

Joan M. Smith, Editor



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 Notre Dame during lunch. The person circled should take the clipping to the office to be forwarded to Joan M. Smith, Courier-Journal, by noon, Jan. 8 to receive the \$5.

Equal Time

As compared to other forms of entertainment, premiere movies, sport extravaganzas, symphonies, why are rock concerts such wild events?

CARDINAL MOONEY

MARY BETH HOLAHAN
Freshman
cheerleading

"It's the excitement of going and the age of the people who attend, and because the crowds are rushing to get in for seats. There should be all reserved seats and no general admissions."



ROSALIND HOOD
Freshman
roller skating

"Because of the stars appearing and the age group that attends them. They're anxious to see the people who perform these concerts in person so they get carried away."



JOHN FALK
Sophomore
wrestling

"There's a different audience and the use of drugs and the music get the audience hyper. I think they should keep the general admissions but they should open the doors earlier — this would solve the problem. Most cities will take better precautions after what happened in Cincinnati."



MATTHEW PETTINE
Sophomore

"I think it's the light shows and the people who are appearing; they get the people more involved; they get them to participate in the concert. The music has energy. The best thing I like about a rock concert is seeing the performers on stage. I think the confusion is natural, it's the way the kids like it — if they didn't they wouldn't buy tickets. I think general admission is better because it gives everyone a chance to get in to see the show."



TOM NIETOPSKI
Junior
Varsity basketball

"The attitudes related with the drugs and booze — just a lot of people becoming emotional because of social frustrations. One bad thing about the rock concerts is the general admission, where people can go in and go where they want. I think it should all be reserved seating."



MATT OSTER
Senior

"I think a lot of it has to do with the group; if the people like them there's going to be a lot of excitement. There's more people using drugs or alcohol. It's where people are able to let out their feeling about things. The minute one begins to act that way everyone follows."



PAULA WATKINS
Junior
ski club

"I think it's because of the age group. They become more excited over the stars' personalities. I go to see a particular group and it's a way to get together with all your friends. The people that go are more interested in hearing the music than any of the other activities going on. I think they should just have reserved seats."



JOHN KINSELLA
Junior
soccer

"Because kids are into hard rock instead of the soft music and the music itself tends to be more energetic and exciting and it is transmitted to the audience. I don't mind the hassle of rock concerts — it can get out of hand, though! Having more security and doing away with the general admission would help."



Speaking Out

By Thomas Rickey
DESALES

Action. A simple word; just two syllables. You might call it a non-verbal way of supporting something. But there are some people in this world who go through life not having the slightest idea of its true meaning.



It's amazing how most people can talk up a storm but never take one ounce of action. These people will complain, letting off enough steam to light up New York City on a cold winter's night. It is said that energy can be transferred from one form to

another; so, why don't they transfer their words into action and get something done?

People who are able to, but do not take action have no right to complain about something when they don't make their presence known. This includes such issues as "How did so-and-so get elected?" "Why doesn't someone help that poor old lady shovel her walk?" And "Why in the world did so-and-so do that?"

When a good person sees something wrong, he doesn't just go on his merry way. When he sees something wrong, he doesn't just complain about it, but does something about it. Anyone can change or misinterpret your words, but it is very difficult for someone to

manipulate your actions.

When people give an opinion on an event that has taken place, and they say they will stick to that opinion, will they? When people say they have solid convictions about an issue, they should back them up with solid effort and actions. It is the great man who can stick to his opinion through thick and thin, backing it up with action and evidence in addition to words.

The message is, simply, take action! If there is something in the world you want to change, maybe you have to talk about it, but the most important element is to act on that issue. When you see an injustice being done, speak up, stand for your convictions, and then take action!

Banquet Skills Used

Nazareth Academy students in the Basic Cooking and Consumer Skills class never took a class in home economics before this year but have been involved in applying the skills they have learned. According to their teacher, Sister Eileen Curtis, it was the students' idea to prepare a dinner banquet for their other teachers before Christmas vacation.

Invitation, decoration and banquet committees went into action and the dinner party for 20 was prepared and enjoyed before the start of the Christmas holidays.

Winner!

Stan Balcerak, a junior at Cardinal Mooney, was the recipient of the Winner's Circle \$5 for the week of Dec. 18.

Nazareth Student Wins Competition

Karen McCloskey, Nazareth Academy junior, has received first place in a competition scholarship exam given by Alfred University, Division of Human Studies. Fellow junior, Yvonne Whitfield, who wrote the exam in human values, was also commended for her strong writing on the exam.

The test was given Saturday, Nov. 17 at the University and required the students to write on the historical significance of the Crusades, Protestant Reformation and the French Revolution. They were also required to write about people such as Plato, Julius Caesar, Henry VIII, Andrew Carnegie, and Susan B. Anthony.

Karen will receive a cash award of \$50 and the opportunity for a \$500 scholarship for each of her

four years at Alfred. In a letter of commendation sent to Sister Joan McDowell, Social Studies Department chairperson, Karen's essay was praised as the unanimous choice of the faculty at Alfred.

"It was exceptionally strong and it shows her ability to perform at college level."



KAREN MCCLOSKEY

On The Go

AQUINAS

Thursday, Jan. 3 — School resumes.
Monday, Jan. 7 — B schedule, dismissal, 1:50 p.m.

BISHOP KEARNEY

Thursday, Jan. 3 — School reopens.
Friday, Jan. 4 — Late registration deadline for Jan. 26 SAT test.
Monday, Jan. 7 — Tryouts for Spring musical.

CARDINAL MOONEY

Thursday, Jan. 3 — Ski club.

Saturday, Jan. 5 —

Freshman party.
Tuesday, Jan. 8 — Senior assembly; AFPA membership drive begins.
Wednesday, Jan. 9 — Light bulb sale begins.

DESALES

Wednesday, Jan. 2 — Classes resume.
Monday, Jan. 7 — Faculty meeting.

MCQUAID

Friday, Jan. 4 — Report cards distributed.
Monday, Jan. 7 — Academic Council, 2:05 p.m.

Tuesday, Jan. 8 — Driver education registration.
Wednesday, Jan. 9 — Faculty meeting, 2:15 p.m.; parent-teacher meetings, 7:30-8:30 p.m.

NAZARETH

Thursday, Jan. 3 — PATON meeting, 7:45 p.m.
Friday, Jan. 4 — Ski club to Swain, 3-11 p.m.
Jan. 7-11 — Basketball tryouts, 3-5:30 p.m.
Monday, Jan. 7 — Dismissal, 1:35 p.m.; faculty meeting in room 317, 2 p.m.
Tuesday, Jan. 8 — Freshman course description assembly, 8:30 p.m.; FSC-JFSC Recognition Day; Student Council rep meeting, library, 2:45 p.m.; department heads meeting, rm. 317, 2:40-3:30 p.m.; department heads meet, library, 2:45 p.m.
Wednesday, Jan. 9 — Sophomore 1980 course description assembly, 8:30 p.m.

OUR LADY OF MERCY

Wednesday, Jan. 2 — School reopens.

Entrance Exam Set For Jan. 12

The Diocese of Rochester has announced that the high school entrance exam for the Catholic high schools will be given on Saturday, Jan. 12, 8:30 a.m.

The exam will be given at the following schools:

Aquinas, Bishop Kearney, Nazareth, Our Lady of Mercy and St. Agnes. For further information, contact any of these schools by phone or mail. All eighth grade girls and boys are welcome to take the exam.