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# Prep



# News

*"If nothing else, value the truth"*

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## Cashbah nets \$390,000

**Brian Krebs**  
**Core Staff**

Last Saturday night, when 797 parents, alums, and other members of the St. Louis U. High community entered the gym, they were transported from 2004 to 1904; from the gym to the 1904 World's Fair. The mood was set by the decorations, including silhouettes of various buildings, which blended nicely with the rhythms of the SLUH Jazz Band.

Vice President for Advancement Thom Digman's office, presently in the process of tabulating the money, speculates that Cashbah grossed nearly \$500,000. Even once expenses are de-

ducted, the net is estimated at \$390,000, an increase from last year's net of \$340,000. All of the money made will go to offset tuition.

Even though each year it costs the school around \$11,000 to put each student through a year at SLUH, the school charges \$7,980. As a result, the school has to make up around \$4 million a year to offset the difference. According to Digman, Cashbah makes up about 10 percent of this deficit. The majority of the remaining gap is made up by way of individual donations.

Former President and Jesuit Superior Tom Cummings S.J. has seen Cashbah  
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## Pulse antenna installed

**Charlie Hall**  
**Features Editor**

St. Louis U. High's Pulse (KUHI) radio station's new, omnidirectional antenna was installed on Tuesday by Maintenance Supervisor Ray Manker and his assistants and is currently broadcasting from the roof of the Jesuit Wing at the frequency of 90.3 MHz on the FM band.

The Pulse can be heard from most areas of the campus, and as early as Monday will be played over the speakers in the cafeteria throughout the school day. The speakers outside the station's office, J126, will play the station before school, during activity period, and after school.

The station also broadcasts live on the internet through the free service Shoutcast, which feeds the broadcast up to 500 users at a time through a default media player on any personal computer.

The current 90.3 frequency and subsequent frequencies will only be temporary, since the Pulse lacks the Federal Communication Commission (FCC) license to legally hold a powerful signal. Under current law it is legal to broadcast within a 100-foot radius; however, the hallway from the Jesuit Wing to the cafeteria is 350 feet long.

In order to get a license, a station must pay a fee, apply, and then compete in an auction with other stations, mainly colleges and businesses. The Pulse paid the fee three years ago, but the FCC did not grant it the license. As long as it lacks the license for 90.3, other stations can use the same frequency. Stations on the same

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## *Picasso at the Lapin Agile*



PHOTO BY SCOTT SAUNDERS

Seniors (clockwise from upper left) James Erler, Sam Weller, and Ted Makarewicz stare at a glass of wine with St. Joe's senior Caitlin Budny and Rosati-Kain sophomore Melody Federer. Story on *page 2*.

## Dauphin Players present *Picasso at the Lapin Agile*

**Paul Barker  
Reporter**

The St. Louis U. High Dauphin Players' production of Steve Martin's *Picasso at the Lapin Agile* deserves a fantastic opening line in any article that heralds it. Unfortunately, it's too late for that, so the play will have to speak for itself. Bursting with the energy of new ideas, the flair of Bohemian Paris, and the hilarity of absolute absurdity, the play could not be more true to life, especially if your life involves bladder malfunctions, visitors from the future, and lots of wine.

The play is set in the Lapin Agile, a real-life bar in turn-of-the-century Paris where artists and philosophers met to discuss their passions and revelations. Freddy, played by senior James Erler, emerges amidst the fanfare as the bar's owner who is somewhat miffed by the tardiness of his girlfriend Germaine, portrayed by St. Joseph's Academy senior Caitlin Budny. For a brief moment, if you ignore the bright colors, lively music, and the word

"comedy" on the program, you might wonder, "Could this be a serious play?"

Of course not. Absurd characters never stop flowing onto the set. There's Gaston, played by senior Ted Makarewicz, a "newly old" man who has started to appreciate his age and has a kind of expertise regarding women. The enthusiastic Albert Einstein, brought to life by senior Sam Weller, bursts in with remarkable theories and meticulous observations. Pablo Picasso himself, whose spirit is cooperatively infused into the body of senior Christian Gossett, commands the bar's attention with his lust and passionate vision.

The central premise of the play is that not long after this fictional meeting of the two geniuses, Einstein published the Theory of Relativity and Picasso created his most famous work, *Les Femmes d'Alger*.

The geniuses don't stop there. The play also includes a little known singer from the future, a fellow who goes by the name of Elvis, transported into the past

via junior Kevin Becvar. When asked for a quote, Becvar seemed to be suffering from jetlag. "Quote? Uh, hold on a second." He produced a characteristic swing of the hips and was gone.

Rosati-Kain sophomore Melody Federer dashes between the roles of the sexy Suzanne, the sexy Countess, and the not-sexy exuberant admirer. Junior Paul Barker explodes onto the set as the quirky and obnoxious Charles Dabernow Schmendiman, a Jewish inventor who is, to say the least, enthusiastic about his creations. The slick and finely-tuned Sagot, played by senior Peter Gosik, also drops in to have a few drinks, smoke a few cigarettes, and flaunt his artistic taste.

