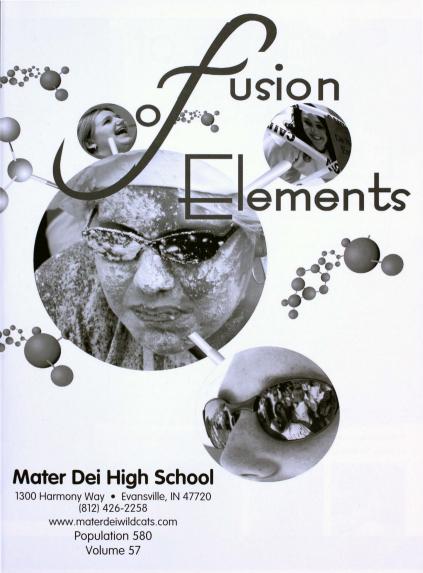


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## Elements of Success

he student body, faculty, and staff should show great pride in this school year, because we have accomplished so much together. All the people of this school bring forth unique elements to create the tradition the Mater Dei community has kept alive. All of these elements, from academics to sports, have fused us together for the success of this school year.

The year started off with a bang. The moment we entered the building, everyone, from seniors to freshman, became part of the Mater Dei tradition. This tradition of pride and excellence has held our school together since 1949.

At the first Mass of the year, the classes brought forth elements needed to build on the successes of previous years. The many elements of the Mater Dei community not only unite us in our strength and dedication, but in our faith as well. Our faith brings us together, and everything else stems from that common core.

Both our triumphs and failures unite us and strengthen the Mater Dei community, which is known throughout Indiana for its outstanding crowds and remarkable participants.

The pep assemblies this year got the unique Mater Dei crowd pumped up. The assemblies offered a distinctive look at our players, allowing us to know them better. This knowledge, which is also an essential element, fuses our school together.

The many elements that strengthen and unite us also bring our outside community together, in a way no one else could ever imagine or conceive. This fusion of elements unites our Mater Dei community. We have blended through our academics, clubs, sports, and service to others in our community.

Past students began our excellent tradition, but as students today, we bring new elements that help this tradition grow. Later on, future students will bring their own set of unique elements, ensuring the continuation of our tradition. This tradition, an integral part of the Mater Dei experience, is what brings our community to life.













Where do the morning prayers come from? Some are traditional prayers, but many come from "The Everyday Prayers of Jesuit Highschool Students In All Things."

## Dedicated Spirit

e have all seen him; he regularly wears a rosary over his burgundy Mater Dei polo. We pass him on our way to classes on Tuesdays, but many of us do not know much about him. Don Metzler is a man described by others as "willing to do anything for anyone." He volunteers his time to us with minimal thanks.

A 1954 Mater Dei graduate, Don Metzler is as devoted to his alma mater as he was when he attended high school in the 1950s.

"Don has been a regular volunteer at Mater Dei since 1998. We truly appreciate all he does for us," says Mrs. Jeanne Tornatta, office secretary.

We see him at pep assemblies cheering for our teams. Don Metzler is an alumnus who exemplifies school pride. You'll find him at Tuesday morning Mass every week. During school Masses, Mr. Meztler sings along with the Liturgical Ensemble. He volunteers his time to us and for this we are very grateful. Mr. Metzler exemplifies how all our God given gifts should be shared with others through our time and talent.

"Whether Don is helping clean and prepare for open house, putting address labels on envelopes, or collating projects for the office, he is always there to lend a hand. He does a little bit of everything for our school," Mrs. Tornatta says.

No matter which task Mr. Metzler lends a hand to, he proves that all the little things do make a big difference.

"I'm here to help, to do good deeds. I do cleaning mostly like the floors. I try to be humble." Metzler says.

Perhaps most of all, Don Metzler embodies the importance of and dedication to service in our student body, faculty, and staff at Mater Dei. He

proves that the value of service stays with us long after we leave the classrooms, hallways, chapel, gym, and auditorium of our school. He represents that Mater Dei gives us more than an education; it also instills in us moral values. Mater Dei teaches not only the importance of service in high school, but that service should become a way of life. We are taught to fit service into our schedules the way we squeeze in basketball and band practices. From the service club to student council to National Honor Society to the blood drives, we are learning that service is not just a requirement to add to our transcripts, but it is a personal responsibility to our community.

It is the people who make Mater Dei extraordinary, the students, teachers, staff, and administration willing to dedicate themselves to the betterment of the community and the good of others. And it is people like Don Metzler who prove to us the value of our Mater Dei education. Though he is not in the forefront of our Mater Dei instruction, he does not go unnoticed. For everything he does for us, we express our appreciation and dedicate our yearbook to Mr. Don Metzler.

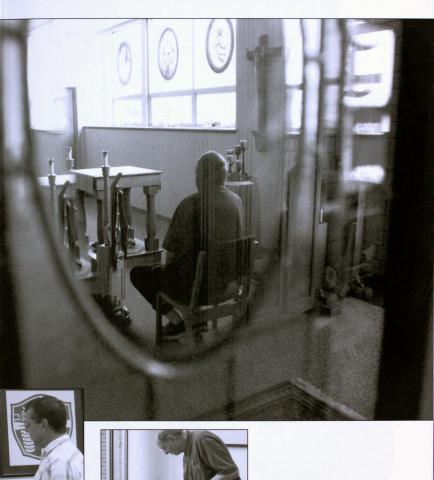
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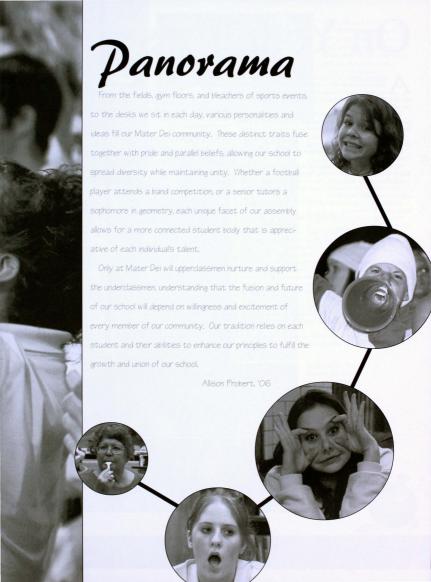






How many plants does Don Metzler regularly water? - 14





#### On Your Toes

rabesque, battement tendu, pirouette. These are terms that most people cannot even pronounce correctly. However, they are a crucial part of a dancer's everyday vocabulary. Freshman Sam Moore has been hearing these terms several times a week for two years

"My mom got me into working with props and lighting backstage one year, and I found that I liked all the skill dancing involved. I just finally appreciated how much it took to do this sort of thing," says Moore.

Moore, who is not involved in any other sports aside from dance, devotes a lot of time to his craft.

I practice four times a week. Times vary from one hour to five or more." Moore describes.

Moore is involved with several forms of dance, including Russian Theory Ballet, advanced jazz, Horton Theory, modern, and folk. Although all are equally challenging, some are more exciting than others.

"My favorite is folk because it's more fun. It involves a lot of energy and movement," says Moore. In addition to being fun, dance offers other benefits that are not al-

ways present in other sports.

"It is a way for me to expand my horizons and to express myself," Moore explains.

In the past, Moore didn't receive much respect for being a dancer, but things have changed since then. Moore wants people to know that he really isn't that different from everyone else.

I used to get ridiculed, but I don't really anymore. They stopped when they realized that what I do doesn't totally reflect my character." Moore shares. "Now when someone says something, it's usually just a question. When I did get ridiculed, I didn't pay attention to what they were saying. They would mostly comment on what I wear. I don't wear tutus. It isn't all that strange. We have five other guys there who are my age."

Moore believes that dancing is an overall good experience. It is an activity that requires hard work, perserverance, and motivation. Although dancing can be quite difficult, it usually does not receive enough credit.

"Dance is something that few people appreciate. I think everyone should be more widely exposed to the sort of thing I do." Moore states.

Brittney Miller, '06

Jon M. Adcock Ashley N. Adler Jeremy K. Armstrong David C. Arnold Lauren E. Austin

Nathan S. Baehl Adam J. Barchet Adam R. Barnes Christopher A. Baumgart Joshua L. Beach



Freshman Sam Moore as Drosselmeyer, performs a magic trick on a fellow cast member. Moore has danced in the past two Nutcracker productions

Photo by: Brittney Kerchief

























Freshman Sam Moore enchants the audience, as well as the younger dancers, when performning in *The Nutcracker*. Moore also sang with the Mater Dei Choir during the final scene. Photo by: Brittni Herron

























































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#### In Your Shadow

 ← That's your mom?!" Senior Ashley Lefler and sophomore Annie Weber have become accustomed to this mildly shocked expression many times throughout each school year. As embarassing as it is to be sighted in public with one's parents, it

as it is to be signed in public with one's parents, it sounds even worse to be shadowed by one of them everyday at school.

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Ashley Lefler disagrees, and she is convinced that the benefits of her mom working at Mater Dei outweigh the negative aspects. "She's my best friend, and being with my best

friend all the time is just awesome!" says Lefler.
Having a parent working at Mater Dei gives a student someone that they can always count on. Such benefits would be someone to borrow lunch money

from, sign a permission slip, or issue a late pass.
"If I'm late to class, she'll write me a pass," says
Lefler, "but that's only happened like twice."

Since most teachers instruct more than one class, chances are these students will have their mom for a teacher. Lefter has been in her mother's class three times for document formatting I, marketing, and economics; and that doesn't count all the time they spend together at speech practices.

"I actually enjoy her teaching me. If she has trouble coming up with examples for the class, I can

Wrestling coach Mike Goebel looks on as his sophomore son, Zach, practices. Practices give them opportunities to spend time together. Photo by: Britini

Herron



help her find an example from our family," explains

Teachers' kids have their own opinions about their parents. However, these few kids might be subjected to hearing about other classmates' talking about having problems with their parents.

"Most of my friends say they like my mom as a teacher, so I don't really mind," says Weber.

After spending all four high school years with a parent, it must seem a bit daunting to face college and the real world without someone there with constant support and help.

"It's going to be really weird not having her next year at college. I won't be able to get extra help with my professors because my mom won't know them. I also won't have that continuous encouragement on

each subject or any second opinions," laments Lefler.

Maybe having a parent at school wouldn't be as bad as one might imagine. Perhaps the parent wouldn't be a shadow, but will rather be a helping hand or even a guiding light.

Allison Probert, '06



Senora Weber goes over Spanish homework with her son, Tim. As a senior, Tim has received help from his mother for four years. Photo by: Brittni Herron

Mrs. Lefler and her senior daughter Ashley critique speeches during speech practice. Ashley can often be found with her mother grading papers or hanging out. Photo by: Allison Probert

#### Different Be-Leaf

any people have moments that suddenly and irrevocably change their lives. One such change is junior Julia Dick's decision to become a vegetarian.

"My parents decided to become vegetarians and wanted me to reach the same decision, but they never forced me to do so," Dick says. "We are at Jacob's Pub one Sunday after church, and I was about to devour my favorite meal—roast beef and fried chicken. I bit into it, anticipating the flavor I had always loved, but I was disappointed. It simpli didn't taste good, and I possessed no desire to ever eat it again."

Not everyone supports her decision like her parents do. One of her friends spent two years not believing she could actually stick to her decision. However, Dick doesn't need everyone's support to remain a vegetarian.

"The greatest difficulty I meet is a lack of understanding from people who don't agree. Many people in this part of the country think it's weird, not realizing how many people in other places abstain from meat. Then, there are the individuals who try to convince me that it's unhealthy," adds Dick. "My physician is not concerned, and I see no reason for them to be. I'm not ashamed of my decision, and I certainly don't regret it."

Many people just express curiosity and disbelief after finding out about her decision. They can't imagine a life without McDonalds or baby back ribs. Every day at lunch, Dick buys a Grade A lunch with a peanut butter and jelly sandwich instead of the main entrée. Many people don't even notice.

"I don't wear the fact that I am a vegetarian on my sleeve. Some people I've known for years don't realize I abstain from meat. I try not to accentuate something that I don't see as a big difference from others," Dick claims.

Dick made her decision over four years ago and hasn't looked back since

"I don't think I'd be the same person if I wasn't a vegetarian, because it's very important to me. It's one of the things that causes me to be a unique person," Dick says proudly.

Rosanna Sartore, '06

Junior Julia Dick chooses a peanut butter and jelly sandwich from the snack line. She eats this everyday at lunch, along with Grade A sides. Photo by: Brittni Herron



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How many sightings have there been of the MD ghost? 4 confirmed sightings, but there are countless instances of mysterious occurances.

