

**Carnesecca to appear
at fundraising affair**

CORNING — Legendary St John's University basketball Coach Lou Carnesecca will be the featured speaker at the sixth annual All Saints Academy Gala on Saturday, April 9. The banquet will begin at 6 p.m. at the Lodge on the Green in Painted Post.

Tickets for the dinner/dance are still available at \$40 each, with all proceeds benefitting All Saints Academy, 158 State St., Corning. To purchase tickets, call 607/936-9234.

**Free swim sessions
offered by YMCAs**

ROCHESTER — Free pool usage will be available April 4-8 at the YMCA of Greater Rochester's seven family branches.

This offering is being held in conjunction with the YMCA's annual Swim to Safety Week. Introductory swim lessons, as well as safety drills, will be conducted by YMCA swim instructors and volunteers. Children and adults of all ages are invited to participate.

For registration information, call any of the YMCA branches in Monroe County.

**St. John Fisher player
Academic All-American**

PITTSFORD — Becky Armstrong, co-captain for the St. John Fisher College women's basketball team, was recently named a first team GTE/COSIDA District I Academic All-American.

Armstrong was selected by NCAA Division III head coaches and sports information directors from the northeastern United States.

The senior guard has a grade-point average of 3.30 out of a possible 4.0.

**\$10,000-plus raised
from basketball game**

ROCHESTER — More than \$10,000 was raised from the second annual Camp Good and Special Times/Dallas Cowboys Legends basketball game, held Thursday, March 10, at the Community War Memorial.

Former Dallas Cowboy football greats Tony Dorsett, Tony Hill, Drew Pearson, Ed "Too Tall" Jones, Harvey Martin and Billy Joe Dupree scored a 125-105 victory over a team comprising Section 5 varsity basketball coaches.

**Volunteers sought for
Ryder Cup at Oak Hill**

PITTSFORD — Volunteer positions are available for the 1995 Ryder Cup golf competition, to be held at Oak Hill Country Club in September 1995.

This prestigious event, held every two years, features the United States' finest golfers against Europe's best.

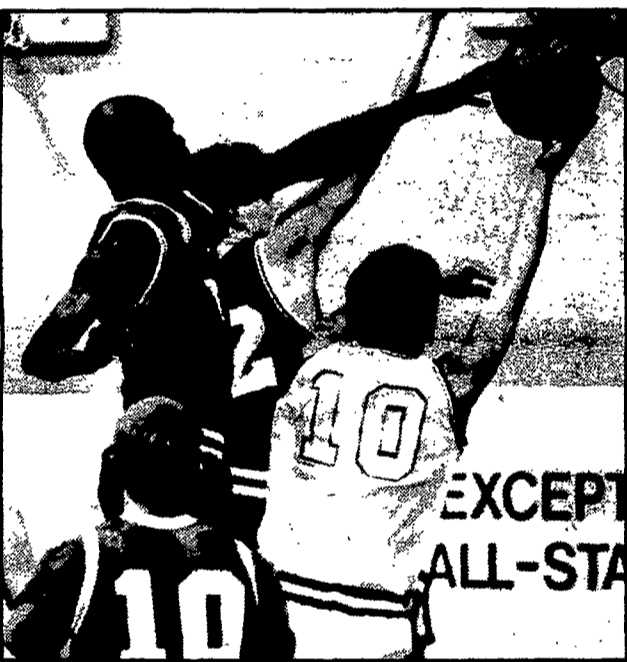
Volunteers are needed for courtesy-car transportation, parking, security and merchandising.

To obtain an application, call 716/248-9500 or stop at the tournament office located at Oak Hill. Application deadline is April 11.

