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# SCOTISTICS



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## BISHOP MILONE MAKES PILGRIMAGE TO SCOTUS CENTRAL CATHOLIC

By Mark Brezinski

If you ever happen to be in Omaha and see an man driving a 1978 Oldsmobile, you will definitely know that that is Bishop Milone.

Bishop Milone, our Auxiliary Bishop under Archbishop Sheehan was here for a two-day visit to get to know us better and so we could get to know him better. He was visiting 9 Catholic schools throughout the Omaha Archdiocese.

As a youngster, Milone grew up in the east part of Omaha. He went to elementary school at Lincoln School from kindergarten through 8th grade. He attended Omaha Creighton Prep High School from 9-12 grade.

He first decided that he was going to become a priest as a senior at Prep while he was on retreat. He had previously wanted to be a lawyer.

After he graduated from Prep he attended a seminary in Conception, Missouri. After four years there, Archbishop Bergan suggested he go to Rome for four years to continue and finish his studying. Eight years is the normal amount of time spent studying to become a priest. Finally, in December, 1957, Anthony Milone was ordained a priest in Rome, which is where his first mass was said.

A few days later he came back to the United States and his first formal mass was held at Saint Francis Cabrney in Omaha.

According to Bishop Milone there is no specific requirements of becoming a bishop, except maybe an age limit. A poll of priests was taken and three names were submitted to the pope who chose to ordain Bishop Milone.

When he was informed of his appointment he was given overnight to think about it. He was allowed to speak to only one person; he talked to a spiritual director. The decision was very hard to make.

He said, "Yes," because he felt God was calling him to do it. He said that if he felt God was calling him to do anything he would not hesitate to do it.

Bishop Milone said he was very shocked and it took him about four days to get over the shock.

He wasn't able to tell his own family (3 older brothers and 3 older sisters) until late the Monday night before the press release.

As a bishop his goals are to bring healing and unity into the Church. He wants, also, a better understanding between theologians and pastors. He said, "I want to just bridge some of the gaps."

In the little spare time he has, he enjoys golf, classical, jazz, and swing music, and reading up on the current events, world events, and national news. He is very active in the Right To Life program. He likes baseball and his favorite team is the New York Yankees.

The Auxiliary Bishop duties are pastoral. Bishop Malone must make a pastoral presence and he stresses sacramental life in the church.

Asked what he thought about the economy affecting the attendance in Catholic schools, he stated, "There is a slight effect, most schools are struggling to stay at the same enrollment. I think it's great that Scotus is growing as a whole."

The Auxiliary Bishop also has a cousin that is a pastor in his own parish in St. James and another cousin that is in the seminary.

While in Rome, he talked to the Pope personally. He thought the Pope was a great man who is very sensitive, gentle, energetic, and he has a genuine concern for people. It sounds like I just described Bishop Milone.



Bishop Milone celebrates Mass

Photography By Doug Bush

## MASS CELEBRATIONS START YEAR

By Patty Wernhoff

The 1982-83 school year started off on a good note by having an All-School Mass September 2nd in the courtyard. Students from all grades participated in the readings and offertory procession.

Bishop Milone was the celebrant of

our second All-School Mass September 15th in the activity center along with priests from Saint Bon's, Saint Isidore's, and Saint Anthony's.

Students provided the music. Mrs. Maria Spenner sang the Ave Maria in Italian.

The next All-School Mass is scheduled for October 4th.

## SEVEN ADDITIONS TO SCOTUS FACULTY

By Genene Wieser

We have a variety of new faculty members joining Scotus this year. These additions are: Mr. Hixon, English and religion; Mrs. Wrage, art instructor; Mr. Utecht, chemistry and physics; Miss Schutte and Mrs. Klug, business; Mrs. Elliott, science; and Miss Sperline, German instructor.

Originally from Kansas City, Missouri, Mr. Hixon received his Bachelor of Arts Degree from St. Mary's College, Winona, Minnesota in December 1981. In addition to teaching English and religion, Mr. Hixon is the Junior High basketball coach and assistant Junior Class sponsor. Mr. Hixon has a variety of hobbies which include art, tennis, sailing, reading, and movies.

Mrs. Wrage filled in as art instructor and assistant pep club sponsor. She is a native of O'Neill, Nebraska and graduated from Kearney State College with a Bachelor of Science Degree in art. She is involved in the Platte Valley Play House and enjoys reading and family activities.

A native of Bloomfield, Nebraska, Mr. Utecht received his teaching degree at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln. He is also a graduate of the University of Nebraska Medical Center with a Bachelor of Sciences Degree in pharmacy. Some of Mr. Utecht's hobbies include genealogy, photography, and classical music.

Miss Schutte teaches business classes, is the assistant girls basketball coach, and the freshman girls basketball coach. She is originally from Kearney, Nebraska, and graduated from Kearney State College with a Bachelor of Science

Degree in business education this year. Miss Schutte has many hobbies including scuba diving, sewing, sports, and bike riding.

Another new business teacher is Mrs. Klug. In addition to teaching business classes, she is the assistant volleyball coach and assistant senior class sponsor. She was born in Columbus and graduated from Lakeview High School. She received her Bachelor of Arts degree from Kearney State College in December 1981, with endorsements in mathematics and general business. Sports is one of Mrs. Klug's leading hobbies.

Teaching German classes this year is Miss Sperline. She is a native of Fort Collins, Colorado, and received her Bachelor of Arts Degree from the University of Colorado at Boulder. Miss Sperline's hobbies include skiing, hiking, and sewing.

Mrs. Elliott will be teaching junior high life and physical science. Originally from Columbus, Nebraska, she is a graduate of Columbus Senior High School. She attended Platte College for two years, and received her A.S. Degree in 1974. She also attended Kearney State College and received her Bachelor of Science Degree in 1976. Mrs. Elliott's hobbies include reading, swimming, volleyball, and crafts.

Sister Frances is not new to Scotus, but this year she assumes the duties as guidance counselor. She received her Master of Science degree in counseling and guidance from Creighton University this year. In previous years at Scotus, Sister Frances has taught math, religion, American History, geography, and served as pep club sponsor.

## OCT. 29-30 FALL MUSICAL "ROCKS AROUND THE CLOCK"

By Brian Evans

The Scotus Drama and Music departments have chosen Ducktails and Bobbysox to be this years fall musical. The play centers around a fifties-type rival between the good guys (the Bobbysox) and the bad guys (the Yellowjackets).

Try-outs for the musical were held on Tuesday, September 14, in the music room. Students from grades 9-12 were invited to try out. They had to read a cutting form the play and sing "Rock Around the Clock" in from of Mrs. Bernt and Mrs. Schnabel. After careful study, the cast was selected. They are: Alex Fenton, Roger Konwinski; Felix, Todd Kudron; Vickie, Cindy Peterson; Wilbur, Paul Prosocki;

Bertha, Michelle Korger; Laura Carter, Lisa Hengglar; Debra, Patty Wernhoff; Susan, Cindy Krause; Connie, Jodi Cutsor; Curtis Jackson, Brian Evans; Sandra Harper, Therese Baz; "Wheels", Bill Drozd; Alice, Terri Jackson; Tony, Duane Czapl; Babs, Tammy Stepanek; Plotsky, Pat Krzycki; Martha, Martha Oncken; Tillie, Ginger Bottger; radio announcer, Paul Braun; Mr. Grimes, Mr. Rokusek; Mrs. Grimes, Mrs. Rokusek; Mr. Hawkins, Mr. Hixon; Mrs. Hawkins, Miss Webb.

Mrs. Bernt and Mrs. Schnabel will direct the play; assistant directors will be Kim Neater and Bridget Chohon.

The musical will be performed on Friday and Saturday, October 29 and 30.



## EDITORIALLY SPEAKING: SPIRIT REIGNS AT SCOTUS

Lance Zach

Spirit is at a all time high here at Scotus. The spirit started of to a good start at a pep rally held in the Court Yard on the 1st of September. The coaches went over each teams' goals and they, all expressed we should use the word "we" instead of saying "they will beat us." We now say "We will win."

Almost every one who has gone to any games this year will have discovered a new song being sung by the pep club and by the fans in the stands. That song is the Scotus fight song. If you don't know it I suggest you learn it before the next game.

Spirit shows up in the sports. It is especially strong on the playing field. But were does it get it's start. It starts in practice by the seniors encouraging the underclassmen to do their best in practice and on the

playing field.

Some people ask what is Spirit? Spirit is standing in a downpour of rain and cheering your team on when most of the fans run for cover under the stands.

Spirit is what keeps a school alive. It what makes a difference from a good year and a bad year.

In the past the seniors usually determined how much spirit a school year would have. This years seniors are off to a good start.

Spirit just doesn't apply to the sports it is visible everywhere in our school. By the loce decorations, by the way the kids act. And by the practicipation in clubs and other extra-curricular activities.

So as we go through the rest of this school year this thing called spirit will continue to grow on the enthusiasm of the students. For the seniors this will be the best year yet.

## SENIORS: WE'VE GOT WHAT IT TAKES

By Genevieve Wieser

How can one describe, in a single word, the senior class? You can't! Our class has accepted the challenge to make this year great, and we have the unity and the pride to do it.

The administration has challenged the seniors to use their minds. They feel we have the potential to do great things academically, so here's our chance to prove it to them and to ourselves. Now, we all know the idea of taking tests is not very thrilling, but in the end it can be very rewarding.

We, as seniors, are also challenged to strive for unity. Not only in our class, but in the whole school. We are

presently showing tremendous unity in our football and volleyball teams. With teams like that how can we go wrong? Our boys are doing a super job cheering the girls on at volleyball games. The pep club is doing a great job at football games too, keep it up girls.

One other thing the seniors have is pride. Pride in their school and themselves. Scotus is something to be proud of; and the students are one of the reasons why. The students make Scotus, and all the activities that come with it, what a school should be! And right now our school is great!

So keep it up seniors. We're doing all right because, "We've got what it takes!"

## SUPPORT THE SCOTUS CROSS COUNTRY

By Kim Neater

With an abundance of determination, the Scotus Cross Country team strives for perfection day in and day out. But where does this determination come from when they are so poorly supported? It comes from within.

Every day after school the group assembles for what could be the most challenging run of his life. Daily the Cross Country runner strives to better himself straining to reach his plateau of perfection. The runner is his own coach. He sets his own goals and is himself his greatest competitor.

Scotus is very supportive of all its athletic teams, but the Cross Country team members always seem to be left out. Everyone knows how good it feels to be backed by fellow students, so why can't we students start backing our Cross Country team? If we could interest more people in running, we could build a dynasty, like the other teams have done here at Scotus.

So why don't we try now and in the future years to build a running program that will endure for many years.

Go Harriers!! Keep up the good work.

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## THESPIANS GO FULL-SWING

By Brian Evans

The 1982-83 International Thespian Society Troupe 1909 is in full-swing operation with many plans for the year.

The troupe has 17 members this year. The 4 returning members are also officers. They are: President, Brian Evans; Vice-President, Karen Pokorny; Secretary/Treasurer, Anne Sojka; and Historian/News Reporter, Sherri Zywiec.

Initiation for the 13 new members will be held during the last week of



November.

Mrs. Sandie Bernt, Sponsor for the troupe, has a lot of plans for this years Thespians. Some of them include: A field-trip to Lincoln to see the Guthrie Theatre Performance; going to the state convention on February 4th and 5th; and, possibly organizing a group to go to the Thespian Festival in Muncie, Indiana. According to Mrs. Bernt, this is "really something!" All-in-all, it sounds like the Thespians have a good year planned.

## PEP CLUB SHOWS UNITY

By Kim Neater

Any group or organization knows that unity is one of the keys to success. Knowing this, the Scotus Pep Club places unity as a top priority for the 1982-83 school year.

The Pep Club Sponsor, Sr. Francis, felt over all a better sense of spirit this year. She owes this to the exuberance of the ne freshman, the continued support and participation of the sophomores and juniors, and the leadership of the seniors.

The new assistant Pep Club Sponsor is Mrs. Wrage.

This year Pep Club Officers are; Karen Pokorny, President; Sherri Zywiec, Vice-President; Karen Soulliere, Secretary; and Coleen Witt, Treasurer.

Sr. Francis said, "I have a super set of offi cers. They are responsible, get jobs done and keep me organized as well."

It sounds all and all that the Pep Club has a great year ahead!!!

## SPEECH TEAM: DOING ANYTHING AND EVERYTHING

By Brian Evans

"We can do anything we want, if we stick to it long enough." Is the motto of the 1982-83 Scotus Speech Team, and it's a motto Head Coach Sandie Bernt plans to live up to.

After the organizational meeting on Tuesday, September 14, Mrs. Bernt is really excited about the new season. There was a lot of school interest, especially from the freshman and sophomore classes.

There is a group of participants that will also be "group leaders" this year. They are busy planning workshops which will be held from September 20 to September 29. They

will be showing new recruits and students that are new to the areas just what will be expected from them when they go into competition. Mrs. Bernt said, "by September 30 we will know who will be competing at Platte on November 13."

Miss Webb will be helping Mrs. Bernt with the preparations for the contests again this year. Both are busy planning schedules and critique sheets.

The Speech Team will be competing at the same 5 meets that it went ot last year if all goes as plans.

Best of luck to them all!

## STUDENT COUNCIL SETTING GOALS

By Patty Wenhoff

Student Council is off to a great start! The Council met September 7 and talked with Mr. Gross about setting goals for the 1982-83 school year.

President Bob Roy mentioned that this will be a busy year for all council members because they will be

meeting at least three times a month.

The group enjoyed Sunday, September 26 when they attended an in-school workshop with people speaking on new ideas for our Student Council.

The council is open to new ideas from the student body so speak out!

## ... AND THE BAND PLAYS ON

By Genevieve Wieser

You can expect to see a lot of the band this year as Mr. Hopp hopes to improve the quality of the band by increasing the level of performance. The band will start playing for football games and volleyball games in

October, and basketball games in December.

Mr. Hopp is also in the process of getting sweaters for the band members. The sweaters will have insignias on them.

## FROSH ARE WELCOMED

By Lance Zach

Greetings to the class of 86. Now that you are a part of the high school we would like to welcome you.

In junior high you were the king of the mountain. But, now you are on the first floor, and you have to start all over and climb that ladder to the top again. You can now join clubs and compete in sports with the hope of getting a letter.

These next four years are going to

be difficult, but they will also be fun and always worth remembering. These four years go by so fast that before you know it, one of you will be writing this article some day.

So, on behalf of the senior high, I would like to welcome you to our little community here at Scotus.

Remember your high school years because they are the best years of your life.



# HISTORY CLASSES MAKE HISTORY

By Brian Evans

Mr. Zowada is excited for the new school year. And with so many new things happening in history it's no wonder why!

"Sociology and Current Events" is a new class this year, being offered only to the freshman. In this class, they study controversial issues of our times. There are 15 students in the class.

In American Government, the students will learn to build respect for their political leaders. They will also study government structure and will place emphasis on court procedures. After studying this, they will then

prepare for the mock-trial. Mr. Zowada said that last years seniors loved it.

Mr. Zowada said that this class could almost be called "Social Studies and Current Events" because the students will be looking so much at what is going on in the world around them.

And now an encouraging word for the Seniors: Mr. Zowada said that this year he has a "good group of Seniors. They seem to have a good attitude, good awareness, and ability to absorb." Let's not let him down, OK guys?

# THERESE: AT HOME AWAY FROM HOME

By Brian Evans

Do you know who one of the newest students to Scotus is this year? If you don't, here are a few clues: she traveled all the way from Canberra, Australia to get here; she is a member of the Senior class; and she has an Australian accent. Know who she is now? That's right--she's Therese Baz, Scotus' AFS student for the 1982-83 school year.

Therese comes to us from Canberra, the capital city of 250,000 people in Australia. She and her 3 brothers and 4 sisters live with their parents in a two story, six bedroom, brick house. Therese is the fourth child.

Therese's father is a pharmacist and owns his own drugstore and her mother works there with him. Although Therese does not have a job herself, she did have some interesting news about money-making in Australia. The minimum wage is \$5.60, but the cost of living is also a lot higher. For example, a blouse that would cost \$20 here costs \$50 in Australia.

One thing that seems to be in about the same price range is the admission price to a movie. The regular charge is \$5.00, but if you have a student ID, you only have to pay \$2.50. Therese said that there are a few Australian movies that have done quite well, and there are some current American movies playing there. Shows like The Cannonball Run, On Golden Pond, and Stripes were playing before Therese left for the United States.

The food in Australia is similar to the food in America. However, whereas cities like Omaha have up to three or four McDonald's or Pizza Huts, Canberra, with 250,000 people, has only one. Chinese food and pizza are among the more popular foods in Australia, but Mexican food is hardly ever seen. Another difference between our two countries is the fact that there are no drive-thru's - all their restaurants are walk-in's. This is a difference from our fast-food services.

Pork is not eaten as much in Australia as it is here. With an estimated 15 million people, Therese said, "There are more sheep in Australia than people." So lamb consists of a majority of the food eaten.

Therese likes classical, opera, rock, and almost any other type of music, except "heavy metal" music. The popular group is Men At Work. And although Rick Springfield comes from Australia, he is not at all popular. He has been disowned, in a sense, at

least by Therese. When asked why, she said that she just didn't want any part of him.

Therese's school day here is different from Australia. In Australia she rides a bus to school and gets there around 8:30. She joins her friends in the courtyard, where they talk and relax before school starts. At 8:50 they assemble in alphabetical order for roll-call. The first classes start at 9:10, lasting 45 minutes each. At 11:15 there is a 15 minute recess break, where the students eat, talk, and relax. At 11:30 there are two more classes. Lunch starts at 1:00 and the students get an hour to leave the school and do as they please. They assemble at 2:00 for two more classes; school is then dismissed at 3:30.

Therese goes to a Catholic school in Canberra, one of the many there. There she takes some classes that are similar to the ones she is taking here. They include: math, biology, art, legal studies, English, and religion.

Therese was going to participate in the play at her school, but it was going to be held a few weeks after she left for Columbus. However, she did get a major role in the fall musical here at Scotus, and she "just can't wait" for things to get underway. Some of Therese's hobbies include drawing, painting, and singing. She used to sing at the Masses that were held at her school.

The grade classification is set up differently in Australia than it is here. From kindergarten to sixth grade is called primary school; seventh to tenth grade is called high school; and eleventh to twelfth grade is called college. Then they go on to universities.

The fashion in Columbus is also noticeably different from that of Canberra. Columbus is behind Canberra in fashion, but Canberra is behind Sydney and Melbourne, which are both behind Los Angeles. The girls in Australia dress differently in their leisure time, too. It is not uncommon for a girl to be wearing dresses or skirts in her leisure, as opposed to jeans in America.

Cars are another difference that Therese noticed immediately. In Australia, the people drive smaller, more economical cars, versus the "Yank Tanks," as they are called, that we drive in America. When asked what kind of car she would like to have, Therese said she wanted a Porsche. Good luck, Therese. And remember me when you get it.....



Swing Choir performs at first Mass.

Photography by Brian Evans

## MUSIC : ADDITIONS BRING IMPROVEMENTS

By Genevieve Wieser

Several new additions to the music department will be enjoyed by all music classes this year. Everyone will be able to stay in tune thanks to the new piano, and keep their music in order, courtesy of the music cabinets. Mrs. Schnabel also added that, "The number of students involved in vocal

music has increased significantly."

All these students will be practicing for the fall concert which will be held on Sunday evening, October 17th in the Scotus Memorial Hall. Performing will be the mixed chorus, girls glee, swing choir, freshman chorus, and several soloists.



Lori Soulliere distributes the hosts at Mass

Photography by Brian Evans

## CAMPUS MINISTRY: A WORKING CREW

By Patty Wernhoff

When most of us were swimming, water skiing or on family vacations this summer, the Campus Ministry team was busy planting a vegetable garden to feed the needy in our area.

This hard-working team, under the direction of Father Wayne, is made up of 31 students along with Miss. Webb and Father Kramerper.

The extra money from the vegetable garden will be used to sponsor a Thanksgiving dinner for the poor.

Money made from selling concessions at the girls volleyball and basketball games will also be given to the poor.

An important part of Campus Ministry is the Extra-Ordinary Ministers of the Eucharist. After a trip to Norfolk to be blessed by Archbishop Sheehan, seven seniors are now able to distribute the Eucharist at All-School Masses and at week day masses. These seniors are: Jack Cheloha, Kelly Maquire, Bob Roy, Bob Schumacher, Anne Sojka, Lori Soulliere and J.P. Styska.

## NEW DIMENSIONS IN ART DEPT

By Genevieve Wieser

A new dimension will be brought into the art classroom this year when students begin to work with pottery. A kiln, which is a new addition to the department, will aid the students in their projects dealing with pottery. Other projects new to the class are wood relief sculptures which will be done by the independent artists, and

handmade paper produced by the advanced students.

Also new to the department this year will be the Art Club. Mrs. Wraga's plans are to hold a meeting once a month in school, and meet twice a month on the weekend so the students can sketch.

Mrs. Wraga would also like to put on a student art show either in school or downtown.

## SPIRIT RAISED BY GATHERING

By Kriss Kaminski

A spiritual gathering was held in the courtyard, to help raise spirit for the up coming school year.

The crowd that attended was full of spirit, and all fired up! Coach Puetz

gave a few words on the season. But, in general, Coach Puetz talked about spirit and unity throughout the school year in everything we do, which also includes everybody as a whole. The spirit rally was a great success!



# SHAMROCKS ARE ON THE MOVE!

## GIRLS HAVE "NO LIMITS"

By Kriss Kaminski

Working and sweating through the heat of August and September pays off for the volleyball team.

Their first game was played at home against Albion, which started them off on the right foot. The team was psyched and so was the crowd. The first game score was 15-7. The second game was 15-7. This led them to their first victory. Coach Peterson felt the teams played well. JV and Freshman also won.

The second game of the season was also played at home against Central City. The girls were ready and so were their supporters. The first game score was 15-3 which was a slight whip! The second game was 15-5. Our girls had their second victory with many more to come.

By now everyone can see that the team has a uniqueness, which is a closeness, or maybe it can be called unity. Coach Peterson feels that this is a definite factor. "There is unity all through the teams," he said.

The first away game against North Bend was the closest of the three, but the team came away with another

victory, 15-7, 15-11. After the North Bend game the team traveled to the North Bend Tournament. This was an exciting tournament for the team. It was the first tournament win in five years. "Hopefully there will be many more tournaments of victory for our team," said Coach Peterson.

And last but not least, there was the game against Columbus. The team really showed Columbus, and their supporters how they can play. The first game our girls really sank Columbus 15-6. The second game was another story though. The team really kept the crowd on their feet, but Scotus pulled away with our fifth straight victory, 15-10. The JV also won.

The Freshman, Junior Varsity, and Varsity teams have potential this year. The Varsity has a lot of returning experienced and all around good athletes. But most important is that our Seniors have faith in each other and what it takes to win - unity within the team. The Senior girls believe they have "no limits" to what they can do!

## BOYS' C.C. OFF AND RUNNING

By Lance Zach

The boys started off their season on Friday, September 3 at the Albion Invite. This was the first time out for the young squad. They ranked 5th place out of a field of 12 schools.

The green machine showed some improvement at the Aurora Invite by placing 3rd at the meet. John Riley led the Shamrock runners by placing 10th. He was closely followed by Lance Zach who received 12th place. Mike Quattrocchi was the last runner to get a medal with 14th place. Riley also received the Outstanding Freshman medal.

The Scotus runners really started to improve at the Scotus Triangular with Lakeview and Aquinas. The team received the top position over the other schools. This meet was a preview to the 1st annual Scotus Invite.

One record fell at the Scotus Invite, that record was the attendance record. The record stood at 10 fans, but was shattered when 30 people showed up to watch the Harriers take first place again.

## LADY HARRIERS ARE MOVIN' ON

By Lance Zach

The Girl's Cross Country team started out the season at the Aurora Invite. The young team with little experience placed 2nd. Paula Stopak led the lady Harriers by placing 2nd. Tami Zurjain received 9th place and Patty Wemhoff took 15th place with a sprint at the finish line. Rounding out the Shamrocks was Kelly Votava who came in 17th place out of a field of 30 runners.

Only two teams showed up for the first annual Scotus Invite. Scotus took second place while Aquinas won the meet.

The Lady Shamrocks are very young with only one senior on the team; Patty Wemhoff feels that the young inexperienced team needs a little improvement and experience yet. The only junior on the team is Paula Stopak, followed by sophomore, Tami Zurelein, and Kelly Votava.

## SHAMROCKS SHUTOUT WARRIORS

By Scott Spencer

The Shamrocks, after a 28-0 win over Schuyler, come within 6 games of their 8-1 season.

With a respectable win over Schuyler, Scotus ups their record to 2-1. With this win over Schuyler, Scotus might get a vote or two for a rating.

The game started out slow with no one scoring in the first quarter. At the start of the second quarter the Shamrocks came out wasting no time. Scotus, after Brezinski threw some passes, was now on the five yard line and just five yards away from the first touchdown. Dave Love was found open in the end zone and Brezinski completed the pass. At the end of the half the score was 7-0 in favor of

Scotus. Scotus did all their scoring in the second half with a 3 yard run by Greg Van Dyke in the third quarter and in the fourth quarter Todd Kudron had a 40 yard run and Jeff Podraza had a 24 yard interception to end the scoring.

John Swierczek and Jack Cheloha showed much enthusiasm with their fine defensive performance. The Scotus line did their job as always. Offensively, Chris Pokorny rushed for 24 yards on 9 carries and Greg Van Dyke rushed for 28 yards on 10 carries. The Scotus leading rusher, Todd Kudron, rushed for 86 yards on 10 carries. Mark Brezinski was 5-13 in his passing attack.

Scotus will meet Crete at Crete on Friday and hope to raise their record to 3-1.

## VIKINGS SINK IN DOWNPOUR

By John Swierczek

On September 10 the Lakeview Vikings and Mother Nature invaded Memorial Stadium, both trying to put the Shamrocks on the short end of the annual battle of the city's Class B football teams. But neither one could do it, as Scotus came out on top of a wet and slippery decision by a final score of 13-8. With that win it evens up their record at 1-1, after losing their first game to Lincoln Pius 28-7.

The weather played an important role, as it caused both teams to combine for a total of 13 fumbles. But

it was Lakeview's last fumble that proved to be the most costly. Dave Love fell on the loose ball with 19 seconds remaining in the game, deep in Shamrock territory.

Greg Van Dyke led all ball carriers with 84 yards in 23 carries, including a 28 yard touchdown scamper. Chris pokorny added 71 yards in 15 carries with a 23 yard touchdown jaunt.

The Shamrocks travel to Schuyler next week to try and knock the Warriors from the unbeaten ranks, while also trying to raise their own record to 2-1.

## SENIORS SPOTLIGHT FOOTBALL

By John Swierczek & Scott Spencer

The 1982-83 Scotus Football team is really starting to come around. Here are some thoughts given by the senior football players on five questions that they were asked.

