

Nazareth Academy Among Schools President Lauds

Nazareth Academy was among 33 Catholic schools which along with 229 public schools have been cited by President Reagan for educational excellence.

In a speech Aug. 27 at a Washington ceremony honoring the schools, which were selected by the Department of Education and the Council for American Private Education and announced in June, Reagan called for a return to "traditional values" and study of "basic subjects."

He said that Scholastic Aptitude Test scores had fallen "from the early '60s to 1980," the year he was elected, but that the rate of decline has slowed.

And he tied educational problems during this nearly 20-year period to increasing government funding of education, a "crisis in our country" and "vacillation and self-doubt" in foreign policy, but added that "in the past few years our nation has seen a rebirth of vitality and freedom."

"Let's remember one essential precondition for success: We cannot reach for the future without a firm grasp of basic educational tools and the importance of traditional values," he said.

Reagan urged the school principals and other officials from the award-winning schools to "get our students back to the proper study of basic subjects."

"We must insist that all our students master math, science, history, reading and writing -- the fundamentals of our civilization," he said.

"But it isn't just basic subjects that need to be taught," he added, "it's also basic values. If we fail to instruct our children in justice, religion and liberty, we will be condemning them to a world without virtue, a life in the twilight of a civilization where the great truths have been forgotten."

He said that "in many schools, students are being taught the dangers of nuclear weapons and the burdens of national defense. Well, let's make certain they understand not only the price of defending America but the price of failing to," he added.

The National Catholic Educational Association and the National Education Association, a public school teachers' organization, have developed classroom programs on war and peace issues.

Public schools chosen for the honors were selected through the Department of Education, which Reagan once sought to abolish. CAPE, the organization selecting the private schools, is an umbrella organization representing such groups as the U.S. Catholic Conference and NCEA.

Bishop Stresses Vital Role of Print Medium

Rockville Centre (NC) -- The church should not overlook the continued vital role of the print medium in its efforts to extend communications into television and radio, Bishop John R. McGann of Rockville Centre said Aug. 26.

Bishop McGann, a member of the U.S. Catholic Conference Communication Committee, spoke at a Mass at which James A. Doyle, executive director of the Catholic Press Association, was invested as a Knight of St. Gregory.

Bishop McGann noted that the costs of printing and postage are increasing and putting strains on the budgets of most newspapers and magazines at a time when new opportunities are developing in television and radio.

He cautioned against "stepping away" from support of print efforts, declaring that newspapers and magazines serve as key tools of teaching and community.

"Today we are particularly grateful for what the print medium has done for the church," Bishop McGann said.

Cardinal Mooney Ready For '84-'85 School Year

Students at Cardinal Mooney High School are asked to report, beginning Sept. 4, for registration of classes for the 1984-85 school year.

Classes will report as follows: sophomores (A through N) from 1-2 p.m., sophomores (O through Z) from 2-3 p.m., Tuesday, Sept. 4; freshmen (A-N) 1-2 p.m., (O-Z) 2-3 p.m., Wednesday, Sept. 5; juniors (A-N) 1-2 p.m., (O-Z) 2-3 p.m., Thursday, Sept. 6; seniors (A-N) 9-10 a.m., (O-Z) 10-11 a.m., Friday, Sept. 7. Students will pay tuition and fees and receive their schedule and books at this time.

The first full day of school will be Monday, Sept. 10, for freshmen only. All classes will report on Tuesday, Sept. 11.

Sister Marilyn O'Brien, district superintendent of the Archdiocese of New York, will speak to the faculty of Cardinal Mooney High School on Wednesday, Sept. 5.

The topic of her talk will be "The Construction of Teacher-Made Tests." Questions and group discussions will follow.

New members of Cardinal Mooney's faculty are Miss Penny Acker, Business; Joseph Biondolillo, Guidance; Paul D'Accursio, Mathematics; Mrs. Roberta Haley, English; Mrs. Helen Hand, Home Economics; Mrs. Cynthia Knoll, Science; Mrs. Eileen Malloy-Desormeaux, Science; Robert McGraw, Business; Scott Morrison, Phys. Ed./Mathematics; Mrs. Roberta Schmitz, English/Social Studies; Thomas Sekella, Social Studies; Robert Smyth, Theology; Ms. Susan Sullivan, Science; and John Simaitis, Business.

