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Equal Time

What is your opinion of beauty pageants?

NAZARETH

JEAN KASE
Junior
school play



"I think that women are competitive enough and more competition isn't needed. The contests are just for looks — they say you have to have talent but that isn't the center of it. It's strictly the visual beauty and the contestants are so serious — they want to win. In the male competitions like Mr. America it's all looks and they don't bill their competitions as other than physical looks."

LaVON FALLINI
Freshman
student council



"I think they are sexist myself. I think it's great that gentlemen think there are a lot of pretty women but I think the pageants should have a purpose. They only look at the contestants' outer beauty, and they should be looking at the woman as a total person. I feel this could be done by asking more questions of the contestants like what they want out of life, their reasons, and what are their expectations. I think beauty pageants are here to stay — so many people support them."

ROSE ROTONDI
Senior



"They are strictly sexist. The contestants parade around in swim suits and evening gowns so they're judged on visual beauty. Changes would make the pageants better — like instead of just asking one question have the contestants submit resumes regarding their talent and qualifications. Though they have the talent show it is still the bathing suit and evening gown appearances that label women as sex objects. It's possible the beauty pageant will become a thing of the past."

MAUREEN BURNES
Sophomore



"I don't think they are good because they exploit women's beauty and personality, especially with the appearances in bathing suits and evening gowns. A change I would make is to take the bathing suit contest out and have more conversation with the contestants — put it on a more intellectual basis."

PATTI AUSTIN
Senior
Spectrum advisor



"I think they are pure sexist. They are based on bodily beauty rather than intellect. No matter what other people think, girls all do it for the attention. Instead of appearing in bathing suits have them appear in regular clothes and submit resumes about themselves. The pageants are good especially as far as the contestants having the opportunity of meeting other people, but it's still a beauty pageant."

PAULA CUCCARO
Junior
student council secretary



"I don't like the idea that they don't stress the talent and the issues more — they mostly stress the bathing suit and evening gown contests — but when you come to the talent contest you don't see much. The contestants are looking for public attention especially if their goals are modeling, acting, or dancing. I'm pretty sure the beauty pageant is here to stay. I think most women now days feel the beauty pageant is exploitive, but the women who choose to enter must not feel that way or if they do, they want to be exploited."

KAREN KONZEL
Freshman
tennis



"I'm not sure. There are good things about the pageants and there are bad. A contestant can earn scholarships, financial awards, and have the experience of meeting people. But I also think the events can be fake especially in the judging area where I think it can be shakey. And all the girls think about is winning and they'll do anything to win. I don't think beauty pageants would be missed if they stopped."

JOANNE CASEY
Sophomore
softball



"They exploit women and make them look like sex symbols. The competition between women is really unnecessary. No matter what, beauty pageants are judged on visual beauty. If a contestant wins she has advantages like scholarships, money. I think the contests will change because so many women today are noticing that the pageants are sexist."



St. Agnes High School will kick-off its 1980 Magazine drive Friday, Oct. 17. The super goal this year is \$32,000. The assembly will feature a skit, "Maggie Magazine in Monster Land." The class mascot, Aggie Bear, will be kidnapped by monsters who will demand \$25,000 but Oct. 31, the last day of the drive. Already motivating the students to achieve their quotas are Cindy DeWitt, Ann Feller who plays "Aggie", teacher Ms. Betty Geen, and Liz Flow.

Freshmen Achieve Chocolate Success

Nazareth Academy did it again! According to school sources, under the enthusiastic leadership of Sister Carol Ciminò, assistant principal, Nazareth students sold over \$48,500 worth of chocolate in its recent chocolate drive. The volume of voices at the kick-off assembly did equal the volume of sales! However, students had to wait until the closing assembly on Oct. 2 to hear final results. High selling classes and students were announced by Sister Carol, who had kept the students posted on daily results during the drive and had provided many school activities to keep enthusiasm running high throughout the drive.

