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St. Louis University High School

# Prep News



*"If nothing else, value the truth."*

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## Another rash of break-ins on student lot

**Andy Neilsen**  
Core Staff

The glaring wrought-iron fences of SLUH's student parking lot would seem daunting to any thief or prospective student, but last Friday, unidentified bandits broke into four students cars.

While the parking lot is normally a safe place for students and their cars, there has been trouble with recent thefts. In addition to the four on Friday, two students had their car windows broken earlier in the year. Last year there were multiple robberies from student cars.

During the first security shift from 6 a.m. to 2:30 p.m., the security guard on the parking lot reported no unusual activity and saw no broken glass. He was relieved at 2:30 p.m. by a second guard, with whom Dean of Students Eric Clark "has had problems before."

"(The first guard) assured me that he was very active," Clark said. The first guard now works a continuous shift from 6 a.m. to 6 p.m., the first part of what Plant Manager Paul Owens calls "a change in personnel and responsibility." Owens and the victimized students are still reviewing the tapes. Three of the four cars were left unlocked, such that a **see 'EM RUN, 2**

## Stoverink shows signs of recovery after accident

**Andrew Ivers**  
Assistant Editor

Last Saturday at around 8 p.m., junior Tim Stoverink's 1986 Chevy Blazer—with Stoverink driving and classmate Steve James in the passenger seat—skidded and flipped over on the interchange ramp from highway 55 North to 44 West. James was released from Cardinal Glennon



A '98 photo of junior Tim Stoverink

Childrens' Hospital around 11:15 a.m. with minor injuries. However, Stoverink suffered a fractured skull, vertebrae, clavicle, right cheek bone, and a punctured lung.

As of last night, Stoverink was still in a coma. He was able to respond to some oratory commands, and his eyeballs showed movement in their sockets. A computerized tomography (CAT) scan Wednesday revealed that cra- **see STOVERINK, 7**

## Mission Week debuts

**Kevin Moore**  
Core Staff

With all of the new schedule changes being introduced this year, students were recently confronted with yet another new concept: Mission Week. Although many students were confused as to what Mission Week actually was, the week consisted of prayer services, the STUCO-sponsored blood drive, and a junior class liturgy, and will conclude with a pep rally today after school.

"The intention is to present opportunities for participation and education on the concepts of mission service," said Terry Murray.

While many students mistakenly be-

lieved that Mission Week was just a new name for Spirit Week, which has traditionally occurred at this time of year, Murray says the purpose of Mission Week is to "introduce more ideas of mission service to the SLUH community."

"My hope is that the junior class will become more [focused] on leadership in the community...and will become more of men for others," said Murray. Five service missions will be introduced to students throughout the year, including work with famine relief in Africa, homelessness, and disaster relief.

Although Murray says part of the goal of Mission Week is for the juniors to start assuming more leadership, he stresses that participation in mission service is not **see MISSIONS, 4**

# Hispanic Month celebrates culture

**Brian Kane**  
**Reporter**

**H**ola, los estudiantes de San Louis Universidad High. Que tal hoy? Es el mes de los pais hispanicos.

As a tradition begun last year, Hispanic History Month is a perfect opportunity for students to work (on one of the final goals of SLUH) being open to growth.

In a world, continent, country, city, and school where the Hispanic world is present but not always obvious, it is important to be aware of different cultures, ways of life, and historic backgrounds if a full understanding of American culture is going to be possible.

"There are so many students here who are of Hispanic descent, and there are so many Hispanics in this country, and St. Louis especially, that people are not aware of," said Spanish Club mod-

erator Myriam Aliste.

Last year, announcements over the PA informed students of the contributions that Hispanics have made in our country. To avoid from redundancy, this year's focus will move off the topic of specific people in Hispanic history.

This year, Hispanic History month will focus instead on independence among countries with a Hispanic presence beginning with the U.S. The Spanish Club will be mostly responsible for the events. Every Friday and Monday, a short speech over the PA will be made in the morning describing how a Hispanic country gained its independence from foreign powers.

According to Aliste, "We want them to learn something, but very briefly so they don't get bored."

