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Sportsmanship discussed at sparsely-attended forum

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News Editor

The St. Louis U. High Student Council (STUCO) hosted its second quarterly forum in the Joseph Schulte Theater on Tuesday. The forum discussed the lack of sportsmanship during the fall athletic season by Jr. Bill fans; other topics discussed included the misuse of the Internet, and the relevance of the master club calendar posted in the STUCO office.

The forum opened with discussion of improper sportsmanship by SLUH athletes and fans at fall sporting events, especially soccer and football. Athletic Director Dick Wehner said, "I've been really disturbed this fall with some of the things that have been happening at athletic events. Both with some of our participants, some of our kids who play, some of our fans, and even some of our adults."

Wehner specifically mentioned the treatment of a varsity Chaminade soccer player at SLUH soccer matches vs. Chaminade. SLUH fans at the CYC tournament final and the regular season MCC soccer match frequently heckled him. Wehner did not notice the actions of the SLUH fans until the regular season match, where the player turned towards the SLUH cheering section and told them to stop making fun of him.

"I became very upset when that happened," Wehner said. "I was (also) upset for another reason, and that was because there was some of our (faculty there). Does sportsmanship just fall on me? I certainly hope it doesn't ... I think it falls on every single teacher in this school, every single student in this school. And what disturbs me is that there were people present at that game who heard these guys say that, and ... they stood there and did nothing. That upset me more than the guys making the comment."

Besides treatment of said athlete, Wehner also noted the poor sportsmanship of SLUH athletes and the harsh treatment of fans towards referees. According to Wehner, a SLUH athlete was dismissed from an athletic competition this fall for fighting for the first time in 20 years. "That really concerns me," he said.

Wehner mentioned that players and fans have also displayed poor sportsmanship through harsh language to players and referees. He noted one instance where a SLUH player was taken down in a game, and the opposing player approached to help him up, only to be told " 'blank' you," by the SLUH athlete, according to Wehner.

He also said that SLUH fans at the sectional soccer game used the same language towards the referees as they exited at halftime. "That concerns me that that attitude is creeping into high school athletics. ... Referees
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What a deal: SLUHtique this Sunday

Kevin Casey
Core Staff

SLUH-tique, the SLUH holiday shopping event of the season, is taking place this Sunday in the SLUH gym. Hosted by the SLUH Mother's Club, the event starts at 12 p.m. and will feature around 45 retailers. The shopping part of the event will be open until 4 p.m., and the house tours starting at 3 p.m. and going to 7 p.m.

The number of vendors being featured in the boutique has increased considerably from last year's 20 retailers. "We've advertised a lot more," said Mother's Club President Dale Auffenberg. Besides advertisements besides the signs seen around SLUH, notices were put in parish bulletins, and flyers were sent through elementary schools. The boutique

was even advertised in such places as the Ladue News and on Show-Me St. Louis.

Said co-chair Tracy Kissling, "We came up with what we thought women like the most, home décor, jewelry, things that are really hot right now, as far as women's fashion. We're just looking for what's really in."

Items that are to be sold range from gourmet candy and soap to designer sunglasses and handbags, among other things. The boutique will feature Jr. Billiken items, too.

With all of the advertising, the Mother's Club is hoping to get more than just SLUH moms who, along with SLUH alumni mothers, have made up the majority of shoppers in recent years.

Kissling said the Mother's club is hoping for 500 attendees.

Vendors started inquiring about being part of the event as early as last spring. The cost for a table in the gym was \$100. The money will be used to fund things such as the Mother's Club as the Loyola Christmas party and faculty Christmas gifts.

According to Kissling, besides raising money for the SLUH community, the event is "just for women to have an outlet during the holidays, to be with their friends, have a nice lunch, and shop with other SLUH moms and women in the area."

Admission to the boutique is free. Although buses are full for the house tour, ladies can still register from 12-3 p.m. on Sunday to go on the tour via their own car.

Pride recognized for “Excellence in Teaching”

Ray Kreienkamp
Reporter

St. Louis U. High economics teacher Peggy Pride received an award recognizing her career teaching achievements on Nov. 19: the Emerson Excellence in Teaching Award. The award is given annually to approximately 100 St. Louis area teachers who have received a major national or local teaching award in the past year. The primary goal of this award is to provide further recognition to these teachers for their many accomplishments.

Pride received the award at the reception on Nov. 19. As part of winning the award, she was presented with an engraved crystal apple. She was also recognized by having her name read as she walked across the stage at the Ritz-Carlton to shake hands with senior executives at Emerson.

