

# ECHO ECHO ECHO

## Equal Time

**Aquinas Institute**  
Does the Challenger mishap prove that space exploration is too dangerous to allow humans to pilot spacecrafts?

**Dee Woods**  
Junior

I don't think the Challenger disaster should prevent humans from exploring space. The Challenger disaster was very unfortunate. From now on, the mechanics of any space shuttle should check the entire space shuttle before take-off. They should make sure everything works and nothing is messed up. Other space shuttle flights have had successful journeys before the Challenger, and I do believe that there will be other successful journeys to space. If we can avoid or prevent the mistake of the Challenger and other mistakes, why should humans be stopped from exploring space, a region worth exploring or investigating?



**Tim Brundage**  
Freshman

Yes, I still think that man should go up in the spacecrafts. Why I say this is because there have been 24 other successful flights that the Challenger had. We do not want to put ourselves in a position where no one wants to even look at another spacecraft. So yes, I think that man should still explore the universe.



**Mike Kelly**  
Junior

If anything, the shuttle disaster has shown that the space age is still young and it has reminded everyone of the great risk involved. I think that from now on safety conditions for space flight will be watched more closely, thereby making it safer for humans to explore the last great frontier.



**Michelle Pappano**  
Freshman

I do not think space exploration should be stopped because of the Challenger mishap. No matter what type of experiment being attempted, whether it be a space flight or a science lab, there will always be something that might go wrong. We all grieve for the families of the unfortunate seven crew members, but maybe if the accident hadn't happened, then it would happen some other time. NASA has a better record of fewer mishaps than any other country, so we should (consider ourselves) lucky. There is nothing we can do to change God's plan for us.



**Loreen O'Connell**  
Sophomore

I feel that the shuttle mishap does not mean that humans should not take part in space travel, but that nothing in life should be taken for granted or overlooked. Everything that happens has a purpose, whether or not we as humans know what that is.



## High School Notes

### Notre Dame of Elmira names scholarship winners

Notre Dame High School in Elmira recently announced its academic scholarship winners for the 1986-87 school year. The selection committee judged all of the candidates and made their decision after reviewing the students' academic abilities, junior high achievement records, recommendations and scholarship tests.

### Nazareth administrator to lecture at convention

Nazareth Academy's director of development, Sister Carol Cimino, will speak on the topic of Catholic school recruitment at the third annual New York State Federation of Catholic School Parents' Convention, on April 19 in Binghamton. The federation represents the 364,000 students who attend Catholic schools in New York State.

The theme of the conference, which will be held April 18-20, is "Through Him All Things Were Made." Father John Brooks, SJ, president of Holy Cross College, will be the keynote speaker. Sister Carol, who has been at the academy for the past eight years, is also vice president of the New York State Association of Catholic School Administrators.

### DeSales High School joins National Teens for Life

DeSales High School recently became a new chapter of the National Teens for Life. John Cataline, of Geneva, was named president of the chapter at the first organizational meeting. Also elected were Wayne Smith, of Seneca Falls, as vice president; Holly DeMetro, of Waterloo, as secretary; and Becky Peters, also of Waterloo, as treasurer.

Scholarship winners and their sending schools are as follows: Matthew Dubel, son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Dubel of Lowman, N.Y., from Ernie Davis Junior High in Elmira; John Eppers, son of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Eppers of Sayre, Pa., from Epiphany School in Sayre, Pa.; Amy Farstad, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Farstad of Elmira, from St. Patrick's Junior High, Elmira; Mara Gallagher, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph T. Gallagher of Big Flats, N.Y., from Horseheads Junior High West, Horseheads; Bryan Granger, son of Mr. and Mrs. Alex Granger of Elmira, from St. Patrick's Junior High, Elmira; James Gu, son of Dr. and Mrs. Jeng Gu of Sayre, Pa., from Epiphany School, Sayre, Pa.; Dennis Harney, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Harney of Milan, Pa., also from the Epiphany School in Sayre, Pa.; Jenny Lu, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Fa-Shung Lu of Waverly, N.Y., also from the Epiphany School in Sayre, Pa.; Sadaf Parvez, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. M. Naseem Parvez of Horseheads, from Horseheads Junior High West, Horseheads; and Anthony Wisniewski, son of Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Wisniewski of Elmira, from St. Patrick's Junior High, Elmira.

JoAnn Pagano of Geneva. The group, which upholds the sanctity of all human life by opposing abortion, infanticide and euthanasia, will be recruiting new members at upcoming meetings. There are tentative plans for such fund-raising events as a car wash and flower sale to help pay for a bus trip to Washington, D.C., in January, 1987, for the March for Life.

## Speaking Out

**Elena Cambio**

Notre Dame of Elmira High School 1986 has been designated the year of "The Lady," that is to say, the Statue of Liberty. For 100 years, her visage has looked across the ocean, welcoming voyagers to freedom and the land of opportunity.

Not too long ago, Notre Dame students were privileged to see a presentation called "Lady Liberty," performed by Theater Works, a group of talented actors and actresses from New York City. This one-act play depicted a young Czechoslovakian girl's arrival in the city at the turn of the century, and her struggle to get a job and live the "American dream." Despite her cousin's cynicism, Maria and her new friends did live their dream. By using ingenuity and perseverance, they succeeded in opening their own small business.

Maria's dream was much the same as that of thousands of immigrants: to become an American citizen. This in itself is a dream that has come true for many immigrants, those who started off poor and jobless, and those who eventually established themselves as American businessmen. They helped to create America and mold her as a world of corporate business, where the stockmarket reveals their successes and failures.

For those people and for the hundreds that

filed into Ellis Island each day, America was a gleam of hope, and the symbol of that hope was the Lady herself.

Even now, with the scaffolding up and the torch undergoing repair, she shows that Americans are still willing to receive the tired, poor huddled masses.

I'm proud to know that America still cares about the Lady, and that the spirit with which she was built is still alive today. Despite the controversy surrounding immigration, the fact of the matter is that these people who strive for freedom, and who want to better their position are counting on America to fulfill their dreams, for we did invite them here, after all. They in turn add to the productive work force that is becoming more and more in demand.

Our renovation of the Statue of Liberty not only reaffirms our belief in the freedom our country offers to the world, but it shows that we still recognize the U.S. as a land of opportunity, a melting-pot that welcomes the oppressed of other nations.

The United States has many national treasures, but none shows our true pride and spirit to the world like the Lady does. For this, we thank her, and by preserving her youth for the next 100 years, we will remain the world's beacon of democracy.

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|                        | Jolie Pizzi      | <b>Notre Dame</b> | Elena Cambio     |
|                        | A.J. Rogers      |                   |                  |

## HOUSE OF GUITARS

We received 31 correct entries identifying "Wierd" Al Yankovic as the singer who ate his way up the charts with his song called "Eat It!"



The winner was **Nick McDonald** of Holy Trinity School in Webster

## MUSIC TRIVIA

### This weeks question:

Simon LeBon is the lead singer of what 1980's band?

**A:**

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_  
City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_  
Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_  
School \_\_\_\_\_

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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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