**Wayne Borer;** Wayne wants to have the best season ever and the most fun possible in a season. Wayne thinks that Scotus has a good chance to go to state because of the good senior leaders and the fact the team is really united.

**Mark Brezinski;** As quarterback, Mark would like to be the best leader that he can. He thinks that the team can be very promising if everything goes well and we stay injury free. The team is a lot closer than last year.

**Jack Cheloha;** Jack wants to play to the best of his ability, have fun, and avoid any further injury to his knee. He wants to win our division, and go as far as we can in the state playoffs. "We are not a bunch of sophomores, juniors, and seniors, we are a team," Jack said.

**Jay Cutsor;** Jay wants to be 8-1 and go to the playoffs. He thinks that we work very well as a team.

**Tim Gray;** Tim wants to start every game and play to the best of his ability. He thinks that we are very unified and have a chance to go to the playoffs and take state.

**Jim Heimann;** Jim wants to receive honorable mention in at least something. Jim wants to be 8-1 and make the state playoffs. He thinks the team unity is good.

**Dave Koziol;** Dave wants to help the team be the best it can be. He wants to win conference and make it to state. He also thinks team unity is very good this year.

**Bernie Kwapnoski;** Bern wants to do his best and help the team win state. He thinks that the team unity is very good.


**Dave Love;** Dave wants to make all-conference and hopefully catch at least one pass before the end of the year. He wants to be 8-1 and make the state playoffs. Dave feels that team unity is much stronger than last year.

**Kevin Molczyk;** Kevin's goal for this year is to make the all-state football team. He feels that we can win state because the team unity is very good. **Chris Pokorny;** Chris's goal for the year is to improve the best of his abilities and to "pop the pin." He thinks that we can have a successful season because everyone is very close and helps each other out.

**Bob Schumacher;** Bob's goal is to have his shoulder healed up in time to play in at least one game this year. Bob thinks we can make it to the state playoffs because we have an experienced team that is used to playing with each other.

**Greg Van Dyke;** Greg wants to do good and win lots of games this year. It looks like the Scotus football team will have a successful season.

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## Homecoming 1982



1982 Homecoming candidates

by Kim Neater

The 1982 Homecoming was held in the Scotus Cafeteria. The group Wrecking Company played to the theme of "Sharing the Night Together." The king and queen were crowned during the halftime of the Homecoming game. The Homecoming candidates are . . . .

Colleen McLaughlin is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Warren B. McLaughlin. She participated in volleyball for two years and also has been a basketball manager for two years. Colleen was secretary of her freshman, junior, and senior class. She served as a J-V and Varsity cheerleader. She is currently head cheerleader. Colleen was involved in German club for two years. She lettered in music her junior year. She has been a member of F.B.L.A. for two years and is treasurer of National Honor Society which she has participated in for three years with a grade point average of 4.0.

Karen Pokorny is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bert Pokorny. She is a 4-year member of Pep Club, serving as vice-president her junior year and is currently president. She is a 4.0 honor roll student and a 3-year member of the National Honor Society. Karen has been a member of Student Council for 3 years, serving as a freshman and junior class representative and is currently the secretary. Karen has been involved with the Speech Team for 3 years and has participated in the 1981 and 1982 Spring Plays. She received the Best Actress Award for the 1982 play. Karen is the vice-president of the International Thesbian Society of which she has been a member for two years. She was the junior class treasurer and participated in volleyball and track as a freshman. Karen was the Elks Teenager of the month for October.

Lisa Henggeler is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Loren Henggeler. Lisa has been a member of Pep Club for four years, serving as a cheerleader her freshman, sophomore, and senior years. She participated in volleyball and track her freshman year. Lisa has been a member of National Honor Society for three years, with a grade point average of 4.0. Lisa was a member of F.B.L.A. her junior and senior years.

Heidi Hoffman is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Don Hoffman. She has been a member of Pep Club for 4 years serving as a varsity cheerleader for 2 and a junior varsity cheerleader her sophomore year. Heidi has been a member of S-Club for 4 years. She lettered in track for 2 years and in basketball she has been a 3-year letter winner. She has been a member of National Honor Society for 3 years. Her junior year she participated in County Government Day and she was class treasurer her freshman year.

Patty Wemhoff is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Wemhoff. Patty is currently the head letter girl in Pep Club. She was a cheerleader her freshman year and head cheerleader her sophomore year. Patty was a squad leader her junior year. She has been a member of Speech team 2 years and is a Thesbian member. She has participated in school plays for three years. Active in music for 4 years, Patty now serves as secretary-treasurer. She was a member of Swing Choir and a class representative in music her junior year. Patty has been a member of F.B.L.A. for 2 years serving as an officer both years. She is on the yearbook staff, Scotistics staff, and a senior class representative in Student Council. Her junior year, Patty was involved in County Government Day. Patty participated in volleyball her freshman year and track her freshman and junior years. She lettered in cross country as a

senior. Patty is also on the Campus Ministry Team and an honor roll student.

Terri Jackson is the daughter of Mrs. Joyce Jackson. She has been a member of Pep Club for four years, serving as a cheerleader all 4 years. She has been actively involved in Drama Club for two years, participating in 2 all school plays. Terri is also an active member of Speech Team. She competed in the State Speech Contest her junior year and is presently a speech team group leader. Terri is also a member of Thespians. Her freshman year she was a class representative in student council, she participated in German Club for 2 years. She was involved in County Government day her junior year and was the president of her junior class. Terri has been a honor roll student for 3 years.

John Swierczek is the son of Mrs. Dorothy Evans. He has been a member of S-Club for 2 years and was 2 year letterman in track and football his junior and senior year. He also participated in the State Track Meet his junior year. John has been an honor roll student for 4 years, a member of German Club for 2 years, and is currently on the Newspaper and yearbook staff.

Scott Spenceri is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Spenceri. He has been involved in football, basketball, and track all 4 years. He was a 2-year letterman in basketball, lettering his sophomore and junior year. Scott attended the state basketball tournament his sophomore and junior year.

He was voted most valuable underclassman his junior year. He was also awarded All-Conference Honorable Mention his junior year. In football Scott was a 3 year letterman. He was a 2 year letter winner in track. Scott is involved in the Columbian Squires and is currently on the yearbook and newspaper staff.

Wayne Borer is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Borer. Going into his Senior year Wayne has earned 2 letters in football and 3 in track. He is presently serving as tri-captain for the football team. Wayne was a member of German Club for 2 years. He is now a member of S-Club and F.B.L.A. Wayne is an honor roll student.

Kevin Molczyk is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Molczyk. He participated in football and track for which he is a three year letterman in each. He was chosen for All-Conference in football at offensive guard and was also chosen lifter of the year at Scotus his sophomore and junior years. Kevin is a 4 year member of S-Club. He is presently a member of F.B.L.A.

Chris Pokorny is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Bert Pokorny. He has been an active member in track and football lettering in each of these. He is currently a member of S-Club. Chris participated in the state track meet last year and was voted most valuable underclassman in track his junior year. In honor society he is a representative with a grade point average of 4.0

Greg VanDyke is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Richard VanDyke. He is one of the tri-captains of the football team and has received 3 letters in this. His junior year he took part in All-Conference and was voted by his team mates most valuable underclassman. In his junior year he lettered in basketball. Greg has lettered 2 years in track. Currently a member of S-Club Greg is also member of the Campus Ministry, and the Columbian Squires. He is a member of student council and honor society with a grade point average of 4.0.

CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL!



Queen Karen Pokorny and King Reg VanDyke



# Seniors: Spirit and Unity

By Lisa Kneifel

Spirit!! That's one thing the seniors definitely have this year. The spirit among the seniors is amazing. If you have gone to any football games or volleyball games this year you are sure to witness this.

The senior girls showed great spirit by putting on a Pep Rally that got the whole school ready for the game. This showed the excitement and enthusiasm we have.

Unity is another asset the seniors this year have. Without unity a group can't successfully get anywhere. We all surely can see that the seniors have come a long way since their freshman years. In this way they show good leadership for the entire school to follow.

With this year's seniors, the school should have a good group to lead for a successful year. We will be able to lead the school and keep everyone's spirits high too.

# Students get a deal!

By Genevieve Wieser

Buy five solids and get three free! This is what students can do this year. There is a variety of subjects to choose from now, and you might wonder if it's good or bad.

The variety of subjects students get this year is excellent. The students get a chance to go into many fields of study. This can prepare them very well for college. It gives them the opportunity to look into different fields that they might not have thought of. Many schools don't have

much of a variety, therefore the students can't possibly be prepared as well for college.

Of course with the good comes a little bit of bad. Since we have such a wide range of subjects, and all the students don't take the same classes, we find that we as seniors have been deprived of our eighth period being a studyhall. Right now we seniors think this is the absolute worst. Maybe in the long run we'll see that it helped us in our college days, and we'll be glad we spent a little more time in school in our high school days.

# Give us a break!

By Brian Evans

Okay, class. There will be a test tomorrow and we'll have a twelve page type-written report on "ants" due the day after.

Sound a little drastic? Granted, it might be. But let's be realistic--how much can the students take?

Sure, many of the students have above-average I.Q.'s and the ability to surpass all obstacles in academic standards; but what about the poor,

groveling slobs who have to work and beg and scream to pass their classes? How can they live a happy life in "homework city"? How can they go on without buckling under the workload that the teachers give out? They can't!

Maybe the teachers should look or listen to their students; maybe then they will understand why students have nervous-breakdowns and the highest suicide rate of all age groups.

Homework! Homework! Give me a break!

# Dedicated students

By Patty Wemhoff

Dedication - it's seen in the athletes, Pep Club, drama and music students, and all of the students at Scouts. Practicing day after day and cheering in the rain are sure signs of a dedicated person.

The hours of practice that students

put into their activity result in the pride that is a big part of our school.

Students are confident that you get as much out of something as you put into it. A winning season is well earned by the endless hours of perfecting your talents.

All of us have certain skills or talents. Trying our best to improve these talents is called dedication.

# The night before All Saints Day

by Patty Wemhoff

What do visiting graveyards, trick-or-treating and carving jack-o-lanterns have in common? They are all activities that go along with Halloween. This festival, celebrated on October 31, means hallowed or holy evening because it takes place the day before All Saints Day. A mass was always said on this day, which people then called All Hallowmas. So, the night before became known as Halloween.

Ghosts, spirits, and witches are all part of the Halloween scene. People once believed that these supernatural beings came out on Halloween to

harm people, especially at the hour of midnight.

Fortune telling was once an important part of Halloween. Cakes were baked with rings, coins, or thimbles in them. The person who found the coin would soon become wealthy; the person who found the ring would be married within a year; and the person finding the thimble would never marry.

Trick-or-Treating is probably the main Halloween custom in the United States today. Children will be seen in costumes resembling Smurf or E.T.

The traditions of Halloween, as we know them today, have been carried forward from hundreds of years ago.

# Spanish Club: Southbound for the summer

by Doug Dush

Well it seems the Spanish Club is off on another little jaunt south. They plan to visit Mexico and its wonderful sights again in early June. About 12 people plan to go, three from their previous trip two summers ago.

Our group of explorers plans to fly from Kansas City to Mexico City where they will spend five glorious nights. From there they will proceed by bus to Taxco for one night and then on to Acapulco for three more nights, a total of nine days.

Upon arriving in Mexico City they plan to visit the Museum of Anthropology, Chapultepec Castle, Zocalo, The National Palace, Cathedral, University of Mexico, Chiconcuac Indian market, and the Ballet Folklorics at the Palace of fine arts. Two areas they enjoyed on their last visit are among the sights they will see. The Shrine of Guadalupe which symbolizes the appearance of our

raudy. The unique thing about it is that there are two, the old one which was built in 1709, and the new one which was built in 1976. Both are still standing. Forty miles Northwest of Mexico City stand the pyramids of the Sun and Moon.

In Taxco they will visit Zocalo and the Santa Prisca Church.

But that's not all. To complete their trip, they will attend a dinner dance, go for a glass bottom boat ride and a yacht cruise.

The cost of all this is a mere \$570. This includes transportation, room and board, and two delicious meals a day.

One matter Mr. DeLuna wanted to point out was what the group would experience upon arriving in Mexico. Psychologists call it Cultural Shock. This will be caused by the language, food, and surroundings. A good example of this would be your first trip to New York City.

One bit of advice for our travelers. Don't eat the ice!!!!!!

# Aids working 9 to 5

by Patty Wemhoff

Walking into the Central school office you will see a student who is busy doing errands for our school secretaries. Eight students are helping out this year. These people are: Shelly Demuth, Kris Martin, Pam Braun, Lori Soulliere, Terri Jackson, Kris Stachura, Karen Pokorny, Virginia Sprunk, and Paula Stopak.

They are donating their time by answering phones, addressing envelopes, and typing. As one student aide put it, "We are the secretaries for the secretaries."

Besides the student aides who work in the office, there are students who help out in other areas as well, such as P.E. This year Mrs. Malicky and Mr. Spencer have six students helping with their classes. These people are: Ann Novicki, Shelly Tschantre, Kim Driefurst, Keri Haider, Kris Harsh, and Scot Scow.

They are kept busy by writing grades in the grade books and being the referees in basketball, volleyball, and soccer games.

Chemistry lab will also have student aides. They are: Mark Brezinski, Roger Konwinski, and Mike Huhman.

Kris Martin will be helping in the Home Ec. department.

This school year is the start of grade school student aides. With permission from the high school counselor, Sr. Francis, seven students will be helping teachers at local grade schools by grading papers and helping out with other jobs that the teachers have. Laura Bierman and Janelle Czuba will be helping at Saint Anthony's. Michelle Bruner, Lauri Kennedy and Lisa Schaefer will be helping at Saint Bon's. Virginia Sprunk will be a student aide at Saint Isidore's. Helping at Columbus Junior High will be Suzanne Davidson. Sr. Francis stated, "We hope this program will be a positive learning experience."

# Art takes field trip

by Genevieve Wieser

The art class ventured out of its room to take a field trip on October 6. Advanced students, independent artists, and students involved in design accompanied Mrs. Wrage to Grand Island to visit one business and two museums.

The business visited was called Art Craft Incorporated. One of the areas seen at this company was the designing of neon signs. Don

Schmidt demonstrated the bending and making of neon lights.

Another place visited was the Warehouse Gallery. Here the students viewed paintings, some were watercolors, silkscreens, and pottery. The insight into pottery will help the students when they begin to work with it.

The Stuhr Museum was the last place the students went to. They went there for an art show and stayed to see all the rest of the museum.

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## Lady harriers shine

by Lance Zach

At the Quinas Invite the lady Harriers ran with only 3 runners, Paula Stopak did not run because of a leg injury. But, Tami Zuerlein led the team with a 5th place finish. Kelly Votava placed 15th and Patty Wemhoff placed 17th out of 25 runners.

At the Conference meet the team only had two runners. Zuerlein placed 14th followed by Wemhoff who placed 18th.

At the District meet held at North Bend the green machine placed 3rd out of 4 teams. Paula Stopak placed 5th thus qualifying her for the state meet. Zuerlein took 10th with Votava placing 15th. Patty Wemhoff rounded out the green machine with a 17th place finish.



State Qualifier Paula Stopak

At the state meet held last Friday, Stopak placed 41st out of 88 runners. Paula was the only runner from the city of Columbus to go to the state meet.

Although plagued by injuries throughout the season all four girls received letters.

## Conference champs!

by lance Zach

On September 20, the Boys' Cross Country team improved their dual record to 3-1 after defeating Bergan 16 to 20.

The Harriers placed 6th out of 12 teams at the North Bend Invite, John Riley placed 11th receiving the only medal for the Shamrocks.

At the Aquinas Invite the Green Machine really got rolling when they placed 3rd out of 13 teams. The Shamrocks were lead by Lance Zach's 10th place finish. Both runners received medals.

In the Lakeview-Osceola double dual the green machine took top honors again, bring their record to 5-1.

The team reached their peak at Conference where they ran away with top honors. The team was led by Riley's 3rd place finish. Zach finished

4th place. Ed Deluna and Dave Rohde placed 6th and 7th respectively. Mike Quattrocchi brought in 13th place to ice the Scotus win. All runners received medals

The Harriers took 4th place at Districts. With only Riley getting a medal for 9th place.

Coach Spenceri said, "The kids were really fun to work with and they had a good year." The team is made up of mostly your runners so Mr. Spenceri expects a good season next year. Chad Christiam and Lance Zach were the only two seniors on the team this year. Scott Scow and Mike Quattrocchi are the juniors. Todd Bator is the only sophomore on the team. John Riley, Ed Deluna, Dave Rohde, Travis Kluck, Matt Hansen and Tom Beirmann round out the squad.

## Shamrocks win slippery battle

by Scott Spenceri

With a 34-8 win the Shamrocks raised their record to 4-1 by an outstanding exhibition against Hartington C.C.

Scotus came out fast scoring 20 points in the first half to Hartington's zilch. The scoring came in the first quarter on a quarterback sneak by Mark Brezinski and the point after was good.

In the second quarter their split end Scott Spenceri, who is supposed to catch passes, ran a reverse to add six more points to the score, the point after was missed. The third touchdown came in the second quarter, and Chris Pokorny was the hero by his outstanding interception that took great concentration and only a split end should have. This touchdown ended the first half with a score of 20-0.

In the second half Scotus was not yet through scoring. The Shamrocks

scored on another reverse by the split end and the score was now 26-0, the point after was obviously missed. Hartington then hit the scoreboard on a 3-yard drive by a Trojan back late in the third quarter.

In the early part of the fourth quarter, Scotus scored their last touchdown and it was on a tremendous run by senior back Tim Gray. Tim scored on a 54 yard dive that went for 30 yards and with his speed he ran away from the defenders. Scotus went for two and the pass was complete from Brezinski to Van Dyke. The final score ended up to be 34-8.

Scotus raised their record to 4-1 and hope to put another win onto that record.

## Shamrocks gallop to 2nd in Mustang Invite

By Kriss Kaminski

The Volleyball team comes out again with three straight wins! The team played Lakeview on September 28, at Lakeview, but playing there didn't stop Scotus from playing any different than before. The girls were really ready for this game, because of years in the past, they have been a very good team to beat. The team won in two sets 15-6, 15-13.

The team then got to play in their own territory for the Wahoo Neumann game. The team was just as ready for this game as any other game, as you could tell from being in the crowd. The crowd, or the boys, cheered the girls on with a spirit line when the team entered. With support from the Shamrocks the girls won at home 15-8, 15-10.

The final victory of the three was played at Seward. The team lost the first set 12-15, but that didn't stop Scotus from anything. The team has "No Limits". After the first set the team came back all fired up and won the second set 15-4. There was one more set left though and the team also came back and won it 15-7.

The volleyball team traveled to the Raymond Central Mustang Invitational on October 2, and brought back a team trophy and individual medals.

The first round was easily won against Omaha Cathedral.

In the second round the team beat Gretna 15-10, and 15-3. Gretna was also a rated team. The girls were behind, but came back like they have before. The girls felt it was a tough game, but well worth it!

The third and final round was the first loss of the season. Elkhorn beat the Shamrocks 15-11, and 15-9. Elkhorn had a very good hitter on the team, she was comparable to Lynae Loeske of Lakeview. The team was upset about the loss because they could have played better. They missed 8 serves which was unusual.

The team was excited to make it to the finals because of the experienced teams in the tournament. They received second place medals for their efforts. The girls felt the tournament was a very good learning experience because of competition, and it will help them in the future tournaments.

## Shamrocks wing Cardinals ... aerial battle

by John Swierczek

Fortune continued to smile on the Shamrocks as they knocked Crete from the undefeated ranks by a final score of 7-6.

Scotus started the game on a sour note when the fumbled the opening kickoff which set up Crete's first and only touchdown drive of the night. The Cardinals drove deep into Scotus territory twice more before the end of the half, but came away empty handed both times.

The second half started out much

like the first with both teams exchanging the ball but neither one getting anywhere. All of this lasted until the middle of the fourth quarter when Scotus decided it was time to "make it or break it."

The 'Rocks drove to Crete's ten yard line with 4:32 left in the game. Mark Brezinski dropped back to pass and found Greg Van Dyke open and anticipating the ball. Greg made the reception and scampered eight yards for what proved to be the deciding margin.

This victory raised the Shamrocks' record to 3-1.

## Mud wrestling: The next best thing to football

By John Swierczek

Overcoming adversities and injuries, the Scotus football team raised its record to 5-1 by defeating the Wahoo Neumann Cavaliers 32-6.

Once again the Shamrocks were playing football on a field that had been drenched by downpours the previous day. But this didn't stop the 'Rocks running backs as they accumulated over 350 yards rushing. Chris Pokorny was the games leading

rusher with 144 yards in 10 carries, including a 66 yard touchdown scamper.

These wet conditions didn't stop the Scotus defensive Corps either as they held the Cavaliers to under 100 total yards offensively.

If the Shamrocks can manage to keep on track and win the remainder of their games there is a very good chance that they could make the state playoffs. This would be the first time that Scotus has ever made the Class B State Play-offs.

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# Our little Irish friend

by Shelly Tschantre

Did you know that there is another new foreign exchange student? This student is Morgan Downey from Dublin, Ireland. Morgan's family consists of five: Liam (father), Eithne (mother), Owen, four, Susan, ten, and Morgan. The Downey family came to Columbus because his father has a job at Becton Dickenson until December of this year.

If you wanted to go to Dublin, Ireland, to stay for awhile, you will find many differences from the United States because there are many similarities. The people in Dublin eat the same kinds of meat and food. You would probably think the food would be Irish. But, they have McDonald's and Burger King and many more restaurants similar to Columbus.

When you go to a clothing store in Columbus a shirt would probably cost about \$15.00, but in Dublin every-

thing is much more expensive. In Dublin they use this symbol as a pound that is worth about \$1.50.

Morgan goes to a Catholic University which means here, in Columbus, a Catholic high school. In Ireland students are to take nine classes. Morgan's classes were as follows: history, science (biology and physics), math, English, Irish, Latin, German, French, religion, and commerce (current events). Morgan has more studying to do at his school.

Where Morgan attends school the boys have to wear specific clothes like at Scotus. But their outfits are different because they have to wear gray pants, white shirts with black ties, gray sweater or black blazer, and black shoes.

Morgan likes Scotus very much; but Morgan says it is different than the schools in Ireland. The Scotus student body welcomes Morgan to Scotus Central Catholic.



by Mark Brezinski

The new attraction in the courtyard is the "Statue of our Lady of Mercy". Mr. Leonard Fleischer bought the statue and donated it to Scotus. The age of the statue is unknown.

Mr. Fleischer, who is non-Catholic but very supportive of Scotus, purchased it from St. Mary's Hospital and donated it to the school because he knew it would be displayed well. A plaque will be added to it containing Mr. Fleischer's name and the date that Bishop Milone dedicated it.

The statue was believed to be plaster until it was examined more thoroughly. After sandblasting, it was discovered to be pewter.

# Bishop dedicates Our Lady of Mercy Statue



# Computer students learning fast

by Doug Dush

This year Scotus is offering a new and different class for seniors. The Apple Computer class is taught by Mr. Gannon. The class which lasts a semester has many seniors interested in it.

Mr. Gannon has taught the class the background and capabilities of the computer. He plans to show the students how the computer works and how to program it. "The computer only does what it is told," stated Mr. Gannon.

The basic language is called Symbolic Instruction Code. The class used this on their first assignment with the computer. Flow charting, which is the ground work for programming, was used to schedule our classes for us. The computer is said to be able to do anything depending on its memory size.

The idea for the computer was first thought of a year ago last summer.

Its first intention was for office use, but later it was decided to be put into the classroom. The average cost of the CPU (central processor unit) or keyboard, the monitor, and the disk drive is \$2,000. The class now contains 3 computers.

The students have a positive attitude toward the class. When asked about the class they stated "The computers are fun!"

Upon entering the class you may find students playing games. But don't be fooled, this class is not all fun and games. Much of the homework is done in the notebook. Every chapter has projects for the students to do with the computer. These projects are to help them familiarize themselves with the computer and its language.

At the present the class is only offered to seniors, but later on Mr. Gannon hopes to expand this to lower classes, and may even have a Computer II class.

# Student Council meets

by Patty Wemhoff

Music in the halls, benches in the courtyard and new ideas for tape dances were all discussed during the 8:30 meeting of the Student Council on October 4.

Committees were set up to form these new ideas. One group will be working on a plan to make it possible for music to be played over the intercom during passing periods. Another committee will make a proposal to the administration for benches in the courtyard.

Walking by the office you may

notice a suggestion box. This is also a new idea of the council. If you have any comments or suggestions on the school year, just drop a note in the box. The Student Council will discuss these ideas at the following meeting.

The final part of the meeting was used to discuss goals for 1982-83. Among these are: supporting Campus Ministry Team and its projects; increasing daily mass attendance; making use of the courtyard during study halls; sponsoring assemblies; and having student representation during administration meetings.

# F.B.L.A. hosts fall workshop

by Shelly Tschantre

The Future Business Leaders of America held their Fall Officers Workshop at the Holiday Inn in Columbus on Tuesday, September 28, 1982. The Officers Workshop was designed to get all the area school officers together.

The workshop was hosted by the Lakeview Chapter. The guest speaker was Dr. Ron Joekel from the University of Nebraska. He told the groups how to communicate with others in the school, in the community, and in other schools. He talked on getting people involved with FBLA. There are four words to get the people in FBLA: inform them about the activities; involve them in

the organization; inspire them that it is a lot of fun; appreciate them if they join, and tell them you are glad that they joined.

Some of the schools that were present at the workshop were: Albion, David City Aquinas, Geneva, Columbus Lakeview, Genoa, Gibbon, Columbus Scotus, Norfolk Catholic, Grand Island Northwest, North Bend, Seward, and York.

Those present to represent the Scotus Chapter were as follows: Kathy Prokuek, President; Laura Bierman, Vice-President; Virginia Sprunk, Secretary; Pam Braun, Treasurer; Traci Ryba, Historian; Shelly Tschantre, Reporter; Miss Ann Schutte, Sponsor.

# Thiele receives co-ed honor

Judy Theile has been named CO-ED Correspondent for the 1982-83 school year, according to an announcement by Kathy Godick, editor of CO-ED Magazine.

CO-ED, published nationally by Scholastic, Inc., for home economics students, contains features on personal development, careers and consumer awareness as well as the latest trends in fashion, food, beauty, and home furnishings.

Judy Theile is a junior at Scotus. She was appointed Correspondent by Mrs. Sharon Brozovsky, her home economics teacher.

Selected for the qualities of leadership and enthusiasm for home economics, Judy will serve as junior advisor to CO-ED editors. Like the other CO-ED Correspondents throughout the United States and Canada, she will keep the editors informed of activities at her school.



