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Equal Time

Although more and more marriages are ending in divorce marriage is still the popular lifestyle chosen by the majority of people and because of this, RapAround went to those who will be contemplating marriage within the next few years and asked their views on a happy marriage. Last week Nazareth Academy young women gave their opinions. This week the McQuaid gentlemen tell what they think is the most important ingredient in a happy marriage.

PHIL DAILEY
Junior
indoor track



"Honesty is the best ingredient for a good marriage, and love and being truthful with your wife. And I think before marrying you should get to know the girl — have a long engagement — you should know what kind of wife she will be. Marriage is a big step and you can't rush into it."

TOM CREARY
Freshman



"First of all love; being able to work things out; cooperation with each other; being responsible to the commitment of marriage. Also making sure that you are ready to take on the commitment. I think that is a reason for the divorce rate — people aren't ready to take on the commitment."

FRANK SAPERE
Junior
football



"I think the people have to be ready to make the commitment. Today, people take marriage too lightly. I think they have to trust each other and take each other's points of view and understand those views — not always being one-sided."

TIM NEWTON
Junior
soccer



"I think the most important ingredient is sacrifice — being able to sacrifice for each other to make the marriage work. Each person has to give — can't be self-centered. I think this not giving is one of the reasons for the break-up of marriages."

MIKE HEBERT
Senior
football



"Trust between two people; children to keep the marriage going; faith in each other. Also communication between the two people because if they don't tell each other how they feel the relationship begins to fall apart. And I think that is why there are so many divorces."

JIM JENKINS
Junior
football



"The facing up to the fact that marriage isn't always a honeymoon. When you find out the honeymoon is over you realize you have to live with this person the rest of your life and it's a big commitment and with this commitment, of course, comes love. People think that married life is a honeymoon and I think TV influences that thinking."

MIKE TOMAINO
Junior
wrestling



"I think that the important ones are love and care. When you get married a lot of problems arise and if you don't really love that person you won't be able to overcome these problems. You have to really care about the relationship to want to solve the problems. A reason for marriage break-ups is that people get married before they really know their partner and when a problem comes up they realize they don't care enough about their partner to sacrifice themselves to solve the problem."

TOM CONSIDINE
Junior
soccer



"I think the most important factor that has to be present is love because you might not see eye to eye with your partner, you may have differences but if you really love that person it will work out. I think a reason for the high divorce rate is that people marry at such a young age that they think they love one another and they don't. I definitely think if people began to get married at 25 or 26 years old the divorce rate would be cut in half."

Nazareth Students Remember a Birthday

Taking its cue from the Stevie Wonder song, "Happy Birthday," the Black Students United organization of Nazareth Academy will present its annual Martin Luther King assembly on Jan. 15. Father James Duah-Agyeman, assistant pastor at St. Michael's Church, and Deborah Mullen, a student at Colgate Divinity School, will be the featured speakers. Black music and poetry will be presented by the students and they will be accompanied by Ms. Yvonne Lewis, a recent

music graduate of Nazareth College. Students who dance with Garth Fagan's "Bottom of the Bucket But..." will also pay tribute, in dance form, to the memory of Dr. King.

According to a news release, the thrust this year is to have Martin Luther King's birthday, Jan. 15, proclaimed a national holiday. According to Ms. Adie Chirino, BSU moderator, there have been bills and petitions before the Congress for a number of years, but this year it is hoped

that a law will be passed proclaiming the first national holiday for a black leader.

Nazareth's Black Students United celebrates its 11th birthday this year. The organization runs a regular program of speakers and events aimed at spotlighting black culture among both black and white youth at the school. So far, this year's activities have included several speakers, a bake sale and a roller disco party. Field trips to concerts and meetings are planned for the spring.

Students in Albany

In December, 17 students from Our Lady of Mercy traveled to Albany, the state capital, to participate in a three-day conference sponsored by the YMCA. The Mercians, along with moderator Benny Marcello, history teacher, spent their time with high schoolers from all over New York State. Activities included acting as pages, lobbying for bills, and speaking before the assembly of students. Topics considered included abortion, transportation, capital punishment, and euthanasia.

Anne Zink, head of the mercy delegation, presented mercy's bill to the assembly. The legislation dealt with limiting legislators' salaries, and it was passed by the students.

Aside from the political business, the girls enjoyed evening dances and movies.

The McQuaid delegation was led by junior Eric Lipman who was elected to Speaker of the Assembly for next year's conference. Also on board was Steven Kamp who co-sponsored the McQuaid legislation to repeal the two percent limitation on the real estate property tax.

Nazareth Academy students Peggy Becker and Debby Lochner also attended the conference. They presented a bill mandating that the State Department of Transportation erect signs where handicapped people reside. The girls had been actively working on the preparation of this bill since mid-October. They also met twice a week with a counselor at the Maplewood YMCA Family Branch to get the legislation properly outlined.

McQuaid Visits Canada

Christmas vacation meant a trip to Quebec, Canada, for 12 McQuaid students and their French teacher, John Tobin. The travelers stayed at the Chateau Frontenac. They spent their days skiing, tobogganing, attending hockey games, and touring such sites as Ste. Anne-de-Beaupre, Laval University, and Montmorency Falls.

Winter Music At Mercy

Our Lady of Mercy High School will present a winter concert Jan. 18 at 3 p.m. in the school auditorium. The Mercy Glee Club and Band, under the direction of Mrs. Shirley Bezek and Sister Marie David, will perform winter melodies, folk songs, and show tunes. The performance is free and open to the public.

Winner

Rosemarie Yuna, Cardinal Mooney, was the recipient of the Winner's Circle \$5 for the week of Dec. 10.



Photo by Joan M. Smith

New York, New York

Lynf Jackson (shown above in a closing parade review), who is lead majorette for the Bishop Kearney Marching Kings, will be leading the group down 5th Avenue in the New York City St. Patrick's Day Parade come March 17. Parents and friends will be accompanying the band on a tour to the Big Apple, March 15-18. The Kings, under the direction of Ray Shahin, are no strangers to New York. They performed in the St. Pat's Parade in 1968 and 1978.

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