

STUDENTS PONDER PURPOSE OF LIFE DURING RETREAT

"The day of recollection was a wonderful opportunity to stop to think of life's purpose, a day well spent, and an opportunity to solve problems."

This is how students reacted to the day of recollection held on Friday, January 15.

Spiritual director of the day was Father Gerard from Des Moines. Said the students, "His method of getting through to messages was very good. He understood the problems of teenagers. Instead of treating 'em rough. Father Gerard presented his talks in a way enjoyable and profitable to everyone. When the day was ended everyone had a feeling that he had really accomplished something."

Few questions were left unanswered at the end of the day, but one often heard, "Why not have longer retreats or perhaps two a year?"

Mass and confessions opened the retreat at 8:30. Immediately after breakfast in the school hall, the exercises commenced with the first of four conferences given by Father Gerard. Throughout the day there was time for spiritual reading, making the Stations of the Cross, and private conferences with Father Gerard. Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament at 2:35 brought the short retreat to a close.

50 Word Record Procures Title of Expert For Four

"Can't I make those fingers go any faster?" This is a question that most of the Junior Typists are asking themselves these days. Rosemary Culver's fingers were the first to reach the fifty words-per-minute mark; next were those of Pat Dourcousis, then Janet Berger's and Linda Hale's, other typists are still struggling.

Shorthand, too, presents its problems. This semester is being devoted especially to dictation. It is no surprise for a shorthand student to find herself just getting into the swing of the letter that is being dictated and Sister will say, "You're truly."

The first year book is nearly completed. Sister Mary Aquilina has sent for advanced Shorthand books and they will be started soon.

Junior Rotarians Present At March Meetings of Club

Two Sacred Heart settler boys were invited to attend the March meeting of the Rotary Club at the Hotel Hotel. The meeting on March 2 began with a three course dinner after which Fred Appenzeller, presiding at the meeting called upon the members to introduce visiting Rotarians and guests. Junior Rotarians, Larry Conway and Mike Fitzgerald, were introduced by Al Herman who reported on the boys' extra curricular activities and their plans for the future. The program also included news bulletins on world affairs and a movie.



Chief Peterson gives "Listening In" awards to Danne Kunk, Jean Cook, Jack Rusanak, Marie Miller, and Judy Fritz. Larry Conway, chairman of the Safety Contest, is also pictured.

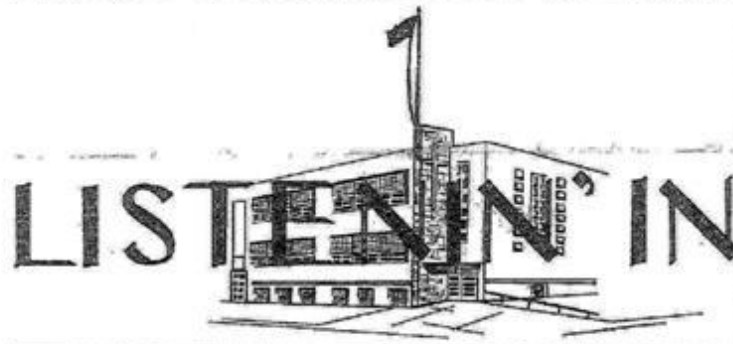
CHIEF PETERSON GIVES AWARDS TO CONTEST WINNERS; STATES VIEWS ON OVERALL SAFETY PICTURE IN BOONE

Snappy slogans and articles on Safety were stacked high in the Journalism department of Sacred Heart as students gave their views to Safety Contest Chairman, Larry Conway.

The submitted articles were a part of "LISTENING IN'S" entrance into a Safety Contest sponsored by Kemper National Insurance Company. Awards will be given by this Company to the high schools doing the most toward safety improvement.

Larry Conway invited Chief of Police, E. L. Peterson to distribute badges of merit to students writing the best safety articles and to state his views on the overall safety picture in Boone.

"The overall safety picture in Boone is the best that it has been for three or four years." These are the words of Chief of Police E. L. Peterson. He continued to say that in his opinion, the main reasons for this improvement were: the influence of the Iowa Point system stricter law-enforcement, and improvement made in safety engineering by the city.