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# SCOTISTICS



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## Memorial Hall Doors Shine

By Lance Zach

Did you ever think about how much work and planning went into the new doors by the Memorial Hall?

The Scotus Board of Directors decided that the Memorial Hall, which is now 22 years old, could function longer and more economically with the proper maintenance.

The board approved plans for the remodeling of the main entrance with the idea that the new doors would improve the building's appearance. Another big factor in this project was the heat loss. The old doors would not seal, which let in cold air, that went down into the cafeteria.

The construction, which took a little over a week to complete cost \$10,000.

This came out of the capital outlay of the General Fund. The money in the fund comes from fund raisers like Shamrock Night, Parish assessments, tuition, and private donations.

The Board of Directors' goals are to improve the overall appearance of the school and to work on saving energy. They are also looking into refurbishing the heating system in certain areas of the school.



Photography by Lance Zach



by Brian Evans

Yes, folks, for a mere \$710.00, you, too, can see fabulous Washington, D.C. in April! Don't pass up this once-in-a-lifetime chance.

Now seriously, wouldn't you like to see Washington? Mr. Zowada sure would, and by the response of his junior and senior high classes, many of his students would, too.

What we're talking about is the Close Up program, which has been in progress for the past 12 years. This is the first year Nebraska has been involved, and Scotus is one of the 20 schools participating. However, this is not a one-time program; if it is successful this year, Scotus will participate next year, and so on.

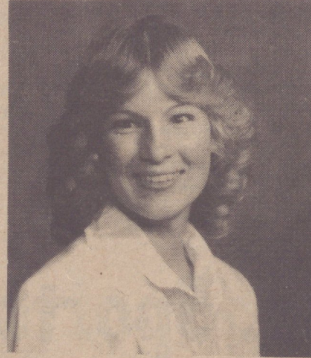
This year the program will be open to juniors and seniors; next year it may not be open to seniors, though. The average number of participants for a new school is eight, but Mr. Zowada is hoping that number will be



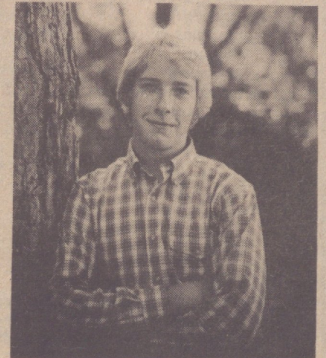
much higher. He said that the more students that partake in this, the better the program will be.

As long as just one student goes, Mr. Zowada will definitely be going. He will receive a government grant for the full price, but he will have his share of work to do. Even so, he's very "fired up"! One student will also receive a government grant that covers 70-percent of the cost (approximately \$497.00).

For those students interested, this will be quite an experience. It will be more than just a tour--it will be an inside, close-up look at the way the government is run. It will be a very educational trip. Students will be allowed in the Senate chambers, on the House floor, and in other places you wouldn't get to see as a normal tourist. Students will also participate in many seminars. But don't let this worry you--the night life will be a little different. They will provide many different forms of entertainment,



GENENE WIESER



BRIAN EVANS

## Seniors Selected To Sing

by Kim Neater

Genene Wieser and Brian Evans have been selected to be in the All State Honors Choir held in Elkhorn, Nebraska, on November 18, 19, and 20.

The day they arrive in Elkhorn there will be registration and a brief rehearsal. Friday they will have rehearsal, a pizza party, and a dance will follow. Saturday the concert will be held at the school auditorium at

7:30. They will be staying at Genene's sisters with Mrs. Schnabel who will accompany them.

Genene and Brian qualified for the All State Honors Choir by auditioning at Columbus High. They were given six songs to practice. The three to be sung were unknown to them. They also sang scales and arpeggios for the audition. The judges for the event were from all over the district of Nebraska.

Congratulations Genene and Brian!



## Student Council Attends Slumber Party

by Patty Wemhoff

That is incredible! Many people may have thought just that when they heard that four Scotus Student Council members were attending a slumber party involving nine hundred students! This slumber party was really the 1982 Student Council Convention which was held at Columbus Senior High. The students attending, Karen Pokorny, Sherri Zywiec, Donna Bierman, and Patty Wemhoff came back from their two day workshop with many new ideas to help our Council.

The Convention, including 135 schools, began at two o'clock Friday, November 5, when the students were divided into groups. The groups attended mini-work sessions and voted for next year's State Student Council Officers. The rest of the evening was reserved for a dance and pizza and popcorn party.

Most students did not sleep Friday night but were alert Saturday morning when they attended more interesting work sessions and played various games relating to Student Council.

All four Scotus participants agreed that the Convention was very worthwhile and the new ideas will definitely help our school Council.

Plans are already being made for the 1983 Convention which will take place in Grand Island.

including cultural experiences, pizza parties, and other fun-filled experiences.

For those students going from Scotus, the program will be run from April 24 to the 30th. The \$710.00 cost will cover all lodging, meals, transportation, tickets, insurance, the deposit, and the final banquet and dance. Everything will be strictly First Class.

Two Scotus students that will be going are Jo Rhode and Patty Wemhoff. Both of them won a two-day trip to Washington, D.C., for writing an essay on "Can My Vote Make America Better?" They will be going on April 24 with the Close Up group, but they will also get a \$500.00 government grant for the essay contest. Both girls are very excited for the trip.

For all who go, it will surely be a once-in-a-lifetime, exciting occasion. Make up your mind whether you want to go, and maybe we'll "CU in DC!"



## EDITORIALLY SPEAKING:

# Classes Unify As One

By Kim Neater

Along with the great sense of unity this year at Scotus, a feeling of class awareness comes hand in hand. This class awareness is the freshman, sophomore, junior, and seniors doing things together, instead of being so individualized. The classes, as a whole, are becoming more unified.

In previous years, the students did not have an overall friendly approach. The classes more or less stayed within reach of their own class, unable to pass through the barrier of trying to be on friendly terms with the other student body.

You may be asking, how did this awareness come about? It is being shown through the unity of the classes, the togetherness of the athletic team members, the speech and drama activities, the musical events, and the outgoing class participation and support of the students. This is something every school strives for, but not all can obtain.

We all must be proud of what we have accomplished and start a new tradition at Scotus so that each year the bond becomes stronger and Scotus will be known for the students being unified as one.

# Fine Arts vs. Sports

by Genevieve Wieser

Well, another fall sports season has come and gone. The same can be said for another fall music concert. Now, let's total up the number of students who attended the music concert. I'm afraid the odds aren't in favor of the music concert.

Sports are a big activity at Scotus and that's great, but how much recognition does the music department get? Not much. The music concert was given, but compared to the attendance by students at football games the attendance at the concert was virtually nothing. It would have been great if even one-fourth of the football team would have been there

to cheer us on like we do for them at their games. I know it means a lot to them to know we're behind them all the way. But, it would really mean a lot to us if some of them would come to hear what we've accomplished through our hard practice.

A person doesn't have to be able to sing to be a part of music. A lot of the girls wouldn't be able to play football on the team, but that doesn't keep them from going to the games. And not many people can set of spike the volleyball with perfection, but those who don't play come to support the team. The music department has come a long way, and much talent has been developed there. But, don't take my word for it; come and hear for yourself.

# Cheerleaders Rank Superior

by Brian Evans

Spirit is one thing that has definitely shown through in just about every group here at Scotus this year. One group that really has a lot of spirit is the Varsity cheerleaders. We've all seen this at the football games, but they also proved this at the National Cheerleaders Association Clinic held at Wesleyan from June 14 to 17.

Out of 265 cheerleaders from all over, our six out-performed them all. They are: Lisa Henggeler, Heidi Hoffman, Terri Jackson, Colleen Mc Laughlin, Julie Englebert, Lisa Keller, and Lisa Thalke. While at the clinic, they performed three times and

received Superior ratings (the highest possible) all three times.

On the last day of the clinic, the instructors announced the five top squads; each squad had to do three cheers for the entire group. After the performances and the voting, Scotus' girls received the Award of Excellence, a Spirit Stick, a plaque, and certificates.

The cheers they learned at the clinic have been used this past football season. One Varsity cheerleader, Lisa Henggeler, said, "You have to have new cheers every year to add additional spirit."

It must be working! Congratulations to all!



Photography by Lance Zach  
Van donated by the Shamrock Club

# Scotus Thanks Shamrock Club

by Shelly Tschantre

The Shamrock Club has donated a John Deere tractor and a van to Scotus. This equipment will be in good use for the janitors and the students.

The John Deere tractor is equipped

with a blower blade and a lawn mower.

The van will be used as transportation for the students to various school activities.

Thank you, Shamrock Club, for your support to Scotus.

# Mrs. Ibarolle Joins P.E. Staff

Lisa Kneifel

I'm sure you've all noticed a new face this past month in the P.E. Department. Her name is Mrs. (Lori) Ibarolle, from Remsen, Iowa. She coached varsity basketball and volleyball while teaching English and P.E. in Osceola for two years before she came to Scotus.

Some of her hobbies are tennis,

basketball, reading, and trying to golf. When asked what she thought about Scotus, she said she feels Scotus has excellent facilities and the kids here are enthusiastic.

You'll be seeing Mrs. Ibarolle until the semester break; after that, Mrs. Malicky will be back. But don't worry, Mrs. Ibarolle says she may sub after the semester.

# Signs Of Fall Appear

by Mark Brezinski

All of the leaves are falling off the trees and it's getting colder; that is a definite sign that fall is here. No more ninety-degree weather and no more wearing shorts.

Football has come and gone and basketball is on the way. Snow will soon be falling, and winter will take it's toll.

The leaves from every kind of tree

possible are lying around the town. They are in the streets and in our yards. They are strewn all over, and it's time we best be getting them raked up, so get out and get to work and rake the lawn.

Hunting season is here and the rooty's are popping up all over, right Pokorny? Hunting is the most exciting part of fall.

But remember, no hunting until the lawn is raked.

# Sir Thomas Turkey On The Run

by John Swierczek

It's getting to be that time of year again when the weather starts getting colder, the leaves are changing color, and Tom Turkey is looking for new places to hide. From all of these signs everyone can tell that Thanksgiving is right around the corner.

Thanksgiving means a lot of different things. To most people it means turkey, mashed potatoes, dressing, cranberry sauce, pumpkin pie, and all sorts of other goodies. But to Tom Turkey it's D-Day. Now he knows why they have been so good to him lately.

The place he has been staying at is not just a free hotel as he thought at

first. The owners picked him up from the wild, put him in a nice pen with a roof, gave him as much food as he could eat, and were really nice to him.

But now they are looking at him much differently. They have this look of hunger in their eyes. Tom also can't figure out why the owner has been spending so much time sharpening an axe that Tom has never seen him use before.

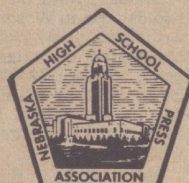
With all of these clues Tom knows what is about to happen. Most people could tell by looking in Tom's eyes that he is asking, "Why can't these people eat hard boiled eggs and tuna fish sandwiches this year?"

So when you sit down at the table this year, give Tom Turkey a break and eat only the cranberry sauce.

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# Senior Class Attends Retreat

by Patty Wemhoff

Wednesday, November 17, 1982, will be a day every Senior will remember for a long time. The Senior Class attended a retreat at Camp Luther, which is fifteen miles north-east of Columbus. The six hundred acre camp, surrounded by hundreds of trees, proved to be an ideal spot for the Class Get-together. Perfect sixty degree weather made the day even more enjoyable.

The excited students began to load the two school busses at 7:15 a.m. and arrived at Camp Luther at 8:00 a.m. Sleepy students were soon wide awake after playing a game which required quickness and alertness. The day had begun and the Seniors sensed that it would be a success.

The Class was introduced to Father Brown, Barney McNeil, Mike Steffen, and Chris Martiane, who all seemed to be experts in the field of retreats. Along with the enthusiasm of Father Krampfer, Father Bruce, Father Wayne, Father Carrol, Sister Frances and Mr. Zowada the day moved along smoothly. Many students commented that the eight hour schedule could have been even longer. The saying "Time flies when you are having fun" proved to be very true.

Next the class was split into groups in which they participated in discussions. The discussions helped the students learn more about their classmates. The groups also competed against each other in various games.

The busy morning resulted in many hungry students. Goulash, garlic bread, green beans, rice krispy bars, and Kool-aid were served for lunch. After eating, everyone had about forty minutes of free time to walk around the Camp.

The final part of the day was approaching - the Mass. Active participation from everyone made it very special.

This Senior Retreat was a fun experience that no one would want to miss. But, it is best if you are not told everything, so it can be a surprise for everyone when they have the chance to go.

Father Wayne said that retreats at Duncan and the Knights of Columbus Hall are being planned for Freshmen, Sophomores and Juniors. He said, "Hopefully a future retreats can be longer, maybe even two days long."

November 17 meant something different to everyone. A few students explained what they liked best about the retreat:

Lisa Kneifel - "It was a unique and special way to spend the day with the whole class."

Lori Soulliere - "The participation from everyone really made it special!"

Karen Pokorny - "It would have been great to have more time because the day seemed to go very fast."

Anne Sojka - "It was a neat chance to get to know everyone better."

Lisa Henggeler - "It was neat to get the whole class together outside of the school."



Photography by Lance Zach

## Speech Team Places 12 People In Finals

By Brian Evans

Five Hundred noisy, restless people, wind-whipped hair and clothes, papers everywhere. All this, and yet a great feeling of unity.

Yes, the Scotus Speech Team gathered again for the annual Platte College Speech Contest. Forty competitors from Scotus left in the early morning hours with high hopes excitement, and (maybe) a little nervous anxiety.

This was the largest contest hosted at Platte College with over 500 competitors from 26 schools. Scotus had a very fine showing, with over 50 percent of the team qualifying for finals and 12 people placing in finals. For the Junior Division, they are: Sandy Zegars, first place, Informative Speaking; Lori Cimpl, second place,

Original Public Address; Joan Sojka, second place, Prose Reading and After Dinner Speaking; Martha Oncken, third place, Poetry Reading; Danelle Pinger, third place, Prose Reading; Becky Reimers, third place, Informative Speaking; and Donna Scheffer and Cindy Krause, third place, Duet Acting. Senior Division winners are: Cathy McLaughlin, first place, T.V. News Commentary; Ginger Bottger, second place, Informative Speaking; Brian Evans, second place, Poetry Reading; Anne Sojka, second place, Extemporaneous Speaking; and Brian Evans, third place, Prose Reading.

The teams next meet will be in Grand Island in December. Congratulations to all, and best of luck in the future!

## Sophomores Sponsor Food Drive

by Patty Wemhoff

Sister Frances' sophomore religion class visited the Columbus Food Pantry, which is located in the basement of the Federated Church.

After agreeing to help the Pantry increase their food supply of canned goods, the concerned students began a food drive. Canned food which was collected went to help needy families. The food drive and Pantry visit were part of the Hunger unit that sophomores are now studying.

Although the food drive at Scotus was not as successful as hoped, Sister

Frances encourages students to contribute on their own to this good cause. Besides food, clothing and money can also be given to the organization that receives donations from Boy and Girl Scout groups, soccer teams, and churches. Sister said that she believed students were not against the program but just forgot to bring cans of food. "I hope that people will share what they have with the Food Pantry which is a very worthwhile project."

The families that receive aid from the Pantry must be recommended by a priest or must show a need for assistance.

## Pep Club Show Their Support

Kriss Kaminski

The Pep Club has really put forth the effort in showing their support for the football team and the school. There are many girls involved in Pep Club this year. These girls go out of their way to show their spirit for the team and the school. Some of the outside activities are: Making door posters, when the girls go out and deliver posters to the guys on the team; having car parades to the

game; and baking the guys goodies! This organization has been around for many years. And, this year seems really special because the girls really show an interest in what they are representing. At the games they have fun cheering, and they really look like they want to be there. The team appreciates the girls being there and supporting them. It's up to you, girls, to keep the spirit flowing throughout the year.



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Thanks to all cast and crew for a fun time in "Ducktails and Bobbysox"

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## 1982 Shamrock Season Remembered As The Best Ever

By Kriss Kaminski

The week before State showed the excitement in the teams eyes. The school held a pep rally for the team before they left for Lincoln. Our cheerleaders (the guys) did a few cheers for the crowd and the team which put them in high spirits for the game Friday night.

At 7:30 the Shamrocks were on the court and ready to play for their first time at State. The team was uptight at first. Gradually throughout the three games the Shamrocks came alive. Ord took the lead in the first game 8-0. The Shamrocks came from behind though to take the lead near the end of the first match, which was 12-8. The two teams rallied back and forth the whole three matches. The first match score was won by Ord 15-3.

Back on the court for the second game, and all fired up were the Shamrocks. They really came alive during the second game. All the players had some good moments during the three games, and a few bad moments. This game was the best of the three, when it comes to the Shamrocks looking like themselves. The match was made up of some very good spikes and good hits. The Shamrocks led this game most of the match. Once ahead in this game there was no stopping the Scotus Shamrocks, with a well deserved win! The Shamrocks won this game 9-15.

By now everyone had a chance to play, and really felt what it was like to play at the State tournament. With the win in the second game the Shamrocks were ready to go out and fight for the third and final match.

The third and final game arrived, and it was an incredible game. Both teams played with fire and life, which kept the game at a stand still. The

score was 5-4 for a very long time. Then the Shamrocks jumped to a 6-4 lead. Long volleys kept on throughout this match, which left the Shamrocks at a 7-4 lead. Scotus' power to strive for more if a lead gave then a 10-4 lead over Ord. But Ord came back to tie up the game 10-10. Within a play the score was 11-10 Ord leading. Scotus never gave up, they were back in full power with excellent returns and spikes.

By this time the crowd was thinking and wanting to believe the Shamrocks had the night won and all to themselves. But the game wasn't over yet! Ord came back and rallied with the Shamrocks to bring the score to a 15-14 lead by Ord. The game never let up after this point. The Shamrocks and Ord rallied with each other again to bring up the score of ties 15-15 and 16-16. On the last and final serve of the game, the Chant's won the match.

The final game of the three had to be one of the longest volleyball games ever played in the history of Scotus. There were so many times when they had it won and they had it lost. Peterson said, "We could have played a little better!", but what should be stressed the most, is that the players were out there to have fun and enjoy the game. This had to also be one of the most exciting and tiring games for the players and the crowd, but neither gave up.

The Shamrocks hard fought and well deserved season left them with a memory of State competition and a season record of 20-1. They also had top seed in the State meet.

Everyone on the team played well. Without the unity of the Shamrocks they never would have made it to where they stand now.

This 1982 Shamrock season will be remembered by all as the best ever!

## Successful Season Ends In Tragedy

by John Swierczek

A play-off berth was not to be had as the Scotus Shamrocks lost their final two games of the season to complete the year with a 6-3 record. Scotus lost to David City Aquinas 29-13 and Fremont 8-4.

David City invaded Memorial Stadium on Homecoming night and soured the aftermath festivities by dealing a near fatal blow to the play-off hopes of the Shamrocks. But Scotus was hungry for victory the following week against a 7-1 Fremont Bergan squad.

This hunger was not to be fed though, with the Shamrocks on the short end of the baseball-like score.

The game started out with an enthusiastic Scotus defensive squad controlling the field. But Bergan countered this by stopping two Shamrock drives deep in Fremont territory.

The only points of the first half came when John Swierczek sacked the Bergan quarterback in the endzone for a safety. This gave the Shamrocks a 2-0 lead going into the locker room.

Bergan came out smoking in the second half by scoring the first and only touchdown of the night on their

first possession. The two-point conversion was good and Bergan held an 8-2 advantage.

The 'Rocks scored their next two-pointer when the Knights were in a punting situation. The center snapped the ball over the punter's head and into the endzone where it was almost recovered by Scotus' defensive end. But the punter fell on it first and the score read 8-4 in favor of Fremont.

Scotus drove deep into Bergan territory once more but time ran out on the Shamrocks as they lined up on the Knights 18 yard line.

One of the dark spots of the game was brought to the coaches attention at halftime. Scott Spencer collapsed while in the locker room and was rushed to Omaha where it was discovered that he had a concussion. Scott is now back in school and is in perfect health.

The team would like to thank the parents, faculty, students, and pep club for the support and enthusiasm they showed.

We would also like to thank the coaches for devoting their time and talents to help us become better people as well as better athletes.

These are the reasons which made this season a big success.

## Team's Preparation Pays Off!

by Kriss Kaminski

The Volleyball teams last two games were played against Madison and Bergan. Both of the games were won by the Shamrocks.

The Shamrocks have really worked hard in the past years to get ready for this season. The girls really prepare themselves mentally, and physically

before the games. Without this kind of preparation the games would not be worth the victory. Right now the Shamrocks stand at a 17-1 record!

The J-V and Freshmen finished their season. It was a good season for both teams. They experienced a lot of ups and downs during the season, but it really just prepared them for the next season of Volleyball.

## Winning Is A Tradition

Scott Spenceri

Athletics at Scotus is at a high, and people love it.

Scotus Central Catholic is known for it's academics, but this school is also known for something else, athletics. Sports at Scotus are very good because of the participation kids take in these different sports.

There are many different sports available at Scotus. Football is coached by Jim Puetz, Gary Puetz, Randy Berlin, and Vern Younger. The junior high coach is Dennis Zowada. Girls' volleyball is coached by John Peterson and Ivy Klug. Basketball is coached by Frank Spenceri, Dennis Zowada, and Randy Berlin. The girls'

basketball team is coached by John Peterson and Annette Schutte. Track at Scotus is also a big thing and there are both girls' track and boys' track available. Cross Country goes right along with track and the boys' cross country team is coached by Frank Spenceri. The girls' team is coached by Dan Mahoney.

From this wide variety of sports, Scotus is well off in the athletic department.

There is a winning tradition at Scotus in all sports and we have to thank the coaches for taking the time out to teach us. When we seniors leave Scotus, we know that there will always be that winning tradition.

## Girls' Basketball Is Previewed

By Mark Brezinski and Doug Dush

Soon it will be that time of year again when we hear the bouncing of

basketballs and the pitter patter of rubber soled shoes. Yes, girl's basketball will soon be here. They are now working hard to prepare themselves for their opening game against Omaha Cathedral on December 2nd at Omaha.

They are anxiously awaiting this first contest to test their skills. We will soon find out if all their hard work has paid off.

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## Have Yourself An Aussie Little Christmas

by Kriss Kaminski

Christmas is celebrated on December 25, which is usually a hot summer day in Australia. The Christmas Season is commercialized, but not really to the extent it is here in America, according to Foreign Exchange Student Therese Baz.

For small children, Santa Claus is prevalent, and for the "big kids", gift giving occurs in much the same manner. Although, Therese said, "I had never heard of drawing names before".

Christmas Eve is usually spent preparing for the day ahead, or sitting and watching T.V., or the Christmas Production which occurs annually at the Sydney Myer Music Bowl in Melbourne. This presentation is a gathering together of Australian entertainers who sing Christmas Carols and encourage the mood for Christmas. Thousands of people attend, covering the lawns of the outside auditorium.

Christmas morning at the Baz home means presents and Mass. After all

the gift giving is finished, the day usually consists of eating, swimming, and sharing the enjoyment with the whole family.

Christmas dinner generally involves: Turkey, ham, baked and boiled vegetables, (potatoes, pumpkin, corn, pears, beans, marrow, etc.), pavlova, and cheesecake for dessert and plenty of candy and nuts to nibble on.

Christmas afternoon is spent mostly swimming and enjoying the sun.

Christmas evening is filled mostly with partying with family friends, drinking punch and eating cold turkey, ham and salads.

They also have Christmas trees (usually artificial); and their carols that they sing are generally the same as the ones here, only they steer away from the ones that sing about the beautiful snow.

Their school holidays usually last about two weeks before Christmas until the end of January. However, last year her vacation was two and a half months long. This is because it was Therese's summer vacation.



CATHY McLAUGHLIN  
2nd Place  
Duet Acting



KAREN POKORNY  
2nd Place  
Duet Acting



GINGER BOTTGER  
2nd Place  
Informative



Bill Drozd  
2nd Place  
Impromptu

## Band Hosted Christmas Concert

By Genene Wieser

The band started off the Christmas activities at school with their Christmas band concert on December 13. The concert started at 7:30 p.m. and it was held in the Scotus Memorial Hall. The Junior and Senior High bands were featured.

The Junior High band was positioned on the stage with the Senior High band just below them on the floor.

The Junior High presented four songs. A brass quintet made up of Dan Schmit, tuba; Troy Bottger, trombone; Mary Liebenritt, French horn; and Sara Sojka and Robin Hamling, trumpet; performed some Christmas songs.

The Senior High performed five numbers with Delois Hebda and Paula Stopak doing a clarinet duet of their own. Both bands did a very fine job.

## Speech Team Takes Second At. G.I. Invite

By Brian Evans

The Scotus Speech Team left early one Saturday morning in December to go to Grand Island for the Annual Grand Island Invitational Speech Meet. Twenty-nine students, two coaches and one bus driver were ready for a day filled with noise, excitement and confusion.

Out of 15 schools that competed, Scotus received second place for overall competition. Nine students made it to the final rounds. They were: Cathy Mc Laughlin and Karen Pokorny, second place, Duet Acting; Ginger Bottger, second place, Informative; Bill Drozd, second place, Impromptu; Julie Modlin, third place,



JULIE MODLIN  
2nd Place  
Informative

Informative; Lori Cimprl, fourth place, Oratory; Bridget Chohon, fourth place, Informative; Kathy Hellbusch, fourth place, Extemp; and Cindy Peterson, fifth place, Informative.

Congratulations to these and all the other participants, and good luck in Conference!

## And The Winner Is . . .

By Patty Wernhoff

For only fifty cents you could win one of the fifteen prizes which will be given away by the Student Council. Every council member will be selling raffle tickets for the December 20th drawing.

Over one hundred dollars of

certificates for records, clothes, pizzas and other items have been donated from local businesses.

President Bob Roy said that the money made through the raffle will be used for various projects including benches in the courtyard.

Winners will be announced after the music concert on December 20th.

## Fa-la Us To The Concert

by Genene Wieser

It was one week before the second music concert of the year and the whole music room was filled with anxiousness. Especially tense was Mrs. Schnabel who was in the midst of trying to get everyone to learn their part while memorizing their music. The songs were repeated over and over again until they were just perfect. But the tedious work was worth it because everyone wanted the concert to go well.

The excitement which had been building up before the concert was released on stage before the audience on December 20. The spotlight shone

on each of the large groups: Freshman Chorus, Girl's Glee, Swing Choir, and Mixed Chorus when they did their selections. And, at different times during the night, it pin-pointed on Colleen Krzycki and Mary Joan Zoucha as they each did a solo. A group of Junior girls also put their talent to good use by doing a number of their own. A new addition this year was a fast moving dance performed by Robin Liebenritt and Donna Schieffer.

The Concert came to a close with a round of applause from the audience. After the concert, the people were invited down to the cafeteria for refreshments provided by the music students.

