

ST. LOUIS UNIVERSITY HIGH SCHOOL

# Prep News

*"If nothing else, value the truth"*  
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## ACSA discusses announcements, respect

**Greg Fox**  
Editor in Chief

Last Monday night, Assistant Principal for Student Welfare H. Eric Clark's Advisory Committee for Student Affairs met for the second time this year. On the agenda for the night were an update on the issue of student drinking (discussed at the previous meeting), scrolling announcements, various issues of respect, and the amount of homework. Discussion on the first three items, however, consumed the entire hour and a half and prevented discussion on the issue of homework.

After the meeting began, Clark in-

vited senior Dan Polokonis to read a letter written to parents by a committee of students commissioned by principal Mary Schenkenberg. In the letter, Polokonis discussed the issue and provided parents with a number of suggestions for dealing with drinking, ranging from trusting your son to getting to know your son's friends.

The letter, to be mailed to parents this week, sparked a short discussion. Parent James Junker claimed that drinking is "a parental responsibility," and the discussion shifted to trusting other parents. After the issue of other parents providing alcohol to students and causing a problem by doing so was brought up, senior Jack Horgan stated that "it should be more

about trusting your son than about trusting other parents."

Discussion on drinking ended, and the discussion shifted to the pros and cons of the relatively new scrolling announcements system introduced last year. Clark said that the new system cuts down on the amount of time that he spends on the PA, but that was the only pro he could name. "Change is difficult," Clark said, responding to the many student complaints about the new system.

Clark said that the counseling department has noticed a smaller number of students attending college representative meetings this year, which may be related  
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## Kendo takes over theater

PHOTO BY ALEX SCIUTO



Two demonstrators practice the ancient art of kendo, a form of Japanese swordfighting. Practitioners from the Missouri Kendo Club presented the art to students in the theater last Friday. The Club ran through typical warm-ups and drills before showcasing three live-action fights. Senior Trey Suntrup faced off against the club president in the marquee matchup.

## SLUH recognized for AP results

**Timo Kim**  
Core Staff

Every year, The College Board recognizes students nationwide who perform exceptionally well on Advanced Placement (AP) tests during their high school careers. Although St. Louis U. High has always had students receive honors, the 2004 testing schedule heralded a marked increase in the number of awarded students.

The College Board recognized SLUH students in four categories: AP Scholars (students who receive grades of 3 or higher on at least three exams), AP Scholars with Honor (students who retain an average of 3.25 on all tests while scoring 3 or higher on at least four exams), AP Scholars with  
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# Cicerobills orate at Duchesne, project win

**Sean Powers**  
Core Staff

This past Sunday, eleven members of the St. Louis U. High speech team participated in the second Catholic Interscholar Speech League (CISL) meet of the year, this one at Duchesne high school in St. Charles. They left the meet with nine blue ribbons, which are attained by a judged score of at least 46 of 50 possible points.

The speech meet was divided into seven different speech categories, including poetry, prose, humorous/serious, duets, and extemporaneous speaking. Each of the approximately dozen schools was allowed no more than two students for each of the seven categories.

Blue ribbons were won by seniors Greg Fox, Kevin Boehm, Jack Buthod, Marty Wilhelm, and juniors Jack Cunningham, Eddy Szewczyk, Matt Walsh, and Tom Vordtriede.

Speech team president Kevin Boehm and Barker teamed up in the duet category. They presented a scene from the play *Rosencrantz and Guildenstern Are Dead*, which Boehm and Barker both performed in the Dauphin Players' November performance. Because of their familiarity and comfort with the piece, they received a perfect score from the judges.

"I think we shocked them with such a well put together, well memorized duet," said Barker.

Boehm added, "It's hard for judges not to find anything wrong with a speech."

Another category, extemporaneous speaking, involves giving a speech on current events; students are given three topics to choose from and must present on one of them after thirty minutes of preparation. Like all other events, there are two rounds. Barker and Fox represented SLUH in this category, and both came away with blue ribbons in hand.

Barker noted, "Greg and I keep an eye

on current events. He is current with a lot of the news, and I listen to NPR (National Public Radio) in the morning."

A good selection of speeches and topics before the speech meet, according to Boehm, led the team to better speeches.

Of SLUH's strong showing at the meet, Fox said, "When they were giving out the ribbons, I knew we were going to win. We expected to win because we all prepared well. We all came up here on the Saturday before and gave one another our speeches and prepared for a few hours."