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TALKS BY SEVEN PROFESSIONALISTS HIGHLIGHT VOCATIONAL REFLECTIONS

Vocation Month, March, will be observed in a special way at Sacred Heart this year, with a series of addresses given by those engaged in the various professions. Knowing the importance of students making the right choice of vocation in life, the faculty has arranged for a total of seven talks.

Representing the religious state will be Rev. Karl Hansen, the pastor of St. Malachy's Parish in Madrid. He will give a talk on considering the religious life, either as priest, brother, or sister, as one's vocation.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Jordan of Sacred Heart parish, will discuss the married state to which the majority of people are called and which is therefore most important.

Specific professions will receive particular emphasis in the series, the life of doctor, lawyer, nurse, and teacher will be treated. (Continued on Page four)

HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS SEE EDUCATION MOVIES

Two new movies, provided by the Bell Telephone Company, have been shown to the high school classes. The first, entitled "Gateways To The Mind," gave an interesting explanation of man's dependence on the senses, and also of the mechanical mechanisms of not only the five senses but also of the less important ones, such as balance, and sensitivity to heat, cold and pressure.

The second, entitled "The Alphabet Conspiracy," considered the origin of the alphabet, its applications and importance, and other types of communication.

Merrymaking Spirit Marks Celebration of Homecoming

The homecoming game which was scheduled for Jan. 23 was cancelled because of a heavy snow fall, but that didn't dull the spirits of a happy group of alumni, students, and guests, who representing all age groups, gathered for the Homecoming dance.

The hall was beautifully decked with banners and pennants and many compliments were paid to the decorating committee, members of the freshman and sophomore classes.

Mr. Chris Cooper organized the Grand March which touched off the dance at 8:30. Mr. Cooper also supplied the music and a few novelty dances. Mrs. Lois Brown and Mrs. Rosella Hopkins served refreshments.

School Gets Class A Rating By Inspector

Sacred Heart School was given a class A rating by the Fire Inspector during his last check of Boone schools. The school, one of Boone's newest, is a modern structure set on steel reinforced concrete foundations. The walls are fireproof brick exterior and haydite block and ceramic tile interior. Class rooms have haydite block walls and partitions, battlement line-beam over reinforced concrete floors, and acoustical plaster ceilings. All ceiling joists and beams are of structural steel. The corridors and entrance ways have ceramic tile walls, acoustical plaster ceilings and concrete terrazzo floors. The two wide entrance ways have steel doors with panic locks for easy exit. The heating system of the school is serviced regularly and includes an automatic shut off for the oil supply, and an outside gas emergency shutoff. The main furnace room has a fire door which closes automatically in case of fire.

A main need for improvement in the safety field was given by Chief Peterson as a change from single to parallel parking, and more off street parking. The two main points stressed by the Chief were these: a need for better safety education and more drivers training, "the safety program needs to reach more people because safety is something you can't buy unless you can see and understand it." He based his opinion on the fact that since Driver Training started in Iowa, not one person who has taken the course has been involved in a fatal accident.

"Safety Is Here To Stay"

This rather unusual observation was made by third grader, Mark Miller, during the recent survey made to find out the students' views on safety. This study revealed many intelligent views on the subject. Fourth grader, Jack Rusanak, touched a good point when he stated, "Though we don't know all the rules of safety, most of us don't keep all those we do know."

Judy Cook remembered another point which most people forget: "Safety is Really Our Thoughtfulness for Ourselves and Others." This thoughtfulness can take the form of help or assistance to others or it can be demonstrated to others by our example. "The Life of a Little Child May Depend Upon Your Example." This is something to think about.

Safety is a Full Time Job for Everyone. We Must All Do Our Part or We Will Upset the Effort of Others.—Thus Pat Keller sums up all of the other points mentioned.

Cooper, Linda Hopkins, Judy Straker, Linda Hale, Mary Sue Rolfe, and Ron Hopkins.

REMINDER

Butternut Coffee Strips are still being collected for next year. Help to fill the box in the upper hall.



Patricia Brice and Marcia Day, attendants to Homecoming Queen Sue Wilton, extend congratulations.

BROTHERHOOD THE RESPONSIBILITY OF EVERY BAPTIZED INDIVIDUAL

Everyone of us as individuals has a responsibility for the building of brotherhood in every organization to which we belong. As Christians we are morally obligated by our religion to speak up for Brotherhood.