To be eligible for the award, the teacher must have been nominated by someone else. Earlier this year, principal Mary Schenkenberg nominated Pride along with two other SLUH teachers for the award because she wanted “(their) efforts to be recognized by more than just SLUH.” Pride was a perfect candidate for the award, as she had just been awarded the Global Association for Teachers of Economics Teacher of the Year award in 2005.

Schenkenberg also noted, “(Pride) has done a lot of work, not only in her classroom and teaching, which this honor is primarily for, but she has done (work) nationally in Advanced Placement and has really taken a leadership role (in that also).”

Pride has helped to write AP Economics Tests and worked on the College Board. Most recently, she assisted with writing the AP companion worksheets for a newly-published economics book. She has helped mold the Social Studies department into its present form.

History teacher Tom McCarthy pointed out, “She has shown outstanding leadership within the department.” McCarthy noted that in addition to being the department chair, she has made significant contributions to the department, especially with making curriculum changes and “working with experienced teachers as well as younger teachers to mentor them.”

The primary purpose of the award, however, was to recognize the teachers for distinction in the classroom. To many AP Economics students past and present, Pride’s teaching abilities are second to none.

Senior Kyle McCollum said, “She is a great teacher, and she always has really organized and planned out lessons. It is easy to understand the material because her

study guides are really helpful and easy to follow.”

Just by looking at the AP test results, it is evident that Pride’s lessons must be well-planned. Eighty-three percent of SLUH students who took the AP Economics exam last spring passed with a score of three or higher.

Senior Tim Ryan pointed out, “One of the reasons I took the course was because I knew she was a great teacher, and her students have great success on the AP tests and in college.”

Senior Pat Kemp also remarked on Pride’s teaching, saying, “She knows the information so well that it seems she could teach the course from memory. Also, her detailed and well-thought-out slides really help us to learn economics.”

Pride was thankful for the award, saying, “It was a very nice ceremony and I was very appreciative that Dr. Schenkenberg thought of nominating me.”

This week in Prep News History

SLUH teacher and Coach Ebbie Dunn was named one of Disney’s Top Thirty-Six Teachers of the Year.

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Holiday Circus Show debuts Saturday

Matt Hubbard
Photography Editor

The arrival of the holiday season brings with it not only shopping frustration and cold weather but also the Short Attention Span Circus’s annual holiday show in the Joseph Schulte Theater. This show includes eye-popping illusions, feats of strength and skill, and a great need for insurance.

St. Louis U. High director Joseph Schulte started the Short Attention Span Circus, a subsidiary of the Dauphin Players, in 1992 to be featured in a production of *Carnival*.

Led for the second year by senior Danny Byrne, the circus club brings back its classic montage of skits. Characters from the skits include the two greatest pickpockets in the world coming straight from the streets of

whatever city happens to be named “most dangerous” at the moment, two world famous magicians from the jungles of southern Canada, David and David, and a whip trick to “wow” even Indiana Jones.

Senior Matt Hubbard returns as the Circus Club’s magician. He assures the audience that wherever his magic may go you can be certain that amazement will surely follow.

This year’s circus club features a large group of returning seniors and juniors, and one sophomore. For the first time in Short Attention Span Circus history not only have four new freshmen and a senior been added to their roster, but a young woman has also joined the ranks. Rosati-Kain senior Sarah Hardy has become the first young lady to be a part of SLUH circus. After Hardy learned

to juggle, Schulte and ASC teacher Karl Guenther agreed that she could be a part of the show.

Junior juggling superstars Matt Viverito and Pat McDermott return this year better than ever. Viverito belongs to the St. Louis Arches, a local youth circus troupe that McDermott also used to belong to. These two have graced SLUH audiences for the past two years with their dazzling presence, and are back again for a third year.

As of press time, shows are tentatively scheduled for Saturday Dec. 2 at 1 p.m. and 7 p.m., and Saturday Dec. 9 at 12 p.m. Call the SLUH Box Office (extension 173) to check for further cancelations. Tickets can be purchased before the shows at the SLUH Box Office for \$2.

Solemn love and mercy at the SOA protest

Joe Milner

Special to the *Prep News*

“May love and mercy go with you as you speak in solidarity with those who have been silenced by death and repression. Through your witness, may their voices be heard here at the School of Americas, in the White House, in the halls of Congress and in the hearts of people across the Americas so that the School of the Americas will be closed forever.”

There is no spoken “amen” or shared sign of the cross. What follows is silence, until the first name is sung.