Directed by Kathryn Whitaker, *Picasso at the Lapin Agile* should delight all audiences (I mean, hey, it's by Steve Martin!). Tickets for the remaining Saturday and Sunday shows have been on sale for some time now, but they continue to be available. The show is supposedly at 7:30 p.m. both nights, but as Einstein may explain, it's all kind of relative when it comes to time.

## Television announcements introduced this week

**Timo Kim  
Core Staff**

Last Friday, St. Louis U. High changed its announcement format from a list of bulletins read over the PA system to a scrolling series of announcements displayed on televisions throughout the school. Coordinated by librarian Sharon Zilske and computer science teacher Tim Rittenhouse, the new system presents each announcement on the screen for a brief amount of time in a preset order.

After learning about a similar system at Kirkwood High School, English department chair Bill George proposed the idea in an Instructional Council meeting last semester as an alternative to the PA announcements.

"It seems to me that all those announcements are so distracting that they've lost some of their effect. It's just too much; people don't pay attention," said George.

Since SLUH finished placing monitors in all the classrooms and completed the school-wide wiring system last summer by installing systems in the library, band rooms, and cafeteria, the administration decided to give the scrolling system a trial run. Consequently, George visited Kirkwood High in January to see how their system worked. Principal Mary Schenkenberg later talked with Rittenhouse and Zilske about setting up the scrolling announcements. George then presented the system to the Instructional Council for approval.

Currently, faculty who want to run messages on the scrolling display can either give Zilske a hard copy of the announcement or e-mail it to her. After she finishes compiling the bulletins into a Powerpoint presentation, Zilske then feeds the presentation into the Dukane system in order to display it on the monitors during the day. Announcements longer than six lines stay on the screen for ten

seconds, while all other announcements only last for six seconds, usually totaling a run time of less than five minutes. In addition, Zilske periodically updates the scroll list during the day with new announcements having a red background.

With this new system, students can view the monitors for information throughout the day instead of having to listen to announcements after class. In addition, students will be able to access the announcements from every classroom rather than waiting to read the announcements in the main office. However, Schenkenberg emphasized that it is unlikely that scrolling announcements will completely replace PA announcements.

"We would like to have as many (announcements) go through (the new system) as possible," said Schenkenberg, "but we will never be able to eliminate (PA announcements) completely, because things come up, administrators need to see NEWSFLASH, 9

# LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Leek, '04, discusses scrolling announcements

To the Editor:

I am a little confused about the recent changes in the announcement procedures, so I am writing to the *Prep News* in the hopes that I might become better informed about this most recent change to my school.

I understand the need to streamline the announcements, as they have been getting out of hand, but I don't see how having the students stare at slides is an improvement. True, listening to the announcements takes time, but when each announcement is granted enough screen time to be read and reread an average of 17 times (yes, I counted), it seems to me that we are just transferring the delay to another medium. Also, while the argument can be made that this will make it easier for the students to find out where they are supposed to go, since the slides repeat, one must also take into consideration the greater ease with which these can be ignored. I may not always have been listening to announcements, but I have always *heard* them, and when my name was called, I could always go to the office to see what I had missed. Now I don't even realize when I'm needed because for the most part I ignore them until the end of the day. I would also like to note that black text on a dark blue background does not exactly fit my idea of a high contrast display; maybe a reconsideration of some of the color choices is in order for some of the slides.

I realize that the administration has our best interests at heart when making decisions such as the one I am currently discussing; however, in many of the changes that have been made, there have been a series of common sense flaws that have tainted the good

intentions of those in charge. My recommendation would be to consult with some of the students concerning some of these changes in regard to their actual helpfulness and their execution; it is we, after all, that are most affected by such changes. If need be, I'd volunteer myself for such consultation, although I think this job would be best handled by some student-elected organization such as, I don't know, STUCO!

I have heard and read of repeated attempts for greater collaboration between STUCO and the administration, yet in a simple situation such as this, in which little or no money is involved, possible consequences are mild at best, and the students are those greatest affected by any minor problems (such as those that have occurred so far), this collaboration seems to have failed. To be honest, I am not sure if STUCO was consulted in this matter, but either way I am disappointed. Either the administration felt that it could not seek input from the student leaders in even a simple procedural change such as this, or both the administration and the student-elected leaders missed several common sense flaws with this system (a possibility that scares me, quite frankly).

I know that this letter may be received as an overreaction to some simple oversights, but I hope that I have made it clear that I see these oversights as a manifestation of a larger problem. Something is lacking in our student-administration collaboration; it is either insufficient or nonexistent. If this school is truly meant to be run for the better education of the student, I can't understand how such a situation can be allowed to continue.

Jon Leek, '04

## PICTORIAL



## PULCER

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or nearby frequencies causes interference.

The station has undergone major changes in the past year through the leadership of general manager junior Brad Tissi. "We're trying to make everybody have more respect for the station. We want to get integrated into the school before the (television Broadcast Club); otherwise, people will just focus on that," Tissi said.