Brotherhood means giving to others the respect we want for ourselves. Man's concern for his fellow man has become the key to human survival. We must teach ourselves to become more sensitive to the pain of others and more determined than ever to relieve the suffering of our neighbors.

The Spirit of Brotherhood Week should animate every day of the year. Brotherhood Week has not been set aside as the only time of the year suited to the practice of brotherhood, for all weeks are equally in need of the practice. Brotherhood Week is a time of resolution and renewal to sustain brotherhood throughout the year.

Brotherhood is every baptized person's job for, as Father Raymond, O.C.S.O. has written, "Thanks to baptism we have been taken into the family of God! With perfect right and truth we can call God 'Father'—and His Son 'Brother.'" —Janet Harger

Our great nation was built on the principle of brotherhood, "...all men are created equal..." America has become a symbol of freedom to the rest of the world.

Yet, a threat is growing today to threaten this sacred principle. Prejudice, the enemy of democracy, has taken root in our country and has manifested itself in the open violation of the civil rights of several groups of people, our brothers.

What is real brotherhood? For the Catholic, it is simply stated and clearly outlined by Christ in His command, "Love thy neighbor as thyself." There are no limitations, then, our neighbors are our brothers. —Kathy Wilson

Washington's Qualities of Leadership—Honesty, Integrity, Courage—Are Worthy of Consideration and Imitation

Throughout the country, on February 22 each year, banks, courts houses, and state and federal agencies do no business. That day is the birthday of George Washington, a man to whom we, as Americans, are greatly indebted.

Are we willing to make the extreme sacrifices that Washington and his compatriots made for their goals? Do we spend sufficient time studying the problems which confront us, and the national issues which are worthy of a great deal of consideration?

Fortunately, George Washington's qualities may be imitated by many, if each gives his best under all conditions. Washington wasn't a brilliant, intellectual, or a military genius, he simply put all possible effort into each thing he did. As a leader, he was a man of honesty, integrity, courage, self-sacrifice, determination, and ambition. Washington never shared his duty.

Even though Washington overcame most of his handicaps, he was human and had weaknesses, as you and I have. If everyone would take Washington as an example and work as hard as he did for each goal, the world wouldn't be crying for leaders today. —Ron Hopkins

Well-groomed SHS Students Choose Navy Blue Outfits

Neatness, refinement, and cleanliness combine to characterize very many students of Sacred Heart as "well-dressed" and "well-kept."

With Easter just around the corner, many new outfits are being purchased. Rosemary Cui-ver will be wearing a navy-blue sailor style dress with matching blue coat touched off by red accessories. Also wearing a navy-blue dress this spring is Sharon Spenser.

That shades are back in style is pointed up by Alice Carver, Sue Cooper, and Janet Stearns-wald who have chosen this type of dress, with matching coats and variously colored accessories.

In men's clothing the new color, black-brown, predominates. Mike Fitzgerald shows his approval of this color in a new suit. Mike looks great in this outfit and that tan plaid-stripe tie of brown, black, and green, sets it off just right.

Steve Duffy and Mike Lacey have also chosen some nice looking suits for spring. Mike Lacey will wear a smart-looking navy blue while Steve Duffy will display a hazy gray suit.

A two piece suit is also Jo Ann Tornabone's choice for spring and she will "top it off" with a Breton hat of matching color.

KELLER, HEALY CONQUER WASHINGTON CONTENDERS

On February 20, in the seventh and eighth grades, a discussion on George Washington was held. The week before, eight experts had been chosen to answer questions written by the class on George Washington. The experts were Ronald Keller, Karen Fishery, Tom Hand-ler, James Doreston, Rita Healy, Diane Carroll, Joan Ribble, and Tom Mahoney. The experts were stamped by the questions of Marlene McCoy, Marie Splos, Joan Buss, Pam Pohnner, and Marjory Ruzank. Rita Healy in the seventh grade and Ronald Keller in the eighth, had the highest points of their grades. The seventh grade team had the most points. The quiz was very interesting and everyone learned something from it.



RON HOPKINS RECEIVES SUPERIOR COMMENDATION

Ronald Hopkins has been commended for a superior performance on the National Merit Scholarship Qualifying List in the 1958-59 program. The Letter of Commendation which Ron received indicated that he ranks in the top two per cent in ability of senior students in their respective states and should be given every encouragement to continue with his education. According to the President of the N. M. C., John M. Slatmaker, Ron "has demonstrated highly superior ability and outstanding promise to benefit from college training."

