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Juniors elect STUCO 2004-05

**Greg Fox & Sean Powers
Core Staff, Staff**

Last week, St. Louis U. High juniors elected STUCO's officers and commissioners for the 2004-2005 school year. Joe Eggleston (President), Tim Heafner (Vice President), and Dave Venker (Secretary/Treasurer) will serve as next year's officers. In addition, Dan Iovaldi (Sports), Mike Tangaro (Social/Publicity), and Marty Wilhelm (Religious Affairs) will be the Class of 2005's STUCO commissioners.



(From left) Joe Eggleston, Tim Heafner, Dave Venker, Dan Iovaldi, Mike Tangaro, and Marty Wilhelm

Juniors voted in the officer primaries on Tuesday, April 13. That morning, the *Prep News* distributed a special election issue to the junior class

STUCO holds quarterly forum

**Brian Fallon
Assitant Editor**

On Wednesday during activity period, students attended the year's fourth and final STUCO forum meeting in the theater. The meeting's agenda included information on tomorrow's annual Spring Fling event and student opinion regarding the newly-added scrolling announcements being broadcast over the Dukane system.

The Spring Fling will begin Saturday at 9:00 a.m. and will take place in the gymnasium, the Danis Lobby, and the upper parking lot and playing fields. Some of the events featured include a three-on-three basketball tournament of 64 teams, a slam dunk contest, and a three-point contest which will be held in the gym.

On the upper field, students will destroy a donated vehicle in the car smash.

juniors hear the candidates' plans for the upcoming year.

The event is sponsored by the Outdoor Experience Club and will cost \$1. The proceeds for the car smash will go towards funding an upcoming OEC trip this year.

A barbecue will be held on the upper field as well, sponsored by NHS and the Eating Club, and will provide refreshments and food throughout the day. Inflatable items will be available, including a joust and a blow-up obstacle course. Inside, eight student bands will be entertaining participants.

Arcade games, including the popular "Dance, Dance, Revolution," will be inside along with foosball tables, bubble hockey, and ping pong tables. Those who are interested will be able to relax while viewing the National Football League's annual draft of collegiate players through-

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Three candidates were set to advance for each office, but only two juniors ran for president and three ran for vice president. Eggleston and Reagan advanced by default for president, as did Heafner, Mike Mueller, and Mark Zurline for vice president. Venker, Andy Kriegshauser, and Eric Appelbaum advanced out of a crowded field of nine candidates for secretary/treasurer.

On Wednesday, juniors gathered in the theater to listen to the finalists' speeches. Heafner tore the roof off of the theater with a remix of Vanilla Ice's classic "Ice Ice Baby," while Kriegshauser also rapped during his speech. Juniors then voted the

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Field dedicated to McGwire

**W. David Mueller
Sports Editor**

Last Saturday, April 17, the Forest Park baseball stadium—where the Jr. Bills will play until the new on-campus baseball stadium of Vision 2000 is built—was dedicated as Mark McGwire Ballpark.

The list of distinguished guests who helped dedicate the ballpark included the Honorable Francis Slay, mayor of St. Louis, the Cardinals General Partner and Chairman of the Board Bill DeWitt, Jr., Cardinals General Manager Walt Jocketty, Cardinals Manager Tony LaRussa, the Cardinals Vice-Chairman Fred Hanser, and, of course, the reddest of all the Red-

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Students participate in Day of Silence

Kyle Kloster
Staff

On Wednesday, April 21, students throughout America joined each other in silence to protest harassment, especially verbal harassment, of people who are homosexual, bisexual, or transgendered. National Day of Silence, a student-organized demonstration in which participants vow not to speak for the day, promotes awareness of and opposition to discrimination by sexual orientation.

Though many St. Louis U. High students took part in the protest, the lack of planning and organization for the event hindered the demonstration's effectiveness.

A few days before the Day of Silence,

Quiz bowl dominates districts

Brian Krebs
Core Staff

Last weekend, St. Louis U. High's Quiz Bowl team beat out Rosati Kain and Bishop DuBourg to win districts. They will travel to Rock Bridge High School in Columbia on May 8 to battle for the state championship.

The TrivialPursuitbills consist of seniors Jake Bell, Tim Friese, John Hook, Pat Lyons, Michael Mudd, and Bo Purcell and sophomores Timo Kim and Kyle Kloster. These eight members met moderator Tom Becvar on Saturday at Rosati Kain to engage in a full day of nonstop trivia ranging from British literature to sports.

This year SLUH was part of a small three-school district. Nine additional teams planned to attend, but they all had to drop out due to an insufficient number of students.

On Saturday the Bowlbills beat out Rosati 340-120 points, Dubourg 245-145, and then Rosati in the finals 265-110.

Quiz Bowl is divided into four classes based on school size. SLUH is in Class 4, which encompasses the largest schools. Each class will send eight teams to the state meet, making a total of 32 teams participating at the state final.

Teams battle head-to-head in a four

several students approached faculty members to confirm that their silence would not be problematic. After being consulted by these teachers, Principal Mary Schenkenberg decided that SLUH is not affiliated with the Day of Silence, and therefore the students' responsibility as students would take precedence over their participation in the event.

Schenkenberg said, "This is certainly not out of disrespect for the group or the idea, it was just not planned well." Assistant Principal of Student Affairs Eric Clark agreed, saying, "I think it's a great cause. However, you're a student, and you have a responsibility as a student."

Students' lack of communication with the faculty to organize SLUH's

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four members from each team, but moderators substitute in the other four members throughout play.

Rounds one and three are considered "toss-up rounds," in which the fastest player to buzz in answers the question. These rounds consist of 15 questions, each worth ten points. The two remaining rounds are toss-up rounds with bonuses. Each question has four bonus questions worth five points each. The first team to buzz in with the right answer can attempt to answer the bonus questions.

The maximum number of points that can be earned in one match is 900. According to Becvar, however, usually about 350 points is sufficient to win.

The Quizbowlers have been keeping a watchful eye on Liberty, last year's state champion. If they face Liberty, Friese isn't very concerned about winning or losing but wants to "put up (an) enjoyable match."

On Monday, the team decided to have certain members do independent studying on the team's problem areas they noticed on Saturday. For example, some members are brushing up on their British literature; others their world geography and British monarchs.

Becvar sums up his thoughts, "Students did very well at the district, and we're just looking forward to the state."

Mathbills excel individually, disappoint as team at State

Timo Kim
Core Staff

Last Saturday, math teacher Dan See and a quartet of St. Louis U. High students traveled to Rock Bridge High School in Columbia to test their knowledge of algebra, geometry, trigonometry, probability, and number theory in the Great Plains Math League state meet. Comprised of senior Joe Marincel, sophomores Mike Broom and Jash Guo, and freshman Dan Viox, the Mathbills faced opponents from 35 other schools in five events.

The Euclidbills began their path to Columbia earlier this year with regional contests at several community colleges and high schools around the city. Each of these six competitions provided a chance to achieve a qualifying score for state.

Beginning at 9:00 a.m., the competition opened with an event called the Power Question. This hour-long team event challenges the students with a set of questions on the single topic of game theory and focuses on proofs and written explanations of ideas rather than computation.

