

# ECHO ECHO ECHO

## Speaking Out

By Matthew Carty  
DeSales High School

The year 1985 brought about a change in many areas. Many of the changes benefited mankind, but the terrible increase in terrorism caused people to take note of the very real possibility of dying in a terrorist attack.

Terrorism personally affected many Americans this year. It began with bombings in the Middle East when many of our Marines were killed for no apparent reason. It culminated in the hijacking of the TWA flight last summer.

Now we have the result: high schools are cancelling trips abroad, people are afraid to travel, and the fear of terrorism is practically fixed in today's society.

Statistics show that 10 acts of terrorism occur daily worldwide. I personally see this as a very good reason for people's fears of leaving the country.

What really makes me angry is the fact that relatively little is being done to eliminate terrorism. I honestly feel that a terrorist is not going to be deterred from terrorism because the assets of his country may be frozen in foreign banks. The United States has frozen the assets of Libya for that country's alleged support of terrorists. Now, we all know that this method of deterrence will not work unless our allies take part in it also. And because our allies do not take part in it, stronger action must be taken.

If I were in the position where I had to do something about terrorism, I would completely sever all ties that this nation had to any nation that supports terrorists. I would withdraw all trade relations and any military aid there, so the terrorists would have fewer opportunities to strike at the U.S.

The biggest fear I have in regard to terrorism is that it is very possible that terrorism could occur here, in our homeland. I also feel that it is inevitable that terrorism will strike in the United States because it is the only logical progression from the terrorism occurring around the world.

I realize that President Reagan would get quite a lot of opposition from big businesses if he attempted to withdraw from countries backing these terrorists. But our leaders must begin to realize that Americans are in danger from foreign lands to the extent that terrorists have killed Americans to prove their beliefs.

Terrorists are killing us and our allies. For example, a terrorist group killed Anwar Sadat in 1982, and attempted to kill Pope John Paul II. No one, from a prominent figure to an ordinary citizen, is safe or immune from terrorism.

It would appear that, unless something is done about this wave of violence soon, we, as a peaceful society, will no longer exist. Violence must not be allowed to succeed in taking over the free world.

## Eckert Nominates Students

U.S. Representative Fred J. Eckert has nominated Richard C. Leonardi and Paul R. Rowe for appointment to the U.S. Naval Academy in the class beginning next July. Eckert made his nominations on the basis of school records, academic exams, and personal recommendations.

Leonardi, 17, is a senior at Aquinas Institute. He is interested in boxing and skiing, and is a member of the Student Council. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Leonardi, 20 Chi-Mar Drive, Chili.

Rowe, 19, is a graduate of Cardinal Mooney High School, and is presently

## McQuaid Mermen Win

Scott Odorisi splashed to victory in two events to help McQuaid dominate the City-Catholic League individual swimming championships last Thursday night at East High School.

Odorisi was one of four mermen to take individual honors for the Knights, which also won the 400 freestyle relay.

Odorisi won the 200-yard individual medley (2:15.40) and the 100 butterfly (57.63) while Judd Dry, Jeff Klotz and Charlie Burkwit won the 200 freestyle, 500 freestyle and 100 backstroke respectively.

## Mercy Bowling in Second

Our Lady of Mercy High School bowling team moved into second place in the league with a 3-0 victory over Nazareth Academy on Tuesday, Jan. 21.

Senior Lisa Cascino had games of 158 and 176. Other high games for Mercy were a 158 by freshman Stephanie Selner, 159 by senior Leslie Becoats and 154 by senior Valerie Longdue.

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attending Clarkson University. He is a Life Scout and a squad leader for the U.S. Marine Corps Explorer Post #689. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Richard E. Rowe, Jr., 48 Gateway Road, Chili.

## Nazareth Students Honored

Eighteen Nazareth Academy students were honored by the Urban League of Rochester on Jan. 12 during the First Annual Early Recognition Program for Black Scholars.

Each student was selected on the basis of maintaining a B average or better and recommendation of the school.

Nazareth students honored are: Tauria Bennett, Sabrina Bryant, Paulette Chatman, Teresa Geroge, Nadine Gregoire, Sonja McKinney, Dawn Miller, Michelle Miller, Nicole Mixon, Mercedes Moultrie, Lynette Nelson, Kristy Parks, Michelle Patterson, Robin Rosier, Crystal Russell, Angela Scott, Erma Stewart, and Wendy Walters

## Handicapped Camp

Rotary Sunshine Camp for handicapped children in Rush N.Y. is inviting parents or guardians of handicapped children to apply for a free summer camping experience for their children. Children, ages 7 to 17, may attend a one-week or two-week session during an eight-week period opening June 28. For more information or application, call the Rochester Rotary Club office at 55 St. Paul St.



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## Equal Time

Nazareth Academy  
Should record albums be rated for the content of the lyrics?

Marisa Diliberto  
Senior

I think putting warning labels on record albums is really stupid. You could walk out on the street and be exposed to words and ideas that are plenty worse. If people don't have the common sense to figure out that the artists do not literally mean everything in their songs, then they have problems. Younger children (under 15) probably wouldn't understand much of the lingo anyway. If parents are so concerned about what their kids listen to, they should sit there and listen themselves. Let's face it, it would be pointless to put labels on records because sex and violence are everywhere — just flick on your local cable channels and watch. CNN News even displays some violence that is shocking. What are you going to do, put a warning label on Ted Turner?



Kathy Migrano  
Freshman

The idea of a rating on records does not have any effect on me. First of all, I already have my morals set, and I know whether or not I want to do what the lyrics of rock songs suggest. The other reason I don't mind the ratings proposal is because the ratings are meant to be guidelines for parents when they buy records for their children. My parents do not buy my records; I do. Although I feel the idea is uncalled for, it will not hurt me.



Jeanne Hinkelman  
Senior

I think the rating idea was good. However, I hope that parents understand that kids don't necessarily like songs because the words are full of sex and violence, but because they have a "good beat." Also, songs help to get your and your children's emotions out, and dancing to songs relieves stress from the everyday hustle and bustle of life.



Deanna Young  
Junior

I do not think that putting ratings and warnings on record albums is a good idea. Teens should have the freedom to listen to whatever they want to without being judged. Most teenagers go out and buy albums on their own. Their parents have no control over it, so who's to stop them? I think that these ratings and warnings will be very much ignored. Teens know what they want to hear and a rating or warning will not stop them from buying an album.



Tricia Granville  
Freshman

I feel that rating records is really uncalled for. For one thing, parents should already know what they want their children to listen to. If they go to a store and buy an album that is inappropriate for their child, that is their business. Also, most teens have standards set under their own religion. If one or two songs say sex and drugs are good for you, I don't think many people are going to go out and do those things. Next, if people want to buy certain records, that is their choice. In the future, teens shouldn't have to walk up to a register and hear, "You can't buy that; it's rated 'R'." Also, many people listen to music for the beat, not just for the lyrics. For these reasons, I feel that there is no use for the record-rating system.



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

## HOUSE OF GUITARS

We received 22 correct entries identifying Don Henley as the former Eagles member to record "The Boys of Summer"



The winner was Jean Rossignold of Rochester.

## MUSIC TRIVIA

### This weeks question:

What TV soap opera star had top-ten smash hits with "Jessie's Girl" and "Don't Talk to Strangers?"

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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