The station has purchased new equipment in addition to the antenna, including a computer, a printer for making T-shirt transfers, a phone line mixer, and other miscellaneous items. The phone line mixer allows callers and the DJ to communicate on air.

In addition to computer overhauls by senior Erik Buchholz, Tissi completed some cosmetic work in the Pulse's cramped office, including painting the Pulse logo on the wall.

Having spent about \$400 of the Pulse's mostly unused 2002-2003 budget, \$100 donated from STUCO to pur-

## CASHBAH

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evolve over the years, noting that it is the "social capital" of Cashbah that makes it worthwhile. Cummings explains, "The companionship of students" and the mothers working on Cashbah and "the fun (the students) had serving (the guests)" are all examples of "social capital." Cummings added, "Cashbah transcends just the finances."

Making up a chunk of the net was the oral auction, which made nearly \$140,000, and the silent auction, which made up about \$18,000. The school made a hefty \$85,000 on Fund-A-Need. Fund-A-Need first be-

chase a receiver, and \$100 of this year's current budget, the Pulse's office uses duct-taped milk crates for shelves because Tissi does not want to spend any more money than necessary. Tissi plans to place receivers in the weight room and the rec room.

An added feature of the Pulse next year will be the ability to broadcast play-by-play coverage from SLUH sporting events. Theology teacher and next-office-door neighbor Matt Sciuto donated an old sound mixer used for mixing audio onto various media, and, with an RCA to stereo cable and a 3/32" phone adapter, Tissi has modified it cheaply into a portable broadcast device requiring only a telephone to dial into the Pulse's phone line. A similar, professionally-manufactured device costs \$225 new.

Tissi plans on giving away promotional packages to listeners. The packages will be put together from material sent from record companies that include full-length CDs, singles, posters, bookmarks, and stickers. "The first one down here, or

the third caller will get (a package). But no running, no running," Tissi said. KUHI also plans on contacting the Point, the River, and KMOX to help out with collecting giveaways. "They helped us out in the past," Tissi said.

"I want to encourage teachers to come do this," Tissi said. Jim Knapp, S.J. originally had the idea of giving the Pulse its own phone line. According to Tissi, math teacher Dan See has expressed interest in making his popular classroom show "open line"—free time at the end of class for students to talk about whatever they please—a radio reality.

Tissi plans on having a "grand reopening" of the station either this year or in the beginning next year. "(The Pulse) has potential for other stuff besides a dinky little radio station, and I want to tap into that," Tissi said. He also plans on the Pulse sponsoring a battle of the bands next year.

The Pulse can be reached by phone at 531-2753, and its internet broadcast can best be reached by searching for "SLUH" on [www.shoutcast.com](http://www.shoutcast.com).

gan three years ago as a way for people to donate freely without receiving anything in return.



The auctioneer hard at work during Cashbah.

PHOTO BY CHARLENE HALL

Two of the most sought-after items happened to be sports-related. St. Louis Cardinal Albert Pujols's autographed bat was sold for \$1,800. The soccer ball signed by the state champion SLUH soccer team went for \$2,000.

Some of the most popular prizes, however, were the various trips with faculty and staff members. SLUH President Paul Sheridan, S.J.'s Cardinals game went for

\$3,100; "Rollin' On the River" with Principal Mary Schenkenberg went for \$700. An unexpectedly large prize was the barbeque with Ray Manker and Al Teske

which was auctioned for a whopping \$7,200.

The Hummer limo for prom was sold for \$1,600.

Co-chair Janet Martin reflected on last Saturday's festivities by saying simply, "Everything went so smoothly." She was especially impressed with the cleanup on Sunday morning. Martin noted that because of the huge number of volunteers that helped on Sunday, "By noon the next day you would not have known that Cashbah existed.... The volunteers at Cashbah are the most incredible people you'd ever meet."

Digman attributed Cashbah's "tremendous success" to the huge amount of volunteers, student and adult alike.

## BABY CHIK

At 11:06 p.m. on Monday, March 29, Pastoral Director Tim Chik and his wife Stacey welcomed Timothy Joseph Chik into the world. Timothy Joseph was 20.5 inches long and weighed 7 lbs., 8 oz.

# Pujolsbills slip past Belleville West, 8-6

**Justin Rottger**  
Reporter

Having won their season opener, the St. Louis U. High varsity baseball team hoped to dominate again in their second game of the season against their wrong-side-of-the-river opponent, Belleville West. Although close, SLUH pulled off an 8-6 victory.

The Maroons tagged SLUH starter junior Matt Ikemeier for one run in the second off an extra base hit with no outs, but Ikemeier settled down and struck out two to end the inning.

The Jr. Bills answered in the bottom of the third, scoring six runs. Senior Rick Wiese scored on a wild pitch for the first run. Senior Paul Beck walked and stole two while on the basepaths to put himself into scoring position for junior Mike Deelo, who delivered a single to left field for an RBI (2), putting SLUH up 2-1.