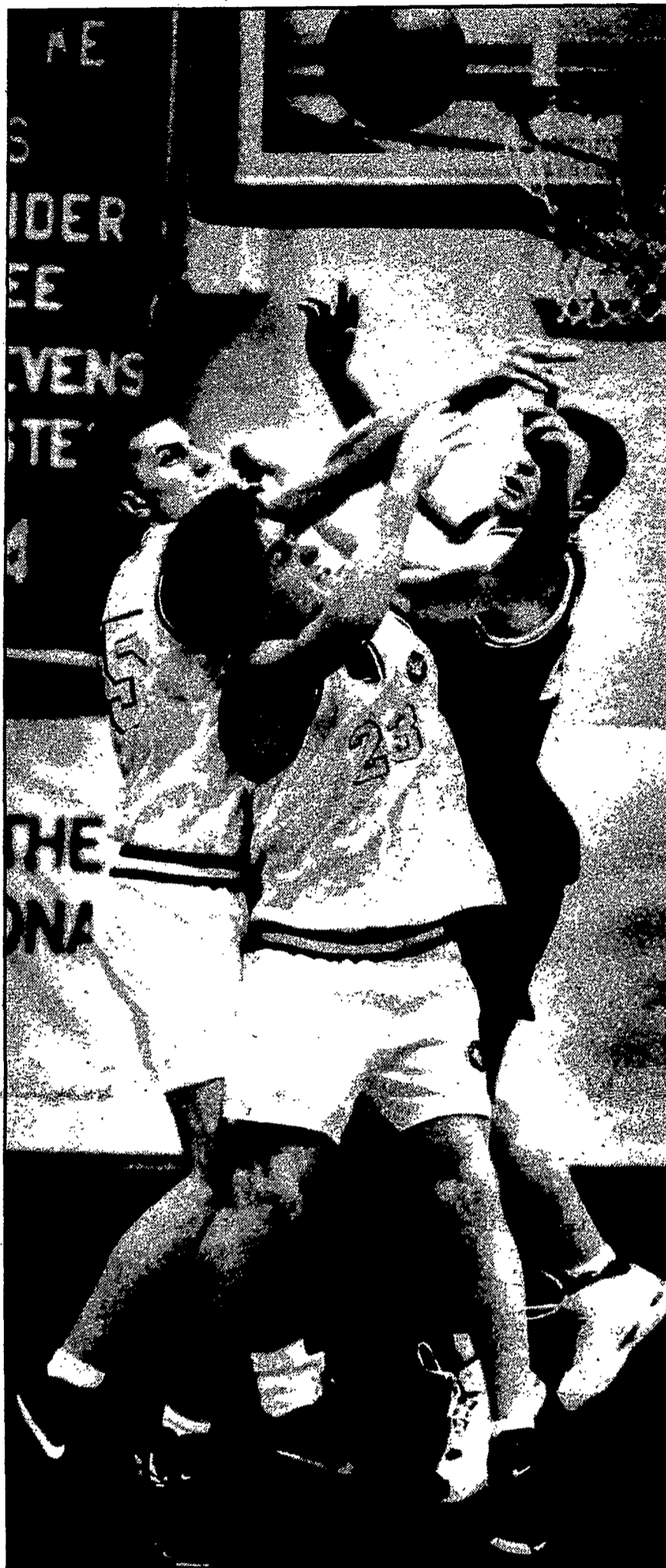
For ticket order forms, write to Ryder Cup Tickets, Oak Hill CC, P.O. Box 10397, Rochester, 14618-0397. Returned order forms must be postmarked by May 16, 1994.

ALL STARS

Aquinas Institute's Kelly Cutler, an all-star basketball cheerleader from Section 5, was on hand to cheer for the boys all-stars.



S. John Wilkin/Staff photographer
(Top) Bishop Kearney's Richard Cannon (left) March 27 deflects a shot by Ben Kinney of Pavilion during the ninth-annual Ronald McDonald House All-Star Game at the University of Rochester. (At right) Honeoye Falls-Lima's Matt Whann, South Seneca's John Roloson and Aquinas Institute's Shawn Finein get tangled up going for a rebound. The Gold Team won the game, 94-85.

**Athletes play 'for kids who can't'****Senior games
also aid charity**

By Mike Latona
Staff writer

ROCHESTER — When an event brings together some of the area's best athletes, its entertainment value is never in doubt.

Yet Mike Palermo is quick to point out that crowd-pleasing competition only serves as part of the Ronald McDonald House All-Star Games' mission.

"It's a game of showcasing. But it's also a game of kids who can, doing for kids who can't," said Palermo, who helped create this All-Star affair nearly a decade ago and still serves as the game's coordinator.

The kids who *can* are the finest senior basketball stars in Section 5. These boys and girls gathered at the University of Rochester's Palestra on Sunday, March 27, for the ninth-annual Ronald McDonald House games.

The kids who *can't* are those served through the Rochester Ronald McDonald House, located at 333 Westmoreland Drive, near the U of R campus. This facility, which opened in 1990, provides temporary lodging for families of critically ill children who are hospitalized or receiving medical treatment in the Rochester area.

Palermo, a veteran Rochester-area football and basketball official, derived the idea for a charity basketball game from his affiliation with a similar fundraising athletic event — the Eddie Meath All-Star Football Game, held each August at the U of R.

Palermo pitched his plan to Ric Hamblin, a fellow referee. Hamblin also serves as an area supervisor for Buono Enterprises, which operates six McDonald's Restaurant franchises in the Rochester area.

The Section 5-McDonald's partnership began in 1986, when the first All-Star games were held at the Rochester Community War Memorial before moving to the U of R in 1988. According to game chairman Hamblin, these exhibi-

tions have raised more than \$50,000 since 1986.

Hamblin also noted that high-school seniors can benefit greatly from the extra attention received through playing in the All-Star event.

"We've had a few kids over the years who have actually gotten college scholarships after playing in the games — kids from outlying areas who don't get the exposure during the regular season," said Hamblin.

For the great majority of these athletes, a special satisfaction is acquired simply from being asked to appear in the games.

"I was really excited and nervous. The top players play here, (and) everybody kept telling me this place was going to be packed," said Bishop Kearney forward Kate Jensen. She follows in the footsteps of her sister, Eileen, a 1991 McDonald's All-Star who returned to the Palestra this past Sunday to cheer on Kate.

Kate Jensen scored five points for the girls' Red team in the afternoon's first game, won 68-63 by the opposing Gold

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