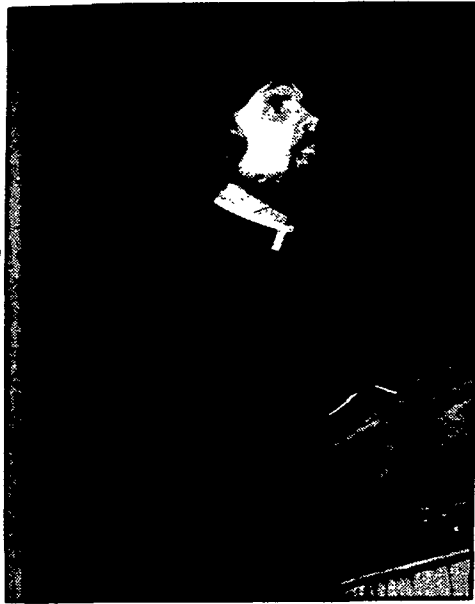


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Mooney students join 'parish' of visiting anti-drug priest



Father Frank Pizzarelli

By Katie Spoonhower and Suzette Martin
 Cardinal Mooney High School
 Father Frank Pizzarelli traveled 600 miles to Cardinal Mooney High School to bring students a message of care and concern.
 "All kids are my parish," the priest told Mooney students. Some years ago, serious concerns about the drug and alcohol problem among teenagers, as well as interest in a number of other social issues, moved Father Pizzarelli and two other men to establish Hope House Ministries on Long Island. Hope House is a community residence and human-services center geared toward crisis intervention.

A Monfort missionary priest, he has served as a parish priest, hospital chaplain, school administrator, teacher, lecturer and has been Hope House's executive director for the past five years.

During his presentation, Father Pizzarelli told students that "a poverty of sensitivity, car-

ing and concern ... is feeding the drug epidemic among young people." He counsels kids to fight the despair this poverty brings by taking responsibility for their own actions and helping others who are threatened by drug and alcohol abuse, and thoughts of suicide.

In addition to serving as a parish priest, Father Pizzarelli has since 1982 become aggressively involved with drug and alcohol education. A trained drug and alcohol counselor, he has used his skills and talents to address teens in more than 400 high schools on the topic of drug and alcohol awareness. He is also founder of CADD — Community Against Drunk Driving.

Father Pizzarelli is in real demand as a speaker these days, but asks no fee for his visits. He will fly or drive anywhere to be of service to teens, although it did take Sister Anne Marie Fehrenbach a year to get Mooney on his busy schedule.

Father Pizzarelli asked the Mooney students

to hold hands as he told them, "The greatest gift you've got is the gift of yourself, and don't be afraid to share that gift. Dare to be different. Have the guts to stand up and go beyond the system when it gets you down."

"The real challenge of friendship is sometimes having the courage to do some uncomfortable things because of love," he explained, reinforcing his message by playing the song "The Greatest Love of All!" The students sang along, visibly moved by the experience.

As one student commented, "Father Pizzarelli was totally the opposite of what I expected. He truly knows what we are going through — the loneliness, depression and afraid to let it show. That's how I feel, and it's not just 'burn-outs'. It's the 'jocks' and the 'brains' (who feel this way). It's everyone. We all need to know that someone cares. We have to be there for each other. We can't be afraid to stand up and stand behind what we believe in."

Aquinas Institute

What is the most important quality for a good teacher to demonstrate?

SCOTT ALBANO:

One of the most important qualities I think teacher should demonstrate is communication. If a teacher can relate with their students it makes it easier for the student and teacher in the classroom. Also, by being able to communicate teachers become friends of the students rather than their enemy.



JASON WELCH:

The most important quality a teacher should demonstrate is enthusiasm. A teacher must be able to bring the students in touch with the subject being taught. If a teacher demonstrates a sincere interest in the subject matter, students will find it easier to develop a similar interest.