Teen-age Driver, Do You Belong to the Reliable Group?

If you are a teen-ager, you have more than likely at one time or another wondered why everyone considers members of your group to be terrible drivers. Certainly, no other group knows more about cars and no other group has better reflexes.

While this may be true, it seems that it is also true that no other group has less common ordinary horse-sense. You might say, "Well, I only had three accidents last year, that's a pretty good record!" but have you ever stopped to think that most of your parents have had no accidents in many years?

I got the idea that teen-agers lack horse-sense from reports on recent surveys. One survey in Nebraska found that drivers 16-20 have the least respect for speed laws. This same age group holds only 17% of the licenses but accounts for 30% of speed violations and 23% of the accidents in Nebraska and Minnesota, respectively.

Some teen-agers are, however, good, practical-minded, safe drivers and it is unfair to drag them down along with their not-so-responsible fellow teen-agers. Generally, a reliable, grown-up teen-ager can be detected by the way he drives; therefore don't be a "teenage driver." Be a teenage "adult driver." —Ray Brown

CSMC Projects Benefit Students As Well As Needy Brothers

Probably all of us have always had enough to eat, decent clothes, and a warm place called home. All of our lives we have had these things and it becomes easy to take them for granted. Many children in mission countries have never known what it is to have a full stomach and to be warm in winter.

One begins to wonder, "Why did God give me many things and leave these children out?" Did it ever occur to you that God is giving you a chance to pile up blessings by helping the poorest children, and that these children are also gaining blessings through their suffering?

Many of us are possibly passing up these opportunities. We all have a ready-made help and that is the Catholic Students' Mission Crusade. If we do not cooperate we are saying, "God, I don't want your grace, I don't want to help."

By prayer, sacrifice, and study we not only benefit the missions but also ourselves, spiritually. Why not put forth a greater effort and actually help out. Let's not be outdone by anyone; let's have the most successful mission unit S.H.S. has ever had. —Ray Brown

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SPARTANSCOPE.

By Ed Dittmer

Although the Sacred Heart Spartans did not succeed in their quest for the sectional state title at Roland, nevertheless they displayed terrific offensive ability even if their defense was a little juggling.

Scorching the nets with 144 points in their two sectional encounters and averaging 72 points a game, the Spartans surpassed their season offensive average of 66 points, the Blue and White saw their defensive average rise from 45 to 47 points a game.

For the first time in three years of basketball, Sacred Heart has gone over 1,000 points as a team. Spartans outgunned opponents 1,035 to 888.

Two years ago, 542 points were registered for Sacred Heart while last year the Spartans drilled home 812 to average 48 points a game compared to the 55 point average rung up by this year's five.

Jerry Cooper, senior center, has scored 240 points this season for an all-time Spartan high in that department. His single game high of 21 also rates top. This six foot stud, a regular for three years, has averaged 37.5 points a game for Sacred Heart this season.

Mike Fitzgerald, senior guard, has punched 182 markers through the webbing for a 9.6 average, which ranks second among Spartan sharpshooters this season.

Ray Brown's 121 points and 8.4 average rates third in both departments; Larry Conway's 120 scores and 6.3 average and Pat Duffy's 103 points and a 5.5 average rank fourth and fifth respectively. Other Spartans and their averages are: Joe Tornabene 28, Jim Matt 23, Mike Lacey 23, Ed Dittmer 20, Gary Mullins 15, Tom Matt 13, and Ron Hopkins 12.

The following clipping appearing in the "BOONE NEWS REPUBLICAN" recently, recalls the day 21 years ago when Sacred Heart won the Sioux City Diocesan crown at Fort Dodge. The clipping states:

Saturday Evening, Feb. 26, 1908
Sacred Heart Wins
Diocesan Title

Boone Sacred Heart basketball team will leave for the state Catholic tournament at Davenport in a week, as a result

Spartans Wind Up With 11-8 Record

In closing the season with a record of eleven wins and eight losses, the Boone Sacred Heart Spartans encountered their toughest opposition in the final stages of the campaign.

Spartans vs. Randall
The Blue and White were ushered to the sidelines of the sectional state tournament at Roland by a scrappy Randall five which scored a thrilling 95-81 victory.