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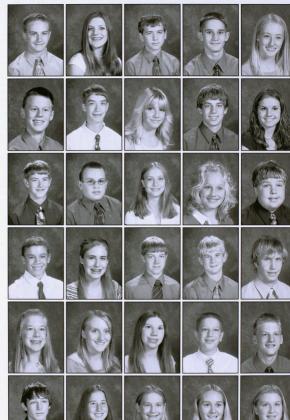
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#### Weekend Warriors

rouched behind a log and dodging pellets of paint may not sound appealing to some Mater Dei students, but for the majority of guys, this is the best way to spend a weekend. Paintball is a phenomena sweeping throughout the Mater Dei campus, uniting many people in different classes

We usually go on Saturdays for about five hours at Michael Goldman's house because he has great woods that we can hide in," says junior Neil Kippenbrock.

There are many games that different groups play that necessitate mental and physical strength. Revolutionary is one such game.

'You're only allowed one paintball in your gun at a time, just like how the guns were in the American Revolution," says senior Jeremy Fehrenbacher. "It requires patience because you don't want to waste one shot, since it takes too long to reload."

Escaping these paintballs seems to be the most difficult aspect of every game.

"You get a major adrenaline rush as you try to dodge each shot. When you miss getting hit, you usually don't even realize you've missed the shot. However, when you do get shot it stings for about a second," says Kippenbrock

One might be overwhelmed by the many different types of games and tactics, weapons, and accessories. There is an equally overwhelming number of embellishments available to give one's team the competing edge.

"I have a black Tippman 98 Custom with a 14 inch barrel with horizontal carbon dioxide. It's not that great, but is gets the job done," says

Fehrenbacher. Each player has their own thoughts about what paintball is all about and how to play, in order that that they come out of the game only lightly colored

The best part about it is teaming up on people and shooting them," says freshman Jacob Edwards.

While ganging up may not sound very fair, every time these guys play, they learn new skills and mental approaches to outplay and

and victorious.

outwit the opposite team. "It's all about strategy," Kippenbrock comments.

Goldman sums it up best. "It's all about having fun."

Allison Probert, '06





Junior Robbie Branson aims for an opposite team member while playing paintball on a Saturday afternoon.

Photo by: Allison Probert

Each player must carefully watch their surroundings and protect their territory. Photo by: Allison Probert

Junior Michael

Goldman

watches an enemy team.

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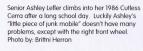






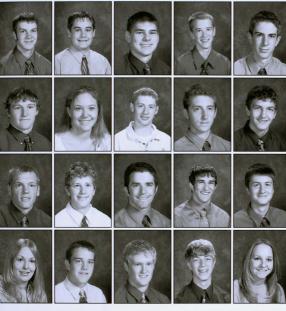


Senior Allison Mesker pours water into her 1986 Cutless Supreme's radiator. Waking up every morning to do this task sounds horrible, but Mesker believes it's worth it to drive independently. Photo by: Brittni Herron









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Alyssa M. Feldhaus Benjamin E. Fleming Matthew R. Folz Mitchell J. Funke Mary Ann Gaffney

## Keeps Going...

n any given day, certain cars can be seen streaming into the Mater Dei parking lot. Some are distinguishable for driving the wrong way every day, Others are noticeable because of their color or make. Two cars stand out for much different reasons, noise and age. These two cars, belonging to Seniors Ashley Lefler and Allison Mesker, have graced the parking lot for roughly fifteen years.

Mesker, the owner of a 1986 Cutless Supreme, is the fourth person to park her car at Mater De Because of its inted windows, Mesker is prone to calling her car the "ghetto sleigh." Lefter, who calls her 1986 Cutless Cierra her "little piece of junk mobile," is in the same boat. Her car parked with Curt, Brent, and Jenna Schmitt before coming to her.

Because these cars are so old, they have many problems. These problems range from the subtle to the obvious.

According to Mesker, "My car has over 204,000 miles on it. The check engine

light is on continuously, and I have a hole in my radiator that leaks orange fluid. Every morning I have to add water to the radiator so that the vehicle runs. My car is a gas hog, and the exhaust is terrible." Mesker adds, "Periodically, it smokes." Lefter's car seems to be in a bit better shape.

"Though I don't have air conditioning in the summer, my car runs well, and the interior is nice. All leather, no saggage," says Lefler with a wink.

Fortunately, both Lefler and Mesker's cars won't have to suffer much more turnult.

"I doubt that my car can handle much more after  $\Gamma$  m through with it," says Mesker.

"I can't imagine anyone else driving my baby," adds Lefler.

Lefler, who wants to drive a somewhat newer teal Chevy Cavalier, won't have to wait long to replace her car. Mesker's automobile future is somewhat unknown. What's certain, however, is that they'll have to wait awhile before they can own those brand new Mustangs and Corvettes that now park beside them.

Jessica Grabert, '06

Senior Chris Wolf goes around a turn at the Grand Nationals in Ponca City, Oklahoma. Wolf competes at national competitions around the United States. Photo provided by: Chris Wolf



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Tyler W. Hunt Samantha B. Hurm Melissa L. Jarvis Matthew A. Johnson Ryan W. Julian























## Rough and Ready

to race. They'll iump on dirt tracks and make high-flying leaps, aiming to cross the finish line

For senior Tyler Lutterbach, racing is life.

"My dad bought me a bike when I was a little kid, and it stuck. I practice everyday by doing three 20 minute motos. Chris (Wolf) and I start and ride as hard as we can like it is a real race."

Like any other sport, racing takes effort and practice.

"We prepare by running three miles and lifting weights to stay in shape. We go out of town for races almost every weekend. In the beginning, I was just doing it to see what it was like. Now I'm serious. I hope to become pro someday," says Lutterbach, who rides a Yamaha 250F.

Senior Chris Wolf races nearly every weekend. Wolf expresses the need for a strong support system in order to participate in competitions

"You have to have support from your family in order to do what we do. It's

hard being gone almost every weekend," shares Wolf,

Lutterbach and Wolf are always preparing for national competitions. They've raced in Florida and Oklahoma for nationals and will race in Texas for the Motocross Winter Olympics. There are 4,000 riders in the national competition.

To get to the nationals, you have to qualify in the top seven in two different races. At the Oklahoma nationals, we qualified for the Motocross Olympics," Lutterbach says.

Going to Nationals was their goal from the start.

"The best part about it is seeing all the hard work and training pay off at nationals," Lutterbach says.

It has paid off. Lutterbach placed 23rd in Nationals out of 58 riders. Wolf placed 14th in his division. Despite the risks, Wolf's passion drives him.

"I shattered my collar bone in two places. I was hit in mid-air. I've had seven concussions. I've broken almost all of my fingers. I have scars on my stomach," says Wolf. "I think I'm addicted to it because of the adrenaline. It's always been in me. I think I'll ride as long as I can walk and get on a bike. I've worked really hard to get here, and I'll keep going."

Susan Muensterman, '05

Senior Chris Wolf checks his bike before a race. In order to ride at an optimal level, a bike must be in great condition and be well taken care of Photo provided by: Chris Wolf



Senior Chris Wolf jumps over a ramp in Ponca City, Oklahoma Wolf races almost every weekend as his passion for the sport continues to grow Photo provided by: Chris Wolf













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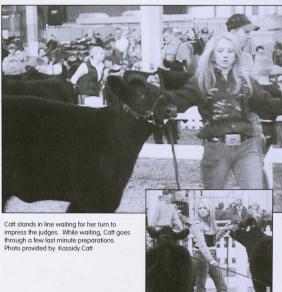
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Sophmore Audrey Koester poses with her winning cow. Koester has been training and showing cows since she was very young. Photo provided by: Audrey Koester

Junior Kassidy Catt walks her cow, Ticksy, around the arena at a competition in Indianapolis. Catt is judged on her cow's appearance, poise, and stance. Photo provided by: Kassidy Catt







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## Milking the Way

Passion is one word to describe junior Kassidy Catt's and sophomore Audrie Roseter's feelings towards cows. Catt and Koester have been showing cows for fun and for competitions since they were little. Cow showing means a great deal to both girls for different reasons.

"I started showing (cows) when I was eleven. My brother wanted to, and it became a competition between us," Catt remembers.

Koester has been showing cows since she joined 4-H in kindergarten. Initially, Koester showed cows for fun, but when she reached third grade, she started getting into competitions at the county fairs.

In a show, a cow is judged on its features. Some features include dairy character, udder, frame, dairy capacity, and walking posture.

Cow showing is divided into two major divisions, dairy cows and beef cows. Koester prefers dairy, while Catt prefers beef.

"I show beef cows because they are the easiest. With milk or dairy cows, you have to get up at 4:00 A.M. to milk them," explains Catt.

Catt has been showing her cow, Ticksy, for a year. After finding the perfect cow, training commences. It consists of baths, hair cuts, walking, and setting up. Koester puts a lot of time into training her cow and making sure everything is perfect before competitions.

"The week before a competition is very emotional and stressful. I have to make sure everything is together and that Creame is trimmed and clean. I train five or more hours a day," comments Koester.

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Showing cows has created many memories for Catt and Koester. Both girls and their cows have received numerous awards.

"Being champion at the county fair would have to be my favorite memory from cow showing," Catt remembers.

As Catt and Koester participate in more competitions, their love for cow showing grows deeper. Each girl wants to show cows up to their senior year, but hopefully it will be something that they can enjoy for the rest of their lives.

Brittney Kerchief, '05

Junior Ryan Marx flies above the fresh snow in Paoli Peaks. Marx travels as far as Canada to try out new runs. Photo provided by: Ryan Marx



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Elizabeth A. Wargel Brooke E. Wayne Ann K. Weber Emily A. Weber Kari L. Weinzapfel























#### Snow No Fear



ush. Speed. Danger. Excitement. These are just a few of the reasons that junior Ryan Marx loves to snowboard. Over the past five years, Marx has traveled all around the United States, even as far as Canada. Through snowboarding, Marx has found his passion, even though it has its share of ups and

Snowboarding, although fun, can be dangerous. Marx has witnessed many accidents while snowboarding. Fortunately, he has not been involved in too seri-

"I once wiped out and the bottom of my board got stuck in the snow. My board stopped, but I kept going and almost broke my foot. I had to sit out for the rest of the day. Another time," says Marx, "I got too close to the edge of a course where the snow is soft. I almost hit a tree. Instead, I spent an hour trying to dig myself out of four feet of snow."

Despite the severity of these accidents, the thought of quitting has never crossed Marx's mind

"I've had awesome experiences. Once, in Canada, I took the wrong path and ended up at a cliff face, overlooking everything. There was a 20-foot drop that we boarded down. That was incredible," Marx recalls.

Unlike many activities, snowboarding doesn't require vast training or practice. Equipment for the sport is also easy to find and use.

"I use a local board called a Joyride. It only took me about a week to learn. During the first few days, though, I ended up on the ground a lot," Marx explains. Snowboarding is a good sport to pick up because it can be continued for many years after high school. Though snowboarding is fun with friends, it can also be fun for families. This is the case for Marx, who snowboards with his uncle and

When asked if he will continue snowboarding, Marx responds quickly. "Yeah, I think I'll be snowboarding forever," Marx says with a smile.

Jessica Grahert '06

Junior Ryan Marx sails through the chilly air as he prepares to land from a jump. Throughout his five years as a boarder. Marx has learned many tricks from his family. Photo provided by: Ryan Marx













McKenzie C. Williams Rachel A. Williams Ryan M. Wink Marie E. Wolf Michael I Wolf











Sarah K. Yingling Anna L. Zeller Carly A. Zenthoefer Megan E. Ziliak Lynnsey G. Zirkelbach

ky-diving. Bungee-jumping. Drag-racing. All of these are ways to get your fair share of an adrenaline rush on land. However, two Mater Dei students decided to jump into a wet suit, strap on an air tank, and dive underwater to explore another world and experience a different kind of rush.

According to junior Lauren Oliver, who has been scuba-certified for almost two years, there is a mixture of adrenaline and tranquility that hits her

when she dives. "When you dive, you become overwhelmed with adrenaline, but the gorgeous sights almost calm you because they're so breathtaking. The mixture of everything is more than anything I could imagine," describes Oliver,

Becoming scuba-certified is not an easy task, but the end result is quite worth the effort. There are many places around Evansville that offer scuba courses, including the YMCA and Aquatech.