The offensive eruption continued

## T-Racks begin season on high

**Dan Heard**  
Reporter

The 2004 St. Louis U. High track team is an extremely balanced squad. Under the leadership of new head coach Jim Linhares, the team looks to have a very successful season, a season which began last Saturday at the McCluer North Invitational. The match was not scored with team points, but individual Jr. Bills performed well.

On a warm day, the track team performed well in all events. The distance runners, a perennial strength of the team, posted strong finishes, with the 4x800-meter team of seniors Andrew Linhares, John Oliver, Steve Nagel, and junior Charlie Samson taking first place with a time of 8 minutes, 22.4 seconds.

In the 3200-meters, SLUH captured the top three places, with junior Kevin Turckan taking first (10:12.10), junior Greg Abts in second (10:27.2), and sophomore Dan Marincel taking third (10:41.9).

when senior Tyler Aholt tripled over the center fielder's head to drive in juniors Ryan Morgan and Brandon Beal, extending the Jr. Bills' lead to 4-1. The Jr. Bills scored six runs in the third inning with two outs and had extended their lead to 7-1 after four.

However, trouble brewed in the top of the fifth, as Belleville West cut the lead to 7-4 with two hits off Ikemeier, who also hit a batter. Head coach Steve Nicollerat called on senior southpaw Tom Economon to bail Ikemeier out of the jam. The fourth run scored, but Economon struck out a man to end the inning.

Two costly footwork errors, as described by Nicollerat, two walks, and a hit allowed Belleville West to creep within one of the Jr. Bills. With Morgan in relief, Ikemeier, the replacement in right field, ended the top of the sixth inning by throwing a Maroon runner out at home, certainly the key play of the game.

Junior Tony Molina was hit by a

In the field events, discus thrower senior Tony Cattaneo threw 129' 5", good enough for fourth place in the event, while senior long jumper Brent Harvey also took fourth place with a jump of 20' 4".

The sprinters also had strong performances on the day. The 4x100-meter relay team of sophomores Paul Chaney and Stephen Simmons and seniors Harvey and Dan Heard took first place with a time of 43.79.

The 4x400-meter team of Chaney, Simmons, and seniors Joe Welling and Nagel took second place with a time of 3:34.35. Chaney also earned first place finishes in the 100-meter (10.6) and in the 400-meter, (50.6).

Simmons also placed first in the 200-meter with a time of 22.91 and in the 300-meter hurdles, posting a time of 41.52.

Commenting on the success of the well-rounded track team, head coach Jim Linhares said, "SLUH track won't be under the radar any more."

pitch in the bottom of the sixth by a sidwinding Belleville West reliever and later scored on a hit by Wiese. SLUH led 8-6 after six innings, and Morgan cruised through the top half of the seventh, striking out two to end the game. A close call for sure, but SLUH was able to pull off the victory, improving their record to 2-0 on the season.

That St. Louis spring has arrived though, and rain prevented the chance of playing on Friday, March 26 against Normandy; Monday, March 29 versus DuBourg; and Tuesday, March 30 against St. Mary's.

SLUH plays today against McCluer North at 4:15 p.m. at Forest Park and tomorrow against Hannibal at Forest Park at 11 a.m.

## Tennis aces CBC across the board

**Pat Miller**  
Reporter

After being rained out at Marquette last week, the opening match for the Tennisbills came Tuesday afternoon when the Cadets of CBC visited the Dwight Davis Tennis Center. In a strong opener, SLUH defeated CBC in all events.

Coach Dennis Dougan decided to let freshman Abe Souza open the year in the no. 1 singles slot for St. Louis U. High, and Souza faced a challenge in the first match of his high school career.

Souza and his CBC opponent traded games until the Cadet went up 5-4. Souza needed to hold his serve to keep his hopes of winning the first set alive, and he did so, evening the set at five games apiece.

The final two games of the set were hard-fought, but Souza was able to persevere and take the first set 7-5. Souza took the confidence of winning the first set and overwhelmed his opponent in the second set to win the match 7-5, 6-1.

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## Frisbills take second in state

**Tim Huether**  
Core Staff

Over the weekend, the St. Louis U. High Ultimate Frisbee team placed second in the Missouri State Championships in Kansas City. The team finished second, impressive because the team doesn't have a coach and six of the 12 players that made the trip had never attended an Ultimate Frisbee tournament before.

Rockhurst Jesuit hosted the tournament in Kansas City, and six teams attended: SLUH, DeSmet, Webster Groves, Rockhurst's varsity and junior varsity teams, and a team from Manhattan, Kansas. Rockhurst brought in the team from Manhattan to fill out the bracket, despite the fact that it was the Missouri State Championship.

The tournament called for pool play against all five other teams, and then a ranking of the top four teams in a semi-final bracket. The fifth- and sixth-seeded teams would play for fifth place.

The first game was on a windy Saturday morning against MCC rival DeSmet. The (Pi)r<sup>2</sup>bills showed signs of fatigue from the five-hour journey while DeSmet sauntered to a 9-1 lead.