The overall results of the meet have not yet been released. However, according to Boehm, the speech team came out victorious at Borgia and will most likely continue its winning streak when the results are released from the Duchesne meet.

"Our speech team is very strong and we assume that we will come out on top," said Boehm.

The next time the speech team competes will be at SLUH in January.

## Rookbills defeat Clayton

**Matt Angeli**  
Reporter

The St. Louis U. High chess team defeated Clayton High School in a match on Wednesday that the third board ultimately decided.

Clayton was forced to forfeit fifth board when only four members of their team showed up; however, they nearly stole the match by winning first and fourth boards, played by seniors Brian Nienhaus and Isaac Dripps.

Junior Ben Geisman won at second board, giving the Rookbills 11 points and putting the fate of the match at third board.

With less than a minute left and checkmate inevitable, a Clayton chess player resigned the match to junior Matt Angeli.

The SLUH chess team faces off with Alton High School in the Ignatian Conference room after school next Wednes-

## ACSA

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to the scrolling announcement system. Senior Dustin Sump then brought up what he sees as the biggest problem with the system: "Teachers turn the TVs off." Another problem raised was that students simply do not pay attention to the announcements.

It became clear early on in the discussion that neither the old PA-only system nor the new mixed PA/scrolling announcements system is ideal. "There needs to be some middle ground," said senior Brian Hubbard.

Senior Joe Hof, however, disagreed. "We're in a lose-lose situation."

Throughout the night, the idea of responsibility and on whose shoulders the responsibility rests was brought up frequently, and the scrolling announcements segment was no different. Parent Karen Hubbard said that St. Louis U. High is a college preparatory school and that students ought to be prepared for an end to announcements once they leave the school. Junior Jon-Paul Johnson, however, felt that the responsibility for students' atten-

tion ought to be placed on the teachers.

During the course of the discussion, a few solutions were proposed, including a bulletin board, teacher-read announcements, and a shift back to the PA. Clark closed this segment of the discussion by saying, "You (the students) have to take some responsibility."

Clark then opened discussion on the issue of respect in teacher-student relationships and respect for the school building. The committee discussed students' respect for teachers and the negative effects of a lack of respect.

Junior Jordan Bushong said that some relationships between teachers and students in class are friendly and that, sometimes, "students take advantage of that (friendship)."

A lack of respect can easily disrupt classes. Junior Woody Jones said that, "teachers just have to draw the line," to curb a lack of respect.

Senior Alex Sciuto thought that the problem lies among students, saying that "we are pretty much punks." Physics

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# Mannhard bracelets appear in AP story

**Tim Malecek**  
Reporter

This past Tuesday, St. Louis U. High junior Mike Mannhard appeared in an Associated Press article about the bracelet fad. The AP reporter was put in contact with Mannhard by his sister, Katie Mannhard, who works with newspapers. Mannhard appeared at the end of the article, speaking about his homemade bracelets.

Recently, the wrists of many St. Louis U. High students have sported colored bracelets in a booming fad. Mannhard's bracelet, however, is not a LiveSTRONG or MAX LIFE, but instead his own creation, the "YOU CAN DO IT!" bracelet.

The idea started during the summer when Mannhard's older brother, senior

Pat Mannhard, wore what Mike called a "fat red rubber band that was really ugly" with the words "You can do it!" on the rubber band. The younger Mannhard decided to create more "YOU CAN DO IT!" bracelets and performed the production and distribution of the bands.

Mannhard makes the bracelets in multiple steps, and he said it takes about 20 minutes to construct ten to fifteen bracelets. The bands are made of elastic Mannhard buys for about a dollar per three yards.

Mannhard explained, "I do all the cutting, then I do all the sewing, and I dye them, and then I write on them." He has expanded from his original white with black Sharpie writing; now his colors include pink, orange, purple, green, and blue dyes, and a plethora of colored Sharp-

ies.

"It's motivational, it's kinda for inspiration. It's saying "YOU CAN DO IT!" You don't have to do what everyone else is doing with the LiveSTRONG's," Mannhard said of the purpose of his creation.

The bracelets are popular around SLUH, particularly among juniors. A few rubber bands have even journeyed thousands of miles south to Mexico. The special bracelets, written in Spanish, were mailed to Katie Mannhard's boyfriend, who is living in Mexico for a year.

Although Mannhard has considered charging money for his bracelets, he wants more people to have them. The bracelets are available for free in any color from Mannhard.