“Pablo Emilio Gómez de Colombia.”

The voice of the silent crowd purrs, growls, and builds into a serene roar, climbing into the sky before cascading back down upon us: “Presente!”

A few hours earlier, a motley collection of 150 St. Louisans, composed primarily of high school students, disembarked from three buses into the chilly Georgian (pronounced “Jawjin”) morning air. After shaking off Sunday morning drowsiness in a vacant parking lot, the SLUH group of 11 seniors and one junior headed toward the street-turned-parade-grounds that leads to Ft. Benning, home of the School of the Americas (SOA; formally known as WHISC, or the Western Hemispheric Institute for Security Cooperation).

Arriving in the midst of a gathering crowd around 8:30, our group idled as ceremonies and speeches took place on the stage set at the street’s end. Two hours later, the Rev. Roy Bourgeois, founder of the SOA Watch, came onstage and blessed the crowd and the proceedings, signaling the beginning of the solemn funeral procession.

After four consecutive years of attending the SOA protest, I could tell you any number of stories. But the single most moving part of the entire 60-hour endeavor is the solemn funeral procession. In a quiet, unassuming Georgian town, over 20,000 people from all walks of life (everyone from priests to pagan wizards, from giggling babies to gnarled old hippies shows up) unite in silence under a single conviction: that those who have died in Latin America as a result of military and paramilitary committed atrocities deserve to be remembered, that many of their killers share a common point of origin in the SOA, and that therefore the SOA should be shut down.

Most of us hold white crosses bearing the names of victims. Each time we cry, “Presente!” we lift these crosses in the air, as if to say, “Here is another. We will not forget her suffering.” As I march down toward the stage and then curve with the crowd away from it on the parade loop, I glance at the name on the cross that had been handed to me. “Marta Lilian Claros, 3 years old.” Every year, I see these names and these ages, but the edge never really wears off: *someone killed a three year old*. (I would later learn that Marta died in the 1981 El Mozote Massacre, along with her entire family, including a sister of 8 months and a great aunt of 60.)

I continue walking. The street’s double yellow line runs through the middle of the loop, and toward the back a tableau has been set up along it. People lie motionless, facedown on the asphalt. Signs

on their backs read “Colombian mine workers.” Two others stand over them, one with his arms crossed and the other holding a fake assault rifle. They are identified as “gold mining companies” and “Colombian army.” I don’t know the story behind this scene, and it strikes me because it’s new. At some time in the past twelve months, as I have lived my comfortable American life, the people of Latin America continued to suffer.

Finally, as I round the bend to head for the gates again, one of the cantors’ calls rips through my confused thoughts.

“Another child, 2 weeks old...”

Wait. Two weeks? How does an infant get killed? And I haven’t heard this group of names before, either...

“Presente!”

The crowd moves like an aged river downhill—slowly in most places, faster in others, always surging forward until it reaches its destination, the only possible one. I make my way past banner-carriers to find the head of our group, watching my friends move their lips or bow their heads or raise their crosses in time with everyone else. Together, in bunches, we find our way to the front after two hours of walking. I stand back to see them stick crosses into the military’s temporary fence, some for the first time and others for the last. When it’s my turn, I find an opening in the wall of humanity and squeeze through. A brilliant orange paper chain greets me, with names and hearts and peace signs written on each link. Finding a space in the fence I stick the long end of my cross into it, so Marta Lilian Claros will face toward the public. She will be remembered.

After the solemn procession has ended and the Puppetistas, huge political puppets, have begun their own New Orleans brand of funeral procession, our group stands in front of the gate. It strikes me how absolutely tired we look. I don’t remember this, the sense of exhaustion and of internal surrender for our cause. Not wanting to force myself to move, I stand next to Pat Nolan, a classmate who has accompanied me on the trip for the past four years.

“It’s different now,” he observes. “I mean, our first year, remember how loud people were? We’d climb up there or sit at the fence and tell jokes to the soldiers on the other side. Now look at this. People are quiet, they’re praying already. It’s definitely different.”

I take the whole scene in, masses of strangers and friends, the gate with its new decorations, the people sitting and standing, hovering here in this moment.

“I don’t know. Maybe we’ve just changed.”

“Maybe both.”

Quote of the Week (Snow Edition)

“The north wind doth blow,
and we shall have snow,
And what will poor robin do then,
Poor thing?
He’ll sit in a barn, To keep himself warm,
And hide his head under his wing,
Poor thing!”