The campus ministry office of Cardinal Mooney High School has announced it will sponsor a Bowl-a-Thon the weekend of Sept. 29-30, at the Maiden Lanes and Terrace Gardens Bowling Centers.

'Genesis' Probed In Mooney Series

Sister Anne Marie Fehrenbach, SSJ, will present a five-session course on "Significant Passages in Genesis," Sept. 10 through Oct. 8.

The course "will try to present the Jewish Scriptures in a way that not only remains faithful to them, but in a way, also, relates to what people today are doing and thinking. Most importantly this course will try to present the Jewish Scriptures in a way that leads to a prayerful reflection of them," promotional literature states.

Sister Anne Marie teaches theology 10 and 11 at Cardinal Mooney High School. The "Genesis" course is part of the school's Adult Education Enrichment program.

All sessions are held 7-8:30 p.m. on Mondays in Room 222 of the school. The first, Sept. 10, is an "Introduction to the Books of the Old Testament;" Sept. 17, "Genesis Chapters 1-11: Creation Narratives -- Covenant with Noah;" Sept. 24, "The Call and Covenant of God with Abraham -- Birth

of Isaac;" Oct. 1, "A Mystery Unfolds: Esau, Jacob, Joseph;" Oct. 8, "God's Irreversible Word -- Names and Naming."

Registration is made by sending one's name, address and phone number to Sister Anne Marie Fehrenbach, SSJ, Cardinal Mooney High School, 800 Maiden Lane, Rochester, N.Y. 14615. The fee for the course is \$10.

Monks' Hospitality

Pine City -- Mount Saviour Monastery's Hospitality Day will be held Sunday, Sept. 16. Featured will be food tents, a jam and jelly booth, the Perinton Chamber Singers, Joe Cavallaro's Dixieland Jazz Group, shearing, sheep dog herding, and demonstrations of carding, spinning, weaving and dyeing.

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St. Lawrence Plans Religious Formation

"Journeys in Faith," three programs in religious formation, are being offered this fall at St. Lawrence Parish.

The first is the Rite of Christian Initiation of the Adults, described by the parish as, "a process whereby a group of adults are led to a deeper understanding and appreciation of the Catholic faith, with the possible decision to become a fully initiated Catholic. This program is intended for unbaptized adults, for baptized Christians from other denominations, as well as baptized Catholics who wish to prepare for First Eucharist and/or Confirmation."

An information night on the RCIA will be 7:30 p.m., Oct. 3. Reservations and further information are available by calling Deacon and Mrs. William Maune, 225-0325.

The RCIA, tailored for the needs of teens, will be explained in an information session, 7:30 p.m., also Oct. 3. Sister Diane Dennie is handling reservations and inquiries, 225-3870.

Bible Sessions, for beginners or as refreshers, will have morning and evening components. Information will be given 7:30 p.m., Oct. 4. Marie Venaglia is in charge, 225-7320.

Reading/Technology Is Conference Focus

Brockport -- "Literacy in an Age of High Technology" will be the theme for the annual fall conference of the Rochester Area Council of the International Reading Association, 8:30 a.m., Saturday, Sept. 29 at Brockport High School.

The program will feature a continental breakfast, numerous book exhibits and a number of mini-sessions involving presentations by well known educators.

Dr. George Mason will deliver the keynote address. A native of Cortland, Dr. Mason is professor of reading and education at the University of Georgia. He is the author or co-author of nine books, more than 20 monographs, and many educational articles.

He recently won national acclaim for the book, "Computer Applications in Reading," which he wrote with Joy Blanchard and Dan Daniels.

Topics for the mini-sessions include: Thinking Skills and Writing; Parents as Reading Partners; The Integration of Computers into the Reading/Writing/Spelling Process; The Big Books Project; The Future of Computers in the Teaching of Language Arts; The Changing Role of the Reading Teacher; and Cognitive Level Matching in an Age of High Technology.

Further information and pre-registration is available from Brockport College, 395-2585.

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