# Circus Club presents Christmas spectacular

**Jack Dryden**  
Reporter

Last Friday at 7 p.m., dazzling illusions and uber-cool juggling acts marked this year's Short Attention Span Circus Club Christmas show. The theatre was packed with people ranging from ages five to 85. Some of the acts dazzled the audience more than others, and many were geared toward the younger audience members, but everyone enjoyed the show.

Some of the greatest feats involved juggling: fire juggling, juggling in the dark, and passing clubs while balancing on globes took the cake as the most impressive events. A few sleight-of-hand magic tricks and comical juggling interruptions got the best reactions from the audience. President Marty Wilhelm said, "The hardest thing we did which took a long time was the juggling weave. (The Circus Club) spent weeks on it trying to get it perfect."

According to Circus Club moderator Joe Schulte, the Circus Club began after the Dauphin Players performed a show

called *Carnivale*, which required a lot of juggling, magic, and other circus acts. Said Schulte, "I asked them if they wanted to continue doing things like this, and the Circus Club was born."

Today, there are 18 students in the Circus Club: three seniors, twelve sophomores and three freshman.

Senior member Kevin Becvar said, "(When I started freshman year), I was juggling within four days and juggling pins later that week."

Freshman member James Burke said, "I spent three hours in the Danis Lobby every day for two weeks (to learn my act)."

President Marty Wilhelm said, "The most rewarding part of the Circus Club is the kids and knowing you've fooled them with magic tricks and they never even dreamed of being able to juggle like they do. To know we've changed just one hour of their lives feels great."

All members of the Circus Club encourage interested students to sign up. "Come on in and learn how to juggle. We're in the Danis Lobby every day after school," said Schulte.

PHOTO BY ROBOT



Two Circus Clubbers juggle last Friday.

## Model U.N. competes in session

**Kevin Michniok**  
Reporter

On Nov. 20, members of St. Louis U. High's Model U.N. Club participated in a Model U.N. General Session. At the session, each student represented one of the 191 sovereign countries in the United Nations.

The event, sponsored by Civitas, a worldwide organization that promotes local and global citizenship, takes place bi-annually. The fall session in St. Louis was held at the Chase Park Plaza.

Model U.N. mandates that each student representative protect the interest of his or her country and simultaneously pursue universal global interests. Four of the eight club members from SLUH joined 75 students from around the St. Louis metropolitan area participating in the session. Freshman George Boston represented Sweden, freshman Bret DeLaria represented Israel, and junior Tony Keel and senior Steve Tiburzi jointly repre-

### BURGER

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Distinction (students who average a score of 3.5 or higher on all tests and score 3 or higher on five or more exams), and National AP Scholars.

In 2004, SLUH had 65 AP Scholars, 30 AP Scholars with Honor, and 38 AP Scholars with Distinction, collectively averaging a score of 4.11 on all of their exams (exams are scored on a 5-point basis). The national average on all AP exams taken was 2.96

In addition to these AP Scholars, SLUH also boasted a National AP Scholar, David Burghoff. A National AP Scholar is a student who receives an average score of at least 4 on all tests taken and receives scores of 4 or higher on eight or more exams. Burghoff's collective average on nine exams was 4.78.

Said Assistant Principal for Academics Mark Michalski, "Part of (the increase) is a function of the number of people who took AP tests in the last two years. Be-

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**The Fine Arts  
Department will  
present its Winter  
Shows this Sunday!  
Band at 1 P.M.  
Chorus and Dance  
at 4 P.M.  
In addition, the de-  
partment will  
present a scaled-  
down version of the  
shows during a man-  
datory assembly at  
Activity Period.**

students took the tests, so the potential is there (for our students) to do well, which they do."

Burghoff, who received notice of his award when he arrived home for his Thanksgiving break, agreed.

"(The testing) wasn't as bad as you might think," Burghoff said, "Teachers prepared us well over the year, and I didn't feel like I had to do a lot more studying (to prepare)."

Because of his AP credit, Burghoff had fulfilled many of his general education credits upon entrance into college and may be able to complete his major requirements in three years. Even if he does not choose to graduate early, Burghoff said that the tests have made his schedule more flexible.

"I hope to graduate in three years, but I'm thinking of double majoring (in electrical engineering and physics) and that would take four years," Burghoff said.