"We went through courses in the classroom followed by physical activity in the YMCA pool for a few hours. The class went on for about three months. ending with a book test and five test dives," explains Oliver,

Contrary to what some might think, scuba diving isn't all about observing underwater life. Junior Alex Topper, who went scuba diving in Panama City, Florida, explains that there's more under the surface than just fish

"In Panama, Zach Miller, Logan Bartek, and I were diving a shipwreck. There was a crevice in the side of the metal ship, and at 70 feet we decided that we would go inside. The ship was really old and falling apart. It was pretty dark inside, and there wasn't anything in it except for a few hanging ropes. Earlier, we had seen some huge fish, and I was scared we would come face-toface with them," says Topper.

Even though there is plenty to observe underwater besides animal life, some might not be as ready to explore on their own.

"I think that I might be scared if I ever dove around old shipwrecks or unsecured areas. But I can't say I get too scared around fish, especially if they resemble Nemo or Dory." Oliver admits.

Whether exploring or observing, scuba diving offers an unusual opportunity that you can't take advantage of on land.

"The best thing about scuba diving is observing a different side of the world. It's weird to see all the things that you usually overlook," Topper explains. Kayley Will, '06



## Mysterious Depths

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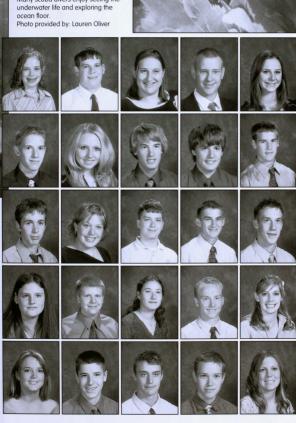




Junior Lauren Oliver dives in Cancun, Mexico. Oliver, who has been scuba certified for two years, enjoys the tranquility when she dives. Photo provided by: Lauren Oliver

To explore underwater life, junior Lauren Oliver likes to dive deep. Many scuba divers enjoy seeing the underwater life and exploring the ocean floor.





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#### Fluid Motion

Throughout the year, the Mater Dei community finds many ways to support its student athletes. From pep assemblies to themed games, it is easy to see this support. Two people who compete without this support are freshman Olivia Steinbeck and junior Scott Schmitt. Both compete in watersking tournaments all across the country.

Steinbeck, who has been skiing for about 4 years, enjoys competitions, even if she doesn't compete for Mater Dei.

"It's a lot of fun because you meet a lot of new people, and if I quit I wouldn't know as many people or have as many friends," says Steinbeck.

Skiing isn't always easy for her, though. Steinbeck's most embarrassing moment came when she flipped over a wake in a tournament.

"I hit the wake, flipped twice, and got hit in the head by the ski. It knocked

the wind out of me," Steinbeck remembers.

However, after Steinbeck got the courage to compete again, she won first

However, arter Steinbeck got the courage to compete again, she won first place in the women's novice at the state tournament.

Schmitt, who began skiing when he was only three years old, doesn't

have a problem competing outside of Mater Dei.
"I wouldn't say it is difficult. There are no set practices, so the only hard

part is getting out there and making myself practice, even if I don't want to,"

Schmitt says.

Even though he has placed 4th and 5th at Nationals, Schmitt considers

his greatest accomplishment to be teaching a friend and fellow classmate, Stephanie Seibert, how to ski. She hopes to be a member of the Purdue Waterskiing Team, and Schmitt was glad to share his favorite sport with her.

"When I started out, I had no clue what I was doing. Scott has been a really good coach, and I've learned a lot," Seibert says.

Steinbeck and Schmitt are both satisfied with their chosen sport, even if it isn't school sponsored. Pep assemblies and themed games aren't necessary to compete at an optimum level, because passion for the sport is all they need.

Rosanna Sartore '06





Junior Stephanie Seibert works hard durning an intense practice session. Schmitt's family has been helping her so she can achieve her dream of being part of the Purdue Waterskiing Team. Photo provided by: Stephanie Seibert

Junior Scott Schmitt completes a trick as part of his competition. Schmitt's most embarrassing moment was during a tournament when he forgot his trick sequence in his competition. Photo provided by: Scott Schmitt

Junior Jessica Grabert prepares to perform on stage. Many girls enjoy primping and getting ready as much as performing. Photo provided by: Jessica Grabert



hen some girls are little, they go through a phase where all they want to do is dance and perform. They dream of being dressed in pink, twirling around on a lighted stage to the tune of the Nutcracker. After a few years, however, the phase usually disappears. But for three junior girls, the dream of dancing is as prominent today as it was when they were little.

"It's just kind of something all girls got signed up for when they were little," Jessie Seib, who has been dancing since she was three, explains. "I just kept up with it because I enjoyed it so much."

Fifteen years later, Seib's love of dancing has not been overshadowed by the countless practices each week, which range from 30 minutes to three and a half hours

Performing is something that comes naturally when one has been dancing her entire lifetime. Most of the year is dedicated to one performance, where the hard work finally pays off.

"Doing the same routine like 10 times in one practice gets really boring," says Brittney Miller. "But my favorite part of dancing is being onstage and hearing the applause after I perform my solo."

Grabert, who also plays soccer, says that there's something special and

different about dancing that pushes her to stick with it.

"I love being on stage and feeling the spotlights shine on my face. Performing allows me to be a girly-girl for once, with the make-up and the excessive amounts of hairspray," Grabert expresses.

Despite practicing over eight hours each week and participating in four competitions and one recital each year, Seib has not lost the feeling of enjoyment she felt as a young girl dancing.

"I love it, it's always something I can look forward to," Seib concludes.

Kayley Will, '06

### Turn Up the Heat

Paul L. Kempf Andrew J. Kercher Neil A. Kippenbrock Elvse M. Kraft Adam J. Lambert

























Junior Jessie Seib dances in the Star Power competition. For eleven years, Seib has been dancing with Acros

Photo provided by: Jessie Seib

Junior Brittney Miller practices at Lory's School of Dance. With many of the practices being fast and intense, some girls choose dancing to get a workout or stay in shape. Photo by: Kayley Will





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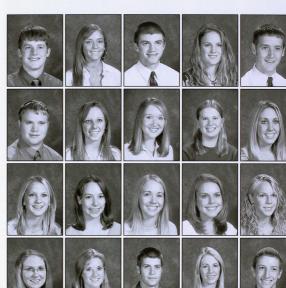
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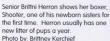


























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#### Therapeutic Paw

Shooter may sound like an intimidating name for a dog, but senior Brittin Herron's one-year-old male boxer proves to be the opposite. Shooter is very smart, listens well, and shows an undescribable amount of compassion towards others. These qualities remind Herron of how much she loves dogs and why she is so passionate about breeding boxers.

"I love spending time with my dogs because I feel like we have a good connection," Herron says.

While training at Evansville Obedience Club, Herron discovered a program for therapeutic dogs. These dogs visit nursing homes, hospitals, reha-

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bilitation centers, and pediatric centers. The dogs give the people something to look forward to and sometimes offer companionship.

"I decided to join the Therapy Dog Instructional Program because we would be helping people and cheering them up. When I saw the patients' reactions to the therapy dogs, it made me feel special knowing that Shooter and I could help them get better," comments Herron.

The therapy dog program is a very intense training period for Herron and Shooter. To become a licensed therapy dog, Shooter has to pass a few required tests. To start with, Shooter has to pass obedience training, become accustomed to wheelchairs and strange sounds, be aware of IV racks, know to stay away from food, act friendly towards strangers, and have patience and motivation. Shooter and Herron work on these tasks during class by doing tasks and commands. Shooter also has to work well with others around him

"At first, Shooter scared some of the patients since he weighs eighty pounds, but once they got to know him, they realized he is actually just a big teddy bear." Herron comments.

Herron and Shooter have been going to therapy training sessions for six months and are getting closer to having their therapy dog license and show competition title. With all of the confidence and pride Herron has in Shooter, they will surely conquer all and make their dreams come true.

Brittney Kerchief, '05



Herron practices with Shooter on a loose leash. Heeling is one of the most important skills that Herron and Shooter must know for competition. Photo by: Brittney Kerchief

Herron commands Shooter to sit and stay. Along with these commands, Shooter must keep his eyes on Herron until she releases him. Photo by: Brittney Kerchief Gazing across the field, junior Daniel Langton watches for his prey. Langton's keen eyesight is a big help with his hobby. Photo by: Brittney Miller



T's forty degrees outside, rain is steadily falling, and it's six o'clock on a Saturday morning. Juniors Kyle Adler, David Hudson, and Daniel Langton could probably be found in a tree stand in the woods, waiting for their prey. All three are hunters with skills that have come gradually, with great patience and definition.

"I've been hunting for six years. My dad has been hunting most of his life, so he passed all of his knowledge and skill to me," says David Hudson.

When asked where they hunt, the guys don't divulge much information.
"It's top secret. I can't give away my good spots," says Hudson.
Although their coveted spots are painstakingly chosen, their prey is not.
Some of their favorite prey includes deer, ducks, geese, squirrel, rabbit, tur-

key, dove, quail, coyote, and raccoon.

"I'll hunt anything with legs or wings, but my favorite is deer," says Adler.

Despite the abundance of prey, it is not easy to be a hunter. Oftentimes, the
weather for hunting is not pleasant, but this does not seem to bother Adler.

"The cold doesn't get to you if you have your mind on other things. The rain can actually help with the deer movement," shares Adler.

Langton describes what it is like to hunt in unpleasant weather.



"You must have a desire to be hunting when the wind chill is below zero Your eyebrows are almost frosted shut, and you can't feel your fingers or toes," describes Langton.

Finally, the hunters have their stories of success and pride that make the efforts rich with reward.

"All year I hunted this one deer. On the last day and the last hour of daylight of season, I harvested him," says Hudson.

All of the skill, patience, and dedication pay off by six o'clock in the evening when the hunters are enjoying their spoils.

Brittney Miller, '06

## Right On Target

Jessie D. Seib Stephanie L. Seibert Kevin M. Short Matthew J. Soellner Toni I. Solis





















Preparing to hunt, juniors David Hudson and Kyle Adler set up a tree stand. In addition to patience. hunting requires much preparation. Photo by: Brittney Miller

To lure his prey, junior Daniel Langton puts up geese decoys and hides in his duck blind. The blind disguises Langton and gives him the opportunity to get a better shot. Photo by: Brittney Miller



Andrew J. Tekoppel Kenny J. Tenbarge Alex C. Topper









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If the maximum number of deer were shot by each student at Mater Dei, what percent of the total state deer harvest would they account for? 3% or 3,480 of 106,688 deer.

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Anyone who knows Greg Ambrose Fh could tell you he is one crazy kid with 9 10 11 1 many talents. Greg practices on the MD weekends to fulfill his dream of becoming a stuntman. Greg wishes he 9.10.11.13 had Droste's god-like strength, but his MD ability to make his belly button talk will take him far in the stunt business. Greg 9 10 11 13 also wishes McDonald's was free, he MD was ruler of his own country, and unicorns were real.







The greatest moment of Haley Austin's life was getting to meet Rascal Flatts on her 18th birthday, but if she could win a date with a celebrity, it would be Ryan Gosling. Few people know that Haley

and	can play a mean game of truth or dare, and that one of her biggest fears is the ocean. Haley would enjoy becoming a child welfare social worker and greatly					Pc
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If every job were equal in skill and pay, Nathan Beach would love to be a firefighter. If Nathan had the superpower of flying, he would not need to use a ladder to rescue his humongous house and attractive wife if they ever caught on fire. After saving the day, Nathan would fulfill one of his dreams by shaking hands with George W. Bush and running back to the one he admires most. Abby Werner

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famous trumpet player. If Ashley could wish for anything in the world, having full access to every song ever written would be her top pick. Ashley wants to become a music therapist, and she will some day move to England to fulfill the Pm Em Nh Pe

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fights with her fear of failing, she has

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With the Beastie Boys as Jeremy Coomes's inspiration, he discovered his ability to write songs and create raps. One of Jeremy's achievements was qualifing for regionals in track his junior year. One day we may see Jeremy driving around a race track at the Indy 500, but until then you can find him searching for the magic lamp to fulfill his three wishes of money, happiness. and of course, world peace. Fm MD MD MD MD

Jeremy Lee

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Emily Grace Copeland

Emily's life is immersed in theater. Her life's greatest moment so far was going to see Wicked on Broadway. If all jobs were equal in skill and pay, she would fufill her dream of becoming an actress. Everyone needs some time to themself. though. On her time off, Emily listens to the Beatles, shows off her little known talent of popping her thumbs out of socket, and would take advantage of her time traveling superpower

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Molly Jean Couture

You may have seen or heard some o Vh Molly Couture's mad impressions of Mater Dei teachers. If Molly were stranded on a deserted island, she would Tn bring her favorite book, a Diet Mountain Dew, and a lap top with the Internet. Molly's most embarrassing moment was running into the wall freshman year after the bat spin game on May Day. Molly aspires to one day be on Saturday Night Live with Debbie Downer

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Drew Dawson, whose favorite musician

is G-unit, wishes he had the superpower

tackle his fear of small enclosed spaces.

quoting lines from movies, a talent most people don't know he has. If Drew

were stranded on a deserted island, he

of superstrength. This power would

come in handy if he ever needed to

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Since Jeremy Fehrenbacher spent his

junior year in Germany as an exchange

student, seeing his family in the airport

wish for anything, he would wish to feel

no pain, to have no regrets, and to travel

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moment of his life. If Jeremy could

Transferring to Mater Dei is one of

Andy Dile's greatest moments. You

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Imagine falling down the stage stairs on the day of the Meet the Candidates assembly. This actually happened to Jenna Denstorff. However, she bounced back from this embarrassing 9.10.11.12 incident to achieve her dream of becoming mayor of Mater Dei-ville. While Jenna is involved with the school government, she would much rather become a newsworthy sports reporter than a politician.

