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# McQuaid Presents Wilder

McQuaid's Dramatic Club will present "Our Town", a play by Thornton Wilder, Oct. 25, 26, 27 on the St. Agnes auditorium stage. The play is under the direction of Father William O'Malley, SJ. Above photo was taken while Patsy Esperon from Mercy, and McQuaid actors Chris DiPasquale, Dan Gefell, and Bill Ouweleen rehearsed their lines. Others who have lead parts in the production are: George Peacock, McQuaid; Cynthia Davidian and Katie Oberlies from Mercy.

# Positive Peer Pressure Resolve of Youth Forum

In an article (New York Times Magazine, 10/14) by Judge Irving Kaufman, chairman of the Joint Commission on Juvenile Justice of the American Bar Association and the Institute of Judicial Administration, this was noted: critics of the present family court emphasize that many dangerous iuvenile ofenders are treated too leniently because the few available secure juvenile detention facilities are already overcrowded by runaways and other non-dangerous offenders.

To try and divert juveniles (under 16), accused of minor offenses, from family court. the Monroe County Sheriff's Department is sponsoring a delinquency prevention program — The Peer Forum. It is being initiated in the southeastern section of the county, and involves 45 students, ages 15-19, who attend Bishop Kearney, Our Lady of Mercy, McQuaid and Pittsford high schools.

The new venture's aim is to

train these students in group dynamics and juvenile legalities in order for them to participate in case hearings involving criminal mischief (vandalism), shoplifting, minor burglary charges, and criminal possession.

"Of course we won't be able to handle the street-wise or hardened criminal," stated Deborah Harvey, program coordinator. She went on to explain, however, that youthful offenders, in appearing before their peers for judgment and disciplinary action, may think twice before committing further and more serious criminal actions.

The Forum has been in the working stages for two years, and with the final legalities cleared, will start operating later this Fall. According to Ms. Harvey, the response to serve on such a forum was overwhelming with 87 students turning out for the interviews. Selection of students was based on their sensitivity to fellow students and their problems, and their willingness to commit their time. Members are presently participating in a 16-hour training course, and when the Forum is officially operable will not only be hearing cases every month but will be attending follow-up meetings.

Appearances before the Forum will be voluntary but as Ms. Harvey indicated, "We have a wedge because it will be a Sheriff's Department youth investigator who will be recommending the program to the offenders and their parents."

Regarding the Forum's authority, Ms. Harvey stated, Their despositions are not meant to be punitive but disciplinary . . . despositions that make sense in light of the need of the offender.'

According to the organization's brochure, despositions will include such options as making restitution for property damage — to taking drug education courses — to participating in a seminar about shop lifting.

# On The Go-

**AQUINAS** 

Friday, Oct. 26 Homecoming parade and crowning, Holleder Stadium, 7:30 p.m.

Saturday, Oct. 27 Homecoming Dance. Monday, Oct. 29 — Open House, 7-9 p.m.

**BISHOP KEARNEY** 

Thursday, Oct. 25 Parents Club meeting. Friday, Oct. 26 — Registration deadline for Dec. 1 SAT tests.

Saturday, Oct. 27 -Homecoming parade; dance, 8 p.m.; Fathers' painting

Monday, Oct. 29 — End of magazine drive. Tuesday, Oct. 30 Senior PAX Day in B-5.

CARDINAL MOONEY. Thursday, Oct. 25 — Career Day, 1 p.m. Oct. 25-26 — Sophomore

Saturday, Oct. 27 -Senior-parent dinner dance. Tuesday, Oct. 30 AFPA Halloween party.

**McQUAID** Oct. 25-26 — Fall play,

"Our Town". Sunday, Oct. 28 - Open House, 7-9 p.m.

**NAZARETH** 

Thursday, Oct. 25 — Sophomore class meeting, auditorium, 8:30 a.m.

Friday, Oct. 26 — Senior-faculty volleyball game, 3 p.m.; PATON fashion show. Saturday, Oct. 27 Adult education, 9 a.m. to

Monday, Oct. 29 -Freshman class reps meet in room 112, 2:45-3:15. Wednesday, Oct. 31 Freshman Chorus, room

**OUR LADY OF MERCY** Thursday, Oct. 25 —

402, 2:40-3:30 p.m.

CAM retreat. Friday, Oct. 26 — CSMC dance.

Saturday, Oct. 27 -Oktoberfest.

Monday, Oct. 29 Administration Board meeting, 3 p.m.; Parentteacher conferences, 7-9

Tuesday, Oct. 30 — SGA meeting.

