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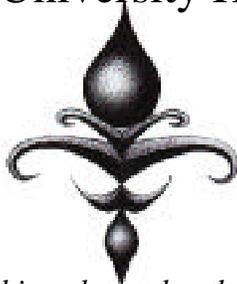
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"If nothing else, value the truth."

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Drug investigation leads to reprimands, suspensions

Tim Elfrink and Andrew Ivers
Editors

A month-long investigation headed by Dean of Students H. Eric Clark culminated on Monday, Feb. 28, when fifteen students were reprimanded for possession of illegal drugs, the largest such disciplinary action since Clark's tenure began in 1995. Six students were given warnings, eight received suspensions, and one was expelled, with one of the

suspensions remaining a possible expulsion pending a meeting this weekend. The *Prep News* was not granted a list of the students involved.

"We're simply not going to tolerate the distribution of drugs at St. Louis U. High," said Clark, who spoke on behalf of the entire administration.

The investigation apparently began when the parents of one or more students discovered illegal drugs in their sons' possession and learned that they had

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Cashbah ticket prices change with the times

Raj Joseph
Assistant Editor

For many of the years that Cashbah has been St. Louis U. High's annual fundraiser, a student raffle has supplemented this financial endeavor. This year's travel raffle is no different, with one exception: the price of one ticket has increased from one dollar to five dollars.

A symbiotic relationship has existed between Cashbah and the raffle since 1969, when Vice President of Advancement Thom Digman was a sophomore at SLUH, the prize of money designated specifically for travel has

existed for the past eight or nine years. The winner of the raffle can use the \$3000 prize to buy anything associated with travel (airline tickets, lodgings, food, etc.) through the Meritek travel agency, "one of the largest travel agencies in St. Louis," according to Mary Haywood, member of the Mothers' Club and travel raffle chair. The only publicity Meritek is given in return appears in the auction catalogs.

Last year, the travel raffle earned \$14,804 of the \$320,000 that Cashbah grossed. This year, if all the students sell their four tickets for a total of twenty dollars, it would earn \$21,600, a 31 percent

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Symphonic band toots its horns at '01 Archdiocese Band Festival

Brian Kane
Reporter

Last week, the St. Louis U. High band program was able to show its skills to other schools, as well as hear the music of other bands.

Last Sunday, the symphonic band participated in the Archdiocese Instrumental Festival. The event was held at Bishop DuBourg High School, where the bands of Catholic high schools from the entire archdiocese gathered for the day to perform.

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Freshman John Kim warms up before Sunday's adjudication at DuBourg.

Latinbills celebrate god of gettin' down

Bacchanalia celebrates benefits of togas, tasty treats

Andrew Ivers and Pat Meek
Editor, Reporter

On Sunday night, with the wind whirling outside, roughly 160 Latin students from the St. Louis area danced the night away in SLUH's cafeteria. These students—from SLUH, St. Joseph's Academy, Cor Jesu, and Nerinx Hall—communed to celebrate the ancient Roman festival of Bacchanalia. The festivities were held in honor of Bacchus, the god of food, drink, merriment, and irrational thought.

"Bacchanalia this year was marvelous," said Latin club moderator Mary Lee McConaghy. "Students were maybe the most authentically dressed ever, and both the boys and girls had wonderful togas...the outfits were outstanding."

The event, held here at SLUH for the first time since the fall of 1997, began at

5:00 p.m. with an Italian dinner and *dulche* (sweets) for desert.

Two of the highlights for the guests were juniors Matt Pitlyk and Mike Ziegler, who protected the entrance dressed in the complete garb of the Praetorian Guard.

The two aided in keeping out the riffraff and escorting young ladies to their tables. Said McConaghy, "The teachers and girls were incredibly impressed by (them)."

As usual, the guests provided the entertainment. Female students performed skits on the judgement of Pyrrhus and Ovid's advice to young women on getting men.

The dance portion of the evening lasted from 6:30 to the end of the celebration at 8:00.

"Students, I think, enjoyed (the dancing)," McConaghy said. "It's something very different from most of the

other kinds of mixers they attend so I think it's something they look forward to...A lot of students got into the dancing and people mingled well."

The evening was organized by Latin club officers. Senior Andrew Whiteman, junior Dan Becvar, and sophomore Joe Nagel headed the decorating and senior Mike Perniciaro and juniors Fred Daues and Donny DeSpain worked on the clean-up.

"Everyone who signed up to (decorate and clean-up) was really responsible," McConaghy said. "They did a marvelous job with the theme of purple and white."

She concluded that organizers displayed on the wall a truly Bacchanalian phrase which reflected well the spirit of the evening: "The theme of the Latin club...the theme of Latin: *Edamus! Bibamus! Gaudiamus!*, 'Let us eat, drink, and have a good time.'"

Mockbills make like Matlock, bring home win

Drew Tangaro
Reporter

At 8:30 on Saturday morning, the future Jack McCoys and Ben Matlocks of SLUH were at the Clayton Courthouse preparing for round two of the state Mock Trial competition. While only one of SLUH's two teams, the Blue team, competed in round one of the competition, both the Blue and the White team were competing in round two.

The Blue team, consisting of seniors Patrick Cody, Tom Chibnall, Tom Hilgeman, Garry Holland, John Iovaldi, Mark Valdez, and junior Tom Holzhauer, squared off against an undermanned but poised Sumner team.

Cody noted, "The team worked very hard in preparation for this moment and we had high hopes of doing well enough to make it to the next round."

The trial started with Holzhauer giving an opening statement that Chibnall

described as "subtly powerful."

Chibnall went on to add, "The trial went extraordinarily well due to a lot of preparation before the trial itself." The witnesses were prompt and precise, the lawyers were quick with their objections and questions, and the overall presentation was excellent.

When asked to comment on how he felt during the trial, Iovaldi commented that "Our victory was evident throughout the trial. I felt that from the very beginning, we were going to hammer those guys."

This prediction proved to be correct, as the Blue team defeated Sumner 201 to 156, but only won two out of three ballots.

Because the Blue team amassed 373 total points in the competition, they were surprised to learn that early this past week moderator Gerry Quinn received a letter inviting them to compete in the regional competition on March 10.

In a courtroom directly across the hall, the White team, who did not have

enough team members to compete in round one, was preparing to battle a highly skilled and experienced Pattonville team in their first trial. The White team included Brad Drakesmith, Mike Gau, Ted Feldmeier, Will Halaz, Jimmy Hiesner, and seniors Andy Heitz and Drew Tangaro. The team, though inexperienced, was confident that they could compete well with the excellent Pattonville team.

Gau said that the plan for the team was to "litigate, mitigate, and then humiliate" the Pirates. As the trial started and opening statements were read, it seemed apparent that the trial would be very close.

As the trial proceeded, both sides were matching each other question for question and everyone present could feel the tension building in the courtroom. The team was later disappointed to learn that they lost by a score of 183 to 166 and did not win one ballot.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Scott sees a religious curriculum with no room for independence

To the Editors:

I love the fact that SLUH is a Jesuit high school. The theology department here presents the Christian faith from an intellectual standpoint that allows the students to form their own opinions in an open-minded environment. In my three and a half years of theology classes, I have read thoughtful works by C. S. Lewis, Plato, G.K. Chesterton, Kierkegaard, and Aristotle. I have also had the pleasure of meeting such fine thinkers as Mr. Martel, Deacon Quinn, Fr. Knapp, and the other members of the department. I think that I am a better person for being here.

Perhaps I can appreciate SLUH's religious curriculum because I spent eight years of my life in a Catholic grade school. I have worn the standard-issue navy blue pants and the white collared shirt. I have sat through mandatory masses every Tuesday and Thursday morning, and I have been punished for not speaking clearly enough. I have listened to nuns tell me that Jesus thinks I'm special, and I've done my fair share of memorizing prayers and commandments. Basically, I've been to a place where religion is a two-dimensional mark stamped on a student's hand as he passes through the door. Naturally, coming out of such a place, I felt like religion was nothing more than shallow sentiments and oppressive rules, a morality based on fear of consequences. And so when I entered SLUH as a freshman, I was refreshed to find that the high school takes a different approach.

SLUH's approach, however, seems to be changing. In my final months here, I feel that SLUH's attitude toward religion is devolving. A strange specter of monolithic Catholicism has recently steeped into this high school's foundations, forcing its students into a single religious mold.

SLUH's new admissions policy, one that places a very high priority on a student's "willingness to explore his religion," is a fine example. For students coming out of a Catholic grade school,

this new criteria is an extreme disadvantage. Some kids, in their post-eighth grade rebelliousness, will be struggling with serious mental debate over the whole question of faith. These students, if they have been exposed to flimsy over-simplifications of Catholicism in grade school, will probably be a tad reluctant to "explore their faith." They would rank very low on the religious fervor scale, and thus "would be given less consideration." Such students, thoughtful enough to embrace the academics of religion, should be viewed as an extreme asset to our school and should be given high priority in admission.

Moreover, Dan Sutter's letter addressed the issue of conformity in Senior Project perfectly. Each student worked a full month at a different project site, some just a few miles down the road, some as far away as Africa. Yet, as Sutter pointed out, all the reflection papers and journals afterward seemed to suggest that every senior should have experienced the same, generic, cookie-cutter result: an indistinguishable personal revelation. However, this type of dramatic experience is spontaneous; a personal revelation cannot be neatly scheduled into the final week of January, and the expectation of having such an experience usually keeps the revelation from occurring. Some students had projects that honestly changed their lives, some merely got frustrated trying to teach disadvantaged kids. The point is that seniors feel too much pressure to have a profound epiphany on their projects, and if they don't, they feel more pressure to say that they did.

Whether it be intentional or completely unintended, a strong pressure exists to conform to SLUH's prevailing religious attitude. Again, I love the fact that SLUH is a Jesuit institution. So, please, don't turn it into a Catholic grade school.

Sincerely,

Gregory J. Scott, '01

Ferguson wants more compassionate approach to drug offenders

To the Editors,

The recent marijuana incident caused me to write, as I felt many of my classmates' freedoms were compromised and privacy was invaded. I agree with the administration's decision to investigate drug use at SLUH, but I disagree with the administration's attempts to coerce students to give names of other students they know who used or sold it, regardless if they were involved in the case at all.

One of my fellow classmates accused of using drugs, but not caught, was put on probation, not allowed to attend Sno-Ball, and forced to see a counselor. Other students received suspensions even though they weren't caught, but only accused. All of these students were penalized without any evidence—they were not caught using or possessing it. Instead, accusations alone led to their strict punishments.

By handing down strict penalties on accusations alone, the administration is commencing a "witch hunt" where hearsay alone can make a person guilty. It is unethical for a school's highest power to punish these students for being only accused but not caught in possession of illegal drugs, and it also goes against the basic principles of freedom this country was founded on. The administration would be forced to go a step further to search lockers for evidence, which while allowed by SLUH, is an indirect violation of the fourth amendment, which bars illegal searches and seizures. Even though I have never even tried marijuana, I would not want anyone going through my personal belongings.

What the administration needs to do is focus only on drug usage at school. What transpires outside of school premises

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purchased them at school, prompting the parents to call Clark and demand action in halting this alleged drug trafficking.

"We have the same problems as every other high school in the world, but a lot of parents find it shocking because this is SLUH," said Clark.

Clark began investigating in early February and soon had a list of names of students who might be involved in such distribution or purchase—a list which was gleaned from interviews with faculty and students. Many of these students willingly admitted to their involvement when faced with the testimony of ones involved, while others were subjected to locker searches.

"I started out with some locker searches with the students present and then student interviews," said Clark. "Everything just kind of came to fruition on Monday."

Clark notified the police upon

receiving confirmation of illegal activities from the students involved, as the law requires him to do. The police questioned the students individually, asking them where they bought the illegal substances and where they used them, and warning them away from future drug use. If the students' parents granted consent, the police also searched the students' rooms at home for illegal drugs.

Rumors have swirled through the school since the disciplinary action began on Monday, but Clark vehemently denies reports that a group of students was found smoking marijuana in the school basement, which triggered the search for the source of the drugs.

"I don't know anything about that," said Clark. "I guess they could be down there right now doing that, but I haven't heard anything about it."

Clark also denied that any students were offered more lenient punishments in return for information about other students involved.

Those students who received suspensions are now also required to pass a drug test before they are allowed to return to school, and must attend a drug rehabilitation center three times a week for the next three months, where they will also face random drug testing.

President Paul Sheridan, S.J. noted the positive focus of administrators: "Part of school is to work with boys who find themselves in difficulty. We have an issue and we have to deal with it as a family."

Meanwhile, reaction amongst the

reprimanded students was somewhat mixed, but several felt victimized by the whole process.

"I just feel like the administration is trying to make an example out of me," said one of the students involved.

Another student, who only served a three day suspension, was positive about the process, however.

"I think I was treated more than fairly," he said. "They listened to my side of the story and believed me. It could have been a lot worse."

Clark has been listening to the complaints of many students uninvolved with the case who feel that the school should be in no position to dictate student behavior outside of the campus, and is obviously frustrated by the dissention.

"We do have the right to care about this kind of behavior because we are a private high school, the students are committing a crime, and could be ruining our school's reputation," said Clark. "Based on our mission philosophy, our tradition, and our grad at grad (the profile of the graduate at graduation), these are not the type of students we want to have. It is our right, and they have the right to attend another school."

"It's a teaching moment. We want to get the most good out of it," Sheridan concluded.

Clark alluded to a new drug policy and new strategies for stemming student drug use in the future, but specifics were not yet available.

Blood Drive by the Numbers

Number of donors: 95

Number of usable pints: 70

Number of deferred donors: 7

Number of first-time donors: 39

Number of Prep News Sports Editors unable to donate because of Central American trips: 1

Number of bags of pretzels eaten: 200

Number of cups of juice drunk: 400

Number of cookies eaten: 100

Number of free T-shirts: 0

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should not be the school's responsibility. If students are caught using or selling drugs on school grounds, then they should be punished.

But if they are merely accused of having used drugs before, and are not caught on school grounds, then it is outside of the administration's power. Accusations lead to dishonesty, an

invasion of privacy, and an abridgement of freedom. The administration is acting unethically when it uses its imposing power to get other accused students in trouble.

The administration needs to investigate matters more fully before it can hand down strict penalties based on accusation alone.

Sincerely,
Greg Ferguson '01

Icebills hope to grow from bittersweet '01

Team enjoyed excellent regular season, but fell in first round of playoffs

**Jon Neff
Reporter**

While the varsity Hockey team finished its season with a disappointing early exit from the playoffs with its second round loss to Rockwood Summit, there was no shortage of high points this season.

The team started its season slowly with a 3-4-2 record that included ties against St. Mary's and Ladue and losses to Vianney, Chaminade, DeSmet, and CBC (the top four teams in the league).

"We started slow and didn't win some games that we should have," said captain Todd Turner.

After these early struggles, though, the team really picked up its game and started to play up to the potential everyone knew they had. The team had an 11-game unbeaten streak (8-0-3) and won the Catholic-Jesuit Tournament. The streak started with a win against Kirkwood and continued with wins against Parkway South, Fox, St. Mary's, and Chaminade.

Of all of the wins, the one that gave the team the biggest boost was its victory over Chaminade. SLUH was the only team Chaminade lost to all season, and this game proved to everyone in the league that SLUH could play with the big teams.

After their convincing 5-3 win over Chaminade, the Puckbills crushed St. Mary's, whom they had tied earlier in the season, by a score of 12-4. So, the team went into the final games of the season versus top league teams CBC, DeSmet, and Webster with an 11-4-5 record. The team lost to Desmet in the Jesuit cup for seventh year in a row and also fell to CBC.

"We were in every game we played," head coach Charlie Busenhart said about

his team's performance.

Turner agreed, saying, "We just got a couple of bad bounces and couldn't recover."