"(The Power Question) is much more in depth," said Marincel. "You have to do a lot of critical thinking rather than just punching out functions on a calculator."

After the Power Question, students participated in an individual event called the Target Round. In this event, contestants receive slips of paper, each with a pair of problems. Contestants have 10 minutes to complete each pair of problems before the slip is taken away and a new pair is distributed.

A 10-question, twenty-minute team event followed the Target Round. After the team event was the Sprint Round, the last individual event. Consisting of 30 questions, the Sprint Round lasts for an hour, which forces students to "sprint" through each problem.

Although the ranking is separated by
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Turnitin's first year: reviews and rumors

Jonathan Kim
Editor

Since the beginning of the year, St. Louis U. High students have turned in papers to www.turnitin.com, an online web service, that checks the authenticity of students' work by comparing each paper to a large database of documents, stories, and other submitted essays. Now that SLUH has used Turnitin for a year, both teachers and students have different opinions about the principle behind the use of Turnitin.

From the juniors' standpoint through about 15 random conversations, most of the students felt that teachers had the right to use Turnitin and did not mind SLUH using Turnitin because they do not cheat, although some students expressed reservations about the technical difficulties or

the worth of the service. A few students disliked Turnitin altogether, believing there was a breakdown in trust between teachers and students

"I guess teachers have a right to use it if it checks for plagiarism," said junior Ryan Franklin, who has turned papers in for English teacher David Callon. "It is kind of like saying there is no other way to do this but basically putting you on a lie detector test. It doesn't give us a chance to be honest about it... It is sort of like a slap in the face. They are kind of like assuming we are going to cheat unless we (submit work to Turnitin). It doesn't quite seem fair to the students."

Junior Brandon Zumwalt, a student of English teacher Jim Raterman's, supports the use of Turnitin and thinks that the service protects honest, credible work. "I think (Turnitin) is not only fair for the

teacher to use but also for the students who write authentic essays as opposed to those who plagiarize. It protects the person who puts forth effort instead of someone who waits until the last night to cut and paste from an outside source."

Junior Andy Kriegshauser, another student of Raterman's, disagreed. "I don't like it because it is kind of a hassle. It is not fair and it undermines the whole system of working hard.... It is kind of ironic. It seems they are out to get us before we have a chance to prove ourselves. They could at least read our paper before they are suspicious of it. I don't see the need to compare our work to everybody else's."

When asked whether or not SLUH should use the service, Franklin said, "Maybe (it can be used) for history papers, but for English papers and theology

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Screenwriter Gunn, '84, makes movie history

Dawn of the Dead, Scooby Doo 2 are back to back No.1's at box office

Brian Kane
Editor in Chief

On the weekend of March 26, St. Louis U. High alum James Gunn, '84, made film history by becoming the first person to write two movies that took the number one spot at the box office on back-to-back weekends. Gunn wrote *Dawn of the Dead*, which is rooted in the 1978 horror movie of the same name, and *Scooby Doo 2: Monsters Unleashed*, the sequel to the 2002 film which Gunn also wrote. The movies were released on March 19 and March 26, respectively.

Gunn was a fan of both Scooby Doo and the original *Dawn of the Dead* in his youth, which gave him an advantage when it came to writing the two films. "When I was a young kid I loved Scooby Doo, so when I started writing the Scooby Doo movies, I wrote the movies that I wanted to see," he said. "Same thing, I've loved *Dawn of the Dead* since I was a freshman in high school. I went down to the Tivoli theater and saw *Dawn of the Dead* when they were showing second-run films. I

felt in love with it; I had the movie poster up in my bedroom all through high school, so I just wrote the movie I wanted to see."

Because both films were based on previously-created material, there were already fans of both before Gunn's movies were even released. He said, "They're two very different things because the *Dawn of the Dead* fan base is very very intense, but also very very small. Most people that saw *Dawn of the Dead* didn't even know that there was another movie called *Dawn of the Dead*. The first movie made a couple million dollars in the box office.

"*Scooby Doo* is something very different because everybody knows Scooby Doo, so everybody that goes to that movie almost for sure has seen a Scooby Doo cartoon at one time or another."

Despite dealing with two different types of fan bases, Gunn's formula for writing both movies remained the same. "From my point of view, they weren't really that different because I just wrote what I wanted to see," he said.

Despite his love of the original movie, Gunn had not always planned on working

on this type of a project. He explained, "With *Dawn of the Dead*, I never once ever thought of remaking that movie, and I never really had any interest in doing remakes, because why not just do something like the original movie that's its own thing?" According to Gunn, Brian De Palma would similarly borrow core ideas from Alfred Hitchcock movies and then use them to make his own unique films.

Gunn continued, "With *Dawn of the Dead*, I really liked the original premise, and I also loved the original movie. And so I just kind of wanted to do my own thing with it that took the premise and gave (original writer and director George) Romero his props, but also did something new."

Gunn was fortunate enough to see most or all of his screenplays shown on the screen after the movies were completed. "Everything that I wrote is on the screen," he said. "In some cases, *Dawn of the Dead*, for example, or the first Scooby Doo movie, there's a lot more written. The script was much longer, there were a

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three officers into their positions during junior/senior lunch. STUCO moderator Brock Kesterson estimated voter turnout at 78%.

Eggleston, who has served as the Class of '05's president during this year and as a class representative before that, was widely expected to win the presidency. Even though most of the class favored Eggleston, "It made me nervous when everyone was clapping for (Reagan)," he admitted.

"I didn't think it was a one-person race," said Heafner of the vice presidential race. "I knew I could lose, and I was just hoping I would win. I didn't want to set myself up for failure" by feeling unbeatable.

Eggleston considers his hard work and past experience as the main reasons for the success of his campaign. He plans to use his qualities to "keep up with what this year has done.... I want to build on that and anything that comes to us." Eggleston also plans on a big summer, including a

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grade, all the participants took the same test. Still, the Pascals emerged with strong individual placement. Marincel scored 95 points out of a possible 120 points on the Sprint Round, capturing second in the senior division and fifth overall.

In the freshman division, Viox placed second in the Sprint Round and fifth in the Target Round, with scores of 61 out of 120 and 50 out of 80, respectively. Guo came in sixth in the sophomore Sprint Round, and both he and Broom tied for tenth out of all sophomores in the Target Round.

"Typically, Missouri guys in the national competitions finish in the top ten, so we have a good state for math," said See. "I feel really good (about the competition), because all four guys did really well, and every year we learn about how to prepare better."

field trip to plan other events.

Heafner considers "the camaraderie, what I have to share with the class, and class fellowship" as some of the reasons why he was elected, in addition to the rap.

As vice president, Heafner hopes to "help (Eggleston) in any way I can. There's a lot the president has to do, and a lot he won't be able to do, and that's where I'll be able to fill in."

Heafner also hopes to "make it an enjoyable senior year. Even though it's not part of my job description, I want pep rallies to be big, and anything else to make SLUH spirit big."