After exam week, there will be a soccer match among all the foreign language clubs to get a more hands-on view of foreign culture. Other clubs will also

have a chance at a home field advantage, as each language's club will have a tournament in an area connected to its culture.

Former Spanish Club celebrations have included the Day of the Dead, and a Latino Dance with Nerinx. Aliste is confident that the club will remain active in exploring the cultures of Spanish-speaking countries.

Collaborative efforts of all the foreign languages include International Week, during which each language has the chance to promote interest in their culture, and a Trivia Week where students could answer questions about languages, even if they don't take that class.

Aliste stresses the need to be respectful of the different people found around us. According to Aliste, all cultures have contributed to the world in one way or another, whether they are noticed or not; there should at least be an awareness of the difference of people throughout the world.

## 'EM RUN

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student with permission to retrieve something from their car could easily have opened the door and taken something out.

The security tapes reveal that the burglars entered the student parking lot around 1:30, and left soon after the security guard's sweep around 1:50. The tapes also confirm that the parking lot guard had made his rounds, but the two perpetrators hid between cars to avoid his cursory rounds.

"I made it clear to (the first guard) that it is imperative for him to be active, to make continuous sweeps of the lot," said Clark.

While the cameras watching the parking lot are too far away to identify the thieves, Clark wonders if a student might have committed the robberies. The stolen items are very peculiar for a run-of-the-mill vagrant thief. As well as

the usual CDs and other valuables, a pair of glasses and a student's lunch were also missing. Because Clark allows many students to go out to their cars for something that they forgot, he cannot narrow the field of possible suspects.

The crimes also took place at the end of the junior/senior lunch period, so a thief may have easily slipped in unnoticed as students were returning from off-campus lunch. Clark admits that it would be just as easy for someone else to rattle some handles on unlocked cars, but is still puzzled by peculiar items stolen.

There seems to be no easy solution to this problem; the thefts in the past do not seem to have made a lasting impact on security reform at SLUH. The only guidance that Owens can give to students is to "keep anything valuable out of sight" when they park in the lot.

## Blood Drive By the Numbers

- Pints Taken: 65
- Usable Pints: 57
- Violent Reactions: 3
- Violent Reactions by a *Prep News Sports Editor*: 1
- Violent Reactions by a *STUCO Sports Commisioner*: 1
- Prep News Editors in Chief* forced to indicate that they had either gotten a body piercing or used illegal street drugs in the past 6 months: 1
- Packages of Cookies handed out: 278
- Buckets of Pink Lemonade: 6
- Free T-Shirts: 0
- Missing a second-period quiz: Priceless

# Commentary

## Snively asks: "How much is too much?"

**Matt Snively**  
Assistant Sports Editor

Fade in: Coming from all sides, zombies flood a building, wandering aimlessly through the halls. They sit in slumber most of the day, awakening only long enough to eat in a ravenous frenzy. Fade out.

Is this a scene from an upcoming horror movie, sure to scare at a theater near you? No! This abomination is even closer than your local theater, for it is the daily routine at St. Louis U. High, house of the walking dead (or at least asleep).

With the advent of a seventh period and a school day that is twenty minutes longer, many students find themselves hard pressed to finish all their homework, participate in extracurricular activities, and sleep for any significant amount of time. While weary fellows we may be, what is the cause of this tired feeling that permeates SLUH?

Students are often quick to blame teachers and the administration for their sleep-deprivation problems, while overlooking outside factors such as jobs and sports that are equally time consuming. Invariably, complaints arise about the workload placed on students, with some students doing upwards of three hours of homework a night.

Of course, there are also students who do practically no homework; typically these two sides cancel each other out, and the issue dies each year. This year is different, in that students and

faculty struggle through the mire of seven periods instead of the traditional six.

This extra class was meant to allow for five-day-a-week theology and a period for fine arts, both of which are noble ideas. However, in practice, the schedule is flawed because of the inherent problems created by lengthening the school day. Even though students might not have a homework-intensive class during their seventh period, many have been surprised by the amount of energy they expend paying attention for an extra class. This loss of energy, coupled with less free time, slowly saps student will to perform.