—Anonymous

Hockey beats Vianney, Howell, falls to Chaminade

Connor Quinn
Reporter

After coming off a solid 2-0 start, beating the Priory Rebels and the defending champion Oakville Tigers, the Icebills kicked off their MCC play with a win over rival Vianney 5-3 last Friday night. Having topped the Griffins in last year's second round of the playoffs, the Bills came out strong, expecting a tough game.

Out of the gate, freshman Connor Frick scored on a powerplay with a shot from the point to give the Busiebills the early lead. Vianney answered right back with a goal of their own, setting the tone for a back-and-forth game. Dan Steck pulled the Jr. Bills ahead 2-1 on a powerplay to end the second period, giving the Icebills the momentum heading into the third period.

For most of the last period, SLUH maintained their solid defense with superb goaltending by junior Alex Effinger, until the Griffins tied the game at two by relentlessly pounding rebounds at the net. Quickly, captain Chris Place took the lead back for the

Jr. Bills by burying a rebound of his own. Vianney did not go down without a fight, though, once again tying the score in the final few minutes.

On the next shift, sophomore Kevin Corby gave the Jr. Bills the game-winner on a slapshot from the high slot. The Griffins pulled their goalie in an attempt to re-tie the game, but defenseman Drew Nawrocki iced the win with an empty-netter with a minute left.

Eight days later, the Jr. Bills faced off against Francis Howell in their fourth game of the season. Although the Icebills carried all the momentum into the game, coming off an undefeated start, they underestimated the Knights and were caught off guard by Howell's physical, highly offensive style of play. The Jr. Bills panicked on the opening shifts, but later settled down.

At the end of the first period, the game was a deadlock 0-0 tie. Francis Howell carried their relentless play into the second period, constantly putting pressure on the U. High defense, finally scoring the first goal of the

game.

The Jr. Bills eventually woke up, setting their own pace and tied the game on a goal from sophomore Tim Potter. Francis Howell immediately responded with another goal, giving them a 2-1 lead.

The Jr. Bills began putting pressure on the Howell defense, and the goals started coming, as SLUH scored five unanswered goals, giving them their fourth victory of the season.

"We underestimated Howell, but our skill and systems were able to give us the win in the end," commented captain Chris Place on the game.

The Jr. Bills dressed for the Chaminade game, but severely underestimated the Red Devils because of rumors of numerous suspensions. The Jr. Bills were taken completely offguard by a speedy Chaminade offense. Effinger stood on his head, keeping the game from becoming a blowout. The Red Devils had numerous chances to gain the lead, but the Icebills scored first on a goal from sophomore

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Grapplers fall in season opener, 42-34

Pat Tracy
Reporter

The St. Louis U. High varsity wrestling squad opened up its 2006-2007 season with a dual meet against the Hazelwood West Wildcats on Tuesday. The Jr. Bills lost their first meet by a combined team score of 42-34. Though the team score rendered the match a loss, it didn't accurately reflect the individual effort and intensity the Jr. Bills brought to the mats. Individually, SLUH won 5 matches (4 of them by pins) to Hazelwood's 4, but the team score for Hazelwood was inflated by 18 points due to byes Hazelwood received.

The meet opened with sophomore Kevin Staed (140 lbs.) displaying the new found intensity with which the Junior Bills are facing their competition. In the first minute of the match, Staed struggled against his opponent, but got through tough defenses off his back. Back on his feet after a swift escape, he worked a takedown and a cradle. His opponent escaped at the buzzer, but Staed

carried his confidence into the second period, when he quickly pinned his man in a reverse half-nelson 2:34 into the match.

Mike Donovan continued the super sophomore spree. After a back and forth first period, he worked his man thoroughly in the top of the second period and pinned his man with 53 seconds left with a strangling reverse half.

After Captain Rich Darragh (152) strolled out to the mat and received his bye, Captain Andrew Austermann (171) wrestled the most exciting match of the night. The match opened with speed and a battle for control from both wrestlers. Austermann got the first takedown, but was reversed to the bottom, evening the score at 2. In the second period he leg rode to stay on top, after his opponent escaped a power half, Austermann pursued with a single leg sweep for a takedown with 20 seconds left to go up by 1. Austermann started on bottom in the third and got a quick reversal. He then started his pinning sequence on the tiring Wildcat and finished him off with a barbed wire pin.

By the middle of the second period "I knew that I had him, because he was way too tired. ... I just stayed after him and never stopped moving," commented Austermann on his pin.

Junior Ken Homan won his match by pin as well with 59 seconds left in period 2. Homan was physically overmatched by his opponent, but with Odyssean cunning he rolled off the bottom and secured a reverse half for a pin.