As both secretary and treasurer, Venker considers it his job to "keep organized, keep track of what's going on at meetings and, as treasurer, keep track of the money." In addition to these duties, Venker hopes to "work on giving some of that money to charity."

The STUCO commissioner elections took place on Thursday and Friday of last week. The two finalists for each commissioner position, elected from a group of candidates in the primary elections, gave a speech last Friday in the theater.

Wilhelm won the final election against junior Tim King to become next year's Religious Affairs Commissioner. For his speech, Wilhelm had junior Pat Ivers, an atheist, come and speak in support of his election; Ivers jokingly claimed that Wilhelm had converted him to Christianity.

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Mr. Merriott is looking for two families for the fall semester willing to host our Colombian students from Bucaramanga and Barranquilla. Students will arrive mid-August and return before Christmas. If you are interested or need more information, please contact Mr. Merriott in the Foreign Language Office or at 314-531-0330 x 141 or at merriott@sluh.org. You do not have to be enrolled in Spanish to participate in this program.

Wilhelm said, "I think I proved to the people voting for me that I've been a hard worker all along and that I'm prepared for the job and a responsible person." Wilhelm has served the past three years at SLUH in the pastoral program. He now wants to lead by example and get more people involved in the pastoral and religious programs at SLUH: "I would like to see more students go to the 7:20 Mass and make prayer services more powerful for the students."

Juniors Rob Stretch and Dan Iovaldi gave a final speech for the role of sports commissioner. After these two humorous speeches, juniors voted Iovaldi as the next sports commissioner. Iovaldi felt his speech really helped him win the STUCO position, saying, "I felt it was pretty funny. I think the kids responded well to it." As the new sports commissioner, Iovaldi joked that he has "energy, excitement, and a good belly" to offer. He looks forward to getting students off the track during the home football games and "have everyone in the stands cheering."

Tangero beat out his fellow finalist, junior Tim Rodgers, for the position of social/publicity commissioner. Before Tangero's speech, junior Larry Howe, dressed in a white rabbit costume, unexpectedly came up to the podium and impersonated Tangero. Reviewing his speech, Tangero said, "I was trying to be serious, but also present it in a humorous way. I'm still upset that Larry (Howe) got up there in a bunny suit." Tangero said he will be good as the social commissioner because, "I have the right amount of charm, humor, and seriousness so I can talk to students just as well as I can talk to faculty so we can face our challenges in a way that it will all get accomplished."

"We're right up there with this year's STUCO, which is saying a lot," said Eggleston. "We have a lot of potential."

Kesterson agreed, saying "all (are) worthy of the positions they got," but conceded that they had "big shoes to fill, based on the performance of this year's STUCO." Kesterson specified that the size of those shoes was nine.

BigMacbills win SLUH Tournament; now 12-2

Justin Rottger
Reporter

The Metro Catholic Conference has proven to be tough going for the Jr. Bills of St. Louis U. High so far this season. Despite strong pitching performances in three conference games played this season, SLUH has come up short in two of them.

Basking under the warm sun last weekend, the Jr. Bills (12-2) hosted the SLUH tournament at Aviation Field in Forest Park. Friday night was a breeze for SLUH against opponent Bishop DuBourg, whom the Jr. Bills had already defeated by a wide margin earlier this season.

As it has been for most of the year, offense was the story again in this matchup. Monster back-to-back home runs to left center field by junior Ryan Johnson and senior Pat Bommarito allowed SLUH to jump out to an early 2-0 lead. Junior Mike Deelo punched a single up the middle to bring another Jr. Bill run home in the bottom of the second. SLUH plated nine more runs in the bottom of the third en route to a 13-1 victory.

Before the first pitch of Saturday's

game, former St. Louis Cardinal slugger Mark McGwire made a surprise appearance at Aviation Field before heading to Busch Stadium for the McGwire day at the ballpark. Now retired, McGwire had the baseball field in Forest Park named for him. McGwire shook the hands of the players present, signed autographs, and talked to the media.

During his appearance, McGwire promised that the first player to hit a home run in the ballpark would receive an autographed baseball and bat signed by Big Mac himself.

Saturday's first game against Cleveland was homerless but certainly had plenty of offense. SLUH annihilated their morning opponent, 14-3.

The final game of the tourney, against upriver opponent Hannibal, was more of a test than the Jr. Bills expected. Both teams showed strong pitching early; senior Jeff Milles struck out the side in the top of the third.

Defense was also solid for the Jr. Bills, as a trio of excellent players—second baseman Rick Wiese, junior shortshop Brandon Beal, and senior first baseman Greg Leibach—turned two 6-4-3 double

plays in the game.

SLUH was held scoreless until the bottom of the fourth, when Johnson reached on a double to the left field wall and Bommarito found first base on an infield hit. Both would later cross home plate. Beal was then beamed and took first, stole second, and scored on a base knock from Leibach.

But SLUH allowed Hannibal to creep back into the game. The score was 4-3 in the bottom of the sixth when Beal cranked a Hannibal pitch down the left field line and off the yellow netting of the foul pole, earning himself the autographed bat and ball. This 350-foot liner gave the Jr. Bills a bit of breathing room, but still not much margin for error.

Junior closer Ryan Morgan came in and pitched a scoreless seventh, though, striking out two of the three men he faced to seal the Jr. Bills' victory, 5-3.

Saturday's unexpected nail-biter proved to be a great precursor for what was to come on Tuesday. A hugely-anticipated conference game against the Golden Griffins of Vianney awaited the Jr. Bills at Forest Park.

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Tennybills march towards postseason

Team drops one game to Kirkwood, gets back on track against Vianney

Pat Miller
Reporter

Fresh off their drubbing of Marquette, the Tennisbills welcomed the Pioneers of Kirkwood to the Dwight Davis Tennis Center on Monday. The squad entered the match knowing that their performance against Kirkwood would be a good indicator of how much they had improved since last year, when Kirkwood trounced the Jr. Bills.

The match was the most exciting of the year thus far. SLUH started off on the right foot with wins by sophomore Stephen Hipkiss and junior Jack Horgan. After Kirkwood won two matches to even the score, the number two doubles team of sophomore Kevin Howenstein and junior Jimmy Chassaing gave SLUH a 3-2 lead with their 6-1, 6-4 victory.

The Tennisbills needed only one more win to



Sophomore Stephen Hipkiss serves up a winner.

PHOTO BY CHARLIE HALL

clinch the meet, yet that win unfortunately never came, as Kirkwood took the final two matches to hand the Jr. Bills their first loss of the season.

The K-Swissbills had to bounce right back and take on MCC rival Chaminade on Tuesday. Despite the late arrival of more than half of the team as a result of traffic congestion, the Tennisbills' depth simply overwhelmed the Red Devils. The varsity squad won the meet 6-1 by sweeping the doubles' matches.

Needing only one more win to clinch the MCC regular-season title, SLUH hosted Vianney on Wednesday. The Douganbills raced out of the gate. With wins by freshman Abe Souza, Horgan, and the doubles team of sophomore David Lesko and junior Andrew Casperson, the Tennisbills won the first five matches of the meet and ended up winning the meet 5-2.

The Jr. Bills next face O' Fallon on the road Tuesday.