Center Jerry Cooper punched in 19 digits to pace the Spartans but had able assistance from senior team mates Ray Brown and Mike Fitzgerald, who dumped in 17 and 13 points respectively.

Spartans vs. Zearing
Accumulating the highest score ever rung up by a Spartan five, Sacred Heart crushed Zearing, 83-66, in the first round of the sectional tourney at Roland. Up to the Zearing encounter, the offensive high for the Spartans had been 66 points. They had three more than that at the end of the third session. Jerry Cooper punched home 23 counters and Mike Fitzgerald triggered 18 to power Sacred Heart.

Spartans vs. St. Edmunds
Swasting back frantically with a fine all-around team effort after a poor start, the Blue and White were nudged by St. Edmund's of Fort Dodge 50-48 in the final seconds. Leading the Spartan scores again was Jerry Cooper with 21, but Pat Duffy displayed some terrific rebound action under the boards.

Spartans vs. Carroll Kemper
In their most disappointing appearance of the season the Spartans were soundly whipped by the Kuesper Junior Varsity unit from Carroll, 63-30. Although Kuesper had only beaten Sacred Heart by a mere six points previously, nevertheless the Spartans were never in contention in this encounter.

Spartans vs. St. Josephs
Reserves played all but the fourth period as the Blue and White walloped St. Joseph's of Dede in 56-40 fashion to pick up their tenth win of the session. Joe Tornabene pumped in 13 points to take scoring honors for the Spartans.

Spartans vs. Stanhope
Although Sacred Heart led by

Deuces Snap Loss Streak With Well-played Victory

After losing their first three games of the season, the Sacred Heart seventh and eighth grade Deuces came up with a well-played 37-20 conquest of Boone High's seventh graders. Mike Loehrer's 15 points and Mike Culver's 11 paced Sacred Heart.

The losses this season have been to St. Pat's, Perry (28-23), Corpus Christi, Fort Dodge (30-8) and to Mt. Carmel (34-24) in the Diocesan Grade School Tournament at Carroll.

The squad includes: Ronnie Kellet, Tim Mahoney, Mike Loehrer, Mike Culver, Mark Collison, Jude Rolfe, Donnie Jirice, Butch Turner, Jim Donelson, Jim Fugent, Desney Stuckey and John Garvey.

Sacred Heart Finishes 4th in Final Gra-Y Standings

With a record of three wins and three losses, the fifth and sixth graders of Sacred Heart finished in fourth place in the second-half standings of the Gra-Y League.

Sacred Heart's victories include Page (19-15), Trinity Lutheran (14-11), and Lincoln (28-26). The losses have been to Bryant (38-28), Franklin (24-0), and Lowell (30-18).

Squad members are: Mike Duffy, Tim Ferry, Charles Bowman, Dale Donelson, Tom Seiler, Mike Mahoney, Kevin Flanagan, and Paul Douroumia.

The final Gra-Y League standings for the season are as follows:

Team	W	L
Bryant	6	0
Lowell	4	2
Franklin	4	2
Sacred Heart	3	3
Trinity	2	4
Page	1	5
Lincoln	1	5

12 points going into the final chapter, 62-50, nevertheless they were handed a 67-61 defeat at the hands of the Stanhope Vikings. A fourth period surge saw Stanhope outscore Sacred Heart by a 27-9 margin to win. Four Spartans scored in double figures with senior Jerry Cooper leading the way with 17. Ray Brown had 18, Mike Fitzgerald 15, and Larry Conway 10 for the losers.



Front row: Sue Cooper, Sharon Shuster, AJoe Carver, Kay Ellsberry, Mary Sue Rolfe, Marcia Day, Theresa Feller, Sandra Roberts, Rosalind Tornabene; second row: Diana McInnes, Pat Keller, Pat Mlover, Kathy McDonald, Mary K. Keller, Elaine Collins, Pat Brice, Sue Wilson, Jane Burke, Linda Hale, Joan Tornabene; third row: Judy Masterson, Pat Douroumia, Judy Shuster, Janet Barger, Janet Steuerwald, Rosemary Culver, Annette Carroll, Linda Hopkins, Michelle Mlover, Kathy Wilson; back row: Kathy Collison, Susan Kane, Carol Canales, Marcia Duffy and Judy Locher.

