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Dauphin Players get in tune with *Amadeus*

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Powder your wigs and dust off your breeches, because the Dauphin Players will be performing Peter Shaffer's tragedy *Amadeus* in the Joseph Schulte Theatre this weekend.

The story, about famous composer Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart, is told from the perspective of Antonio Salieri, a competing composer in the Austrian court, portrayed by senior John Hussung.

According to Hussung, "(Salieri) is considered pretty good for his time, and then Mozart comes... Mozart is far more superior and (Salieri) is the only one who recognizes it because he has true musical taste."

Salieri becomes jealous of Mozart because in Salieri's eyes, God gave Mozart his

talent, and he sees Mozart's music as the voice of God (translated from Latin "Amadeus" means "beloved of God"). The envious Salieri sets out to destroy Mozart.

In the introduction to the script of *Amadeus*, the original director, Sir Peter Hall, says, "The play asks why God would seem to bestow genius so indiscriminately, indifferent to morality or human decency. Salieri worships Mozart's music yet is consumed by jealous hatred of the selfish creature who creates it."

Hall goes on: "All of Shaffer's plays are a quest for God: if He exists, why is He so uncaring? So the final contest in *Amadeus*

is not between Salieri and Mozart but between Salieri and God." The great tragedy in the play lies in Salieri's revelation that there is no correlation between virtue and the talent he covets.

PHOTO BY MATT HUBBARD



Mozart (junior Jack Dryden) is welcomed to Vienna by Joseph II of Austria (Mark Holzum) in *Amadeus*.

"Salieri is angry at God for giving Mozart that talent and he is angry at Mozart for being a sniggering, conceited child," explained Hussung.

Junior Jack Dryden plays the "sniggering conceited child." In the play's opening, Mozart

has died and is seen only through memories warped by Salieri's madness. For Dryden, playing a memory was different from a more

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Of fries and men: food at SLUH

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News Editor

A phenomenon lately observed in the St. Louis U. High cafeteria is that of Jr. Bills gingerly balancing swelling boats of french fries in imminent danger of spilling onto the floor. Such daredevil food stunts are the result of the cafeteria's latest innovation: for the flat price of \$1.35, SLUH students can fill their own boats of fries from a pan, replacing the previous system of pre-filled boats.

As many schools nationwide move to curb their students' junk food intake (in May, the country's largest soft drink companies agreed to phase regular soda out of public schools over the next four years), SLUH's cafeteria continues to offer many foods rich in fat and sodium. And while the cafeteria's

managing company, Food Service Consultants, has made significant improvements in the past few years, some say it is not enough.

According to cafeteria manager Barb Hennessey, the new fry system was implemented because the old system required 35-40 minutes of preparation and, Hennessey said, the fries were "disgusting." The new system, she said, provides fresh fries and saves time.

Nutritionally, the system is "a very poor approach," said health teacher Scott Gilbert. According to the nutritional information posted in the cafeteria, a 4-ounce boat of french fries (the cafeteria average) contains 21 grams of fat and 304 calories. Information provided by Gilbert recommends an average daily intake of 70-105 grams of fat

and about 2,500 calories.

Gilbert said that the cafeteria "is making progress" in improving nutrition. "You can't knock the effort," he said. Gilbert said that there has been significant progress in the last two or three years, citing the addition of 1% milk, baked potato chips, light popcorn, and the Food Guide Pyramid hanging in the cafeteria.

Cafeteria worker Kathy Hylla said that the food service has "tried to be proactive and stay one step ahead" regarding nutrition. Hylla highlighted many of the improvements the cafeteria has made in recent years, including trans-fat-free frying oil, charbroiled hamburgers, baked chicken, juices, bagels, and fruit.

"We're trying to keep healthy alterna-
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Three students take active role in election

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Core Staff

This election season, political campaign ads invaded television sets everywhere to persuade voters. A trio of St. Louis U. High students, however, discovered the campaigns behind the commercials by taking part in this year's Missouri state campaigns and elections.

Junior Chris Brown worked as an intern for the Missouri Republican Party three days a week from the beginning of October to Election Day, November 7. He worked with seven other interns and performed several different tasks under the direction of three field sergeants: making maps, telephoning potential campaign volunteers at the office, passing out literature and campaign signs to voters door-to-door, and taking turns manning the front desk.

Brown mentioned "calling families to find volunteers and having the family not speak English" as one difficulty of his job, but overall he enjoyed the internship, especially meeting the many volunteer workers.

"I'm interested in politics, and I wanted

to see how the system actually ran," said Brown. "It was interesting to see how the campaigning worked."

Mark Zinn participated in the system as an election judge. After applying to the Republican party, he was assigned to Pine Lawn City Hall as an assistant supervisor.

"I thought it would be a good experience, and it was an opportunity to serve the community," said Zinn.

The assistant supervising position entails arriving at the city hall to set up voting polls and machines at 4:30 a.m., activating touch screens on the voting machines, and maintaining order among voters.

"I had to break up a fight, people were yelling at me, and I had to explain the (voting) process to lots of people. It took a lot of patience, for sure," recalled Zinn. He described the election day as "an experience I'll never forget."

Ray Wagner also volunteered for the Republican party, distributing political literature and signs and making phone calls.

"I've grown up with politics, and (volunteering) was just something I wanted to do. I saw it as an opportunity to perform my

civic duty and help out (Jim Talent)," Wagner said.

Both Zinn and Wagner used their campaign experiences for a project in their AP American Government class. AP Government teacher Paul Michaelson assigned the project to "give the students a real-life experience with government." He hoped more students would have chosen to participate in the state elections but was nonetheless pleased with the results.

"They got to see how (politics) works. Classroom discussions only give students second- or thirdhand information, so it's great to have them get out and experience a real campaign," said Michaelson. "Some students have even talked about possible career ideas—either in politics or other parts of government. The election really generated a lot of interest amongst the students."

<i>Amadeus Quotes of the Week</i>
"It is a sobering thought that when Mozart was my age, he had been dead for two years." —Tom Lehrer
"Mozart, the last chord of a centuries-old great European taste." —Friedrich Nietzsche

Clubs adjust to new web site

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The new St. Louis U. High web site, redesigned over the summer, has a curriculars section, with a page dedicated to each SLUH club and organization. This was a major change from the old web page, which had a handful of clubs listed under the "students" page, and several more listed on a page for SLUH student organizations.

There was some controversy regarding the inconsistency of group representation on the old web site. The new web site aimed to fix the problem by offering every organization its own page. Most of the 55 listed organizations have taken advantage of this opportunity, with 35 groups having some sort of posting. However, about half of those groups have little more than the moderator's name or one line of text posted on the page.

For the 35 clubs with postings, the new web site is working to the benefit of "current

and prospective students," said Advancement Officer and website project coordinator Ben DuMont.

DuMont is currently getting in touch with the moderators of the 20 clubs who have not posted and encouraging them to post content. He is also contacting those moderators whose clubs have only minimal information, asking them to provide more material.