## Dawn Of The Computerized Report Card

by Lisa Kneifel

By now I'm sure you have all seen your report card. It looks a little different this year than last. The reason for this is because it is computerized. It has many new things added, such as: Now each student has a special number, it tells the grade point average for honor roll, average in each class, and comments.

Here is what a few students

thought about the new report cards: Brian Evans-"It was too confusing." De Hebda-"Too large." Paula Stopak-"I think they will be good in the future." Lisa Keller-"There were too many mistakes." Jill Hoebing-"I like the comments." Laura Heimann-"It was O.K. except for the teachers didn't make use of the comment section." Bill Drozd-"I enjoyed it thoroughly."



# Editorially Speaking

## Setting An Endless Tradition

by Scott Spencer and John Swierczek

Boys basketball at Scotus has set a tradition that hopefully will never be broken. This tradition is going to State.

At Scotus, we take pride in everything we perform in, both in athletics and academics. "How do you feel about this season, and what are your goals?", was the question asked and each member of the team gave their answer. The majority of the team stated that unity will take you anywhere you want to go, which leads us

to our traditional goal of going to State. Going to State in any sport is something very satisfying, and we at Scotus have had a chance to experience this feeling for two consecutive years. The coaches feel the same way and they can't stress enough that good cooperation along with a little desire will cause no fall back in your ladder to success.

Being close to each other and performing well with each other is what Scotus consists of, and this 1982-83 season will be proof of this statement.

## Our Education Should Be Valued

by Kim Neater

I'm sure many students at Scotus do not realize how valuable a Catholic education can be. It should be an honor to attend a school with superb academic facilities that go with religious background.

The students get the chance to attend church everyday. This can give them spiritual help in their classroom studies as well as other activities during the day.

Students that attend parochial schools can obtain closer student-teacher relationships due to the smaller class size and the religious atmosphere. This relationship allows

the student to go to anyone of their teachers with his problems.

Young people often attend mass, but do not actually understand the meaning of it. Students here, have a chance to develop a better comprehension of the Catholic faith in their religion classes. Another advantage to parochial schools is the destruction of the class system. With the girls in uniforms and the guys in basically the same wear, students cannot judge one another on their appearance.

In the future many people will look back on their parochial schooling as a great asset that has benefited them in their adult life.

## People Behind The Scenes

by Genevieve Wieser

There is play practice tonight and everyone is expected to be there, including make-up and lights people. Basketball practice is scheduled for tomorrow and everyone, student managers included, should be ready to go at 3:30 sharp. While everyone else is practicing, what do the student managers and lights people do? They are the "behind the scenes" people who help make school activities a success.

Not only do the people practicing work hard, but also the "behind the scenes" people. They put a lot of their time and effort into helping the people who will be in the spotlight.

The recognition they receive isn't great, but that doesn't keep them from taking their position. The "behind the scenes" people are the ones filling water bottles, putting make-up on, chasing run-away balls, running the lights, keeping stats, and advertising. They are a real asset to school activities by doing all the jobs that wouldn't get done if they weren't there. With their help, the activity can run smoother.

So don't ever forget about the "behind the scenes" people. Without them we would have to see a play with no lighting, and the members of a team would die of thirst because of a lack of water.

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Merry  
Christmas  
To All  
From The  
Staff Of  
Scotistics

Artwork by Kim Neater



## All I Want For Christmas Is ...

by Patty Wemhoff

What would you like to find in your locker for Christmas? Here is what several students hope they will find:

Mark Brezinski - Vicki  
Kevin Molczyk - Red, White & Blue  
John Swierczek - An E.T. loves Raggedy Ann set  
Doug Dush - A blonde cheerleader  
Lance Zach - Slim Whitman's new album  
Scott Spencer - Rick's car  
Kris Kaminski - A curly lamb coat and ice skates  
Colleen Witt - A David City man  
Kris Martin - Asti Spumante for my friends  
Kim Neater - E.T.  
Janelle Czuba - Chubba bear  
Therese Baz - Love and kisses

Sherri Svoboda - A shoe  
Karen Soulliere - A teddybear  
Julie Engelbert - A pee wee doll  
Lisa Keller - A cat  
Theresa Kybinski - Legwarmers  
John Liebig - Money  
Tim Taylor - Nothing  
Todd Peterson - A bag of M & M's  
Kurt Krzycki - AM FM headphones or a phone  
Donna Bernt - Ricky's horn  
Colleen Krzycki - Richard Gere  
Patty Niebalski - P.J.'s  
Tammy Zuerlein - Mushy apples  
Mick Rizicka - A walkman  
Donna Bierman - Papa Smurf  
Becky Engelbert - A stuffed animal  
Gina Sutko - A stuffed animal  
Katrina Kaminski - Notebooks  
Pam Ruzicka - A puppy

## Ring in the New Year

by Doug Dush

Tis the night before New Years when all through the land celebration is heard welcoming the coming year. All stockings and lights have been removed to prepare for this annual event. People have gathered to sing and be merry and to end the Old Year with a bang. But still more have gathered to make sure the New Year is properly welcomed.

This is the night when all past quarrels and differences are put aside for the night, when enemies are welcomed as friends in the hopes of staying friends through the coming year.

Everyone around is heard making vows to themselves and to friends, each is trying to make the best of the New Year. For some the promises are as easy as losing a few pounds or to try harder in school, while others can be heard saying that they will try to

spend more time with their friends and lovedones to share with them their joys and sorrows by listening when it is necessary and to speak when it is best to be heard. And far off in the distance a faint muttering from teachers is heard promising less homework.

As the fateful moment of 12 midnight approaches, couples gather closer to wish each other a Happy New Year. The chatter of glasses and shaking of hands seems to signify the speciality of the moment. Soon everyone's attention is gathered on the clock and the count down begins as all join in. The seconds tick away as the air grows thick. Bong! The moment can almost be felt as the clock strikes 12.

"HAPPY NEW YEAR!!" shouts everyone as they continue to celebrate. The celebration will last for hours and hopefully the vows made by all shall be remembered throughout the New Year.

## Anticipation Builds For New Year

by Mark Brezinski

The New Year is coming, pretty soon it will only be five months and 22 days until Graduation. The New Year will bring one good thing for all you Husker fans. Obviously, that is the Orange Bowl. Yes, after Nebraska beats LSU, they'll have to settle for #2 in the nation.

The New Year will bring other good things too. There will probably be a New Year's Eve party at every house on the block. At Midnight free New Year's kisses will be handed out (go for it guys!).

You'd better make your New Year's resolution right away so it can be broken on January 3rd.

## Campus Ministry Carols Thru The Night

by Patty Wemhoff

Wednesday, December 22, the Campus Ministry Team will be "dashing through the snow" singing Christmas carols. Afterwards,

"chestnuts will be roasting of an open fire" along with popcorn and hot chocolate at Father Wayne's house. It will be a "silent night" when the Campus Ministry members finally go to sleep and "dream of a white Christmas".



# Mock Trial Excites Seniors

by Brian Evans

"Innocent until proven guilty."

"I'll take the fifth."

"We, the jury, find....."

Better get acquainted with terms like these, Seniors, because pretty soon we'll be starting our Mock Trial Competition!

Although the competition isn't until sometime in Spring, things are already getting underway. The American Government classes have been covering the three branches of government, with the judicial system playing a major role in their preparation.

Inside the classes, all students will

be given a chance to learn more about the judicial system while playing roles in their own mock trials. Everyone will take part.

The purpose of all this is to give the students some general knowledge of how the government is run. It is also to generate interest through the classes; those who want to participate later in competition may do so.

Last year was the first year Scotus became involved, and everyone had a good time. This year the competition will be statewide, so we will need good representatives. Tryouts will be held to choose these representatives.

An attorney from town, Steve Hanson, will be working to help prepare us.

# Winter Has Its Ways

by Lisa Kneifel

Brrrrr!! Winter has finally come at last. Snow has come slowly, trying to cover the ground with a white blanket. Although the snow hasn't been too successful, we can tell winter is here by the freezing cold weather.

Winter means a lot of things for everyone. It's at time to get out all your winter sweaters, coats, and all the clothes you bought last Spring at a

discount but haven't had a chance to wear yet.

It's a time to make huge snowmen and have snowball fights. Going sledding is a favorite among kids. Going down the hill is more fun than going back up it again.

The traditional hot cocoa after a long hard day in the cold snow always brings a person back to a quiet, restful mood.

Winter is full of many fun times. Be sure to enjoy them to the max!

# Art Club Elects Officers

by Genevieve Wieser

The art department has finally organized its artists by starting an Art Club. The new officers elected were: Therese Baz, President; Wayne Borer, Vice-President; Stacey Podraza, Secretary; and Kris Martin,

Treasurer. The Club's plans right now are to get together once a month on a weekend to sketch.

Mrs. Wragge's future plans are to promote art through individual projects and school projects. She also hopes to put on a Spring Show downtown with all of the art students participating.

# Business Law Travels To Court

By Kriss Kaminski

On November 27, the business law class traveled to the Court House to review a criminal case on robbery.

When they arrived, the class went to the court room where the judge entered and told the jury the events of what was going to go on throughout

the day. The jury was then chosen and the case proceeded. The class only got to view two witnesses of the plaintiff. Then the court was recessed for lunch and the class returned to school.

The business law class said that they really thought it was a learning and interesting experience. They wished they could have returned to hear the judgement.

# Mother's Club Shows Support

by Doug Dush

Many students probably do not know that the Mother's Club is an asset to Scotus. Through their work they help to raise money for the benefit of the school.

All year long, the Mother's Club holds activities to raise their money. On December 5th, they held a Christmas Boutique in Scotus

Memorial Hall. In February of 1983 they plan to have a Dinner Theater, and hopefully it will feature the Platte Valley Players.

Through the coming years the Mother's Club will show their support to the school with their activities of fund raising, just as they have done in the past. We would like to thank them all for this, and hope that they keep up the good work.

# Tired Students Await Break

by Scott Spencer

A long awaited break for many students is the Christmas break.

Many students, after going through a tough first semester, look forward to the long but short two weeks of vacation. Thanks to this vacation, students can relax and get away from studying.

Students look forward to this vacation to do just that, go on a vacation. Skiing is one of the most favorite for the students to do during

this time and many students take advantage of the time they have to ski. Others take the time out to visit people whom they haven't seen in years. A lot of students spend this vacation time catching up on the many hours of sleep that they have lost over the past four weeks.

Unlike early dismissals, this vacation is one thing everyone can be thankful for. So when you're sitting in front of the fireplace or skiing down a slope, take the time out to think about how great this vacation really is.



By Kelly Maguire

Leaving early on a hot and humid June day, I journeyed to an old convent in Omaha to engage in the most meaningful three days of my life. This thrilling experience, that will never escape my mind, is the weekend that I made the TEC retreat. The letters TEC stand for Teens Encounter Christ. The basis of the retreat was to find Christ through ourselves as well as other teens. It all began on a Saturday morning and concluded late the following Monday evening.

Entering the TEC center, my first impression was that I really did not belong here. Not knowing what to expect, I had a fear that I might turn into a "religious freak" or die from food poisoning. I was so unsure about the whole ordeal. I stood with anticipation waiting for the next move. Suddenly, my name was called and my heart sank. Anxiety built up inside of me as the squeaky door closed behind me when I walked into the small and gloomy room. Upon being seated a charming middle-aged lady asked me a few questions in a soft and calming tone. The affair would involve no time factor so she needed to prepare me for the coming events. From that moment on I was on "God's time".

The first day was not pleasing to me because of my great fear and anticipation. Starting off the weekend, we divided up into small groups with which we were to become the closest to. Each group had their own name and table. There were very meaningful lectures given and working with your group we did activities that correlated with the talks. The group, known as "wheat crew", sacrificed their time to serve us in any possible way to make this adventure very special for us. My breaking point came about at the penance service that night. I finally opened up to "let go and let God". At this time I began to "participate instead of anticipate". Like everyone was doing for me, I began to think of others and make sacrifices for them, which is all a part of this first day that became known as die day.

The second day, rise day, was much more pleasant than the first. Not having the vaguest idea of the time,

# Teens Encounter Christ

we rose to the singing of the old reliable wheat crew. By this time I was meeting new friends and barely spent time with the people I had come with. Once again we listened to lectures that made me realize that each and everyone of us are equally important and without each individual there would be a sense of loss and pain. The tension seemed to gradually disappear and everyone began to feel more at ease. The atmosphere all around appeared to be one filled with much love and happiness. I was beginning to come closer to God through the wonderful and exciting people around.

The last day was entitled "go day". "The love in your heart was not put there to stay, love is not love until you give it away." This quote signifies the theme of the lectures and activities involved in this day. It was now expected that we all should go out and give ourselves, especially the good that this weekend had revealed. The closeness of all present was brought out during and after the four hour long mass. To say "good-bye" was really extremely hard to do. These people seemed like family to me and it was hard to let go of the special moments shared. A feeling of emptiness came over me as I departed after receiving the "TEC hug" from my new friends on TEC fifty-six.

Leaving is always hard to do. It was especially hard to leave behind the people I grew to care so deeply for although I knew I could see them again at a TEC reunion. I strongly feel that I have found myself, and that I know I am important and special. Through TEC a lot of good has been brought out in me, and I would never trade this experience for anything in the world.

TEC did not end after three days, it has spread throughout my entire life. As a gift from the people of TEC, each candidate received a Bible and I read from it each night to inspire me and lighten my burdens bestowed upon me. When I say my evening prayers, there is always an extra prayer in there for all my new-found friends. I didn't die from poisoning or return as a "religious freak" but I have noticeably come out as a better person. This delightful and meaningful experience has given me the courage and ambition to strive to be the best person I can be.

# New Class Is A Success

by Brian Evans

Do you like to learn? Or think? Or how about acting out a role?

This is just what some of Mr. Zowada's students--13 in all--are doing in his newest class, "Sociology and Current Events". Much to Mr. Zowada's surprise, the 13 Freshman students really responded well to the class and seem to have a lot of enthusiasm. He planned on having

student involvement, and things are going well.

Time is shared equally between covering the sociology book and the current events book. There is a variety in the students' grades, as in any class, but everyone is learning and thinking.

Mr. Zowada said he plans to invite guest speakers later on in the year.

Aw, shucks--no notes then, huh kids?

# Home Ec Gets New Ideas

by Lisa Kneifel

The Home Ec Interior Decorating Class took a field trip on November 22. They visited H.V. Interior Decorating and Countryside Mobile Homes.

At H.V. Interior Decorating, they were shown the latest styles in

window treatment, wallpaper design, and how to coordinate home furnishings.

At Countryside Mobile Homes, they toured double wide trailers and modular homes. It was explained to them the construction, costs, and financing of the homes.



# ALL CONFERENCE



Left to Right: Colleen Witt: All-Conference; Heidi Hoffman: All-Conference; Trish Hroza: All-Conference; Julie Paprocki: All-Conference, All-State Second Team.



All-Conference, All-State; John Swierczek: All-Conference Honorable Mention; Chris Pokorny: All-Conference; Jim Heimann: (kneeling) All-Conference; Scott Spencer: All-Conference Honorable Mention; Greg Van Dyke: All-Conference, All-State Honorable Mention; Dave Love: All-Conference; not pictured, Steve Bonk: All-Conference.

# Shamrocks Dribble Their Way To Victory

By John Swierczek and Scott Spencer

The Shamrocks start out their season right with a 3-0 record.

Boys Town traveled a long 89 miles only to meet defeat as the first of three victims for Scotus. Brezinski led the scoring for the Shamrocks with 20 points, followed by Chad Christiansen with 11. The final score ended at 57-40.

Scotus' next two wins came in the first of many double-header weekends. Firday night, Grand Island traveled to Columbus in quest of their second victory but the 'Rocks proved otherwise. Again, Brezinski led all scorers with 24 points and set a new school record of 12 steals which was

previously held by Joe Pensick with 7 steals. The remainder of the team had balanced scoring and played excellent defense. The final score was 51-40.

Saturday, Omaha Cathedral, being the second of two Omaha schools we play, came in with a respectable 3-0 record in search of another victory. Again, the "Fighting Irish", with a strong and balanced offensive attack, left Cathedral on the short end of a 68-51 score. Brezinski ended the game with 18 points, Scott Spencer had 13, and Jim Heimann finished with 9 points to lead the Shamrocks. This win raised the 'Rocks record to 3-0. Scotus travels to York Saturday, hoping to raise their record to 4-0.

# Girls' Basketball Have Perfect Record

By Mark Brezinski and Doug Dush

This year the girls basketball team has started off well with a 3-0 record.

In their first game against Omaha Cathedral, the Shamrock girls kept the crowd in suspense as they won 49-47. Jo Rhode scored 18 points and Julie Paprocki also added 11 points.

The Lady Shamrocks came home to the Shamrock Activity Center for their second big win. The Leigh Panthers invaded and were stymied by a tough Scotus "D" 41-14. In one of the biggest yawnbusters ever to hit a Shamrock court, Jo Rhode once again led the charge with 11 points and 14 rebounds. Liz Kumpf came in off the bench to score nine points and Julie

Paprocki added eight.

Once again, the Shamrocks defeated their opponent as they extended their win streak to three. Jo Rhode also led this Shamrock game with an astounding 25 points. Colleen Witt chipped in 19 to help everyone overcome their opponent.

The Lady Shamrocks also did a terrific job on the boards, out-rebounding their opponent 46-37. Jo Rhode also led in this category with 15, Sheri Svoboda coming in second with 11 and Trish Hroza rounding the bend with 9. Our congratulations to the girls and Coach Peterson, on a fabulous start. Keep up the excellent work!

# Intramurals Start Again!

By Lance Zach

Intramural Basketball games have started again. The action will be tough as six teams will suit up to battle each other for the top position.

The IBA is again sponsored by Father Wayne. There are about 40 players out this year. The team

captains are Styskal, Koziol, Swierczek, Pokorny, Borer and Engelbert.

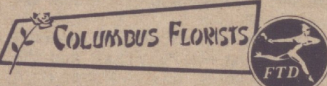
The first week of games took place last Sunday. With Borer beating Swierczek, Koziol pouncing Engelbert and Styskal winning over Pokorny.

The games are played at 6:00, 7:00 and 8:00 on Sunday nights.




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Dear Alumni and Friends of Scotus,

It is a pleasure for me once again to have the opportunity to greet you on behalf of the entire Scotus Family. With our commitment to enhance positive communication, this special alumni edition of *Scotistics* demonstrates your continued importance to all of us. The history of the Catholic high school in Columbus when each of you attended, whether St. Francis Academy, St. Bonaventure High School or Scotus Central Catholic High School, most certainly plays an important role in where we are today and where we will be tomorrow.

When conversing with alumni I often hear little anecdotes of how things were when they were here. I really enjoy these and sometimes speculate on how our present students, future alumni, will tell their story. It is quite evident that change has played a significant role over the 105 year history of our school. One thing has remained constant over the years surviving the change in names, scores of teachers and over 2,000 alumni, the institution remains a Catholic school and will continue so long into the future.

I want to ask each of you to not only remember the past but to take a good look at your school today. I think you will find students and teachers who really care about each other, an outstanding curriculum coupled with sound management.

We are very proud of our school. We recognize the many efforts of the past that have contributed to where we are today. We would be pleased to share what we are with you. After all, you are one of the Family.

Sincerely,

*Duane J. Gross*  
Duane J. Gross  
Superintendent

"because we care enough!"

## FINANCIAL WORKSHOP AIDS SENIORS

By Brian Evans

Pell Grants. AFSA. FFS. FAF. SEOG. NDSL. PLUS.

These terms have a new meaning to many seniors and their parents, thanks to the financial aid workshop that was held on Wednesday, January 5. The purpose of the meeting was to explain the basis of financial aid, which includes determining the family contribution and other sources of income.

There are two types of aid available. They are: gifts (grants, scholarships, etc. . .); and self-help (loans, work study, etc. . .). The major type of grant is the Pell Grant; the other available grant is the Supplementary Education Opportunity Grant. (SEOG). the types of loans that are available are: The National Direct Student Loan (NDSL) which is taken

out at 5% interest; and the Guaranteed Federal Insured Student Loans (GFISL), at 9% interest. There is also a relatively new loan--the PLUS Loan. This is more for parents than for students.

The key points for receiving financial aid are:

- 1). Accurate and prompt filing of the correct financial aid form.
- 2). Application for admission to the schools you are interested in.
- 3). Good contact with the financial aid offices at those schools.

One thing that should be stressed is that there is money available for financial aid, but its going to take work on behalf of the parents and the students.

If you have any questions, or need any forms to fill out, contact Sister Frances in the Guidance Counselor's office.



## CLARA'S COUNTRY KITCHEN CELEBRATES 23RD

By Kriss Kaminski

Mrs. Clara Fletcher has been serving Scotus, and the students for twenty-three years. She has thoroughly enjoyed every minute of it.

Mrs. Fletcher has not always lived in Columbus. She moved here in 1937. Before working here in Columbus, she was a woman counselor. Mrs. Fletcher said, "the position as a woman counselor was an experience". Mrs. Fletcher had to go to school in order to practice her counseling. After her job as a woman counselor, she came to Columbus and was the Activity Chairman of Saint Bonaventure. From Activity Chairman she went to managing the lunch program at Scotus. This is where she is today.

At 6:00 in the morning is when Mrs. Fletcher arrives to begin her day. The other help comes at 7:00 and 9:00. Their day ends usually by 2:00.

Do you ever wonder how Mrs.

Fletcher decides what we will be eating for lunch every day? Well, first of all, the meal is based on a well balanced menu. From there she never repeats a meal more than once in three weeks, except for hamburgers and hot dogs.

We students are very lucky to be paying ninety cents for our lunches. This is because of good management by Mrs. Fletcher. She looks for sales all the time, and buys wisely. People have thought in the past, that our lunch program receives donations from organizations. Our lunch program receives absolutely nothing. The lunch program survives on its own with the help of Mrs. Fletcher.

Outside of school Mrs. Fletcher spends her leisure time playing bridge and pinocle. If you are wondering if Mrs. Fletcher ever plans to retire, she said, "When my service isn't necessary anymore and they do not need me". As long as the students are here, Mrs. Fletcher will also be here.

## HUMAN LIFE...

*the greatest miracle of all.*

By Patty Wemhoff

A tape dance, the films during religion classes, and the prayer services that filled the week of January 16-25 certainly proved that all life should be celebrated! The week made us all aware of the importance of the quality of life.

Celebrate Life Week began with the decorating of all school lockers in bright colors. A retreat in Duncan gave the Juniors a chance to celebrate life and unity. Oneness and uniqueness were stressed throughout the day. An all-school mass including parents and grandparents ended the

week of celebration.

Members of Scotus attended a Right-to-Life march in Washington D.C. during the week. The participants, Father Wayne, Father Kramper, and Senior Kelly McGuire represented our school while learning more about the unborn, who are one aspect of life we recognize during Celebrate Life Week.

Father Wayne stated, "Celebrate Life Week was Scotus' way of recognizing the importance of all life - including the unborn, the handicapped and the elderly."

We should extend the "life celebration" throughout the year!



# EDITORIALLY SPEAKING

## VALENTINE'S DAY: THEN AND NOW

By Doug Dush

Valentine's Day is a very special day for all. On every Valentine's Day, my mind can be felt drifting back to my grade school days. All the memories of my many sweethearts sending me Valentine cards with bits of candy or pieces of juicyfruit gum seemed to flood my memory. It seemed that after every Valentine's Day, I would have the worst dental checkups in the class.

All through my grade school years, girls and guys would send more

sweets to their favorites than anyone else. Even the teachers would get into the spirit by presenting all of their students with some form of treat.

In junior high it was customary to send a few cards out to the people most dear to us.

But through the years, as my classmates and I have grown older, we have each selected someone special. And on this Valentine's Day, that someone will be the center of our attention. Hopefully on this special day everyone will have someone to share it with.

## OPEN CAMPUS BEGINS SENIOR FREEDOM

By Kim Neater

With the 1982-83 school year half over, the senior class has finally received the long awaited Open Campus.

As the year opened, a new regime was set up. In order for the student to receive Open Campus this year each student must have accumulated 185 credit hours and carry at least 5 solids. Also, the sheets which were signed by all the teachers last year, have been excluded from the requirements. Only the parents have to sign an Open Campus Approval sheet to permit their children to participate. The faculty wanted to make Open Campus something that had to be earned instead of assigned. The responsibilities are put more on the students to prepare them for the future.

Avoiding habitual tardies and promptly attending all classes which he or she is enrolled will insure students a successful free period to

roam about. Tardies and abuse of the rules will lead to a four week suspension from open campus. In a second offense the students privilege will be suspended permanently.

Mr. Rokusek was excited with the new Open Campus regime. He has a positive attitude about it. This year with the one sheet to be signed instead of two it was easier to manage. Some of Mr. Rokusek's ideas for the activities for the senior class to do with their free period were: using the public library, looking into college classes at Platte, and mainly learning to organize time for future use. He said that the courtyard would be open to the seniors as soon as the weather breaks. First it will be open on a trial basis. If problems occur that result in the disturbance of other students the courtyard will be off limits. Seniors are not allowed to be present in the hallways or in the parking lot during their free time.

When asked his opinion of how he felt Open Campus would go, he replied, "Only time will tell."

## SENIORS CONTEMPLATE COLLEGES

By Genevieve Wieser

It's the beginning of the second semester and some students are already counting the days until the end of school, especially seniors. But, along with thoughts of how many school days are left, we seniors should be thinking about what we'll do after those days are gone. Many decisions must be made before we finish high school.

First, the all-important decision about where to go to college has to be made, and that can be tough. Then we must take the time to apply for those scholarships that are out there

waiting for us. The receiving of grants and loans is another area we should look into. These choices and decisions seem to come upon us all at once, but they're decisions that have to be made, and we must be the ones to make them.

So, now's the time to start tracking down Sister Frances to get information on all those colleges, scholarships, grants and loans you wanted. Don't wait until the last minute to get information because that might be too late. Make the choices you want to make and remember: "We don't know what the future holds, but we know who holds the future".

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# 1983 CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK FEBRUARY 7-11

MONDAY - Special Liturgy in Chapel.

TUESDAY - All School Mass in Memorial Hall. Parents and family encouraged to attend.

WEDNESDAY - Special Liturgy in Chapel; Catholic Schools of Columbus Teachers, Social and Liturgy; early dismissal.

THURSDAY - Special Liturgy in Chapel.

FRIDAY - Special Liturgy in Chapel.

# In God we trust . . . and teach



## GRADE SCHOOL MEMORIES

By John Swierczek

The new year is now here, and as the old year goes out, people start to reminisce about good times gone by.

Some of these memories go all the way back to our grade school days. Everyone has good and bad memories about past schoolwork, vacations, and teachers.

The most memorable times for all students had to be when their fun was countered by their teachers' punishments.

