

RapAround RapAround

Equal Time

Why do you think women swear?

NAZARETH

**JEAN TOMASSO**  
Sophomore  
theater



"First of all we've entered into men's dominion and have had to work by men's standards. It's like fighting fire with fire. Women will swear because of anger and because they hear it all the time. It's like everyday language — that is, some words. What I don't approve of is when every other word a person says is a swear word. It shows a lack of vocabulary."

**KATHY FORAN**  
Sophomore  
band



"I think they mainly do it as a shock element. I think they do it to impress friends and to create an image of toughness or authority. I don't like it; it's degrading to everyone, not just to the women. I don't think swearing is necessary for anyone. I don't know what can be done about it. It has progressed so far. Parents don't do anything about it when their kids swear."

**CHERYL SHANK**  
Junior  
class vice president



"I think women swear to release the frustration and because everyone is doing it. The female needs the same release from tensions as a male. However, it's not accepted as well when a female swears because it's not considered feminine. It's becoming more of a thing done without thinking. Personally, I think when I hear a girl swearing a lot it sounds so raunchy and gives you an insight into what the girl is like. I think men prefer that women would not swear."

**RENEE BRADY**  
Sophomore



"I don't think they think about it; it's become a natural thing to do. Sometimes they use words to act tough and to release anger but I don't think it's proper. It has become a common practice. They use it around the children and then their children grow up and continue to swear. I don't think it's necessary to swear."

**VIKKI HARDY**  
Sophomore  
class treasurer



"I think that teenagers swear for appearances. I think they do it because they think it's one of the ways to get accepted into a crowd. I think others learn it from habit, and like hearing it from parents who swear in anger or emotional upsets. I think if a person can get out her true emotions through swearing and feel better about herself, then she should."

**EMIRA WOODS**  
Sophomore  
class president



"I don't think they swear for any particular reason. They swear for the same reasons as men — to get out their frustrations and pent-up feelings. For myself I wouldn't swear as common practice. It shows a lack of intelligence. I think it has become a common thing among women."

**CORA HOLLIDAY**  
Senior  
theater

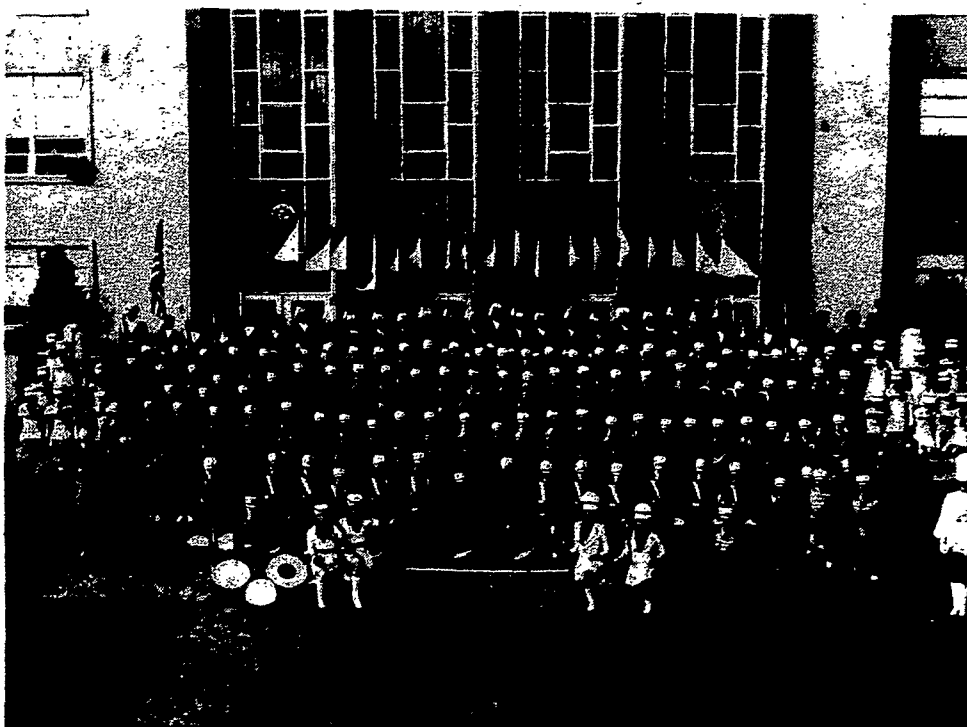


"I think as women got out into the world they had to become more aggressive and act more like men. I think swearing went along with it, but as the 80s have come around women are trying to be business-like and feminine at the same time. Swearing is an injustice to our language. I think swearing will slack off among the women."

**LAURA HINKELMAN**  
Sophomore  
band



"Probably why everyone else does. They don't do it intentionally, just out of habit. I think they hear it a lot and they fall into a habit. They think they're cool if they swear. I don't like to hear anyone swear, but society thinks it's all right for men to swear but not women."



Music! Music! Music!

The Instrumental Music Department of Bishop Kearney High School, under the direction of Ray Shahin, will present its annual Spring Concert at 8 p.m. on Friday, May 22. The concert will feature vocalists Leah Zicari, Mike Amory, and Bob Nicosia with the Jazz Band. Dave Reinhart will perform a trumpet solo in "Halcyon Days." The Marching Band will perform a patriotic tribute featuring the Color Guard and the Twirlers. The concert is free to the public. On display will be the Silver Cup, first prize trophy won by the band at the New York City St. Patrick's Day Parade. Other performances by the band this Spring will be the Lilar Parade on May 16, the Irondequoit Memorial Day Parade, May 25, and St. Anne's Home May 26. The band will also perform on the Irondequoit Town Hall grounds following the Memorial Day Parade.

Mercy Offers 'Welcome Aboard' Xerox Merit Winner

The Parents Association of Our Lady of Mercy High School will hold a Mass to welcome the incoming freshmen and their parents. Father Vincent Panepinto, chaplain, will celebrate the liturgy at 9:15 a.m. on Sunday, May 17 in the Motherhouse chapel, 1437 Blossom Road. Refreshments will be served after Mass.

Chairperson for the event is Mrs. Marilyn Gladue, a member of St. Salome's parish.

LIVING ROSARY

A living rosary will be formed in devotions at 7:30 p.m., Tuesday, May 19 at the Cardinal Mooney High School auditorium.

Jon Skinner, a senior at McQuaid Jesuit High School and son of Mr. and Mrs. Donald Skinner, has won a 1981 National Merit Scholarship, sponsored by Xerox Corporation.

He plans to enter Union College in Schenectady this fall and will pursue a double major in economics and English.

Team Honored

St. Agnes High School Mock Trial Team was honored at the Bar Association Annual Law Day Luncheon last week.

The team and coaches were recognized for winning the fourth county-wide Mock Trial Competition held in March.

The participants each received engraved gavels, and legal books with specially designed bookplates contributed by Goldstein, Goldman, Kessler and Underberg to commemorate Joseph Goldstein's 65 years in law practice.



Winner's 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 Mercy during lunch. The person circled should bring the clipping to Joan M. Smith, Courier-Journal, 114 South Union St., by noon, Tuesday, May 12 to receive \$5.



A Decorative Touch

Nazareth Academy student artwork will be on display at the Red Cross Blood Center, 50 Prince St., through mid-May. The artwork was chosen by Nazareth art teacher Sister Anne DeMare from the classwork done by her students. The Center is open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Monday and Friday; and 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday.