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"If nothing else, value the truth"

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Year of Billiken (but not Chicks) nets \$340,000

Dan Sinnett
Core Staff

The Year of the Billiken" may have only lasted one night, but what a night it was. Vice President of Advancement Thom Digman conservatively estimated that the night made \$340,000, an increase of 2.1% over last year's gross.

Co-chair Mary Suntrup called the evening "a great party," saying that, "People were able to relax and have a good time." The theme of the evening not only showcased decorations that Suntrup called "awesome," but many of the guests dressed in Asian garb to complete the look.

Suntrup's counterpart, co-chair Sharon Purcell, concurred, saying, "I think that people were impressed with the quality of the auction as well as the decorations."

The big ticket items of the night were a vacation package to the Daytona 500, which sold for \$4800, and an H2 limousine rental for prom, which sold for \$3000.

One prize in particular caused quite a ruckus: a pair of Dixie Chicks tickets for their upcoming concert in St. Louis. When the auctioneer announced the item, boos immediately resounded from the guests. The item was pulled from bidding.

Suntrup said, "(The situation) was
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Visitors walk by the fountain built for Cashbah.

Speaker warns of drunk driving

Brian Fallon
Core Staff

On Tuesday, the Wellness Club sponsored the second talk of the year by a guest speaker on teenage substance abuse. Jason Barber spoke to the student body about drunk driving and its effects.

Barber began his presentation with stories of families who have lost loved ones in accidents involving drunk drivers. As a drug and alcohol counselor, Barber has worked with the families of two of the victims, Wendy Morisson and her friend Ruth, whom he spoke about. Barber expressed the loss that these families experienced because a driver chose to get behind the wheel of a car while drunk.

Although Barber talked about other people who had lost their lives because of drunk drivers, his talk centered on his own story.

Barber and his friends were racing down a hill on Sept. 15, 1991 while intoxicated. Aaron Barber, Jason's 15-year-old brother, died after being thrown through the windshield when Barber swerved to pass a slow-moving truck. Barber's truck was speeding at close to 90 miles an hour and ended up rolling six times before stopping right-side-up.

Barber was charged for vehicular manslaughter and was sentenced to six years in a state penitentiary. He was released after serving close to four years of his term.

After his release from prison in 1995, Barber finished college and earned a major in Human Services with emphasis on drug and alcohol counseling. Barber is a member of the National Speakers Association and has spoken with more than 25,000 students about his experience and
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Students attend peace rally at Forest Park

Jonathan Kim
Reporter

Last Sunday, a group of SLUH students, along with students from Nerinx Hall, Rosati Kain, and Metro, attended a peace rally, marching to Forest Park's World's Fair Pavilion.

The rally was initially supposed to start from the SLUH campus, but due to the withdrawal of the administration's permission to use school facilities, the students decided to march independently from SLUH.

Before the rally began, the participants in the march were confused by the change in the rally's launching point. Some
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Diversity Team seeks to raise awareness

W. David Mueller
Core Staff

The Diversity Team will lead next week's prayer services in order to raise awareness about violence and language.

The Diversity Team is comprised of students picked to represent the student body for their leadership and diverse qualities.

The Diversity Team hopes to achieve three goals with the prayer service: to raise awareness concerning diversity at SLUH, to serve as an open forum for the entire student body to discuss issues, and to help move the school towards a general acceptance of differences. These three goals are "the beginning of the process" to form a mission statement, said Principal Mary Schenkenberg.

To begin the process of forming goals, the Diversity Team had Mary Schmidt, a representative from the American Youth Foundation, speak to the team.

"She helped us define what our goals

are," said guidance counselor and team moderator Nina See.

The Diversity Team has also attended a workshop, sponsored by the AYF, to help members "explore their own stereotypes with trained facilitators."

See has been attending seminars at both Washington University and Saint Louis University.

"I am investigating what is out there in terms of what other groups do," said See. "I want to see what kind of literature (the universities) pass out and to make contacts with them."

Hoping to raise awareness is the main goal of the team. Said team member Dave Marek, "We have been planning events to raise awareness of hate...Even kidding around can hurt people."

History teacher Jeff Harrison, S.J., said, "(The team) will be targeting issues surrounding language, and (they will try) to raise awareness of diversity."

Schenkenberg defined raising awareness as "causing people to think about a particular issue and talk to other people

about it."

Said Harrison of the need for a Diversity Team: "It's easy to look at this as a middle-class, white prep school and especially when you have a school that is all male...it's easy to forget that this is not everything." He continued, "I think, especially as a college prep school, we need to prepare the boys. We act like (our behavior here) is *the* way...Eventually (students) will run into a world where half the population is female."

Schenkenberg said that the team will be effective "only if they are going to get students (talking about the issues)."

As a follow-up to the prayer service, the Diversity Team will show a video that looks at racial and sexual violence as well as school violence such as the Columbine tragedy.

Schenkenberg is satisfied with the progress the team has made since the beginning of the year. "Our goals are really formulating and we are understanding what the Diversity Team at SLUH can be," she said.

'Twere well it were done quickly: *Macbeth*

Greg Fox
Core Staff

Last Monday at activity period, about 160 freshmen and sophomores packed into the theater for "Quick-Brewed Macbeth," a shortened presentation of Shakespeare's *Macbeth*. The production, which was performed by The Shakespeare Festival of St. Louis, lasted 45 minutes.

The performance was organized by English department chair Chuck Hussung. According to Hussung, it was intended as "a follow-up" to sophomores' reading of *Macbeth* and as an introduction to the play for freshmen. Tickets were sold in freshman and sophomore English classes for 25 cents apiece to ensure that ticket holders would come to the show. Hussung stressed that the tickets were not sold to help defray the \$300 cost of bringing the company to the school.

In general, students enjoyed the per-

formance.

"It was pretty good," said sophomore Neil Barron.

Fellow sophomore Tom Campbell agreed, saying, "I really enjoyed it."

The fighting scenes, especially the fight between Macbeth and Macduff, were the favorites. "They did that pretty well," commented Barron.

Hussung cited the revelation of the deaths of Macduff's family members to Macduff as "quite gripping."

Hussung, however, said he would not be interested in bringing the company back for another performance because he thought the condensed version did not do justice to the full play.

The Shakespeare Festival of St. Louis will be performing

Macbeth free of charge in Forest Park from May 31 through June 15. For more information, see the Festival's website at www.sfstl.com.



Three witches wax scary in the "Quick-Brewed Macbeth."

COMMENTARY

Administration should have supported ralliers

Matt Hoffman
Editor in Chief

When I heard that SLUH was the meeting spot for high school students at last Sunday's Instead of War rally, I was proud of my school. I felt as if the school was leading the community and taking a stand for a cause it saw as important. However, when I learned that Aviation Field was replacing SLUH as the meeting spot, I was confused. Upon further inspection, I discovered that the administration was more concerned with the perception the rally might give some people rather than its actual purpose.

According to several administrators, SLUH pulled the plug on students' meeting at the school for three main reasons: The school did not want to take sides on the war, organizing a rally at SLUH might endanger students, and some people might perceive the rally as something other than what it was intended to be, making the school look bad.

The administration said that they didn't want to take a stand on this particular issue. But, like abortion, which the school takes a stand on, the Catholic Church is against the war. In addition, students were merely rallying for peace. The Catholic Church supports peace, right?

The administration claimed that it was worried about anti-war protestors causing a scene that might result in injuries to students. Apparently, if students met at Aviation Field, Forest Park police officers could offer protection against violence that *might* erupt between ralliers and counter-protestors, whereas SLUH could not offer adequate protection.

However, this reasoning does not sit right with me. After all, with thousands of people gathering at SLUH for football games, violence *might* erupt, yet we still host football games. If the school is willing to take responsibility for anything bad that might happen with thousands of rowdy fans, why wouldn't the school be willing to take responsibility for less than a hundred *peaceful* ralliers? I am glad that the administration is worried about the safety of its student body, but it seems far-fetched that a peaceful

rally would erupt into violence.

I strongly suspect that the main reason that the school pulled its support was the second reason given: the administration was worried that some non-SLUH students would be involved in anti-troop protests, civil disobedience, or inappropriate chants and signs. For the record, the rally was advertised as a peace rally, never an anti-troop rally. The school was merely worried about what people might think, not the reality of what was happening.

To the best of my knowledge, some administrators were worried about SLUH or its students being blamed for the possible anti-troop protestors or civil disobedience of students from other schools. Even if some non-SLUH students were involved in civil disobedience, and as a result some people thought that SLUH was supporting such actions, SLUH would only have to be concerned with what people *thought* SLUH students were doing, not what they were *actually* doing. To be worried about some people's incorrect perceptions enough to stop students from actively standing up for something they deeply care about is cowardly and shameful.

If the administration believed that some people might incorrectly perceive the purpose of the rally, the correct course of action would have been to address that concern by attempting to clarify the event's purpose. They should not have pulled support, leaving students who do care about the event left feeling like the school, which once supported them, no longer does. Sure, the administration says it fully supports students who attended the rally. But it seems clear that that support is not as important as the administration's fear about some people's wrong ideas.

So why does it matter that students met at SLUH and not Aviation Field? SLUH advertises itself as a place for future leaders, an ideal it would be fulfilling by leading the march from SLUH's campus. The message sent to high school students was "meet at SLUH to rally against war." Because the administration seems to value perception over reality, however, SLUH lost a chance to be a leader in the community.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Queathem questions school's message at Cashbah

To the Editor:

I feel that Cashbah continues to be a great tradition insofar as it raises money for the school, teaches the value of teamwork, and creates a community atmosphere. I am truly grateful that Cashbah succeeds every year because it helps to keep tuition down and allows the students to receive the quality education they have come to expect from SLUH. Also, the event really demonstrates the value of teamwork. As I was working Saturday night I relied on many people, and many relied on me. Without teamwork and cooperation, this event could not be held. On top of learning the value of teamwork, I also felt a real sense of community. I enjoyed having the present and past classes of

SLUH join together for the greater good of the school.

On Tuesday, Jason Barber delivered his strong message about drinking and driving. During his speech he warned the students about the dangers involved and asked them to sign a contract with their parents in which both agree always to wear a seat belt and never to drive drunk or to ride with someone who has been drinking.

At one point during the talk, Barber said that if students sat idly by and watched as others drove drunk, then they were just as much a problem as the drunk drivers. This last point is the one which prompted me to speak out about the drinking that goes on

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POINT-COUNTERPOINT

With war raging, prayer is more important than protest

Brian Kane
Core Staff

Last week, the Pro-Life Club dropped its support from the SLUH Peace Coalition's sponsorship of this past Sunday's protest against the war on Iraq. Among its reasons for doing so included their belief that, at this time, the concentration should be on prayer instead of protest. I believe that the group made the correct decision.

Admittedly, the Pro-Life Club is a club that employs the use of protests to further its cause. For the past three years, the club has participated in the Office of Youth Ministry's Life Matters pilgrimage. As a participant in the event each time, I recently had to consider why the Pro-Life Club's January protest would be more acceptable than Sunday's war protest. I found that the answer lies in the fact that the January protest is more than just a protest. It is a pilgrimage. It requires sacrifices from its participants, and, during the days leading up to the march, the environment is very similar to that of a retreat. The end result is a trip which explicitly shows its participants the vital connection between prayer and protest.

In the week before Sunday's rally, I attended a couple of the Peace Coalition's planning meetings as a reporter for the *Prep News*. While the group was coordinating their efforts for the rally, I did not see any explicit focus on the prayerful side of protest, with the sole exception of the group's "Pray for Peace" sign. When there is no explicit focus on prayer, the protest itself is weakened and reduced.

Without the focus on prayer, participants, most likely without realizing it, can convert the issue from that of human rights to one of childish bickering. I realize that that may seem like an overstatement, but I already see the problem occurring. When I saw footage from a New York City protest, two signs caught my attention. One read "Buck Fush" while another said "Empty Warhead" with a picture of George Bush on it. Something else that caught my attention from a protest participant was a SLUH student's quote in the *Prep News* (Vol. 67, Issue 22) which called President Bush "an evil son of a warmonger." Yes, these people have the right to free speech, but I see these uses of free speech as baseless and irresponsible. I think it is irresponsible because such signs and quotes are the result of an issue being reduced from its original meaning (questioning the legitimacy of the war) to nothing more than a game of petty personal insults, and I can say with absolute conviction that an exchange of petty personal insults does not lead to progress. It most certainly does not end a war. Prayer, however, can provide the base and conviction needed to avoid this sort of a problem.

When a Catholic-based group forgets or minimalizes the presence of prayer in its actions, I think it is doing a wrong. Based
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Prayer and protest are both important, go hand in hand

Nick Odem
Core Staff

Last Friday, two days before the "World Wants Peace Rally," the Pro-Life Club withdrew its support from the anti-war protest. Although I am a member of the club, I think that it made an extremely unwise decision by doing so. Hundreds of people have died and are dying in Iraq, a terrible violation of the sanctity of life. The club lost an opportunity to spread its message to others in the St. Louis area, and its members will never be able to hear others who hold similar convictions or publicly express their pro-life views if they continue to boycott protests.

After attending several of the protests against this war, I have become a better-informed citizen. People with intelligent opinions gather at these rallies to talk with one another about current events. People go away from the protest better able to support their views because they gain another's perspective on the issue. Strangers start talking to each other about why they are against the war at the protests, and something that is hard to do in other settings, such as prayer services. People also carry signs that cause others to question their own beliefs, or simply to convey a powerful message of their beliefs. For example, theology teacher Brian Christopher, S.J., had a sign that read, "What Would Jesus Bomb?"

Along with individually speaking with other people, protesters have the opportunity to listen to professional speakers. Their opinions are noteworthy because they are well-informed people who are respected in their various fields.

One of the speakers present on this past Sunday was Jack Walters, who recently resigned as Boone County Republican Party Chairman. Walters mentioned that he resigned for reasons of conscience. He also said that the American government had set aside \$200 million for a "public relations campaign for the war." He mentioned that this has not been reported in American newspapers, only British papers. A protest is the best way for him to rapidly spread information.

Another speaker, a Gulf War veteran, was upset because the American media coverage of the war made it seem like "a Nintendo game." Speakers, not necessarily this one, said that the American media coverage does not show what soldiers in Iraq experience, and it does not give Americans an accurate description of the damage that is being done to Iraqi civilians or Iraqi POWs.

Lastly, a retired member of the Armed Forces described the horrors of the 1991 Gulf War. He described how some soldiers could not live with the knowledge that they killed another human being. Some of them turned to alcohol, illegal drugs, or even suicide to escape their guilt.