Styxbills crush Lindbergh, fall to CBC

**Tyler Orf
Reporter**

The St. Louis U. High lacrosse team faced its biggest challenge of the season this past Saturday against the top-ranked CBC Cadets. Despite SLUH's strong play on both the offensive and defensive ends of the field, the Cadets topped the Jr. Bills, 10-6.

The Laxbills also faced the Lindbergh Flyers last week, winning 16-5 on Tuesday.

The Jr. Bills had prepared for CBC for the better part of a week, and the team was anxious and ready to play.

CBC controlled the ball offensively from the start. However, it was the Laxbills who scored first off a strong drive and dunk goal by senior midfielder Jeff Steitz, who scored as he was being pushed into the crease.

Down 1-0, CBC came out firing, scoring three goals in a row to take a 3-1 lead at the end of the first quarter.

A quick goal by the CBC attack at

the beginning of the second quarter put CBC up 4-1, but only a few minutes later, a slash by a CBC defenseman gave the U.

High a man-up opportunity; the squad capitalized as senior midfielder Chris Bailey trickled a shot past the CBC goalie. Steitz followed up with two more goals in the quarter, but the teams kept trading goals, making it difficult for SLUH to

close the gap. At the half, the relentless Jr. Bills trailed 8-4.

Although they trailed by four goals at half to a very good team, the Laxbills refused to quit. The game got much more physical in the third quarter, when both

teams' stellar defenses stepped up. The only goal in the third quarter came off of a backside sneak by the CBC attackman,

who beat senior goalie Ben Zaegel low.

In the fourth quarter, a goal off a quick restart caught the CBC defense off guard and allowed the J-Bills to cut the lead to 9-5. CBC and



A mass of Cadets and Jr. Bills fights for the ball during Saturday's game.

PHOTO BY KEVIN TWIST

SLUH traded goals later in the quarter to make the final score a disappointing 10-6.

Despite the loss, the SLUH coaches were excited about how far the team had come both mentally and physically since their atrocious start.

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Titleistbills finish 11th at Webster, fall to CBC

**J. Matthew Koch
Reporter**

While the rest of the school was enjoying the wonderful block day on Monday, the Jr. Bills golf team decided to play hooky and squeeze in 18 holes at the annual Webster Cup at The Players Club Golf Course. The tournament consisted of 28 area teams, each made up of five players; the cup is scored by adding the four lowest scores for each team into a combined score.

Riding the confidence they had gained from a convincing victory over St. Mary's last Thursday, the Bunkerbills rolled into an extremely windy Players Club ready to earn some respect. The five ball strikers head coach Greg Bantle chose for the tourney were senior Pat Neuner, juniors Kyle Ortmann and Kevin O'Connell, and sophomores Mike Doherty and Alex Luebbert.

Neuner, or "Mr. Consistent" as he

is called by fellow teammate Matt Koch, once again led the way for the Titleistbills, firing a team-low 82 (+10), not at all bad considering the conditions.

"It was treacherously windy," said Neuner.

The rest of the team followed closely behind Neuner, firing rounds between 84 and 89.

After a mind-numbingly long round of over six hours, the Jr. Bills sauntered into the clubhouse to earn 11th place overall. "It wasn't bad, but we definitely could've done better," said Ortmann.

After a day's rest from the marathon on Monday, the Augustabills were back at it on Wednesday against CBC, ready to avenge a loss from earlier in the season.

After some confusion with the course managers at Normandie, the two teams teed off on the back nine, a part of the course unfamiliar to the Jr. Bills. "We haven't played the back all year, so it kind

of took away our 'home field' advantage," said one disgruntled Golfbill.

Despite not knowing the course as well as he would have liked, Ortmann led the way for the team, firing a very solid 38. Ortmann's score marked the first time all year that Neuner did not have the low score for the team. Neuner did however still manage second, with sophomore all-stars Doherty and Steve Azar not far behind.

When the time came to tally the scores, the BantleBills were heartbroken to see that they had fallen one stroke short of CBC's combined score of 250.

"I would rather lose by 10 strokes than 1," said a dejected Ortmann after the round.

With very little season left and the district tournament quickly approaching, the Golfbills are going to need to improve their game greatly if they want to even think about going to state.

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Tourbills best CBC in overtime, 5-4

Ryan DuBois
Reporter

Coming into last Sunday afternoon's game, the mission of the St. Louis U. High varsity in-line hockey team was twofold: first, the club desperately needed a win in order to keep its playoff hopes alive as the season began to wind down. Secondly, the Rollerbills hoped to vanquish a CBC squad whom they had never before managed to beat in the history of SLUH's in-line hockey program. Fortunately for the rollerbills, SLUH came out victorious in a 5-4 overtime victory.

The Cadets, who had been stuck in the cellar of the league standings since the beginning of the season, were neither as talented nor as infamous as they had been in past years. However, CBC's reputation for its exploits in the hockey world was far from insubstantial. The Cadets showed themselves to be an extremely formidable team, playing strong man-to-man defense and using occasional bursts of speed to create scoring opportunities. The Jr. Bills, however, matched CBC's intensity along the boards and backchecked well, putting on a solid even-strength performance.

The Tourbills took early advantage of the Cadets' lack of discipline with regard to penalties. Halfway through SLUH's first power play, freshman forward Chris Place scored the Jr. Bills' first goal following a scramble in front of the CBC net.

Four minutes later, senior captain Dane Moody ripped a hard slap shot from the top of the slot that beat the Cadets' goaltender top shelf, extending the Jr. Bills' lead to two.

Despite three more CBC penalties during the first half, the Jr. Bills were unable to rack up any additional goals during their subsequent power play time, and the half ended with SLUH on top, 2-0.

Although the Missionbills played with consistency and determination during the opening period, the second half saw the reemergence of a pattern that has become all too familiar during SLUH's 2004 season. Following an early slashing call that left the Jr. Bills shorthanded, the

Cadets capitalized on the power play to pull within one. Less than a minute later, CBC grabbed another goal on a quick breakout that led to an odd-man rush. Just that quickly, the Rollerbills found themselves back at square one with the momentum shifting rapidly in CBC's favor.

The intensity of the game skyrocketed for the remainder of the half, with the Cadets vying for a third unanswered goal while the Jr. Bills fought to prevent any further CBC scoring and regain the lead. After 10 minutes of explosive but scoreless play, Place and Moody combined to give SLUH a much-needed offensive boost, as each tallied a goal and assisted on the other's goal to make it a 4-2 game in favor of the Jr. Bills.

With the game's end fast approaching, the Puckbills needed only to hang on for two more minutes. Unfortunately, the urgency of the game did not translate into disciplined play on the floor, as the Jr. Bills took two crippling penalties in the next minute. With 40 seconds left and a power play in their hands, the Cadets banged a rebound past junior goaltender John Pecher to cut the lead to one. Just 12

seconds later, a CBC defenseman fired a shot from the point that found its way through heavy traffic in front of the SLUH net to tie the game.

Heading into a three-minute overtime, things did not look good for the Jr. Bills. Having blown yet another two-goal lead within a matter of seconds, SLUH needed to somehow find a way to regain its focus and rally against a now-confident and determined CBC team.