However, to earn a high seed for the playoffs and a first-round bye, the team needed to win two of its last three games. They did just that. With outstanding defense and goalie Chris West earning a shutout, they beat a strong Webster team



SLUH slides one past Rockwood Summit's goalie in a first-round playoff loss.

and then went on to beat Althoff in the last game of the year. For their efforts, the team was rewarded with a fifth-place seed and the first-round bye.

In the second round, they met up with Rockwood Summit. In the first game SLUH just couldn't get a break. They hit three posts, the officials made several very questionable calls in Summit's favor, and they just couldn't generate any offense. The game finally ended with Summit winning 6-2, leaving SLUH in a must-win situation. They played the next game like they had played teams all year, doing the things that made them a great team. They won that game 6-2 and earned the chance to play the sudden death overtime mini-game. SLUH continued its high level of play, gaining several good scoring chances. Again, though, a bad bounce in front of their own net cost them the game and their playoff run.

With the loss of seniors Turner, Chris

Prater, Sean Leahy, Geoff Schuessler, Chris West, Mike Macauley, Tom Merkel, Tom O'Meara, Matt Durbin, and Geoff Hill, the team will have to bring up players who are "untested at the varsity level," according to Busenhart. This is especially true of the goalies, since Schuessler and West have occupied the two spots for the past three years.

Busenhart added that next season will be a "rebuilding year for the defense as well. We are only losing two of our top five scorers (Prater and Turner), so the offense will come around."

Leading goal scorers for the year were Bob Lachky (19), Prater (13), and Greffet (13). Assist leaders were Joe Mantovani (25), Prater (22), and Lachky (16). Points leaders for the year were Mantovani (38), Lachky (35) and Prater (33).

As a final note, Turner said, "We'd like to thank the

fans for coming out to every game. It was a blast seeing (everyone) out there. We have to thank Mr. Busenhart and Fr. Knapp for their help this year. It's been great playing SLUH hockey for four years."

Hockey season scoring leaders

Player	Goals	Assists	Points
Mantovani	13	25	38
Lachky	19	16	35
Prater	11	22	33
Turner	11	15	26
Greffet	13	10	23

Grapplebills finish strong after exciting year of gradual improvement

Mike Smallwood
Reporter

The 2000-2001 season was a successful one for the SLUH wrestlers despite many injuries. Overall, the team went 6-3 in dual meet competition, and finished third at the MCC tournament and fourth in Districts. They sent eight wrestlers to sectionals, and more importantly, the team sent three juniors—Alex Born, Joe Bommarito, and Colin O'Brien—to state, a major improvement from last year's one qualifier.

The team began the season with a close loss against Hazelwood West back on Nov. 28th but that seems so distant now considering how the Jr Bills finished.

Just a few days later the team traveled down to Windsor and picked the tough first win of the season, and its momentum carried the rest of the way.

Another close victory followed against MCC rival CBC when Brian Wallisch (215) defeated his Cadet oppo-

Rifle Squad continues a delightfully record-breaking 2000-2001 season

Jon Neff
Reporter

When the rifle team shot its first four-position match in January, their score was a 1528. It was good but not great. They were still six points shy of the mark set by the 1959 National Championship team, arguably the best team in the program's history. With only two four-position matches in the year, they were left with only one more chance to break the final team records left unbroken, the 40-shot record and the 80-shot record.

So, in the open sectional last Sunday versus adult teams whose members were allowed to use scopes on their rifles, the

ment to ensure the team victory.

"We were pretty close in a couple of tournaments, but we should have been a little closer," commented Sean Staed, who wrestled this year at 125.

The team had good tournament showings at the Mehlville, Vianney, and MICDS tournaments, and the Spartan Tournament at DeSmet at which the team set a new team record with 193 points.

Captains Stan Niemeier and Purcell led the team to additional dual meet wins over Parkway North, Ladue, Chaminade, and DeSmet's talented program.

"It will be hard to fill the leadership [the captains] gave," said head coach Tim Curdt. Other seniors that will be missed include Staed, Jim Pagano, Dave Repking, and Brian Wallisch.

The team might have done even better but injuries "took a lot of key wrestlers out at key times," said Curdt. He felt that Alex Born's injury was especially tough in the early season. Also, Stan Niemeier suffered a shoulder and knee injury right before districts, and Purcell injured his knee after qualifying for

sectionals.