Another problem this year has been the block schedule, and the amount of tests given on these days. At first it appears to be the ideal day for a test—eighty minutes instead of forty-five certainly facilitates test taking, but what happens when every teacher plans a test on that day? Instead of the nice change of pace offered by a block schedule, students are faced with the grim prospect of having three or four tests on the same day.

Extracurricular activities, particularly sports, also sap students of their energy. Two hours or more of strenuous exercise every day not only tires students physically, but the simple time drain must also be reckoned with. Other activities, such as community service and school-related club events, take valuable time away from intellectual pursuits. Jobs cut into student's study time as well. Working 10-15 hours per week might not seem like  
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## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### Harrison responds to Issues Day editorial

To the Editors:

Your editorial of last week concerning non-Catholic views struck a strong chord in me. You brilliantly used Father Barber's words to great effect. For my part, I have absolutely no doubt about the ability of our students to consider different ideas, discuss them intelligently, and take a well-reasoned stand.

However, not everyone in the larger community agrees with this point of view. I have received several letters which indicated disbelief that one-third of a Catholic high school would vote for Al Gore, a Pro-Choice candidate. In fact, it seems to me that in overlooking this aspect over the "uproar this invitation (to invite a Pro-Choice candidate) would inevitably cause" you might contribute to the very environment you seek to avoid.

What happens at SLUH does not happen in a vacuum. Not only the publicity generated by the *Post-Dispatch*, but the *Prep News On-Line* and conversations with family, friends, and others spreads the word about what is happening at SLUH. In a way,

this is very flattering. This spotlight demonstrates that our place in the community is an important and effective one. What happens here matters, perhaps in a way which would not quite be true of other schools. Of course, this recognition has its downside as well.

I am not advocating that we never do anything controversial. But, in so doing we need to acknowledge the complexity this involves. Ironically, this very complexity is in part caused by the insistence on certain parts that the issues are really quite simple.

So while I think we are in basic agreement on how to proceed, I would ask you when taking positions to be more aware of the ground over and in which we operate. I am grateful for your challenge that we take our own words more seriously. Let us keep challenging and discussing. I believe that this is the only way forward.

Sincerely yours in Christ,  
Jeffrey Harrison, S.J.

# LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

## STUCO addresses Spirit Week

To the Editors:

Attention Jr. Bills of all ages! You may have been wondering, or even questioning, where is Spirit Week? Well, you young inquisitive minds, Spirit Week is postmarked for the month of October, a week marked by the courage and insanity of Jr. Bills sacrificing not only their bodies, but also their manageable aroma as they scurry down tarps full of Lunch-lady Kathy's surprises, as with all Spirit Week events, pending final approval.

The madness continues as eight pitied volunteers put their stomachs on the line for the greatly entertaining Twinkie-Eating Contest. Who will be the first team

of two to stomach twenty-four cream-filled sponge cakes? On the third day, STUCO created craziness as incredibly willing students donned the most unfashionable clothing known to man. Yes, Jr. Bills, I am not kidding you. Anything goes that is not in bad taste...and dressing up as a female is prohibited.

But that is not the end. On that Friday, the world will end—for the CBC Cadets, as our football team prepares to dehumanize the purple weaklings. To prepare our troops for victory, the greatest show on earth is coming to our very own school. No, it's not the circus, but it's close. It's the greatest pep rally that you will ever

attend, and on top of that, there will be a guest speaker who will pump you up more than a bag of pork rinds, a milk shake, and a Saturday night of Ultimate Fighting. Don't fret, my children. Spirit Week is set for arrival on the week of October 23-27.

If the wait is too long, then we have a solution to your impatience. This Friday, the first pep rally of the year will be held in our stadium. There will be events that one can't even fathom, and to make it just a bit sweeter, we will draw the winner of the WWF wrestling tickets during the pep rally.

Your President,  
Timmy Chinball (AKA Tommy C.)

## SNIVELY

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much, but when that time could be applied to papers and projects, it is a huge burden.