# Rossbills sprint to first two wins

## Fast break team goes 2-0 by combined score of 169-92

**Henry Samson**  
Reporter

**D**ribble, run, pass, shoot, steal, run, shoot, win. These few quick words really sum up the Jr. Bills' play against the Pacific Knights last Friday night in their home opener and Wednesday against the Lindbergh Flyers. But the games themselves were so much more than this. Looking more like a fine-tuned machine than a youthful season-opening basketball team, St. Louis U. High did not disappoint, outscoring their opponents by a combined 169-92.

"We're reaching our goals right now," said a hoarse head coach John Ross after the Lindbergh game. "But we need to block out better and really not foul so much."

Senior Dan Henry drew first blood for the Jr. Bills against Pacific and set into motion one of the most impressive starts ever. A quick 20-4 run began the thrills of a new season. Amazement struck both the opposing and homegrown fans as the first

quarter ended after a trio of treys from senior Dave Goettelman.

Constant defensive pressure mixed with fast offensive ball movement put the Jr. Bills on top 30-11 after 8 minutes of play.

More than once students were heard murmuring, "We could score more than 100!" SLUH didn't quite make it to the century mark, but eclipsed Pacific with an impressive 85-48 victory.

Even though the second quarter got off to a shaky start, with four petty Jr. Billiken fouls in 30 seconds, they regained their composure and traded off baskets until the halftime horn sounded

with the Jr. Bills having doubled Pacific's score, 50-25.



Junior Eric Hunt skies his way to a layup during last Friday's 85-48 victory over Pacific.

Though scoring fewer points than in the first half, the junior-dominated second half line-ups did an excellent job filling the sneakers of the starters. Their intensity level throughout the entire game was unmatched as they dropped basket after basket and played a relentless defense.

There is certainly a method to the madness. **see EMERGENCE, 10**

# Rasslin' bills roll out to 3-0 dual meet record

**Jesse Zacher**  
Reporter

**T**uesday night marked new ground for the St. Louis U. High wrestling team.

For the first time in years, they attended a scheduled dual meet against Parkway South High School in Ballwin. The teams had not faced before, but have competed in tournaments and look forward to competing again in the annual Ritenour Tournament at Ritenour High School this coming Saturday. SLUH dominated the dual, winning 41-24.

The match began at the 160-pound weight class with Sean Whalen's tough loss to Derek Thomas, 10-6.

The varsity squad saw overtime for the first time this season with Tom Gezella's overtime win over Derrick

Brock at 171. The match was highly defensive and both wrestlers worked hard. Neither Gezella nor Brock could pin the other, but Gezella scored first in overtime to win 9-7.



Senior Tom Gezella (top) breaks down Parkway South's Derrick Brock last Tuesday. Gezella defeated Brock 9-7 in overtime, and SLUH defeated the Patriots 41-24

Junior Eric Gass worked a plethora of moves against his opponent, Kendall Fuselier, at 215. Fuselier's defense kept

the match at bay, but Gass capitalized off of escape moves right into takedowns to win 9-2.

Next came the big boys at the heavy-weight class. David Caldwell smashed

Dan Winter in thirty-six seconds. The two fought hard for control in the tie-ups and Winter almost leaned Caldwell to the ground, but Caldwell found control and brought Winter down into a half nelson.

One of the more strenuous performances of the meet was Andrew Poulin's struggle with Mike Cockson at 119. Again, South's defense

on bottom kept the flow of the match steady. Poulin worked many moves to get

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# Racquetbills win Winter Rollout Tourney

**Eric Durban**  
Reporter

This past Friday and Saturday, the Racquetbills ventured to Vetta Sports-Concord to compete in the annual Winter Rollout tournament. At 12:48 a.m. on Sunday, the Jr. Bills pulled out a victory with 560 points in a highly competitive tournament that pitted every player against one another in a single elimination format. DeSmet finished a close second with 535 points, but CBC, possibly the Jr. Bills' toughest competition, was hampered by multiple forfeits and finished with a dismal 200 points.

The Winter Rollout tournament is divided up into five divisions: Divisions I and II included varsity players, while divisions III-V contained all the JV teams. A win from any division counted towards

the overall team title, with each division playing on the same progressive point scale. A win in the round of 32 was awarded five points, while a win in the finals accumulated 50 points. The Gamedaybills have tons of depth this year, and this tournament format gave them the chance to show it off.

This year's tournament also featured a new bracket format. Instead of playing sparingly the entire day, many players had multiple matches in a row to allow for more efficient bracket play. The Winter Rollout is a tournament notorious for running late into the night, and this year's tournament did not change as the last match finished early Sunday morning. With the new bunched format and the late night, the stamina and endurance of the JPKbills was tested, and despite a few injuries, several self-inflicted, the team

performed well.