Protesters (myself included) did not know these things
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Volleyballbills bounce to 5-0 start

**Nick Engle
Reporter**

The Jr. Bills volleyball team sprinted to a 5-0 start last week in a flurry of matches that included three games in three days.

The team began its season with a challenging first match last Wednesday against the number three team in the metro area, CBC. The team showed that it will be a force to be reckoned with this year, topping the Cadets 15-11, 11-15, 15-8.

Coach Terry Quinn said, "It's always nice to start with a win, especially against an MCC team."

The next day the Spikeitupbills made a long trek out to Ft. Zumwalt South. The Jr. Bills got off to a running start and showed the boys from St. Peters who was boss by dominating the first game, winning 15-4.

In the second game of the match, the Jr. Bills faltered slightly due to some poor serving.

"Our serving was bad in the second game," Vollmer noted.

Despite a mediocre performance, the Jr. Bills managed to escape with a 15-9 victory.

After a short weekend rest, the team was back in action on Monday against the Pirates from Pattonville. The Jr. Bills dominated the first game and quickly jumped out to a 10-0 lead with the combined serving efforts of Brian Guntli, Joe Guntli, and Huskey. Pattonville called a timeout to try and stop the bleeding, but the Jr. Bills were merciless and finished off the game 15-2.

As the 1960's band Herman's Hermits once said in their song "Henry the 8th," "Second verse, same as the first."

The Jr. Bills seemed to use this as their motto for the second game because the outcome was the same as the first. After briefly trailing 3-0, the Jr. Bills stormed back behind the serving of Huskey, and regained the lead 5-3. The game remained even due to some serving errors by the Jr. Bills.

With the score tied at 7-7, Halaz

stepped behind the end line and served up two aces. These aces, along with two other hits from the rest of the team, gave the team an 11-7 lead. The Guntli Brothers combined for the rest of the points serving and polished off the game by the score of 15-7.

On Tuesday, the Acebills made the journey to Hazelwood West. The Jr. Bills weren't playing up to their usual greatness, but they still won the first game by the score of 15-4.

The team came into the second game flat because they knew that they were playing an opponent that was over-matched. The Numerounobills seemed to play rather sloppily but still pulled out the game by the score of 15-9.

"We had an off day," Vollmer said.

This seemed to be the feeling that resonated throughout the team.

On Wednesday, the Volleybills

played their third game in three days and their fifth game in the week. One would expect them to be tired, but they showed that they were deserving of their number one ranking in the area by serving well against a weak Marquette team.

"We basically served them off the court," said hitter Alex Lepp.

This stellar serving resulted in two easy victories for the Jr. Bills. The team won by the scores of 15-4 and 15-5. The team did their business and got out of there, not allowing the games to go on long enough to get close.

The Jr. Bills have lived up to their pre-season expectations by going 5-0 in matches over the past week and a half.

Lepp said, "We did what we had to get done."

Next week, the team is looking forward to matches with MCC rivals Chaminade and DeSmet.

PN NIGHTBEAT



Last night the BaseballBills took on the Chaminade Red Devils. Senior ace Tyler Faulstich, pictured above, shut out the Red Devils, scattering five hits and fanning five. The Bills scored nine and were led by junior phenom Joe Palumbo, who had a two-hit night, including a triple off the left center-field wall. The Junior Bills look for more fan support as they take on DeSoto tomorrow at 4:15 and Cleveland Saturday at 1 pm. Both games are at Forest Park's Aviation Field.

Tennisbills loses to Clayton, 1-1 on season

Tim Piechowski
Sports Editor

In their second match of the season Wednesday afternoon, the Tennisbills fell to Clayton, 4-3. Players on both sides of the court had difficulties with the wind as it continually pushed the ball out of play.

Freshman sensation Stephen Hipkiss led the Jr. Bills at the number one position.

Hipkiss kept his opponent on edge for the entire match as he rarely allowed balls past him. He tended to lose points due to his own errors, including misplaced ground shots.

Hipkiss lost both sets in his debut opener 6-7, 3-6.

Pat Reich was the Jr. Bills number two man, and he, like Hipkiss, had trouble with his opponent.

Reich was visibly frustrated with the placement of his serves during his match.

He showed more confidence when put on the defensive while his opponent served. Several times Reich had his opponent running as he placed his return serves on the



Freshman Hipkiss uses his forehand on a shot.

corners.

"I've always been more comfortable returning. I like reacting to what the other player does rather than construct the point on my own," Reich said.

Reich lost 0-6, 3-6.

Sophomore and number three Jack Horgan rounded out defeats for the top

three, losing 3-6, 2-6.

Dan McDougell played at the number four spot and received the first Jr. Bills win of the day.

McDougell continually employed a soft volley on his opponent. This soft volley forced his opponent to move to front court. After a return ground shot from his opponent, McDougell would conclude the point by placing a shot deep.

McDougell won 6-3, 6-1.

The first doubles team of Suneal Menzies and Chris Monti struggled as they lost in three sets 6-3, 4-6, (5-7).

Monti kept his opponents in check with his hard serve, which made return serves difficult. However, the duo of Monti and Menzies had trouble making their own returning ground shots and volleys as the wind helped to place several of their shots just out of play.

Dan Costigan and freshman Dave Lesko made up the second doubles team.

Costigan had high praise for his fresh
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Feeney swats first homer at new field

John Schrank
Reporter

The Batbills pounded DuBourg by a score of 13-3 last Monday, overpowering them with their offensive might.

Despite the confidence of the Jr. Bills before and during the game, its outcome remained uncertain until the bottom of the fifth when the Batbills scored five runs, forcing the game to be called because of the ten-run rule.

"After overcoming our defensive lapses early in the game, we came together to prove what our offense is capable of," explained leadoff hitter Pat Feeney.

Having had some trouble defensively, including a missed infield fly, the Jr. Bills allowed one runner to score from second in the top of the first on a line drive to the gap in left. However, two runs by the Batbills in the bottom of the first allowed them to edge past

DuBourg 2-1 before the inning was over.

Starting pitcher Tyler Faulstich and the defense prevented DuBourg from scoring in the top of inning two. Then, in the bottom of the second, with one man on, Feeney rocketed a ball high up into the air, up over the third baseman, then out over shallow left, then deeper, deeper, way up over the leftfielder as he ran futilely toward the fence.

The players on the bench became audibly optimistic: "Get up, get up, ball!" "Over that fence!" "Get out a here!" On floated the ball over the end of grass, over the track, and yes, over the 330-foot leftfield wall! Homerun Jr. Bills!

The ball landed some 30 feet beyond the fence on the near side of Clayton Avenue, perilously close to the unsuspecting windshields of parked cars.

Some doubt exists about how far the ball actually might have traveled because many, including Feeney, claim that the ball struck an oak tree on its descent. Still, the most conservative guesses place the

homerun at least 360 feet away, and the fact remains that the Jr. Bills' new stadium has seen its first homerun.

"I wasn't sure if it would get out, but, when it did, it felt really great," said Feeney, whose two-run homer gave the Jr. Bills a lead, at 4-1.

Yet DuBourg was not through, and they scored twice in the top of the third off reliever Matt MacArthur to bring the score to an uncomfortable 4-3. But the real scoring of the inning had yet to begin. In the bottom of the third, the Jr. Bills rallied to score four runs by stealing bases and blasting line drives to the gaps. By the time the inning drew to a close, the Jr. Bills were sitting nicely on a five-run lead.

After the eventful second and third innings, the fourth passed rather quietly with both teams scoring no runs.

Coach Steve Nicollerat relieved MacArthur by replacing him with Matt Ikemeier. There's no reason not to like

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Rollerbills roll past physical Ritenour team

Ryan DuBois
Reporter

After a disappointing 3-10-1 finish last year, the Jr. Bills' varsity inline hockey team looked forward to the fresh start of a new season in the spring of 2003. Entering Friday night's game with a modest 2-2 record, the Missionbills looked to equalize last season's win total with a victory over Ritenour. The Huskies, who were coming into the match with only a single win, were equally determined to win.

The Huskies proved to be very physical and chippy opponents. Cheap shots often led to retaliations and shoving matches after the whistle, resulting in a total of 18 Jr. Bill penalty minutes. Taking advantage of an early power-play opportunity, Ritenour struck first by scoring seven minutes into the first half (inline hockey games are divided into two halves rather than three periods).

Ultimate team places in top four at tourney

Eric Weiss and Steve Mathias
Reporters

Nashville, Tennessee is best known as the country music capital of the world, centered around the Grand Ole Opry House. However, last weekend it was home to the Frisbills, who headed south for the University School of Nashville's annual high school Ultimate tournament, River Campus Classic IV, to redeem themselves after a rough outing at the collegiate Huck Finn tournament. The Frisbills not only redeemed themselves, but, with a 5-2 record, they placed in the top four of a tournament featuring teams from Kansas City, Mo., Madison, Wis., Lexington, Ky., and Atlanta, Ga.

"I felt we played extremely well, and I think we were the second best team in the tournament," said captain Denis Agniel.

Relying on the talent and senior experience of Agniel, Nick Engle, Brian Korbmesmeyer, Pat Stephens, Eric Weiss, and junior Kevin McCarthy, as well as the fresh talent of erstwhile football stars Steve Mathias and Joe Moellering, the team

After an initial save by Jr. Bills goaltender Luke Hogrebe on a shot from the far boards, a Huskey forward smacked in the rebound to give Ritenour a 1-0 lead.

The Jr. Bills answered back less than a minute later, breaking in along the boards in the Ritenour zone. Jr. Bills captain Howie Place cut across the slot and fired the puck over the goaltender's shoulder into the net, tying the game.

The first half ended with no additional scoring and numerous penalties on both sides. Despite Ritenour's initial power-play goal, the Jr. Bills penalty killing remained extremely solid throughout the game.

In one incident midway through the first half, several players on the Jr. Bills bench felt obligated to share their views on a tripping call with the referee, and they were slapped with an additional bench minor.

The Tourbills then proceeded to successfully kill Ritenour's 4-on-2 power

advanced to the semifinals with its chilly offense and hot defense.

"Our zone defense was tighter than a youth small T-shirt on a six-foot man," remarked Pat Newbold.

In their first game of pool play on Saturday, the Jr. Bills dominated early, shutting out Atlanta's Woodward JV team, 13-0.

The dominating duo of the self-proclaimed "Team Intensity," Korbmesmeyer and Stephens, connected for many of the points in the landslide victory, including six of the first seven.

The Layoutbills followed their impressive showing by beating Nashville's Montgomery Bell Academy, 13-6, the team who eliminated the Ultimatebills in last year's River Campus Classic. Their zone defense continued to dominate and led to many easy transition points against MBA. There was no love lost in this game, with arguments over calls more frequent than in any other game, and the team was pleased with its sizable win.

After the victory over Montgomery Bell, the Jr. Bills had to step up their level

play, frustrating the Huskies' efforts to regain the lead.

The second half was a sloppy one for both teams. Botched passes, mishandled pucks, and broken plays led to numerous scoring chances for each side. Both the Jr. Bill and Ritenour goaltenders were forced to make crucial saves on potentially costly turnovers. Despite the abundance of offensive opportunities, neither team managed to score in the second half. The game went into three-minute sudden death overtime. The two teams battled fiercely during the first two minutes to score, but to no avail.

Then, with 30 seconds left in overtime, junior Dane Moody took a pass from Place, streaked in on the opposing net and beat the Huskey goaltender five-hole to win the game.

Despite the game's nail-biting finish, junior Pat Sommer thought the Jr. Bills controlled most of the game. "Their goalie
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of play for this year's first meeting with the two-time defending national champion: Atlanta's Paideia Gruel. After the Frisbills scored the first point, things quickly got out of hand, and Paideia's patience and skill with the disc were able to pick apart the Quentinjammerbills defense en route to a 13-4 trouncing. The loss was a marked improvement for the St. Louisans; in the teams' past two meetings, the Jr. Bills had scored only one point in each contest.

The team was able to rebound from this loss with a 13-1 win against one of the host teams, Nashville's Brutal Grassburn JV. Newbold, junior John Weaver, sophomore Will Ernst, and freshman Jason Price all contributed to the impressive win.

After a night of recovery and recreation, the Honkeytonkbills found themselves seeded fifth out of 13 teams and facing a rematch against Brutal JV for the second straight game. The team pulled out an 11-3 win the second time around amid extreme conditions of freezing cold temperatures and high winds.

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Trackbills open season with two thirds

Matt Killiany
Reporter

The 2003 track and field season officially kicked off with the Northwest Freshman and Sophomore Relays on March 26. This was the first time the Jr. Bills had entered the meet, and they made quite a first impression. The team earned two dozen gold medals as they placed first in six relays on their way toward a first place finish among the eight teams competing.

The varsity squad opened its season last Saturday at Washington University in the Gateway Invitational. St. Louis-style weather conditions ruled the day with periods of sun followed by periods of falling ice pellets. Braving the weather, all elements of the team had a strong day as they placed third out of 24 teams with 55 points in their first appearance in the Gateway Invitational.

The 3200-meter relay team of Kevin Crean, Pete Schaefer, and juniors Steve

Nagel and John Oliver set the tone in the first race of the day with a first place finish in 8:19.

Peter Allen followed their performance in style by winning his heat of the 110-meter hurdles and finishing seventh overall with a 16.5.

All three sprint relay teams finished in fifth place, earning key points for the team.

Also, Tim Steitz cleared 6'0" in the high jump to place second in the meet.

Overall depth and breadth of talent on the team were evident throughout the meet, as points were scored by field athletes, hurdlers, distance runners, and sprinters.

Next, the team traveled to DeSmet on Tuesday for the MCC Relays.

With a depleted squad, the team placed third in the meet. Little mistakes plagued the team throughout the afternoon. Baton passes were understandably shaky in the early-season meet.

The distance medley relay team was

disqualified when Drew Noblot forgot to remove his silver hoop earring before running.

Nevertheless, there were a few bright spots on the day.

Steitz improved on his Gateway performance by clearing 6'2" to lead the team to a win in the high jump combined-height relay.

Also, both the varsity and B-team 3200-meter relay teams won their respective races.

Head coach Tom McCarthy said the team is "off to an excellent start" after the team's performances in the opening week of the season.

The team faces two big meets in the coming week. Saturday is the University City Invitational, and Tuesday and Wednesday the All-Catholic meet will be held at Vianney. Events will run all day at U. City, and races start at 4:00 for the All-Catholic meet. The team encourages students to come out and cheer them on.

Golfbills go 1-1 in bad weather

Pat Neuner
Reporter

On Thursday, March 27, the Golfbills traveled to Glen Echo Country Club to take on the CBC Cadets.

The Jr. Bills went into the match with a record of 1-0 and looked to remain undefeated as the afternoon started.

Compared to the greens at Quail Creek, where the Jr. Bills had defeated Vianney the day before, the greens at Glen Echo were lightning-quick. Many of the Jr. Bills had a tough time adjusting to the greens, and this adversity resulted in higher scores.

Sophomore Kyle Ortmann, junior Pat Neuner, and senior Zach Schmitt encountered a particularly rough time on the green at a short par-5 eighth hole. Most players birdied the eighth, for this already short hole was playing downwind. However, these three Jr. Bills ended up above the hole and faced an incredibly fast putt down the hill. At the bottom of the hill was the hole, only a few paces from the front

to stop the ball once it started rolling towards the cup, all three balls rolled off the putting surface, and the players were left with difficult chips back up the hill.

Never quite familiarizing themselves with the slick greens, the Jr. Bills dropped the match to CBC, falling to 1-1 in dual matches this year.

Neuner medalled for the Jr. Bills despite the losing effort.

Monday provided a more positive result for the Jr. Bills, despite some shaky play.

Schmitt led the Jr. Bills with some solid play at Normandie, and his teammates scored well enough to defeat visiting Borgia by six strokes. This win was big for the Jr. Bills because it got them back above .500 and prevented an impending two-game losing streak.

Next week, the Golfbills look to improve their record with matches against MCC foes Vianney and DeSmet, and the team is continuing to prepare for the upcoming Webster Cup and MCC Conference Tournament, which take place over

Laxbills play strong against Lindbergh

Jim Fox
Reporter

The week following spring break has traditionally been a tough one for the Jr. Bills lacrosse team, as they have always had trouble readjusting to meeting the demands of the game.

The team has to come back after a week away from practice and pick up stick skills and conditioning where they left off, a very challenging task. This year's team was no exception, as they found themselves with only a week to train before one of the toughest stretches of the season.

Fortunately for the Jr. Bills, they were able to prepare themselves before their first game back, defeating Chicago's Barrington Broncos last Saturday, 9-3.

A letdown led to an 11-8 loss to another Chicago team, Libertyville, Mon

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AIRPORT

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day, but the LaxBills were able to pull themselves together for a 21-0 thrashing of Lindbergh on Tuesday.

Saturday's game, played in sunshine, snow, sleet, and rain was a good step for the Jr. Bills.

Facing a team that had already played two games that day, fatigue was a definite factor in the game.

Although play was hectic and sloppy, with much of the play going for ground balls, the Jr. Bills' defense menacingly manhandled the Barrington offense and created their own opportunities. The offense was able to capitalize on many of those opportunities, as captain attackmen Matt Hof and Travis Dum combined for five goals. Dum also had two assists.

After the game, Jr. Bills head coach Robert Palmer felt that the team "played well and did some good things, but (they have) got a lot of things to work and improve on."

Going into Monday night's game at Soccer Park, the team knew they were facing a good Libertyville team, but the Jr. Bills felt they had a team good enough

DARKWING

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The Roadtripbills moved on to the next level of competition against Brutal Grassburn's varsity squad, one of America's top high school teams in recent years, a team to whom the team lost twice last year. Using the same smothering zone defense, the Cupbills used Mother Nature as the eighth man as many of Brutal's throws were knocked down in the wind.

Korbesmeyer led the team to three critical upwind break points which demoralized the home team and helped the Homewreckerbills roll to a 12-5 victory in a "coming of age" victory, according to Agniel.

Due to the seedings, the only problem with the Hotbills play was that they had to face the same Paideia team again in the touted "Duel with the Gruel Part Two" match. After answering the national

to win. This was especially true since Libertyville had played a game against Rockhurst just hours before their game against the Jr. Bills.

After playing most of the first quarter, neither team was able to find the net. Things changed in a flash, and sloppy clears along with poor defensive checking allowed Libertyville to pull ahead 7-4 at halftime.

The Jr. Bills fell further behind starting the second half, and Libertyville sat comfortably ahead 9-5.

Then a sudden boost of tenacity pulled the Jr. Bills back to within one, at 9-8. The effort was too little too late as Libertyville dumped in a couple of insurance goals before the end, winning 11-8.

The team was displeased after the game, and the coaches made note of their lack of hustle.

Learning from their mistakes, and putting the bad memories behind them, the Jr. Bills went in to Tuesday's game against Lindbergh expecting a blowout. In only their second year with a varsity team, the Lindbergh Flyers are still learning the ropes of lacrosse.

champs point for point into the wind, getting as close as 4-3, eventually the experience and depth of the Paideia team overwhelmed the Frisbills, and Gruel walked away with another win, this time 15-5 in the semifinals to end the Bills' weekend.

After its strongest tournament finish in its history, the team plans to attend a tournament in Kansas City May 31 and June 1 and hopes to play in more, as-of-yet-undetermined tournaments this spring and summer.

Quote of the Week

If you're robbing a bank and your pants fall down, I think it's okay to laugh and to let the hostages laugh too, because, come on, life is funny.

-Jack Handey

Although the game started slowly for the Jr. Bills on the offensive end, with many shots narrowly missing, the team controlled the game from the beginning. Extremely stingy play from the defense prevented Lindbergh from gaining any chances and kept the ball in the sticks of the experienced Jr. Bills attackmen.

Junior Tyler Orf got the J-Bills going with the first goal of the game on a sharply executed drive to the crease. After this the goals seemed to come in bunches.

The team shared the offensive wealth in the game, and in the end the score racked up to 21. New on the other end of the field, junior Ben Zaegel kept the ball out of the net for the first three quarters, while freshman Matt Yoon came in for the last quarter to record the team's first shutout of the year. The goalies were most certainly helped by the defense, which only allowed five shots on goal.

The Jr. Bills' stretch of games is just beginning, as they played Kirkwood last night and will play Blue Valley (KC) on Saturday. Check the *PN Nightbeat* for the score. The next big game comes Monday in Alumni Stadium at 7 p.m. The Jr. Bills face Jesuit rival and perennial lacrosse powerhouse Rockhurst.

TENNIS

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man partner: "He's a good, steady player. He's better than I'll ever be."

Lesko, who managed to split the ball between his opponents at least once, and Costigan, who played with audible intensity, defeated their opponents in a quick match 6-2, 6-3.

The third doubles team of sophomores Andrew Casperson and Paul Eschen breezed through their match with smiling faces, winning 6-4, 6-1.

The tennis team is 1-1 on the season. Their match last Friday against Cape Central was rained out, and they beat Vianney 5-2 on Tuesday to open their season.

KANE

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Based on my experiences, I believe that this was happening at SLUH's coalition meetings. It is in these situations that we as Catholics should put our troubles into God's hands. The Catechism of the Catholic Church tells us that "God wills that our desire should be exercised in prayer, that we may be able to receive what He is prepared to give" (CCC #2737). Especially with its Catholic tradition, I think that the SLUH community could accomplish the most through prayer.

To concentrate one's energies on prayer instead of protest at this point is not to admit defeat, nor is it a compromise of

one's beliefs or opinions. Though from the outside it may not appear to be so, to pray for something avidly is just as, if not more, active a response to an issue as protesting avidly. The Pro-Life Club plans on hosting a prayer rally in the near future, with the war on Iraq as its focus. I encourage everyone, regardless of their opinions on the war, to attend.