However, some inspiring, albeit loud, words from captain John Weaver led the Discbills to a valiant comeback, as SLUH scored eight of the next ten goals to cut the DeSmet lead to 11-9.

SLUH's efforts were for naught, however, as DeSmet went on to capture the next two touchdowns and the game, 13-9.

SLUH's next game came against the tournament favorite, the Rockhurst Hawklets. The Frisbeebills hung with Rockhurst through halftime, trailing just 7-5. However, soon after the half, a Rockhurst captain arrived from taking the SAT, and the Jr. Bills scored only one more touchdown the rest of the way, losing 13-6.

After a short break for lunch, the Discbills began their game against Manhattan as the sky darkened and the wind

picked up. The wind proved to be a huge factor, as the vast majority of points were scored when a team was facing downwind. Although Manhattan had no subs and SLUH had five, the Frisbeebills trailed 7-6 at halftime.

McCarthy decided to try a new defensive strategy coming out of the half, and it worked effectively, as SLUH scored seven of the next nine touchdowns to emerge victorious, 13-9.

The weather continued to worsen as the Jr. Bills began their fourth game of the day, this one against a weak and demoralized Rockhurst junior varsity team. The JV was no match for SLUH as rain soaked both teams, and SLUH coasted to a 13-1 rout, bringing their tournament record to 2-2 and concluding the games played Saturday.

On Sunday, the tournament was moved to Rockhurst's stadium, which is equipped with artificial turf, due to the saturation of the park.

Also, after playing SLUH, Manhattan realized that it could not continue the tournament with only seven players and returned home. The tournament organizers decided to combine the Rockhurst varsity and junior varsity teams and forego the final round of pool play. The semifinals were played immediately. SLUH (2-2) faced DeSmet (3-1) and Webster (2-2) faced Rockhurst (4-0). SLUH received a better ranking than Webster because its two wins came in full games, while one of Webster's victories was a Manhattan forfeit.

SLUH's semifinal match against DeSmet began at 9:30 a.m., but apparently, this time DeSmet slept in. Rejuvenated by the soothing warmth and cool of Icy Hot, and with their muscles relieved the night before by a dip in a hot tub, the Frisbeebills jumped out to a 5-1 lead. DeSmet soon closed the gap, however, tying the game at 5-5. SLUH made a decision not to let this game get away from them and went into halftime up 7-5.

The Discbills claimed the first touchdown after halftime and traded touchdowns

## Titleistbills defeat Griffins by two strokes for first win of season

**Matt Koch**  
Reporter

As the fairways turn green and the temperature rises, the Jr. Bills golf team once again emerges from its winter hibernation ready to take on the challenging teams of the MCC.

Under head coach Greg Bantle, the Birdiebills return five starters from last year's squad: seniors Pat Neuner and Matt Koch, juniors Kyle Ortmann and Matt Bartch, and sophomore phenom Alex Luebbert. Also added to the mix will be senior Dan Pimmel, juniors Pat Tiefenbrun, Steve Lestmann, and Tom Junker, and sophomore Mike Doherty.

There are high expectations for this year's squad after a disappointing 2003 campaign in which the Arnie'sownBills failed to qualify anybody for the state tournament.

With high hopes, the Ballgofarbills rolled into Normandie golf course on Tuesday ready to face a Vianney squad who had not given them much trouble in the past. Despite damp fairways, drenched bunkers, high winds, and hand-freezing weather, Neuner still managed to bring the competition to its knees, firing the lowest score, 38.

"I could barely feel my hands," Neuner said after the round. Tiefenbrun followed Neuner with a solid round of 43, and the rest of the team's scores ranged between 44 and 47. When the scores were tallied, the Jr. Bills emerged victorious by a slim margin of two strokes, a close win, but a win nonetheless.

This win should give them some positive momentum as they look to face a potentially dangerous CBC squad on Thursday at Glen Echo.

# Rollerbills drop two more before midpoint

**Ryan DuBois**  
**Reporter**

The first half of the St. Louis U. High varsity inline hockey season has been a difficult one to say the least. Following a pair of opening blowout losses to Fort Zumwalt South and Oakville, the Missionbills suffered tough defeats in two winnable games against Rockwood Summit and Parkway South last weekend.

With their chances of a playoff appearance already at stake, the Jr. Bills faced off against the Lafayette Lancers Friday night hoping to garner their first victory of the season and turn things around.

The opening minutes of the first half saw relatively even play between the two clubs, as both teams played strong defense and prevented the opposition from obtaining any quality scoring chances. The Lancers, like the Tourbills' previous two opponents, proved to be a solid all-around team with exceptional puckhandling skill. Lafayette also possessed one particularly dangerous forward whom the SLUH defensemen would have to keep in check throughout the entire game if they hoped to win.

Unfortunately, it was the Lancers who struck first, netting the game's first goal

on an impressive back-door play during which the Jr. Bills left an opposing forward completely unguarded near the side of the net.