Teachers had many different consequences for the students when they were bad. For instance, throwing paper footballs around the

room would award you five to ten dictionary pages that had to be copied word for word. Another consequence would be sitting by yourself in the cafeteria if you were caught throwing food.

Even with these bad memories, there were still many fond memories. Most of these occurred during recess. There were many different things for the students to do including: soccer, baseball, volleyball, pom-pom-pull-away, and everyone's favorite game, Hawaii Five-O.

Now all of these days no longer exist except in our memories. But even though they can never be brought back, the memories will always stay with us.

## NO TROUBLE IN THIS "TANGLED WEB"

By Brian Evans

"Oh, What a Tangled Web" is the selection Mrs. Bernt and her Drama II class used in the One-Act Play Contest held January 8. The play is a comedy about a girl who is a compulsive liar, and -- you guessed it -- gets into quite a mess. (A "tangled web", you could say . . .)

The contest was hosted by Omaha Holy Name, but we held at Omaha Mercy because they had better facilities. Eight of the ten conference schools competed at the contest. Scotus received two excellents, but that just wasn't enough; first place went to St. Albert's.

The plays are to be 15 to 30 minutes long, and Scotus' was around 20. Everything went well, but Mrs. Bernt said the judges seemed to go for the more dramatic plays. However, the audience participation was good, which is definitely an asset.

The Best Actor award went to a gentleman from David City Aquinas,

and the Best Actress award went to a young lady from Omaha Cathedral. The two performers recognized from Scotus were Michelle Korgor and Scott Scow. Other participants were: Ginger Bottger, Duane Czaplak, Bill Drozd, Cindy Peterson, Hugh Riley, and Tammy Stepanek. Lynda Stopak handled the sound effects and the lights.

The contest itself was well-run and organized; things even went ahead of schedule.

Although this contest is now over, the students are working as hard as ever in preparation for District competition, which will be January 17 at Platte College.

All-in-all, Mrs. Bernt said she was "pleased with the performance--the ratings didn't represent the quality of performance that was given. The rating was down because comedies weren't popular choices with the two judges."

## WHAT IS YOUR RESOLUTION?

By Patty Wemhoff

Going on a diet, keeping my room clean, exercising every day, and studying an hour a night. Sound familiar? These vows are among the many New Year's resolutions that people make every January 1st. They are made for a reason - to improve yourself!

Keeping resolutions is not easy though, because with the Christmas season just ending we are not ready for a challenge such as studying more or running two miles a day. Finding time for these things can sometimes seem impossible!

So do not be discouraged if you have already broken your resolution for 1983. You have 339 days to think of a better one for next year!

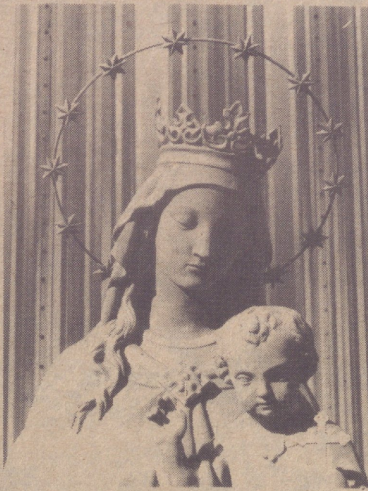


# 1982 IN REVIEW



Bishop Milone Visits Scotus

Photography by Doug Dush



"Our Lady Of Mercy" Donated by Leonard Fleisher

week was full of fun-filled ways to show school spirit. The hallways were decorated by their respective class.

On Thursday of that week a pep rally was held in the new gym. A coffin, which contained a studded Aquinas player, was carried in by the seniors. After a few cheers by the cheerleaders, Mr. Puetz gave a rousing pep talk to the players.

On Friday a Homecoming Mass was held in the old gym. Father Krampfer said, "this was the best Homecoming Mass he has taken part in."

Greg Van Dyke and Karen Pokorny were crowned King and Queen at the game. The music at the dance was provided by the group "Wrecking Company."

Our AFS student this year is Therese Baz. She comes to our school from Canberra, Australia. Therese takes part in chorus and other extra-curricular events.

We also had an Irish student in our school. Morgan Downey, a freshman, was from Dublin, Ireland. He became known by the upperclassmen as "our little Irish friend." Morgan went back to Ireland in December.

A new class that is becoming very popular with the students is the computer class. This room is always buzzing with the noise of kids playing video games in their spare time. This class is also responsible for our new computerized report cards.

The biggest, new addition to Scotus is the new Memorial Hall doors. The old doors were replaced because of the heat loss in the winter and the administration's plan to improve the looks of our school.

The Shamrock Club made a large donation to Scotus this past year. They donated a van and a John Deere tractor which is equipped with a lawnmower and a snowblower blade.

A \$2000 grant was received by Scotus from Cablevision. The money will be used to buy video equipment. In the near future, the public will be able to watch Scotus activities on television.

On November 17th the senior class attended a retreat at Camp Luther. The day was fun-filled and enjoyed by all who attended.

The Campus Ministry Team made its second appearance this year. The team has 31 members and 7 of these members are Extra-Ordinary Ministries of the Eucharist. Father Wayne heads up the team this year. The group has planted a garden for the poor and needy. They also gave food to the poor during Thanksgiving.

The Speech team has done very well so far this year. At the Platte College invite, they placed many speakers in the finals. At the Grand Island invite they placed 2nd out of 22 teams.

The Student Council is off to a good start. President Bob Roy and his group have set many goals which he expects to obtain.

The band is making its contribution to Scotus this year. They have played at several football games and presented a Christmas Concert.

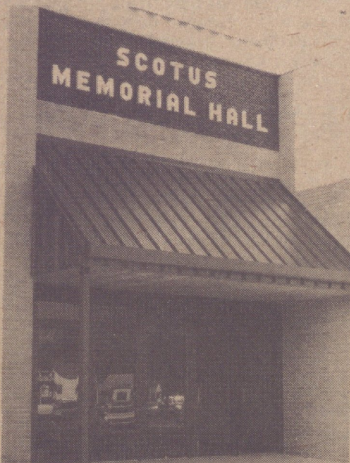
The Music department has held its annual Christmas Concert. They are also planning to go to Boystown this year.

The fall musical in October was a big hit. "Rock Around the Clock" was a comedy set back in the 50's.

FBLA sponsored a workshop at the Holiday Inn for area schools.

These are just a few of the events and groups that have contributed to making last semester the best ever. If I were to write down everything that happened last semester, I would fill this entire paper with memorable moments and pictures.

We can look back on the first half of the year and remember the good times with the bad. Now, let's proceed into the future, with the knowledge that we have learned from the past, and make the rest of this year just as good, if not better.



Memorial Hall Doors by B-D Construction

Photography by Lance Zach



New Tractor Donated by Shamrock Club

Photography by Lance Zach



Fr. Krampfer Celebrates Courtyard Mass

By Lance Zach

The school year started off like any other year. But the students, especially the seniors, knew this would be the best year ever.

Auxiliary Bishop Milone stopped in at Scotus on the 15th of September. The Bishop was seen walking through the halls and talking to the students. He was visiting Catholic schools in the Archdiocese. Bishop Milone, celebrant for a mass that was held in the new gym, blessed the new statue in the courtyard.

The "Statue of our Lady of Mercy" was saved from the St. Mary's Hospital by Mr. Leonard Fleisher. He donated it to Scotus. The statue was discovered to be made of pewter.

A pep rally was held by the coaches before the start of the fall athletic season. The spirit of the school received a big boost as the students learned a new fight song.

With the fans behind them, the teams showed what they could do.

The volleyball team was Conference and District champs. As the state playoffs came near, a community pep rally was held for the team. Six senior guys (who will remain nameless) dresses up as cheerleaders and led the spirited crowd in cheers. The team lost in the first round of aciton.

Four volleyball girls received All-Conference honors for their performances on the court. The season record was 20-2.

The football team was not blessed by mother nature this year. The fans came out in downpours of rain to see

their team play. "This season brought respect back to Scotus football," said one senior. The team had a 6-3 record and just barely missed out on a state playoff berth.

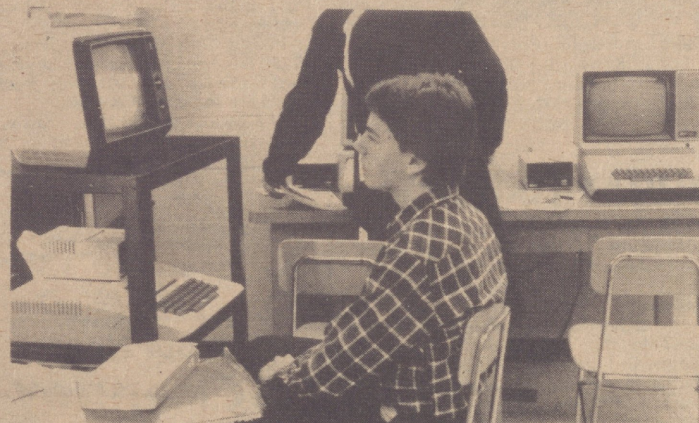
The team did place 11 of its members on the All-Conference team - the most in the history of Scotus.

The boys and girls Cross Country teams also represented their school well.

The boys were Conference champs and finished the season with a 5-1 dual record with high finishes in invites.

The girls only had four members out this year. Paula Stopak was the only runner from Scotus to go to State. There she places 41st out of 88 runners.

Homecoming week was the highlight of the first semester. The



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# SHAMROCKS



**GIRLS BASKETBALL**—Row 1: Becky Engelbert, manager, Lisa Thalken, Lisa Prosocki, Karen Soulliere, Sherri Svoboda, Liz Kumpf, Sandy Pekarek, Stacey Torczon; Row 2: Coach John Petersen, Trish Hroza, Lori Soulliere, Julie Paprocki, Jo Rhode, Colleen Witt, Heidi Hoffman, Coach Annette Schutte.



**BOYS BASKETBALL**—Row 1: Brian Van Dyke, manager, Pat Krzycki, Mike Reiser, Larry Prosocki, Mike Quattrocchi, Roger Konwinski, Pat Kuta, manager; Row 2: Coach Dennis Zowada, Chad Christiansen, John Kelly, Mark Brezinski, Greg Van Dyke, Jim Heimann, Scott Spencer, Coach Frank Spencer.

## GIRLS SPLIT TWO IN HOLIDAY TOURNEY

By Mark Brezinski

The Scotus Shamrock girls basketball team split a pair of games in the Columbus Holiday Basketball Tournament. The girls' dreams of winning the tourney were shattered in their first game against highly-touted and No. 1 ranked Ashland. The girls played a good game but were denied the victory by a final score of 49-36. Jo Rohde led the balanced attack with 12 points, Colleen Witt added 11, Trish Hroza and Julie Paprocki dropped in five, and Sheri Svoboda

and Heidi Hoffman scored two and one points, respectively. Scotus out-rebounded Ashland 41-34, Rohde had 14, Papricki had 10, and Witter had nine.

The Lady 'Rocks defeated Fairbury 53-47 in the consolation game to capture 3rd place. Jo Rhode led the charge once again with 16 points; she also pulled down 10 rebounds. Julie Paprocki scored 12 points and eight rebounds. Colleen Witt pumped in 10 points, Trish Hroza added nine and Heidi Hoffman scored six points and dished out six assists. The girls ended the night with a record of 5-2.



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## 'ROCKS SHOW THEIR ABILITIES

By John Swierczek

The Shamrock boy's basketball team raised their record from 3-3 to 6-4 over the past two weeks with victories over David City Aquinas, Schuyler, and Norfolk Catholic. Their loss came at the hands of Council Bluffs St. Alberts at Iowa.

At David City, Mark Brezinski led all scorers with 29 points. Jim Heimann and John Kelly added 10 apiece as Scotus won 72-57.

The Shamrocks then came home to beat Schuyler 50-47. Mark led all

scorers once again with 24 points. Norfolk Catholic invaded the Activity the following week but walked out on the short end of a 58-43 final score. Mark and Scott Spencer led the Shamrock attack with 21-19 points respectively.

The 'Rocks traveled to Iowa the following night to find defeat despite a record setting performance by Mark Brezinski. Mark scored 48 points to top the old record by 5 points. The Shamrocks lost to Council Bluffs by a final score of 81-72. Scotus travels to Elkhorn Mount Michael Friday to try and raise their record 7-4.

## LADY SHAMROCKS HOLD 6-2 RECORD

By Doug Dush

The Scotus Girls Basketball team filled the crowd with suspense once again as they defeated Wahoo Newman 53-47 in overtime. This win made their record 6-2.

Jo Rohde led the Shamrock victory with 13 points. Julie Paprocki came in close behind with 11 points and 7 rebounds. Colleen Witt and Trish Hroza both scored another 10 points

to help with the victory.

But, bad luck struck the Lady Shamrocks as they were defeated 30-47 by Omaha Cathedral. Jo Rohde once again led the charge with 15 points and 10 rebounds. Colleen Witt added her support with 8 points. Unfortunately Julie Paprocki was ill and could not participate. Hopefully she will return in time to catch the Lady Shamrocks next game at Grand Island Central Catholic. Good luck and happy trails!

## SHAMROCK NIGHT PAYS OFF

By Kim Neater

"Sell five books of raffle tickets and receive a day out of school." This is one of the major ideas on a student's mind when raffle ticket sales begin. What many students do not realize is what is behind this event. This is Shamrock Night, which is the main point of selling the tickets. The money which the students make by selling contribute to many of the expenses for the night such as the band fee and building rental.

Dancing, games, and, of course, the raffle for \$500, \$200, and \$100 are some of the festivities that take place at Agricultural Park on Shamrock Night, January 29. A breakfast will be held at the Scotus Cafeteria later in the evening.

In its 12th year, the Shamrock Night has been a success. Last year's net exceeded \$15,000. This year's goals are to be even higher.

The people behind this large production should receive credit for the

hard work in making the night a success.

The Scotus Mother's Club and the Shamrock Club should be recognized for their leadership and sponsorship throughout the night.

A big "Thanks" should be awarded to Mr. Francis Krzycki, the General Chairman and Al Steiner, Assistant General Chairman for the time that they put in.

Gary and Jim Puetz should be recognized for the organization and the determination behind the sales of raffle tickets.

This is just a part of the almost never ending list of people who also should be remembered. The will help make the 12th Annual Shamrock Night a total success.

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## SWEETHEART 1983



## 1983 SWEETHEART CANDIDATES

By Scott Spencer

The 1983 Sweetheart candidates have been chosen and are as follows:

Trish Hroza is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lee Hroza. Trish has been a member of the Pep-Club for four years and National Honor Society for three years. She has participated in four years of basketball, volleyball, and track, receiving an All-Conference award in volleyball her senior year. She received the Sertoma award in basketball and volleyball, and she lettered in all three sports. Trish is a member of Girl's Glee and she attended County Government Day her junior year.

Trish plans on attending college and majoring in nursing.

Robin Liebintritt is the daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Arthur Liebintritt. Robin is a member of the National Honor Society, Pep-Club, and Swing Choir. She was involved in volleyball her freshman year and attended County Government Day her junior year. Robin has been a member of honor roll for the past four years.

Robin plans on attending college where she will major in dance.

Kelly Maguire is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Maguire. Kelly is Vice-President of Student Council and is a member of Campus Ministry, Pep-Club, and National Honor Society. She was involved in German Club and F.B.L.A. for two years. Kelly was a member of Girl's Glee for one year and Mixed Chorus for one semester. Kelly is an Extra Ordinary Minister of the Eucharist, and she won a free trip to Washington, D.C., where she was involved in the Pro-Life march. Kelly lettered in Volleyball as the student manager.

Kelly plans on attending Creighton University and her major is in Business.

Julie Papricki is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Paprocki. Julie has participated in four years of basketball and volleyball, receiving letters in both sports. She has been a member of the Pep-Club for four years, and is serving as a letter girl this year. Julie is a member of Campus Ministry and National Honor Society. In volleyball, Julie received an All Conference and All State second team award, being elected co-most valuable player her junior year and most enthusiastic player her senior year. She received an All Conference honorable mention in basketball. Julie has been on the honor roll for four years.

Julie plans on attending college and majoring in Physical Therapy.

Jo Rhode is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jermain Rhode. She has been involved in the Scotus athletic department for four years, participating in basketball, volleyball and track. She is a member of the National Honor Society, Girl's Glee, and Pep-Club, and she is the vice-president of S-Club. Jo is also a member of Campus Ministry and she was involved in the German Club her freshman year, and was the vice-president of the freshman class. She was a winner of \$500. from an essay contest sponsored by the Columbus Realtors.

Jo has received honors in basketball and volleyball. She was All City, and All Conference honorable mention in basketball and received the Sertoma award in both basketball and volleyball, has lettered three years in basketball, and two years in volleyball and track.

Jo plans on attending Kearney State College, where she will major in Business Administration.

Cathy McLaughlin is the daughter



## QUEEN CATHY MCLAUGHLIN AND KING JACK KELLY

of Mr. and Mrs. Warren McLaughlin. Cathy was involved in volleyball her freshman and sophomore years, and was elected class president of the freshman class. Cathy is on the speech team where she is co-captain and she is also involved in Thespians, Pep-Club, Student Council and the Mock Trial which is to be held later in the year. Cathy is Vice-President of the senior class, and speech team leader where she held honors in T.V. News Commentary First place and Third place. She received a Second place honor in duet-acting.

Cathy plans on attending college and getting involved in communication.

Mark Brezinski is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Larry Brezinski. He has participated in four years of football, basketball and track. Mark is a member of the National Honor Society and he is also involved in the S-Club and Columbian Squires as well as Campus Ministry. He was a member of the German Club his freshman and sophomore year. Mark has been on the honor roll for four years and he has received honors in basketball for All-City, All-Conference his junior year.

Mark plans on attending college and majoring in Computer Science or Engineering.

Jack Cheloha is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Cheloha. Jack participated in football, track and Intramural basketball. He is a member of Campus Ministry, Student Council, F.B.L.A., and Speech team. Jack has received letterman awards in track and football and attended Boy's State. He received the Woodman Trophy in American History and has been on the honor roll three consecutive years.

Jack plans on attending college and majoring in Law.

Alan Engelbert is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Gerry Englebert. Alan is a member of the National Honor Society, Student Council, Campus Ministry, and S-Club. Alan was a member of the German Club his freshman and sophomore year. Alan has been on the honor roll for four years and he was awarded Optimist's Youth Appreciation Week and he attended County Government Day his junior year.

Alan plans on attending college and majoring in Computer Science.

Jack Kelly is the son of Mr. and Mrs. James Kelly. Jack was involved in football his sophomore year, track his freshman and sophomore year, and basketball all four years. Jack was a member of the German Club for two years, both his freshman and sophomore year. Jack is a member of the S-Club, and attended County Government Day his junior year.

Jack plans on attending college and major in Engineering.

Chad Christiansen is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Butch Christiansen. Chad has participated in basketball for four years and cross country for two years. Chad is a member of the S-Club, and Columbian Squires. He has received the Sertoma award in basketball.

Chad plans on attending college and majoring in Business Administration.

Jim Heimann is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Hank Heimann. Jim has participated in four years of basketball, football, and track. He is a member of the National Honor Society and S-Club. Jim received an All Conference award in football his senior year. Jim has been on the honor roll for four consecutive years. He was a member of the Spanish Club his freshman year.

Jim plans on attending college and majoring in Computer Science.



## EDITORIALLY SPEAKING

# BELL OF FREEDOM FINALLY RINGS

By Lisa Kneifel

Open campus is a privilege seniors look forward to during the first half of the school year. And, now that the first semester has passed, seniors have been given this privilege. During any of their free time they are free to do as they please.

Many of the things seniors do during this time are: Go watch soap operas at a friend's house, go home, go out to eat, drive around, do errands, visit grandma, play pool,

jam, go bowling, use the public library, and some even stay in school to do their homework!!!

Everyone agrees that open campus is great, except when you don't have a car, or someplace to go.

When the weather gets nicer the courtyard will be open to the seniors. Unfortunately, it can not be used for fun such as frisbee or other activities only for a place to study or talk.

All the seniors are real happy with open campus and plan on using it wisely, as they have thus far and in the future.

# FEELINGS EXPRESSED ABOUT UNIFORMS

By Patty Wemhoff

Wearing the same thing every day to school can be boring. But, spending every paycheck on school clothes wouldn't be much fun either. Waking up early to decide what to wear could also be a problem for some people. However, wearing sweats and T-shirts to school would really be comfortable.

There are definitely two sides to the dress code at Scotus. A survey proved that most students do like it. Here is what several people commented:

Kelly McGuire - "I like the idea of uniforms, but I think they should adjust to the weather."

Colleen McLaughlin - "I like it but I think girls should wear blazers

instead of sweaters".

Lisa Kneifel - "I think the skirts could be of better quality."

Chad Christiansen - "I think we should be able to wear a nice pair of blue jeans but no T-shirts. Girls should wear shorter skirts so we could see their legs."

Mark Brezinski - "I think it's hurtin'."

Wayne Borer - "I think long skirts are ugly. The uniforms are dull."

Brian Evans - "I think the girls have it easier because they have a set uniform."

Kim Neater - "I like it but the girls should be able to have some variety."

But, it looks like the green plaid skirts and green sweaters are here to stay!

# SENIORS ADDING UP CREDITS

By Genevieve Wieser

About a month ago all students received their second quarter report cards. And it came to pass that many of the seniors had reached or exceeded the necessary 200 credits needed to graduate. With this aspect in mind a few questions came up.

One of the more popular questions was: Why couldn't we drop more of our classes if we had enough credits? Our free time could have been spent working at our jobs or maybe taking a couple more classes at Platte College. Both could have benefited us at college next fall either in the form of

money or extra knowledge.

This is, of course, how the situation could be in the eyes of the seniors. But the reality of it all is that there is a policy at Scotus to have five solids. There has been some consideration to the possibility of cutting the solids down in the last few years, but the administration just didn't feel we would get the full benefit from a school education if the number of solids we had to take were cut. They want us to get our money's worth.

So, maybe we shouldn't be quite so anxious to get out of high school. We can stick it out a few more months. It's not all THAT bad!

# WHOSE CAN IT BE?

By Lance Zach

There is a car in the school parking lot that is one of a kind. This car is a 1973 maroon Vega. It has silver lettering and yellow and white pin stripes. This car, with 69 thousand miles on it, has a four cylinder engine, with power steering, manual brakes, and automatic.

The interior is mainly red. But the hatchback is carpeted with a variety of colors. The high back bucket seats are red, the steering wheel is covered

with black leather.

For little extras this car is big on them. There is a little red and white bird hanging from the mirror. The biggest extra is the Super Horn with 26 songs all ready programmed into it. But the owner says more can be programmed into it. This little Vega has a red magnetic light in it like police cars.

If you have not guessed the owner of this car, you can find the answer on the back page of this paper.

# SOPHOMORES LOOK INTO THEIR FUTURES THROUGH COMPUTERS

By Mark Brezinski

The sophomore class participated in the Career Exploration Unit December 6-22.

The Career Exploration Unit was a combination of the guidance department and the English department. It was held in Mr. Hixon's English classes.

The students first reviewed their Differential Aptitude Tests (DAT) results. They studied different resources that were available for career information. The highlight of the unit was completing the Nebraska Career Information System (NCIS). They then did the QUEST question-

naire, a computer questionnaire, and it was done on our computers here at school. The computer work helped them to identify the careers in Nebraska that they would and would not want to seek.

After going through the above processes the students selected three careers which they further explored and wrote about. These career units will hopefully be discussed by each sophomore and his parents with Sr. Frances before registering for next school year's classes.

Their assignments were turned in on January and in February the parent-student conferences are being held with Sr. Frances.

# STUDENTS TAKE PART IN PRO-LIFE MARCH

By John Swierczek

"To support life", the purpose of a rally in Washington, D.C., on January 21 and 22, was attended by Father Wayne, Father Kramper, Kelly Maguire, and Ann Sojka.

On Friday evening there was a vigil dinner which was attended by Kelly and Ann. Father Wayne and Father Kramper missed the dinner because they took a later plane than the girls.

Saturday started out with a meeting with Hal Daub. They stayed at Mr. Daub's office until 11:30. From there the four walked to the back side of the White House which is properly called

the Eclipse. Many people spoke about Pro-Life at this meeting. After the speeches were over, the 26,000 people that had assembled took part in a 2 1/2 mile march around the White House to peacefully protest abortion. The night ended with a Pro-Life dinner at 7:00 p.m. The cost of this dinner was \$35 a plate; \$14 of each ticket went to the support of the "Right to Life" cause. Senator Jesse Helms and Representative Henry Hyde, major pushers of the Right to Life amendment, spoke at this dinner.

Through these marches and events, everyone hopes that the "Right to Life" cause will be a success.

# BEING AN EDITOR — EVERY DAY IS AN ADVENTURE!

Oh, the pressures of being an editor. Sure, you might think it's an easy job, but wait until you've heard my side of it!

First of all, there's the pressures! The pressure to try to keep calm, cool, and collected (to coin a phrase) at all times. This isn't easy! And how about the pressure to be organized, even at the most hectic and chaotic times. And the pressure to meet the deadlines. But the most strenuous, most unsympathetic pressure of all is the one I face every day -- pretending that I know what's going on when I really don't!

Seriously, now, being an editor has both it's good and bad points.

I have to answer all sorts of questions; for example, "How do you spell doughnut?" (EDITORS NOTE: That is the correct spelling according to Webster's New World Dictionary, copyright 1956, and The New American Webster Dictionary, copyright 1972.)

But I don't just answer questions all day. I also proofread stories. This is one of the easier jobs. Sometimes I get to run errands related to the production of our monthly newspaper: Picking up the type-set copy, going for film, and getting the finished copy of the paper. This is in any kind of weather, too--warm or cold, sunny or stormy, and, yes, even windy (about the worst type of all, at least to me. Ever try to chase 800 copies of Statistics down Mains?....)

Maybe now I should look at the really good side -- I can assign stories for people to write, decide what is and is not a good story, and recommend changes or additions that might be made. Of course, all of this is done under the guidance and supervision of our sponsor, Mrs. Bstandig. Many thanks to her for making this possible.

And Thanks to all of you for listening to my side of the story.

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## PEP BAND TAKING ON NEW CHALLENGES

By Genevieve Wieser

The pep band has started many activities thus far this year and will take on new challenges in the future.

The band began the year by playing their tunes at some of the home football games. They could be heard loud and clear before the games and during halftime. They proceeded to play for basketball games after football ended. And they will continue to play once a week for either a girls or boys basketball game.

Mr. Hopp stated that among the 29 students in the pep band four are seniors. Two of the seniors, Virginia Sprunk and Laura Heimann, had no knowledge of their instruments before starting in the band. The other two seniors, De Hebd and Lance Zach,

had experience with their instruments when entering into the band.

Mr. Hopp also stated that next year the band will take quite a jump from 29 students to 45 or 50 students. And within the next two years there should be from 60 to 65 students enrolled.

With the student enrollment rising, Mr. Hopp hopes to have the band marching in the next two years. He plans to start working on the fundamentals this spring.