Protesting may have been a feasible means of preventing war from starting, but as soon as the first bomb fell, we should have started reaching for rosaries instead of tarps and tape. The time for protest was a month ago. The time for prayer is now.

ROLLERS

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was good. We must have had 50 shots, but it was only 2-1. It could have been worse (for Ritenour)."

Thrilled to be above .500 once again, the Inlinebills celebrated a hard-fought victory and began to look forward to their next matchup.

Still pumped from Friday night's win over Ritenour, the Jr. Bills faced off against Fox at Queeny Park on Monday night. Although the Bills knew that the Warriors would be considerably tougher opponents than the Huskies, no one expected the kind of thrashing that the Jr. Bills would receive during the next 60 minutes. A little over one minute into the game, a Fox forward broke past the Jr. Bills defense, cut across the high slot, and snapped a low wrister past Jr. Bills goalie Luke Hogrebe to put Fox up 1-0. The Warriors' lead lasted only 40 seconds.

Sophomore Kevin Hatch capitalized on an errant Fox pass to tie the game at one. Six minutes later, Fox took the lead for good, converting on a 2-on-1 break to go up 2-1.

The Jr. Bills tried to hold their ground but struggled defensively against an extremely organized and disciplined Warrior offense. They surrendered three more goals before the half's end. A scary moment for the Jr. Bills occurred when sophomore defenseman Matt Spaeth, battling with a Fox forward in front the Jr. Bills

net, took a hard slash to the knee and dropped to the hard rubber writhing in pain. A minute passed before Spaeth was helped off the floor by the Jr. Bill coaches, and, with the exception of one short shift, he did not return.

The Synergybills' woes continued throughout the second half on both ends of the rink. Offensively, the Jr. Bills had major problems with puck control, hindering their efforts to set up plays and generate offense. On defense, the Jr. Bills faced the offensive onslaught of a highly skilled Warrior team. Although the Fox squad was not notably physical or remarkably fast, they were patient, organized, and possessed superb passing and puck control. While the Jr. Bills were able to add another goal midway through the second half, they were unable to stop the Warriors' relentless attack. When the final buzzer sounded, the Jr. Bills were on the losing end of a 10-2 blowout.

Fox ultimately defeated the Jr. Bills with superior puckhandling skills; the Jr. Bills' problems lay deeper than their opponents' talent.

"We didn't play well at all," said Chris Wojcicki after the game. "We didn't win any physical battles or 50/50 pucks."

Despite their loss to Fox, the Jr. Bills maintain a respectable 3-3 record and look forward to racking up more wins in their coming games. The Jr. Bills will face off against Chaminade this Friday, 7:00 p.m., at the Matteson Triplex in O'Fallon.

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NIGHTBEAT II

DRUIDS RUGBY TEAM FALLS TO 4-3

Last night, the Druids lost their second game to the DeSmet Spartans in just as many weeks. The Spartans won 25-10 as the teams faced off at the Jewel Box in Forest Park.

The Druids scored once on a penalty kick from Tim Simon and were up 10-8 at half.

However, in the second half the Druids gave in to the Spartans allowing them to go on a 17-0 run.

LAX DEFEATS KIRKWOOD 14-6

Last night the LaxBills defeated the Kirkwood Pioneers 14-6.

The Jr. Bills led 10-4 at half. Mat Hof had six goals on the night.

BASEBALL

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Ike. No DuBourg player scored during his time on the mound. The inning only got better as the Jr. Bills exploded offensively yet again in the bottom to drive five men over the plate.

"Batting practice; it's over," chuckled a player with calm satisfaction.

The lead of 13-3 forced the umps to call the game after an agonizingly long, but at times exciting and very successful, two-and-a-half hours. While everyone's efforts led the team to victory, the 3 RBIs of both Pat Feeney and Adam Twelman make it impossible to overlook them as the game's powerhouses.

As of Wednesday, the BatBills were undefeated with a record of 3-0.

Nicollerat, who expects the trend of success to continue, said, "They're a nice group of kids, and they're coming together fast—faster than I expected...In the next month this team will continue to make nice strides, ultimately becoming a very, very good team."

17 students sleep in cardboard castles

Nate Hilliard
Reporter

Even though it is something with which students are rarely confronted, homelessness is not something most like to think about or acknowledge. Last Friday, March 28, 17 SLUH students joined 25 students from Nerinx Hall at the Taylor Avenue BJC Healthcare building in the hopes of finding a better and more personal understanding of the reasons for homelessness and its effects.

In order to fight off the rain and cold weather, the students and faculty crammed into a parking garage shuttle station for a night of information and reflection. They heard speakers talk about everything from the political problems of homelessness to personal stories of hardships a person could face finding a home. Director of Security Charlie Clark also talked to the students about how the police view homelessness and how it affects their work.

One of the most moving and thought-provoking speeches, however, came unsolicited from Pierre, a youth counselor and BJC-Washington University Medical School shuttle driver.

Pierre had seen the students preparing large appliance cardboard boxes in which to sleep and approached them to explain that "homelessness is not just about sleeping in boxes; it's about what is in the mind." Pierre's mother kicked him out of her house when he was 13 years old, but he worked through adversity in order to earn his high school diploma and a certificate in culinary arts. Still, like many, he found himself remaining on the street because "few businesses were willing to take a chance on the homeless."

Staying clear of drug and alcohol abuse, after more than four years of living wherever he could find space, Pierre worked his way into a shelter and later subsidized housing. Now, when he drives the graveyard shift, he passes out blankets, cigarettes, food, or anything else he may have to anyone he sees in need because he knows their position well.

Several of the speakers mentioned

that becoming homeless takes only one small event or circumstance that can spiral someone into a world of despair. As Clark put it, "Homelessness has little to do with intelligence and everything to do with environment." It is often the death of a loved one, a mental illness, or eviction that can throw anyone into a deep depression where they reject all offers of help and compassion.

The evening ended with group discussion on what those who attended heard, experienced, and could do in the future. CSP moderator Sue Walsh was pleased with the night of informative discussion, but she felt that students should go beyond one night.

"It has to go forward," she said. "We (in CSP) are planning to start a night patrol to deliver necessities to the homeless once a month."

Many students were impressed with the program coordinated by BJC Healthcare and School Outreach Developer Lynne Lang and theology teachers

Rob Garavaglia and Cathy Hartrich. Planning Committee member Matt Austin was surprised at "how personal it made homelessness feel. It was a really eye-opening experience."

To cap off the night, students slept or, in many cases, attempted to sleep in cardboard boxes donated by local appliance stores. For most students the boxes were no match for the cold weather and winds that caused much discomfort.

"This was not even close to the coldest night of the year," noted Garavaglia. "I can't imagine what (homeless) people go through in a St. Louis January."

Overall, the overnight experience opened the students and faculty volunteers to a new world and made them even more thankful for all they had that others would go without. Students left Saturday morning ready to begin their own outreach, willing to share their stories with other classmates on Monday.

Hartrich encouraged such discourse "because discussion is the first step towards solving the problem."

ASIA

(from 1) interesting." As usual, the auctioneer met with Suntrup and Purcell the day before Cashbah to discuss the items. At this meeting, Suntrup and Purcell noted that the tickets could be a problem due to the group's having made anti-Bush statements. "We decided we would see what happened," said Suntrup. Someone later bought the tickets without any bidding held.

