Aquinian Award Marks Honors Convocation

College Choir to Present Bach Concert March 22

Aquinian College choir under the direction of Franz W. Hoelscher, accompanied by 16 members of the Grand Rapids Symphony, will perform again this year Johann Sebastian Bach's "St. Matthew's Passion" in St. Cecilia auditorium, Sunday, March 22 at 8 p.m. The program will include several chorales and three arias not given in the Passion.

Guest soloists are Richard Miller and Janet Ast, who are appearing for the first time, and Joan White, Thixton Sprenger, and Norman Bradley, prominent in past performances.

Richard Miller, young American tenor, a member of the University of Michigan School of Music with a Master's Degree, has just completed a two-month engagement as leading tenor with the San Francisco Opera company, appearing as Count Almaviva in Rossini's "Barber of Seville", Rameau in Puccini's "Gianni Schicchi", and Walther in Wagner's "Tannhauser".

Mr. Miller was leading tenor in the Zurich Opera company, Zurich, Switzerland, prior to his return to the United States in Feb. With four 11-month seasons to his credit with this company, he totaled over 250 performances in more than 30 roles. As leading lyric and Italian tenor at the State theater, he also made concert, radio, and symphony appearances in Europe.

Mr. Miller will play the leading role of the Evangelist in this presentation.

Janet Ast, also a graduate of the University of Michigan School of Music with a Master's degree, will be the soprano soloist.

Miss White, alto, also will sing arias; Mr. Sprenger, bass, will play the part of Jesus; and Norman Bradley, bass, will play the role of Pilate.

Incidental soloists are Carol Wierenga, sopran, and G. R. junior, who will be the maid; and Riley Deeney, tenor and Saginaw native, will play the part of the servant.

Admission is $1.50 for adults and 50 cents for students.

Faculty Backs Building Fund

Twenty-six members of the lay faculty of the College have pledged $13,865 toward the $1,200,000 goal of the first phase of the 12-year development campaign. This total was disclosed in the first report meeting last week.

"These subscriptions," said Mrgr. A. F. Bukowski, president, "express a vote of confidence and the genuine and generous backing of the pledge members from within the College itself."

J. Bernard Haviland

Civic, Religious Leader Receives Aquinas Award

J. Bernard Haviland, prominent civic and religious leader, will be the recipient of the first annual Aquinas Award to be presented at the Honors Convocation March 7.

"We believe that this convocation is a fitting occasion to present this first annual Aquinas Award," said Mrgr. A. F. Bukowski, president, "since St. Thomas Aquinas is the patron of all Catholic schools and colleges, and the first Aquinas Award is based on Mr. Haviland's achievements while president of Serra International, a Catholic layman's organization devoted to the promotion of vocations to the priesthood, and for his work in promoting the study of Catholic doctrine by laymen."

Mr. Haviland, born in Gaines, Michigan, received a Bachelor of Science degree in chemical engineering from the University of Detroit in 1927. As founder and president of Haviland Chemical company, Cleveland, he has maintained an average of not less than 3.000; Joseph Cronley, Kalamazoo, 3.000; Edward Kelbel, GR, 3.000. In addition, there are four seniors, 12 of whom are living. Three of these attended Aquinas.

A member of the founders group of the Serra club of Grand Rapids, and its first president in 1946, Mr. Haviland was instrumental in bringing the annual convention of Serra International to Grand Rapids in 1954.

Mr. Haviland has been active in local public and charitable activities, and study clubs and is chairman of the Cathedral Deanery of the National Council of Catholic Men. He and Mrs. Haviland frequently participate in the annual dinner meeting of the Serra club, and Mr. Haviland is also a member of the lay committee of the national center of the Con fraternity of Christian Doctrine.

Language Lab, Aids Students

A "home-made" language laboratory, which was dedicated under the direction of Dr. Werner W. Prang, instructor in German, assembled by student electronics experts, was opened on the third floor of the College during the National Foreign Language Week.

Headphones for 20 students are available at any hour, and students wish to speak German, Spanish, French, and Russian. Three of the tape recorders, one portable, one medium size, and one portable, are available for use by students.

Folding or roll-away bleachers to seat approximately 2,500 spectators opened on the third floor of the College, and are included. Other facilities include a portable stage, classrooms for physical education instruction, and a small kitchen arrangement.

This building will also serve as an auditioning place for the groups of students, parents, and friends may be accommodated. Such a facility can be used for dances, for the presentation of plays not requiring a full stage scale, and for other college activities.