The Jr. Bills found the answer in their captain. With a minute and a half remaining in OT, Moody, following up an initial save by the Cadets' goalie, waited patiently to turn and position himself for the rebound attempt, then snapped a high shot over the goaltender to give the Jr. Bills a 5-4 overtime victory and their first win over CBC in five years. Pecher, who stopped 40 of the Cadets' 44 shots, a .910 save percentage, also proved invaluable to the Jr. Bills' success.

With a chance for playoff action still within reach, the Jr. Bills will face off against Francis Howell Central tonight at 11 p.m. at the Matteson Triplex in St. Charles.



Congratulations to English teacher and *Prep News* wizard Frank Kovarik and his wife Lisa on the birth of their daughter, Miranda (Mira) Teresa Kovarik, at 5:32 p.m. on April 21. Mira weighed in at 7 lbs. 10 oz. and was 22 inches long at birth.

Trackbills pause, assess strengths

Dan Heard
Reporter

On an off week, the track team practiced hard in preparation for yesterday's Ladue Invitational and the rest of the season. At the mid-season point, certain aspects of the team and the team itself has found an identity. The team looks to build upon its early successes and learn from its mistakes while it sets its sights on state.

The distance runners, the usual strength of the team, are again among the top in the area. Coached by Tim Chik and led by seniors John Oliver and Andrew Linhares, the team looks to post strong finishes in nearly all distance events.

The 4x800-meter relay team of John Oliver, Andrew Linhares, Steve Nagel and Charlie Samson is consistently among the top five finishers in meets and looks to make a strong showing at the state meet. Sophomore Ben Murphy-Baum and junior Danny Meier have also made contributions to the distance squad.

With junior Alex Muntges looking to return soon from an injury to earn the team key points in the 3200-meter run, the distance squad looks as strong as it has in years and should play a key role in the track team's overall success.

This year's throwers are stronger than in past years. Coached by John Difley, the

throwing squad is led by seniors Tony Cattaneo, Osten Thomas, and Jeff Howenstein and sophomore Cliff Leek. To improve the strength and ability of the throwers this year, Difley has created more structured and difficult workouts than in past years. While strong, the throwers do suffer from a lack of depth this year, but Difley is confident that the throwers can compete and post strong results leading up to districts.

The jump squad this year is much larger than in past years. Under the new leadership of coach Jon McGinnis, the jumpers are led by seniors Paul Nappier and Brent Harvey. Freshman Steve Rivers has also had strong performances in the triple jump this season.

The SLUH sprinters are exceptionally strong this season. Coached by Spencer McCall, the sprint squad is led by the 4x100 relay team of seniors Brent Harvey and Dan Heard and sophomores Paul Chaney and Stephen Simmons. Despite the setback of a hamstring injury suffered by Harvey, the sprinters have continued to excel. Chaney is among the top sprinters in the area, breaking SLUH's 400-meter dash record last week at the All-Catholic meet (49.68). Simmons also competes as a hurdler in the 110- and 300-meter hurdles. With some improvements, McCall believes SLUH's sprinters can be among the top in the state.

PN Nightbeat

Lacrosse

The varsity lacrosse team defeated Rockwood Summit 9-8 at Compton Drew last night. This win made the Laxbills' record 6-7, bringing the team to within one game of a .500 average. The team's next game is against Columbia-Hickman tomorrow amidst the events scheduled for Spring Fling. Weather permitting, the game will be held at SLUH's stadium at noon.

Golf

The Albatrossbills couldn't sink enough fowl as they lost to Chaminade 238-248 last night on the beautiful Winghaven course in St. Charles. Seniors Pat Neuner and Matt Koch shot 38 and 45, respectively, on the par-36. Sophomore Mike Doherty also shot a super low 38. Chaminade has proven itself as one of the best golf teams in the area.

"Only losing by 10 to them is pretty good for us," said Koch.

THICKBURGER

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In what could have been called a pitchers' duel, the game moved along quickly. The Vianney starter was perfect through three innings, shutting down the prolific SLUH offense.

Deuces ran wild, though, in a costly top of the second. The Golden Griffins capitalized on two walks and two hits to score two runs off junior starter Matt Ikemeier.

The SLUH defense sparkled again in the top of the third after Vianney put two men on via two soft flies that fell in for base hits. With men on first and second, Vianney tried to steal, but senior catcher

Tyler Aholt gunned down the man at second. A Golden Griffin who overran third was also caught, and after that yet another Vianney baserunner was picked off at third. All three outs in the top of the third were made on Golden Griffin baserunners.

SLUH tied the game in the often favorable bottom of the fourth (SLUH has done impressively well in the fourth inning this season). Johnson was hit by a pitch, Bommarito singled, and senior Paul Beck walked to load them up for Morgan. An inside pitch that was just a bit too inside forced in the first run of the game

for SLUH; the second run followed soon after on a wild pitch, tying the game 2-2. However, Vianney gained the lead back for good in the top of the sixth, and three strikeouts in the bottom of the seventh did not help the Jr. Bills' cause as they dropped their second game of the year, 3-2.

SLUH fell to 1-2 in the MCC this season, while the Golden Griffins evened their record at 2-2. Possessing the best overall record of MCC teams, the Jr. Bills still have a tough upcoming schedule with five conference games to be played. SLUH's 131 runs, however, lead the conference in runs scored.

CRUISIN'

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On Tuesday night, the Runandshootbills faced off against the Lindbergh Flyers. Junior attackman Joe Hof scored the first goal of the day, sneaking around the backside of the net to take a pass and beat the Lindbergh goalie.

Only a minute later, Lindbergh tied the game on a lucky shot against sophomore goalie Matt Yoon, who started Tuesday.

In the second quarter, the U. High stepped up the intensity. Fast breaks, man-up opportunities, and quick ball movement that confused the Lindbergh defense allowed the Jr. Bills to notch six more goals in the half, giving the team an 11-1 lead.

Second half scoring was led by senior attackman Matt Austin, who had three goals on the day. Junior midfielder Mike Sargent also led the charge, scoring his first goal of the season on a little shake and bake followed by a well-placed shot. Also, senior midfielder Anthony Borchardt's excellent transition and face off play helped the Jr. Bills set up many goals. The game ended with the Laxbills on top 16-5.

The U. High lacrosse team's next game is Saturday at noon at SLUH during Spring Fling against conference opponent Columbia-Hickman.

Griffins top

Ryan Vierling
Reporter

Wednesday night's volleyball game against the Vianney Golden Griffins saw the St. Louis U. High Jr. Bills the closest yet to the energy and excitement of last year. The plays seemed to be tighter and the excitement more tangible in the air as the two well-matched teams battled for supremacy again. The players on both sides seemed to be taking great enjoyment in the closeness of a match that forced both teams to bring their "A" game.

PN Nightbeat II

Track



PHOTO BY W. DAVID MUELLER

Sophomore Paul Chaney (left) crosses the line in his first place finish in the 400-meter at the Ladue Invitational last night with a time of 50.68 seconds. He also won the 200 with a time of 22.15. The results of the meet have yet to be tabulated. Look for the results in next Friday's issue of the Prep News.