Another factor that has entered the equation in the past few years is what colleges want to see. Now more than ever, good grades and a clean attendance record are not enough to warrant acceptance to most colleges. These institutions want to see involvement in not only school sponsored activities, but also community activities. Often, leadership activities and class participation carry a large weight when two similar students are being considered by a college for acceptance. Students are stuck in a Catch-22: encouraged by parents and colleges to devote time to spiritual and athletic pursuits (not to mention *pleasure*), they are pressured by those same people to perform at a high academic level. Amid this quandary, balance is elusive; the stress overwhelms many students.

So we know these things: stress is on the rise at SLUH, students say there is too much homework, and students are very involved in activities outside of school. Whether this stress is self-induced or a result of being overloaded with work, something needs to be done about the

debilitating pressures of SLUH.

Perhaps teachers could work together when scheduling tests, so that students do not get swamped on certain days. Also, teachers should consider the amount of non-academic work that students do in today's society.

It's not that these extracurricular activities are worthless wastes of time; on the contrary, they are more often than not worthwhile endeavors that enrich a student's life. They can be just as much of a learning experience as classwork if they are done with the right frame of mind. Balancing these activities with homework, instead of focusing only on a homework-intense curriculum, would allow students to broaden their interaction with the community while not suffering in class.

Pretending like these commitments do not exist is no way to assign homework. Students would have time to write papers all day long if that's all they did, but high school should be much more than academics. It should be a time for personal growth, exploration into new experiences, and fun. Adults tell us these are the best day of our lives. Now if they would only let us enjoy them.

## MISSIONS

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limited only to juniors. The semi-annual STUCO blood drive which took place this week was an example of how older students could get involved in mission service, according to Murray.

Murray adds that mission service is not confined only to one week. Encouraging mission service is "more a year-long process, but this week was the catalyst of that process," said Murray. The intent of Mission Week was not to eliminate the Spirit Week which had in the past been organized by the junior class, but rather to "teach leadership to juniors in a more productive week," said Murray.

The original Spirit Week may not be entirely lost, however: STUCO hopes to sponsor the traditional spirit week during the week of the football game against CBC in two weeks.

Murray said that the idea of Mission Week was to give students the opportunity to participate in the mission service activities. Murray hopes to "encourage the spirit of the SLUH community by positive works," which will be introduced to students by speakers, bulletin boards, and prayer services. "The emphasis is not on fundraising, but on awareness and participation," said Murray.

# Soccerbills stumble during a 1-2 week

**Garry Holland**  
Reporter

After breezing by Webster 6-1 in the first game of pool play at the Rick Hudson Memorial Tournament, SLUH battled Edwardsville in the semifinals.

The Tigers came ready to play and started strong. Early in the game, after the U. High defense was unable to clear the ball out of the box, an Edwardsville striker pounced on the loose ball and ripped a shot from point-blank range at Mark Valdez. The ball was headed for the upper right corner, but Valdez reacted quickly enough to knock the shot down. Unfortunately, another striker followed the shot and, with Valdez scrambling to get up, put the ball into the empty net to give Edwardsville a 1-0 advantage.

SLUH applied pressure but the Tiger attack was relentless. Only five minutes later, an Edwardsville striker maneuvered around several defenders in the box and then unloaded a shot. In what seemed to be *deja vu*, Valdez made a remarkable initial save, but a trailing Tiger found the abandoned net to add to the lead.

Although Edwardsville converted on these two chances, the SLUH defense kept the team in the game by limiting the shots on goal. In both halves, the offense challenged the Edwardsville keeper but

ultimately could not score; despite playing valiantly, the Jr. Bills wound up losing 2-0.

The team's next action came Monday against Hazlewood West. Despite their previous loss, the Futbolbills remained confident. Even after suffering an unfor-



Kevin McCarthy passes to Frank Simek.

fortunate first half own-goal, the team remained composed.

After the halftime intermission, SLUH netted the equalizer. Sophomore Eddie Davis crossed the ball to James Twellman, who headed the ball far-post past the goalie.

After regulation time expired, the score was still deadlocked at 1, so the teams headed to sudden-death overtime. Twellman broke the tie in the second overtime period with his second goal of the game, rifling Jon DiRimundo's cross into the goal to seal the victory.