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loves being on the basketball court, and the greatest moment of her life was winning basketball sectionals her sophomore year. If she could have any superpower, Jessica would enjoy being able to read minds. Jessica looks up to and admires her dad, but she would do anything to spend a day with Ben Affleck. Fm Pe Sa Pp Sm

Jessica Dick aspires to be a physical

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Tara Beth Elpers



You may see Shane Elsner reading a MD different book almost every week, but if 9,10,11,12 you look closely, you can see that all of them are written by Stephen King. MD whom Shane would love to spend a day with. Shane also wishes he could have sound effects for his every move. MD Shane has a fear of heights. If Shane were stranded on a deserted island he would bring a motorboat with extra fuel. a map, and a compass.

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moment in high school was a certain shot put incident at track practice. The greatest moment of her life was winning basketball sectionals. Michelle celebrated by going home and listening to her favorite musician, Tim McGraw. The one person Michelle admires most is her mother. Michelle aspires to someday become a psychologist and give children advice.

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Jeremy George Fehrenbacher



Amber Janine Ferrari

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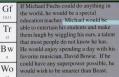
gym, but you will always see her with a Sc smile on her face. Amber would love to 0.11.12 Pm

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Bb or DeVillez at a school dance, you might non-believe as school dance, you might non-believe as school dance, you might non-believe as the sum of the su	Chad Dewig's most embarrassing moment was when he had to do the "cowbby dance" in front of the school at a pep assembly freshman year. Chad would like to have the superpowers of X-ray and lazer vision. If he could have any wish, Chad would want a helper monkey and endless wishes. He claims to be a better verselter than Malt Coughlin. After all, he has pinned Matt five times in a row.    MD   MD   MD   MD   MD   MD   Sg   Malti2   M
A talent most people don't know Jared Droste has is throwing a football farther than Dustin Slaton. If Jared could have one wish, he would wish that Dustin Slaton would grow. Jared is well on his way to becoming a body builder. Werefore, it is unlikely that his fear of being trapped will ever happen. Being a body builder would help him take Nick Lachey's place with Jessica Simpson.  Jorea Pennis MD MD MD MD FM Proste.	So James II f Melissa Elpers were stranded on a descreted island, she would bring with her abed, a how lof spaghetti, a bottle of sunscreen, and, of course, her favorite elements, of the sunscreen, and, of course, her favorite elements, of the sunscreen, and, of course, her favorite elements, of the sunscreen, and, of course, her favorite elements, of the sunscreen, and, of course, her favorite elements, of the sunscreen, and, of course, her favorite elements, of the sunscreen, and, of course, her favorite elements of the sunscreen, and of the
Dc 9/0/11/2  1. Le 1/2  1. Le	Patrick Farmer would enjoy being a fisherman, and he would enjoy spending a day with Sarah Michelle Gellar on the lake. If he were stranded on an island, Patrick would want a boat, a TV, and a diffetime supply of Zebra Cakes. Most people don't realize that, although Patrick lives very far away from school, he cam make it to Mater Dei from his house in under thirty minutes.  MD M
If every job were equal in skill and pay, Sarah Fehrenbacher would become professional ballerina. Then while doing her leaps and jumps, she could feel like she's flying, her favorite superpower. If Sarah were stranded on a deserted island, she would bring her cell phone, a bottle of tranning oil, and her dog, Max. She admires her mother, who would approve of Sarah spending a day with Nick Lachey.  MD MD MD MD MD MD SMD12 S	Tr hon't ever challenge Matt Feller to a horseshoe match; he claims that horseshoe match; he claims that be compared to the could fulfill his wishes of breaking four minutes in a 2000 race. If he could have any job he wanted, he would be a professional grass cutter.  MD hon't ever challenge Matt Feller to a horseshoe match; he claims that would love to have he could fulfill his wishes of breaking four minutes in a 2000 race. If he could have any job he wanted, he would be a professional grass cutter.  MD MD MD MD MD MD MD Feller to a horseshoe match he would be a professional grass cutter.  MD MD MD MD MD MD MD Feller to a horseshoe match he would be a professional grass cutter.
One thing most people do not know about Aimee Fischer is her Arnold Schwarzenegger-like strength; unfortunately, it may not have been evident when she passed out in the school cafeteria after giving blood for the Red Cross. If Aimee could have her dream job, she would become a professional food laster. The greatest moment of a food laster. The greatest moment of a cruise with Marie Schiff.  Pe MODITY SMILET SMIL	The greatest accomplishment of Phil Fischer's life is not getting an F in Mrs. Hadron's Pre-Calculus class. If Phil could have any job, it would be lifeguarding. He also wishes to be a star croquet player. His most embarrassing moment was when he wore a skirt at the school pep assembly. If Phil could spend a day with any celebrity, he would spend a day with any celebrity h



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If Audrey Goebel were stranded on an deserted island, she would bring her CDs, a portable DVD player, and Fruit Loops. Her biggest fear is heights, but that did not stop her from reaching for the top when she helped her team make it to regionals in basketball. If Audrey could do anything in the world, she would want to be a stay-at-home-mom and spend a day with Brad Pitt.

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love to spend a day with Paris Hiltion. If he spent that day on a deserted island, he would also bring with him a boat and an unlimited supply of food. If every job were equal in skill and pay, he would want to work at Buehler's Buy Low while he listened to the music of his favorite musician, Bob Marley. If Gunther could have any superpower, he would want to be able to fly

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Matt "Gunther" Grattenthaler would



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> If Michael Goelz could win a day with any celebrity, he would spend it with Lindsay Lohan and show her his superstrength. Michael's superstrength would allow him to become a UFC fighter. He could tell everyone about winning the Mater Dei Classic Handball tourney, the greatest moment of his life, and falling in a lake, the most embarrassing moment of his life.

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Joshua Wayne Henderson

would like to be a civil engineer. Josh also wishes he could spend an entire day with Paris Hilton. His biggest fear in life is waking a woman from her beauty sleep. A little known fact about Josh is that he can play a mean game of croquet. MD MD MD MD

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If Wacey Hall could have any three

wishes, he would wish for lots of

money, expensive cars, and plenty of

clothes. Wacey would enjoy sharing

these things with Hilary Duff while he

told her about the greatest moment of his

life, winning state in basketball. Wacey

would also like to have the superpower

away from a charging Nathan Hassler.

of flying so he would be able to fly

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If you hear a guitar playing, look around, and you may see Drew Jenkins. Drew aspires to be a rock musician and follow in the footsteps of his hero, Shane Provost. Drew has a fear of carnies, so the game section at the Fall Festival may not be a good place for him to hang out. Drew would love to spend an entire day with the person he admires most, James Hetfield, lead vocalist and

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David's life was getting his license. MD MD MD MD

pay, David would be a wedding and

party DJ. He wishes he could have free

gas, food, and beverages for life. David

also wishes he could win an entire day

with his favorite actor and comedian,

Will Ferrel. The greatest moment of

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with any celebrity, she would spend it with Josh Hartnett, teaching him how to do the c-walk, one of her many talents.

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trainer. She would listen to Tim McGraw's music while she trained her animals. If she could have any superpower, Adria would ride on a magical broomstick wherever she wanted to go

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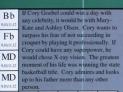
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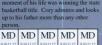
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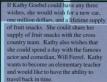


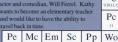


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moment in high school was running into Matt Kiefer freshman year. If Beth could have three wishes, she would wish for a beach house, a jet ski, and her very own McDonald's restaurant. Shane West, her favorite celebrity, could co-own it with her. She could impress Shane with her special bird noises. Beth also admires her grandfather very much.

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helping people with their problems,

which is why she would like to be a

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If Jake Herrmann could have any superpower, he would want to be invisible. However, this superpower would not help him become a ridiculously good-looking model like Zoolander. Being a good-looking model would improve his chances of dating Carmen Electra Take would have to limit his McDonalds meals, which

Jacob Michael Herrmann

Brittni Dawn Herron

If Brittni Herron could win an entire day with a celebrity, she would spend it on an island with Brad Pitt. With Brad on the island. Brittni would not have to worry about her biggest fear, getting bit by a cobra. If Brittni could have any superpower she wanted, she would want to be able to communicate with animals, especially her two "boys," Spike and Shooter. The one person she admires most is Mike Goebel. Fm Yr Pe Mc Em

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So spend the day with her favorite celebrity. 9 10 11 1: David Hasselhoff. Hannah also wishes for free food all the time, "whirled Bw peas," and the superpower to be able to mute people. She hopes to never have

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bring the casts of the hit TV shows Will and Grace and Friends. If she could have any three wishe, she would wish to stay alive forever, be a millionaire, and be able to ace every test and assignment in school

If Leslie Kaiser were stranded on a

deserted island, she would bring a cell

Jordan Raben. She would also like to

phone, blizzards from Dairy Queen, and

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with Rachel Ketzner at lunch.

to face her biggest fear, Uma Thurman.

One thing that Hannah will miss about

high school is playing "Quarter Hoops"

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Rachel Mae Ketzner

Rachel Ketzner can make her top lip move like Elvis, a hidden talent most people don't know she has. Rachel wishes she had the ability to stop time. Rachel has a fancy for using duct tape to make projects and a fear of severed Barbie doll heads with braided hair. She would like to become an archaeologist, and she can listen to Queen while she is searching for artifacts at the dig sites.

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most about high school is the Physics II

Brittney would also enjoy becoming his

personal shopper. If Brittney could have

three wishes, she would wish she was

travel the world expense free, and she

not vertically challenged, she could

gang. Her favorite musician is Usher.

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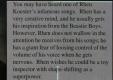


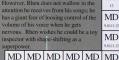






Rhen Michael Koester





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If Andy Krack could do anything, he would run in high school for the rest of his life. Running would be a great activity to do on a deserted island, which is why Andy would bring his running shoes and an unlimited supply of all the wonderful flavors of Gatorade. His special talent is working hard. Andy says, "I'm a hard worker; I even come in on Saturdays if that's what it takes."

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can sing, but not everyone knows that she has the ability to talk people to sleep. The person that Ashley admires most is sacrifice. The greatest moment of Ashlev's life is the birth of her two nephews, Sebastian and Cameron. Ashley one day hopes to share her appreciation of the musician Jeremy Camp with both boys. Wo Dc Fm Sg

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If Tyler Lutterbach could choose any job in the world without having to worry about the pay, he would choose to be a Zambone driver. If he could acquire any superpower, he would like to be able to see through things. Tyler is very proud of his motorbiking ability, a talent few people know he has. He admires his parents more than anyone else in the world, and his biggest fear is loosing

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Benjamin Lee Macke

If Ben Macke could have three wishes he would wish for a 1967 GTO, an 9.10.11.12 unlimited supply of money, and the power to be invisible. The greatest moment of Ben's life was being on the floor of wrestling state finals his freshman year. Ben greatly admires his grandparents, but if he could spend a day with anyone, he would choose the winner of the Mater Dei handball

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but someday he would like to become a water boy for the Indianapolis Colts and Manning. Ryan's most embarrassing moment was having shaving cream put on his head at a pep assembly. This event was quickly forgotten, however, after Ryan helped the Mater Dei football team defeat Reitz his senior year.

