening.

That night, they stayed at the Cardinal Spellman Youth Center, and arose at 5 a.m. to go to Madison Square Garden for the youth rally there. Father Robert Hammond, Notre Dame chaplain, arranged for 50 tickets to each of the events. Eleven other students went on the trip with Mass tickets only, which they received from various sources.

Twelve freshmen, 14 sophomores, 15 juniors and 20 seniors were selected to make the trip by having their names drawn.

Alison Stachowski, a senior, noted that she was chosen when extra tickets became available, and she considered it "a real honor" to have been able to attend the events.

They arrived at Yankee Stadium early, at 7 p.m. It

would be 12:30 a.m. before they would leave.

While there, they would see New York City Mayor Edward Koch, former heavyweight boxing champion Floyd Patterson, and actress Helen Hayes.

Senior T. J. Stapleton reported that he was four seats from the field, and when the pope circled the field at the end of the Mass, he was about 20 feet away.

Even though obviously impressed with the Mass, the students called the youth rally at Madison Square Garden the next day even better.

Kathy Hyland, a junior, commented that "I thought that (the youth rally) was really thrilling."

She and Kevin Jones, a freshman, reported that while they were waiting for the pope, the students did school cheers, and sang songs. Even after the pope arrived, the cheering continued, and at times he joined in the clapping.

During the rally, which included a prayer service, the pope was presented with a pair of jeans, a T-shirt, and a guitar, which he took and strummed, Alison said.

Kevin recalled that the pope told the youth that "if we want an example, look to Christ," and also mentioned "opportunities young people have in the Church."

Alison and T. J., who didn't have tickets for the youth rally, instead watched the pope's motorcade down Seventh Avenue. Alison reported that those in the group didn't feel tired, although at most they had only gotten two hours sleep, because they were "so excited by" what was happening.

Kathy added that the excitement everyone felt made the time spent waiting go quickly.

Alison noted that on Seventh Avenue, "people stood in the pouring rain just to get a glance" of the pope as he passed.

As for long term effects of the pope's visit, the students had some questions. Alison and Kathy noted that at Yankee Stadium, they saw many people leave right after the pope arrived, as if simply seeing him was all they wanted.

T. J. commented that the pope's visit will have "more of an effect on the people who are already believers," by strengthening their faith. He felt that others were only interested in seeing the pope as a celebrity.

Alison summarized her feelings toward the experience, and the other three students quickly agreed, when she said, "it's something I'll never forget."

A Candy Sale Success

Geneva — As of Oct. 4, the market for candy bars in Geneva had virtually been stuffed. Stomachs were filled with chocolate bars and the wastebasket with their wrappings. The reason for this was that 215 DeSales students sold a total of 12,400 candy bars, hitting 124 per cent of the drive's goal.

Sister Mary Maywalt, coordinator of the event, was thrilled and declared, "It is just incredible that so few students can do so much for the school."

The drive was led by Michelle Wilkie, who sold 580 bars and won a stereo, and Debbie Caslin, who sold 510 bars and won a television. Top class in sales was the freshman, selling 165 per cent

of its goal. The freshmen were followed closely by the sophomores with 142 per cent.

Excerpts From a Visit

Geneva — Rose Ann Consolie, a student at DeSales and daughter of Francis and Natalie Consolie, recently spent a month in Darmstadt, Germany. During her visit she observed many similarities between West Germany and the United States but also saw many differences. For instance, there is no speed limit on country roads, and according to Rose Ann, this accounts for the great number of highway fatalities. Another shocking sight was that of the policemen in the airports

The whole student body received an award for achievements - a four-day holiday.

carrying automatic machine guns because of the terrorists.

She discovered that the lifestyle was also different; people wake up early; have a two-hour lunch break, and have their main meal at 9 p.m. City streets were of cobblestone and very old with houses built right next to them.

Rose Ann said her trip was interesting even though there were some things that were hard to get used to - like the \$2.75 a gallon gasoline price.

On The Go

BISHOP KEARNEY Thursday, Oct. 18 — Senior PAX Day, A-137. Saturday, Oct. 20 — Carnival workers party. Tuesday, Oct. 23 — Trip to Italy (not band) meeting, library, 7:30 p.m.	PSAT, NEDT, DAT testing day for juniors, sophs and freshmen. MCQUAID Friday, Oct. 19 — End of first marking period. Monday, Oct. 22 — Assembly (play review), 9:23 a.m. Tuesday, Oct. 23 — Juniors, PSAT testing. Wednesday, Oct. 24 — NEDT tests for grades 8,9,10.	Monday, Oct. 22 — Freshman class reps meet in rm. 112, 2:45-3:15 p.m.; PATON Agenda meeting. Tuesday, Oct. 23 — Testing; juniors, 8:30-11 a.m. preliminary competency tests for freshmen and sophomores, seniors, no school; RCDASSA, Geneva, 1:2-3:30 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 24 — College Day in library, 1:30-2:30 p.m.; Freshman chorus, 2:40-3:30 p.m.
CARDINAL MOONEY Thursday, Oct. 18 — Freshman girls retreat. Friday, Oct. 19 — Spanish Club elections and travel film. Saturday, Oct. 20 — AFPA paper drive. Monday, Oct. 22 — Women's Guild Memorial Mass. Tuesday, Oct. 23 — PSAT tests for juniors; NEDT tests for freshmen and sophomore; seniors, no school.	NAZARETH Thursday, Oct. 18 — Freshman elections for officers, 8:25 a.m.; junior class meeting, cafeteria, 8:30 a.m.; band rehearsal, 2:40 p.m.; art, english, religious study department meetings. Saturday, Oct. 20 — Adult education, 9 to noon; Spares for Sports Bowl-A-Thon, 5-7 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 21 — Open House, 2-5 p.m.	OUR LADY OF MERCY Thursday, Oct. 18 — CSMC retreat. Friday, Oct. 19 — First marking period; Alumni Banquet, Burgundy Inn. Saturday, Oct. 20 — ACT tests. Monday, Oct. 22 — Magazine Drive ends. Tuesday, Oct. 23 — SGA meeting. Wednesday, Oct. 24 — CAM retreat.