

Rap Around Rap Around Rap Around Rap

Joan M. Smith, editor

Academically Speaking...

Aquinas Achievement Awards went to: Charyl Amico, Eva-Marie Botos, John Britton, Karen Callari, John Clune, Dom Corey, Elizabeth Crowley, Susan Deveney, Chris DiChario, Susan Dorr, Kerry Enright, Lynda Erdle, Richard Falbo, Maureen Farrell, Guy Guglielmino, Chris Gulian, Mary Kay Hargather, Lauren Higbie, Tadd Hughes, Thomas Hursh, Stacey Jakubowski, John Kelly, Minit Keokanya, Peter Kurdt, Jeffrey LaDue, John Lynch, Maureen Lynd, Tony Maddaleno, Scott Maher, Mark Marshall, Thomasa

Martin, Joseph McCue, Michael Mongeon, Sean Murphy, Mike Nicholls, Kevin Noble, Jim O'Shea, William Padulo, Sean Patton, Christine Paul, Vernon Pearson, Patrick Phelan, Gerald Rhoads, Chris Ruzsczyk, Joe Sansone, Sean Schiano, Edward Schwartz, Mark Simonelli, Michele Spinelli, Jeff Statt, John Statt, Jerome Suplicki, Phil Swetz, Dam Tantalio, James Tierney, Mark Tondryk.

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Nazareth high honors were received by: Tracy Baxter, Elena Rivera, Mary Strong, Kathryn Dwyer, Pik Yu Tang,

Dawn Olszanski, Mary Miller, Ling Hui Hao, Maria Dias, Anne Marie Patamia, Cecilia Bonaccio, Deborah Carmen, Lynne Staropoli, Mary Jean Sementino, Sharon Entress, Lisa Zabelny, Dianne Casey, Alexandra Giglio, Susan Lance, Laura Donner, Jeanne Hinkelman, Cynthia Yantz, Jennae Bowerman, Kathleen Schreib and Patricia Liberatore.

Susan Steihler was awarded a gold pin for a typing speed of 90 words per minute and Shelly Clements, Student Senate president, received The Century III leadership award.



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 Cardinal Mooney during a photo session. The person circled should bring the clipping to Joan M. Smith, Courier-Journal, 114 South Union St., by noon, Tuesday, Dec. 13, to receive \$5.

Food Drive Is a Success

Aquinas Institute sponsored a Thanksgiving food drive, Nov. 15-22. The drive was coordinated by school chaplain, Father Norbet Maduzia, CSB, and the Peer Ministers. According to Father Maduzia, the drive was unique because meats as well as canned goods were collected.

The 25 homerooms were each responsible for feeding a needy family of six. Money was collected by each to buy a turkey for the family. Submitted by Tom Giordano



Soccer Celebrities

Named to the Private/Parochial Girls All-Star Soccer Team were Aquinas seniors Christine Ruzsczyk and Doreen Byers.



Learning About Careers

Students in John Kaminski's 8th grade at Frederick Douglass Junior High School participated in a newspaper career presentation given by RapAround during a special career day sponsored by the Explorers, Otetiana Council, Boy Scouts of America, Wednesday, Nov. 17.

What does your generation worry most about?

OUR LADY OF MERCY

STACY KROECKEL
Sophomore
Speech Club

"I think my generation worries most about drugs. They are aware of what drugs can do - they can ruin your life - yet they know their friends have access to them, and that's scary. Personally, I worry about nuclear war. I wish we could live in peace with one another. I don't think my generation is more prone to depression. There's so many good things in life you can't let the bad things get you down."



TINA DONAHUE
Sophomore
class vice president

"Nuclear war because this generation feels frustrated because they would like to have more say in the build up of nuclear arms, and they feel there is nothing they can do about it. They also worry about alcohol especially driving while intoxicated because they know it can happen to anyone. I like the TV programs and magazine articles about such problems because you are made aware of these problems."



COLLEEN REGAL
Sophomore
Student Government

"This generation worries about nuclear warfare because the kids of today are more aware of it. There is also the worry of drugs and alcohol because kids don't know how to express their feelings - they run away from their problems and think drugs and alcohol help them. Also there is the worry of competition which is greater in jobs and education. For me, I worry about my marks. I get depressed if my marks are low."



KATIE CONNERS
Sophomore
French Club

"I think after seeing the movie 'The Day After' I think they worry about nuclear war. I think we worry about whether we'll live to be our parents' age. A lot of kids worry about drugs and alcohol especially after seeing 'The Chemical People.' I think the media coverage of such problems creates worry because it tends to make the kids more aware of the problem. I don't think we're more prone to depression because of this worry."



PATTY LEO
Sophomore
Student Government

"Everyone says nuclear war and I know it's a great possibility, but I'm worried about the future. What we're doing now, our education, learning values, will effect the rest of our lives. We are making our future now. That brings in a lot of peer pressure and a lot of competition. It seems to be a race to see who can get what on their college tests like the SATs - that's a big worry. Yes I think this generation is more prone to depression because a lot of kids have a lot of stress they can't seem to cope with."



PAULINA GUTIERREZ
Sophomore
Campus Ministry Board

"Nuclear war because of what has been shown about it and also what they hear which tends to make the imagination go wild. They worry about drug abuse because they are aware of what can happen. They are hearing about the consequences. I think there are a lot more worries today than ever before. Everyone is worried and that feeds back to our generation which tends to make our generation more prone to depression, especially when there doesn't seem to be any solution."



MICHELE VAIL
Sophomore
Youth and Government

"Nuclear war because the government is making them more aware of war so it's like a scare tactic. They worry about peer pressure. It's a real worry whether they will be accepted by their peers. I also think this generation is more worried about their grades and about appearances. I don't think this generation is prone to depression because the kids don't let their worries drag them down and there are more people to talk to like counselors."



SAMANTHA SWAYZE
Sophomore
volleyball

"I think this generation worries most about nuclear war. They worry about it because our government is deploying so many missiles and the Soviet Union may deploy even more. Yes, I think this generation is more prone to depression because it's like 'are we going to be here tomorrow or not!' I don't think they think about it every minute of the day, but the worry is there."



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