

# RAP AROUND

## EQUAL TIME

What is a good age at which to start dating?

### OUR LADY OF MERCY

**DEBBIE DeSMITH**  
Senior  
folk group

"Regular dating should start when you begin high school, or around 16 years of age — not any earlier. — and it also depends on the maturity of the individual. For car dating you should be a junior or senior; any earlier, they don't know what they're getting into. Things can get more serious in car dating depending on the age of the guy."



**JULIE LENHARD**  
Assistant editor, Quill

"I agree people should be friends first. They can only have a meaningful relationship if they've been friends first. Now days the emphasis is more on having boyfriends and young people feel they have to date earlier, like in the eighth grade, or they'll be left out. Eighth grade would be the youngest to be dating. I couldn't understand anyone younger dating."



**SUE WOJTASIEWICZ**  
Senior  
Quill staff

"Whenever someone asks you and when you want to. You shouldn't get into anything real heavy until after 16. Before then you should just have friendships with boys. I would think 12 years old would be too young to date. Too many people are dating too early and there's not enough emphasis put on being just friends."



**SUE WALTER**  
Senior  
cheerleading

"At 15 or 16 when you're beginning your freshman year because you are ready to handle the responsibility. You are becoming more mature at that age. There is quite a lot of early dating today, but I feel 15 or 16 is the best age for dating. If you start dating too young you can't handle the total responsibilities like going steady."



**ANN SIMMONS**  
Senior  
Student Government Assoc.

"Probably around 16, depending upon the person. Some mature more slowly and some can't handle the responsibilities if they're younger than 16. If they are too young they may not be able to handle a serious relationship."



**BAMBILYN TOENSHOFF**  
Senior

"I'd say it differs with each individual and how mature she is. I'd say 13 would be too young. They are dating quite a bit younger these days. I'd say being mature is really knowing how you feel about yourself and knowing how to stay out of situations you can't handle."



**JENI CORSIGLIA**  
Senior  
ski club

"I think at any age you think that you are ready for a relationship. Any age when you think you can handle the situation. I think about 16 because you are able to judge relationships."



**JUDY DeCARO**  
Senior

"I think at 16 because then you can go on car dates and you are old enough to take on responsibilities. Anything younger than 16 is a little too young to be dating. You have to be mature to date."



### Decorating the Sky

The arrival of Spring at Mercy High School brought a creative idea for the art students of Sister Joan Hilbert's senior art class to try. For an assignment they were asked to design and make their own kites. They had to research how to construct the kite, and what materials to use for proper weight. After three weeks the girls tried out their kites on the back hill of the school. Displaying their artistic creations after the successful flights are Christine Elliott, Charlene Gagnier, Sue Bileschi, Kristen Burkovich, Eileen O'Brien and Stephanie Pautz.

### Aquinas Activity

On May 19, Aquinas will sponsor a Jump-Rope-A-Thon in order to raise money for the American Heart Association. The Heart Association will give a warm-up suit to each member of the team which raises the most money and a T-shirt to each individual who collects at least \$10.

Under the direction of Mrs. Catherine DiLella, the school will sponsor an Art Appreciation Week during the week of May 9. The event gives the art students a chance to display their work for the student body.

Registration days for the 1982-83 school year will be on Tuesday, June 8, for freshmen; Wednesday, June 9, for sophomores; and Thursday, June 10, for juniors. A schedule form will be mailed to the student's home and must be signed by the student and parent or guardian.

## An Opportunity Given For On-Spot Training

Nazareth Academy junior Ermelinda Bonaccio has been named a junior researcher at the nationally-known Roswell Park Memorial Hospital and Medical Center in Buffalo. Chosen from several hundred applicants from the U.S., Ermelinda will participate in a medical research project for eight weeks during the summer. Applicants were chosen on the basis of their high school academic record and the recommendation of their school's science department.



**ERMELINDA BONACCIO**

During the eight weeks, Ermelinda will work under a senior research scientist on a project of a medical nature. Roswell Park is noted for its research into the causes and

melinda will be required to present a report on her research to the entire body of research scientists at Roswell.

Ermelinda, who ranks first in her class, is interested in pursuing a career in medicine after high school.

"I don't know yet whether or not I will go into private practice or remain in medical research," she said. She feels that the eight-week session this summer will give her an idea as to which way she will go in her career options.

Ermelinda is currently interested in attending the University of Rochester, Harvard, or Franklin Marshall College in Pennsylvania.

cure of cancer. At the end of the summer session, Er-

## Looking At Energy

Geneva — The New York Power Pool will present the program "Energy Today and Tomorrow" at DeSales High School on Tuesday, May 11. The information/education program presents the issues of the energy crisis, energy use, and energy conservation. The program is in cooperation with Oak-Ridge Association Universities.



### 'Oh, How We Danced!'

Nazareth Academy senior Liz Winter with dad had a great time at the Father/Daughter Dinner Dance last month. Daughters and dads danced to the music of Nate Rawls and his orchestra. They participated in dance contests and group dances like the Tarantella and the Bunny Hop. One student exclaimed, "I didn't know he (father) could dance like that!"

## Winner

Kris Wiant, a senior at Nazareth Academy, was the recipient of the Winner's Circle \$5 for the week of April 21.

Pat Cribbin, a senior at McQuaid, was the recipient of the Winner's Circle \$5 for the week of April 28.

## 'Godspell' to Bring Down the Final Curtain

St. Agnes High School will present its final production, "Godspell," at 8 p.m. on Friday and Saturday, May 14-15. There will be a special free presentation for senior citizens at 8 p.m., on Thursday, May 13.

Based on St. Matthew's gospel, this musical attempts to capture the pathos and triumph of the Good News by resorting to a whole gamut of musical style and theatrical high jinx.

"This particular cast of 18 players runs its own gamut," said drama director Sister Ann Patrice Carrigan. "The St. Agnes girls are either freshmen or seniors; the boys come from Greece Athena and McQuaid. We also have some young men who work in the Rochester area and are interested in theater. The players are a true cross section of age and experience, very much like that diverse group John the Baptist calls together at the beginning of the show."

Bud Prevost, a senior from Greece Athena, has the title role. Jeff Brown, who has acted with several local

theater companies, plays the Baptist. Female players from St. Agnes include Marianne Donnelly, Judi Johnson, Felicia Mongeon, Mary Wamsler, Vivienne Reynolds, Betsy McTurk, Liz Sullivan, Pat Flannery, and Jackie Cox. Male players include Kevin Ward, Kevin Butler, and Michael McTurk, who work in Rochester. Also in the cast are Jim Scaranati, Paul Galley, Curt Northrup, and Steve Mieteiski, from McQuaid.

Sister Ann Patrice, who has directed theater at St. Agnes for the past five years, plans to remain involved in the theater in work at the Rochester Community Players and at the Rochester Association of the Performing Arts.

Tickets for "Godspell" are \$3 and can be reserved by calling the school office, 424-1330.

**ST. AGNES HIGH SCHOOL**  
300 East RIVER Rd.

**MAY 14-15**  
8 P.M.

**TICKETS \$3.00**