DuMont noted that the Climbing Club, Latin Club, and National Honor Society all have comprehensive pages.

While any club moderator can launch and modify his or her club's page, DuMont has helped launch the pages of many clubs. He also stressed that he is willing to help with a club's page anytime. Getting a page up and running is not hard or time consuming, he said. "It's just a matter of doing it."

"We've really simplified the process" for the club moderators, DuMont explained. "When we started there was confusion ... it's very easy now" to post content on the pages.

Clubs can also have a student assist with the updating of their web pages, and those students are also free to see DuMont for help.

While he will work with each moderator on a personal basis, DuMont said, "If people aren't posting content, we're going to have to take that section down." He does hope and expect that removing a club's page will inspire the club to put a page together to get recognition.

Fifteen of the groups have links to external information or their own club website. For instance, the Film Club, headed by film teacher Mark Cummings, has a Geocities webpage linked to the SLUH page.

Four of the organizations have links to other pages on the SLUH web site, such as to the intramurals and community service pages. Club sports are represented under both the clubs and athletics pages.

Another feature of the new web site is "SLUH News," a frequently updated news briefing segment, where stories about SLUH

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SOA protesters go to Ft. Benning today

Dan Behr
Reporter

Fourteen St. Louis U. High students, along with psychology teacher Karl Guenther and geometry teacher George Mills, will board a bus headed for the annual protest of the School of the Americas (SOA) this Friday. The protest takes place on Saturday and Sunday outside the gates of the SOA in Ft. Benning, Ga. Like last year, the participants plan on returning to St. Louis late Sunday night or early Monday morning. Twelve seniors, one junior, and one sophomore plan on making the trip to Ft. Benning this year.

Since the murder of six Jesuit priests, their co-worker, and a teenage girl at the hands of SOA graduates in 1989, many humanitarians and activists have protested U.S. funding of the SOA. The SOA was originally founded in 1946 in Panama but was later moved to Ft. Benning. In order to protect Latin American countries from the growing communist movement, the U.S.

government began to train the SOA students as counter-insurgency troops in the late '50s and early '60s. The U.S. Army annually gives the SOA a ten million-dollar budget to train troops from different Latin American countries. The SOA has trained over 60,000 Latin American soldiers. Since the SOA began training Latin American troops, numerous human rights violations have been attributed to its graduates.

In 1990, Fr. Roy Bourgeois founded an anti-SOA movement known as the SOA Watch. For the past couple years, students from SLUH have traveled down to Ft. Benning to help with the SOA Watch's annual November protest. The protesters chose to hold the event on or around Nov. 16 each year because it is the anniversary of the murder of the six Jesuit priests.

On the first day of the protest, the participants gather to listen to live bands and hear speeches given by various anti-SOA speakers, including last year's speaker, a survivor of a massacre attributed to SOA graduates. On Sunday morning, thousands of

protesters will carry white crosses representing those killed by SOA graduates. Then the names of people either killed or missing on account of SOA graduates will be read in a ceremony while those carrying the crosses walk in front of the SOA's gate in a solemn procession.

For senior Will Condit, the ceremony is the main reason he is returning for a second protest. "The second day is just such a powerful day spiritually and emotionally. Hearing name after name of people who have either disappeared or been murdered by (SOA graduates) just really affected me," he said.

Others, like junior Ken Homan, plan on attending this year's protest because they believe that the SOA represents "(U.S.) self-interest and not the interest of the people of Latin America," and that many graduates of the SOA violate human rights throughout Central and South America.

Although their reasons for attending the protest may differ slightly, all of the SLUH students who plan on making this
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Frosh elect Wagner, Zinn in mock election

George Boston
Core Staff

Last Friday during homeroom, St. Louis U. High's freshman class chose Nacilbuper Party members Ray Wagner and Mark J. Zinn as president and vice president respectively of the United States of America in a mock election held by social studies teacher Paul Michaelson's AP American Government course. The Wagner/Zinn ticket, garnering 155 of the 255 votes cast, was followed by Sam Leverenz/Pete Nigh of the Free Rational Party with 55 votes, Tim Nesmith/Jack Hart of the Centrist Reform Action Party with 30 votes, Zach Linneman/Jack Fleming of the National Socialists of America with 11 votes, and freshman Bill Gabler, who was not on the ballot but still chalked up 4 votes.

Michaelson, who stated that the goal of the election was to make students "think about what it takes to run a campaign and take stands on controversial issues" (see vol. 71, issue 10), thought the election was a reasonable success. Michaelson said that the results

were about what he expected, "except that the minor parties did too well." He cited the freshman class's conservatism, Nacilbuper television commercials, and vice presidential candidate Zinn's high name recognition as factors behind the Nacilbuper victory, but felt that the Free Rational Party most engaged in the assignment. "(The Free Rationals) really pushed the issues," said Michaelson.

As in any real election, advertising was a large part of the campaign process. Monopolizing the small screen, the winning Nacilbuper Party aired four television commercials in addition to hanging campaign posters. The Free Rationals hung posters bearing their logo, a penguin with the crown and torch of the Statue of Liberty. They were also the only party to hand out a platform besides the ones Michaelson passed out for them. The National Socialists of America, according to one member, promised doughnuts to freshmen in exchange for votes, but failed to fulfill their promise.

Mock Vice President of the United States of America Zinn felt that the election was fair and seemed happy with its outcome. Assert-

ing that his fame as KUHI's meteorologist did not largely skew the results, Zinn said, "I am the weatherman ... (freshmen) do watch the weather. I am not one of (the freshmen). I can't know why they vote for me, only that they do. ... But I think (the freshmen) looked at the issues and they made their decision, and I think they made the right one."

Free Rationals, a minor liberal party, defied expectations by earning more votes than the Centrist Reform Action Party, the non-Nacilbuper major party.

"The Free Rationals are the biggest success because the freshmen are, according to the Amendment 2 poll, an overwhelmingly conservative class, and so the Nacilbupers should've got more votes than they did," said Free Rational Brad Klipfel. He also noted that the Free Rationals were the only party members to wear suits or canvas the freshman homerooms on election day.

The Centrist Reform Action Party greatly underperformed. Michaelson said its members "failed to come to a consensus (stance) on many issues." He likened them
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FOOD

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tives in front of students,” Hylla said.

Gilbert acknowledged these improvements but maintained that the school is “not giving students the opportunity to choose well,” pointing to the school’s vending machines in particular. Items in the vending machines are especially high in calories, caffeine, and sugar; the latter two, Gilbert said, have “highly addictive properties.” The average recommendation for daily sugar intake is 48 grams. A 12-ounce can of Pepsi has about 41 grams of sugar, a Three Musketeers candy bar has 40 grams, and a 20-ounce bottle of Gatorade contains 35 grams. “(Junk) foods and drinks have an impact in the classroom,” including increased fatigue and decreased attention span and creativity, said Gilbert.

Gilbert said that in order to improve the vending machine’s offerings, the school should analyze the machines’ contents and provide more diet soda options.