Volleyball

The Killbills suffered another close loss last night in a sensational three-set match, losing to St. Mary's 25-23, 22-25, 25-23. Junior Joe Guntli asserted himself with massive hits in the loss.

"We're definitely building," said senior Andrew Halaz. "I'm not satisfied with the result," he said, "but I am satisfied with the effort."

Volleybills 25-23, 25-21

Unfortunately, the match resulted in another loss for the now 4-4 Jr. Bills, but for that 45-minute period, they played together with all of the enthusiasm of their phenomenal season last year. They can also proudly say that they held their own against one of the toughest teams in the league. The scores were heart-breakingly close at 23-25 and 21-25.

The whole team did a spectacular job, and the offensive prowess of the Jr. Bills was back online. The offensive thrust of the game was led by juniors Joe Guntli and Bobby Schuester (three and six kills respectively) with some help from sopho-

more Kevin Heine, who bounced four balls for the Jr. Bills.

Assists were looking even better as senior Andy Halaz seems to have become more comfortable in his new position. Halez had ten assists, and with senior Bob Unger's seven assists, the Volleybills were able to keep the Griffins guessing.

While both teams had problems gaining serve points (both teams owed 15 rally points to each of their scores), sophomore David Bosch had the longest serving run for the Jr. Bills with three serve points, and was consistent for most of the match.

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out the day as well.

The varsity lacrosse team will face off against Columbia-Hickman in the stadium at noon Saturday, allowing students to see the game while at Spring Fling.

Throughout the day and evening, the faculty parking lot will be closed so that functions can be held on the lot. Spring Fling participants should enter the campus from the Berthold lot, using the St. Louis Science Center-St. Louis U. High Boulevard from Oakland Ave.

Social/Publicity Commissioner Chris Baricevic said that Spring Fling will end around 6:00 p.m. with the last band. The day will be followed by the mixer, which begins at 7:00 p.m. and ends at 10:00 p.m. The mixer will support a fundraising effort called "Hats on for Cancer." President John Block explained, "All of the money we raise in this mixer is going to 'Hats on for Cancer.' Every penny. What we want to do is, for SLUH students it's going to be a discount rate, but we encourage donations."

Block mentioned that STUCO will not charge \$5 for SLUH students, but donations for the charity will be accepted. For non-SLUH students, the regular \$5 charge will still apply.

At the mixer two DJs will be present, one the upper lot under carnival tents and the other in the gymnasium, so people can have music anywhere they go. Block said, "Because the 'Back to School' mixer was so big, we want to make sure we can accommodate for that, and a lot more people."

On April 30, STUCO will host another fundraiser on that dress-down day for "Hats on for Cancer," by selling \$1 tickets that give students permission to wear hats at school for the day.

Block proceeded to explain the final STUCO event of the year, the day of fun, which will be held on May 21. He said, "We wanted to do a pig roast at the CBC (football) game, and we had a complication, so what we're going to do is have the pig roast (on the Day of Fun). It will be ready after school."

Block said the final event will also have wiffle ball games and washers set up. "It's our last big hoorah," he said.

Block also noted that next week the class officer elections for upcoming sophomores and juniors will be held, with preliminary voting on Monday and the final voting on Tuesday. The future juniors will have their elections at lunch on Thursday and Friday as well.

Sports Commissioner Brian Heffernan mentioned the upcoming field hockey game against St. Joe's, the state champions. Heffernan said that a practice would take place for interested seniors Sunday, April 25 at noon on the upper playing field. Whether additional practices will be held is tentative.

After introducing the recently-elected STUCO officers, Block opened the meeting up to comments about the scrolling announcements. Principal Mary Schenkenberg was present, and answered questions regarding some of the students' concerns. Junior Dustin Sump suggested that the messages should actually scroll, making it easier to read.

"I think that announcements before, when they were read over the P.A. system, were a little obsessive, and it seems like this went a little too far. We could just trim down the messages at the end of school, and have the messages that are really necessary go out," said one student.

One student explained that he was unaware of the forum meeting because he had not seen the announcement on the television.

Heffernan said, "While announcements are going on, if I hear my name, I'll instantly look up and ask somebody what it was about."

Block agreed, and wondered if it might be possible to have oral announcements once a day, with scrolling announcements going throughout the day.

Schenkenberg suggested that a committee be formed regarding the announcements, explaining that the scrolling text blocks is an initial step in seeing whether a broadcast system would be something to consider. She said, "About this time last year we started looking into this and I think the broadcast club began at that time. We were exploring what it would be like to have a broadcast studio and what would it accomplish?"

Schenkenberg, along with the Instructional Council, proposed that it might be useful to have live broadcasting in the future at SLUH. "That's something we've been thinking about," said Schenkenberg.

PIC OF THE WEEK



PHOTO BY JASON ABERNATHY

No caption is necessary to explain the significance of this Chicago intersection.

GUNN

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lot more scenes, some of which will see the light of day on DVD. So they had to cut down the movie *Dawn of the Dead* because it was too long. So in terms of that, stuff didn't make it.

"*Scooby Doo 2* was very different," he said. "Very little was cut out of that movie. It pretty much was: wrote the treatment, wrote the script, and then that's almost exactly what's on screen."

Gunn's road from St. Louis to these successes in Los Angeles was a long one. He began making movies when he was a kid, and he continued it through his time at SLUH. "SLUH was really important to me because I had a group of friends in high school who all made movies," he said. "When I was in grade school, I was the only one who ever made any films. Then I met these guys in high school who were all like me—a bunch of film geeks who loved movies and loved alternative music."

Most of Gunn's experience came from his two years as the president of production at Troma Studios. He was paid only \$150 for his first movie, but he gained a great deal of practical experience there.

After his first movie, *Tromeo and Juliet*, Gunn wrote the screenplay for *The Specials*, which was released in 2000. Jay Roach, the director of the three Austin Powers movies and *Meet the Parents*, read Gunn's script before the film was released. After reading the script, Roach took Gunn to Warner Brothers, where he was hired to write a movie based on the *Spy vs. Spy* comic strip.

Gunn said, "The movie never got made but people liked the screenplay and so because they liked that screenplay, they came to me and asked me if I wanted

to do *Scooby Doo* and if I had any ideas about how to do it, and I did."

As Gunn would later realize, because *Tromeo and Juliet* was his only film at the time, hiring him to write the movie was a big risk on Warner Brothers' part. "So for Warner Brothers to hire me and pay me a substantial amount of money to do *Spy vs. Spy* with a really big name director attached was really a big risk," Gunn said. "I've always had a lot of confidence in myself so I thought it was fine, but later on I realized how everybody was very frightened about hiring me to do that.

"There's definitely some cool people out there that were willing to take risks with someone like me because I never did things exactly like other people do them, and to this day I don't."

After writing a *Spy vs. Spy* screenplay, Warner Brothers signed Gunn to write two more movies, which were *The Newlyweds* and the original *Scooby Doo*.