The varsity team was well represented with senior No. 1 seed Ryan Franklin and senior No. 2 seed Pat Corcoran each making the semifinals in a highly competitive Division, but Division I was the only bracket that the team didn't have a representative in the finals. Senior No. 5 seed Eric Durban captured the only division win for the Jr. Bills with a convincing victory in Division II.

Since every player can score points for the overall team title, members of the nine JV teams played a large role, placing a member in each of the three non-varsity finals.

"Our lower divisions really pulled through," said senior No. 6 seed Joe Hejlek.

In Division III, senior JV1 Jack Engle dominated until finally falling in the fi-  
**see BACKUP, 8**

# Hydrobills lose to Lafayette, defeat Cape Central

**Kevin O' Neill**  
Reporter

After defeating Parkway South, the St. Louis U. High swim team competed against Lafayette last Friday. With many strong swimmers, Lafayette looks to be a major contender in both the St. Louis area and state competition. Unfortunately, the U. High swim team was unable to continue their winning streak as they fell to the Lancers, 106-80.

Many swimmers on the team attributed the loss to the unusual lineup, with most of the top swimmers swimming in events that they do not usually swim. Despite the close loss, the Speedobills still have a positive outlook for the rest of their season. "We may have lost, but we still looked good in our speedos," said senior Tim Heafner.

In their second meet of the week, the Speedobills easily defeated visiting Cape Central 122-64 this past Monday. Even though many junior varsity swimmers swam in varsity events, the Chlorinebills were able to win their second meet of the season. Many talented freshmen and

sophomores were able to swim multiple events, while most varsity swimmers rested in preparation for upcoming meets.

Although the SLUH record fell to 2-1, the past week was full of outstanding individual performances. Senior Dave Schwarz qualified for state in another event with a time of 51.04 in the 100 Freestyle. Junior Wes Going, already a veteran of state competition, has quali-

fied in the 200 Freestyle, 200 Individual Medley, 100 Backstroke, and 500 Freestyle after only three meets. In addition to these four events, Going has qualified for state in two relays and has the

potential to qualify for more individual events in the future.

PHOTO BY TIM MALECEK



Sophomore Jim Heafner is in mid-dive on Tuesday against Cape Central. The Belugabills defeated Cape, 122-64.

Today and tomorrow, the Speedobills will participate in the annual Marquette relays. In the first major test of the season, they will face tough competition from Parkway South, Lafayette, Marquette, and Chaminade. With many talented teams participating, the Marquette relays usually serve as a pre-

view for the competition at state. Come cheer on your U. High swim team as they look to defend their first place finish in last year's Marquette relays.

# STUCO-Prep News feud turns bloody

## *Editor in chief receives bruises, scrapes*

**Greg Fox**  
**Editor in Chief**

The *Prep News*, St. Louis' only weekly high school newspaper, faced off against STUCO, one of hundreds of corrupt, iron-fisted student government organizations in the area, in their annual match on Tuesday. As in all matches in recent memory, the *Prep News* fought gloriously, but the oppressive student government denied the voice of the people in a bloody and ruthless manner.

"We simply do not tolerate dissent at the U. High," said secretary general Josef Egglestalin. "And the *Prep News* was clearly dissenting. How? I do not know. But they no longer pose a threat to the People's Republic of SLUH."

The game began shortly after the proletariat was released from mandatory indoctrination at 9:40 for "activity" period. Game temperature in the stadium was a chilly 40 or so degrees with gale-force winds somewhere in the 0-30 mph range. The *Prep News* began the fight for liberation with senior freedom fighters Henry Samson, Sean Powers, Bryan Glaenzer and Greg Fox, along with junior revolutionaries Tim Huether, Kyle Kloster, and Andrew Schroeder. Hero of the revolution Fox started the game in goal and played spectacularly throughout the game.

Wearing red shirts dyed with the blood of their victims, STUCO stacked the field with several merciless counterrevolutionaries including seniors Eggleston, his right-hand man Tim Heafner, Politburo members Dave Venker, Marty Wilhelm, and

Dan Iovaldi, who were supported by the KGB: juniors Woody Jones, Dan Finucane, Max Magee, and various sophomores.

