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'Gabriel' Returns to Nazareth

Nazareth Academy's student newspaper, "Gabriel," has returned this year after a two-year hiatus. Junior Cindy Yant heads the editorial staff of 36. Faculty advisors are Miriam Ehtesham and Sister Damian. The new "Gabriel" has gone hi-tech thanks to a computer package purchased this

summer. "We felt that doing up our paper on our computers was more like what larger newspapers do in their newsrooms," Yantz explained. Robert Clonick, a printer and father of a Nazareth student, has volunteered to print the newspaper.

McQuaid "Italian Night"

The Parents Club of McQuaid Jesuit High School will present its fourth annual "Italian Night" on Saturday, January 25. The evening's entertainment will begin at 6:30 p.m. with a cash bar, followed by an Italian feast and dancing to the music of "Special Blend."

Tickets are \$9.50, payable when reservations are made. Reservations must be made in advance, as ticket supplies are limited. Call (716)473-1130 for information. Tables may be reserved for groups of a maximum of eight.

Nazareth Scholarship Awards

Two Nazareth Academy students, Kristy Parks and Lynette Nelson, have been awarded \$10,000 scholarships to Carnegie-Mellon University in Pittsburgh. Both students won the scholarships based on their Scholastic Aptitude Test scores.

Parks, the daughter of Marilyn Parks of Rochester, plans to study psychology and environmental engineering under a special five-year program. Nelson, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Nelson of Rochester, will study architecture.

Sports Awards at Aquinas

Aquinas girls and boys were honored recently at the annual Winter Sports Banquet. Awards for boys' soccer were presented by coach Emilio Monti to: Pete Lambert, Most Valuable Player; Rodney Encina, Most Goals Scored; and Michael Compisi, Most Improved Player. Girls' soccer coach Mary Beth Moore presented awards to: Ann Fredricks, Most

Valuable Player; Karen Toth and Ellen Fredricks, Most Improved Players; and Coco O'Donnell, Most Outstanding Player. Tom Gigliotti, boys' cross country coach, presented awards to: Mark Tondryk, Most Valuable; and Eric Setzer, Most Improved. Girls' cross country awards were presented by coach Renee Montenegro to: Donna Renaldi, Most Valuable; and Lori Lagiewski, Most Improved.

Aquinas Crystal Ball

The Annual Aquinas Crystal Ball will be held at the Chamber of Commerce, 55 St. Paul Street, on Saturday evening, February 1. The annual evening of dinner and dancing has become a tradition at Aquinas, among parents of present and past students, alumni, and friends of the school. This year, Robert

Russo, a former Aquinas student, and his band, "Winelights," will provide the entertainment. Agnes Schiano is accepting reservations at (716)621-1874. The donation is \$40 per couple. Reservations must be made by January 22.

Bishop Kearney Sponsors Color Guard Competition

The Bishop Kearney Marching Kings Color Guard will sponsor a regional color guard competition on Saturday, January 25, at 7:00 p.m. The competition will be held at Bishop Kearney.

The event will feature color guards from 10 Western New York schools, including Bishop Kearney. Tickets are \$3.00 and may be purchased at the door.

McQuaid Seniors Honored

Three McQuaid seniors are semifinalists in the National Merit Scholarship Program this year. Robert Bird, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Bird of Fairport; Mark Wiltberger, son of Mr. and Mrs. Leonard G. Wiltberger; and Mark W. Woodhouse, son of Mr. and

Mrs. Michael Woodhouse, will be among the students competing for Merit Scholarships this spring. Seventeen McQuaid students were also nominated for their academic promise by the National Merit Scholarship Corporation.

Speaking Out

J. Peter Huggins
McQuaid

Given the recent push by the Church to unify its stand on South Africa, I think that it is once again time to raise the subject of South Africa, with regard to American foreign policy.

Within the past 20 years, the government of South Africa has experienced a large number of uprisings and protests against its system of apartheid, not only by the people of South Africa but also by the international community. Among these protests has been a major impediment to the voices of protest and reform: the foreign policy of America.

Because the United States is a world power, its actions have been viewed more closely by other nations. By investing in South Africa, America has sent a message around the world, one of benevolence towards South Africa. The South African government borders on dictatorship, and yet America preserves its ties with South Africa and regards South Africa as a fellow nation.