Also, later on this spring will be the District contest at Platte College. Right now several small ensemble groups are looking to participate in the event.

Mr. Hopp added that he will be incorporating into the band program a lettering system this spring.

## FOREIGN LANGUAGES MAKE AN IMPACT

By Lance Zach

The foreign languages here at Scotus are really doing their part to prepare students for college.

To start things off, the Spanish department has added a new course to the program this year. This is the Spanish III class and it is receiving a lot of recognition by the students who want to learn more about the language.

There are about 60 students in Spanish classes, forty of these are in a group called Spanish Club.

The Spanish Club has hosted a fiesta. This is a Mexican party where traditional Mexican food is served.

In the German department, the class is being taught by a new teacher. Miss Sperland, who is from

Fort Collins, Colorado, has many big plans for the German students. She would like to take some students to Millard High School in Omaha this spring for a German Camp.

Both groups plan to go to the Foreign Language Fair in Lincoln on March 9th. Here the students will compete in many different areas.

National Foreign Language Week will be held on the second week in March. Both groups are undecided about their plans for this week.

Mr. DeLuna has been teaching Spanish for 14 years, with the last eight here at Scotus. Miss Sperland has taught German for one year.

With these experienced teachers, we know that graduates from Scotus will have a big jump on the foreign languages in college.

## SENIORS TAKE IT TO COURT

By John Swierczek

Scotus will be competing in the second annual Mock Trial Competition of the 21st Judicial District, March 14-17. Nine seniors from the senior class will participate in this competition. The participants are Greg VanDyke, Cathy McLaughlin, Jack Cheloha, Lance Zach, Bob Schumacher, Therese Baz, Anne Sojka, Kelly Maguire, and Mary Lynn Zoucha.

Scotus will compete in the East section, which also includes Schuyler, Howells, Lakeview, Monroe, Columbus, Humphrey, and Leigh-Scotus' first opponent.

The case for the trial involves whether a child's interests and his father's right to custody is stronger

than a newspaper's right to keep their sources secret. Scotus will be the defendant in the first round against Leigh.

The competition is judged on a point basis in ten different areas. The two teams with the highest accumulative score from both the East and West division will square off in the finals.

The attorneys and witnesses for Scotus have not yet been picked, but a school judging by Mr. Zowada, Mrs. Brozovsky, and Mr. Hansen, who works as an attorney, will pick the parts played by the seniors named above.

Mr. Zowada has stated, "This Mock Trial is a competition, but should be used mainly as a learning experience."

Thanks All!  
Thank you Scotus and St. Bons for a beautiful birthday. Surprises were delightful. I enjoyed them all.  
I love you.

Clara Fletcher



## MUSIC STUDENTS ACTIVE SECOND SEMESTER

By Genevieve Wieser

The second semester will hold many activities for the music students. Some of the activities will include singing at the Choral Clinic at Boys Town, the District Music Contest at Platte College, and the music concert at Scotus.

Right now the students are preparing to go to Boys Town on March 8. At Boys Town we will combine with about nine other NCC Conference schools and give a concert. They will be performing seven numbers in all with one song being done by girls only on one song with guys only. The swing choir will also perform.

After performing at Boys Town, the groups will begin to practice for the District Music Contest held at Platte College on April 22. All of our large groups will be performing. The judges will also hear the freshman ensemble, duets, and soloists.

And last but not least the students will present the spring concert. This grand finale will be held in May.

Amid the preparation for concerts and contests the students will be

asked to sell candy as a fund raiser for the music class. The proceeds from the candy sale will go toward the buying of music and music awards. It will also help to fund a larger project that will be selected by Mrs. Schanbel and the chorus officers.

Sometime this spring the music classes will also hear from Mr. Tom Patrick. He teaches vocal music in a very large high school in Arizona. Mr. Patrick came to Scotus the first week of February to work with the students on using correct tone and singing with more emotion.

When asked about the increase in class size over the last four years, Mrs. Schnable gave some figures. The first year she was here mixed chorus had 25 students, and this year there are 52 students. Girls glee has 16 more students this year than four years ago, and freshman chorus has four more students. Mrs. Schnabel added, "This has definitely helped in the sound that we produce. The sound is much more full. Mrs. Schnabel also stated, "The addition of all the guys has contributed to a much better sound in chorus."

## YEAR BUSY FOR MRS. BERNT

By Brian Evans

So far, the 1982-83 school year has been a pretty busy year for Mrs. Bernt, and it looks like it will be till the end of the year!

Things started rolling on Tuesday, September 14. The first Scotus Speech Team organizational meeting was held to get the old and the new members ready for the new year. Mrs. Bernt, along with Miss Webb, helped the 40 member team get ready and psyched up for the upcoming contests. The first competition, the Platte College Speech Contest, was held on November 13. All contestants gave a fine showing.

The next competition was on December 11 in Grand Island. The team took second place for overall competition, with nine students placing in finals.

A major event that will be coming up is the Conference Speech Contest, this year being hosted by Scotus. It will be on March 5, with nine schools (including Scotus) competing. Mrs. Bernt said that "hopefully we have learned from other contests how to be organized." All of the speech team members that went to Grand Island will be involved, whether in competition, helping with the scores, or what-not. Student Council and various faculty members will also be helping out.

District competition will be held at Raymond Central on March 19, and State will be at Kearney sometime in April.

September 14 was also a big day for another reason--auditions for the fall musical, "Ducktails and Bobbysox" were held. It was a fifties-type musical, and was well received by all who attended. Performances were given on October 29 and 30. Mrs. Bernt and Mrs. Schnabel directed the play.

Thespians is another area that has been well-received this year. With 12 new members this year, Mrs. Bernt has a lot of ideas. She would like to take them to a Dinner Theatre in Omaha sometime in April, and possibly on a field trip to a Convention at the University in February. She is also toying around with the idea of possibly putting on a Children's Theatre for the grade school children in March or April. Students in her Drama II class and Thespian members would be involved in this.

The Thespian Initiation week was held the last week of November, and the 12 new members were inducted on December 3, 1982. All the new members were good sports and should be congratulated on their good spirit.

Mrs. Bernt has also just finished up work with the One-Act Play Competition, in which she and her Drama II class worked with the play "Oh, What a Tangled Web". Their first competition was held on January 8 at Omaha Mercy, hosted by Omaha Holy Name. The students performed well, but comedies weren't popular choices with the judges. However, two performers from Scotus were recognized for their participation: Michelle Korgor and Scott Scow.

District competition was held at Platte College on January 17. Scotus placed third in the contest, with one superior rating and one excellent rating. Michelle Korgor was once again recognized, this time as Superior Actress.

Scotus will not be going on to Conference competition, but North Bend will be representing our District with a cutting from "Godspell".

Yes, Mrs. Bernt has been a very busy lady this year, with more to come as the year goes on. I wish to express my sincere gratitude and appreciation for all the active participation she has given.



# AFTERMATH OF CONFERENCE TOURNEYS

By Scott Spenceri

Scotus proved to be a very classy team winning two out of the three games after the Conference tournament.

Their first victim was Fremont Bergen downing the Knights 76-43. Leading scorers for the Shamrocks were senior forward Mark Brezinski with 18 points and Scott Spenceri with 13 points. Mark Brezinski had 10 rebounds and Greg Van Dyke had 8 rebounds respectively.

After defeating the Knights, Scotus

went on to defeat Wahoo Neumann by a score of 58-52. Leading scorers for the game were Mark Brezinski with 23 points and Scott Spenceri with 15 points.

The Shamrocks brought their 11-5 record to Platte College where they met the Vikings of Lakeview. Scotus ran out of offensive power in a 3-overtime game losing to the Vikings 70-60 in what was a very exciting game. The leading scorers for the game were Mark Brezinski with 24 points and Scott Spenceri with 22 points.

## GIRLS 10-4 AFTER 3 BIG GAMES

By Mark Brezinski

The girl's basketball team raised their record to 10-4 with wins over Aquinas and Lakeview and a tough loss to highly ranked Schuyler.

The girls held off a late surge by the Aquinas Monarch girls to win it 52-49. Colleen "Mick" Witt led the balanced scoring with 16 points, Julie Paprocki added 14 and Jo Rhode chipped in 13.

The Lady Shamrocks were then to take on second ranked and un-

defeated Schuyler. The girls gave the Warriors all they could handle, but were defeated 50-47. Rhode led with a whopping 24 points. The only loss Schuyler has had was just a few teeth at the "after game festivities."

The very next night the gals were invaded by the Lakeview Viqueens. The girls were tired from the big game the night before but they won on a tremendous fourth quarter rally which saw them come from way behind. The pulled out a squeaker in the end 41-40. All right!!

## HAPPY TRAILS TO YOU, AGAIN!

By Doug Dush

The Lady Shamrocks rocked the Grand Island Central Catholic Crusaders in their home town making it victory number seven. Leading the "crusade" was Jo Rhode (boy can that girl move) with 17 points. Heidi Hoffman helped with an astonishing 11 points. Julie Paprocki played a great game scoring 9 points while not fouling out. For Jo Rhode this game

gave her a chance to get even with an old rival Karla Rork.

Next the Shamrocks took on the mighty Fremont Bergen Knights. But the Knights proved not so mighty getting beat 49-30. Julie Paprocki scored 10 points and had six steals. Colleen Witt added another 12 points while leaping for 5 rebounds. But look out, here comes mighty Jo. Again she led the Shamrocks with 14 points and 7 rebounds.

## IBA TOURNEYS START

By Lance Zach

The IBA season has come to a close this year. But the tournaments are right around the corner.

At the end of the season Borer's team was on top of all the other teams. Pokorney's and Styskal's teams rounded out the roster of six teams.

Dave Love scored the most points. Dr. Love scored 124 points for his team.

The first round of the playoffs have been played already. In the first game Englebert's team used team work and fast breaks to beat Pokorney's fast running team.

In the second game played that night had Swierczek and Styskal battling it out. Swierczek used the fast break to his advantage, but it was not enough to overcome the impressive ball handling by Sty and his team.

The second round of the playoffs has Koziol playing Styskal, and Englebert playing Borer.

# BOYS TAKE CROWN

By John Swierczek

The Nebraska Centennial Conference Tournament proved to be a very productive one for the Scotus Boys' basketball team. Scotus advanced to the finals by defeating Boys Town and Omaha Cathedral in the opening rounds. The Shamrocks then went on to defeat Wahoo Neumann in the finals.

Scotus opened the tournament by beating the Boys Town Cowboys 73-50. Mark Brezinski led all scorers with 22 points, while bringing down 10 rebounds. Mike Quattrochi added 12 points in the victory.

Teh 'Rocks then defeated the Omaha Cathedral Cardinals in the semi-finals by a final score of 68-59. Mark again led all scorers with 31 points. Scott Spenceri added 15 points

and John Kelly grabbed 8 caroms.

Advancing to the finals, the Shamrocks were ready for a tough challenge with the Wahoo Neumann Cavaliers. But Scotus met the challenge and defeated the Cavaliers 56-42. Mark and Scott led the Shamrock charge with 20 and 18 points respectively.

One of the highlights of the tourney was Mark Brezinski's performance at the free throw line. Mark was 23 for 23 from the line for 100% average.

Coach Spenceri stated, "This is our 2nd championship in the last five years. We also won in 1979-80, beating Council Bluffs St. Alberts. I thought our team played very well in the tourney both offensively and defensively. We seemed to play well together and have been improving each game."

## PEP CLUB MEMBERS STAND PROUD

By Kim Neater

A pep club makes up one half of a team during a season and when a pep club doesn't participate, the team and the fans are affected greatly.

This year, the Scotus Pep Club has had a slight decline. Approximately five members have dropped leaving close to one-hundred members. Sister felt that things are going as good as can be expected. The usual problems of people not attending home games, talking instead of cheering, running around, not paying attention, and of course the sly way of the girls grabbing their coats five minutes before the game is over, is still plaguing a percentage of the girls.

With the 1982-83 school year a new system of keeping track of points was created. The squad leader and the member has a sheet which they keep track of the points. At the end of the sports season, the squad leader and the member get together and compare the points that they have totaled. When they both agree, they sign the sheet to qualify the agreement. This new system aids in the argument of

girls feeling that they were cheated out of points. Now they are aware of the points and approve by signing the sheet.

This year's fund raiser was new and different. Instead of the kits with many different items, Imps, Mixed Nuts, Turtles, and Katydid's were sold. The total sales was approximately \$4,000. The top sellers were freshmen, Lori Sokol and Stacey Torzon; sophomores, Colleen Krzycki, Rhonda Gonka and Kim Pokorny; juniors, Pam Ruzicka and Sandy Pekarek; and the seniors, Kathy Prokupek and Laura Bierman.

The fundraiser money goes for many different things such as the fee for the charter buses, flowers for the Homecoming candidates and the players on Parents Night, supplies for the locker decorations, and the pins and awards on Honor's Night.

Being in Pep Club is fun, an honor, and a big responsibility. Girls should feel privileged to be a part of it. Members should try and take a more serious look at it, so that Scotus Pep Club can be "totally awesome" like the school it represents.

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## AREA STUDENTS LEARN ABOUT GOVERNMENT

By Brian Evans

County Government Day was held this year on Monday, March 14. Those who participated this year were:

Office	Official's Name
County Clerk	Hugh Riley
Clerk of District Court	Lori Czuba
Register of Deeds	Larry Prosocki
County Treasurer	Lisa Keller
County Sheriff	Jim Paprocki
County Assessor	Liz Kumpf
County Attorney	Mike Quattrocchi
County Supervisor	Julie Modlin
County Superintendent of Schools	Karen Soulliere
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County Welfare Director	Paula Stopak
County Extension Agent-Home Economics	Sherri Zywiec
County Extension Agent-Agriculture	Mike Reiser
County Highway Superintendent	Julie Engelbert
County Weed Superintendent	Bill Drozd
County Election Commissioner	Jim Placzek
Region 10 Civil Defense Coordinator	Dan Niedbalski
District Probation Officer	Sheri Svoboda
	Lisa Schaefer
	Kris Harsh

The students were orientated in the morning, toured the court house, and later split up into groups to talk with the supervisors of the departments they were in.

All-in-all, it was a very educational day for all.



## SPANISH CLUB SUCCESSFUL ONCE MORE IN LINCOLN

By Doug Dush

On Wednesday, March 9, 1983, the Spanish and German students road-tripped to Lincoln, Nebraska, to participate in the Seventh Annual Statewide Modern Language Fair. The Fair was hosted by the Department of Modern Language at the University of Nebraska. Over two thousand students across the state joined together.

The students started out the day by assembling at 9:00 a.m. to listen to several speakers, which included the Dean of Modern Language from the University. After the assembly the students competed against students from the other schools in such things

as drama, poetry, nametags, posters, music, folkdance, and honors testing. All of the competitions were held in either French, German or Spanish. The Spanish 2 and 3 classes participated in drama. The two classes put on a play called "La Vida en un Restaurante" which translates into "The Life in a Restaurant". The performance received a very good rating. Also receiving a very good rating were the posters done by Tami Zuerlein and Karen Tooley, and the nametags done by Rick Bogus and Tim Mullen.

After the competition, the students gathered once more for the awards ceremony at 3:00.



Photography by Doug Dush

## SCOTUS SPEECH TAKES FIRST IN CONFERENCE

By Brian Evans

Put the tables over there! Brint up the chairs and put them in here! Hang up the poster in the theatre!

Orders like these were heard all around the school in preparation for the Conference Speech Meet, held this year at Scotus.

After much time, effort and hard work was put in, Scotus reaped the rewards of success. Out of 34 entries from Scotus, 24 went on to compete in the final rounds. Of these 24, 21 entries placed in finals. They were:

**Extemporaneous Speaking:** Jack Cheloha, first place; Sherri Zywiec, second place; Kathy Hellbushc, third place; and Steve Merrill, fourth place. **Original Oratory:** Lori Cimpl, third place; Sherri Zywiec, fourth place. **Informative Speaking:** Bridget Chohon and Patty Wemhoff, tied for first place; Ginger Bottger, second place; Julie Modlin, third place. **Entertainment Speaking:** Joan Sojka, first place; Michelle Korger, second place; Jane Euteneuer, third place.

**Poetry:** Bridget Chohon, first place; Martha Oncken, second place. **Humerous Prose:** Terri Jackson, third place; **Duet Acting:** Cathy McLaughlin and Karen Pokorny, third place; Cindy Krause and Donna Schieffer, fourth place. **Serious Prose:** Tammy Stepanek, third place. **Play Reading:** Bill Drozd, Terri Jackson, Michelle Korger, Karen Pokorny and Paul Prosocki, second place; Jodi Cutsor, Steve Merrill and Lori Sokol, third place.

Of the eight schools that participated, Scotus received first place in overall competition for the fifth year in a row. Second place went to David City Aquinas, and Wahoo Newman received third.

Many thanks should be given to those who came to judge, time, tabulate and work at the food stand. Also, many thanks to Sister Margaret for running the library, and to the Scotus Student Council for all their help in preparation for the contest.

Scotus' Speech Team is really something to be proud of this year!

## FATHER JOE — A POET IN OUR TIME

By Lisa Kneifel

On Monday, February 28, the senior English classes had a guest speaker. The guest speaker was Fr. Joe Miksch, and he talked about poetry.

The seniors have been studying poetry in their English classes. Fr. Joe, being very interested in poetry, talked to the class. This was Father's third year talking to seniors about poetry.

Father handed out some of his favorite poems. They ranged from

"The Canterbury Tales" by Geoffrey Chaucer, "Sonnet 116" by William Shakespeare, to "Lines Composed a Few Miles Above Tintern Abbey" by William Wordsworth. After Father read these poems, he would explain what made him like them. Most brought back memories from his boyhood life on the farm—thus they were special to him.

Each senior learned a little more about poetry through Father's talk. The seniors would like to thank Father for his time.



# EDITORIALLY SPEAKING SENIORITIS SETS IN

By Doug Dush

Senioritis is a classic problem found among many seniors today. With the coming of warm weather anticipation grows in the hearts of students as they wait for the coming freedom. Memories of summers long ago fill their minds and ready them for their last high school summer. For all seniors it will be a summer to remember.

Memories of my many summers dwell in my mind as thoughts of the Tailrace and the many fun times that we found there, cruising on Saturday night looking for some company, or

just staying up all night with the guys watching T.V. remind me of the many fun times I have had. As for all seniors these memories are the most valued.

This summer will also be a time of growth for many. Among underclassmen they must be prepared to lead Scotus on no matter what is thrown in their path. The seniors must face many new and challenging problems. For most this means college, but for others this could mean work or even starting a family. But whatever is chosen by the individual let us hope them the best of luck on their journey through life.

## EASTER IS A MEANINGFUL HOLIDAY

By Patty Wemhoff

Easter is usually a day for family get-togethers and wearing your new Spring clothes. It is also the most important holy day of the Christian religion.

The day's name may have come from Eostre, a Teutonic goddess of Spring. The symbols of Easter began many years ago but still go on today.

Eggs represent the new life that returns to nature about Easter time. The early Persians believed that the earth had hatched from a giant egg.

Therefore, eggs are a symbol of rebirth.

Rabbits were once believed to be symbols of the moon. The moon later have become Easter symbols because the moon determines the day of Easter. The Easter bunny belief probably comes from Germany. One legend says that a woman dyed eggs and hid them in a nest as an Easter gift for her children. Just as the children discovered the nest a big rabbit leaped away. The story spread that the rabbit had brought the Easter eggs.

## TOTALLY AWESOME SPIRIT

By Mark Brezinski

Now that is more like it guys! The spirit at the Boy's District Tournament was "awesome". Every person and their dog was there and yelling very loud. Our fans made the fans from other schools sound like they were at a funeral.

Not only was it the guys, but it was the girls, the parents, the little rug-rats, and everybody else. Even though the team didn't make it to

State, we still have the greatest crowd and greatest Pep Club in the State, if not in the nation.

Our fans are not only loud, but they're rowdy, which is great. Take Lancer for instance, there is no longer a "TROJANS ARE #1" poster. Then take "Gearhead", he got a little extra track practice with the flag. Our fans are virtually the greatest!

We have spirit, yes we do, other schools have it too. "So what!"

## SPIRIT: WILL IT LAST?

By John Swierczek

School spirit is slowly starting to diminish at Scotus.

A few years ago students were allowed to wear costumes, hats, and trench coats. Many people, mainly the administration, could not see how this raised spirit so they proposed new laws that prohibited the wearing of these garments. But to the students, this was a major part of raising spirit. It showed that Scotus students were not like everyone else, but unique in their own ways. This also showed that the students would go all out to support their teams.

Speaking of hats, the football

players are not even allowed to wear the hats purchased by their parents during the football season. The main reason these hats were purchased was to raise "spirit" for the football team. If this was the case, then why are we prohibited from wearing them to raise spirit for all the other athletic teams here at Scotus.

But even though all the little unique things done here in the past are slowly being wiped out, this should not stop us from continuing our support of the athletic teams. Because without our support, the intensity of our team's desire to win will slowly dwindle.

## OPERATION RICE BOWL

By Patty Wemhoff

One dollar will buy five loaves of bread for pre-school children in Morocco! Twenty-five dollars will provide malaria vaccinations for twenty-five children in Bolivia! Through Operation-Rice-Bowl, every willing person can donate money for one of these or many other projects aimed at helping the underprivileged.

## PARTICIPATION ENCOURAGED AT MASS

By Patty Wemhoff

Giving up candy, not eating between meals, or being especially nice to family members are typical Lenten sacrifices. Another idea for those who wish to offer up even more during the forty days of Lent is to go to mass more often!

The opportunity to attend the 7:50 masses in the chapel is one reason we go to school at Scotus than at Columbus High. However, many students have never even been inside the chapel! Lent would be a perfect time to start the habit of waking up twenty-five minutes earlier at least once a week to go to mass.

Rice bowls were distributed in our school and parishes as reminders during Lent to sacrifice.

Giving one's time and prayers is the best sacrifice a person can offer. Father Kramper hopes that many Scotus students will spend their time April 10th at the Faith Rally in the AK-SAR-BEN coliseum. The rally is aimed at creating a feeling of unity among schools in our Archdiocese.

The attendance at mass on the day of a special event is always good. But, mass on the following morning would be just as crowded because if the team did well, they should be thankful. If they did not do as well as they had hoped, then they should pray so next time they will do better. It is unfortunate that more people do not take advantage of the opportunity to go to mass even when Lent is over and there is no special activity such as a speech contest, track meet, or golf meet.

Father Kramper once stated that he likes to see representation from each class at week-day masses-so why dot let it be you?

## RISE AND SHINE

By Genene Wieser

It's early in the morning on a school day. Suddenly the alarm sounds and slowly a hand reaches up to shut it off. This is the way the day starts for some students.

Actually, this is the way some students TRY to start the day, but in reality, they turn the alarm off and just go back to sleep until somebody calls to them to get up. Then they fall, crawl, or jump out of bed to meet a new school day. Of course a large majority of them fall or crawl because who in their right mind would be enthusiastic about a new school day.

Along with getting out of bed is the decision about when to do it. Now, for some, the hour to rise and shine (?) is 5:00 a.m. because they have a little

left over homework to complete (such is the case with the writer of this story). Others wait until it's 8:15 and then they rush around getting ready. These are frequently the people seen running into school at 8:28.

Usually people have a time pretty much set as to when they get up. They allow themselves so much time for getting dressed; it might take a bit longer for the guys since they have to decide what to wear everyday. Fortunately for the girls this is no problem. If it was the time to get out of bed would have to be moved up an hour. The girls get all the lucky breaks.

Well, enough has been said about getting up in the morning for if this story continues any longer a certain writer will be late for school.

## SPRING IS ON ITS WAY

By Patty Wemhoff

Almost everyone likes Spring. Wearing short-sleeved shirts, driving with open car windows, and planting gardens are often associated with this season.

However, there are more serious aspects such as job hunting. Many people are found searching for summer jobs or striving for even a little bit of tan before summer swimsuits flash skin that has not seen the

sun for five months!

Track competitors usually welcome a Spring rain for an excuse for no practice. Golf participants are also delayed because of sudden rain or wind storms.

After many months of snow and cold weather, the green grass is a great change and the roar of lawn mowers sounds much better than the wind whipping against your windows-unless your are the one mowing the lawn!

## DRIVING CAN BE HAZARDOUS

By Doug Dush

Almost anyone who has driven a car has noticed the increasing lack of safety among modern drivers. Of course all of us know that we drive very well! Personally, I have never driven outside the standard safety measures set for drivers. But there are those who drive like there is no tomorrow.

For starters we have those who have years to reach their destinations; the "Sunday Drivers". This group usually consists of people of the older generation. At first you may think it's a funeral because these people tend to cruise at least 5 to 10 mph under the recommended speed limit. Also, they like to sit at intersections and watch the cars go by until none can be seen for miles.

Next come the Indy 500 drivers. This group is mainly made up of teenagers. Who do these guys think they are, Richard Petty? Usually around 3:10 Mondays through Fridays many of these speed demons can be seen outside of school. Clues to these kind of drivers are squealing of tires, running stop signs, and an occasional loud stereo. But be careful!! Never attempt to cross in front of or try to out run one of these gearheads because they have a tendency of not stopping and are far too fast.

Fortunately not all people fall into these categories. Most are normal, well-minded people. But next time you happen to run into a "Sunday Driver" or a "Gearhead" remember that they were waiting for someone just like you.

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## GOALS AND ENTHUSIASM ARE BIG PARTS OF ART CLASS

By Scott Spenceri

The art classes this year have developed many new ideas to help better the class and make them more enjoyable for the students.

A goal that was set by Mrs. Wragge, the art teacher, is to organize an art show downtown in the spring. This art show would show the public just how good our art program really is. She also feels that a change in the art room itself would make a better atmosphere for the students to work in. "The classes are really going well so far, and the students are really working hard to meet the goals they have set", said Mrs. Wragge. "The enthusiasm in this room helps make it easier to teach and this is what makes the classes fun for me."

Most of the students in the classes feel that although art is fun, they are learning a lot from the teacher and how she conducts the class. "Enjoying what you are doing, and enjoying who you are teaching, is what makes this class fun to teach", is how Mrs. Wragge states her philosophy. Many classes are organized around a lecture and work time, but the art class is basically individualized, stressing drawing skills in everything they do.

The art classes plan to receive a kiln, which is used for making hand pottery. So, the students will better develop the skills that should be gotten out of such a class.

From what I have given to you about the art classes, it looks like we should be expecting promising things out of them in the future.

## STUDENTS ALWAYS LEARNING IN HOME EC

By Lisa Kneifel

The many students who are participating in the home economic classes this year have been very busy with several different projects.

There are five different classes that can be taken in the economics department. The first is comprehensive home economics. This is for students in ninth and tenth grades. Home interior, foods, parenting, and consumerism are the other four departments and are for students in grades eleventh and twelfth.

