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Nazareth boasts two outstanding individuals in senior Carolyn Courtright and sophomore Karen Scozzafava. The duo combined to place second and third, respectively, at the H-A-C meet with times of 19:17 and 19:42. In addition, Scozzafava ran the day's best time — 21:03 — at the inaugural Nazareth Invitational, held Sept. 18 at Maplewood Park in Rochester.

Other prominent Lasers are sophomore Shari Karlnoski, freshman Beverly Keilman and eighth-grader Wakisha Bailey.

Coach Joe Merenda notes that the number of available runners has increased hand-in-hand with his program's rising prominence.

"Running is a difficult sport to get somebody interested in. But once you've got them interested, you've got a good chance of keeping them," said Merenda, whose Lasers finished 17th among 27 complete teams in the B division of the Newark Invitational.

DeSales junior Stephanie Nearpass is looking to improve upon her 17th-place finish at the 1992 state cross country championships. On Saturday she placed ninth in the C division, with a time of 21:04, at Newark — the same course which will be used for this year's state meet.

"She going to be good, no doubt about it. But she's going to have her work cut out for her to make the top 10 in the states," commented Coach Bob Wood, noting the rugged competition awaiting Nearpass in November.

DeSales' remaining female team members are Nearpass' younger sister Susan, a freshman; and senior Lindsay Higgins.

The Saint boys are comprised of junior Steve Mahoney, sophomore Tim Costello, junior Dan Anderson, sophomore Sean O'Donnell, junior Chris Schaefer and senior Carl Sorman.

Aquinas Institute junior Jason Hasert is enjoying a solid season. He took 14th in the Class B unseeded race at Newark in 18:45.2, and finished third at the H-A-C meet in 16:58.

"He's probably one of the top 15 in the state in his division," said Coach Matt Isaac.

Other leading AQ boys include seniors Kevin Donlon, Marty Romeo, Jeff Cox and John Bartholomay.

Freshman Tacy Amering and sophomore Debbie Maier are the only two members of the Little Irish girls' team.

Bishop Kearney, like the DeSales and Aquinas girls, does not have the luxury of fielding a complete team of five runners. The Kings are limited to

Author to lecture at Fisher

PITTSFORD — Author and historian James Edward Miller will speak at St. John Fisher College on Thursday, Oct. 14

Miller's presentation will be from 12:30-1:40 p.m. in the college's Elaine P. Wilson Formal Lounge, 3690 East Ave.

He is appearing as part of the college's Author Series. Currently a historian with the U.S. State Department, Miller is also the author of a 1990 book titled "The Baseball Business: Pursuing Pennants and Profits in Baltimore." He will discuss the book at his lecture, which is free and open to the public.



S. John Wilkin/Staff photographer Nazareth Academy's third-place finisher, Karen Scozzafava, makes her way down a hill on the back loop of the HAC cross-country course.

two members on both the boys' and girls' squads.

"To be honest, it's quite a battle. Soccer is very popular here," Coach Chris Jones acknowledged.

Junior Mike Weishaar has performed well. He took 13th place out of 75 runners, with a time of 17:47, in the small-schools division of the Spencerport Invitational on Sept. 18. Sophomore Mike Roman is BK's other male

The BK girls' team is comprised of freshman twin sisters Sherri and Erica Wilson. Jones noted that the pair is currenty competing in modified and JV races, but will move up to varsity-level competition by season's end.

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BK boys' soccer on the upswing; McQuaid wins first-night contest

By Mike Latona Staff writer

It's been a pleasant swim in the Finger Lakes thus far for the Bishop Kearney boys' soccer team.

Kearney, a first-year entrant in the Finger Lakes East league, is making a strong bid for its first winning season since 1989. The Kings completed play last week with a 4-1 record in league play and a 4-3 overall mark.

Highlighting the resurgence was a 1-0 home win this past Saturday, Sept. 25, over previously-unbeaten FL East foe Victor. Earlier in the week, the Kings gained a 3-2 league triumph over host Marcus Whitman on Sept. 22.

Close decisions seem to suit BK nicely: all the Kings' 1993 victories have been by a single goal.

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First-year Coach Kevin Delehanty said that his club's strong work ethic has been the deciding factor.

"The difference is their fierce, competitive nature. They really have a hunger and desire to win," Delehanty noted.

Dave O'Neil scored the Victor game's only goal midway through the first half, and Sam Mistretta tallied twice against Marcus Whitman.

In other high-school highlights involving diocesan teams last week:

McQuaid Jesuit prevailed over Aquinas Institute, 4-1, in a matchup of last year's City-Catholic League boys' soccer co-champions. The game was played on the evening of Sept. 23 at McQuaid's newly-lit facility. The Knights (2-0, 5-1-2) also battled visiting Penfield to a 1-1 deadlock on Sept. 21.

Aquinas (1-1, 5-4) sandwiched two wins around its loss to McQuaid: 3-0 in league play over visiting East on Sept. 21, and 1-0 on the road over non-league opponent Fairport on Sept. 25.

In girls' soccer, Our Lady of Mercy's Gina Montesano scored three goals — all in overtime — as the Monarchs (2-0, 7-3) rallied for a 4-1 non-league victory over host Fairport on Sept. 24. Mercy's Melanie Heeder had tied the score

with three minutes left in regulation.

Elmira Notre Dame (4-0, 9-2) maintained first place in the Sullivan Trail Conference with two STC girls' soccer home wins: 5-0 over Elmira Southside on Sept. 21 and 5-1 over Hornell on Sept. 23. Christina Brunner (five) and Lori Spaziani (four) combined for nine of their team's 10 goals on the week.

Aquinas (1-1, 4-3-1) recorded a 3-0 shutout over visiting Kearney (1-2, 3-2-1) in Private-Parochial League girls' soccer action on Sept. 23. Shelly Pagano, Lynsey Hopkins and Katya Metidieri scored for AQ that day.

BK's girls came back for a 5-0 non-league win over host East on Sept. 24. They also blanked visiting Eastridge, 3-0, in non-league action on Sept. 21.

The Nazareth Academy girls (0-1, 2-4) picked up a 3-2 non-league home win over Eastridge on Sept. 23 as Krystelle Van Buren scored the gamewinner with five minutes remaining.

In girls' volleyball, Mercy (2-0, 6-2) gained back-to-back wins in Private-Parochial League play: 15-3, 15-7, 15-0 over host Aquinas (0-3, 1-3) on Sept. 21; and 15-1, 15-10, 15-6 over visiting Nazareth (1-1, 4-3) on Sept. 22.

Nazareth won twice in non-league girls' volleyball action: 15-4, 15-3, 5-15 and 15-12 over visiting East on Sept. 20; and 11-15, 11-15, 15-5, 15-11, 15-6 over visiting Franklin on Sept. 21.

Kearney (1-0, 6-1) continued its superb girls' volleyball season with a 15-2, 15-9, 15-3 non-league sweep of host Wilson on Sept. 24.

McQuaid (2-0, 3-3) earned a pair of City-Catholic League boys' volleyball wins: 15-8, 15-3, 13-15, 15-8 over host Wilson on Sept. 21; and a 15-13, 15-3, 12-15, 14-16, 15-13 thriller over visiting Marshall on Sept. 23.

Girls' tennis victories came from Mercy (5-3), which won 5-0 over visiting Edison Tech on Sept. 24; Kearney (3-3), which edged host Wilson 3-2 on Sept. 20; and Aquinas (1-1), which won 3-2 at home over Wilson on Sept. 22.

In girls' swimming, Mercy (1-2) picked up its first win by edging host Churchville-Chili, 92-91, on Sept. 22.



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