Dawn of the Dead came to Gunn through friend and producer Eric Newman. "Something about it just struck me as a good idea and I became inspired by doing a movie about a zombie apocalypse," Gunn said.

Gunn added, "I have a tendency to bite off just as much as I can possibly chew, so that I have a very full mouth all the time and a lot of things on my plate. Newman just happened to call when I had a short break of a couple of months with not very much to do, so he called at the right time."

Gunn is currently involved in several projects, including directing a movie entitled *Super*, which he described as "a *Taxi Driver* of superhero movies. It's a gritty, black comedy." He is also writing another big horror movie.

FACULTY ALL-STARS FALLIBLE

Who has more knowledge, the faculty or the students of St. Louis U. High? The sophomore and junior homerooms, M209 and M210, defeated the intelligence of the faculty all-stars in the final Mental Melt-down competition on Wednesday.

The faculty only managed to accumulate 41 total points, while M210 scored 43 points and M209 collected 45 points.

Check next week's issue for a complete wrap-up of this year's IM tournaments.

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Quote of the Week

"Can I just have one more moon dance with you, my love?"

—Van Morrison

MAC ATTACK

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birds, #25, Mark McGwire.

Former Chairman of the Board Ted Hellman said, "We had no idea who it would be.... We only found out the Monday before." McGwire desired the secrecy involved.

Hellman said there was initially some dispute as to who would have

rights to naming the field since both Cardinals Care and St. Louis U. High donated \$250,000 to the renovation of Aviation Field. Boeing gave \$1.6 million and has naming rights to the whole of Aviation Fields.

"We yielded the rights to the Cardinals," said Hellman, "because we knew they would name (the ballpark) after a player."

Naming the ballpark after McGwire celebrated his numerous contributions to Cardinals Care, which, with SLUH, Boeing, and Forest Park Forever, donated most of the money used to help build the eight new baseball diamonds on Aviation Field.

McGwire had no real connection to SLUH during the whole process, as he worked quietly but vitally behind the scenes with Cardinals Care, the community foundation of the St. Louis Cardinals.

McGwire has continued to heavily support Cardinals Care even after leaving St. Louis, most recently contributing the \$124,000 he earned as the champion of the ADT Golf Skills Challenge, which aired on NBC last fall.

"I think you reach a certain point in your career when you have to give back," McGwire said during his speech. "These guys are our future baseball players and now they have a great ballpark to play in. I'm all for it."

He later remarked, "It's an honor to have a field to be named after you."

McGwire also said that the stadium on Aviation Field is the only field to be named after him in the U.S., and he hopes for it to stay that way.

McGwire had advice for the players of the four teams in the SLUH Tournament who assembled for the ceremony: "Play hard, and play it right. This game *has* to be fun." He then closed his speech

by saying, "The first (player to hit a) home run in this ball park will get an autographed ball and bat from me."

Oddly enough, in SLUH's second tourna-

ment game of the day, junior Brandon Beal lined a 350-foot jack down the left field line off the foul netting to win the memorabilia.

"I didn't even see the ball," said Beal, "but I saw Coach (Nicollerat) giving the homerun signal.... I was rounding third and Coach said, 'You got something coming to you.'"

Beal said that, to claim the ball, Nicollerat would have to get in touch with someone in the Cardinals organization. Beal said, "I'll probably get a case (to display the bat and ball)."

Later in the ceremony, McGwire threw out a ceremonial first pitch. The ball got away from him, sailing high and wide over SLUH catcher senior Tyler Aholt's head.

When asked (in an exclusive *Prep News* interview— well, a few extra questions the *PN* reporter asked after the other reporters had dispersed) if he would ever return to watch games played on his field, McGwire said, "I might. If I do I'm going to be sitting in the car, and they won't know that I'm here. I do that all the time anyway. I don't want to cause a stir with someone seeing me here watching a game."



Mark McGwire looks on during the dedication ceremony.

PHOTO BY DAVE WIELER

SHHHH

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participation in the event as a school called for Schenkenberg to set the boundaries that Clark announced Wednesday morning. Schenkenberg decided that the event was "not school sponsored" and that students needed to obey instructions if asked to speak. Clark and Schenkenberg did not prohibit participation but only stated that participation would not be allowed to interfere with school.

Despite an absence of student-school coordination, many students took part in the silence. For most participants, silence allowed them to think about what is actually said in a day. Senior Jake Bell commented, "I realized how much nonsense is spoken."

Although the quiet instilled thought and realization in many demonstrators, it also cost them odd looks and occasional annoyance from classmates. Said one participant, "Some students gave me a lot of trouble."

For future Days of Silence, more planning between the students hoping to participate and the administration might allow the administration to support their silence for that day and forgive their obligations as students to take part verbally in classes. As Clark said, "A lot of my colleagues wouldn't care if the students participate. They just felt they should've been informed," so that classes could be planned in advance to allow for such activity.

—BLOOD DRIVE— BY THE NUMBERS

76 usable pints
2 students deferred
3 students didn't finish
47 first time donors
1 senior who wound up sprayed with his own blood while his needle was removed
1 *Prep News* Assistant Editor who was forced to remain at the drive despite his numerous attempts to return to class

TURNTHATIN

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papers, I don't think so. There may be certain scenarios when it may be needed. Yeah it is a hassle, but in spite of that, is it really doing anything? I don't think so."

Kriegshauser does not believe SLUH should use the service because "they are paid to teach and to know what we can or cannot do. They should help us with what we don't know instead of paying a service.... If they are worried about us cheating, why don't they make sure we know it?"

AP U.S. History teacher Dano Monahan said, "I think that it has been useful. It has been well worth the investment. It has served as a deterrent against anybody who may have any ideas about lifting things improperly. It certainly saves a lot of time for us to do more important things. Although (the citations) are still checked—I know I do it and other people do it—this gives you a general idea about how much has been lifted. If it is a low percent a lot of people just ignore it unless it gets into the high numbers."

According to Monahan, out of four classes and 89 people, nobody received a report of more than 4 or 5 percent copied, most of which were titles of books or articles. However, in addition to using Turnitin, Monahan also does a spot check of 5 to 10 footnotes in each paper to further ensure that it hasn't been copied.

"We all believe it is a deterrent. It is just one more way in our society where you can lift things of the internet so easily. I think by the results that people are not willing to take a chance," said Monahan.

Raterman believes that Turnitin is a necessary evil because the program is a countermeasure against plagiarism; however, using Turnitin does not make him happy. Initially, Raterman was skeptical about using the program because "we are testing students to see if their papers are trustworthy and there is some grayness there." However, Raterman believes "we are getting to the point where we think it is a wise thing to do to use it."

"Most students have had no problem about it," said Raterman. "But of course, I used it later in the year and other English

courses have used it earlier. (I received) a few complaints that 'you didn't trust us,' but not much at all. I was surprised that I didn't get more comments. Most of them (thought of it as) just something to do. It is just part of the modern world." According to Raterman, most of the complaints dealt with underlying issues of trust.

iParadigms President/CEO John Barrie likened Turnitin to referees or test proctors who ensure athletes or students sticking to the correct rules. "When you have referees out on the football field, is it because you assume all the athletes are cheaters?" said Barrie. "When you have somebody at your SAT walk around and make sure everybody is looking at their own test, is it because everybody in that room is a cheater? It is the same thing. Those things are designed to make sure that everybody is playing by the same set of rules, and if you don't have something like that in place, you will have a small group of students cheat their way to a degree. That is the last thing anybody wants."

