

RapAround



Music Celebrity Spearheads Quake Drive at Nazareth

Students at Nazareth Academy decided to join forces with Chuck Mangione to raise funds for the Italian Earthquake Relief Fund. Mangione's niece, Cheryl Shank, is a junior and she initiated the school's fund drive. Prizes included tickets to the Mangione benefit concert held Dec. 27 at the Americana Hotel and were won by Lisa Guglietta and Miss Mary Lee Skelly.



Chuck Mangione is greeted by Sister Elaine Englert, principal, and his niece Cheryl.

In order to give a boost to the appeal, Cheryl invited her uncle to visit school and announce his support of the drive. To the delight and surprise of students and faculty, he came, made an announcement over the public address system, posed for pictures, and signed autographs.

According to Nazareth sources, support for the benefit and for the appeal has

come from all over the country, and students of Nazareth are now actively involved in helping to alleviate the hardships of the residents of southern Italy.

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 Nazareth Academy between classes. The person circled should bring the clipping to Joan M. Smith, Courier-Journal, 114 South Union St., by noon, Tuesday, Jan. 27 to receive \$5.

Equal Time

This week RapAround has departed from its normal format of student opinions to bring its readers adult viewpoints. The idea came while discussing marriage with Nazareth and McQuaid students these past few weeks. Marriage is one of the most important decisions that a person makes, and as it takes more than just an "I do" to make it a happy, workable relationship, RapAround decided to go to those who speak from experience for their ideas on the question:

What do you think is the most important ingredient in a happy marriage?

MARILYN DRY
Secretary
Cardinal Mooney
married 12 years

"Patience is very important. I think that the realization that you have a good marriage doesn't come immediately but with maturity. For us, we realized we had a good marriage after ten years. The trouble with the young people today is that they don't give marriage a chance — they're ready to throw in the towel. My husband and I also feel that you have to have a sense of humor."



MARGE SULLIVAN
Secretary
Bishop Kearney
married 30 years

"Probably understanding with a capital U. Both sides have to be understanding. Patience is another important ingredient, and a sense of humor — it's so important. A togetherness is important — it takes two to make a marriage work."



DENNIS SADLER
Athletic Director
Aquinas
married 9 years

"I think the first thing is communication — two people must feel at ease telling each other what's on their minds. I think this lack of communication is the basis for problem marriages. And in this communicating the idea is that what you say is what you mean — there's too much saying one thing and meaning another. Sharing is also important, but sharing doesn't mean possession of the other person. Each person needs his/her individuality."



JULI PALMA
Teacher
Our Lady of Mercy
married 2 1/2 years

"There are three or four things that are important. Basically people should not expect their partners to be paragons of virtue and strength — they shouldn't put their partner on a pedestal. To expect them never to make a mistake or have a bad day is unrealistic. I think a little bit of independence from each other is important. You have to have a personality and life separate from each other. You have to maintain your individuality, and you can't take yourself too seriously — have to maintain a sense of humor."



ED NIETOPSKI
Athletic Director
Cardinal Mooney
married 30 years

"It's still what it has always been — love. It may take different forms: it can be enthusiastic at times, or can involve the sharing of the daily routine, of the good things and the difficult times. Other important factors are trusting one another and having a sense of humor. We see so many good marriages — it's a sign that marriage works."



RAY SHAHIN
Music Director
Bishop Kearney
married 26 years

"Most important is flexibility. Realizing that there are things that will go against the grain, but if you really want the to stay married you have to work this out. Understanding the reality of marriage. Anyone who goes into marriage carte blanche thinking they are identical with their spouse is in for a surprise. Working at the marriage all the time is important, and I also think that if one spouse destroys the other's ability to believe in oneself, you have a total destruction of a relationship."



MARY ELLEN TAMANOVICH
Teacher
Aquinas
married 17 years

"You have to see things from the other person's point of view. Also I think you have to concentrate on what's good in the other person instead of picking on what upsets you about that person. Basically it's a question of keeping the marriage together. You have to be determined that you are going to keep it together instead of considering alternatives. I think that when divorce is considered an alternative then it becomes a reality and I don't see it as something that should happen."



MARGARET KAYSER
Teacher
St. Agnes
married 15 years

"I think to view marriage as a partnership, and for each partner to have a good sense of self — know who you are. One of the reasons marriages fail is that people go into them without a sense of who they are. They can't expect marriage to give them an identity. Just as important as the physical attraction is a sense of friendship. You have to be good friends in a marriage. In a happy marriage the partners have to have similar backgrounds and interests. Common interests and common goals are very helpful."