SLUH came home Tuesday hoping for a little revenge against their next foe, St. Mary's, who had defeated the Jr. Bills in the CYC tournament final. Although the team was poised to reverse the earlier fluke penalty kick win, St. Mary's luck ironically continued as they scored a cheap goal. Dragon striker Kevin Simpson turned and tried to cross the ball to an open teammate from the endline, but instead he shanked the service high but on goal. The ball looped over Valdez's head and nestled into the far corner.

The remainder of the game took place in St. Mary's third of the field, but the offense once again struggled to tally goals. Accurate through balls shredded the Dragon defense, but all shots just barely missed.

Part of the inaccuracy stemmed from the chewed-up pitch in the stadium. On one play, after Frank Simek had danced through the entire St. Mary's midfield and defense, he prepared to shoot and tie the game. However, the ball hit one of the many random clumps of grass, leaving Simek with no control of the blast, which sailed wide. Although SLUH had opportunity after opportunity, they couldn't score, and thus ended up losing 1-0.

The team plays again Saturday night at home against the Patriots of Parkway South; game time is 7:00.

# Speedobills fall again to MICDS, defeat Chaminade

**Jeff Dueker**  
Reporter

Current Polo Status: Not so bad. "Well, we did play better" quipped Coach Baudendistel when referring to his team's effort against Country Day. The Polobills lost again to the Rams, 6-2, a truly disappointing loss.

SLUH definitely showed that they had the talent to defeat Country Day, outplaying them in the fourth quarter. SLUH senior Kevin Rose scored the team's only two goals and the team drew five ejections from the Rams during the final frame.

"The next games will be ours" testifies Coach Busenhart, and those games, especially the state championship game, will matter much more than these trivial regular season games. The Polobills will try to stay focused and improve in the weeks to come.

The boys managed to rebound in a big way when they spanked Chaminade 8-4. SLUH had eleven steals, and outshot Chaminade 28-10, obviously dominating the Flyers.

SLUH did have trouble scoring at different points of the game, due to a combination of bad shots and a decent Chaminade goalie, who finished with

eleven saves, including six in the third quarter. He even scored a goal off of Greg Auffenberg from his own goal, an amazing 25-foot lofted shot. The goalie was ecstatic, but apparently he wasn't informed that his team had lost.

"Both our goalies have black eyes now," joked Baudendistel, "but the team is debating whether or not being scored on by a girl is worse than being scored on by the other team's goalie," referring to junior Mike Peterson's encounter last year.

Come see the Polobills compete in the MICDS Invitational this Saturday at MICDS, with the final game starting at 7:00.

# Carter kickoff return sparks Footbills

**Shawn Furey**  
Reporter

With a bye the previous week and ample time to prepare for a very talented Francis Howell North team, the Bills looked forward to a serious challenge on a cold Friday night. Francis Howell North was up to the task.

The U. High kicked off the ball, and an interesting pattern began to dictate much of the first half. The Knights of Francis Howell North would have long, sustained drives in between the twenty yard lines, and then the boys cut off their oxygen. The Knights simply could not score in the red zone against the tough SLUH defense. Also, due to their apparent lack of a kicking game, Francis Howell continued to turn the ball over on downs to the Bills.

However, this gave the Jr. Bills bad field position throughout much of the first quarter. But while the offense tried to shake off rust from the bye week, the defense remained the rock.

It was only a matter of time before the offense required the stellar touch it had shown in the Vianney game. Sure enough, the offense began to get on track about halfway through the second quarter. Sophomore quarterback Dossie Jennings

punched it in to the end zone from three yards out to cap a steady offensive series.

"It was great to put that one in and get on the board first," said senior center Nick Schulte.



Chris Carter breaks away for 83 yards

The Knights answered right back, however, and at halftime the score was tied at seven. Coach Kornfeld said of the team's first half performance, "You never know how the guys will react coming off a bye week, but we regrouped at halftime and came back to play some really good football."

The momentum swing began on the very first Jr. Bill possession in the second half. Speedy junior Chris Carter returned the kickoff down the left sideline 83 yards before finally being wrestled down at the Francis Howell one yard line. Chris

Finney found the end zone several plays later to put the bills up 14-7.