This particular brand of foreign policy is based on one general determining factor: economic interests in South Africa. Not only does America hold its doors open to South Africa, but we have also invested heavily in South Africa, through the interests of large corporations such as IBM and Kodak, as well as major universities.

Such economic ties between countries have often influenced their political ties — and probably always will. By refusing to protest against the South African government's policy of apartheid, America is sending out a new message, not only to the international community, but more importantly, to the leaders of the protest movement in South Africa. America is being shown to support the system of apartheid — a system that bears an uncomfortable resemblance to the institution of slavery, eradicated in this country more than 100 years ago.

The policy of constructive engagement the American government seems to espouse is going to have an impact so explosive that there will be deep regret when it comes. The leaders of the protest movement do not look to America as a friend. For them, America is an ally of the government that oppresses them.

When the revolution does finally occur and the government is either overthrown or reformed, the new nation will not look to America as a friend and colleague. Instead, it will look to those countries that have given aid and support to the resistance movement. These are the countries that are ruled by the philosophies of Marx and Lenin — or more likely, by dictatorship.

While the call of democracy is strong, it will be overpowered in South Africa, thanks in large part to the role played by American foreign policy.

Equal Time Notre Dame High School

What do you think about the extra requirements dictated by the Regents Action Plan?

Eric Giancoli
Freshman

The new regents program of a course selection, as well as preparing us for college. It's important to stress the arts. It will provide New York state high school students with an edge going into college over students from other states. Even if they don't do that well in it, it will be an advantage to have it.



Billy J. Bennett
Senior

I'm sure I think it's worth it in the long run. When it's time to take SATs they will probably appreciate it. It's good to have a broader range of subjects. Language is very important because by the time freshmen are in the business world, knowing other languages will be very important because business is becoming more and more international. I wish someone had made me take a language.



Nicholas Mackler
Freshman

The new regents curriculum makes us work harder, but that's good if someone plans on going to college. One complaint is I don't have a lot of free time. With two classes added, it will knock out even more free time. But if the courses weren't required, a lot of people wouldn't take them. The courses are opening up new areas of interest. People can discover talents they never had this way. But because there are



positive and negatives to the program, it should be a matter of choice.

Mike Vea
Sophomore

Notre Dame freshmen, besides having to get used to wearing different uniforms from the rest of the school, (now) have to contend with this new regents program. It probably is good academically, but it also seems to make it harder for them to adapt. Music and language should be offered, but not required. Language doesn't have any practical applications, and not everyone is going to become a musician. They should make students take more business courses — like public speaking — because no matter what field you get into you'll have to have the ability to speak well at one point or another in your career.



Liz Bennett
Freshman

I feel this new system is good; it prepares those who are college-bound and enriches those who aren't. It helps those who wouldn't normally have taken such courses to broaden their studies. The arts and music are good, but I don't think they should be required. It should be a matter of personal preference. Some people will do well with the new program, and that's fine, but there are other people who can't do well and it won't do them any good.



Clarification

Inadvertently, we failed to note that the students featured in last week's Equal Time attend Our Lady of Mercy High School.

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| Aquinas | Mark Simonelli | DeSales | Matthew Carty |
| Bishop Kearney | Marilou Halstead | Mercy | Rebecca Boyle |
| | Deana Manuse | McQuaid | J. Peter Huggins |
| Cardinal Mooney | Tim Flynn | Nazareth | Debbie Cragg |
| | Jolie Pizzi | Notre Dame | Elena Cambio |
| | A.J. Rogers | | |

HOUSE OF GUITARS

We received 12 correct entries identifying David Bowie as the "Thin White Duke"



The winner of our drawing was: Brian Kesel

MUSIC TRIVIA

This weeks question:

What is the stage name of Reginald Kenneth Dwight?

A:

Name _____
Address _____
City _____ State _____
Zip Code _____
School _____

Rules:

Each week, the Courier-Journal, in conjunction with the House of Guitars will feature a Music Trivia contest. All you have to do to enter is answer the question, fill in your name and address and the school you attend (if applicable), cut out the coupon, and send it in to the Courier-Journal. If more than one correct entry is received, a drawing will be held and one winning entry will be drawn.

If yours is the winning entry, you will be mailed a coupon for a free album or tape of your choice redeemable at the House of Guitars, 645 Titus Ave. All entries must be received within seven days of this paper's issue date. Winning names and answers will be printed the week following each drawing.

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