Sophomore Kevin Becvar, who worked as a runner for the oral auction, offered his perspective on the evening: "It went really well." He did notice, however, that the gym "wasn't overly crowded like last year." Becvar went on to say how fewer tables made it easier to move around. The number of tables decreased by about twenty from last year.

As a matter of personal preference, Becvar's favorite items of the evening were two puppies, which were each sold for \$1400. "They were really cute look-

ing," said Becvar.

Jim Knapp, S.J., has been in charge of the servers for the past eight years and was particularly impressed with the efficiency of this year's group. "We got dinner out faster and better than any other of the years that I've been here," he said. Knapp estimated that 75 students helped serve this year.

The 75 servers were part of a larger group of student volunteers, totaling about 200.

"I think what's great about Cashbah is the coming together of students, teachers, and parents to help the school," Knapp said. "I would liken the generosity shown by students (at Cashbah) to that of Open House."

Work for next year's Cashbah is not yet underway. Purcell said that once a chair is chosen, preliminary planning, such as choosing a theme, will start over the summer.

PEACE

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of the participants believed that the march was going to start at SLUH's stadium, but they were redirected to Aviation Field. Arriving to park on the SLUH lot, English teacher Frank Kovarik was refused permission to park.

"I told the guard that I taught here, and he said that it didn't matter. I was not supposed to park on the lot," Kovarik said. Further adding to the confusion, most students congregated on a strip of land across Oakland Avenue while the SLUH teachers gathered at Aviation Field.

Originally, the administration agreed to allow SLUH's Peace Coalition to use the Berthold parking lot and meet in the stadium's stands before marching toward the World's Fair Pavilion. However, the administration, after reconsidering the possible safety hazards for the SLUH students, requested the coalition to relocate the rally's launching point to Aviation Field and denied the coalition use of school's facilities.

Principal Mary Schenkenberg stated that the rally, an explicitly peaceful endeavor, could be perceived as an anti-troop demonstration against the war. "The permission for this rally was given before spring break, (but) during spring break, the war in Iraq broke out. People could then interpret the peace rally as an anti-war or anti-troop demonstration, and the concern for the safety of our students arose."

The Pro-Life Club echoed this sentiment by formally withdrawing its support for the rally. The club stands strongly for life in all stages, peace, and for American troops, but in a written statement they expressed fears "that the rally will become an anti-troop rally, instead of a peace rally," citing examples in Seattle, New York, and Chicago, and they did not want "the rally (to be) construed as a lack of support for troops, regardless of the good intentions of the organizers." Because American soldiers are fighting in Iraq, the Pro-Life Club believes that prayer is a more appropriate demonstration of its values.

The possibility for civil disobedience and violence with pro-troop demonstrators also influenced the administration to distance the rally point from campus. Schenkenberg stated, "SLUH would feel responsible if the rally from SLUH resulted in civil disobedience." Theology

teacher Brian Christopher, S.J., said, "Rumors of students' wanting to cross Highway 40 on the actual highway circulated before the rally. The SLUH and the Instead of War coalitions believe solely in peaceful, prayerful demonstrations. If other groups wanted to participate in civil disobedience, then the SLUH coalition would distance themselves as much as possible from them."

Furthermore, because the rally could have been mistaken for an anti-troop rally,



Dan Riley and Jeff Harrison, S.J., at the rally.

conflicts between pro-troop supporters could have resulted in harm to the peace-supporting rally.

In his past experiences, Christopher stated, "Counter-protesters were very loud, obnoxious, and angry. With all protest situations, it would be unrealistic to expect to control all the factors in the protest. The administration didn't want conflict between a counter-protesting group and our coalition."

Schenkenberg said, "We were concerned about the ability to protect the facilities and students if conflict arose with the counter-demonstrators. Because SLUH originally was the launching point, SLUH felt (they) had the responsibility to ensure the safety of the protesters, but it did not have the adequate manpower to protect the kids in their march...When the rally gathered across Oakland, Forest Park had a police force it can use to protect the peace rally."

Director of Security Charlie Clark confirmed, "At Aviation Field, there would be no problems with security (for SLUH) be-

cause it would be a part of Forest Park." Additionally, SLUH did not know how many people would attend, and they feared that the stadium could not accommodate those people.

A group of supporters for the American military were present on the bridge to cross Highway 40 when the students began to cross. Contrary to the administration's fears, the peace rally passed the protesters quietly without any conflict, under the supervision of the police.

Christopher recalled, "I felt very scared for the safety of the students. I was frustrated that I was not able to march with the students to be a part of the coalition and to act as a buffer, a reminder of the purpose of the rally to the students." He added, "The students behaved wonderfully. They were peaceful, bold, and stood up for what they believed in. I think that SLUH should celebrate students like this."

Ultimately, most of the students marched unaffiliated with SLUH. History teacher Jeff Harrison, S.J., emphasized that "the administration never withdrew their support or said (the coalition) couldn't meet, but they wanted (the rally) to meet in a different place." However, peace rally leader Kevin Mills clarified that once the students congregated across Oakland Avenue, "it became part of the Greater St. Louis Instead of War Coalition and not part of SLUH's coalition for peace."

It turns out that parking was restricted to students because they should have parked near the Aviation Field gathering. Director of Security Charlie Clark said, "It wasn't about the teachers' parking (on the SLUH lot). I must have not been near the gate at that time."

If he had been near the gate, he said he would have allowed teachers to park on the lot.

Despite the change in plans, Mills affirmed that the peace rally went well. Although he was a little confused about what to do, Mills stated, "The rally worked out absolutely fine, and it wasn't really a problem at all."

Junior Charlie Hall commented, "The dropping of support did not affect the rally for me, but I was disappointed that the school is reluctant to show its support for a just cause."

BARBER

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how it has affected his family and his life. He explained, "The consequences that come from somebody's choice to drink and get behind the wheel are not an accident."

Anheuser-Busch and their wholesalers have been sponsoring Barber since 2000, and they help Barber to speak to schools across the country for free.

Senior Director of Consumer Awareness and Education for Anheuser-Busch Carol Clark contacted SLUH's Wellness and Admissions Coordinator Craig Hannick to have Barber talk to the student body.

Barber's website, www.itsnotanaccident.com, tells his story, and gives all of his contact information so that anyone who has questions about the effects of drunk driving can contact him.

Assistant Principal for Student Affairs Eric Clark said, "I thought it was great. It was excellent as a matter of fact. I wish he was a little bit louder; sometimes

some people couldn't hear exactly what he was saying. But I think that was part of him just being emotional. He poured out his heart. There are some life stories that he shared and I think that it was important for our young men to hear them."

When asked about SLUH's student body and drinking, Clark commented, "We have a drinking issue and the young men are leaving these parties on the weekend...and that turns into a driving while you have been drinking issue."

Junior Chris Daues thought that Barber's presentation was beneficial for SLUH students. He said, "The more you get that message around, the better the chance that people are going to stop doing it, and that's the really good thing."

Junior Kyle Poelker also thought Barber touched people with his story. He said, "I thought he was really honest and sincere. Though he wasn't the most dynamic speaker, I think the story touched me personally, although I don't drink and drive. But for people that do, or have done

it before, I think that seeing what can actually happen definitely touched and changed many people's attitudes."

Barber commented on his hopes for his program, saying, "I hope that, through the program, teenagers will see that their choices affect not just them, but affect everybody around them. And as I said in the program, we can't be selfish and live our lives for other people, we have to live our lives for ourselves, and at least take into consideration how our choices affect those who love us the most."