The momentum continued as the Jr. Bills put up two more offensive touchdowns on short runs by Finney and captain Zach Schmitt. The scoring drives were helped along by Jennings passing for 136 yards, including four receptions by Schmitt for 66 yards. Senior captain Matt Sinclair, who had 40 yards receiving on three receptions, said, "Our third down conversions were really impressive and helped us to maintain drives and allowed our defense to have a well-deserved rest." The Jr. Bills were 7-9 on third down.

The defense guaranteed it would be a long ride home for the St. Charles squad when Finney scored his third touchdown of the game on a 54-yard interception return. That put the boys up 35-7 and secured the win. The Knights added a late insignificant touchdown to make the final score 35-14.

The Bills improved to 4-1 and are now looking ahead to a huge game against MCC rival DeSmet. "I have been looking forward to this game all year," said Finney. "Like a pack of wild wolves," added the always-enthusiastic Tony Sansone.

DeSmet fields a great team this year, but as always, these boys are up to the challenge. This Friday they will get to prove it again.

## Mercurybills in weekend invitational

**Tom O'Brien**  
Core Staff

In the Fred Lyons Metro invitational on October 5, the varsity cross country squad decided to take a different approach to the race than they had in past years. In the past, SLUH's varsity skipped the meet, which allowed them to run a larger number of hard workouts in their preparation for the conference meet.

However, because Coach Linhares wanted to strengthen the varsity's morale and racing ability, he decided to enter the varsity in the meet, fully intending to win.

The team was running without captain Dave Godar for the first time, and like Godar's gluteus maximus, they were hurting.

The team adopted a pack strategy for the first 1 to 1-1/2 miles. This strategy kept the team together by bringing up the slower starters and holding back the faster ones. The pack strategy worked well as the varsity came across as a pack at the one mile mark with a time of 5:26.

The effectiveness of the pack strategy was obvious at the finish, with the top five finishing very close together. Ryan Hatch led the pack (13th, 17:16) followed

by Tom O'Brien (17th, 17:21), Dan Leinauer (18th, 17:22), Patrick Leinauer (19th, 17:23), and John Parr (26th, 17:37). Also running for the varsity but not in the top five were Andy Skosky (36th, 17:52) and Kyle Gonnerman (39th, 17:56). Unfortunately, the varsity could not bring home the first place trophy because of a strong showing by Parkway South, but they did fare well with a second place finish.

The team's next race is the MCC Championship tomorrow at Chaminade. The varsity race begins at 10 a.m., so please come out and support your Jr. Bills.

## STOVERINK

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nial swelling was decreasing. Yet Stoverink was still unable to open his eyes.

When the accident occurred, the two students were traveling with a group of friends from a dinner at a Nerinx Hall junior's house to a dance at Nerinx. James and Stoverink were the only people in his vehicle when the accident occurred.

As Stoverink approached the ramp, he made his way into the left lane and proceeded up the hill. At the crest, James says he realized there was a problem: "I don't know how fast we were going—but [it was] too fast for that turn."

The car swerved left, right, fish-tailed, and began sliding sideways. James recalls hoping the car would not flip; when he knew it would, he braced himself. The Blazer made a full rotation and came to rest with its passenger side on the pavement.

Stoverink, who was not wearing a seat belt, was thrown from the car.

Once the car came to rest, James, who was wearing his seat belt, noticed that the rear window had been shattered and exited the vehicle through that opening. "I didn't even realize Tim had been thrown out," he recalled.

He was sitting near the car when some other members of their caravan arrived and attempted to help; one called 911. "Everyone was pretty panicked," James said. Another motorist—one with medical experience—stopped and provided some aid.

Police arrived at the scene after about a minute, and an ambulance shortly thereafter. Both James and Stoverink "received immediate medical attention," according to SLUH President Paul Sheridan, S. J.

The two boys were put in neck braces and rushed to the hospital in the same ambulance; they arrived "no later than 8:20," according to James.

James was released about three hours later, but Stoverink remained in an Intensive Care Unit (ICU).

Those involved with the accident were intent on expressing the fact that neither James nor Stoverink were intoxi-

cated. "Tim—he never drank," James asserted.