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BY THE WAY...

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LO THERE...

Has the coming of spring got you in a dither, or is it leaving you just in a daze? If it is being either way, you come higher and let us brush all your cares away!

SAY, HOW'S THE...

spring fever? It's going around you know, so in order to avoid catching it, stay away from anyone who has a hazy, far off, summer vacation look in his eyes.

NO ONE SEEMS TO...

have a clear head at this time of year and as a result many bones are pulled. Did you hear about the little boy who was told by Stevie to put a hanger in his coat to straighten the ever present "coat-on-the-floor" locker problems. It seems he raised quite a fuss at home when his mother wouldn't let him sew a real honest-to-goodness coat hanger in his coat.

THE STRAINS OF...

the "Peace Domes" heard at devotions each Wednesday, Friday, and Sunday evenings being such reminders of past lonely seasons and also help to remind us of the true spirit of this time of preparation for the events of Holy Week.

IF YOU ARE...

looking for excitement the seniors have just the thing for you. Each has a dozen or more action filled, drama packed, little reminders looking for excitement, the seniors have just the thing for you. Each and everyone of you.

WHEREVER YOU TURN...

these days you can find someone with his nose behind a book entitled, "You Can Win a Scholarship." The juniors have never been so studious; they are not only counting on the truth in the title of the books but also depending on the phrase, "As you sow, so shall you reap." Many hours of study are going into the preparation for the scholarship test in April.

AT LEAST WE'RE SURE...

that one of the fourth graders knows his definitions. He was asked to use the word "tallow" in a sentence, and he wrote, "Give me a tallow to dry my face."

BROTHERHOOD...

Isn't something to be made fun of that, brother, some of the hoods you'll see around Easter time are really something to be carried about.

SENIORS ARE...

floating on cloud seven as they anticipate the junior-senior banquet and prom, class day, and all the other events associated with receiving diplomas.

OUR HIGH SCHOOL...

is now amply equipped with a staff of well-informed news and sports reporters, editorial writers, photographers, and design artists due to the recent attendance of Mary Kay Keller, Marcia Day, Karen Fitzgerald, Janet Barger, Mary Sue Rolles, Linda Hale, Pat Doucrouin, and Ed Dittmer at the Publications Workshop at Clarke College.

SPEAKING OF THE...

Prize the juniors tell us it's May 5, but they won't say any more. So I guess any questions you may have will have to wait to be answered until Wednesday, May 6.

WELL...

We have to scurry, have to run but just want to say, it has been fun.

TALKS BY PROS —

(Continued from page one)

Doctor T. E. Kane will discuss with the students the possibility, qualifications and advantages of becoming a doctor. One of Boone's prominent lawyers, Mr. Robert Mahoney, will speak on his profession. The life of the nurse will be related by Miss Norma Petrovic. Receiving special emphasis will be the need for nurses and the rewards of this profession. Also Miss O'Donnell, a Boone teacher of many experiences will tell the students about the vocation of teacher and the grave need for good teachers.

CHOIR PREPARES MASSES FOR EASTER, HOLY WEEK

The School Choir is practicing diligently for the Masses on Holy Thursday, Good Friday, Holy Saturday, and for hymns at Easter Masses. Those who sing the proper are also practicing diligently. They are Marcia Day, Kathy McDonald, Sue Wilson, Linda Hale, Janet Stueserwald, Mary Sue Rolles, Karen Fitzgerald, Rosemary Culver, Janet Barger, Alice Carver, Sue Kane, Mary Kay Keller, Kay Elsberry, Judy Masterson, Linda Hopkins, Pat Keller, Rosalind Turabane. The organists who will accompany the choir during Holy Week are Alice Carver, Sue Kane, and Rosemary Culver. Kathy Havens and Kathy Wheeler made their debuts at the organ during the weeks of February 9-11 and March 27. Kitty Spies will make hers soon.

Attendance Increases For Daily Lenten Requiems

Since Lent began there has been very good choir attendance for the daily Requiem Masses. Saturday Masses are the least attended. Late devotions are also being taken care of by the choir.

Glee to Sing "O Vreneli", Pianists in May Recital

The Glee Club has begun to practice a new chorus, "O Vreneli," a Swiss folk song, and "Whistle a Happy Tune." The music recital in May and Spring choral activities are now in preparation stages.