In the comprehensive home economics class the students have been sewing. Items such as quilted vests, sweat pants, and bath robes have been sewn by the guys in the class. The girls have been sewing mostly skirts and blouses. For the second semester the class can be looking forward to food labs and a unit in child development.

The students in the home interior class have shown great creativity. The class has made many different quilted picture frames and folding chair covers. Both can be viewed in the display case in front of the home-ec room.

Anyone who likes to cook or eat should have been in the foods class. They have made things from cookies for Christmas to foreign foods. Foods such as home-made pizza, souffle, fish, duck, and taffy have been made in this class. But, along with making the food they also have to learn the nutritional value of it and what it would cost per serving.

The parenting class will be observing children and their developmental patterns. They will also be bringing little kids into class to observe and will be visiting a pre-school. For the first time boys are enrolled in this class; everyone is very excited.

Many of us may be thinking about purchasing a car; the consumerism class certainly is. How to purchase a car and rent or buy a home are a few things the class will be learning about. They will also be learning how to prepare for a wedding, such as purchasing a diamond and the dresses. Later in the year, the class will be taking a field trip to a small claims court.

As you can see everyone who participates in any one of these classes has been working hard and learning valuable things that will help them in the future.

## BIG LIBRARY PLANS IN STORE

By Lisa Kneifel

This year a library committee has developed a five year plan to improve the Scotus library.

This plan has involved evaluating the library. In 1983-84 the main project will be making a media center out of the library. Updating the card catalog and adding A-V material will be done in 1984-85. In the year 1985-86, books and filmstrips will be

added. During the final year of the plan, 1986-87, the library and study hall will be made into one room and added will be a listening and equipment room. This plan, not finalized, will be presented to the school board.

The library committee members are: Sister Margaret, chairman, Mr. Rokusek, Mr. G. Puetz, Father Wayne, Miss Webb, Mr. Gannon, and Mrs. Pinger.

## P.E. SUCCESSFUL THIS YEAR

By Mark Brezinski

The physical education program has had a very successful first semester. Mr. Spenceri, the boy's teacher and Mrs. Malicky, the girl's teacher, both agreed.

The students in grades nine and ten are the only high school students who are required to take the course. They are taught sports of recreational value that will carry over with them in the future.

An emphasis is put on single and dual sports. Two of the single sports are tennis and golf. In tennis and golf, one thing the students are taught is terminology. Double fault or ace might be two examples for tennis. Bogey or driver could be two for golf. They are taught the rules of the game and some good techniques of how to

play the game.

They also have sports that are team oriented such as soccer and basketball. These are even more competitive than others because the students go five on five or more.

At the present time the high school classes are in the only co-ed activity-square dancing. I always enjoyed that one. Mr. Spenceri and Mrs. Malicky both agreed that the students enjoy square dancing together. (I'd have to see that to believe it.)

Both teachers said the students are fun to teach. The students participate well and they have fun competing against each other.

Mrs. Malicky added that the high school girls have a different unit than the boys. This unit is dancing. "I am also glad to be back teaching", stated Mrs. Malicky.

## F.B.L.A. COMPETES IN GENOA

By Shelly Tschantre

Scotus Cental Catholic High School participated in the Genoa Competition Day at Genoa Public School on February 12, 1983.

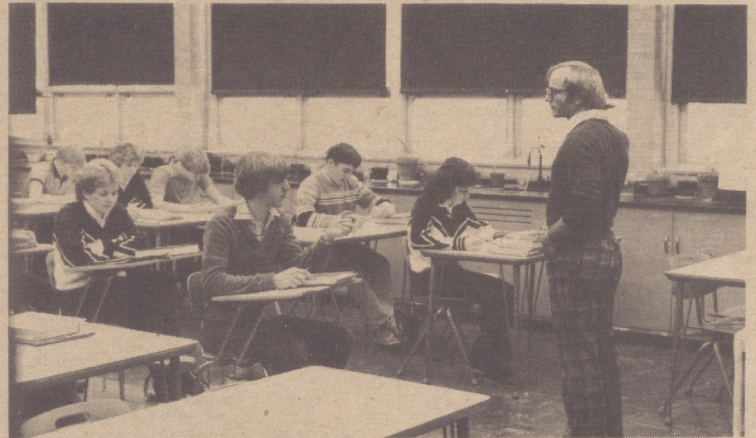
Students receiving honors were: Cathy McLaughlin, Karen Mielak, Mary Lynn Zoucha, Jayne Wieser, and Shelly Demuth-all of whom tied for first place in Current Events with Humphrey St. Francis; Theresa Wieland, second place in Typing I

speed; Jane Wolfe, third place in General Business.

Other students involved were: Shelly Tschantre, Paul Prososki, Kathy Hellbusch, Lori Sokol, Diane Zornes and our sponsors Miss Schutte and Mrs. Klug.

The other schools that participated in the competition were Aquinas, Genoa, Lakeview, North Bend, and Stanton.

It was a very rewarding experience for all who attended.



Photography by Scott Spenceri

## PROJECTS ARE HEADLINERS IN SCIENCE

By Doug Dush

This year the science departments have been up to their usual experiments. So far, the students seem very interested in what they are doing.

Mr. Utecht is head of the chemistry and physics programs. He also teaches a junior high class in physical science. During the second semester, Mr. Utecht's fundamental chemistry class is participating in group experiments. The groups consist of two to three people. Each group will perform an experiment for the benefit of the class. Mr. Utecht says that all the experiments must be energy related. Examples of the experiments are: Water turbines, wind turbines, heat turbines, acid rain, copper plating, and Jan Zoucha and Shelly Demuth are presenting a special experiment on refining salt from seawater. All experiments are to be finished by January 31, and will be presented for the next two weeks.

In Mr. Utecht's college prep.

chemistry class, the class is studying nomenclature-the naming of compounds. They are also balancing equations and predicting the products formed in various reactions.

In the physics class all the students have been involved in many exciting experiments. So far this year they have had fun making hydrogen bombs. They have also entered into the wonders of vacuums and have played with slinkies.

Mr. Younger is head of the biology and physiology programs. During the second semester his biology classes will be dissecting various kinds of animals, such as: Crayfish, worms, perch, clams, and frogs.

In Mr. Younger's physiology class they have studied digestion and the class was busy dissecting cats. Many students felt this was fun.

The science departments are very interesting in many ways-whatever the subject may be. They are also very useful if you are planning to go on to college.



# DREAMS MAY BECOME REALITY

By Scott Spencer

Dreams may become reality. This was taken into consideration when the Scotus basketball team started out the 1982-83 season. A dream of going to State was our major goal that we were to reach at the end of the season, and this was to be the dream that we had.

With the help of a mentor who made it so fun to play the game, this dream seemed so close to becoming reality. Giving us his analogy of basketball, we developed skills that were to lead us to this goal that we have set. These skills, which are developed through the season, are what makes a team capable of reaching the State Tournament.

When playing in the State

Tournament, players develop a feeling that sends chills up their spine. The level of intensity that is developed is so high that participants don't need adrenalin to get up for the games. All that athletes have worked for during the season is all summed up into a three game tournament that is the highlight of everyone's basketball season.

These dreams which individuals strive to reach are taken away so fast that the players don't even remember the day before. This feeling of depression should be felt by any good athlete if he or she really cares. The only thing left to do is to wait for next year, and hope that we reach this goal and let a dream also become reality.



## SENIORS SKI ON SPRING BREAK

By Kriss Kaminski

On February 16th, at approximately 5:00 o'clock, six ski bums headed for the Colorado slopes. The drive there had a variety of happenings. It snowed, sleeted, and rained on the way. We arrived in Dillon at about 4:30 in the morning. After unpacking Betsy, we went to bed for about two hours. We were up by 8:00 and on the slopes by noon.

Four of us, Robin, Kriss, Kim, and Tay had skied before, but Karen and Patty had never even really thought about it. Karen and Patty tried to take lessons for a half day.

We skied Breckenridge all three days. The second day was when Patty and Karen made their debut. After we got off the chair lifts, about one foot from the lift, Patty and Karen literally went flying down the mountain. Robin, Tay, Kim and Kriss just closed their eyes and prayed that when they opened them Patty and Karen would still be in one piece. Once their eyes were open and they crept down the mountain to where they were lying, they found out that the ski instruction Patty and Karen had, only taught them how to side step up a hill. So from then on, we skied together, and tried to teach Patty and Karen as much as we could.

The later part of the second day was a little better. Patty and Karen were really catching on as the hours went by. Patty was a real daredevil. She was game for anything anybody wanted to do. Patty was attracted to trees though; where ever there was a tree, she was right there with it.

The night life in Breckenridge was expensive, if anyone could afford it.

For six people to go out and eat at Fatty's Pizza, it cost about thirty dollars, so we didn't go out to eat much.

We did see some Columbus people there. They were girls from Columbus High, nobody real exciting though.

The second to last day we were there, Colorado had one of its famous blizzards, that stranded anyone there. We stayed in the condo, and made our own fun. We played a lot of Indian and fuzzy duck, which kept us very busy! We also started our own club, called S.B.C. Club, so the guy's aren't the only ones with a club anymore.

The discussions on the trip had a lot to do with death row, but nothing got accomplished.

The last day of skiing was probably the most fun. By the last day some of the girls were jumping moguls, and two of the girls were finally starting to open their eyes as we skied down the slopes. Kim, Kriss, and Robin skied through a few death trails, tore a few holes in the coats and split a few guts, but other than that everyone made it down the slope in one piece, after three days of skiing in the sunshine.

We were tired, but no one really cared to see Columbus again. If we had a choice we would have all stayed right there in the Rockies. The trip was coming to an end soon. We went back to the condo, and got ready to leave the next morning.

Everyone ought to take a trip with some friends. It was one of the greatest "unchaperoned" trips that the girls will ever take. According to the girls, there will be a lot more sk trips to come in the future, no matter who it is with!

## B'BALL SEASONS WILL BE REMEMBERED

By Scott Spencer and John Swierczek

The Scotus boy's basketball team completed their season with a disappointing loss in district finals to Hartington C.C. to end the season at 15-8.

The season was full of ups and downs which saw the Shamrocks fall nine points short of a third consecutive trip to the State Basketball Tournament. The biggest and most savored victory of the year to most if not all of the players and coaches was the semi-final victory in districts over Lakeview. The Vikings had beaten the Shamrocks twice during the regular season, but the best team really

showed at districts with the Shamrocks taking the victory 66-49.

One of the main highlights of the year was the performance of Mark Brezinski. Mark rewrote the Scotus record books by breaking the career scoring record by totalling 1193 points. Scott Spencer fell just four points short of also reaching the top 10 scoring chart.

The season has now come to an end and all the uniforms, shoes, and balls are put away awaiting a long but fun season next year. But to all who supported the basketball team during the year, the memories will always be cherished.

## GOING OUT IN STYLE

By Mark Brezinski

The Scotus Shamrock girl's basketball team has completed another successful season. The girls ended the year with a 13-5 record.

Jo Rhode was the leading scorer tallying 254 points, for a 14.1 per game average, she now has 471 career points. That puts her at second on the all time chart. Jo also pulled down 169 rebounds for a 9.4 per game average, this also led the team. She has 381 career rebounds which puts her at third on the career rebound chart.

Colleen Witt was the second leading scorer with 166 points and a 9.2 average. Julie Papricki added 153 points and a 9.6 per game average. Julie missed two games with an illness. Julie has 330 career points and is fifth on the career scoring chart.

The most valuable player this year was Jo Rhode, most improved player was Karen Soulliere, and most enthusiastic was Julie Paprocki, these honors were voted on by team members. Congratulations to these girls and the rest of the girls on a fantastic season!

## B'BALL TEAMS ARE #1 WITH US

By Lance Zach

I would like to take this time to congratulate both the girls' and boys' basketball teams on their very fine seasons.

Both teams, which are made up of mostly seniors, represented their school well. Although there were some disappointing games, the teams still played to the best of their abilities.

The teams provided some very

enjoyable moments for their fans. And these fans were willing to travel to away games and support these teams because they played so well.

Also, I would like to congratulate the coaches and parents of the players for helping them through the season and sticking with the players through thick or thin.

Congratulations again on a fine season. Let it be known that we are proud of both these teams.



Yes, he did escape!!

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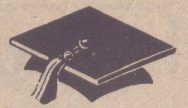
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# TIME FOR A COOL CHANGE



By Lisa Kneifel

As the year comes to an end there are many questions seniors are asking themselves. What am I going to do after graduation? Should I go to college, or should I just try to find a job? If I go to college, where should I go? What should I major in? If I don't go to college, will I be able to find a job? Will this job be able to support me? What is in store for me for the rest of my life?

These questions, believe it or not, are scary. With graduation so near, it's time to make up our minds what we're going to do. This decision will affect the rest of our lives, so we really have to think about it and hope we make the right one.

Some seniors have and some haven't made up their minds on what they're going to do. All the seniors were asked what they plan to do after graduation, and this is the way the future looks for the '83' seniors:

### Kearney State College:

Mary L. Zoucha, Pam Braun, Stacey Podraza, Janelle Czuba, Lori Soulliere, Karen Pokorny, Julie Paprocki, Jo Rhode, Tay Jackson, Jerry Maca, Lisa Kneifel, Traci Ryba (play softball), and Patty Wemhoff.

### University of Lincoln:

Bob Schumacher, Bob Roy (major in Spanish, minor in international relations), Dean White, Jack Cheloha, Tim Gray, Kim Neater, Kriss Kaminski, Greg VanDyke, Chad Christiansen, Jay Cutsor, Lisa Hengeler, Colleen McLaughlin, Cathy McLaughlin, Colleen Witt, Doug Dush, and Al Engelbert.

### Creighton:

Kelly Maguire, Chad Christiansen, and Jack Cheloha.

### Platte College:

Annette Rinkol, Genene Wieser, De Hebda, Jack Kelly, Sharon Hughes, Karen Mielak, Janelle Czuba, Duane Czapla, and Tammy Jarecke.

### University of Omaha:

Kelly Maguire.  
Wayne State:  
Laura Bierman and Kathy Prokupek.  
Milford:

Jack Kelly and Bernie Kwapnoski.

Unsured of what college attending: Heidi Hoffman, Trish Hroza (nursing), Scott Spencer (play basketball or baseball), Mark Brezinski, Dave Koziol, Lance Zach, Laura Heimann (word processing and calligraphy), J.P. Styskal, Jim Heimann, Kris Martin, Wayne Borer, Brian Evans (get married and move to Mexico), Rick Eisenmenger (state trooper, paramedic, or priest).

Stevens College Columbia, Missouri: Robin Liebenritt.

### College of St. Marys

Gin Sprunk.

### Doanne-Crete:

Kevin Molczyk.

Missouri Institute of Technology: Kevin Haider.

### Mt. Marty:

Kerry Jarecki.  
Wesleyan University:  
Dave Love.

### West Mar Iowa:

Chris Pokorny  
Briar Cliff, Sioux City:  
Jan Zoucha.

South East Community College,  
Lincoln:

John Swierczek.  
Metro Tec:

Marty Krings.  
Look for a full time job:  
Dan Korger, Schelly Tchantre, Kris Stachura, and Michelle Brooks.

Not Sure:  
Jeff Mielak, and Mary J. Zoucha.  
Marquette:

Anne Sojka.  
Nebraska School of Business:  
Linda Lasak.

School in Australia:  
Therese Baz (nursing).  
It seems all the seniors have big plans for their future years. Good Luck to ya all!

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CAN STOP  
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## HERE COMES THE JUDGE

By Lance Zach

"All rise, the honorable Judge White is presiding."

These are the words that 7 seniors heard when they appeared in court for the finals of the Mock Trial competition.

This year's team consisted of 4 attorneys; Therese Baz, Ann Sojka, Bob Schumacher, and Jack Cheloha. These attorneys defended 3 witnesses; Randy Bates-Cathy McLaughlin, Max Davis-Lance Zach, and Charlene Mason-Kelly Maguire.

The team was on the side of the defendant in a case involving the confidentiality of the Omaha World Herald. Randy Bates and her boss, Max Davis promised confidentiality to women who had taken her child from the father

The father was looking for his child and wanted to know the whereabouts of the mother. The newspaper could not give out this information because they have promised secrecy to the women.

The seniors won the first case against Leigh, but they lost the second case to Central City. Five judges judged the teams on their performances in the court room. These judges rated Scotus the number one team over the other three that made it to the finals.

The team now have a chance to appear on TV against a team from Omaha. The date and team has not been named yet.

Mr. Zowada and Mr. Hansen, an attorney in Columbus, helped the team make it to finals.

## MEXICAN RADIO

By Doug Dush

The individual 1983 Foreign Language Day Honor Testing results have been released:

Spanish I; Kathy Hellbusch, Good; Jane Euteneur, Very Good; Gina Liebig, Very Good.

Spanish II; Mary Murray, Good; Karen Tooley, Very Good; Kelly Votava, Very Good.

Spanish III; Bob Roy, Superior; Mike Huhman, Superior; Mike Quattrocchi, Superior.

The Spanish classes did a very good job. Congratulations.



## STATE TEAM ON THE ROAD AGAIN

By Brian Evans

The Scotus 1982-83 Speech Team has finished an exciting year.

The District B-4 Speech Contest was held at Raymond Central High School on March 19, 1983. Scotus took Second Place in overall competition, while Seward received First Place. Here the team ran into its toughest competition of the year. Competitors were: Jack Cheloha, Brian Evans, Terri Jackson, Cathy McLaughlin, Lori Soulliere, Patty Wemhoff, Ginger Bottger, Bridget Chohon, Bill Drozd, Michelle Korger, Paul Prosocki, Tammy Stepanek, Sherri Zywiec, Paula Kamphaus, Martha Oncken, Lori Cimple, and Joan Sojka.

Of the eighteen competitors at Districts, four received Superior ratings that qualified them for State

Competition. They were Jack Cheloha, Cathy McLaughlin, Karen Pokorny, and Joan Sojka.

The State Contest was held in Kearney on the weekend of April 9th and 10th. Jack competed in Extemporaneous Speaking; Cathy and Karen were involved in Duet Acting; and Joan was prominent in the field of Entertainment Speaking, where she finished in Second Place for State competition.

Congratulations to these four people for representing Scotus in State, and also to the rest of the team for their hard work and fine performances throughout the year.

Once again, may we express our thanks and gratitude to Coaches Mrs. Bernt and Miss Webb, for without them, there would have been no Scotus Speech Team.



# EDITORIALLY SPEAKING AND THE WALLS CAME DOWN

By Kriss Kaminski

Why are the walls strictly green at Scotus Central Catholic High School? We have about twenty classrooms throughout the school, but with no class what-so-ever!

The students first impression when they walk into a classroom is the state prison, or the county jail house. The walls there are also neutral colors. When the students come to school they need to be awakened with bright, cherry colors, not depressing blah

colors. The room even looks a little better with the lights off.

With all of the artistic ability in our school, there ought to be art of some type, or a variety of colors on the walls in our school. The Student Council could get together and help decide on what colors should be used, and maybe what kinds of designs or murals could be painted on the walls throughout the school

A little color on the walls, just might bring a little color into the students and faculty's lives!

## SEASONS IN THE SUN?

By John Swierczek

One of the most hypocritical sayings going around is, "I hate snow." But do the people who say this, really mean it?

Snow is a way of relieving boredom for a lot of people. One of these ways is to create snow-masterpieces, such as snowmen (and snow-women, woo-woo). Or the more imaginative people create reindeer, bunnies, polar bears, and E.T.'s.

But there is a few problems that go along with building snowmen. Cold hands and feet are the two major ones, but there is also the problem of

getting your snowmen knocked down by losers who think they are the hottest thing going around these days.

For those that are too lazy to get out and build a snowman, snow can still bring peace and relaxation. One of the best ways to relax is to sit in front of a picture window, watching the snow, listening to the Beach Boys, and drinking your favorite beverage. The most popular beverage right now comes in a red, white, and blue can. You guessed it . . . Pepsi!

Snow is a great thing to be thankful for. So next time it snows, do not be a hypocrit and say, "I hate snow."

## SMOKIN' IN THE BOYS ROOM

By Doug Dush

Today among many students there is a problem. The problem I am talking about is smoking. Unfortunately this problem of having a smoke reaches to many high schools and even goes as far as grade school level. Students try smoking for many different reasons. Some do it because of peer pressure, others because of their parents, and a few for kicks. The major danger of trying a cigarette is becoming addicted. A few students may become so involved with tobacco that they will smoke up to a pack a day if not more.

Students use many different techniques for hiding this habit. Some buy many pounds of gum. The richer person may buy himself a breath spray. But there still remains the odor of an early morning cigarette.

There are also many different techniques that a person may use to smoke a cigarette. Some people like to play Baratta and just let the cigarette hang from their mouths lit or unlit. The beginner often does not inhale. They just let the smoke hang around their teeth until the time looks right to blow it out. But one thing is for sure, smoking is a bad habit to start and even harder to quit. So take my advice and eat oranges.

## DAY BY DAY

By Kriss Kaminski

Now that the school year is coming to an end for the seniors, they are starting to reflect back on all the years of school they have lived through and suffered through.

When the seniors were just little kids in grade school, it seemed then like so much fun! Now that we are seniors, and it is almost time to graduate, the seniors wish that they were punky fifth graders again. When the look back on all the fun and wild times they had, it seems hard to realize that in just a month and a half they will be saying good-bye to the grade schools and high school.

Sure, a lot of the seniors can't wait until the day of graduation, but when

it comes time for college, they're going to wish they were back in high school. Mom isn't gonna be there to wait on them hand and foot, money isn't going to be placed in the palm of their hands, and life in general is going to be a little harder to cope with.

The years that we seniors have spent in Scotus will always be remembered. Some will be remembered as good, and some will be remembered as bad! Hopefully the good will stand out in everyone's mind though.

Life sure flies by when you're having fun, but the best is yet to come seniors. Life usually does get better as you get older, so hand in there seniors!

# ROCKY MOUNTAIN HIGH!

By Patty Wemhoff

On March 24, at 6:00 A.M., fifteen girls along with Sister Frances and Mrs. Braun set off for a trip to Colorado in which they "learned a lot about themselves", as Lisa Schafer stated. The girls included Therese Baz, Pam Braun, Michelle Brooks, Annette Rinkol, Mary Lynn Zoucha, Jan Zoucha, Kim Dreifurst, Julie Engelbert, Jill Hoebig, Lisa Schafer, Sue Davidson, Linda Stopak, Diane Gray, Theresa Rybinski, and Cindy Backes.

A flat tire and a couple of other bad experiences such as arriving in Colorado during the rush hour and having the van break down were only minor problems, and were no indication of how the rest of the four day trip would go.

The group arrived at 6:00 P.M. and meditated with Sister Janette. Almost every girl said the meditation experience was very different and a little frightening.

The next day began at 8:00 - an hour

which is considered "sleeping in" by the nuns. After a tasty breakfast(?) (The girls mentioned that they must be spoiled by Clara's cooking), the troupe went shopping for "Colorado" T-shirts.

Saturday the tourists went mountain climbing and sight-seeing. One of the attractions they saw was the BROAD-MORE Hotel. This hotel's ice-skating rink was the setting for the movie "Ice Castles". The many pictures they took will probably keep Kwik Color in business for 5 years!

Sunday night's dinner was eaten at Fargos pizza place. Several girls mentioned that they met some interesting people at Fargos, and that it was nice seeing members of the opposite sex after staying with sixty nuns for 3 days!

The 50 degree weather in Colorado was not shared by Nebraskans, therefore the girls were not able to travel home until Monday. A quote from Therese Baz sums up the entire experience, "It was totally awesome!"

# PHOTOGRAPH

By Brian Evans

Have you ever had a roll of film cost you \$364.00 to be developed?

I have - and October 15 will always remain, um, "imprinted" in my mind.

I remember it just like it was yesterday. (Maybe I have a "photographic" memory? . . .) It was about 3:15, right after I got out of school. I stopped by Quickolor to drop off a roll of film for Journalism. As I was leaving (turning West on 22nd Street), the incident suddenly happened. It was over in a "flash."

Try to "picture" this scene: a man - we'll call him "mr. Devensive Driver" - pulled out of the Sherwin Williams parking lot and went

straight to the far lane - and my car! I got hit! Broadsided! Sideswiped! I was forced up the center island! I was a wreck - and so was my car!

Mr. Friendly Local Police Officer just happened to be in the neighborhood, so he dropped by to see what was goin' down. I scraped my car off the island and we all pulled into the Oasis parking lot. There was a witness nearby, so I had "proof" of my innocence. Any idea that I was at fault turned out to be "negative."

Mr. Defensive Driver's insurance paid for the cost of the repairs, and now the right side of my car looks like new!

I'll probably be going to Quickolor again next week, if anyone would like to buy me a new left side . . . . .

# I GET AROUND

By Patty Wemhoff

Summer is almost here! Activities such as swimming, watching soap operas and traveling are going to occupy many students during the three month vacation. Here is what several students answered when asked, "How do you plan to spend this Summer?"

Colleen McLaughlin - Midnight swimming at the tailrace and TEC.

Kelly Maguire - water skiing, going to beach parties, and TEC.

Wayne Borer - floating at Kevin's cabin.

Mark Brezinski - floating with Wayne. Jack Kelly - running out of gas in the middle of the lake with my buddy. Jan Zoucha - working

Kevin Molczyk - going to my cabin and having parties.

Kriss Kaminski - the Florida water follies and traveling.

Kim Neater - going to the East Coast with my family and spending time with my friends.

Lisa Kniefel - work to make money for college.

John Swierczek - go to many RWB excursions.

Scott Spencer - swimming at Wagner's lake.

Doug Dush - party, and meet many new, interesting girls.

Patty Niebalski - wonka.

Mark Krings - party.

Tammy Fischer - party.

Robin Liebenritt - pack fudge. Genevieve Wieser - bumming.

# LONG BEAUTIFUL HAIR

By Mark Brezinski

There is a new fad going around. It seems that a lot of people want to be black. Guys are making a trip to John's mom's beauty shop for a curly perm. There are many options when getting a perm.

A person could get a tight perm as modeled by Scott Spencer. One could get a "poofed out" perm like Popper's. Or you could just get a plain old perm like John Swierczek

and Greg Van Dyke. It costs about fifteen dollars for John's, Scott's, and Greg's. But Popper went all out and paid forty for his.

A few of the underclassmen are taking part in this too. For instance, Pat Krzycki, Roger Konwinski, Todd Kudron, and Mike Quattrocchi. This is a great fad and should be kept up in the years to come. And everyone knows that getting a perm is a lot better than getting your ear pierced, right guys?!?

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## NUN IN A MILLION GIRL

By Genevieve Wieser

Throughout the day at Scouts one can usually find a nun with five to ten students milling around her. This person could only be the indispensable Sister Frances. She was brave enough to tackle the job of student counselor, and for this she should be commended.