Sophomores Nick Frigillana (112) and Baron Ross (119) both fell by quick pins.

The 5th varsity starting sophomore, Anthony Fadel (125), wrestled an impressive match. In the first period he struggled after being taken down and put on his back. He seized every available window to use his speed and toughness to stay out of pinland. In the second period he balanced his opponent by taking down his opponent a several times and fighting off the bottom. His intensity almost made his opponent forfeit after bleeding out three separate times. In the third period

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Congratulations Tennis and Track Teams



PHOTO BY MATT SCIUTO

Last year's varsity tennis team proudly holds their state banner that they received in a ceremony last Tuesday. (From left) Holding banner are coach David Callon, seniors A.J. Kohler, Andrew Vatterott, alum Jason Rusch, seniors Abe Souza, Matt Fiedler, juniors Andrew Nelson, alum Steve Kainz, and coach Dennis Dougan.

The SLUH community honored last year's state champion tennis and track and field teams following last Tuesday's Thanksgiving mass. After introductions, tennis coach Dave Dougan spoke about the champion team. Then, the Jazz band played a piece *Affirmation* featuring Ben Brooks, Zach Brooks, Tom Mudd, Kevin Meyer, and Kevin Grosch. Next, Track and Field coach Jim Linhares spoke about the champion track team. He honored past track coaches, especially the late Dom Calacci, head track coach for nearly 40 years. Calacci's wife Rose received a standing ovation and roses from Linhares in thanks for her and her husband's "many years of faithful service," Linhares said in his speech. He honored all of last year's seniors, especially Eric Hunt and Captains Ben Murphy-Baum, Stephan Simmons, and "one of the greatest athletes in SLUH history," Paul Chaney. Following these speeches was the banner ceremony for both teams.



PHOTO BY MATT SCIUTO

Last year's varsity track team gather around their State Championship banner awarded to them at last Tuesday's ceremony. (From left) Holding banner are Seniors Dan Quinlan, Peter Kidd, Ryan Brennan, Niko Mafuli, and Matt Lawder. (Background from left) Distance coach Joe Porter, sophomores Niko Sansone, Ronnie Wingo.

STICKS AND STONES

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Tim Potter, giving the Jr. Bills a 1-0 lead. The Stick-and-puckbills added on to their lead with goals from sophomore Jack Berger and senior bender A.J. Koller.

The Red Devils began chipping away at the three-goal lead, scoring late in the second period. Chaminade completed the comeback with three more goals in the third period, pulling off a 5-3 win on a lackluster SLUH team.

"It was an embarrassment, but I hope we can learn to never underestimate our opponents and come out to fight every game," said Place after the game.

The Jr. Bills plan to rebound from their loss with wins over Parkway South tonight at 9:45 at Affton Ice Rink and Saturday against Clayton at 8:15, also at Affton.

CURDT

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Fadel reversed off the bottom with 40 seconds left, tightening the score at 10-9 in favor of Hazelwood. His opponent escaped, and then beat Fadel to a takedown to win 13-12. Fadel's opponent was cautioned three times for claspings, which made it hard for him to escape on bottom.

Feeling mildly satisfied, Fadel commented, "I went hard the entire match and that's what matters." Fadel's loss widened Hazelwood's team points lead to 39-30.

In redemption, Captain Andrew Mueth (130) responded with a dominant performance in his match. He worked his infamous cross-face cradles for back points to rack up a 14-4 win.

As Matt Self (130) walked to the mat, SLUH had closed the team score to 39-34. Self wrestled a very close match, not allowing any early takedowns. He was taken down and reversed in the match, but couldn't score many points himself. The match ended with Self trying to pick the lock of his opponent's grip to no avail as he lost 4-2, locking the final team score at 42-34.

Head coach Tim Curdt attributed the Jr. Bills' individual successes to "being in much better shape than the other team ... giving us all of our pins in the second and third periods." He was very impressed by the sophomores who started out with two pins and Mueth and Austermann, "who wrestled like captains."

Austermann was "excited by the intensity of our first match." The preseason intensity and new techniques taught in the room are currently giving the Jr. Bills the edge. The Jr. Bills are determined to follow up their early success and hope to show off their new Champion Blue singlets this Friday and Saturday at the Parkway South tournament.