“If that’s not a solution,” Gilbert said, “there’s two options: put a lock on (the machines) until after 3 o’clock, or get rid of them altogether.” In fact, Gilbert said that “one of my goals is to get the vending machines out of the school.”

Hylla opposes the removal of vending machines from schools, saying that students “have to have that freedom and flexibility (to choose) in high school.” Hylla, who manages food at eight other area schools, said that “SLUH guys are pretty informed” about nutrition, which she credited to SLUH’s inclusion of nutrition into the freshman health and biology classes.

“It helps when the school does things on their end,” Hylla said.

For all of the cafeteria’s efforts to provide healthy options, students still tend to pass over healthier foods for greasier fare. Gilbert attributed this in part to cost.

“You’re going to pay more for healthier food across the board,” he said. Indeed, cans of soda cost 70 cents at SLUH compared to a \$1.60 bottle of Dole fruit juice. Hamburgers cost \$1.25 while a sandwich from the cafeteria’s deli bar, at 40 cents per ounce, will often run close to three dollars.

One student who does eat the cafeteria’s healthier offerings is senior Zach Linneman, who often buys the fruit for breakfast. “It’s reasonably priced,” Linneman said, adding that he has never bought rotten fruit from

the cafeteria.

Junior Sam Parr said that he also enjoys the fruit provided in the cafeteria, but he wishes that there was a wider variety of healthier options, especially among the hot foods.

“I can just bring my own fruit from home,” Parr said.

However, many students said they simply don’t like the healthier items.

“It’s really not very appealing,” junior Sam King said of the school’s salad bar.

“The first time I bought an apple (in the cafeteria), it was absolutely rotten,” said junior Matt Vonderheide.

“The fruit here doesn’t really look that good,” agreed junior Mark Hess as he finished a donut for breakfast. “Plus, the donuts are right there,” whereas the fruit is tucked away in the bottom bin of the juice refrigerator, Hess said.

Gilbert said that food placement definitely influences student choices.

“The candy is placed right by the cash register, just like at Target or the grocery store,” he said. Gilbert added that as a rule of thumb, a healthy diet includes foods of all different colors, but the foods on the cafeteria’s buffet line “are all yellow and brown ... it’s all fried.”

Social studies teacher Paul Michaelson has been moderating the buffet this quarter during lunch periods. He said that he hasn’t seen too many students take advantage of the healthier options.

“(Students) eat crap. ... They like the food that isn’t as healthy. Whatever the featured entrée of the day is, that’s what they take,” Michaelson said.

Despite these assessments, Michaelson applauded the new french fry distribution method. “From an ethics standpoint, (students) don’t steal fries anymore,” because students can take as many as they want, said Michaelson.

The days of the four-story high french fry tray may be numbered. Assistant Principal for Student Welfare H. Eric Clark made an announcement after school Monday telling students to “stop abusing the system,” but few students seemed to heed this warning on Tuesday and Wednesday.

“To ask that we don’t load up the trays is a pretty lofty goal,” said senior Brian Hoelting as he piled curly-Qs onto his tray.

In a 2005 survey administered by the Negative Cultural Influences committee of SLUH’s North Central self-study, many faculty expressed a concern with students’ eating habits, resulting in the decision to form a subcommittee to investigate the cafeteria food. Negative Cultural Influences chair Tim Curdt said that once formed, the committee (which will include several students) will “develop ... specific recommendations for administrative action to promote healthier food choices” and meet with Food Service staff and school administration to discuss these changes.

Complicating the matter is the school’s financial stake in food sales. Any profits from the cafeteria and vending machines are shared between the school and Food Service Consultants, according to Vice President of Administration Mike Leary. Leary could not disclose how much SLUH profits from cafeteria sales.

President Dave Laughlin said that the school “certainly should provide healthy options to students,” but ultimately, “it’s a matter of choice.” Laughlin said he’s unsure whether or not the school should consider banning certain foods. “Should we hold ourselves to that standard? I’m not sure. But you drive a car to school, you can go to Hardee’s, and you can buy a salad or you can buy a hamburger.”

Gilbert said his greatest frustrations concerning health foods come from students. “I ask the students in health class, ‘What would you guys want to see in the cafeteria?’ and they suggest items like baby carrots,” Gilbert said. “But then we get the stuff, and Kathy Hylla comes and tells me we had to throw all this rotten fruit out because no one was eating it. If we’re going to get (healthier food), eat it. Walk the walk,” Gilbert said.

Nevertheless, Gilbert said he does see some student effort to eat healthier.

“When I walk through the cafeteria, I see guys who have made poor choices, but I think we’re seeing guys ... making an effort to eat healthier,” which Gilbert attributed to the work of the administration, Food Service, and nutrition components of the curriculum.

Dan Everson contributed reporting to this article.

Swimming falls in State

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Reporter

The St. Louis U. High swimming and diving team ended its season at the MSHSAA swimming and diving championship meet at the St. Peter's Rec-Plex last Friday and Saturday. The Jr. Bills swam relentlessly despite knowing that their efforts would not yield a state title, as Rockhurst won the meet three quarters of the way through in a landslide victory. Rockhurst won the meet and the state title with a score of 217 points, nearly 60 points greater than the second-place team. The Jr. Bills took 20th place with a score of 32 points.

Other MCC schools also performed extremely well at the meet. Chaminade, propelled by two-event winner Scott Jostes, scored 103 points. CBC followed in close pursuit, taking 10th with 96 points, and DeSmet took 16th place with 48 points. Of all five of the MCC Schools, SLUH took 4th,

mainly because many of the swimmers who did not qualify qualified for state for the finals. Although the Jr. Bills received 32 points, they had been hoping for more.

On Friday morning, the Jr. Bills trekked out to the Rec-Plex for the preliminary round of the state meet. As the Jr. Bills walked onto the packed deck of the Rec-Plex that afternoon, they knew that they had a young but large team, and were hoping to get as many swimmers qualified as possible for the next round on Saturday.

After nearly two hours of warm-ups to make sure all of the teams were ready to

swim, the meet began. In the first event, the Jr. Bills got their 200 Medley relay qualified for the consolation heat the next day. Despite the reassuring start, the Jr. Bills could not get any of their swimmers qualified in the ensuing events. It was not until the 100 fly that the Jr. Bills qualified another swimmer. Captain Jake Roeckle stepped up and gave the Jr. Bills their only slot in a top eight in the 100 fly.

"It was great seeing coach running over to me telling me that I had made the finals and was in the top eight. I really wanted to reach this goal this year, and getting to swim in the



Sophomore Mick Dell'Orco during warm-ups at the swimming state meet.

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New wrestling weigh-in system set for this year

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The Missouri State High School Activities Association (MSHSAA) created a new weigh-in system for Missouri high school wrestlers. The system is called the MSHSAA Wrestling Weight Management Program. The program determines the minimum weight class in which a wrestler can compete. The minimum weight class is based on a body fat measurement of 7% for males and 12% for females.