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clown. If Joey had three wishes, he would wish for money, for his truck to never break down, and to live in a mansion. Joev admires his grandfather more than anyone, and he is greatly afraid of Jared Muensterman's hands



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If Joey Meier could win a day with any

with Jessica Simpson. He might tell her

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If Mallory Morrow could win a day with any celebrity, she would choose to Mallory could have any job in the world, she would like to become a wishes, she would ask for success, to be able to get into a good college

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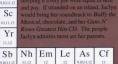
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Jennifer Ann Padavic

If Jennifer Padavic could have three wishes she would ask for an unlimited amount of clothes and shoes, an endless been successful. One of her accomplishments is beating the number one Pe

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his amazing drawing skills. Ryan is

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Andrew Joseph Reddington

basketball in 2004. If he could have any superpower, he would want to have all of Spiderman's talents. These skills would allow him to tie up wild children in spiderwebs, while being the manager three wishes, he would would want to

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would wish for an unlimited supply of

car and a brand new house. AJ would

celebrity he would like to spend a day

with, but he is sure that his dad, whom

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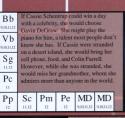
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introduce Marie to Usher, whom Marie would love to spend a day with. Marie's greatest fear is failure. She might have been slightly embarassed when she fell on her face during a soccer practice. If Marie could have any job in the world. she would want to be a teacher. If Marie were stranded on an island, she would bring her cell phone and a chef.

Marie Schiff's favorite musician is

Alicia Keys. Hopefully, Alicia could



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drama and musical skills. If Craig could have a superpower, he would like to play guitar like his favorite musician. Slash, from the band Guns'n' Roses. If Craig could have three wishes, he would wish for all things involving Slash, the rest of Guns'n' Roses, and Velvet Revolver. If Craig were stranded on a desert island, he would bring Slash, his top hat, and his guitar.

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would wish for unlimited money without taxes, the ability to reverse time, and for good friends to always be near. BdShe also wishes for the superpower of 10 11 13 flight. If Kourtney could win a day with a celebrity, she would choose Adam 10,11,12 Sandler or her favorite musician, Dave Matthews. Perhaps she could make Sg them something out of duct tape, since 9,10,11,12 she enjoys crafting with it. Sc Nh Po Dr

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desert island, she would bring a cell phone, a lot of food, and an issue of Cosmopolitan. She wishes for a nice car, a laptop, and lots of money. If Emily could have a superpower, she would want to read minds. If she could spend a day with a celebrity, Emily would choose Ashton Kutcher. If she could have any career, she would like to have Vanna White's job.



John Freeman Shetler

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and a huge house. He also wishes he could have the ability to read minds. If Fb every job were equal in skill and pay, he 9,10,11,12 would choose to work at a gas station. Wr John most admires his dad, and if he could spend the day with a celebrity, he would choose Jennifer Aniston. If he MD were stranded on an island, John would 9,10,11,12 bring a television and a grill MD MD MD MD MD MD

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he would wish for money, a big pool,

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Whitney Marie

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> would ask for money, happiness, and a 1969 Camaro, preferably with The Rock in the front seat. If she could have any Bd job in the world, Whitney would be a 9,10,11,12 lawyer. This job could come in handy if her favorite band, Disturbed, ever got MD into any legal trouble. Most people don't know about Whitney's fear of MD clowns, or that she can touch her tongue 9.10.11.13

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deserted island, he would bring food, money, and a boat. Jon would like to have the superpower to stop time. If every job were equal in skill and pay, he would like to distribute samples in a store. Jon's greatest achievement to date is winning soccer sectionals. Jon's biggest fear is fear itself. The people he admires the most are his parents.

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supernower, she would like to have the ability to read minds. Nicci would also wish for money, love, and health. She also wishes she could spend the day with Ashton Kutcher. She most admires "Nicki squared" and her favorite musician, Emily Miranda Provost Nicci was most embarrassed during her freshman year when she fell up the stairs...twice. Pe T1MD MD MD

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Mary Nichole Sheridan

Most people know Dustin Slaton as th Bb quaterback of the football team, but he wants everyone to know that he can sing like Jadakiss. His most embarrassing Ra moment was falling out of his chair in Geometry after falling asleep. If Dustin Fb were stranded on an island, he would bring a toothbrush deodorant and sunglasses. If Dustin could have any Sa job, he would be the mananger at Tunnels of Fun



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Luke Anthony Spaetti

Natalie Dianne Schmitt

Ba Spaetti in the eye with a bottle. Luke proclaims this to be his most embarrassing moment. Luke, who says his secret MD talent is bricklaving, wishes that he were 9,10,11,12 able to read minds. If possible, Luke MD would like to spend a day with his favorite country singer, Hank Williams, Jr. The greatest moment in Luke's life MD so far is killing his first four-point deer.

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Kyle Patrick

the day with her favorite celebrity. Julia

have the superpower of flying. She was

most embarrassed during a choir concert

and messed up. People often tell her she

little-known talent of being able to stuff

when she filled in for someone's solo

has a big mouth because she has the

an entire Rice Krispie treat into her mouth at one time

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Weinzapfel 9.10.11.12 9.10.11.12 the day he was born. He would probably do it again if he could, because a superpower he would like to have would be spontaneous instant replay. If Alex were stranded on a deserted island, he would bring food, water, and a toliet. His favorite hand is The Used If he could spend a day with a celebrity, he would choose Toucan Sam.

Ben Weber can play the banio, a talent

most people do not know he has. Ben wisheshe could have the superpower of

spontaneous combustion. Ben's most

embarrassing moment was when he fell

off a basketball goal after attempting to

biggest fear is of eleven billion clowns

while they constantly honk their noses.

hang on and broke his wrist. Ben's

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Rvan could wish for anything, he would

wish to have Inspector Gadget arms and

Jack Black or with his favorite musician

Hank Williams, Jr. Rvan's biggest fear

is going completely bald.

legs. Another wish would be to spend

the entire day with the humorous actor

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would love to know what everyone was thinking. If he could have three wishes, he would want to have a big house, lots of money, and more wishes. Chris is an excellent motorbike rider. He would like to continue this activity throughout his life. Chris admires his mother more than musi

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If Natalie Wolf were stranded on a Gf deserted island, she would bring golf 9.10.11.12 clubs and golf balls, lots of chocolate, and Johnny Depp, whom she would love to spend a day with. Known as Natalia to many of her friends, everyone Sh agrees that Natalie's laugh is contagious. Her biggest fear is cockroaches. While she would like to study physics, one of Natalie's aspirations is to become a poet.





The greatest moment of Katie Zenthoefer's life was the Senior Luau. While she was there, she didn't have to worry about her fear of the dark. If Katie could win a day with a celebrity. she would spend it with Jim Carrey. While stranded on an island, she would bring her cell phone, music, and her friends. If Katie were granted three wishes, she would wish for happiness,

Pc any car she wanted, and money. Wo Fm Mc Sa Sc



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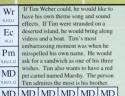
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Timothy Mark Weber





Weinzapfel

If James Weinzapfel were stranded on a deserted island, he would bring his cell phone, a box of matches, and an axe. If he could have any wishes, he would want immortality and more wishes. James would also wish for the superpower of invisibility. If he could spend an entire day with any celebrities, he would choose Mary-Kate and Ashley Olsen or his favorite musician. Vanilla

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> in skill and pay. If she could have any superpower she wanted, Abby would choose to have the ability to read minds. The greatest moment in Abby's life was when she got her license. Abby admires her mother. The most embarrasing moment of her life was when she threw up in English class junior year.

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Hilary Duff. Casey's favorite musician is Vanilla Ice. His greatest accomplishment throughout high school was beating the Reitz Panthers in football.

If Casey Wildeman could have any job

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in the world, regardless of skill and pay,

wants to have the superpower of X-Ray

vision. If he could spend an entire day

with a celebrity, he would spend it with



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If Mary Williamson were stranded on a deserted island, she would bring her best friends, a blanket, and macaroni and cheese. While on the island, she would Sp like to raise ducks as her job. If Mary had three wishes, she would wish for Sm money, to be able to pay off her car, 9.10 and to rid the world of crickets. Mary's secret talent is her ability to blow huge Pm bubbles with dish liquid. 10.11.12

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If every job were equal in skill and pay, Leslie Woehler would become a veterinarian. With her large salary, she would be able to buy a yellow Hummer and a vellow Corvette. If she could win a day with a celebrity, she would choose Dale Earnhardt, Jr. Maybe she could even drive him around in her brand new Corvette while listening to Tim McGraw, her favorite musician.

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Heather Yellig, who is deathly afraid of Sr spiders, wishes she could be a forensic pathologist. If she had three wishes, she would wish for more wishes, unlimited purses, and a lifetime supply of new shoes. Her greatest moment of life is Ec being able to compete in Jamaica as part of the United States Martial Arts Team. Most people don't know that Heather Sc participates in karate and in ballet and hip-hop dance classes. 10.11

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MD fear is death. His favorite musician is Dolly Parton, but if he could spend the MD

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## Soaring the Skies

hemistry teacher Robert Schleter was one of many Evansville teachers to attend the annual Teacher's Reserve Awareness Day.
For Schleter, a risk taker who can often be found blowing things up in his chemistry lab or rescue diving, the day was right up his alley.

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"They let teachers go for rides in helicopters and show them the
different equipment they use, such as weaponry, artillery, and communications," says Schleter.

Spending the day at the event was well worth it for Schleter, who got to experience a flight in a Black Hawk Helicopter.

"I was there from eight until two. I got to go on two helicopter rides." They took off from the National Guard Armory, went to Alcoa, USI,

They took off from the National Guard Armory, went to Alcoa, USI, and then did a circle around Mater Dei.

Schleter had a first-hand experience on his flight compared to the

other teachers in the helicopter.

"They put me in the crew chief side and gave me a mike so I got to talk with the pilot while we were flying. Everyone wanted to go places, but they didn't know how to get there. I told the pilot where the differ-

ent sights were."

Since Schleter directed the pilot to the different sights passengers wanted to see, the pilot flew over Mater Dei—twice.

"We flew over Mater Dei so I could take pictures. They let me open my window so I could hang out to take them. The camera didn't work the first time, so they let me do it again a second time to get pictures."

The experience in the Black Hawk simulated a real army flight.

"They didn't have any weaponry in the helicopter, but all of the crew of the helicopter were geared up in camouflage. It was a training flight for the pilot."

Although he had never flown in a helicopter before, the flight was still not what Schleter expected.

"The ride was very smooth, even though it was raining. It wasn't loud or anything. I thought it was interesting that there's a section in the tail where they take out a seat to crawl back and sleep."

All in all, the first time experience in the Black Hawk Helicopter for the daredevil Schleter was educational and enjoyable, although one thing could have made it better.

"It was really fun. It would have been better if they would have let us repel out of it."

Jaclyn Muensterman, '05

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> Judy Berberich Gloria Bumb Amy Craig Jason Craig Valorie Dassel



Schleter and Mater Dei Graduate Steve Lamble converse at the annual Teacher's Reserve Day. The day was held at the National Guard Armory. Staff Photo

























Schleter listens as a guardsmen shows off equipment. The day was designed to inform teachers about the benefits of joining the national guard. Staff Photo

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Marie Williams Sr. Mary Williams Rick Wilson

## Rock N' Rode

wave of excitement charges through the crowd. The fans scream as Electric Larry and the Current performs. The biggest charge comes from a familiar man on stage, a man who teaches us German and history, and he has the hair to top it off.

Music has always been important to Mr. Rode, who has been playing in bands since he attended high school in the 1980s. He plays various instruments including the accordion, which he plays for his German classes on festive occasions. His students love the entertainment.

"In the band, I play guitar and bass guitar," Rode says. "We play at local establishments."

The band plays some cover songs, but the talented men prefer to play their own music.

"We play mostly original stuff, but we play some REM and old standards like 'Pretty Woman.'"

Mr. Rode is one of four members of Electric Larry and the Current. For Rode and the others, they pursue their music as a hobby. Among his band members are an English professor, an engineer, and a private-business owner. "We're all adults and professionals, so it's an avocation for us. We practice at Electric Larry's house one or two nights a month."

Though Rode is still in front of an audience, the audience is a group that doesn't know him. The band gives Rode the opportunity to entertain, along with the chance to get away from his audience at school, who witnesses his creative genius every day.

"It gives me a chance to express my creative side. I guess you could say it is just my contribution to the art world."

Though his students may not be aware of Rode's scotter stardom, Mr. Rode's contribution certainly doesn't go unnoticed. In fact, he even has a personalized fan club.

"My daughter thinks I'm going to be a rock star, and I don't discourage her," Rode laughs. "My wife and daughter are my groupies."

But Mr. Rode doesn't let the stardom get to his ego, and he confesses that he surely won't be chasing after the Hollywood fame anytime soon.