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The House of Studies will continue to be quarters for the Sister Superior in residence, and the Gymnasium-Activities building, designed to serve a multiple purpose as inter-collegiate physical education programs of the College. The Gymnasium-Activities building, which will serve the multiple needs of the House of Studies and parlors of the Servant of the Mother of God, was long been needed. At present there is no available place where the entire student body may be accommodated.
Languages: ‘Key to Brotherhood’

As a project during National Foreign Language Week, members of the French club wrote essays, one of which, written by Dawn Argile, is printed below.

She called at her house this morning. ‘You're the key to brotherhood,’ President Eisenhower reveals his awareness of the usefulness and power of the study of foreign languages.

No complete report can possibly be expected between two people who cannot understand one another's language since the basis of rapport, of friendship, of understanding, is the exchange of ideas, and human beings use words as the means of this exchange. It is obvious that since two people cannot communicate ideas without the medium of words, natures too must rely on language for their mutual dealings.

"But why bother learning the language ourselves? Interpreters can be had for a dime a dozen," is very often the argument. "The interpreter or the translator can do it for us."

Language education, however, can be absolutely necessary. It is, for instance, the basis of rapport. It is a pity then that more students cannot communicate ideas without the medium of words, natures too must rely on language for their mutual dealings.

Languages are also “the key to brotherhood” in another way. One knows his brother very well—the way he thinks, the way he reacts to various situations, his basic motivations. Almost any language student will see that the language of a people—its origins, its structure, its way of expressing ideas—reveals a great deal about the people themselves.

These, it is felt, are the two basic advantages in the study of foreign languages—the establishment of an understanding through the language and the knowledge of the people. From this knowledge comes the key to brotherhood.

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Thursday, Feb. 12. Members were presided over by Kathleen Barber, story, "A Promise for Autumn." Gains Members sure that it's Maggie Fitzgerald. She has recently been professed as a religious. She is the candid philosophy of John because it's good in so many aspects that you can't pin it down to one. "Mr. Smith's classes, however, are at the top of his list.

Last summer he worked for the U.S. Forest Service to control insects. His long project entitled "Reforesting of Christmas Trees." In particular John aimed at the European pine shoot moth which hits Michigan's Norway pine trees.

John has a child. He describes the things she dislikes as brussel sprouts, mushrooms, high heels, cooked onions, and men and women who smoke and smoke taches. Her advice to underclassmen is to "not think Aquinas while you're here...there is no place like it." Aquinas aims to help "Aquinas students grow." Her final warning to everyone at Aquinas is "Don't forget your activities card!!"

Lambda Iota Tau Gains Members Beta chapter of the English Honor society, literary society, presided over by Kathleen Barber, Director of Women's Speech, Thursday, Feb. 12. Members were initiated by reading papers on lit.

Geraldine Radawski gave a critical paper on the romantic characterizations in the works of Beckett, a Spanish poet, and Edgar Allen Poe. She also read on the original composition in the Honor Society's "Our Irish Poets," and Mrs. Thaddeus Wagner presented an original short story. Several chapter members attended the 10th annual conference of the University of Detroit, Saturday, Feb. 28. Miss Radawski represented the society at the conference, given with a warm smile, "Don't forget your activities card!!"

Juvenile Home Group Organizes A newly formed group of Aquinas students has organized for the purpose of entertaining the children and girls of Kent County Children's Home. The group met and discussed through several speeches on the institution given in Sister M. DeChantal's speech class. First in a series of activities was the anonymous party with refreshments given Feb. 18, with the cooperation of the authorities.

The group was represented by Gerald Luxford, GR junior; Russell Rohrbach, John Szymanski, seniors; Anita Marshall, re-pena sophomores; Patricia Russell, Campbell, sophomores; S. Marki Nelson, Edward Stephens, and John Obermeyer, GR sophomores; Cleo Dekoker, Lake Leelanau sopho- maters; and James Coty, Saginaw student. NEW SENATE SECRETARY Thomas Shields, Cheboygan sopho- man, was elected Student Senate secretary by the withdrawal of James Hickey. Miss Gertrude M. Horgan, dean of women, will address the Home and School Association of St. Mary’s, Spring Lake, March 4. Kenneth J. Martin, director of public relations, will represent Aquinas at college night in Holland. March 4. He will address St. Thomas youth group, March 6. He will attend a regional meeting of colleges called by the National Defense Act and will represent Kent County South Bend, March 10, and a district credit union meeting in Louisville, Ky., March 14.

Miss Elisabeth Noel To Speak on Hopkins Miss Elisabeth Noel, instructor in English, will give a lecture on Gerald Manley Hopkins, the Victorian poet, Thursday, March 29, at 8 p.m. in the recital hall.

Order Through Liberty Burke's Philosophy The key to Edmund Burke's philosophy, which shows great insights of wisdom and an understanding of human nature, was order through liberty and justice, according to Louis J. Bredvold, professor emeritus of the University of Michigan, who was guest lecturer Feb. 4.

