

Teen Board Active On Local Fashion Scene

By Joan M. Smith

Three students from Our Lady of Mercy High School were on the fashion runway this week-end. Molly Maloy, Renee Wierszewski, and Michele Cimicata, are members of the 1980-81 McCurdy's Teen Board. As such they had the opportunity, along with 17 other board members and 24 local teen-models to participate in the Seventeen Magazine musical fashion show, "Prep Rally", at the Genesee Plaza Inn on Saturday. The extravaganza, sponsored by McCurdy's, featured a Fall fashion revue and a parade up Main St. to McCurdy's store for a theater cast party.



According to McCurdy sources, over 1400 people attended the back-to-school fashion show. Above, Teen Board members Michelle Mercer, Andrea Pomilla, Jeanne Maloney, and Kelly Sholts model some of the outfits from the show.

"The Prep Rally", choreographed by David Carter, came to Rochester right from its New York City debut and featured the latest in "back-to-school" fashions. Here to lend a hand with the modeling was Victoria Dalamas, a guest model from New York City, featured in the latest issues of the magazine.

When the Courier-Journal tried contacting the Mercians, they were at rehearsal, "from 8:30 this morning," said one mother, "until they are done." However, the girls' families were happy to supply information.

According to her mother, Molly who is a senior, is a member of the Quill staff and enjoys art and advertising. Regarding Renee, a junior, we

were informed that she was an exchange student in France this summer, and when at home is active in the CYO programs at her parish. Michele is also a junior and has participated in the Mercy musicals, is a member of the girls' glee club, and has played on the school tennis team.

Other members on the Teen Board are: Leslie Grushkin, Andrea Pomilla, Pittsford-Mendon High School; Jeanne Maloney, Michelle Mercer,

and Josephine Teegarden, Brighton High; Linda Wolk, Pittsford-Sutherland High; Susan Schwaneflugel, East High; Brenna Bull, Fairport High; Gemma Hauser, Laura Pierce, and Ann Zlotkus, Irondequoit High; Louise Proia, West Irondequoit High; Ann-Michelle Landers and Kelly Sholts, R.L. Thomas High; Sharon McCutchan, H.W. Schroeder High; Laura Nieboer and Melody Palmer, Greece Athena High.

Black Married Priests, End To Church Racism Urged

Chicago (RNS) — The largest gathering of U.S. black Catholics ever held called for a black married priesthood and re-emphasized demands for elimination of racism in the Church and inclusion of black theology and culture in seminary training.

Because a large number of blacks were denied admission into seminaries for reasons of race in former years, according to those at the convention, these men — now married and living in the community — should be considered for the priesthood.

the 2,000 delegates agreed.

The convention was sponsored by the National Office for Black Catholics, an alliance of clergy, laity and religious men and women.

The black Catholics called for the preparation of parish mission statements or profiles with language aimed at ending racism and the establishment of offices for black ministry at the diocesan level.

A resolution also was passed that a mandatory component of education of all

priests, nuns, lay people and deacons must include black theology and black cultural studies. The delegates called for strong premarital instruction programs for black couples getting married in the Catholic Church; urged that programs such as Engaged and Marriage Encounter be made more relevant to the black community; asked development of couple-support groups headed by successful black married couples and called for a place in the community for separated and divorced persons.



Mission Life

Father Joseph Reinhart, left, diocesan missions director, chats with Bishop Anthony Mayala, ordinary of the Musoma Diocese in Tanzania and a recent visitor to the East Avenue missions office. Bishop Mayala, Musoma's first native-born bishop, stopped in Rochester last Friday on his way across the northeastern United States. The Musoma Diocese, located on Lake Victoria, covers about 8,000 square miles and has 110,000 Catholics out of a total population of some 800,000.

Hornell Readies Festival

Hornell — Parishioners at St. Ann's Church are in the final stages of preparation for the annual parish festival, slated for this Friday and Saturday, Aug. 22 and 23.

Among the attractions at this year's event will be a cake booth, an arts and crafts booth, a country kitchen, a white elephant sale and a plant booth.

Festival chairmen are Lon and Ellie Burzycki. They are being aided by, among others, Dorothy and Margaret DeSanto, Ann Gentile, Barbara McBride, Dolores Andrus, Cindy Green, Pat Prete, Maureen Murphy and Doug and Bev Gilbert.

Oldtimers Reunion

A cake in the form of a baseball diamond, weighing 275 pounds and measuring four feet by eight feet, will decorate the speakers' table at the Baseball-Basketball Oldtimers Reunion on Saturday, Sept. 13 at the Mapledale Party House. Decorating the cake, donated by Gruttadauria's Pastry Shop, will be miniature players.

Puerto Rican Board Elects

The Puerto Rican Youth Development and Resource Center has elected Jose Cruz president. He has been the coordinator of the Puerto Rican Festival.

Other officers are: vice president, Carlos Rodriguez, county public defender; treasurer, Richard Chilinski, certified public accountant; secretary, Maria Rivera, Rochester police officer.

Help Needed

The Genesee Settlement House last week asked for the donation of a servicable refrigerator and a freezer. A spokesperson for the neighborhood social service agency said that such items can be picked up at the donor's house. Persons wishing to respond are asked to call 288-1830.

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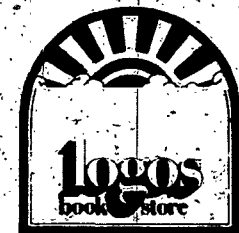
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