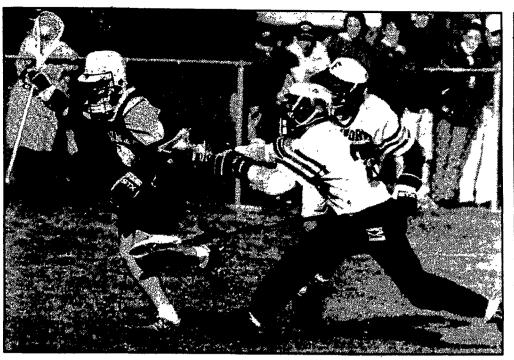
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## SPORTS URE



S. John Wilkin/Staff photographer Competing in just its second varsity season, Aquinas is looking to improve on last year with a core of returning starters mixed in with new talent.

## Lacrosse

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Zabawa and sophomore Shane Kavanagh.

Anchoring the midfield are seniors Doug Crowley, John Auberger and Joe Gionta. Defensive middles include seniors Christian Catalano and Tad Valentino, and juniors Doug Brooks and Vinny Valerie.

The defense is led by seniors Thad Brown and Chris Lattanzio, junior Chris Baldwin and freshman Andy DiMaria. Sophomore Nick Mannella is the No. 1 goaltender.

"We want to prove that we're for real," said Stein, whose Irish went 4-10 in 1993. "My goal would be a winning season, which I think would be outstanding for these guys in their second varsity season."

### Lacrosse arrives at ND

Twenty-two Elmira Notre Dame students have earned their place in history by comprising the school's first-ever varsity lacrosse squad. The Crusaders will open their schedule next week by traveling to Maine-Endwell on April 14 before making their home debut against Whitney Point on April 16 (11 a.m. start).

They're very excited," noted Coach Rick Kallenborn. "They've set high expectations, and I feel that with their work ethic so far, the goals are attainable."

As is the case with Aquinas Institute, Notre Dame's fledgling program is bolstered by the presence of experienced

coach at Horseheads High School. Kallenborn played collegiately at Corning Community College and Ithaca College.

Leading the Crusader attack are junior Rick Maxa and sophomore Pat Batterson. Top midfielders are junior Pat Woodhouse and sophomore Ian Lampman.

Defensively, ND is sparked by juniors Howard Hodder and Brian McCort, senior Mark Perechinsky, and freshman Marty Wujastyk. Senior Josh Oakley handles goaltending duties.

## Mercy's basketball camp to be held this summer

BRIGHTON - A girls' basketballcamp is scheduled from June 27-July 1 at Our Lady of Mercy High School, 1437 **Blossom Road**.

Session I, for girls ages 10-12, will be held from 8 to 11 a.m. Session II, for girls ages 13-15, will take place from noon to 3 p.m.

The camp's director is Kathleen Boughton, Mercy varsity girls' basketball coach and athletic director. For details, call 716/288-7120 or 482-1352.

### Applications available for Aquinas basketball camp

**ROCHESTER – Openings exist for** the 1994 Aquinas Institute Boys' Basketball Camp.

The camp will be held in AQ's new Wegman-Napier Center gymnasium, and is open to boys entering grades 4-12. Dates are June 27-July 8 for the grades 4-8 and grade 9 sessions, and July 11-22 for grades 10-12. Camp director is Aquinas head basketball coach Mike Dianetti. For an application, contact him at 716/254-2020.

# Colorful coach to highlight Corning gala this Saturday

### By Mike Latona Staff writer

CORNING - If his outrageous sweaters didn't grab your attention, then his animated outbursts along the sidelines would almost certainly do the trick.

Right up until his retirement after the 1992 season, Lou Carnesecca was someone who constantly stood out in a crowd.

This weekend will be no different – except "Looie's" audience will a crowded banquet room, not a packed gymnasium or national-television audience.

The veteran St. John's University basketball coach will be the guest speaker at the All Saints Academy Gala this coming Saturday, April 9, at the Lodge on the Green in Painted Post.

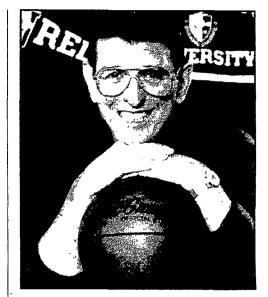
Just as he was during his 24 years at St. John's, the amiable Carnesecca should be a crowd-pleaser when he visits the Southern Tier.

"He's an upbeat, enthusiastic guy, and that's what we were looking for," said Vincent Moschetti, principal of All Saints Academy, a grade K-8 Catholic elementary school located at 158 State St.

It was Carnesecca's longtime friendship with the Moschetti family that lured the coach to Corning. Vince's father, Al, has known the 69-year-old Carnesecca for nearly a half-century. Both were athletes at St. John's in the 1940s -Moschetti as a member of the school's first National Invitation Tournament champion basketball squad, and Car-'nesecca as a member of the Redmen's baseball team.

Carnesecca's coaching career began in 1950 at the former St. Ann's Academy (now Archbishop Molloy High School) in New York City. He won three national Catholic high-school basketball titles, and one in baseball, before returning to St. John's in 1957 as an assistant to head basketball Coach Joe Lapchick.

Carnesecca assumed the Redmen's head-coaching duties upon Lapchick's retirement in 1965. His stint at St. John's was interrupted by a three-year run as



head coach of the American Basketball Association's New York Nets beginning in 1970.

In his 24 years guiding St. John's, Carnesecca never failed to take a team to the post-season. The Redmen played in 18 NCAA tournaments and six NITs.

Carnesecca's most successful season was the memorable 1985 campaign, when his Redmen – led by Chris Mullin and Walter Berry – were one of three Big East Conference teams to reach the NČAA Final Four.

His career record at St. John's was 526-200, and 139-79 in the Big East.

Despite these many accomplishments, Vincent Moschetti emphasized that Carnesecca has been a consistently downto-earth person through the years.

"No matter how high he climbs, he always remembers the guy behind him," the Corning principal said.

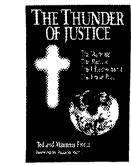
Carnesecca has remained active at St. John's through his role as a communityrelations assistant for the college president's office.

Looie also stays close to his beloved sport of basketball; in fact, when he spoke to the *Catholic Courier* earlier this week, he had just returned from the NCAA Final Four in Charlotte, N.C.

"I'm busier than ever before," he remarked in a telephone interview.

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