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Wednesday, Oct. 24 -Magazine drive assembly practice; parents club meeting, 7:30 p.m.

Friday, Oct. 26 Magazine drive assembly. Sunday, Oct. 28 — 40th anniversary Mass and breakfast, 11 a.m.

Tuesday, Oct. 30 -Evening of Music featuring Chorus, Glee Club, and Chanteuses, 8 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 31 Freshman orientation, 12:30

### Student Qualifies for Award

Thomas Castelein, a senior at Aquinas Institute, has been named a semifinalist in the 1980 National Merit Scholarship Program. He is one of 15,000 semifinalists chosen nationwide.

Over 1 million students from over 18,000 high schools

#### **BK Sales** Hit Record

According to Bishop Kearney sources, the school's magazine drive (in progress until Oct. 31), is the greatest yet to date. It was reported that in the first four days of the sale, BK salespeople hit the \$30,000 mark. The school goal is \$70,000.

As this article goes to press, salesperson is Chris Stadmiller (\$200) who has won a portable TV. First homeroom to reach its goal is freshmen homeroom A-103, Mrs. Gehret, with a total of

entered the 1980 Merit Program. Semifinalists are the highest scorers in each state, named from the top half of one per cent of the state's senior class in numbers proportional to that state's percentage of graduating seniors. Over 90 per cent of the semifinalists will qualify as finalists in February.

In addition to Castelein, seven other Aquinas students received commendations in the 1980 program. They are: David Bond, Matthew Brett, Paul Callens, Ed Kase, Bart Kilinski, Paul Reeves, and Chris Shannon.



## Personal Fitness Aim

and general homemaking that in textiles the objective classes, had the opportunity is to work with the whole to participate in instruction and exercise given by Mrs. Wendy Holman, slymnastic instructor at the Southeast YMCA.

Mrs. Karen Gray, home body creates energy.

The St. Agnes textile class economics instructor, stated person; students learn how to look their best, and body maintenance is the first step toward looking good in one's clothes. The nutrition classes are concerned with how the

# Nazareth Action Spans Library to Jogging Track

The Program for Student Library Assistants (PSLA) is now in its fourth year at Nazareth Academy. Twenty student library assistants are participating in the program, a chartered member of the National Catholic Library Assistants Association. The charter was obtained through the club's moderator, Sister Jeanne Agnes Michaud, member of the High School Libraries Section of the Catholic Library Association.

The usual duties of processing books, serving at the circulation desk, and charging books in and out are only the beginning of the duties of these library assistants. Using the card catalogue to help teachers and prepare students bibliographies, putting up

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exhibits, finding back issues of periodicals — these are just a few of their tasks which are designed to develop the skills of the student assistant as well as to be of service to the school community.

The club also provides a good job experience for the individual member. Each one has her own work assignment bulletin board, Paula Cuccaro, beginning her second year as assistant, likes the fact that her skills are needed and appreciated. For senior Natalie Kushel, in her fourth year with the program, it's meeting the people she serves.

This personal interaction with the students is one of the primary advantages of the program from the point of view of Sister Jeanne Agnes



Senior Sue Quattrociocchi, and Sister Jeanne Agnes go over the library files.

Michaud, moderator. "Since the library serves the entire school, it is hard to get to know students well. This program, "she explained, gives me an opportunity to know some individual istudents and to get ideas for books and displays from the students' perspective."

Student Library Assistants for this year are: Natalie Kushell, senior; Mary Siobhan Foley, Sue Ellen Quat--trociocchi, Paula Cuccaro,

Donna Ringholz, Patricia Kimanski, sophomores; Judy Chiang, Laura Hinkelman, Cynthia Ford, Jennifer Borkowski, Joanne Buckley, Christine Gerbino, Kathleen Feran, Clare Goodwin, Ermelinda Bonaccio, Beth Manfredi, and Michele Hurst, freshmen.

These students will soon be involved in preparing a questionnaire survey designed to obtain the students' view of the library, their opinions on what the library needs, how it can be improved, and information about the library. assignments they enjoyed doing. Each member wears an SLA button and receives a certificate of service at the end of the school year.

National Jogging Day, Oct. 13, wasn't the only day > Nazareth students jogged. Under the direction of Bernard McCullen, teacher, a jogging club was formed over at the school. Since September, student joggers have been seen in all kinds of weather on the Maplewood YMCA track for an hour after school on Wednesdays and Thursdays. Before running they do calisthentics from an approved program set up by one of the school physical education coaches. Although the girls have experienced some sore muscles, most of them who started in the club have persevered. They claim they feel better since joining the club and also do some running on their own every day.