Lafayette made it a two-goal game less than 20 seconds later on a rather fluky bad-angle shot that found its way underneath the pads of junior goaltender John Pecher. Although the two teams fought hard for the next ten minutes, the half ended with no additional scoring.

Lafayette came out strong in the second period, opening the half with a quick goal to extend their lead to three. The Jr. Bills, however, refused to give up, and intensified their offensive efforts.

Junior Matt Spaeth finally put the Snowcone bills on the scoreboard on a rebound attempt following a battle in front of the Lafayette net. Several minutes later, senior captain Dane Moody cut the Lancers' lead to one on a pass from freshman Chris Place.

Having broken free of their initial offensive stagnation, the Jr. Bills battled to try to tie the game. The Lancers, however, were equally determined, and tallied two more goals (one on a shorthanded breakaway) to make it a 5-2 game.

The Puckbills would still not quit, and continued to throw shots at the opposing net. With six minutes remaining, jun-

ior defensemen Steve Fedchak snuck a long, sinking slapshot from the center red line past the Lafayette goaltender. Shortly thereafter, the Lancers took a tripping penalty, giving the Jr. Bills a crucial power play and the opportunity to make a comeback. The man-advantage was negated, however, when senior Pat Sommer was penalized on an extremely questionable slashing call after a stoppage in play.

After that, things fell apart for the Jr. Bills. An additional SLUH penalty gave Lafayette extended power play time, and the Lancers whipped three shots past Pecher in the span of one minute. When the final buzzer sounded, a once-promising game for the Jr. Bills had withered into an 8-3 loss.

Still hoping to obtain a victory before the halfway mark of the season, the Rollerbills made the trek out to St. Charles to battle St. Charles West the following Monday. West entered the game undefeated, and for good reason. The Warriors were an extremely disciplined squad who ran a highly-organized offense, moving the puck patiently and efficiently.

Despite the Viperbills' best efforts to keep West off the board, the first half unquestionably belonged to the Warriors. After six minutes of scoreless play, the

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# LAX team defeats two out-of-state foes

**Tyler Orf**  
**Reporter**

The St. Louis U. High lacrosse team overcame a few stumbles at the beginning of the season to win two in a row this week, defeating two out-of-town opponents. The Laxbills defeated a strong Lake Forest team (Chicago) 9-8, and smothered the inexperienced Park Tudor team (Indianapolis).

On Saturday morning at the Fenton Soccer Park, the SLUH Lacrosse team knew it needed a win to stop its losing streak from snowballing out of control. The team came out pumped and ready to play, but the Lake Forest Scouts scored

the first goal, beating senior goalkeeper Ben Zaegel only a few minutes into the game.

Not intimidated by Lake Forest's quick first goal, the Laxbills charged back with five unanswered goals, the first of which was scored by senior midfielder Sean Kelly on a strong shot to the lower right hand corner of the six by six.

However, lacrosse is a streaky game, and momentum can swing back and forth any number of times. Lake Forest came back strong before halftime, scoring three goals in a row, two of which were scored by a Scout attackman driving hard from the left side.

The half ended with SLUH leading

5-4, the U. High's first halftime lead of the season.

At the beginning of the second half, the Jr. Bills and Lake Forest traded goals to make the score 6-5. Near the end of the third quarter, with the score still 6-5 in favor of the Laxbills, a penalty on the Lake Forest Scouts put the Jr. Bills "man-up" and gave the offense a prime chance to extend its lead. Senior midfielder Chris Bailey capitalized on this opportunity, firing a rocket past the Lake Forest goalie's off hip to give SLUH a two-goal lead.

Offensive movement created more opportunities to score in the fourth quarter, and the offense, led by Kelly's four

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## ULTIMATUM

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from then on to win 11-8 and secure a spot in the state championship game. SLUH also achieved its first victory of the season against DeSmet, avenging three earlier losses.

“(The semi-final game vs. DeSmet) was the most important game of the tournament for me. Losing to them on Saturday in pool play was really frustrating, and I felt like on Sunday we knew how to play,” McCarthy said. “Everyone on the team wanted to win as much as I did.”

In the other semifinal, Rockhurst defeated Webster 15-1, pitting them against SLUH.

SLUH and Rockhurst stepped out onto the field as the sun shone for the first time of the weekend. This gave life to the exhausted and outmanned Jr. Bills, who faced a team with 12 subs, as many as SLUH had players. In the early phases of the game, SLUH hung with the Rockhurst

## OHFER

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Warriors netted the game’s first goal and banged in another several minutes later.

For the remainder of the half, it seemed as if things had settled down. With a little over two minutes remaining, however, the Warriors broke SLUH’s defensive stand and opened the floodgates, racking up four goals in rapid succession. At the half’s end, the Tourbills thus found themselves in a demoralizing 6-0 hole.

The Jr. Bills fared better during the second half, but not much. St. Charles West matched their offensive flair with equally fervent backchecking, preventing the Jr. Bills from creating many real scoring opportunities. Although Moody was able to one-time a shot past the Warrior goaltender on a quick pass from senior Pat Sommer, it proved to be SLUH’s only goal of the contest. The game ended in a 7-1 victory for the Warriors.