Mr. Bredvold contrasted God- win's "Political Justice" with Burke's philosophy. Godwin and his followers were trying to reduce government to a machinery of advocating something alone.

Burke, said Mr. Bredvold, felt that the task of the philosopher is to imagine to cover the defects of a naked and shivering human nature, for which society, viewed as a moral essence, not merely as a geographical or political body, yet, in the present society needs religious tradition, and a heritage of customs as well as laws.
Reserves Post 7-5 Record: Hoogerhyde Leads Scoring

The Junior Varsity wound up their season with two straight wins and a mark of 7-5. Pete Bishop's teams now have posted 26 wins in 37 games this year.

Tom Hoogerhyde was the leading marksman in the final games with Brad Zayko close behind. The reserves bounced out in front at the start and romped easily to their fifth win, downing GRJC, 73-57. Hoogerhyde paced the attack with 20 points. Jim O'Hara and Brad Zayko added 19 each.

In the rematch with Calvary, the JV team faced no better, bowing by another big score, 84-43, on the Knights, home gym. Hoogerhyde had 30, Zayko 24. S & S TV, co-champions of the all star recreation league, kept the reserves happy with a 65-44 conquest. Hoogerhyde topped Aquinas with 14 and John O'Donovan added 13.

Hoogerhyde scored in the fifth defeat of the season on the JV's with a 70-43 win. West Godwin sprinted to an early lead and hung on in the second half. West Godwin's Joe Keller, playing only 30 minutes, whipped in 23 points. It was Hoogerhyde again toppling the reserves with 14 points.

The reserves unleashed a blistering third, thoroughly devastating the Country Fresh championship team, and reversed an 18-point deficit in the 44 seconds left's free throw with two seconds left to give the Aquinas a winning victory over the Jayhawkers. Deb Blonder's out-court accuracy helping Hoogerhyde back from a five-point deficit with four minutes to go.

Ralph Coleman Scores 422 Points To Snap Brown's Record of 412; Cagers Unbeaten in 2nd Season Action with Nine Straight Wins

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Aquinas 76, Muskegon CC 71

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Lloyd Brown

His Scoring Mark Broken

points. He finished up in great style, scoring 367 points in the final 7 games for a 23.8 average. Coleman has now scored 666 points in his three seasons here. His holds behind John Blossin '70 and Brown (1360) in career marks.

While Coleman romped to the scoring record, the team was busy rewriting the record books also. Finding a home of their own on the Burton floor, the Toms roared to nine straight wins in the season's first two months. Boys like Jim Reece, Bob Russell, Jim Madison, and Don Murphy have yet to taste defeat in an Aquinas uniform. The rest of the team has gone through 28 games since January, 1968 with only five losses.

Records smashed by Coleman this season include:
3. Season Win string in one season—9 (Tied). Record shared with 1953-54 team.
4. Season individual field goal record: Coleman's 173. Old record of 154 field goal set by Brown.

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The Toms had beaten the Dales two games over Olivet. The reserves bounced out in nine straight victories in the second half to put the Toms ahead for good after the half.

Reserves finished the season just concluded. Of course I realize this will do little to compensate for the vast emptiness the student body of Aquinas has left in this respect. But little homage as it may be, there must be some coming to the team and the coach who overcome handicaps not known in most athletic circles, and wound up with a record unprecedented in Aquinas sports.

Let's review the results of the past season. First of all the team won their first five games to break the school record of consecutive wins. Next they came off the floor when four defeats and training problems had them reeling, to win the final nine games to break the single season win record. Also, a follow by the name of Coleman became the new holder of the season scoring record.

All these things cannot be overlooked. They made the season, they are the season. But something which was not overlooked either was the lack of students, or should we say the lack of teachers.

Way back in the first of December, there was a tip-off on what would become the pattern for the entire year. The team was seeking a new record for consecutive wins in its first home game. Some 200 people turned out to see the team that had won nine in a row. Coach Null was stunned, but he believed things would get better.

Things did get better. The apathy increased as the season wore on, with the students staying away. The hard core nucleus of fans at every game had a hard time keeping their efforts from echoing in the deserted Burton gym.

Everyone will have an excuse for not going to the games, be it good or bad. But excuses aren't wanted. With the caliber of the team this year, the students should make excuses for other things to get to the games. We realize there is an effort involved because of the distance and the commuting problem. But hasn't the team made efforts this year?

Without a gym, they stumbled after a good start; once having a winning streak, they were 5-4.

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With the fine record produced by the team this year, we can only anticipate an end to this student apathy in the near future. But maybe the support will improve as much as the sports picture has improved here in the last two years.

Everyone concerned certainly hopes so.