BABY CHIK

Emily Rose Chik was born on Tuesday, April 1 at 10:26 p.m. to theology teacher Tim Chik and his wife Stacy. Emily Rose measured in at 19 inches and weighed 6 lbs., 6 oz., with a head of curly strawberry blonde hair. She will be a star cross-country runner for Cor Jesu in the coming years.

QUEATHEN

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at Cashbah.

I understand that everyone attending the function as a guest was over the age of 21, and that therefore the drinking was not illegal. I also know that drinking responsible amounts of alcohol can make some people more sociable or outgoing. Finally, I realize that this is not the only adult party or auction which allows drinking. However, in my four years of working at Cashbah I have seen drinking go far beyond what is responsible. As Barber spoke about either being part of the problem or part of the solution, I thought back to last year.

While I was working at Cashbah, helping people with their winnings, a man asked me three times what school I attended and, after loading his stuff into his car, I proceeded to help him stagger to the driver's seat. That night, was I part of the problem? How did I get into that situation?

Barber went on to speak about adults

needing to provide a good example; I began to ask myself if SLUH were portraying a harmful message to those witnessing Cashbah. Might the school unintentionally be sending the message that drinking and driving is OK for adults?

Barber spoke to the fact that in high school and college he thought he needed alcohol to have a good time, something he later regretted. Could the behavior of some of the adults at Cashbah be sending the message that alcohol is, in fact, necessary to loosen up and have a good time? Might some view the drinking at Cashbah as a way to get people to spend money more freely? Why else bring champagne to the table of overbidders?

Not only do these examples undermine everything our teachers and parents have been trying to tell us, but they also directly rival what the guest speaker was trying to get across on Tuesday.

I feel that some tangible action must be taken to try to address the troubling messages sent by drinking at Cashbah.

One solution could be to close the bar at 7:00, giving some people a chance to sober up a little before leaving. Maybe SLUH could set up a designated driver program to help those who might have had a little too much to drink. The final and most extreme proposal I have is to cut alcohol out of Cashbah altogether. What a great example this would set for the students!

Concernedly,

Tom Queathem '03

ANNOUNCEMENT

The annual Mothers' Club Dinner and Fashion Show, "A Weekend in St. Louis," will be held April 23, 2003, at the Chase Park Plaza, 232 North Kingshighway at 6 p.m. A cash bar and dinner will be served at 7:15 pm. Make reservations through Lisa Chassaing, 314-961-5247, by April 11. Tickets cost \$40 and tables seat ten. There is an additional charge for parking in the parking garage.

by Brian Fallon

Calendar

Apr. 4-Apr. 11

FRIDAY, APRIL 4

Schedule E
 Senior Mom Prom @ Two Hearts Banquet Center @ 6:30 pm
 V BB vs DeSoto @ 4:15 pm
 C BB @ Westminster @ 4:15 pm
 V/JV TN vs Marquette @ 4:00 pm
 Fries & Fish 'n' Chips

SATURDAY, APRIL 5

Sophomore Day of Service
 Freshman Dance
 V BB vs Cleveland @ 1:00 pm
 B BB vs Lutheran South @ FOPO # 2 @ 3:00 pm
 C BB vs Lutheran South @ FOPO # 2 @ 1:00 pm
 V LAX vs Blue Valley @ Compton-Drew @ 2:00 pm
 JV LAX vs Blue Valley @ Compton-Drew @ 11:30 am
 C LAX @ Creve Coeur Lake Park TBA
 V/B TR @ University City @ 10:00 am

MONDAY, APRIL 7

Schedule R
 Senior STUCO Elections through 4/11
 Technology Meeting @ AP
 Soccer Meeting @ AP

Weightlifting Finals @ AP
 Rosary @ AP
 College Visits:
 "How to Survive Freshman Year at Mizzou" @ AP (Seniors Only)
 V BB vs MICDS @ 4:15 pm
 C BB vs DeSmet @ Forest Park @ 4:15 pm
 V/JV Tennis @ Belleville Althoff @ 4:00 pm
 Pretzels & Belifino Pizza

TUESDAY, APRIL 8

Schedule B
 V BB @ DeSmet @ 4:15 pm
 B BB vs DeSmet @ FOPO # 2 @ 4:15 pm
 V Golf vs Vianney @ Riverside @ 3:30 pm
 JV Golf vs Vianney @ Normandie @ 3:30 pm
 V/JV TN vs MICDS @ 4:15 pm
 V TR @ Vianney @ 4:00 pm
 V/JV VB @ Chaminade @ 5/6:00 pm
 Tater Tots & Spaghetti w/ Breadsticks

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 9

Schedule B
 Department Meetings @ 8:00 am

CSP Dinner
 V/JV TN vs CBC @ 4:00 pm
 V TR @ Vianney @ 4:00 pm
 Chicken Strips w/ Fries

THURSDAY, APRIL 10

Schedule H
 State Swim Team Celebration @ AP
 Social Studies Film Series *To Kill a Mockingbird* @ 3:30 pm
 C BB @ Bishop DuBourg @ Affton Athletic @ 4:15 pm
 V VB vs DeSmet @ 5/6:00 pm
 Burgers & Rib Sandwiches

FRIDAY, APRIL 11

Schedule R
 Freshman English Tutorial @ AP
 AP Economics Review @ AP
 Weightlifting vs Faculty @ AP
 Dauphin Players present *Filthy Rich* @ 7:00 pm
 V BB vs Mehlville @ Heine-Meine @ 7:00 pm
 B BB @ Parkway South @ 4:15 pm
 V/JV TN vs Parkway West @ 4:00 pm
 C TR vs Chaminade, CBC, & DeSmet @ 4:00 pm
 Bosco Sticks & Cheese Papa John's

ODEM

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 before they went to the protest. A more informed protester will be able to defend his or her beliefs more effectively. Protesters could speculate about the facts, such as the atrocities of war, but there is so much more of a difference when someone hears it from a war veteran, one who has actually experienced the bombs, the bullets, and the inescapable fear of war.

In addition to becoming better informed on the current issues, people can gain awareness of upcoming events at protests. People set up tables to promote their causes at protests. People walk by, become interested, and, suddenly, someone just added one more person to his cause. People can also exchange information at protests. One protester on Sunday was passing out information about a

website that had people from all over the nation describing their views on the war. People could also find out what they could do in their own communities to practice what they preach, such as lowering oil consumption, writing to their representatives, and boycotting large corporations.

Protesting, especially in this type of global situation, can be very good for the country. Although many Americans would consider the 4,500 protesters who attended the rally on Sunday to be unpatriotic, or even treasonous, others would disagree. By protesting, these citizens exercised their constitutional rights. After all, the men and women in Iraq are part of the institution that defends the freedom of Americans. By not publicly expressing our opinions, we are wasting the freedoms that American troops are fighting

for. It is better for someone to share his or her beliefs, even if they are contrary to the nation's stance, than to be silent and go unheard.

The prayer service for peace suggested by the Pro-Life Club is a good idea, yet replacing the protest with a prayer service is a poor choice. All Americans should be praying for a quick end to the war, for the safety of all military forces and their families, both Iraqi and coalitional, and especially for the safety of the innocent Iraqi civilians. If people hold convictions about this war, either for or against it, they should show and discuss their views by attending these protests to gain other protesters' perspectives, to listen to speakers, and to find out what they can do in their community to further their cause.