Under the new system, wrestlers will have to certify at a certain weight class before their first competition of the year. After certifying, each wrestler may only lose 1.5% of his or her body weight each week and may not drop below the established body fat percentages in order to remain eligible.

The program was created to discourage negative methods of weight control, such as sweating off water weight. It also helps wrestlers focus less on cutting weight and more on strength training, conditioning, and technique.

"(The program) also is designed to cut down on wrestlers losing a whole lot of

weight in a short period of time. It would have to be done gradually," said varsity wrestling head coach Tim Curdt.

"(It is designed to) try to keep the wrestlers from wrestling at weights that were not healthy for them. It is also designed to discourage crash dieting and yo-yoing; in other words, dehydrating yourself to make the weight, making the weight, putting it back on," Curdt added.

Wrestlers also must first pass a hydration test before they can participate in the specific gravity test. Dehydration "compromises the accuracy of body composition assessments," according to MSHSAA, so each wrestler must be well hydrated before the test.

The certification process involves a test ensuring that a wrestler has a body fat of at least seven percent of their total body weight. Further regulations require each wrestler to have a specific gravity of no more than 1.025. Specific gravity is a ratio based on the weight of an object as compared to the weight of the same volume of water.

If a wrestler certifies at a body fat percentage lower than 7%, he may still wrestle. He must, however, get a note from his doctor

saying that he is healthy, and that his sub-7% body fat is natural for him. However, if his body fat is below 7%, he may not lose more than .9 lbs beyond where he certified.

Preparation for the test requires avoiding diuretics, such as caffeine, and sodium (which holds water in the body), and vigorous physical activity in the days before the test. After passing the hydration test, wrestlers divide their weight by volume for a specific gravity.

The body fat of each wrestler is then measured by school nurse Scott Gilbert or math teacher Dan See with calipers. See and Gilbert were certified by the state over the summer in order to officially certify wrestlers for the season because the coach of a team cannot certify his own athletes. All of this testing must occur on the same day, and if a wrestler fails, he or she must wait a minimum of 48 hours before another testing.

Rich Darragh likes some parts of the system, "This is going to stop me from really starving myself, because last year that was a big problem for me. I dropped ten pounds and didn't have any strength left. It's a really good thing for me."

Football ends playoff run with loss to Mehlville

Kevin McBrearty
Reporter

The Jr. Bill football team looked to advance to the state semifinals by knocking out Mehlville last Friday. Both teams played hard for all 48 minutes, but in the end the Mehlville running game proved to be too powerful and the Jr. Bills made an early playoff exit, losing 34-7.

The game started as a defensive battle, with both SLUH and Mehlville shutting out the opposing team's offense in the first quarter. Linebacker David Eagleton led the U. High defense with 6 tackles, a forced fumble, and an interception all in the first quarter.

In the second quarter the Playoffbills looked to draw first blood on offense. They started in great field position, from their own 45. As usual, sophomore running back Ronnie Wingo got things going on a 24-yard sprint down to the Mehlville 31 yard line. From there, the Mehlville defense toughened

up and forced the Jr. Bills to attempt a field goal. Kicker Max Wheeler came on to attempt a 42 yarder, but no dice. The Jr. Bills would have to hold off the Mehlville attack once more without the comfort of a lead.

Mehlville came out ready to run in their next drive. They took over at their 20-yard line, but didn't stay there long. Mehlville weaved and stutter-stepped their way down the field on three big runs, bringing them within 15 yards of a touchdown. From there, they pounded away at the U. High defense, finally scoring on a 1-yard run to give them a 7-0 lead halfway through the second quarter.

The Jr. Bills gave Mehlville a scare on the next drive. Sophomore quarterback John Swanston aired out a pass to junior receiver

Eric Devlin, but a Mehlville defender barely got his fingers on the ball to tip it away from Devlin.

Mehlville took over after the Jr. Bills failed to get a first down. They worked quickly, getting to midfield on a 14-yard pass. Then the running game got going. On two consecutive plays, the Mehlville of-

fense ran for 20 yards and a first down and then for 20 yards to score with 2:28 left in the half, giving them a 14-0 lead.

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Dave Eagleton picks off a pass by the Mehlville quarterback.

Cross Country has a successful season

Matt Lawder
Reporter

"Every year we try to get a state trophy," said sophomore Cliff David after the season. "We work hard and try to get ourselves in a good position for when we step on the line at state. We did that this year."

The St. Louis U. High cross country team got off to a successful start this year with an early focus on doing well at the state meet. The team also logged a lot of miles in the offseason with a handful of guys running over 500 miles.

With the summer heat still wilting the greenery in Forest Park, the Jr. Bills began their season with practices of long distances, which took some runners as far as downtown Clayton, and several blisteringly fast tempo runs. By the time the start of school rolled around, the squad had ballooned to 90 runners, with an astounding 36 freshmen. With only three captains to manage the whole team, some team members began losing focus, but the start of the season two weeks later re-energized everyone.

The varsity squad, seasoned by weeks of endurance, opened its season at McNair Park

with a second-place finish behind eventual state champions Fort Zumwalt South. "The only teams that beat us this year ended up being the state champions," said sophomore Max Ottenlips

After the first meet, several new runners began to emerge as varsity contenders. While Matt Lawder, Nate Banet, Dan Viox, sophomore John Clohisy and junior Mike McCafferty were solidifying their spots as varsity main-stays, the battle for the six and seventh spots grew ever more intense. Freshman Caleb Ford, junior Steve Schumacher, and sophomore Austin Cookson joined junior Chris Murphy and sophomores David Kuciejczyk-Kernan and Cliff David as top seven hopefuls. Unfortunately, David was diagnosed with a stress fracture not long after and could not run for the whole season.

The team continued its charge into the season, heading to some top-level meets including the First Annual Forest Park Cross Country Festival and the RimRock Classic in Lawrence, Kansas. The team really began to click and gain momentum with big third and second-place finishes. Then the injury bug took its bite out of SLUH. Clohisy had to sit out of several meets with hip trouble,

and Murphy's previous stomach problems resurfaced. The team looked a little weak and worried heading towards the postseason.

The team hung together to win the conference championship over a tough CBC squad, followed by the district and sectional championships. Each week the team looked stronger, fitter, and more rested. Clohisy and Murphy both healed up and were ready to go full bore for the state meet.

The team had a good a day at state, capturing a second-place trophy and two individual medals for All-Staters Lawder and Clohisy. It was SLUH's highest finish since 1999, when they won the state title.

"I think that our effort and hard work this season really showed at the state meet," said Clohisy.

"I think it was a quality season," said sophomore Ben Carron. "The team definitely came together and it was fun to be a part of."

SLUH had one of the best teams in the school's history, and many of its runners will be returning to next year's squad, so be on the lookout for fast times and more broken records next year.

