

RapAround

Equal Time

Should there be stricter gun control laws?

CARDINAL MOONEY

STEPHEN ROBBINS
Senior

"No, there shouldn't be tougher gun control laws because there's so many guns on the street now it wouldn't make any difference. Being able to possess a gun gives the citizen better protection, especially in his home. People will be able to get guns anyway, especially those who want to do violence."



COLLEEN KOSTER
Junior
Apogee

"I don't think there should be gun control. It goes against the rights of citizens. With the increasing crime on the streets it's the only way citizens can protect themselves. People who want to do violence can use any weapons — not just a gun. Anyone out to do violence will find a way to do it, regardless."



JANINE FRANCESCA
Junior

"I don't think there should be, because it won't solve the problem. There are too many guns in circulation and stricter laws would encourage more guns illegally through smuggling and selling illegally. People who want to do violence will do it regardless of guns."



GREG HERZOG
Junior
drama

"There shouldn't be gun control because violent people will eventually commit a violent act, regardless. They should make it more difficult to obtain a gun but citizens should have the right to own one if they choose. People make the violence; guns are just a vehicle for them to carry out their violence. The criminal element will always be basically violent and criminals will always get a hold of a weapon. It will only be the law-abiding citizens that will obey the laws."



JULIE JOHNSON
Junior
homeroom rep

"Yes, there should be to some extent. Large guns like rifles should have to have a permit but people should be able to possess them for hunting. But for handguns and pistols you should have to have a license and everyone who has a license issued should have to give a specific reason why they want it. You can't say guns are causing the violence. There would be just as much violence without the guns. There are many ways to be violent."



EILEEN SCHEIBLE
Junior

"Yes, there should be stricter gun laws because it would cut down on the violence. The circulation of guns should be prevented. Cut down on who can own them. Private citizens don't need guns as much as the police do. I feel it's safer for the people to be disarmed. Criminals may always have a way of getting guns but cutting down on their availability would make it more difficult for them."



AL SCIORTINO
Junior
football

"I don't think there's a way around guns. It's like drugs — whether illegal or not they are in existence. If people want to kill, they will — a gun just makes it easier. The gun, however, doesn't pull the trigger, but the person. Criminals will always be able to obtain a gun no matter what the law."



JOHN GRAHAM
Senior

"I think they should make an attempt at stricter gun control laws. If they weren't as available to the public, people wouldn't know how to get them illegally. A permit is definitely needed and tests, like psychiatric tests, should be given; also, have training programs which people would have to take before being issued a gun. I think guns are the reason for the growing violence and the fact that guns are so easy to obtain is the problem."



BK Students Merit College Scholarships

Brother Brian M. Walsh, Bishop Kearney High School principal, has announced that four seniors have attained finalist standing in the National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test. They are: Anne Buttarazzi, Anne Marie Kane, Kathleen Laffey, and Joaquin Tinio.



Anne Marie, Anne, and Joaquin.

Anne, the daughter of Ronald and Mary Buttarazzi of Fairport, will attend Holy Cross College on a four-year scholarship supplementing her Merit Scholarship. She also won four-year scholarships to Boston College, Siena College, Fordham University and Fairfield University.

Anne Marie, daughter of James and Marcia Kane of Irondequoit, will attend Harvard University this coming fall on a four-year scholarship. In addition to this award and her Merit Scholarship, Anne Marie received four-year scholarships from Cornell University, Boston College, and Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

Kathleen, daughter of Helen Laffey of Irondequoit, will attend the Massachusetts Institute of Technology this coming September on a grant. She also received the Joseph

Wilson Scholarship from the University of Rochester and a one-year scholarship from Cornell University.

Joaquin, son of Ferdinand and Isabelita Tinio of Iron-

dequoit, will begin his studies this September at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology on a scholarship. He also was awarded a scholarship from Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute.

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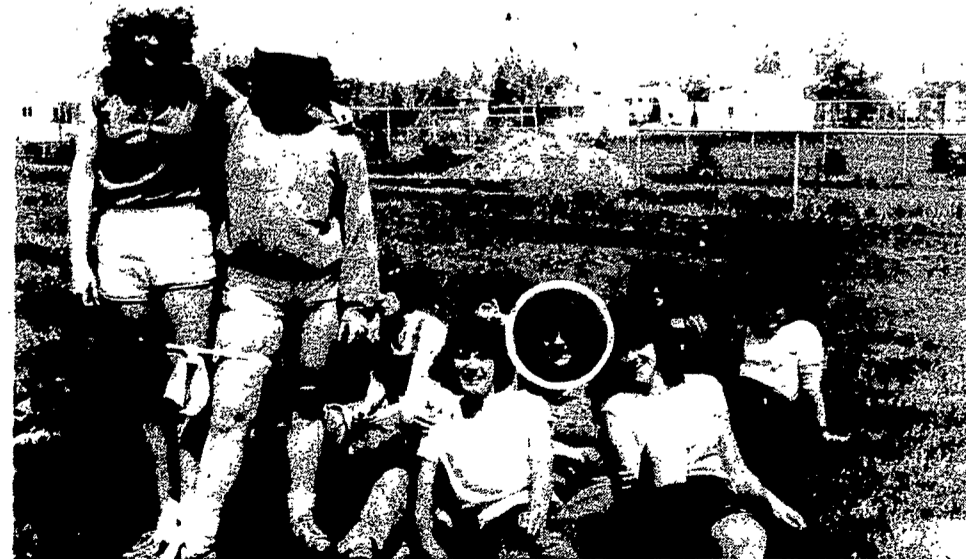
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