The following morning, Stoverink's uncle, Bill Stoverink, visited the Jesuit Residence at #3 Lawn Place and informed Ralph Houlihan, S. J., the only person in the house at the time, about the accident. Bill Stoverink explained that Stoverink's parents—Tim Sr. and Christine—wanted the school to know of the situation.

Sheridan returned home shortly after Bill Stoverink's report and left with Houlihan for the hospital. Once there, they administered the Sacrament of the Sick and additional blessings to Stoverink.

They also visited with and "comfort(ed) the parents," says Houlihan, who taught Stoverink last year. They were "wonderful people," and, having spent the previous night in the hospital with their son, "were remarkably composed, yet very anxious—and rightfully so."

Houlihan remarked that Tim Jr. was not the their only concern; the family's other children, Joe (15), Jack (13), and Tessa (4), were also on their minds. "They wanted to be with them," Houlihan said.

James Knapp, S.J., Superior of the Jesuit Community, later visited Stoverink and his parents at the hospital. To Knapp, Tim Sr. and Christine Stoverink were "really great people—really strong and hopeful."

Monday morning, Sheridan met with Assistant Principal Art Zinselmeyer, who was one of few administrators who knew of the accident. They concurred that Sheridan should speak with the junior class.

A special junior prayer service was incorporated in place of the freshman service to give Sheridan a time to speak and pray with Stoverink's classmates. He described the entire situation to the junior class and answered students' questions.

At that time, Kenneth McKenna and Mary Michalski of the Counseling Department announced that all the counselors were available to meet with any students during the upcoming days.

During the first two periods, a group of about 13 concerned and emotional students gathered in the counseling of-

fice. By the end of activity period, there were about 30. Counselors cleared the student commons of other students and moved the group meeting there.

McKenna said one philosophy, contrary to that of group counseling, is simply "(getting) it over with and moving on." Yet he feels it is "better to keep talking, to work (problems) out. That is the best (way).

"Some people's difficulty will ease with time," McKenna said of looking after those who are suffering. "For others, especially those at the accident, it will be much more difficult for them to come to a balance between their concerns for Tim, their studies, and the rest of their life." The question, said McKenna, is, "How (does one) incorporate (one's) concern in a long-term way?"

As of Wednesday, most students had returned to regular classes.

Houlihan, Knapp, and Sheridan, all spoke of their experiences with others who have suffered similar injuries, and all expressed how difficult the duration of cranial recovery can be.

Tim Stoverink Sr., a detective with the CDI Unit of the St. Louis County Police Department, said tiredly Thursday morning, "It's been the longest week, extremely hard. I can't even describe it."

But, "everyone (from SLUH) has respected" the family's privacy and their requests not to visit their son yet. And the Jesuits, who have visited the hospital every day since Sunday, "have all been great."

Sheridan, who last visited Wednesday night, said, "It has been a very emotional ride for his parents and all of us here. I think the miracle is that he survived. I think that is a miracle—I really do."

He said Stoverink's parents are grateful to his classmates and other friends for their kindness and concern.

"Now we have to be patient, prayerful, and supportive," Sheridan concluded. "This (situation) is very emotional. (It) deals with life itself."

Sheridan suggested that those concerned should write to the Stoverinks. "They can express in words what they feel," even if the Stoverinks are not seeing visitors currently.

**October 13- October 27****Calendar****By Ryan Oldani****FRIDAY, OCTOBER 13**

## Schedule #1

- College Visits @ Activity Period:
- Case Western Reserve University @ 12:45 pm
- Emory University @ 12:52 p.m. - 1:22 pm
- Northern Arizona University @ 2:30 pm

Young Republicans Meeting

Pep Rally

Prep News Meeting After School

Our Little Haven @ 3:15pm

V-FB vs. DeSmet @ 7pm

C-SC vs. St. Mary's @ Forest Park #3 @ 4pm

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 14**

B/V-SC vs. Parkway South @ 5/7pm

C/JV/V-XC @ Metro Catholic Conference Inv. @ TBA @ TBA

JV/V-WP @ MICDS Inv. @ TBA

**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 15**

Mothers' Club Card Party

College Fair @ SLU @ 12-4pm

**MONDAY, OCTOBER 16**

English Exam @ 8:15am

Foreign Language Exam @ 9:35am

AP Politics Exam @ 10:55am

College Visit:

- University of San Diego @ 10:30am

Karen House @ 3:15pm

C-FB vs. CBC @ 4pm

B/V-SC @ Francis Howell North @ 4/6pm

C-SC @ Duchesne @ 4:15pm

**TUESDAY, OCTOBER 17**

No Exams

PSAT for Sophomores and Juniors

**WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 18**

History Exam @ 8:15am

Science Exam @ 9:35am

Prob/Stats Exam @ 10:55am

Freshmen Teachers' Meeting

College Visit:

- Vanderbilt University @ 10:30am

Our Little Haven @ 3:15pm

C-XC @ Hazelwood Freshmen Inv. @ Sioux Passage Park @ 4pm

**THURSDAY, OCTOBER 19**

Theology Exam @ 8:15am

Math Exam @ 9:35am

AP Biology Exam @ 10:55am

Freshmen Film Exam @ 10:55am

Senior Training for Sophomore Retreats @ 11-1am

C/B/V-SC @ CBC @ 4/3:30/5pm

JV/V-WP @ DeSmet @ 4/5pm

**FRIDAY, OCTOBER 20**

No Classes

Grading Day

Our Little Haven @ 3:15pm

B-FB vs. Gateway @ 4pm

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 21**

V-SC @ Chaminade @ 2pm

V-FB @ Gateway @ 1:30pm

V-XC @ District Meet @ TBA @ TBA

**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 22**

Family Mass @ 9:30am

**MONDAY, OCTOBER 23**

Schedule #1

Senior Class Meeting @ Activity Period

Sophomore Retreat

College Visit:

- Rice University @ 10:30 am - 11:15 am

Karen House @ 3:15pm

SAC Meeting @ 7pm

C-FB @ St. Francis Borgia @ 4pm

JV-SC vs. Soldan @ Forest Park #3 @ 4pm

C-SC @ Ed Munster Memorial Tourney @ TBA Thru 10/27

JV/V-WP @ Lafayette @ 4pm

JV-WP @ Frosh/Soph Conference Tourney @ MICDS @ TBA Thru 10/26

**TUESDAY, OCTOBER 24**

Schedule #1

Sophomore Bonus Reading Test @ Activity Period

Young Republicans Meeting @ Activity Period

AP Biology Lab @ Activity Period

Pro-Life Club Meeting @ Activity Period

College Visits @ Activity Period:

- Illinois College @ Activity Period
  - William Jewell College @ Activity Period
- Rocheater, University of
- Bellarmine University @ 9:50 am
  - Earlham College @ 12:52 pm - 1:22 pm

**WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 25**

Schedule #1

Grades Due

College Visits @ Activity Period:

- Culver-Stockton College
- Dayton, University of
- Fontbonne College
- Missouri, University of-Columbia
- Trinity University-Texas
- Bucknell University @ 8:00 am

Our Little Haven @ 3:15pm

B/V-SC @ Rosary @ 4:30/6:30pm

JV-SC vs. University City @ 4pm

C/JV-XC @ Findely Memorial JV/C Inv. @ Forest Park @ 4pm

**THURSDAY, OCTOBER 26**

Schedule B

Junior Ring Orders @ Activity Period

Rosary @ Activity Period

Frosh Eng Tutorial @ Activity Period

Sisyphus Editors Meeting @ Activity Period

College Visit:

- Chicago, University of @ 12:30 pm - 1:15 pm

B-FB vs. CBC @ 4pm

JV-SC vs. Vianney @ Forest Park #3 @ 4pm

**FRIDAY, OCTOBER 27**

Schedule B

Junior Ring Orders @ Activity Period

College Visits:

- American University @ 11:04 am
- Benedictine University @ 11:04 am
- Lehigh University @ 11:04 am
- Richmond, University of @ 11:00 am

McDonald Corporation Internship Information Session @ Activity Period

Pep Rally

Our Little Haven @ 3:15pm

V-FB @ CBC @ 7:30pm

JV-SC vs. Roosevelt @ 4pm