Basketball prepares for season, hopes to improve in the MCC

Dave Auffenberg
Reporter

Now that a successful fall sports season has come to an end, it's time for basketball season at St. Louis U. High. This year's Rossbills return six players from last year's squad, balancing themselves out with some youth. Following a 13-15 season last year and a 4th-place finish in the Metro Catholic Conference (MCC), the Jr. Bills are looking to improve in what seems to be an up-for-grabs conference.

Leading the team this year will be captains Geno McNeil, Joe Anderson, Jack Kelly, and Andre Craig. Juniors Dan Niese and Ben Evans will get their first varsity experience as they join returning juniors Andy Hill and Eric Devlin. Sophomores Rudy Brynac, Markus Brooks, and Matt Lynch, along with freshmen Tim Cooney and Jake Fechter, round out the team.

"We've got a lot of fresh faces, and they're all starting to learn the system pretty well," Anderson said. "They're starting to understand what varsity basketball is about."

Kelly added, "We have a good attitude this year, and I'm looking forward to a successful season. As a team, we all have a lot of confidence in one another."

The Jr. Bills' primary goal this year is to improve their standing within the MCC. The 'Melobills suffered a few crushing defeats last year, including a 2-point loss to DeSmet on Senior Night. Although the conference appears strong once again, victory is not out of reach.

Coach John Ross will again coach the Basketbills this year, beginning his 6th season as the varsity head coach. Assistant coach Kent Kershenski will once again join him on the bench.

The annual blue-and-white game over Thanksgiving break will give everyone a chance to come out and see this year's squad, along with the B and freshman teams. But if you have holiday plans, come out and watch the Jr. Bills kick off their season against Althoff on Fri., Dec. 1 at 7:00 p.m. in the gym.

Grapplers have high hopes for upcoming year

Patrick Tracy
Reporter

If you have been on campus around 4:00 p.m. or later, you have likely seen or even been privileged enough to smell the St. Louis U. High wrestling team conditioning before practice. The wrestling squad has been practicing for three weeks now to be on weight and ready for their first dual meet. The team has been working hard and has displayed "a very good approach for developing wrestlers, particularly from our captains," said head coach Tim Curdt.

Andrew Austermann, Rich Darragh, and Andrew Mueth will captain the team this season as the only seniors. This leaves eleven other weight classes open to juniors and sophomores. Austermann looks forward to this learning curve for the new varsity wrestlers as a way for them to "gain great experience (and) work hard to get up to the level of wrestling varsity."

Mueth also commented on the captains, saying they have set "high expectations for the season."

"The team is serious about getting down to work," Curdt said. "(I) see really good things starting to happen with the overall lineup; it's just going to take us a little while to fill up all those numbers."

Juniors James Barton, Matt Self, Ben Ludwig, and Tom Mudd have all risen to the challenge and will contribute to the team score on the varsity level along with a few other surprise juniors and sophomores.

The team will be working with the new weight certification system this year from the Missouri State High School Activities Association (MSHSAA). Wrestlers are put to hydration and body fat tests to qualify for their weight class. (See page 5 for an in-depth report on the new certification system.)

Of the new system, Mueth said, "It has been tougher for some people to get down to weight early."

The captains' strong goals for the season see GREECE, 10

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James David Missey was born on Nov. 11 at 2:06 pm. He was 21.5 inches long and weighed 9 lbs. 12 ounces.

*Welcome
Baby Missey
and
Baby Baud*

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Steven Xavier Baudendistel was born on Nov. 12. In SI units (with 3 sig-figs) he was 3.59 kg and .546 m.

Soccer loses to Chaminade in semi-final

Kevin Gier
Reporter

After the penalty was taken, after Chaminade striker Mike Roach slid in front of the Blue Crew to celebrate his second and winning goal, while the St. Louis U. High team sat despondent on the pitch at the A-B Soccer Park, trying to come to grips with their season's ending in one of the worst ways possible, what was there left to say? Head coach Charlie Martel described the year in one unexpected word: "satisfying."

In front of a crowd that several Soccer Park employees estimated as anywhere from 7,000 to 10,000 fans, the Valenciabills started against the Red Devils in conditions that could only be defined as perfect, with CCP wearing short sleeves in an uncharacteristic bit of 70-degree November weather. On the SP's infamously slippery pitch, both teams slid easily, facilitating both sliding tackles and players' falling trying to get to long balls.

However, SLUH was able to break through in the 26th minute, when junior David Ziegler sent a low ball in to Matt Leinauer. While the future DePaul player

couldn't put it home, junior target man Chris Haffner could, giving SLUH a 1-0 lead that they carried into the half.

SLUH shifted into a more defensive diamond formation at the beginning of the half, abandoning the Dutch 4-3-3 formation they had used all year to try to pull out a 1-0 win, something that the team had not done since the first game of the year at O'Fallon. However, they again weren't able to hold the 1-0 lead, as Roach came in early off the left flank to put a ball high up over junior keeper Zane Reifsteck and level the score. The rest of the second half looked oddly like the beginning of the first: lots of muddled play in the midfield, players slipping and falling at the most inopportune times, and neither team putting together a coherent attack.

Both teams were amped up going into the first extra time period, and former STUCO Sports Commissioner Connor Cole made an appearance to get the huge SLUH crowd as fired up as the 11 men on the pitch.

The first extra frame produced very little of note; however, the second ET provided two moments which will live long in the memory of fans of both schools. The first was a corner-kick for SLUH, which fell to

senior captain Andy Weis, who scored the first goal against Chaminade in the CYC Tournament. He got his head to it, but it hit the side of CCP defender Pat McVey and oddly bounced out, right before it was about to cross the goal line.

Only about a minute later, McVey played a through ball in the direction of Roach. From the perspectives of some, the Red Devil striker appeared to be offside, but the linesman's flag stayed down as an unmarked Roach went forward. Defender Ricky Hudson, already an object of derision from the "Rowdy Red Army," did what he later said was "the only thing I really could do, given the circumstances": he committed the professional foul, taking down Roach from behind. Roach then struck the ensuing penalty middle left-side, grazing the glove of an outstretched Reifsteck before going in, ending the season for the Bocabills.

A loss in the playoffs to a team you had beaten before is a tough ending to an otherwise great season, but Martel remained positive. "It's tough to win every game in a town like St. Louis, and I told the guys after the Round of 16 game that they were the
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Hockey defeats Priory in season opener

Matt Beezley
Reporter

The St. Louis U. High hockey team kicked off their new season with wins over Priory on Saturday and defending champion Oakville Tigers on Monday.

The Icebills' nerves showed early in the first game of the season with five players putting on a varsity jersey for the first time. The Jr. Bills surrendered the puck numerous times in their own zone, and would have given up an early breakaway goal if not for a save by sophomore goalie Ryan Boschert.

The Jr. Bills decided to run an aggressive 2-1-2 forecheck to keep pressure on the Priory defense, force the Rebels to move the puck, and create turnovers. The Jr. Bills tallied their first goal early in the first period, giving SLUH the lead, 1-0. Not a minute later, the Jr. Bills put up another goal, this time from junior Nick Helfrich, putting SLUH

up 2-0.