Before Easter break, juniors circulated a rumor about a lawsuit against Turnitin for using and earning money from students' submitted work without their permission; however, according to Barrie, there has never been a threat of a lawsuit or a lawsuit against iParadigms. The rumor said there was a lawsuit against iParadigms because they were unfairly making money off of students' submitted work by using the Turnitin service. Although not a lawsuit, according to the CBC News website, a McGill University student refused to turn in his work to Turnitin without a teacher first marking his papers. He received zeros on his papers, but eventually, he won the right to have a teacher first mark his work before having to turn his paper into Turnitin.

Barrie believes that since Turnitin is a new technology, it is often misinterpreted and confused. According to Barrie, students have two primary questions about Turnitin: does it violate intellectual property rights, and does it violate privacy rights. According to the 9-page legal document posted under the legal section of

Turnitin's website, the service violates neither.

Barrie said, "We don't make money off of student papers, and we never ever ever disclose anything about the student, including their term paper, to anybody besides their teacher. So, for example, let's say you gave your paper to a friend at a different high school, and that friend was caught cheating from your paper. Your friend's teacher would be notified that, okay, this paper came from another student at your high school. We can't tell you anything about the student, we can't give you that student's paper. But, that student was in this class, on this date, taught by this teacher, and here's (his or her) email address. You talk to them, because again, we can't tell you anything."

Barrie believes the sole purpose of Turnitin is "to handle the entire life cycle of student work, from the electronic submission to checking for originality to peer reviewing. I actually think (peer review is) the most interesting (part of the service), where a teacher could say turn in your paper, we're going to check it for originality. I am going to allow all the other students in the class to peer review your paper, which means that you are getting comments from all of your peers anonymously. The next step would be online grading with the teacher, so they could go online and grade your paper, to gradebook, which allows the teacher to store the grades and the comments, to the creation of a digital portfolio which allows you to go back and look at all the assignments you ever turned in. That is what turnitin is designed to do, although most people just want to talk about the plagiarism stuff."

According to Barrie, the plagiarism detection service was designed to deter students from plagiarizing, not to catch cheating from students.

"I'll tell you for a fact that 99% of our clients don't want to catch students cheating," said Barrie. "Your high school doesn't want to catch anybody cheating. They want to stop it before it happens. As
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by Tim Huether

Calendar

April 23 - April 30, 2004

FRIDAY, APRIL 23

Schedule M
Awards Assembly
College Visits (Sign Up in Counseling Office to Attend):
Elon University @ 8am
Clemson University @ 8am
V VB vs. Francis Howell @ SLUH @ 5pm
JV VB vs. Francis Howell @ SLUH @ 4pm
Half Pizzas

SATURDAY, APRIL 24

STUCO Spring Fling
Latin Convention in Columbia
V LAX vs. Hickman @ Comp. Drew @ 12pm
V BB @ Ritenour Tourn. @ Forest Park
V VB @ Parkway Tourn. @ 9am
JV LAX vs. Hickman @ Comp. Drew @ 2pm
C LAX @ Freshman Tourney @ Creve Coeur Park
C BB @ Chaminade @ 11am

SUNDAY, APRIL 25

Jazz Concert @ 1:30pm
National College Fair @ Maryville U. @ 12-4pm

MONDAY, APRIL 26

Schedule R
STUCO Soph./Jr. Elections through 4-30
College Visits:

Centenary College @ AP
V LAX vs. MICDS @ SLUH Stadium @ 6pm
V T&F @ Vianney Relays @ Vianney through 4-27
JV/B T&F vs. Parkway Central and Gateway @ Parkway Central @ 4pm
JV LAX vs. MICDS @ SLUH Stadium @ 4pm
C BB @ CBC @ 4:15pm
Tator Tots and Pizza

TUESDAY, APRIL 27

Schedule R
Young Republicans Mtg.
College Visits:
University of Arkansas @ AP
Valparaiso University @ AP
(Sign up in Counseling Office to Attend):
Marietta College @ Jr./Sr. Lunch
V BB vs. CBC @ Forest Park @ 7pm
V VB vs. CBC @ 6pm
JV VB vs. CBC @ 5pm
V/JV TN @ O'Fallon, Ill. @ 4:30pm
B BB @ CBC @ 4:15pm
Bosco Sticks and Chicken Strips of Fire

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 28

Schedule R
Fr. Eng. Tutorial
Soph. Class Lit.
Jr. Rep. Mtg.
Architectural Tour
V GF vs. DeSmet @ Normandie @ 3:30pm
V TN vs. John Burroughs @ 4pm
V VB @ Oakville @ 5:15pm

JV VB @ Oakville @ 4L15pm
JV TN @ John Burroughs @ 4pm
JV GF vs. DeSmet @ Creve Coeur @ 3:30pm
C LAX vs. Rockwood Summit @ 5pm
C BB vs. Bishop Dubourg @ Forest Park @ 4:15pm
Fiestadas, Crisпитos, and Burritos

THURSDAY, APRIL 29

Schedule R
Dance Concert
SAC Dinner and Mtg. @ 6-8pm
College Visits:
U.S. Naval Academy @ AP
V T&F @ Clayton Invit. @ Wash. U. @ 3:20pm
V BB @ Affton @ 4pm
V LAX vs. Hazelwood Central @ Comp. Drew @ 6:30pm
V GF vs. Borgia @ Normandie @ 3:30pm
V VB vs. Chaminade @ 6pm
JV VB vs. Chaminade @ 5pm
B BB vs. Affton @ Forest Park @ 4pm
JV LAX vs. Hazelwood Central @ Comp. Drew @ 4:30pm
Pretzels, Spaghetti with Meatballs, and Breadsticks

FRIDAY, APRIL 30

Schedule R
Dance Concert
V TN @ Belleville East Tourn. thru 5-1
C LAX vs. DeSmet @ 4:30pm
Seasoned Fries and Papa John's

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a matter of fact we tell all of our clients (that we) strongly recommend that you use the first instance of finding a student cheating as a educational moment."

Continued Barrie, "We believe that most students are not cheating. Most students are out there working hard to make the grade and do the right thing. The problem is where you and your friend are working hard to try to get into the best universities, the last thing you want to do is to sit back and watch a small group of

your peers cheat themselves into a good university, while you get out-competed."

Said Monahan, "I don't think anybody is assuming guilt until proven innocence, but given the situations now in this day and age—where things are lifted and there are so many places to get information and people don't give it credit—it is something you need to maintain academic integrity. I think you will always have a few people that will test the system. This is one tool that will keep things above board."

Raterman agreed, "I have mixed emotions about (Turnitin). It would be nice to live in a world where you didn't have to use it. More and more colleges are going to it. More and more high schools are going to it. Academic integrity is something to fight for. It is very important. If this is what we need to do, then I guess this is what we need to do."