Sister Frances spends many hours giving answers to the numerous questions thrown at her by students. She supplies the answers to questions concerning colleges, financial aid, scholarships, class schedules, and much more.

Sister Frances is used by the seniors as a first class mailing service for their transcripts to colleges (she, of course, remembers whose transcripts go where), and by the underclassmen as a schedule straighten-outer (Sister

Frances hoping she can get the students in at least one class they signed up for). Amazingly enough she does all this without going crazy.

A person might wonder if Sister Frances knew what she was getting into when she took this job; she probably found out very quickly. One unique characteristic about Sister Frances is, although she's always busy, she seems to have time for students who need to talk to her. If she doesn't have time to talk now, she'll set aside a time for the student to come in. This way the student always gets the help he needs.

So the next time you go by Sister Frances' office, stop in and surprise her by not asking for help, but saying "thanks" for the help she's already given. Or you might even tell her she's a "nun in a million".



## BEAT IT!

By Doug, Lance, Scott and John

Once upon a time, two boys in Journalism casually rolled a Shur Fine condensed can of chicken noodle soup across the table. They were interrupted by a sudden "Why don't you write a story?", so they did. And this is it.

Rolling the can across the table created a metallic sound too loud for the other students to concentrate. So the two enterprising young men laid a piece of cardboard down to silence the strange metallic sound. It worked and the whole class rejoiced in triumph. Then quite by accident they developed a ramp out of the cardboard by using various equations. This proved very enjoyable as the can proceeded to fly over students crashing into the wall and spilling the contents everywhere.

The two boys were heartbroken. Then they wondered what came first, the chicken or the egg? Or even better, how did the chicken get the noodles in it? Could it be it was a Chinese chicken granted political assylum in the states? But unfortunately it appeared that the mad Chinese chicken processor caught up to him and condensed him into a can of chicken noodle soup, without the feathers of course.

But the story's not over yet. Baby chicken seeing revenge on the Chinese chicken processor disguised himself as a faulty can of condensed chicken soup. Once in the chicken processing plant, he contacted the

rebellious baby chicken forces on the hill. Immediately the plant was surrounded by baby scuba diving chickens in the moat. Then the chicken feed hit the fan. The Chinese chicken processors decided it was time for the dreaded feather plucker modified to get fuzz off the baby chickens.

Meanwhile, Obi-Wan-Chicken disconnected the force field allowing Luke Rooster and Princess Hen to escape in the Millennium Chicken.

Darth Duck patiently awaited aboard his Imperial hard boiled egg, you know the ones with the shields and lasers. Well, this is how it happened.

Fortunately Luke Rooster and Princess Hen were able to make radio contact with Chan and Hewbacca. They immediately responded. Soon those big guns went KABOOM!, and little baby chickens were everywhere. Somehow RD-22 and a quarter, had successfully stolen the plans to Darth's hard boiled egg. Almost on the instinct of a feather, Luke released the Huevo Traca, which in Spanish means, the egg cracker.

But just because Darth Duck's space egg has been destroyed doesn't mean the little baby chickens are safe from the Chinese chicken processors. It has been reported in local stores that the number of condensed chicken soup cans are increasing. Experts believe that Darth Duck is still alive and will set up new chicken processing plants in other countries. His following of the Chinese chicken processors will always be a threat to the baby chicken population of the world.

## LEADER OF THE PACK

By Shelly Tschantre

The Scotus Chapter of FBLA took a trip to Omaha on April 14th, 15th, and 16th. Eighteen members of the 45 attended the State Leadership Conference and stayed at the Holiday Inn.

The Chapter submitted a Chapter's Activities Report and Scrapbook for judging. The members participated by taking no more than six tests and no less than three. Each person was asked to go to two seminars on Leadership and Careers.

When they were not taking tests or attending seminars they were sitting in their rooms, roaming around, swimming playing pool, video games, or golfing, or checking out

booths of the Candidates who were running for a State Office.

Four delegates, Kathy Prokupek, Laura Bierman, Cathy McLaughlin, and Kelly Maguire were elected to vote for the new officers Friday night. Everyone else either went to the dance or to the movie held at the Holiday Inn.

Kathy Prokupek, Laura Bierman, Virginia Sprunk, DeLois Hebda, Shelly Tschantre, Mary Zoucha, Colleen McLaughlin, Kelly Maguire, Cathy McLaughlin, Traci Ryba, Julie Engelbert, Theresa Wieland, Jane Wolfe, Donna Bierman, Lori Sokol, Becky Engelbert, Kathy Melcher, and Diane Zornes attended SLC in Omaha. Miss Schutte and Mrs. Klug attended also.

## I WROTE THE SONGS

By Kriss Kaminski

The journalism department has a lot of style and a lot of class. The class consists of twelve students and Mrs. Bstandig as our supervisor.

At the beginning of the school year the class learned all about the aspects of the newspaper. From there they went to the first paste-up of the Scotus newspaper, which consists of more preparation than what the students anticipated.

Each student has at least one or two stories to write per paper. Also, each student in the class has a beat that they have to check on every issue. A beat is an activity of class in the school. For example, someone's beat might be Pep Club, which they follow up on, meaning what the club has been doing, or what the club will be doing. There will not always be a beat story every issue.

After the cutting and pasting of the paper, it is taken to the Telegram, where it is published. It takes about two weeks to prepare the paper.

The editor of the Scotus newspaper is Brian Evans.

The Journalism class also puts together the 1983 Scotus annual. This

takes a lot of time and a lot of patience. The annual pages are divided into sections. The sections are then divided among the students in the class. Each student has about three sections to work on and lay out. When the students first start a page they draw out a rough draft of the page, then they crop the pictures to the size of the required measurement. After the lay-out, the students then type the copy. Sometimes it takes two to three times to lay out a page before the page is accurate and perfect. The students then draw out the final copy, which is checked by Mrs. Bstandig and Genevieve Wieser, Editor, from there it is sent to the year book company.

For the rest of the year the Journalism class will be working on the year book and publishing a school paper each month.

Journalism unlike any other class isn't all work and no play. When the students are finished with their required work they are allowed to use their free time wisely. Sometimes the students go around the school and take pictures.

Journalism is a class that all of the students will be able to use to their advantage in the years to come.

## NO MORE LIES

By Patty Wemhoff

You are watching an especially exciting night of Dynasty. You're on the edge of your seat waiting to hear what Crystal is about to say to Alexis Carrington. Suddenly two puppies prance across the TV screen. Both are panting and saying, "Kibbles and bits, kibbles and bits, I'm gonna get me some kibbles and bits."

This is just one example of the tacky 30 second advertisements that we all hate.

Another commercial tune which one finds himself humming throughout the day is "My kitty-cat craves chicken, my kitty-cat craves milk..." That song is sure to appear on Solid Gold one of these days.

One of the all time worst is the snack food commercial in which the extremely dizzy secretary sweeps through the office with her bag of Doritos while the other employees steal the chips when she is not looking. I don't understand it. She does not even get mad!

Number two on my list of the "Top Ten Tacky TV Commercials" is the selling of Impulse "all-over body spray". A woman wearing Impulse is walking down the street as a man, overcome by the perfume, rushes of the nearest flower stand (located five feet away of course), grabs a bouquet

of flowers, and hands them to the woman. I have yet to see the day when a bee flies out of the bouquet or the woman sneezes and says, "Get away from me - I'm allergic to flowers!"

I hope you understand, not all commercials are stupid - just 99 percent of them. The rest are real heart-breakers. Take for instance, the man who shows up at the grocery store right before it closes, hoping to restock his mayonnaise supply. He pleads at the door, but the unsympathetic store owner turns him away. How inhumane.

How about the McDonalds commercial where a boy suddenly discovers that his little sister has grown up. Now she can buy her very own order of french fries! The phone commercials when people call just to say "I love you" are also pretty phony.

The most recent commercial to hit the screen is the new Calvin Klein advertisement, the one that has a punk Valley Girl telling her life story. None of the commercial makes sense, and it leaves you wondering if you were the only one who didn't catch on.

Since commercials will always be here, we might as well look on the bright side - 30 seconds is just enough time to get up and get a drink before the show starts again!



# BOY & GIRL BB PLAYERS ARE "ON THE LOOSE!"



## MARK BREZINSKI AND SCOTT SPENCERI

By John Swierczek

The 1983 Scotus basketball team was loaded with talent this year, but two players stood out above the rest.

Scott Spenceri, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Spenceri, was elected to many honorary teams. Scott made the All-Conference and All-City teams for the second year in a row along with being chosen All-State honorable mention. He was a first team selection to the All-Conference Tournament team along with being chosen to play on the Telegram Area All-Star team this summer.

Mark Brezinski, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Larry Brezinski, was also elected to the All-Conference and All-City teams for the second year in a row, but Mark was also selected to the All-State team for the second year. Mark was chosen to the All-Conference Tournament team and also selected to play in the Telegram Area All-Star game along with being selected to play in the Coca-Cola Coaches Classic All-Star game. Mark broke eight school records this year while becoming Scotus' all-time leading scorer.



## JO RHODE, COLLEEN WITT AND JULIE PAPROCKI

By Scott Spenceri

The 1982-82 Girls basketball season ended on a good note finding the Shamrocks ending the season with a 13-8 record. Three girls from the team were selected to the Nebraska Centennial Conference team for their fine play and team contributions. These three girls were forwards Colleen Witt and Jo Rhode, and center, Julie

Paprocki. All three of these girls were awarded many honors throughout the season among many other stars that shined for the Shamrocks throughout the year.

Many people are selected to this team for the things they do during season play and it's an honor for them to represent the school in this way. Congratulations to the girls and good luck in your future plans!



## TAKE ME TO THE TOP!

By Shelly Tschantre

Julie Modlin and Paul Prososki were chosen to represent Scotus for the 1983 Girls and Boys State. The activity will be held in Lincoln and will take place in June.

Julie is a member of the Thespians, mixed chorus, and "S" Club. She participated in the V.F.W. Speech Contest and County Government Day. In her sophomore year she helped as a basketball manager. Her freshman year she was a member of the Spanish Club and participated in volleyball, basketball, and track. Throughout

Julie's years, she was a member of the Speech Team and Pep Club.

Paul is a member of the "S" Club. In his junior year he participated in County Government Day and Genoa Competition Day. Paul was class President and was on the Student Council in his sophomore and freshman years. Throughout Paul's years, he was a member of the Speech Team and Columbian Squires. In his junior and sophomore years he was a member of the Campus Ministry. Throughout Paul's years, he participated in football, basketball, and track.

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## DISTRICT MUSIC A SUCCESS



MARY JOAN ZOUCHA



GENENE WIESER

By Genene Wieser

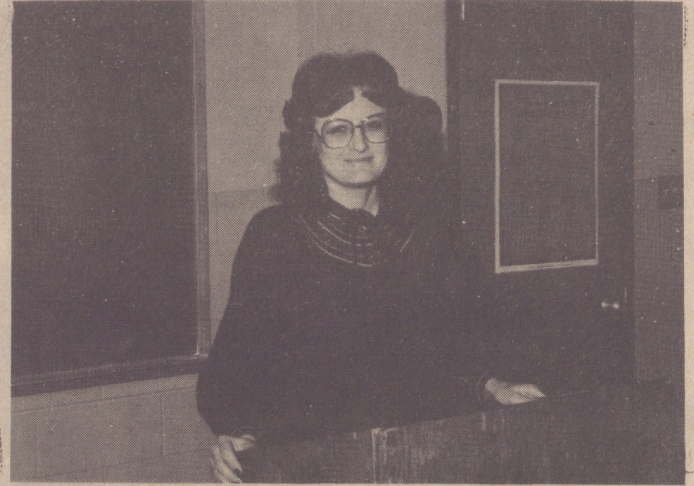
Scotus proved to be another great success at the District Music Contest held on April 21 - 23. The event was held at Platte College and featured class A, B, C, and D schools competing against each other in their division.

Scotus participated in many events from piano solos to group performances to vocal solos. The groups and soloists were rated on a scale of 1-4 with 1 being superior. Overall Scotus did a fine job and received many 1's and 2's. The results of the contest are as follows:

- Virginia Sprunk - Piano Solo-II
- Julie Engelbert-Piano Solo-II
- Swing Choir - I
- Double Mixed Sextet - I
- Freshman Girls - I
- Girls Triple Trio - I
- Girls Glee - I
- Mixed Chorus - II
- Genene and Jayne Wieser - Girls Duet - I
- Virginia Sprunk and Brian Evans - Mixed Duet - I
- Genene Wieser - Girl's Medium - I
- Mary Zoucha - Girl's Low - I
- Brian Evans - Boy's Medium - I
- Jayne Wieser - Girl's Low - II
- Patty Ogden - Girl's Medium - II
- Jill Reiser - Girl's High - II
- Pam Jarecki - Girl's High - III



BRIAN EVANS



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## 1983 TEACHER OF THE YEAR



## FBLA STATE LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE

Front row - Diane Zornes, 4th place - poster event; Jane Wolfe and Lori Sokol, Honorable Mention - Creed event. Back row - Traci Ryba,

Honorable Mention - General Business; Colleen McLaughlin, 4th place - poster event; Virginia Sprunk, Honorable Mention - Proofreading.

## 1983 JUNIOR-SENIOR PROM:

# ONLY TIME WILL TELL

By Kim Neater

With the class of 1983's departure came a final farewell prom. The juniors picked the theme of "Only Time Will Tell." The festivity was held at Johnnie's Steak House on Saturday, April 30th at 6:30 p.m. The change of location brought on another change. Instead of a live band, a disc jockey from KFRX 103 played many popular songs that appealed to the students and faculty.

The night began with a dinner that consisted of roast beef, salad, swiss steak, potatoes, (whipped and baked) corn, strawberry shortcake and soft

drinks. After the dinner, the Invocation, the welcoming and acceptance speeches were given. Following the speeches, the Class Prophecies and Wills were read. Fr. Kramper gave the Benediction.

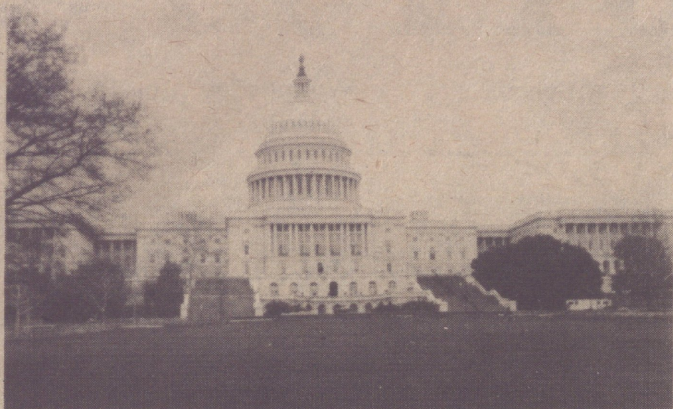
Following all of this, pictures were taken in front of the water fountain.

A few of the night's highlights consisted of goldfish in the punch bowl, the smoking machine, and John Swierczek's imitation to Micheal Jackson's "Billie Jean."

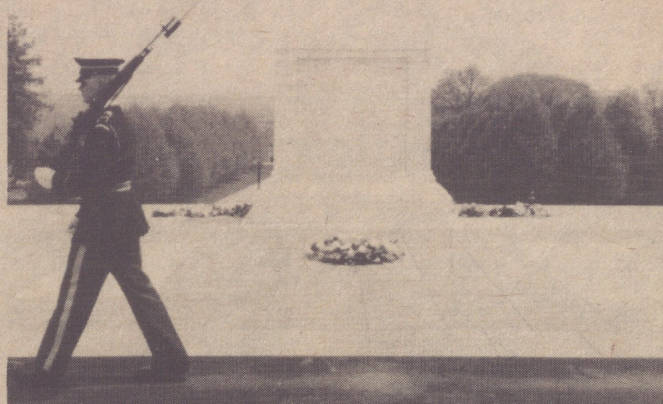
The seniors all felt the juniors did a great job to make their last Prom a very memorable occasion.



# STUDENTS — SEE WASHINGTON "CLOSE-UP"!



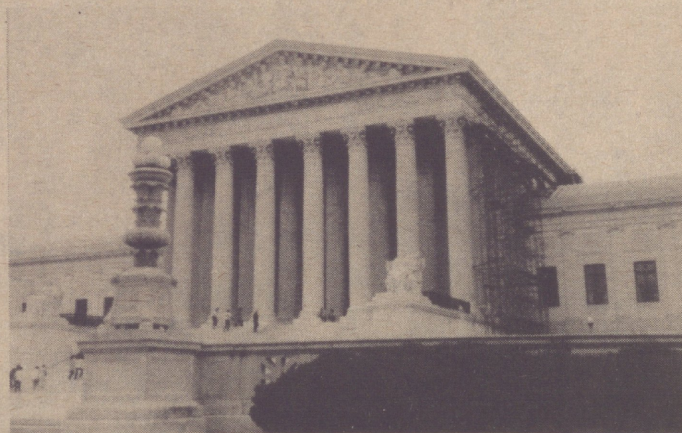
Dome of the U.S. Capital



Tomb of Unknown Soldier, Arlington National Cemetery



White House



West Wing of U.S. Capital



Archie Bunker's Chair - American History Museum

By Mark Brezinski  
and Patty Wernhoff

During the week of April 24-30, twelve Scotus students accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Zowada went to Washington, D.C., on the Close-Up trip. The students who went on the trip include: Seniors - Jack Cheloha, Mark Brezinski, Bob Schumacher, Jo Rhode, Annette Rinkol, and Patty Wernhoff. Juniors - Betty Keler, Janette Modelski, Lisa Keller, Liz Kumpf, Pam Ruzicka, and Julie Engelbert. The busy days included a lot of sight-seeing, seminars, and workshops.

Monday was spent learning about the buildings on Capitol Hill.

On Tuesday, talking with Virginia Smith in her office and the seminar with Senators Exon and Zorinski were very interesting. But, the highlight of the day, and possibly the week, was talking to Vice-President George Bush. The discussion/question seminar was for Nebraska participants only.

On Wednesday, a representative from Russia and a representative from the United States were asked questions about the arms race. This seminar was televised on C-Span.

Thursday was spent visiting embassies. The students were told that they must abide by the laws of the embassy because we were on that country's property and in their control. Also on Thursday, the Close-Up members visited Georgetown University for a seminar. Some people claimed to see the Hoyas basketball star, Patrick Ewing, but the would not give autographs.

Friday was a lot of fun for everyone. The students had about seven hours

of free time to do anything they pleased, just so they were within the rules of Close-Up. Many went shopping at the vendors along the street. They sold everything you could imagine for a souvenir, such as hats, mugs, and T-shirts. (Jack even got a good bargain on a Whoopie cushion.)

Using the Metro (the mass transit of Washington) was a new and exciting experience for everyone. Students were given a card worth \$1.65 to get us where we were going and back to the hotel. Students traveled to museums, Georgetown, and the Arlington National Cemetery. Buildings such as the Archives held important original documents. The Declaration of Independence and Bill of Rights are there.

On Thursday night we were entertained by eight Black dancers at Ford's Theatre in the musical "Dancing in the Streets. Everyone enjoyed this very much, it was like being at a concert in the Civic Auditorium.

On Friday, the final banquet and dance was very special. Everyone knew the end was near and the Good-bye's started. It was time to say good-bye to all the new friends that we all had made. But, these are friendships we shall cherish for life.

The Scotus participants flew home Saturday morning. Although they were very tired from the busy week, everyone said they would love to go back to D.C. very soon.

Mr. Zowada stated that the program will be continued in the future. It was very interesting and educational to see the government "Close-Up!"



Arlington National Cemetery



# THE GRAND FINALE

By Lance Zach  
and Doug Dush

Our story begins with the death of baby chicken, but to carry on the fight is Freddy the Flea.

Freddy grew up in the circus, until one day he heard about the baby chicken seige on the Chinese chicken processing plant in Milwaukee. He decided to make a new secret weapon.

Contacted by Luke Rooster, he decided to donate his services to the cause of the baby chicken rebellion. They flew the coop to meet with other and larger baby chicken forces.

They decided that it was time for a name. They voted on several names until they came up with the name of the baby chicken troopers. With this name they were ready to conquer the world of chicken processing plants.

They devised a plan using Freddy Fleas new and improved ACME Staple Guns.

Freddy and Luke with their new weapon were shipped out to a local grocery store. Once there, they infiltrated the office and obtained copies of the whereabouts of the nearest chicken processing plant. Just then the baby chicken alarm went off. This meant that the building was being surrounded by CCPP (Chinese Chicken Processing Police). As the soldiers entered the building they didn't notice Luke, who was secretly disguised as a model for the Sunshine Egg Company from Maryland.

After the CCPP thoroughly searched the building, they decided to set up camp and to prepare chicken noodle soup. Luke and Freddy looked on in anticipation as the cans were opened slowly.

Once opened, the baby chickens hidden inside were released. Baby chickens were jumpin' everywhere and releasing other trapped baby chickens. The CCPP was caught totally by surprise as they were subdued by the new staple guns. A shout of triumph went up throughout the chickens ranks as they realized how effective their new weapon was. The survivors were then questioned about the secret plant in Norway.

After returning to the baby chicken troopers hidden base somewhere in the alfalfa fields of Los Angeles, baby chickens massed together for their flight to Norway.

Once over a small village in Norway, the baby chicken troops parachuted into the CCPP camp on the outskirts of the village. You could say it was raining baby chickens everywhere! The CCPP was unaware of the change in the weather. Soon the ground was squirming with baby chickens as they tunneled thwir

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## Part II The Battle

After breaking through the earthen barrier, the baby chickens shut the main generator down, stopping the assembly lines and leaving the CCPP in total darkness. Of course the baby chicken troopers were equipped with special military issued infrared glasses that were defective. So they turned the power on and then advanced towards the main office.

Once inside they found it deserted and all official documents were gone. But Luke, guided by the trail of chicken feed, (left by the CCPP) located the secret panel leading to the CCPP major industrial workshop. Inside was the institute of deranged Chinese chicken processors. They were experimenting on captured baby chicken troopers. They immediately freed them and made their way towards the surface, leaving behind havoc and destruction everywhere. Once outside, they boarded the baby chicken landing craft and headed out across the Denmark straight stopping in Greenland because mother nature called. Back aboard their boats, they sped across Baffin Bay and then onward through Canada to their secret alfalfa fields. Once home, they had a big party and everybody had fun. Then suddenly out of nowhere came a voice from the sky, "Doug and Lance come to the office please."

The End



Thanks to the National Honor Society for sponsoring Michael Winchester for the Chemical-Dependency Assembly on May 2nd.

## FACULTY AWARE OF STUDENTS' WISHES

By Patty Wemhoff

If you thought the suggestions which came up during the class meetings held in the month of March went in one ear and out the other, then you are mistaken!

The Student Council organized the suggestions and presented them to Mr. Rokusek. The ideas with the most support included more classes, more

clubs, a commons, and painted classrooms. A more lenient dress code at sporting events was suggested by every class.

Mr. Rokusek is aware of the students wishes and stated that they will be considered in the revision of next year's handbook. As Mr. Rokusek stated, "Nothing can be guaranteed, but there may be some slight changes."

## SUPERINTENDENT ATTENDS CATHOLIC ED. CONVENTION

By Brian Evans

What has our Superintendent been up to?

Well, throughout the year, Mr. Gross can be seen walking through the halls in Scotus, or working on the countless papers in his office. But from April 4th to April 10th, he was in Washington, D.C., attending the National Catholic Education Association convention.

Mr. Gross was just one of many tens of thousands of people that were in Washington D.C., for the convention. While there, he listened to many convention speakers talking about a wide variety of topics. He also noted the many different workshops and exhibitions for textbooks, A-V equipment, fundraising ideas, etc. . . He also said that he saw much work with computers used in education.

The theme of the convention this year was "Catholic Education: The Choices and the Challenges." This

was highlighted by the appearance of President Reagan, who addressed the group. Reagan gave encouragement to private schools, private education, and to tuition tax credits for private schooling.

Mr. Gross has gone to these conventions that are all across the United States for the past 6 or 7 years. Last year the convention was held in Chicago, and next year it will be held in Boston. This is a great opportunity for all who attended the conventions to see different parts of the country. Mr. Gross especially liked being able to see Washington, D.C. Also seeing the Senate and the House Chambers, going to the Smithsonian, the Viet Nam Memorial, and many other places of interest.

In all ways, the trip was very informative and educational to all who participated, and Mr. Gross really enjoyed the experience.

I suppose it's nice to get away from school for a while too, isn't it?



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## SUMMER FUN IS COMING UP

By John Swierczek  
"Surf's Up!" may soon be heard around school as the weather is now warming up.

After a long winter and cold spring, signs of summer are showing up, and as the saying goes, "Better late than never."

As the nice weather moves in, high school students are starting to do the things they waited all winter to do. One of these things is to start a

softball team. A good name for a softball team is Roth Construction.

But for those who want to get away from organized sports there are still many alternatives, including jogging, swimming, playing frisbee, laying out, fishing, golfing, and going on midnight R.W.B. cruises through the less known waters of Columbus.

If none of these ideas appeal to you, think up your own ways to have a good time this summer and have fun doing it.



# 1983-1984 CHEERLEADERS



**VARSITY CHEERLEADERS:** Row 1—Lisa Cielocha, Lisa Spenceri, Donna Schieffer; Row 2—Sherri Zywiec, Julie Englebert, Lisa Keller, Lisa Thalken.

Left to right: Julie Paprocki, Chris Pokorny, Karen Pokorny, Mark Brezinski, Jo Rhode, Jim Heimann, Trish Hroza. (Scott Spenceri, not pictured).

## ATHLETES TAKE HONORS

**\$100.00 Shamrock Club Scholarship:**  
Julie Paprocki  
Scott Spenceri

**Babe Ruth—Boys:**  
Jim Heimann  
Chris Pokorny

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**Babe Ruth—Girl:**  
Karen Pokorny

**Top Athlete—Boy:**  
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**JUNIOR VARSITY CHEERLEADERS:** Row 1—Tami Thalken, Gina Sutko; Row 2—Lori Cimpio, Jill Reiser, Michelle Quattracchi.

## SENIORS SET RECORDS

By John Swierczek

Although the weather has not cooperated this year for the boys and girls track teams thus far, a few outstanding performances have been achieved.

Wayne Borer broke the pole vault record which was held by Tony Kurtenbach, Joe Blahak, and the legendary Rudy Kolache by vaulting 12' 6".

Kevin Molczyk broke the shot put record of 54' 6" which was held by Stan Brock, by throwing 54' 7".

Traci Ryba also broke a shot put record for the girls. Traci broke Jacki Paprocki's record of 35' 9" by throwing 38'.

Jim Paprocki broke the discus record of 157' 6" which was held by Dave Reiser, by throwing 157' 8".

Trish Hroza broke the long jump record of 16' 7" which was held by Patty German, by jumping 17' 7".

These are the only records set this year, but some are still hoping for good weather and a little luck to set a few others before the season is over.

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