Mechanical Drawing Class Captures Student Interest

The senior math class has taken up mechanical drawing for the second semester. So far, they have studied sketching, lettering, and use of equipment. New books were purchased for the course, and the seniors seem to be making the most of them, using a large part of the available time for drawing. Drafting, or technical drawing, is a most worthwhile course because of its tremendous importance in industry.

SOPHOMORES, FRESHMEN PRESENT 'SPREADING THE NEWS' AT IRISH FAIR

To preserve in literary form the nature of the Irish peasantry was Lady Gregory's purpose in writing, "Spreading the News," one of her best short plays. A county fair or market place makes the scene of the incident, which records the origin and spread of typical neighborhood gossip. With quaint humor, the play aptly portrays the superstitions and customs of the Irish peasant class.

Characters of "Spreading the News"

Hartley Fallon	Steve Chance
Mrs. Fallon	Kathy Collins
Jack Smith	Tom Carvey
Shaw Early	Don Carvey
Tim Casey	Dave Lorington
James Ryan	Billy Ryan
Mrs. Terry	Linda Hopkins
Mrs. Tully	Kay Elsherry
A Posterman	Kirby Phelanoff
A Resonable Magistrate	Mike Postonoff

The Dancing School:

Susan Kane, Ho Carol Torrance, Pat Keller, Alice Carver, Marcia Duffy, Jo Ann Tynanhouse, Sue Cooper, Sharon Stauber, Terry Keller, Sandra Roberts, Diane McKeon, Creel Canales

"You're Irish and You're Beautiful":

The Freshman Class:

Macnamara's Band: Mike Lacey, Norman Schmidt, Gerald Swan, Philip Giblin, Steve Duffy, Tom Hasty, John Judge

FOURTH, FIFTH GRADERS GIVE PLAYLET "WILL YOU BE MY VALENTINE?"

What would Valentine's Day be without a chance to express to others a desire that they would be our valentines or better yet to ask them directly that age-old question: "Will you be my valentine?" The fourth and fifth graders were especially grateful that on this February 14th they could go one step further and dramatize their feelings in a simple playlet entitled: "Will You Be My Valentine."

In the first scene, which took place in a typical (supposedly) Boone home, a group of children were gathered in a living room to make their own valentine decorations to give to the children at the orphanage and to our Blessed Mother. Kathleen Gibbs opened the program with a musical selection "Ave Maria." Kathleen, Whenlock then played a more playful tune, "Valentine Fun" while Lynette Sieler, Joellen Doucrouin, Susan Garland, Jenn Cook, Ruth Ryan, Connie Murphy, Linda Ward, and Donna Jacobson danced in gals fashion. "This added to the fun of decorating," remarked Mary Margaret Mahoney, Jonell Fitzgerald and Elaine Stanishev soon joined this gay group. The children, seeming to be so industrious were questioned by Jonell who wanted to know if they knew anything about St. Valentine. Various replies came forth from Peter Wirth, Leo Tisman, Susan McCoy, Phillip Brown, Melody Chance, Jimmy Cotton, Denny Flannery, Pat Szeley, Josef Glockl, Ricky Mullis, and Jerry Rusnak assuring Jonelle that they were well aware of St. Valentine's virtues and developed nicely the Christian meaning of Valentine's Day. Digressing from the serious to the jovial, Susan Garland suggested that they sing a valentine song just to liven things up a bit more. The poemman, played by Ronald Caddy, took the singers quite by surprise and delivered to each a valentine. At this point Cupid, who was Tommy Strain, also entered and shot his customary darts of love. The first scene then ended and the children were now preparing to gather at Mary's feet which would open the second scene as announced by Ricky Klute.

As the curtain opened Cathy Tillman, Hanny Aspengren, Terri Rolles, John Hare, Paul Baldus, and Pat McDermott each read their original valentine verse to our Lady. Finally, Linda Ward recited Joyce Kilmer's "A Blue Valentine" while Kathy Gibbs accompanied with soft music as a background. Bringing to an end an afternoon of fun and prayer, each child turned to Mary, "Our Lovely Lady Dressed in Blue" and sang that familiar hymn asking Mary to teach them how to pray. Surely Our Lady must have been happy to say "yes" to their question, "Will You Be My Valentine?"

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