

## Extra Credit!

Students at McQuaid Jesuit High School raised \$3,871.01 during their Lenten Mission Drive, conducted March 1-April 7.

The money will be donated to the Jesuit Seminary and Mission Bureau to help fund educational projects in Nigeria and the Micronesian Islands.

Eight diocesan schools from Monroe County joined with public schools in the sixth annual "Education for Peace Week" held April 24-28.

Among the week's many activities was a peace conference conducted Thursday, April 27, at Aquinas Institute. Participating diocesan high schools included Aquinas and McQuaid. Elementary schools included Holy Rosary, Rochester; Holy Trinity, Webster; Our Mother of Sorrows, Greece; Nazareth Hall, Rochester; St. Boniface, Rochester; and Seton Catholic, Brighton.

Submissions by 10 Our Mother of Sorrows School sixth-grade students have been selected to appear in the 1995 edition of the Anthology of Poetry by Young Americans.

This anthology contains work by students from all over the United States. Participants from Our Mother of Sorrows included Karen Attridge, Gregory Briggs, Jamie Edd, Kathleen Hennessey, Tyrik McKeiver, Elizabeth Randich, Danielle Schoen, Sal Straus, Joseph Toscano and Christy Varrenti.

Several diocesan high-school seniors have recently been named scholarship recipients. They are:

Geneva DeSales — Wegmans Scholarship Award: McKenzie Gallagher, Joseph Perillo, Emily Phillips, Sarah Scheffler.

Bishop Kearney — Wal-Mart Scholarship: Elizabeth DeMatteis. Senior Dance Scholarship: Margaret Dixon.

The "Masterminds" team at McQuaid Jesuit has completed an undefeated season.

"Masterminds" is patterned after the "College Bowl" quiz show. McQuaid team members this year included Brian Cain, Samantbhiram Das, Damien DeLaney, Jeffrey Kuhn, Zachary Nowak, Michael Pittinaro, Joseph Schaeffer, Michael Snyder and William Woityra.

Bridget Metzler, a parishioner in

## Catholic Scouting takes fresh approach

By Steve Paradis  
Catholic News Service

ORLANDO, Fla. — Catholic Scouting is alive and well and marketing its program as never before because of what it offers for Catholic youths and the church, its leaders say.

"We are putting the message out that Scouting is the oldest, most consistently successful outreach for Catholic youth," said Father Randy Cuevas of Louisiana, national chaplain of the National Catholic Committee on Scouting. "We want to renew that spirit."

The committee, which serves 350,000 boys in various Boy Scout programs, met in Orlando April 24-29 to work on the new approach.

Factors committee members took into consideration include the trend of families having fewer children, which has led to drops in the overall number of Scouts in Catholic troops, as well as the difficult logistics single-parent families face for participating in Scouting.

In addition to competition from sports, Catholic Scouting has to compete against video games and cable TV for the attention of the young audience.

"There are many, many, many more things for boys to do now," said Father Tom Cronin, a member of the National Catholic Committee.

Scouting began in England in 1907, based on Lord Robert Baden-Powell's ideals and his book, "Scouting for Boys." It was brought to the United States by Chicago publisher William Boyce, who founded the Boy Scouts of America in 1910.

At about the same time, a parish priest in St. Paul, Minn., was starting a troop for Catholic boys. Father W.L. Hart had heard about Scouting's benefits from a Canadian priest.

"His was clearly the first Catholic-sponsored troop in the United States," Father Cronin said.

In 1917, the U.S. bishops formed the National Catholic War Council, a precursor of today's National Conference of Catholic Bishops. One area that concerned the bishops at



File photo  
Members of Crusader Troop 200 gathered for a 1992 meeting in the basement of Rochester's St. Boniface School.

the time was the lack of programs for Catholic boys.

In 1918, Walter Hook of the National Catholic War Council secured the Vatican's endorsement for Catholic Scouting.

In 1921, the University of Notre Dame, at the request of the National Council of Catholic Men, conducted a two-week training course for Scoutmasters. Knute Rockne, Notre Dame's football coach, acted as instructor of games.

The Catholic Committee on Scouting was formed in 1925. A similar committee exists for Girl Scouts. Both are liaisons with the U.S. bishops.

Today, Scouting is the largest voluntary youth movement in the world, Father Cronin said. Membership totals 16 million worldwide.

In the United States, more than 4.5 million youth and leaders have pledged themselves to the principles of Scouting, including: duty to God and respect for individual beliefs; loyalty to one's country and respect for its laws; strength of world friendship and Scouting brotherhood; service to others; and independence from political influence and control.

the Sacred Heart/St. Ann's Parish in Cayuga County, was chosen as a HOBY Ambassador for the New York West Leadership Seminar in Batavia.

Bridget was selected from her sophomore class at Auburn High School to attend the HOBY (Hugh O'Brian Youth Foundation) conference.

Kaila Norton, an eighth-grader at St. John the Evangelist School, Greece, was named a winner in National Public Radio's commentary contest, "Coming of Age: Then and Now."

Kaila was one of four Rochester-area

students selected from approximately 2,000 entrants nationwide. She earned national runner-up honors in the age 12-14 category. The contest offered young people ages 12-18 the opportunity to share their thoughts and feelings about life, their experiences and their expectations.

Camero Logan and Carmel Nelson, from Nazareth Academy, along with Jason Hasert and Leanne Bach, from Aquinas, have been honored by the Monroe County Council Veterans of Foreign Wars.

These students were presented with High School Students Merit Awards during the VFW's Ladies Auxiliary's "Loyalty Day" program held April 30 at the Mapledale Party House in Rochester.

Joe Kita, a parishioner at St. Mary of the Assumption Church, Scottsville, has had a prayer published by St. Mary's Press in Winona, Minn.

Joe's submission is appearing in a publication titled *More Dreams Alive*. It contains prayers by teenagers from around the country on issues and feelings surrounding teen life.

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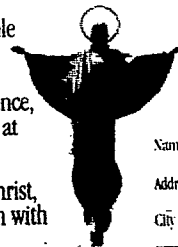
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