However, Curdt also recognized the value of some of the injuries saying, "In a way, it worked out just fine because it gave sophomores like Boyd Gonnerman great experience, which will only make us better."

The team has many younger wrestlers ready to emerge. "As good as this team was this year, it can be even better next year, but they have to take the responsibility," said Curdt.

According to him, the SLUH wrestlers have better technique and are in better shape, but throughout the season they were just overpowered and the wrestlers themselves, especially the younger ones, have to take it upon themselves to get mat experience in the off-season.

"We had a pretty good season," commented Niemeier, who felt that this season was "a nice way to end [his] career" here at SLUH. "We grew a whole lot as the season went on," said Purcell.

As all good teams do, "They came together in the end," Curdt added ecstatically.

Neff, Walsh, and Mazurkiewicz all posted their highest scores of the year.

However, the varsity team members weren't the only ones intent on breaking records last week. On Monday, sophomore JV team member Scott Issak shot a perfect 250 out of 250 prone to secure the sophomore record, which previously stood at 249.

The following day, freshman JV team member Chris Seals secured the freshman prone record, also shooting a perfect 250. No freshman or sophomore in the history of SLUH's rifle program had ever shot a perfect score. These two records brought the total number of new records that have

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B-Bills survived, learned from tough '01

Team went 9-17, but suffered all but five of the losses by 8 pts. or less

Shawn Furey
Reporter

Another winter sports season has come and gone, and now is the time to reflect. It is now time to look back on the basketball team's frustrating season, while attempting to remember the positive.

While the record shows eight more losses than wins (9-17), it would be shameful to allow that to sum up the season. This team came to play every single game.

Head coach Don Maurer said of his team, "I am sorry that the season was so frustrating, but I think the way this team was prepared for every game, and never backed down, speaks volumes about their character."

The Jr. Bills lost all but five games by 8 points or less, and were in all of those games until the closing minutes. The team just couldn't finish at the end of games.

EUPHONIUM

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According to Patrick Jones, a freshman trumpet player, "There were many different talented bands there."

The bands performed in three sessions; each session consisted of seven bands. The group from SLUH, composed of roughly sixty musicians, was in a session which included bands from DeSmet, Chaminade, and Vianney. SLUH played three pieces: the *British 8th March*, *Some-where Over the Rainbow*, and a 20th century piece named *War, Women, and Witchcraft*.

According to Band Director Bryan Mueller, the judges really liked *War, Women, and Witchcraft*. In his opinion, "It was the most exciting piece played that day."

Although the Festival was not a competition, each band was rated by one of two adjudicators. SLUH received a rating of 1 and 2. The ratings ranged from 1 to 4, with 1 being the highest. Mueller noted

It wouldn't be fair to neglect to mention the senior leadership on this club.

Captain Kyle Bruno, and seniors Tim Vreeland and Karibi Dagogo-Jack all started nearly every game and were inspirations to the underclassmen.

Of finishing out his career as a Jr. Billiken, Bruno said, "It's a shame it had to end this way, but I loved every minute of this season."

The team loses its two top rebounders in Vreeland and Bruno, but returns a solid core of juniors which should make next year extremely exciting. Both Troy

that other directors observed that compared to last year, the band performed better.

Mueller thinks the reason for this is the new school schedule this year, in which symphonic band meets for five days every week.

All in all, Mueller was very pleased with the performance given by SLUH on Sunday. Other bands also performed noticeably well.

Senior euphonium player Jeff Dueker said, "Chaminade was really really good."

Tonight, 18 members of the SLUH band and chorus will attend the District Solo and Ensemble Music Festival.

There, students will compete either as soloists, or in ensembles of three to twelve members. Ratings will be given to each soloist or ensemble, rather than to the school as a whole, with some advancing to the state competition on April 27. If a team or individual achieves a rating of 1, they will be able to compete at state.

Lindbeck and Kris Lowes, who averaged 16.5 and 12.3 points per game respectively, will be returning, as well as a strong group of reserves who will make for a deep ball club.