J. ANTHONY MAJORS:

The most important quality for a teacher to demonstrate is understanding that all students have different abilities. And then the ability to formulate lessons which will keep the advanced student interested as well as being comprehensible for the less advanced.



As Teens See It

RAENA FORMICOLA:

One of the most important qualities, I think a teacher should demonstrate is not only the ability to teach but someone who is a good friend and who you can go to with a problem.



JOANNA ZAMPI:

I think patience is one of the most important qualities a teacher should demonstrate. Students perform better if they are not afraid to make mistakes. It is also important for students to feel comfortable asking questions and asking for extra help, which is easier when teachers are patient.



DAVID FRANKLIN:

In my opinion a good teacher is someone who can make you learn in a fun way. The more interesting the class and teacher are, the more the student will pay attention and learn.



By Amy Carr

This year, on March 20th, it made its first appearance. By June, it will have claimed numerous teen-age victims and doomed them with the psychological struggle between grades and pleasure. That stubborn agitator — spring fever — has arrived once again to engulf a teenager's total attention toward the "lighter side" of life — and to succeed in its job.

Spring fever can be defined as a sickness which strikes a student during his most vulnerable period — the final days of the school year. During the last stages of the fever, victims succumb to a complete desire to do anything other than academic-related activities. Cleaning the garage, taking extra hours at work, or willingly food shopping for the family are often viewed as easier jobs than studying for A.P. Calculus. The sickness is also most often related to the renowned "I could care less" syndrome, in which some victims commit scholastic suicide by choosing two months of fun and frolic over serious study.

The temptations linked to the disease can be subtle. Warm weather, a prominent factor, brings with it the desire to bathe on the beach, exchange the school uniform for shorts, and leave school for a more exciting, air-conditioned location. Final exams can also often tempt a student with reverse psychology. Staring at an A.P. Physics textbook can be extremely frightening. Thus, a typical student will regain his sanity by accompanying friends on a Friday night excursion, or by simply avoiding his few remaining physics classes.

Although spring fever is a disease not prone to discrimination, it is known for striking seniors hardest. Often, with 34 days remaining and the college application process completed, a senior will spend more time dreaming of that perfect prom night than studying for that important English term paper. The mere thought of graduation proves to be the greatest temptation for seniors, and spring fever, (nick-

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named "senioritis"), may sometimes cause a senior to sleep until graduation day.

Spring fever does exist, and this year it has begun its rampage in full force. Victimized teens everywhere can be seen suffering from the typical symptoms: constant drowsiness, a lack of interest in responsibility, and a guilt-free conscience never concerned with procrastination. The epidemic has long been a tradition, and a cure for the sickness has yet to be concocted.

Is there hope for victims of spring fever? Recovery is sometimes left up to the victim. Some teenagers succumb to the temptations, while others nail themselves to a desk chair so as to finish that final paper needed for graduation. Yet there is no need for such drastic solutions. As teens, we should find a medium between relaxation and needed, although dull, end-of-the-year studying. Spring fever can be a fun and easy excuse for procrastination, but if taken too far, the result can prove to be less than exciting.

On the other hand, teachers and parents should learn to diagnose the symptoms and understand the intensity of spring fever. After all, teenagers do not always ask for a sudden lack of motivation - it simply happens. Thus, parents and teachers should realize the additional factor involved when they observe a significant drop in fourth-quarter averages.

Spring fever is a disease. Yet no matter how it is dealt with or understood, spring fever will forever remain a tradition that affects the daily lives of teenagers in a variety of ways.

Black sacred music tribute planned for Rochester church

"Up Above My Head, I Hear Music in the Air," a tribute to black sacred music, will take place on Monday, May 23, at 7:30 p.m. in the Bethel Full Gospel Church, 321 East Ave.,

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The donation will be \$5 in advance or \$6 at the door. Call (716)325-6530, ext. 238 for information.

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What Detroit Pistons guard became only the 4th rookie to start in an NBA all-star game, in 1982?

A: _____

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A: _____

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