The Rollerbills will have one more chance to grab a win before the first half of the season comes to a close, facing off against St. Mary’s this Tuesday night at 8:00 p.m. at All-American.

powerhouse, tying the game 3-3 and later trailing 5-4. However, this would be the last time SLUH would score, as they lost 15-4.

Weaver said, “Against DeSmet and Rockhurst we just stepped it up. We played frisbee like it should be played.”

“I was really impressed with how we played. Everyone put forth a lot of effort. It took us a little while to gel, to really work as a team, but once we got into a good rhythm, I felt that we played really well,” said McCarthy.

Despite the loss to Rockhurst, many felt that SLUH had the best time at the tournament, from blasting “Eye of the Tiger” over the boom box in the final to “Doing the Robot” to “Mr. Roboto” for Rockhurst after the game.

Junior Brian Hubbard led the team with 17 touchdowns, while McCarthy and Austermann had 14 and 13 assists, respectively.

## PENN

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Souza’s match was the most difficult SLUH had all day.

Sophomore Stephen Hipkiss won his no. 2 singles match easily 6-1, 6-3.

Juniors Jack Horgan and Paul Eschen, playing no. 3 and no. 4, respectively, each double-bageled their opponents, winning 6-0, 6-0, and junior Jay Murphy completed the singles sweep for SLUH with a 6-1, 6-1 victory.

The three doubles teams had slightly more difficulty, losing a whole 12 games in those three matches. The no. 1 doubles team, composed of sophomore David Lesko and junior Jimmy Chassaing, won 6-4, 6-2. Seniors Pat Austermann and Tony Barsanti, of doubles team no. 1, won 6-4, 6-1, and the no. 2 doubles team, sophomore Kevin Howenstein and junior Andrew Casperson cruised 6-0, 6-1, completing an 8-0 victory for the Roddickbills.

The next match is Monday at Dwight Davis against Althoff.

## TQbills defeat Chaminade, 25-18, 25-13



PHOTO BY BRIAN FALLON

The Digbills defeated the Chaminade Red Devils in straight sets last night, 25-18, 25-13 at Chaminade. The St. Louis U. High volleyball team is now 3-1 on the season and 1-1 in MCC matches, 2-2 in games.

Senior Gregory Vollmer played

exceptionally well, with three service aces and numerous kills.

Senior Matt Huskey said, “It seems like we’re really coming together.... We started off slow at CBC (the team’s only loss), but that kind of got us into gear.”

**WARRIORS**

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goals on the day, fired in two more goals. Despite a final offensive run by the Lake Forest Scouts, the SLUH defense, anchored by seniors Adam Shalapin and Mike Talerico, played well and held Lake Forest to eight goals. The game ended with SLUH on top, 9-8.

Strong play on both the offensive and defensive sides of the ball led the Laxbills to their second win of the season on Tuesday against the Park Tudor Panthers from Indianapolis.

The SLUH offense started the game sluggishly, with missed passes, dropped balls, and a lack of offensive movement. But after two quick transition goals by junior attackman Joe Hof and senior attackman Jeff Steitz off passes from se-

nior attackman Tyler Orf, the offense moved the ball well and settled into a rhythm. The smothering defense kept the Park Tudor Panthers to only a few shots on senior goalie Ben Zaegel, and the Jr. Bills went into halftime with a 10-0 lead on four goals by Hof and three goals by Steitz.

Sophomore replacement goalie Matt Yoon faced only a few shots in the second half, and super sophomore Alex Brescia added back-to-back goals on drives from the right side. The U. High lacrosse team added five more goals in the second half to cruise past Park Tudor 17-0.

The next league game for the Laxbills is Monday against the Vianney Golden Griffins at SLUH at 7p.m.

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**NEWSFLASH**

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get in touch with students, or faculty need to meet some of their club members unexpectedly."

Despite the changes, however, the scrolling system remains in its testing phase. The administration is resolving current problems about older monitors needing special remote controls to display the announcements and plans to evaluate the scrolling system at the end of the year.

**TPXbills slug Red Devils, 6-2**



Junior Mike Deelo connects during Thursday's win over Chaminade

*The BigLeagueChewbills faced off against MCC rival Chaminade last night and emerged victorious, with a score of 6-2. Junior ace Matt Ikemeier tossed a complete game and surrendered only two runs on three hits. Junior Ryan Morgan poked in three RBIs in the solid effort. The Jr. Bills are now 3-0 (1-0 MCC), and will play McCluer North tomorrow at 4:15 p.m. at Forest Park.*

**—CORRECTION—**

In last week's issue, *PN* Vol. 68 Issue 25, the article "Council addresses block schedule" inaccurately stated that the Instructional Council met on Thursday, March 25 to discuss block scheduling. The meeting was postponed until Friday, March 26, and the council did not discuss block scheduling until its meeting on Tuesday, March 30.