Sean Reidy looks for a lane against Kirkwood.

This team should be honored for its commitment and tenacity. They never gave an inch, when they could have packed it in and given up. They made all the fans proud, and were a joy to watch.

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been set in the program this year to ten.

Finally, freshman JV team member Pat Reynolds earned his Distinguished Expert ranking, the highest ranking awarded to a shooter. He is the first freshman to achieve this rank in three years and only the tenth in the history of the program. The last was Everding (who set it in the quickest amount of time).

Reynolds actually finished only two days behind the record pace set by Everding in '98. Four years ago there was only one Distinguished Expert Marksman on the team, but with the addition of Reynolds, there are now seven. The others are Everding, Walsh, Neff, Mazurkiewicz, Adam Hilkenkamp, and Peter Berns.

"It takes a lot of hard work to get a DX (distinguished expert), and that shows this team's strong work ethic," said Hilkenkamp.

The team will shoot in its final match of the year at the Mid-America championships this weekend in Kansas City where they will try to preserve their undefeated season.

by Tom O'Brien

Calendar

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FRIDAY, MARCH 2

Schedule #1
Fr. English Tutorial
Sno Ball @ Casa Loma

SATURDAY MARCH 3

Placement Test for the Class of 2005
Sophomore Class Dance

SUNDAY, MARCH 4

Irish Diversity Week

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Schedule #1

TUESDAY, MARCH 6

Schedule #1
Sopohmore Bonus Reading Test
Basketball Banquet
Fr. English Tutorial
Evansville, University of
Missouri, University of Saint Louis
Rockhurst University

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 7

Schedule #1
National Latin Exam
Vanderbilt University Concert
NHS General Meeting
Missouri, University of Columbia

THURSDAY, MARCH 8

Schedule #1
Battle Of Bulge Speakers

Students leave for Moscow
Rosary in Chapel
Central Missouri State University
Kansas State University

FRIDAY, MARCH 9

Schedule #1
Fast Friday
Senior Mom Prom

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Once again this year we will need 6-10 people during spring break to assist us with setting up for Cashbah, March 19th through the 23rd. Please contact Mr. Manker or Mr. Teske in the maintenance section, Room 3 for sign up. Pay will be \$6.00 per hour. You must be available to work the entire week.

A press conference for Amnesty International will be held at SLUH on Monday during Activity Period. The speakers will make an appeal to Governor Holden on behalf of a Missouri death row inmate, whose execution is scheduled for later this month. Listen for an announcement concerning the location of the event.

ROCK IT

increase from last year. Digman feels that while the number of tickets sold may decline due to the higher price, the earnings should increase. He said that "since the price of the tickets has remained constant for the past few years, it was all right to raise the prices...it seems like a pretty painless way to support the school." He also said the "parents, alumni, and friends of alumni understand the quality of education at SLUH and are willing to support it."

He also pointed out that selling the tickets is not a requirement of the students; in fact, if each student in a class sells four tickets each, that class earns a day off school. "[SLUH] is not imposing an obligation for the students to buy the tickets themselves...[but] [the students'] investments are [their] effort" for this day off, said Digman.

Since SLUH does not budget Cashbah into its final projections, any money from Cashbah goes to underwrite the cost of tuition for students, as well as other school improvements. Digman said, "It's going to benefit [the students] and the school to undertake projects not [otherwise] budgeted."

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Readers Contest

Ever wondered just how much of your life you spend sitting quietly through announcements? Well, so did we, so for the entire month of February we timed the announcements at the beginning of Activity Period and the end of the day with two independently operated stopwatches. We've totalled the amount, and now we challenge you to guess how much time you've wasted this past month. Estimate to the second the total length of announcements for the month of February have totaled.

Just rip out this form and submit your guess to the box in the middle corridor, or to the *Prep News* office. Submissions will be accepted until Tuesday of next week.

For the closest guess, we will provide an "Announcement Survival Pack," to help the winner outlast that dreaded five minutes in the future. The pack will include earplugs, Snickers, a gift certificate for a CD, and more.

Good luck, and happy announcements!

Name, HR _____

Guess _____