The valiant voice of the people sprung to a quick 2-1 lead behind the fast attacks of distance runner Samson and the bruising (if not downright dirty) play of senior guerilla Kevin O'Neil. "Our strategy was to score a lot of goals," said Huether. "And two in the first few minutes is sort of

Glaenzer shadowed fellow foreigner Heafner and they brought a distinctly Illinoisian flavor to the game along with the Brothers Heafner. "Playing baseball at the level it's played at in Missouri has been a dream of mine," said Glaenzer after the game. "And I was finally able to do so after getting my papers all in order and learning the Pledge of Allegiance."

Heafner overcame his defender's shadow and became more of a presence as the game wore on. "I was so

scared of Heafner's shot," Fox confided in this reporter. "He threw a warning shot at my upper right thigh early on and I knew it would be best to get out of the way of his future shots and let the back of the net feel his pain."

Get out of the way Fox did, and Heafner was able to put the ball in the back of the net thrice, compared

to, like, seventeen times the last time the people rose up. "Hammer of justice my (hindquarters)," said Heafner. The Brothers Heafner frequently ganged up on the helpless defenders of freedom and used their water polo skills outside of the pool to exploit gaping holes (namely, size and skill) in the revolution's defense.

The revolt was not put down bloodlessly, however. "I got a little nick on my knee," whined Fox, "and some sort of turf burn on my elbow." The resistance was dealt a crippling blow when junior Tim Malecek was kneed by an unidentified fellow freedom fighter in a scrum in front of the resistance's goal.

Venker, however, suggested that the  
**see D'ETAT, 8**



Tight-shorted Bryan Glaenzer tags a roaming STUCO pirate during last Tuesday's baseball matchup. In a game more corrupt than the Ukrainian elections, STUCO emerged victorious.

like doing that."

After the Chebills scored their second goal, Eggleston quipped, "(expletive deleted)."

The so-called "pretty typing fingers" of the people were able to swing the hammer of justice twice early on and it looked as if the government would be overthrown.

"I was actually ... (scared)," said Wilhelm. "(The *Prep News*' muscles) are (so buff) and (they are so good looking). We (felt inferior as men)."

After jumping to an early lead, the voice of freedom and reason decided that they ought to play more defense, and their strategy crumbled quickly after that, like an old, brittle chocolate chip cookie.

## TAKEDOWN

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Cockson to his back, but Cockson held off and survived a close cradle. Finally, in the third period, Cockson gave way and Poulin's constant pursuit of the pin prevailed.

Junior Bryan Edmundson got a pin over Kyle Fetick at 125. The match was evenly fought, though Edmundson nearly won several times before the third period, when he silenced Fetick with 1:16 to go.

Phil Clerc tossed Zeke Allison around at the 130-pound class with a 14-4 win by major decision.

Takedowns were the highlight of Mike Dougherty's 135-pound match. Dougherty rassled his opponent, Adam Brenton, hard to defeat him 10-4.

Junior Devin Austermann ended the meet by dominating opponent Josh Dunlop in the 152-pound match. Austermann worked several takedowns and reversed out of the only time he was down, but couldn't keep Dunlop flopped for long enough for the pin. Austermann did, however, earn an 11-2 major decision.

The varsity team is in action next Saturday at the annual Ritenour Tournament, which begins at 10:00 a.m.

## D'ETAT

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*Prep News* is concealing injuries they sustained. "They should get checked for burn marks because we torched their defense," said the government's money-changer.

The results of the game, however, have been declared null and void by the *Prep News* staff due to the lack of a referee and various other reasons. "STUCO cheated," said Powers. "Because they would do that."

"They (are so cool and deserved to win)," said Eggleston. "(Furthermore,) I (think that Samson and Huether are the MVP's with)...Heafner as the (third) MVP."

### Get to know your...

Lecturing on the sexuality of the human soul and the biological need for a "guy code," he advocates rigid seniority and chopping your own Christmas tree. Answering to a higher power, namely country music and Irish jigs, he seeks divine intervention in designing mast heads. He is senior core staffer Sean Powers

## BACKUP

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nals. Senior JV2 Kevin O'Connell played strong throughout Division IV play but was upended in the finals and had to settle for a second-place finish. In Division V, the Splatbills placed two players in the semifinals and one advanced to the finals. Freshman JV3 sensation Joe Hoffman defeated senior JV5 Ryan Shortal in one semifinal and played a strong final before falling.

The strong play of the underclassmen in the tournament is a good sign for the future of SLUH racquetball.

"SLUH's teams have always had incredible depth," commented assistant coach Matt Stewart. "It is that depth that continues to make our team so successful. Not enough can be said about how much every player's contributions meant to our victory."