by Tim Huether

## Calendar

April 2 - 16, 2004

**FRIDAY, APRIL 2**

Schedule E  
Fast Friday  
Senior Mom Prom  
V BB vs. McCluer North @ Forest Park @ 4:15pm  
C TR vs. Chaminade, CBC, and DeSmet @ SLUH @ 4pm  
C BB vs. Westminster @ Forest Park @ 4:15pm  
Cheese Garlic Bread, Cheese Pizza, and Fish

**SATURDAY, APRIL 3**

Sophomore Day of Service  
ACT Exam  
V BB vs. Hannibal @ Forest Park @ 11am  
JV LAX vs. Glendale @ 12pm  
C LAX @ Freshman Tourney @ Creve Coeur Park

**MONDAY, APRIL 5**

Schedule R  
IM Fr/Jr Water Balloon  
Graduation Invitation Distribution  
New NHS Mtg.  
Phi Kappa Theta "How to Survive Freshman Year at Mizzou" for Seniors Only  
V/JV TN vs. Belleville Althoff @ 4pm  
V LAX @ Vianney @ 7pm  
JV LAX @ Vianney @ 5pm  
Pretzels and Pizza

**TUESDAY, APRIL 6**

Schedule R  
Fr. Eng. Tutorial  
IM So/Sr Water Balloon  
Young Republicans Mtg.  
V/JV TN @ MICDS @ 4:15pm  
JV TR vs. DeSmet and CBC @ DeSmet @ 4pm  
V BB vs. DeSmet @ Forest Park @ 4:15pm  
V GF vs. Chaminade @ Glen Echo @ 3:30pm  
JV GF vs. Chaminade @ Normandie @ 3:30pm

B BB @ DeSmet @ 4:15pm  
C LAX @ Lindbergh @ 4:30pm  
Bosco Sticks and Taco Salad

**WEDNESDAY, APRIL 7**

Schedule R  
Fr. Class Lit.  
Jr. Rep. Mtg.  
Soph. Fieldtrip to Truman Library  
V/JV TN @ Parkway West @ 4pm  
C BB vs. Chaminade @ Forest Park @ 4:15pm  
Seasoned Fries and Papa John's

**THURSDAY, APRIL 8**

No Classes  
Holy Thursday  
V BB vs. University City @ Heman Park @ 4:15pm

**FRIDAY, APRIL 9**

No Classes  
Good Friday

**SATURDAY, APRIL 10**

Holy Saturday  
V/B TR @ University City Invitational @ University City High @ 10am

**SUNDAY APRIL 11**

Easter Sunday

**MONDAY APRIL 12**

No Classes  
V/JV GF @ MCC Tournament @ Quail Creek @ 9am  
C BB @ DeSmet @ 11am

**TUESDAY APRIL 13**

Schedule R  
IM All Mental Meltdown  
Young Republicans Mtg.  
V BB vs. Mehlville @ Forest Park @ 4:15pm  
V TR @ All Catholic Meet @ Vianney @ 4pm through 4-14  
V LAX vs. Chaminade @ 6pm  
V/JV TN vs. DeSmet @ 4pm  
JV LAX vs. Chaminade @ 4pm  
B TR @ Hazelwood West Relays @

Hazelwood West @ 4pm  
B BB @ Mehlville @ 4:15pm  
Pizza and Taco Sticks, Mostaccioli with Bread Sticks, and Rib Sandwiches

**WEDNESDAY APRIL 14**

Schedule R  
Fr. Eng. Tutorial  
Soph. Bonus Rdg.  
IM All Mental Meltdown  
Mother's Club Fashion Show and Dinner  
V/JV TN vs. Parkway Central @ 4pm  
V VB vs. Parkway West @ 5pm  
V TR @ Webster Invitational @ Hixson Jr. High @ 4pm  
V GF vs. DeSmet @ Glen Echo @ 3:30pm  
JV GF vs. DeSmet @ Normandie @ 3:30pm  
JV VB vs. Parkway West @ 4pm  
B BB vs. University City @ Forest Park #2 @ 4:15pm  
Cheese Garlic Bread and Chicken Rings

**THURSDAY APRIL 15**

Schedule R  
Jr. Rep. Mtg.  
Spring Fling Captain Mtg.  
CSP Dinner with Parents  
V VB @ DeSmet @ 6pm  
V GF vs. St. Mary's @ Normandie @ 3:30pm  
JV GF vs. St. Mary's @ Fairfield @ 3:30pm  
JV VB @ DeSmet @ 5pm  
C BB @ Clayton @ 4:15pm  
Bosco Sticks, Crispitos and Burritos

**FRIDAY, APRIL 16**

Schedule R  
IM Water Balloon vs. Faculty  
Wellness Club Mtg.  
V/JV TN vs. Whitfield @ 4pm  
V VB vs. Marquette @ 5pm  
V BB @ SLUH Tourn. @ Forest Park through 4-17  
JV VB vs. Marquette @ 4pm  
Cookies, Pizza and Lil' Charlies