The two-goal lead was short-lived, however, as Priory answered with a goal of their own seventy-four seconds later. The Stick-and-Puckbills answered back with a goal from sophomore Jack Berger three minutes later, but Priory responded with a goal of their own, pulling within one yet again.

From there, it was all Jr. Bills. They answered with two goals in the last 1:15 of the first period. The Jr. Bills and Priory each went on to score one more goal. SLUH beat the Rebels 6-3 and snatched their first win of the season.

Two days later the Busiebills set out to play the Oakville Tigers, last year's Challenge Cup Champions. Both teams came out strong, playing great on both ends of the ice. Eventually, the Tigers struck first, sliding the puck past Boschert after three rebounds in front of the net. The Jr. Bills made a goalie

change, putting junior net minder Alex Effinger in for Boschert. The Icebills stepped up the pace, but were unable to capitalize, ending the first period trailing 1-0.

SLUH came out strong again in the second period, playing with a 1-2-2 forecheck in an attempt to trap the wingers from breaking out of their own zone. The strategy paid off, as sophomore Joe Cella scored on a five-hole shot with 9:17 to go in the second.

The Junior Bills continued their dominant play, scoring two more goals at the end of the second period to put SLUH up 3-1. The Tigers picked up their offensive play, but the young SLUH defensive corps, led by Effinger, stepped up to the challenge. They shut down the Tigers' offense, giving the Jr. Bills their second win in as many games.

The Jr. Bills hope to continue their winning streak tonight as they open MCC play against Vianney. The puck drops at 9:45 at Affton Ice Rink.

ROCK ME

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traditional role because in order to illustrate why Mozart angers Salieri, the part has to be over-the-top and melodramatic.

“Otherwise the audience wouldn’t see how Salieri perceives Mozart. Had I played Mozart as Mozart actually was, then you wouldn’t understand why Salieri did the things he did,” Dryden said.

“Mozart is a creature of appetites. He goes from one thing to the next, and he is very passionate about everything, and one of those things is his sexuality. (His wife) Constanze is one of the rocks that Mozart clings to,” said Dryden. Cor Jesu Academy senior Alicia Vallorani plays the part of Constanze.

Vallorani said, “Constanze loves Mozart very much because she is very musical herself and she appreciates his music, but as the play progresses she realizes that maybe things aren’t as wonderful as she had imagined them being.”

WEB SITE

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appear on the homepage of the website, www.sluh.org. DuMont is largely in charge of the postings for that section, but he encourages anyone, when they hear SLUH news, to contact him or submit a brief summary to help him out.

DuMont is also working to add a consolidated online calendar to the website. The calendar will include information about facility use and reservations in addition to upcoming SLUH events. He plans to have the calendar running early next semester.

Right now, DuMont said, “We have the ability to make changes and make the website do what we want it to do. It’s just a matter of getting feedback.” E-mail DuMont at dumont@sluh.org to send such feedback.

Veterans Day

Veterans Day was last Saturday—
Thank Your SLUH Veterans!

Tom Becvar
Tom Brandy
Charlie Busenhart
Ray Manker
Dan Shelburne
Al Teske
Mark Tychonievich

Constanze serves an inspiration to Mozart, who puts her name in many of his operas. Their relationship is complicated, however, by Mozart’s idea that he can sleep around but Constanze cannot.

“She is a very strong woman who will do anything for her family. She makes sure that they have enough money because Mozart makes them very poor, so she’s willing to do anything to make that better,” Vallorani said.

“Her role is to deal with me and see the genius beyond the vulgar libertine that is Mozart,” said Dryden.

From a technical aspect, *Amadeus* is very challenging. According to junior tech crew members Mark Hess, Devon Verhoff, and sophomore Zach Jones, there are about ten times more sound and light cues than in a regular show. The crew used every light that they own, which is very unusual.

Hess said, “(Theatre Technical Director) Eric (Elz) has told us multiple times that this SOA

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year’s trip seem optimistic and excited for the protest.

In response to the anti-SOA prayer services held earlier this year and last year, junior Chris Brown has asked if the SLUH community could bring in a speaker to state the pro-SOA side of the argument.

“I don’t necessarily know whether or not the (SOA) is good or bad,” he said, “but I think it’s fair for our school to give light to both sides. I don’t even know what the (SOA) does because all I hear is the one side that is against it.”

Brown has talked to the public administration director of the SOA to see if he could come to SLUH. At the moment, Amnesty International moderator Rob Garavaglia, who plans the SOA trip each year, is in the process of talking with the PA director of the SOA about potentially giving a speech at SLUH in the future.

is the biggest show of our SLUH careers.”

Junior Peter Bruntrager said, “We even had to build the piano.” The play’s piano consists of an amplified keyboard set in a frame constructed from scratch by the crew.

Senior Brad Klipfel, who portrays one of the gossiping Venticelli, or “little winds,” said, “Because it’s such a difficult technical show, it was an interesting choice for a high school to take on. It takes an extraordinary effort from all parties involved.”

Director Kathryn Whitaker has wanted to produce *Amadeus* on the SLUH stage for quite a while. She decided that this year would be appropriate since it is the 250th anniversary of Mozart’s birth.

“It’s really cool how the whole play comes together in terms of light and sound and acting into this huge show,” said Husung.

Amadeus shows at 7:30 p.m. tonight and Saturday and at 3 p.m. on Sunday.

ELECTION

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to their real-life counterparts, saying “(the Centrist Reform Action Party) was a lot like the Democrats are now; if you walk up to five Democrats now and ask each about the same major issue, you’d get five different answers.”

Zinn also likened the mock election to a real one, saying, “We campaigned heavily and ... that’s something that’s a part of real politics.”

Not limited by their ballots, four freshmen wrote in votes, all for classmate Gabler. Some freshmen cited Gabler’s cheery demeanor, constant smile, and ability to “do 141 push-ups in a row” as their reasons for voting for writing him in.

While he plans to make a few changes to the process, Michaelson plans to institute the mock presidential election as an annual part of his AP American Government course.

PN MAN IN THE PARKING LOT

In light of Mr. Clark’s continual announcements telling students not to be dropped off in the Oakland parking lot, the *Prep News* would like to note that on Monday, 36 students entered the school from the Oakland lot. This number includes students who walked onto the lot after being dropped off by their parents or the Metro bus.

—Compiled by Andrew Mueth

DODGERS

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The U. High offense responded by getting on the board late in the half. Starting on their own 44, the offense worked quickly. Swanston fired a bullet to receiver Geno McNeil for 35 yards, bringing the ball down to the 9-yard line. After a 5-yard run by Wingo and two Mehlville penalties, it was third and goal at the 1-yard line. Swanston kept it himself this time, diving in for the touchdown. The Jr. Bills cut the lead in half with 1:20 left in the half.

Mehlville wasn't finished yet. Two big counter runs tripped up the Jr. Bill defense and brought the ball into the red zone. "They could run that counter (well). They would fake a sweep one-way and run the other. It was one play that kept burning us," said defensive end Tyler Caldwell.