Quote of the Week

For the listener, who listens in the snow,
And, nothing himself, beholds
Nothing that is not there and the nothing that is.
— Wallace Stevens

by Pete Mackowiak

Calendar

Dec. 1 - Dec. 8

Friday, December 1

Schedule R
K-12 Submission
Sr. Class Liturgy
IM Basketball—So
Circus Show through Sunday
C Blue/JV/V Basketball vs. Belleville
Althoff 4/5:30/7pm
C White Basketball @ Jennings, 4:30pm
JV/V Wrestling Parkway South Tournament@ Parkway South, 10am/4pm
V Hockey vs. Parkway South, Affton, 9:45pm
Cheese garlic bread, ribs & brats

Saturday, December 2

CSP Retreat through Monday
JV/V Wrestling Parkway South Tournament@ Parkway South, 10am/4pm
V Hockey vs. Clayton, Affton, 8:15pm

Sunday, December 3

Mother's Club House Tour & Mass
STUCO Talent Show Tryouts—all week

JV Hockey @ Lindbergh, Affton, 7:45pm

Monday, December 4

Schedule R
FB Banquet
IM Basketball—Fr
Edward Boccia Art Presentation
C White Basketball @ Berkeley, 4pm
Curly fries, Tony's Pizza
Charlie Landis's Winter Sweater Show-case begins

Tuesday, December 5

Schedule R
Mother's Club Santa Workshop
Soccer Banquet
IM Basketball—Fr
Young Republicans
C/JV/V Wrestling @ CBC, 6pm
Pizza & taco sticks, taco salad

Wednesday, December 6

Schedule R
So. Class Liturgy
Mother's Club Santa Workshop

English Tutorial
IM Basketball—Sr
V Basketball Webster Classic through Saturday
JV Basketball vs. Webster, 4pm
Onion rings, grilled steak, cheese on French bread

Thursday, December 7

Schedule S
Fine Arts Assembly
XC Banquet
Jr. Round Table—215c, 3-6:30pm
C Blue/White Basketball vs. CBC, 4/5:30pm
Papa John's

Friday, December 8

No Classes—Feast of the Immaculate Conception
Faculty/Staff Christmas Party
V Hockey @ CBC, Affton, 8pm

FORUM

(from 1)

were taken aback that one of our students was saying 'blank you.'"

Wehner said of the behavioral problems at sporting events, "One of the problems that I've always identified (is that) when we're getting beat, we can't handle that. We have trouble handling (losing), so we lash out at the other school."

Wehner noted that there will be a meeting of athletic directors, activities directors, and student leaders of the MCC schools to discuss the ongoing problem.

Wehner finished by sternly saying, "As we get into basketball season, I want all of our cheers to be positive. I do not want any of our fans to say a derogatory thing to an official or a player."

The forum discussion then shifted to student misuse of the Internet. Kesterson noted that some colleges look at Facebook profiles to make decisions on admissions. He said that most students don't know the implications of what they put on their Facebook profiles, and asked if recruiters or admissions officers from schools should be brought in to make students more aware of the implications of

misusing Facebook.

Merrill then moved the conversation to the next topic, the relevance of the STUCO master calendar. After the issue was discussed at last year's final forum, STUCO made a calendar with the meeting dates for all school clubs and posted it on the STUCO room window. The purpose of the master calendar was to help organize meeting dates between different clubs to help avoid conflicting meeting times. Said Merrill, "So far I don't think it (has) been that effective."

Senior Tom Nagel said that he never uses the calendar and he doesn't "think it does anything," to help organize club meetings and events. Nagel said that "(students) generally show up to what they care about," and that it is not the responsibility of STUCO to organize and mediate meeting times for different clubs.

Merrill said that a committee consisting of STUCO members and club members will be formed to discuss the purpose and functionality of the STUCO master calendar.

Nagel then shifted the conversation to the lack of attendance at STUCO forums. About 25 students made up the crowd in the

theater last Tuesday, while 13 more STUCO members sat on the stage. The majority of attendees were required to attend as STUCO homeroom reps.

"I think STUCO needs to hold more responsibility to get people here," said Nagel, who suggested that STUCO make trailers like they do for other events to get people to attend.

Kesterson said, "There's only so much we can do."

Vice President of School Spirit Murphy Troy said that "reps need to take their responsibility more seriously."

Later, Merrill said that students and homeroom reps did not attend the forum because it is the first week after Thanksgiving and several students were trying to catch up from retreats over the previous weeks. "We could have publicized it more to be honest," Merrill said.

English teacher Chuck Hussung then announced that several subcommittees for the Negative Cultural Influences target area of SLUH's self study are looking for members.

With that, the forum concluded.