This year's competition between classes ended with the freshmen in first place. They achieved 181.5 per cent of their original goal. In second place were the seniors, followed by the sophs and juniors. The highest salesperson was junior Ann Marie Scardino, who sold \$847.50 worth of chocolate and was given a \$100 prize.

Nazareth Open House

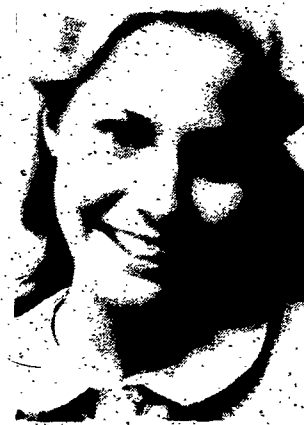
Other high sellers, each of whom was awarded a \$50 prize, were freshman Maureen Sindrom (\$677), sophomore Emily Zicari (\$601.50), and senior Amy Cantero (\$575.50).

There is a new twist to the PSAT tests this year over at McQuaid. The tests, scheduled for Oct. 21, will be taken for the first time by sophomores. Although it will only be a run through of the test for the sophs Father Eugene Zimpher, principal, said, "It's a better preparation for the SATS and for the junior PSATS which determine Merit Scholarships."

The Sophomores will not only have an idea of what to expect from the tests in their junior year, but will also upon receiving their scores, have time to discuss the tests and receive advice about their weak points.

It's Open House at Nazareth Academy, Sunday, Oct. 19, 2-5 p.m., and the public is invited. The day is planned for all students presently attending Nazareth, their parents and friends; for 8th grade girls thinking about their choice of high school for the next year; and for all friends and educators who would like an inside look at the Academy.

On that Sunday, every room and hallway will be buzzing with activity as students and teachers demonstrate various activities. Displays will show off the work being done. Musical groups will add a festive air of entertainment throughout the afternoon in the auditorium. In the gym, students will be demonstrating physical education activities. Handouts are being prepared by various departments, and homemade cookies and punch will be served in the cafeteria.



KATIE

A Member Of Royalty

Katie Rombaut was crowned Homecoming Queen at Cardinal Mooney High School. She and the King, Larry Blum, presided over the parade of floats and the half-time festivities during the Cardinal-East High football game, Sept. 27.

European Trip

St. Agnes High School is planning a European trip during the Easter recess to points of interest in Germany, Switzerland, Luxembourg and France.

The trip is open to all St. Agnes alumnae, as well as students and their families. Information is available from Mrs. Edward Ferland at the school, 300 East River Road, Rochester, N.Y. 14623. Applications will be due Nov. 5.



Club Members

Starting in front row from the left are Bishop Kearney Video and Library Club members: Lisa Biehler, Carla Mattioli, Mary Ellen Hansen, Janet Infarinato, Rosa Ferrara, Mary Lentine; second row — Greg Rupprecht, Joan Bleier, Bob Salamone, Anne Marie Lanzafame, Jackie Hanley; third row — Rob Garrik, Joe Lanzafame, Bill Eckert, Kris Lyons, Irene Ribitsch.

Tests, Tests, And More Tests

Nazareth Academy will hold a College Information Night for seniors and their parents, Oct. 16. A college admissions panel will present tips on selecting and applying to a college, as well as presenting an expert on financial aid who will thoroughly explain the types of financial aid that are available and how to apply for them.

The Guidance Department

has also set up dates for testing. On Oct. 11, seniors took the Scholastic Aptitude Test and they will take the American College Test on Oct. 18. On Oct. 21, all juniors will take the Preliminary Scholastic Aptitude Test.

The State Education Department has mandated that freshmen who did not score in the 50th percentile or higher on national reading test

as of last year must take the Preliminary Competency Test in Reading and Writing. Guidance Counselors have contacted all students who did not meet the required score on these tests.

The Guidance Department has also arranged for college reps to come to the school during October. Juniors and seniors were given a schedule of these visits in time to confer with a rep of their choice.