I'm too old for the rock star lifestyle."

Susan Muensterman, '05

Mr. Rode croons into the microphone while singing with his band, Electric Larry and the Current. At this performance, a charity drive took place for soldiers in Iraq. Staff Photo

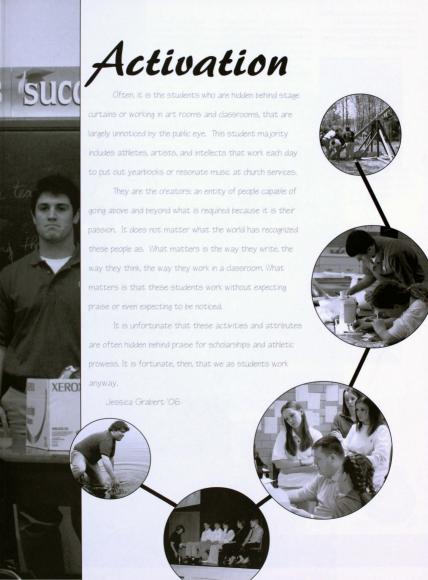




Mr. Rode strums on his electric guitar to the tune of the Beatles' song, "Can't Buy Me Love." In addition to playing guitar, Rode also sinas backup. Staff Photo

How much Mountain Dews does Mrs. Thomas drink in a school year? 70 gallons a year





Freshman Rachel Sweeney twirls a flag above her head during a performance at a football game. The color guard performs at every home game. Staff Photo



I've got rhythm... Who can ask for anything more? The members of the band, Liturgical Ensemble, and choir don't need anything more. Music is a part of them and is included in the rhythm of their lives.

"I started playing an instrument in fifth grade," says junior Robin Fehrenbacher. "I had always seen my mom play the trumpet in church and at home. That encouraged me to try the trumpet as well."

To keep up with the rhythm of their lives, musicians and singers must practice persistently.

"I practice any chance I get," says junior percussionist Tegan Rush.

All of the practicing pays off when the musical groups perform. In addition to playing in the marching and pep bands, or singing in the choir or Liturgical Ensemble, many musicians and singers perform outside of school.

"I play my trumpet in church on Sundays, at the nursing home, and compete in Solo and Ensemble Contests at UE." states Febrenbacher.

Music can also be a way of expressing one's faith.

"Music and faith coincide with one another," says senior Brittany Erkman. "They say that singing is praying twice. Music is the best way for me to express my faith in God."

In addition to improving faith lives, music can have a profound impact on one's general lifestyle.

"Music is very important in my life. I relate to it, and it expresses my feelings and emotions," says Fehrenbacher. Finally, music is a special connection that forms friendships. Band members spend so much time together that they often become like family.

"Band has offered many close friendships. We're always together. In fact, we can't get always together. In fact, we can't get alway from each other for five or six months. We are like brothers and sisters; it's good to have those people to turn to," shares junior Amanda Cox.

Music sometimes helps to loosen people up and allows them to become more outgoing.

"Band allowed me to open up and have fun doing anything," says Rush.

Music will always be a special part of these students' lives. It is a part of their daily lives that provides a rhythm by which to live.

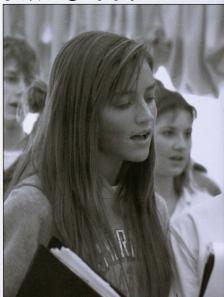
Brittney Miller '06





Senior Drew Jenkins, a four year band member, plays the tuba and marches with the band during the Pike Central Invitational. The band received 2nd place and the Best Drum Major Award. 5tdf Photo

Junior Kellyn Murphy and sophomore Marie Wolf join the rest of the choir in entertaining the residents of Pine Haven Nursing Home. Each year, the choir sings carols to spread Christmas cheer to the elderly. Photo by: Britini Herron





Juniors Rosie Mayer and Caitlyn Nemer wave decorative flags through the air during their color guard performance. The color guard performs along with the band at halflime during football games. Staff Photo



At the Pike Central Invitational, band members perform their pieces with perfection. The band competed at the invitational by displaying the musical talent, dedication, and hard work necessary to perform so wonderfully as a whole. Staff Photo



Band director Dominic Thompson conducts the band during class. With repetition and hours of practice, the band was able to achieve a gold division at the ISSMA District competition in Jasper. Staff Photo



The brass section, led by seniors Melissa Elpers and Drew Jenkins, excite the crowd with the playing of our school song. The school song is played at all games and assemblies. Staff Photo

Sophomore Lauren Van Cleve creates a wire sculpture, using wire cutters for her intro art class. Each year, the class uses wire as a alternative medium. Photo by: Brittni Herron





Juniors Brittney Miller and Koyley Will take lime out of homecoming festivities to do a final edit on yearbook pages. Proofreading is a tedious yet very important part of the editing process before the pages are sent off to be printed. Photo by: Brittni Herron Each school day brings the usual wave of homework from various classes requiring a pencil, paper, and a heavy texthook. However, many Mater Dei students can also be seen toting canvases or layouts to and from school. These classes, including visual communication, yearbook, and computer graphics, require more innovation and creative energy than textbook knowledge.

Art classes require discipline, since the evolution of a painting or a drawing depends on how hard the student works on it and how much extra effort they put into the piece to form what they envisioned.

"It's exciting when I can create what I am imagining in my mind. It takes a lot of time to get a work to look the way I want it, and it's very rewarding when the end result turns out to be what I was aiming for," states junior Laura Mesker, an advanced art student.

Perceptions, emotions, and opinions can run high when enrolled in an art class. Each member has his or her own idea of what is good art, and sometimes the way a piece turns out is, unfortunately, not what the artist originally intended. However, with each mistake comes the knowledge of what to avoid on the next project.

"One day you can be doing really great and really like the pictures you've drawn and the next day trash every picture you draw. Mr. Sills has taught me to learn by doing. You will never know what works and doesn't work until you try," says junior Sarah Scott.

Yearbook class also allows students to combine written and visual forms of art. The staff takes pictures, writes stories, and creates comprehensive layouts.

"I wanted to take yearbook so I could impact the way people remembered the school year. I really enjoy taking pictures and placing them on the layouts to view the full effect before it's in print," says junior Rosanna Sartore.

The yearbook staff often dedicates extra hours to ensure that the book represents the entire school and each memorable event of the school year.

"When the yearbook is finally done, I feel like I've accomplished something. I love seeing what we visualized actually in print and ready to distribute," says senior editor Britini Herron.

For every student in an art, journal-ism, or creative writing class, each piece, photograph, or poem is an extension of their feelings and a representation of how they perceive themselves and those around them. These classes lead students to a better understanding of what can be achieved. Crayons, anyone?

Allison Probert '06



innovation





Senior Lauren Adcock draws a giraffe for her advanced art class. Adcock has studied art all four years at Mater Dei. Photo by: Brittni Herron

Jessica Grabert focuses on taking a picture during yearbook class, while other staff members work on the computer. The yearbook staff takes many pictures throughout the year. Photo by: Rosanna Sartore





Senior Lauren Muensterman paints during her art class. Muensterman's project portrays the pain of beauty. Photo by: Brittni Herron Throughout the school year, students are presented with opportunities to become more involved in their fields of interest. By taking field trips, attending special conferences, and doing career projects, students gain a better understanding of career options.

As a part of advanced biology, students were given the opportunity to attend a genetics conference held at the Victory Theatre. Presented by Sam Rhine, the conference was an educational field trip for those who are interested in the field.

"The purpose was to learn more about genetics, but also to get us interested in it so that we might pursue it in college. I don't really want to go into science or medicine, but everything I saw was amazing," says senior Rachel Ketzner.

Throughout the day-long conference, Rhine presented over one thousand slides to the students.

"It was really interesting because he talked about a bunch of in-depth genetic-related issues that were really up-to-date. We talked about things we can't normally discuss in class. What he was saying was scientific, but he made it accessible to us. We didn't feel like he was talking down to us," says Ketzner.

The conference explored issues such as a tissue engineering, stem cells, cloning, and regenerative medicine. In regenerative medicine, for example, students listened to stories about regenerating noses, jawbones, and an ear growing inside the body of a rat.

"I didn't realize how many new procedures have come out that can save lives. I remember a story he told about a little girl with leukemia. Her parents had saved her placenta, and it was used to help give her bone marrow. Without the placenta, she wouldn't have been lived," Ketzner said.

Biology students are not the only science students involved with the outside knowledge fest, however. Advanced chemistry students participated in Mole Day, which commemorates Avogadro's Number (6.02 x 10°23), a basic measuring unit in chemistry.

"Mole Day was a chance for us students to put our knowledge of chemistry to work. We began the day by participating in a chemistry contest in which Mater Dei placed second," said junior Mark Modesitt.

The students were also given opportunities to view and participate in chemistry demonstrations. The experiments included an array of experiments consisting of such things as carbonizing liquids and demonstrating the density of different gases.

"We were given a tour of the lab, followed by everyone's favorite part about chemistry: dowing things up," says Modesitt.

Students' understandings of life beyond school are enhanced by involvement outside the classroom. There are just some things that cannot be learned inside the classroom walls.

Susan Muensterman, '05





Junior Rosanna Sartore interviews veteran Bob Hohl as a part of her U.S. History project. Hohl described his experiences in World War II. Photo by: Allison Probert



Junior Andrea Schnur, an advanced chemistry student, examines DNA strands on a tour of the USI Science Department. The four was part of the Mole Day field trip.
Photo by: Jessica Grabert

Senior Amber Ferrari hangs up signs for student ambassadors. The student ambassadors help keep the feeder schools updated on Mater Dei news. Photo by: Marie Schiff



Junior Brittney Miller uses the advertising skills learned in yearbook class to sell an add to the Hilltop manager. Every year the ad sales are used to help pay for the book expenses.

Photo by: Kayley Will







Senior Natalie Schmitt flosses senior Phillip Fischer's teeth for a career day demonstration in English class. Schmitt plans on attending college to become a dental hygienist.

Staff Photo

Seniors Drew Alcorn, Nicci Sheridan, and Andy Krack dig up weeds in the courtyard. As a part of the advanced biology class, the students take part in landscaping around the school. Photo by: Hannah Wagner Seniors Joey Maier and Getty Murray demonstrate their sautering skills for Mr. Wells' English career project. Staff Photo



High school and projects often go hand-in-hand. While some students dread these projects, others go above and beyond the required assignment. These ambitious students spend countless hours working to earn a good grade. Physics II and Advanced Placement English are two classes known for in-depth projects and the ambitious students who complete them.

The Physics II hot air halloon project had a simple objective, but it required ambition, dedication, and hard study to achieve this goal. The assignment was totake an aerial picture of the school using a disposable camera attached to a homemade hot air balloon. Senios Logan Bartek, Kourtney Scott, and Jaclyn Muensterman worked on the project for two weeks. Their strategy

was to tie store-bought helium balloons to the camera and then pull a string to take the picture when the balloons floated high enough.

"The project was a partial success," said Bartek. "We got some good pictures, but when the string was pulled to take the pictures, the camera came detached from the balloon and fell to the ground because it wasn't tied tight enough."

Although such projects can be challenging and time-consuming, students can learn a great deal from their experiences.

"We learned how to use materials and our ideas to solve a problem and complete a task," said Bartek. "I also learned it is important to tie the balloons on tight." The hands-on approach to learning allows students to delve deeper into their studies.

When Molly Couture, Craig Schutz, Scott Koressel, and Drew Alcorn were making a film for advanced placement English, they invited Drew Jenkins to join in. Although Drew was not officially part of the group, he offered his musical talents to make the film more interesting.

The group filmed at a variety of locations including the school auditorium. They estimated that they spent nearly forty hours on their film.

In addition to enhancing their learning experiences, ambitious students have the opportunity to shine when they put special effort into projects.

Emily Copeland '05

omething Extra



Seniors Kasey Kollker and Jeremy Coomes scatter flash cards of new Spanish vocabulary words. The flyswatter game is a great way for the students to learn their Spanish terms. Photo by: Brittni Herron

Senior Logan Bartek tinkers with Kinnex pieces for his Rube Goldberg project. The project is an example of a "phun" project in the Physics II class. Photo by: Brittney Kerchief





Senior Melissa Elpers, Mr. Dick's first semester aid, helps hold Brittney Kerchief's mousetrap project together. Even though Elpers wasn't a student in the Physics II class, she was a member in spirit. Photo by: Brittney Kerchief



Seniors Kyle Neisen and Susan Muensterman work together to perfect a section of the class' mousetrap project. Each section was crucial for each part to work flawlessly. Photo by: Brittney Kerchief



The junior AP English class plays a board game for a short story project. The game represented the plot of the short story, "A Worn Path."