Mehlville scored with nine seconds left in the half on a play that upset both SLUH players and fans. The Jr. Bill defense forced a fumble at the goal line on a Mehlville run and a U. High player appeared to have recovered the ball, but it was ruled touchdown. Mehlville led 20-7 entering halftime after missing the extra point.

Mehlville started the 2nd half with possession of the ball. The Jr. Bill defense via linebacker Ryan McDonald forced a fumble on a pass deep into SLUH territory, and this time safety Kenny Aston came up with the ball.

Mehlville returned the favor on SLUH's next possession by forcing a Jr. Bill fumble. Mehlville took over at the U. High 38 yard line. Soon after, they scored on an 8-yard run to extend their lead 27-7. "They could run up the middle, that's for sure," said Niko Mafuli.

The defensive battle resumed halfway through the third quarter. The Jr. Bills were forced to punt on their next three drives, and Mehlville did the same on their next two. But four minutes into the fourth, Mehlville rang up another running touchdown, this time for 23 yards on a sweep to the outside. With that score, Mehlville led the Jr. Bills by 27.

The Jr. Bills had one more chance to get back in the game, but after failing to convert a first down, the Jr. Bills punted to Mehlville one final time.

Mehlville used their potent running game to bleed out the clock, gaining first downs and slowly moving down the field.

The Jr. Bills had no time left to mount a comeback and suffered a loss early in the playoffs, 34-7.

Mehlville's defense held the Jr. Bills to only one score. When asked about Mehlville's defense, Caldwell said, "Mehlville's defense was better than Vianney's. It's also tough to come out and score 42 points each week.... They keyed in on Ronnie (Wingo) and Griffin (Lowry). ... They shut us down."

Wingo carried the ball 18 times for 56 yards. He finished the season with an impressive 1,465 yards.

Eagleton finished the game with 16 tackles and three assists along with a forced fumble and interception. When asked about Eagleton's performance, Caldwell replied, "Dave has played really well all year ... he had a great game on Friday."

"It was a good season, just a bad finish... the newspapers didn't think we would make it above .500.... We proved them wrong," said Mafuli about the season.

GREECE

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include placing first in the free-for-all MCC this year. They also hope to send up to six wrestlers to the state competition in Columbia. Let's get their season started off right by supporting them in their season opening meet against Hazelwood West on Tuesday, Nov. 28 in the gym at 7:00 p.m.

WHAT

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best team I've ever coached." The team's 25-4 record would support that statement, as would the team's honors: CBC Tournament champions, CYC Tournament champions, Jr. Billiken Classic champions, and a team that beat all of its MCC opponents at least once in the season. In addition, Martel said that three seniors, midfielder Cole Grossman (joining the legendary Joe Germanese at Duke), fellow midfielder Weis (set to play with Malcolm DeBaun at Loyola-Chicago), and forward Leinauer (looking forward to lining up with John Kornfeld and Brent Zang at DePaul) have already received offers to play Division I soccer.

In interviews, both senior players and coaches. All agreed that the highlight of the year was the first game against Chaminade, a 2-0 victory with goals from Weis and Haffner.

However, the team members had different messages to the underclassmen for next year. Chris Wecke told the returning players to "just go out and have fun next year." Hudson advised them to "play every game thinking that it might be your last," while Leinauer reminded the juniors, sophomores and freshmen "not to lose at Anheuser-Busch in the sectionals. It's a horrible feeling." Martel exhorted his charges: "Charlie [Clark] and I want to win a state title next year, and they need to be ready to do that."

Jumble

Unscramble these four Jumbles, one letter to each square, to form four ordinary words.

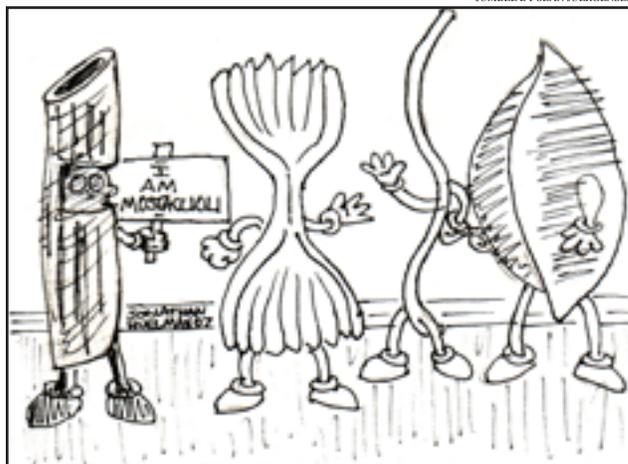
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□	□	○	□	□	□

Now arrange the circled letters to form the answer to the following question, as suggested by the cartoon.

What do you call a fake noodle?

An "○□□□□□□□"

DRAWING BY JON HUELMAN
JUMBLE BY SEAN JUERGENSEN



RUBBER DUCKIES

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finals was amazing," said Roeckle.

After Roeckle, the Jr. Bills were able to qualify only their 200 free relay for the next day. No one else was able to qualify, even the 400 free relay, which was an event the Jr. Bills were counting on to pick up some points.

"I kind of expected it to be that way," said head coach Fritz Long. "The last couple of years the state meet has been really fast. We have a really young team and don't have the experience."

On Saturday, however, the Jr. Bills were looking for sophomore Mick Dell'Orco to step up in the diving competition and get them a top finish in state with some needed points. No one, however, would have guessed beforehand how the diving would turn out. Dell'Orco was supposed to be one of the top five divers at State, which not only would have been a monumental accomplishment for Dell'Orco but would have also given the team needed points. Dell'Orco, after having a mediocre first dive, dove a fantastic dive on his second attempt to get him right back on top of the pack. He stayed in that position until his seventh dive. As the pool quieted Dell'Orco went ahead and dove. After the perfectly landed dive, the Jr. Bill swimmers on the side of the pool began shouting and cheering for their lone state diver. Much to the surprise of the team, and Dell'Orco, however, as the team clapped, the judges quickly gave his dive straight zeros. Uncertain of what happened, Long quickly stood up and halted the meet as diving coach Brendan LeBrun ran forward to talk with the judges.

After a long discussion, the coaches came back informing everyone that the zeros had been upheld. The diving sheet, which had been completed before the meet, had had an error for Dell'Orco's seventh dive. Although one part of the description of the dive was correct, part of the description was incorrect, indicating that Dell'Orco was supposed to do a back dive that he had never dove before in his life. Dell'Orco just went ahead and dove the dive he was supposed to do, not realizing that a mistake had been made. Even though Dell'Orco had a great dive, the officials would not change the diving card because the dive had already been performed. Consequently, the judges gave Dell'Orco a zero on the dive.

Although Dell'Orco could have gotten back in the top 16 on his eighth dive, the seventh dive cemented his fate and knocked him out of the qualifying top 16.

