

Echo

By Anthony Wang

Elmira Notre Dame High School A couple of weeks ago, Jimmy "the Greek" Snyder disgraced himself when he told a reporter that blacks were bred to become better athletes than whites. He also expressed a negative attitude toward the possibility of a black head coach in the National Football League.

Instead of worrying about whether the Washington Redskins could handle the Minnesota Vikings' Anthony Carter, Snyder started to hypothesize on subjects about which he had very little knowledge. The inevitable happened when Snyder was fired.

I can't really feel any sympathy for Snyder. Being an Asian-American myself, I am pretty sensitive to racial remarks. Still, I don't want to be narrow-minded and just address the issue of "the Greek."

Snyder's probably not the only one to believe that non-white races are somehow different than the "norm;" he was just either stupid or brave enough to express his belief in front of millions of people.

I think the real reason is the age-old problems of stereotyping. Yes, the thing that teachers and parents always say you shouldn't do, but which they may also do, whether they know it or not. Beliefs become

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set in, and they can't always be corrected. For example, some people believe that blacks are "all body and no brains" and that it is the other way around with Orientals. Well, I've known both blacks and Orientals who have broken those ridiculous molds, creating a fine-tuned balance.

Another stereotype I find strange is the one that says Polish people are dumb. That makes absolutely no sense to me. I knew a girl of Polish descent who had wit, charm and a straight-A average. If that's dumb then I think a lot of people would wish they were "dumb."

Stereotyping has been the subject of countless sermons since who knows when. Unfortunately, the problem has never left us and probably never will, because it seems to be a part of human nature. As always, the solution is to keep an open mind and to look beyond the exterior. I know this is old advice, but it's the best advice, too.



The Bishop Kearney High School Marching Kings, representatives of the 1987 New York State Field Band Champions, proudly display their trophies in anticipation of the annual St. Patrick's Day parade in New York City.

Nazareth Academy

Are examinations a fair means of testing a student's knowledge?

CHERYL FEELY, junior

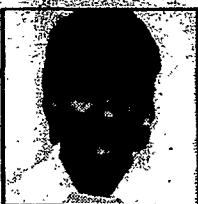
No, I don't think they are a good way to evaluate how much you have learned. Rather, I think they provide the opportunity to show that you did learn. Some other ways you could be tested fairly are papers, oral quizzes and participation in class.



As Teens See It

ALEXSA MEINHARD, sophomore

Yes, because (an exam) shows how much that person is capable of learning and remembering.



MICHELLE SWARTZ, junior

I think that written examinations are a good and fair way of evaluating how much you have learned in any given subject, because this way teachers are able to find out where your weak areas are.



CHRIS MARKESE, freshman

Yes, because the final grades of the exams show how much you have learned and if you need any extra help in that subject.



I also think that midterms are not a good and fair way of evaluating you in a subject because the exams have a tendency to cause a great amount of stress on both (the teacher and the student). A good way of being tested might be having students turn in a term paper or an evaluation paragraph.

Voter registration drive set for Nazareth Academy

"Voting is the one right that women have that isn't subject to discrimination," added Rita Zingaro, vice president of the senior class. "Each of our votes counts just as much as a man's vote. This is why Nazareth Academy is working with the League of Women Voters —

to raise awareness among young women about their voting privileges."

When registering, students may choose to register with a political party. If they do so, they will be able to vote in the April primaries this year.

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We received 31 correct entries identifying the Blues Brothers as the musical duo comprised of John Belushi and Dan Ackroyd.



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This week's question:

What English performer adopted the persona of "Ziggy Stardust?"

A:

Name: _____
Address: _____
City: _____ State: _____
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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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The theme for McQuaid Jesuit High School's annual gala and auction on April 23 is "Bash on the Nile." Standing left to right among Egyptian artifacts at the Memorial Art Gallery are Father Richard Noonan, Ron Maggio, Father James Keenan, Jim and Fran Hartman and Mark Boylan.

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A:

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Address: _____
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