

# RAP AROUND

## Equal Time

What do you look for in a date?  
McQUAID

**PHIL DAILEY**  
Senior  
dramatics

"I like a girl who can be herself and not try to act too mature; a girl with a nice personality who can take a joke and have a good time. Looks do help but are not the most important thing. It's important that you can talk to her and carry on a good conversation."



**AARNE AHO**  
Freshman

"I like a girl who is pretty with a nice figure and is fun to be with and with whom I'm able to talk; one who is honest and doesn't load on the make-up."



**MIKE CONNELLY**  
Senior  
football team

"I like a girl who acts herself and isn't a phony and acts the way other girls expect her to. I like a girl who stands out in a crowd and who is not afraid to express her ideas. I like someone. I can have a good time with. Looks help but once I get to know the girl they're not as important. I like a girl who has a nice personality and is easy to talk with."



**BRIAN GRANT**  
Freshman  
football

"I like a girl who isn't too smart and doesn't wear a lot of make-up. She has to have a sense of humor and is someone you're able to talk to; one who you can tell things to without her spreading it all around town."



**RENNIE BRIMSTEIN**  
Junior  
ski team

"Usually someone who is confident, not afraid to be a little different; an individual. One who is not nervous and wouldn't be afraid to talk. Someone who's not hung up and is herself and has pretty eyes as well."



**JOHN DIVINCENZO**  
tennis

"I think the biggest thing is sincerity. Looks are nice. When you first meet a girl looks are what interest you, but after you've met her, looks become secondary. It's honesty, intelligence and openness that count."



**TIM SHANAHAN**  
Senior  
Student Government

"I like a girl who lets me be myself and doesn't set any expectations on how I should be. Communication is a key factor. I should be able to talk with her about anything. I like a good looking girl but not a flashy looking one. Trust and openness are necessary in a relationship."



**DWIGHT HOWARD**  
Freshman  
ski team

"I like girls with dark hair, who aren't phony, have brains and a sense of humor. I like someone you can be open with and not someone who tries to be something she's not — a girl who is witty and charming."



### Winner's Circle

RapAround week<sup>ly</sup> 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, Dec. 22, to receive \$5.

### Traveling the Fast Track

According to Nazareth Academy sources, sophomore Sharyn Aguglia isn't content to go biking in the same way as most of her friends. Her greatest thrill is racing along a dirt (sometimes mud) track, taking harum-scarum turns, and loving every minute of it.



Sharyn demonstrates technique in racing bikes.

Ever since she was 12, most of her summers have been taken up with Bicycle Motocross Racing (BMX). BMX involves youngsters riding 20-inch bicycles up and down dirt tracks. Most of the races Sharyn has participated in are held at the Eagle BMX track in Gates, but she has raced in Jamestown, Hamburg, Canada, New England, and in the World National Championships in Indianapolis.

Sharyn's trophy case is filled with more than 30

awards, including 15 first-place prizes, and she claims she is fortunate to have acquired nothing worse than a few scratches and bruises. Sharyn explained that she races in the "Powder Puff" division, an all-girl division, although she has raced in mixed, boy-girl contests on occasion. Many BMX racers turn professional but Sharyn said, "girls can't turn professional because it is so hard to get a factory spon-

sorship." Factory sponsorship is a must for professional racers because of the enormous cost of equipment. Sharyn's bike cost \$700 which is considered a moderate price for a bike.

Sharyn's father owns the Brooks Bike Shop and he's the one who interested Sharyn in racing. Her two sisters, one of whom also attends Nazareth, and one brother also make the racing circuit.

## Another Crown For Student?

By Monique Cirelli

Last August Valerie Miles, a senior at St. Agnes High School, became Miss New York Teen World of 1981. She, along with 34 contestants, were judged on poise, personality, citizenship and volunteer service. They also participated in a judges' interview, evening gown competition, and a talent contest. Valerie won the talent competition with her jazz pantomime of "Mr. Bo Jangles."



VALERIE MILES

When asking Valerie how she became involved in the competition, it was learned that her name was submitted by her guidance counselor at St. Agnes. She then completed the preliminary application and was accepted as a contestant.

The prizes accompanying Valerie's title were an \$800 scholarship to Barbazon School; a \$7,000 scholarship to the Centenary College in Louisiana; \$500 in cash, silverware, a banner, trophy

and crown. The title also gives her the chance to enter the Miss Teen World competition, Dec. 28 to Jan. 1, in Atlanta, Ga., where she will compete with 50 girls. This competition will be based on the same categories as the Miss New York Teen World contest.

Valerie is sponsored by the Elks Club, the Corn Hill Neighborhood Association, and her parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Miles.



Proudly presenting their trophies are members of the forensic team. From left are Ed Boland, Chris Affronti, Adrian Goding, Steve deLaroche, Miss Mary Beth Moore, and Dave Cragg.

### Aquinas Talks A Winning Game

The Aquinas Forensics team won the Sweepstakes trophy for second place finish at the St. Lawrence Speech Tournament in Canton, N.Y., on Nov. 13-14. Individual winners were: Steve deLaroche, who took first place in extemporaneous oratory; Ed Boland, a second place trophy in dramatic interpretation; Adrian Goding, second place in humorous category.

The 15-member club is led

by David Salah, president. Pat Doran is secretary. Club moderator Mary Beth Moore from the English Department, along with Adrian Goding, appeared on the TV 10 Morning Show on Dec. 4 and discussed the advantages of forensics.

Other tournaments in which the club has competed were at Mount Mercy in Buffalo and the Bronx High School in New York City.

### Young Adults Happy to Give

Thursday, Dec. 3, was not an ordinary day at Cardinal Mooney High School. The Red Cross Club sponsored a blood drive in the gym where juniors, seniors and the faculty donated 81 pints of blood. Weeks before the drive the club posted signs, signed up donors, and scheduled appointments for people interested in giving.

Senior Jeffrey Swiatek, chairman of the drive, said that many students were involved in making the drive run smoothly. He also said that Mrs. Mary Jane Nier, the school nurse, was an invaluable help in organizing the drive.

Jeff had two reasons for his commitment and effort on behalf of the blood drive. "It's a great feeling of satisfaction when I know the blood we've collected will save lives," he said and added that he hopes students who give in high school will continue the

practice after graduation. The students who donated blood said that they felt a sense of personal gratification in knowing that what they were doing was worthwhile and useful to the preservation of life.

Senior Connie Selby remarked, "I want to do something to help other people."

### CM Hosts A Concert

The Cardinal Mooney Christmas Concert is tonight, Wednesday, Dec. 16 at 8 p.m., in the school auditorium. Sister Marian Dimino, SSJ, will direct the performance which will include selections from "The Nutcracker," "A Christmas Festival" by Leroy Anderson and "The Carol of the Bells". The public and is invited to attend the event which will be followed by refreshments.