Photo by: Brittney Miller

Seniors Andy Krack, Rhen Koester, and Phil Weinzapfel prepare to release their hot air balloon. The boys' project was one of the few who succeeded in taking an ariel photo of Mater Dei. Photo by: Brittney Kerchief

Junior Allison Probert stirs cake mix for an addition to her AP English project. Probert read "The Jillting of Granny Weatherall" and baked a wedding cake to represent awedding mentioned in the story. Photo by: Rosanna Sartore

Senior Chris Wolf paints a car in the Auto Body T&I class at North High School. Wolf plans to use these skills at the Motorcycle Mechanics Institute in Orlando, Florida next year. Photo by: Brittney Miller

Senior Scott
Koressel helps with
the landscaping as
Mr. Voegel's
assistant. Biology
assistants often help
maintain the
landscape in
addition to gathering
materials for lab
work. Photo by:
Rithin Herran



Juniors Jeff Johnson and Neil Kippenbrock work on constructing scaffolding at the house they help to build through their T&I class. Photo by: Brittney Miller



advantage of the electives only offered to upperclassmen. Some students choose to spend their time taking classes offered at other schools. In addition,

many seniors like to take a breather in their day by aiding teachers or the main office. Seniors Brad Unfried and

Joey Meier both enrolled in T&I
to enhance their education and
prepare for the future. Meier
attended the Build Trades
Program at North High School.

"I took T&I to learn more about construction," said Meier. "I went to North, then we rode a bus to the job site. I helped build a house to sell."

The class was perfect for Meier, who hopes to put to use the skills he learned in his T&I class

"It will help me get a job in the field that I like," Meier said. Unfried, who attended an Electricity Trades class at North, also took T&I to prepare for his future.

"It will give me a better chance of getting an electrical job," Unfried said. One of the benefits of T&I is the hands-on opportunities the class offers.

"In T&I, I learn about electricity. I also get to wire up a house with classmates for practice," Unfried said. While some students are taking

While some students are taking classes, many seniors at Mater Dei take a break from learning to help their teachers and the main office.

Senior Andy Krack is a teacher's assistant to biology teacher, Mr. Voegel. Krack, who signed up as a T.A. to get extra study time, and to make his schedule a bit easier, helps Mr. Voegel during first block.

"I set up labs, work on homework, and research things for Mr. Voegel," Krack said. "I also run errands like getting Mr. Voegel Mountain Dews." Krack, who takes advanced classes, enjoys his job as Teacher's Assistant.

"I like it when I have free time. Being an assistant isn't bad, and I never have homework." Krack said.

Senior Amber Ferrari spends one block of her schedule as an aid to the main office. Ferrari chose to be an aid because it was a chance to get away from the hard work of school, and she enjoys helping others.

"Beth Cardin and I collect blue attendance slips, and we deliver passes from both the office and the counselors. We do any other work the office needs to have done," Ferrari said.

For Ferrari, the break in the day is enjoyable for many reasons.

"The office staff is a lot of fun to be around. It's nice to have a block to rest rather than concentrate on school work. It makes the day go faster," Ferrari said.

Jaclyn Muensterman '05









Senior Jared Droste does pullups during his advanced P.E. class. The class also includes activities such as Tae Bo, tennis, and weightlifting. Photo by: Brittni Herron

Junior Joe Arnold uses his bricklaying skills acquired during T&I on a house in Eagle Crossing. The house is built by students, with minimal assistance from professional contractors. Photo by: Brittney Miller





German students walk through the Mirabel Polace Arbor that was featured in "The Sound of Music." The students took a trip during spring break to tour Germany and Austria. Photo provided by: Julia Dick

Lexing Georgetown

Senior Mary Williamson prepares the food she cooked in foods class. a favorite amona students because they often get to eat Photo by: Brittni Herron



When a student thinks of their schedule, the standard required classes usually come to mind. However, some classes at Mater Dei offer more than the required credits; they offer lasting lessons that can be used outside the classroom. Some students feel that certain required classes might not always be beneficial when it comes to their careers. However, some of Mater Dei's business classes are centered on teaching for the real world

"In the future. I want to go into something in the marketing field," said junior Ali Raben, "Marketing class teaches us business and intrapersonal skills that will help me in my career."

In most classes, learning comes through lectures, labs, or worksheets However, in marketing class, students use hands-on activities to learn about

advertising and making a product. "We have to design a beanie baby. design our own product, sell stock, and sell a product as a class to the whole

school," explains junior Amanda Cox. Other classes at Mater Dei, such as childcare, are designed to aid students

domestically "I decided to take childcare because I really like kids, and I'm thinking about becoming a pediatric nurse," commented junior Andrea Schnur. "When we had the simulated babies. Hearned about the responsibility of providing for a child."

Another class that will aid students outside of the workplace is nutrition and foods. In this class, students are taught the basics of cooking and learn to prepare many different types of recipes.

"I think foods class was great. It taught me techniques and recipes that can use at home; it was very practical,

said junior Katie Alexander. Nutrition and foods and childcare; two electives that students often choose to take because they are fun. But whil having a good time, students also lear crucial life lessons.

"Child care and foods classes offe students everyday life skills, such as how to manage their time and how to organize themselves," explained Mrs. Becky Larson, who teaches the home economics classes.

Although these classes still have homework and tests like other classes they offer priceless lessons that can be used everyday and will last a lifetime. Kayley Will

s Unash Course



Seniors Patrick Farmer, Ryan Perkins, and Logan Bartek study together during drafting class. This class helps prepare students in architecture and engineering. Photo by: Brittni Herron

Seniors Emma Provost and Ashley Lefler use straws during a demonstration in economics class. Economics class is benefical to students, teaching them how to do taxes, keep a budget. and play the stock market Photo by: Jaclyn Muensterman





Seniors Beth Cardin and Jerad Muensterman inject cream into cream puffs using a super shooter. The students can take the skills learned in nutrition and foods and use them at home. Photo by: Brittin i-lerron



Junior Stephanie
Seibert focuses on
her sewing technique. Sewing
classes require
careful concetration
because not only
are the students
graded on their
garment, but they
eventually get to
wear their creation
as well.
Photo by: Brittni
Herron



Junior Amanda Cox and sophomore Courtney Rausch make buckeyes for marketing class. Marketing allows students to advertise and market their products around the school. Photo by: Brittney Kerchief



Seniors Beth Cardin, Jerad Muensterman, and Jessica Byrley have a good time enjoying the "fruits" of their labor. The nutrition and foods class learns about healthy eating habits and how to incorporate them into their lives. Photo by: Brittin! Herron

Senior Adria Keller takes measurements for an outfit in textiles class. The students learn about crafting outfits, taking measurements, and flattering clothing styles. Photo by: Brittni Herron "We're not nerds. We're engineers," says senior Kyle Niesen, giving the motto for the MD Efficiency Car Team. This team is only one of the school's many academic teams.

While some students detest academics, or academic are compelled to add an extra dose of academic rigor to their schedules. The Efficiency Car Team, which placed first in the national competition last year, proves that brains beat brawn any day.

Senior Kyle Niesen, captain of the Efficiency Car Team, has been an active member since his freshman year.

"The car is completely based on engineering, specifically aerodynamics and rolling resistance. We spend months designing the car and making drawings for each and every part," says Neisen.

Neisen admits that the team tends to procrastinate. In the wee hours of the morning, locked inside a garage with the fumes of gas and motor, of welding and painting, ideas eventually seep through. However, the team knows that intelligence isn't always about knowing the answers, but knowing where to find it.

"We search the web for our information. There are lots of references if you know where to look. We study bicycles, go-carts, other super mileage cars, and most importantly, HPVs (human powered vehicles)," Neisen explains.

The Efficiency Car Team works year-round for the competition held during the last weekend of April.

Another popular team at Mater Dei is the Spell Bowl. Although Spell Bowl is a team competition, the individuals are vying to top their own bests. As a first-year competitor, senior Natalie Wolf earned a Near-Perfect Score Award.

"We spent a lot of time preparing for our area competition. We practiced every other day for about an hour or so," Wolf says.

Through long hours of spelling, Wolf not only enjoyed herself, but she enhanced her knowledge of the English language as well.

"People really don't know how much fun Spell Bowl is. The practices were so much fun. Not only did we learn new words, but we also learned what a lot of words meant. It's a vocabulary builder." Wolf explains.

The spelling practices paid off in the end.
When the time came for competition, the Mater
Dei Spell Bowl team was ready to show their
smarts and their team spirit.

"The actual competition was hilarious. We tried to pep each other up by screaming our teammates' names. It was awesome seeing so many teams cheering for Spell Bowl like it was a hisketball game," shares Wolf.

In whatever activities Mater Dei students pursue, it is obvious that through their constant effort and brainpower, these students have proven their intelligence to others and themselves as well.

Susan Muensterman '05





Senior Lauren Muensterman sits by her proctor, listening intently as one of her 10 words is pronounced during a Spell Bowl competition at North High School. This meet served as practice for the state qualifying meet. Photo by: Jessica Grabert



Seniors Susan Muensterman and Natalie Wolf study with junior Mark Modesitt for the Spell Bowl competition at Memorial. The spellers practiced three days a week for an hour to prepare. The team ranked 2nd at the meet. Photo by: Jaclyn Muensterman

Senior Andy Dile cuts an aluminum pipe for the Efficency Car Team. The team competes at Indianapolis in April with other surrounding schools.

Photo by: Brittney Kerchief



Junior Meghan Berneking gives her dramatic interpretation speech at the district competition in Carmel. Berneking was an alternate for the state competition. Staff Photo







Freshman Lauren Grabert and sophomore Danielle Ritter check their room assignments for the district speech competition. Grabert and Ritter performed a speech entitled "Annette and Gina." Staff Photo

The Mater Dei Speech team warms up before compelling at the district competition in Carmel with a singing and dancing game called "The Pony Game." The team placed first in their division. Staff Photo

Junior Ali Raben and senior Jessica Byrley set up cans for the Thanksgiving prayer service. They arrived at school very early to arrange the cans in the shape of a turkey and a hunter. Staff Photo

Senior Emily
Copeland writes a
ticket for an illegally
parked car. During
each Wildcat block,
police officers go out
into the parking lot
to look for possible
violations. Photo by:
Rosanna Sartore

Senior Meagan Koester
compaigns for Mark Modesitt's
LASC presidential campaign.
Modestit enlisted the help and
support of many student council
members for his campaign.
Photo provided by: Mark
Modestit
Meagan Koester
with athletics, but they often do not
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Mater Dei-ville, working hard in order to learn and show their pride.

These groups of students go above and beyond what is required to stand out in their support of Mater Dei. They are the student council and National Honors Society members. So, why do they get involved?

"I decided to join student government because I wanted to be involved in Mater Dei activities," said sophomore Rachel Buskavitz. "I thought

that becoming part of the city of Mater Dei-ville would be a great start to making a difference."

Many of these students are involved

in a variety of clubs, sports, and activities, sometimes making it difficult to attend each activity and meeting.

"It is quite difficult to juggle all of the activities I am involved with. I write down all of my activities in my planner and attempt to do the best I can to manage my time. However, activities frequently coincide with one another," said junior Mark Modesitt.

Other students simply find it hard to function after going to early meetings. "The hardest part of being active in

the student government is reminding myself to wake up a half hour early every Wednesday. It gets tiring," said junior Ali Raben.

However, because they are wellknown and able to balance activities, many of these students are called to be role models to their peers and those younger than them.

"I feel like I set an example for those

who are not involved. This gives me a chance to be a role model and prove how I can make good decisions that will affect my class," said Buskavitz.

Because of their hard work, Mater Dei High School recognizes those who work to remain active, as well as keep up good grades through the National Honors Society program.

There's certainly pressure that you may be not get in." said senior Britany Erkman. "However, as long as you are confident, everything will work out. I was honored when I was told I could be part of National Honors Society. It challenges me to work hard both in and out of school and to maintain a good attitude toward schoolwork."

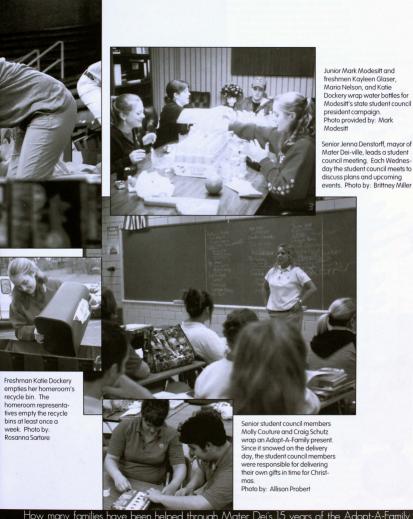
Through their attitude, dedication, and hard work, these students push themselves to be better than even they believe they can be.