Fresh off their tournament win, the Megablastbills were eager to take on the Kirkwood Pioneers this past Wednesday. In their most dominating performance this year, the Jr. Bills dismantled the Pioneers and eased into a 7-0 shutout. Senior No. 6 seed Joe Hejlek continued his fine play this season with a 15-4, 15-9 win to move his overall record to 3-0. Sporting hot pink wristbands in a last-minute uniform change, the doubles team of senior Pat Sheehan and junior Jason Rusch coasted to a 15-7, 15-2 win. The new fashion does not seem likely to catch on throughout the team.

Sarcastically commenting on the victory, Rusch said, "Our pink wristbands really gave us the edge in the matchup."

Although the Rolloutbills have four league wins and a tournament victory under their belt, they know much is left to be done to bring home the State crown.

Catch the squad when they take on the Vianney Griffins, Thurs., Dec. 16, at Vetta Sports-Concord.

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### Quote of the Week

"Older men declare war. But it is the youth that must fight and die. And it is youth who must inherit the tribulation, the sorrow, and the triumphs that are the aftermath of war."

—Herbert Hoover

## HERMAN

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teacher Paul Baudendistel, however, said that “the most effective discipline (in class) is from student to student,” explaining that students often realize when their classmates have become a nuisance and gently reprimand them.

Horgan said that, while faculty members can be friends with the students, “teachers (have) to say, ‘I’m the authority figure.’”

Parent Leslie Hendricks, a teacher herself, concurred, saying that “the teacher sets the tone,” and recognized how detrimental public power struggles can be to a class.

“Teachers have to do something,” Jones said. “They have to gain our fear...They are not babysitting.”

Clark then shifted the discussion to respect from teachers to students.

“Disrespect from teachers ... is pretty rare,” said Polokonis. Polokonis said that such disrespect can occur when a teacher is “mistaken about the level of comfort a student feels” about joking around.

Schenkenberg and Clark both offered solutions to deal with disrespect, with Clark saying that students have to “speak up” and Schenkenberg offering students the department chairs as authority figures to which students can bring issues. “(Respect) goes both ways,” Clark said, closing the discussion of teachers’ respect for students.

With time running out, respect for the building was brought up as the next issue. Clark sees students leaving messes around the school as a lack of respect and also said that students risk thinking that they are better than those who clean up their messes by leaving them. Despite numerous requests that students clean up after themselves and not use the cubby holes outside the cafeteria, students still do both. “I don’t know what else to do,” Clark admitted.

Senior Tim Lonergan was the first to respond and said that students leaving items around the school is not disrespect, but simply losing an object. Sump agreed, citing that it is easy to lose a notebook in

the rush at the lockers after school.

Once again, the issue of responsibility was brought up. “It falls on you, the students,” Clark said, to respect the building and keep it clean.

The discussion changed to the lack of respect inherent in stealing for the last few minutes of the meeting. Bushong said that, with so many students losing books and leaving books around, “if I was a little more evil, I could make a lot of money,” selling easily stolen and lost books.

Director of Diversity Spencer McCall said that, while the fault for stealing lies with the thief, “you have to take responsibility for your own self,” and cited a school in Dallas where students do not have locks on their lockers, saying that it would be so in a “perfect world.”

Senior Greg Viverito said that, ultimately, stealing is “an issue of respecting other people.”

“Something needs to be done,” said Clark, as he closed the discussion promptly at 8:30 p.m. The committee will meet again on February 7, 2005.

## Mothers’ Club Holiday Sale

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Merry Christmas and God bless us, everyone!!!

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## Merry Christmas!

## Things Fall Apart Speaker

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Last Tuesday, African poet Obi Nwakanma visited David Callon’s sophomore English classes to discuss author Chinua Achebe’s novel *Things Fall Apart*. Nwakanma visited SLUH last year and lectured on the same topic.

by Andrew Mueth

**Calendar**

Dec. 10-Dec. 17

**FRIDAY, DECEMBER 10**

Schedule R  
 Fine Arts Assembly  
 Faculty Christmas Party  
 V SW Marquette Relays thru 11th  
 Bosco Sticks, Stuffed Crust Pizza

**SATURDAY, DECEMBER 11**

ACT Exam  
 V WR @ Ritenour Tournament, 10 a.m.

**SUNDAY, DECEMBER 12**

Christmas Concert  
 Alumni Board Mass & Brunch, 9 a.m.  
 In-Line Hockey Tryouts, 11 a.m.-1 p.m.