"I was feeling pretty good about the way I dove, but it is just kind of tragic when something like that happens," said Dell'Orco. "I was really hoping to do well, but it is just really hard trying to describe what happened with everything that was being expected. It really is a bad situation because I know Coach LeBrun feels even worse about it than I do. I would never have been here in the first place without the help of Coach LeBrun, and he has been the best coach I have had. I will just take what I can from what happened this year, and I know that I will better next year because I will be stronger, more experienced, and will have (had) another year of practice with Coach LeBrun."

"It was unfortunate to see that happen," remarked Long. "You can't really do anything about it."

Swimmers looking on at the diving felt just the same way. Roeckle said, "I just felt really bad for Mick. It was unfortunate that something like that would happen to him."

After the disappointing start on Saturday morning, the team came out for the swimming finals that afternoon. Returning in three events, the Jr. Bills decided to go out and perform their best even though they had no chance of winning the meet. By the end of the day, the Jr. Bills had earned 32 points.

In the 200 medley relay, the Jr. Bills took 14th place, earning four points. Sophomores Trent Going, Pat Nugent, Jake Roeckle, and junior Tim Dale together completed the relay with a time of 1.44.93.

In the final event of the day, the 200 free relay, juniors Mike Sizemore and Tim Dale, sophomore Will Derdeyn, and Roeckle moved up in their seeding to take a huge 10th place and 16 more points for the Jr. Bills with a time of 1.32.16.

The big swim of the day, though, came from Jake Roeckle, who led both Jr. Bill point-earning relays and performed in the 100 fly, had the most impressive day of his high school career and was a part of all 32 of the Jr. Bills' points.

Roeckle's 100 Fly performance was by far the highlight of the day. As the Jr. Bills' fans stood cheering loudly from the stands,

Roeckle reeled in a 7th-place finish, scoring the Jr. Bills 12 points with a time of 55.02. Long remarked, "He was really impressive there on his last swim as a high-schooler."

"Jake stepped up really big for us," said Roeckle's fellow captain Jim Heafner. "He carried our team all day, and I was happy for him to see him do so well."

"It was exciting to drop one second this weekend from my previous fastest time," said Roeckle, "and I was proud of what we did in the relays, especially with those younger guys who will be back next year."

"There is a lot of potential for growth," said Long. "A lot of the big swimmers are coming back, so our team will definitely be better. It is encouraging to know that the relay (teams) that placed at state this year will be returning for next year."

Captain Joel Berger added, "They will definitely be a stronger and better team next year. I expect them to do better at state next year since the younger guys got a lot of experience this year."

Overall, the Jr. Bills had a good season. Long remarked, "We had a couple of guys that were really close to qualifying for state at the end of the season that would probably have qualified with a couple of more weeks (of swimming before state). Most of our guys are still pretty young and have a lot of potential for next year."

Roeckle said, "It was nice to see everyone drop time. We made our goal and won MCCs. We could have scored more points at state, but it was a growing experience. All of the seniors did really well and adjusted well to the season change. So overall, I think it was a really positive and productive season."

The Jr. Bills had a great growth season: a new crop of talented freshmen, a great group of senior leaders, a new assistant coach John Penilla, and another MCC Varsity and JV title. Truly, the Jr. Bills were blessed with a fruitful season. They depart from the friendly confines of Forest Park Community College until the dog days of August when they will swim again and try to build upon the great successes of this year.

by Kevin Casey

Calendar

Sept. 15 - Sept. 22

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 17

Schedule L
 Father/Son Lit.
 SOA Trip thru Sunday
 Dauphin Players' *Amadeus*, 7:30pm
 Beef Stroganoff

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 18

Dauphin Players' *Amadeus*, 7:30pm

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 19

Dauphin Players' *Amadeus*, 3pm
 Thanksgiving Basket Distribution
 Senior Kairos Retreat thru Wednesday

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 20

Orange Shirt Monday
 Schedule R
 IM Basketball— Jr.
 Meteorology Club
 Fr. English Tutorial
 Junior Whitehouse Retreat thru Wed.
 College Visits:
 Yale University
 Pizza/Taco Sticks, Chicken Club Wraps

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 21

Schedule M
 All-School Mass (formal attire)

State Track/Tennis Celebration
 Papa John's

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 22

Schedule H
 Chicken Nuggets

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 23

Happy Thanksgiving
 No classes

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 24

No Classes

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 26

STUCO International Awareness Drive
 thru 12/16

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 27

Orange Shirt Monday
 Schedule R
 IM Bombardment
 B BB Ft. Zumwalt South Tourn. Thru
 Thursday @ Ft. Zumwalt, TBA
 Cheese Garlic Bread, Mostaccioli

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 28

Schedule R
 Soph Bonus Reading
 IM Basketball- Jr

Young Rep. Meeting
 V/JV/C WR vs. Hazelwood West, 6pm
 Bosco, Toasted Ravioli/Baked Ravioli

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 29

Schedule H
 Faculty Meeting, 1pm
 Cookies, Tony's Lil Charlies

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 30

Schedule R
 Fr. English Tutorial
 NHS Meeting
 IM Basketball— Soph.
 Mix-It-Up Lunch
 Jr. Rep. Meeting
 Rosary
 V/JV/C WR vs. Windsor @ Windsor, 6pm
 Tator Tots, Chicken Strips w/ Bacon

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 1

Schedule R
 V BB vs. Belleville Althoff, 5:30pm
 B BB vs. Belleville Althoff, 7pm
 C-Blue BB vs. Belleville Althoff, 4pm
 C-White BB vs. Jennings @ Jennings,
 4:30pm
 V/JV WR Parkway South Tournament @
 Parkway, 4pm

PN Nightbeat

The SLUH racquetball team won 4-3 over CBC last night. The team won three matches early, and two seed Drew Burkemper closed the night with a win. Juniors Joe Hoffman and Paul Marsek won individually. Doubles duo Dean Hunter and Todd Swift also won. One and three seeds Ben Brooks and junior Ray Godefroid lost, as did Steve Baer.

SLUH AP Awards

137 SLUH students were recognized as AP Scholars this past year for their achievements on the AP exams. Students were distinguished on four different award levels. AP Scholars are students who received grades of 3 or higher on 3 or more exams taken. AP Scholars with Honor are students who received an average grade of at least 3.25 on all exams taken, and 3 or higher on 4 or more exams. AP Scholars with Distinction are students who received an average grade of at least 3.5 on all exams taken, and 3 or higher on 5 or more exams. AP National Scholar are students who received an average grade of at least 4 on all exams taken, and 4 or higher on 8 or more exams. Ben Farley, Anthony Keel, Timo Kim, and Nicholas Niehaus, all from the class of '06, were recognized as AP National Scholars.

	2006	2005	2004	2003	2002
AP Scholars:	47	61	65	35	20
AP Scholars with Honor:	34	28	30	22	18
AP Scholars with Distinction:	52	52	38	14	11
AP National Scholars:	4	3	1	1	0
Total:	137	144	134	72	49