**MONDAY, DECEMBER 13**

Schedule R  
 IM Basketball Fr.  
 NIE & NSE Teacher Meeting 2nd Period  
 Sr. Retreat Meeting (Pallotine)

C BB Blue vs. Riverview, 5 p.m.  
 Pizza Sticks, Taco Sticks, Pizza

**TUESDAY, DECEMBER 14**

Schedule R  
 IM Basketball Fr.  
 Young Reps.  
 Fac/Staff Mix-it-Up Luncheon  
 V/JV/C WR @ Vianney, 5 p.m.  
 V SW vs. Parkway West, 4 p.m.  
 V/B BB vs. Vianney, 4:30/6 p.m.  
 C BB White @ Berkeley, 4:30 p.m.  
 Pretzels, Chicken Strips, Mac & Cheese

**WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 15**

Schedule R  
 Fr. Class Liturgy  
 IM Basketball Jr.  
 V SW vs. Ft. Zumwalt West, St. Dominic  
 @ Rec Plex, 3:30 p.m.  
 JV WR @ Windsor Tournament, 4:30 p.m.  
 Bosco Sticks, Papa John's Pizza

**THURSDAY, DECEMBER 16**

Schedule H  
 Fr. Eng. Tutorial  
 NIE Teacher Meeting 2nd Period  
 IM Basketball Sr.  
 Rosary in Chapel  
 Jr. Rep. Meeting  
 C BB White @ Lutheran-St. Charles, 4:30  
 p.m.  
 Seasoned Fries, Brunch for Lunch

**FRIDAY, DECEMBER 17**

Schedule R  
 Senior Semester Exams  
 IM Basketball Fr.  
 V SW vs. Cape Girardeau, Notre Dame, 5  
 p.m.  
 V/B BB @ Chaminade, 5:30/7 p.m.  
 C BB Blue @ Chaminade, 4:00  
 Cookies and Pizza

**EMERGENCY**

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ness of Ross's new transition team.

Fresh off their opening blowout win, the hoopsters entered the heart of Webster Groves to challenge the Lindbergh Flyers in the opening game of the Webster Tournament on Wednesday. Their plan was simple: stay quick, and be relentless on defense. It worked again as the Jr. Bills triumphed with an almost identical score of 84-44.

Henry drew first blood once again, which sparked a familiar first quarter marked by steals, Lindbergh turnovers, and Goettelman 3-pointers. Goettelman, who has dumped 11 trey bombs in the first two games with deadly accuracy, was the team's leading scorer both games, with 25 and 23 points, respectively. The Jr. Bills' intensity level was once again unmatched. The games resemble track meets because of the hustle in this team.

Interestingly enough, halftime ended with a score nearly identical to the half-time score against Pacific, 50-24 in favor of SLUH. Goettelman opened up the sec-

ond half with a pair of bombs from behind the arc, which led senior Curtis Hoette to remark after the game, "Dave dropped so many from long distance, girls started asking for his phone number." Once again the juniors dominated the floor and controlled play in the second half, allowing only 20 points from a stunned Lindbergh.

Play is not all hustle and bustle, even though the Jr. Bills nabbed 11 steals and numerous other forced turnovers. They were also able to settle down quite nicely on the free-throw line and sink 17 of their 21 attempts.

Fr. Jim Knapp walked out of the gym with dinner plate-sized eyes saying, "We've never done this before. Is this my team?"

Get used to it, Jr. Bills. The basketball team has come out this year with guns loaded and firing. "Bottom line is we're getting some digits," said Goettelman. "Come to the next game."

Next up for the Bills is Webster Groves, who according to Henry will "be a battle." Game time tonight is 7:00 p.m.

***1ST ANNUAL FOOSBALL TOURNAMENT RESULTS***

November 24, 2004

- 1st **Domenic Laury - Brad Tissi**
- 2nd **Dan Meagher- Joe Beaty**
- 3rd **Niall Kelleher - Luke Niere**
- 4th **Dominic Oreto - Tim Malecek**
- 5th/6th **Tommy Nagel - Mike Mannhard, Evelio Merino - Marc Anderson**
- 7th/8th **Sean Kelleher - Ben Malone, Mike Santangelo - Jon-Paul Johnson**
- 9th/12th **Tim Herbig - Peter Heagney Phil Powell - Jack Hughes David Niese - Joe Lombardo Mike McCarthy - Tim Huether**
- 13th **Jack Hughes - Max Hogan**