Jessica Grabert '06





## Lead the Way



How many families have been helped through Mater Dei's 15 years of the Adopt-A-Family program? 375

The Mater Dei community is full of teachers and students who are dedicated to inspiring others through special groups. Some of these groups focus on inspiring peers, while others center on younger students in the larger community.

New this year were the Freshman Mentors. A group of juniors and seniors was selected to help the incoming freshmen get acquainted with the school. Each mentor was assigned a group of freshmen to meet with over the summer and during the school year.

"We called our freshmen over the summer to let them know that we were here for them if they had any questions," says junior mentor Scott Schapker. "On Back-to-School Night, we went through the freshmen's schedules with them and showed them where their classes would be."

Having an older student, rather than a teacher, explain topics such as scheduling and lunch procedures may be more beneficial to freshmen.

"I was a freshman once, and I can relate," says Schapker. "I know the important topics to cover with the freshmen and have firsthand experience with the teachers and classes that they are now experiencing."

The freshmen who listen to their mentors can be inspired to be active in school, follow rules, and have good study habits.

"I try to inspire my freshmen by stressing the importance of developing good study habits as a freshman. These habits will stay with you throughout high school, and they will have an impact on your grades," says Schapker.

The PEERS Project is a group that travels to the Mater Dei feeder schools. This club talks to middle schoolers about abstinence.

"The information is presented in a serious manner. This really makes the kids think about how they want their future to be," says senior Kristin Schapker.

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The strong faith background and morals of the students involved with the PEERS Project inspire the middle school students to make promises of abstinence themselves.

"The kids look up to you because of how you present yourself and what you believe. If they see that there are actually high school students with these beliefs, then they are more likely to adopt those beliefs," states Kristin.

Finally, the Teens For Life Group is devoted to raising awareness concerning important issues of our day.

"Students learn ways to advance a culture of life and a civilization based on love and truth," says sponsor Mr. John McMullen. "We raise awareness of critical life issues of our time such as cloning, the death penalty, the amoorn right to life, and stem cell research."

One major project the group participates in is the annual Right to Life March in Washington D.C.
"We in price students to support sights for

"We inspire students to support rights for everyone from the womb to the tomb," concludes McMullen.

Brittney Miller '06





Senior Emily Stute explains the class schedule to freshman Ashley Gilles during lunch. The Freshman Mentor group was new to Mater Dei this year and a great success. Photo by: Brittni Herron



Senior Rachel Ketzner plays with a child at St. Vincent's Day Care during Ministry class. The class goes to their site every other class day. Photo by: Brittney Kerchief



Senior Michelle Farney colors with one of the children at St. Vincent's Day Care. Farney enjoys the class because she gets to spend time with the children. Photo by: Brittney Kerchief

Juniors Sarah Scatt and Kayley Will lead a game during their "Assertiveness Group" PEERS Project presentation at Resurrection Grade School. The game is designed to inspire the students to be aware of the dangers associated with certain decisions they might make in the future. Photo by: Brithey Willer







Junior Matt Major performs a skit during his Peers Project performance. Major and his group teach middle school students about peer pressure and how to be assertive. Photo By: Rosanna Sartore Junior Brittney Schenk and senior Emily Provost act in a skit during a Red Ribbon Week assembly. Without members educate students on the realities and consequences of drug and alcohol abuse. Staff Photo

How many steps do the Teens For Life take in Washington, D.C. during the march? 13,200 steps per walk on average

Senior Allison Mesker distributes the Eucharist to junior Alivia Scott. The **Fucharistic Ministers train** with Father Ken prior to Mass. Photo by: McKenzie Williams

In a time where faith issues are rarely discussed, Mater Dei students prove that tenet to be incorrect, incorporating faith and values in school functions, ministries, and the ways they live their lives. When asking Mater Dei students what their idea of faith is, most say that faith revolves around belief and trust.

"Faith is when you believe in something without question and without seeing it," said senior Craig Maier.

Because faith is the reason for this school, many students look to school ministries and outside ministry in order to find fulfillment. These ministries include retreats, eucharistic ministers, and ministry class. Some find this type of ministry important.

"Some students don't take the time to get involved with ministries," said

senior Kasey Kollker. "It shows. They don't ever really know God. Ministry helps us discover our roles in life through our relationships with others."

Students at Mater Dei are privileged to experience retreats each year. Many seniors opt to help at these retreats, remembering the guidance and

experiences previous seniors shared with them. The purpose of retreats is to help

the class unify and grow together in their faith. The students are given the chance to spend a day getting to know each other and to receive guidance," stated senior Jaclyn Muensterman.

Another way that students are involved with their faith is by becoming Eucharistic Ministers. This ministry is done outside of the school community.

"I became a Eucharistic Minister for two reasons. First, because of the role God plays in my values and everyday choices. Secondly, because I wanted to follow in my mother's footsteps," said senior Brittney Kerchief.

Faith cannot necessarily be seen, but it can be felt and touched in the various ways we work, live, and learn together.

Religion in school does not enable my faith in God to change," said senior Craig Schutz, "However, the faith I have in classmates grows daily, as does the faith I have in myself."

Through the activities that Mater Dei offers, students spend more time showing their faith in God and in each other. Though faith changes form in different ways, it revolves around belief

Jessica Grabert '06 ur Jaith iving



Students bow their heads and hold hands during See You at the Pole. At the beginning of every year, students join other schools across the country to pray simultaneously. Staff Photo

Freshmen Rachel Sweenv and Katie Dockery and junior Amanda Cox join hands during a school prayer service. Students gather numerous times to pray for special intentions.

Photo by: McKenzie Williams







Sophomore Sam Lewis passes the Eucharist bowl to Father Kenny Steckler. Taking up the giffs is a way students can volunteer during Masses. Photo by: Courtney Rausch



Teachers join Father Ken by raising hands to bless the Eucharistic Ministers. This ritual is often used to get the teachers and students involved during the liturgy. Photo by: Brittni Herron

Senior Danny Martin, a senior table leader, watches as freshman Matthew Market while he writes a letter that he will open at his junior retreat. The letter reflects Market's life, goals, and dreams for the future. Photo by: Allison Probert

Seniors Michelle Reitman, Leslie Kaiser, and Jenna Denstorff answer questions during the sophomore retreat. The sophomores split up according to gender to ask questions without the teachers present.

Photo by: Brittney Kerchief

For many Mater Dei students, charitable atoms are instinctive. Some students learn the importance of helping those in need from their family, friends, and community. Others find that giving to the helpless in the community makes them feel that they are part of something that matters. No matter who, how, or why, giving is a way of life at Mater Dei.

Senior Natalie Wolf and her mother saw the opportunity to help those in foreign countries and took action.

"I got a brochure through the mail to sponsor a child through Chidren's International. We sponsored a girl from Guatemala named Lesvia," Wolf said.

For Wolf, giving not only helped Lesvia, but it also gave her a sense of satisfaction. She affected the life of a little girl, as well as the rest of the world.

"It made me feel like I was doing something important in the world," explained Wolf.

Freshman Alicia Farney initally experienced widespread charity during her first semester here at Mater Dei.

"I brought in canned foods for the annual Thanksgiving drive and also clothes for the children in my homeroom's Adopt-A-Family," Farney said.

Although she hadn't had much experience in participating in school-wide drives, Farney quickly figured out the importance of giving to the needy.

"It made me feel good because I was helping other people and making their lives a little better. It's important because if I were stuck in that situation, I would want help, too," Farney remarked.

There are many opportunities to help at Mater Dei without involving the student council. When the American Red Cross visited Mater Dei to host blood drives, the student body took advantage of the chance to help save

lives.
"It was for a good cause, and people need blood. We have it, so why not give it?" asks

senior Hannah Johnson.

Although her first experience in giving blood was less than pleasant, it didn't stop

Johnson from donating again.
"The first time I gave, I got a hard bump on
my arm, and the next day I had a bruise on my
arm bigger than my hand! But I still gave

blood the next time, and it didn't happen again," Johnson said. Senior Kyle Neisen also donated blood, but

he had more personal reasons.
"I have had a few transplants, and I know I

would have been in serious trouble without them," Neisen said. "I didn't think of it as saying lives. I thought of it as paying back those who helped me."

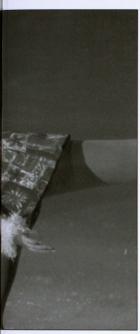
Generous spirits make Mater Dei students who they are—charitable individuals who care about the world and people around them.

Jaclyn Muensterman '05





Junior Corey Lannert counts the Rice Bowl money the student body collected during the Lenten season. Photo by: Rosanna Sartore



Sophomore Mackenzie Riggs performs a routine during the Skate for the Cure event. The event, held at Swander's Ice Rink, raised money for breast cancer.
Staff Photo

Mater Dei students, faculty, and staff participate in the annual Walkathon. The proceeds from this event help support the senior class trip and class retreats. Staff Photo



Junior Meghan Berneking sorts clothes to give to St. Vincent DePaul. Berneking, a member of Holy Redeemer youth group, helped collect clothes to donate for over two months. Photo by: Allison Probert







Seniors Mary Williamson, Mallory Morrow, and junior Ali Raben nail a portion of the Habital for Humanity home together. The girls represented the Mater Dei service club at the event. Photo by: Brittni Herron

Senior Natalie Wolf helps erect a cemetery of crosses representing the number of babies aborted each year. Wolf, a part of Teens for Life, participates in abortion profests in Evanswille and Washington D.C. Staff Photo Seniors Allison Mesker, Jeremy Coomes, and Phil Fischer eat at the Souper Supper. Mater Dei and Memorial sponsor this event, with proceeds going to Riley Hospital. Photo by: Brittney Kerchief

Sophomore Mackenzie Riggs is handed two cases of pudding while working for the Service Club at St. Vincent DePaul Food Bank. Photo by: Jessica Grabet



the error that Mater Dei is interested in helping the Homeless for the Homeless event.

Senior Andy Krack digs into a bowl of chicken noodle soup at the Souper Supper. Krack represented the student government by working at the event. Photo by: Brittney Kerchief



From the state championships to the exceptional academic teams, the Mater Dei student body excels in almost everything it does. One of the biggest ways Mater Dei stands out from the rest is through service hours, whether it's through the Service Club or other community sponsored events.

One way students give back to the community is by participating in the Race for the Cure, which helps raise money to fight breast cancer. In the past few years, Mater Dei has had its own student team in the race.

"Having our own team gets a lot more kids involved," said junior Laura Mesker. "People like the idea of racing with their friends and being able to help others at the same time."

Besides allowing people to have fun, large student participation also gives Mater Dei a character boost.

"Entering the race as a team shows

that Mater Dei is interested in helping people and making a difference. It makes us look good to have so many students participate," remarked Jenna Denstorff.

Perhaps the biggest way Mater Dei is able to show compassion to the community is through the Service Club. The Service Club offers many events throughout the school year that allow students to reach out and earn required service hours at the same time.

"The Service Club is an organization that makes Mater Dei look very reputable," explained junior Brittney Miller, secretary of the club. "People in the community really depend on us in their times of need."

The Service Club members have volunteered their time at the Pine Haven nursing home, Saint Vincent DePaul Food Bank, Saint John's Day Care, the Health Department, and have sponsored

"My sister and I have been involved in the Service Club for a few years and we think it's a great opportunity to get students to care about helping the less fortunate in their community," states senior Jaclyn Muensterman, copresident of the Service Club.

Mater Dei students recognize the great deal of support that the community provides, and enjoys giving back.

"Service hours are great ways for Mater Del students to give back to the community that supports us in everything we do," comments junior Adam Wolf, a Service Club member. "When the Service Club goes to the nursing home or puts on a party for little kids, we show that even though we excel in the classroom and in sports, we want to make our presence known outside the walls of Mater Del;"

Kayley Will '06



#### Give a Little



Senior Leslie Woehler jumps on Jessica Byrley's back during Race for the Cure while classmates Kristin Schapker and Mary Williamson look on. Students work together as a team to help in the fight against cancer. Staff Photo

Freshman Sam Moore is embraced by a resident of Pine Haven Nursing Home. Residents appreciated visits from Mater Dei students. Photo by: Brittni Herron



Junior Kenny Tenbarge escorts a nun from the Daughters of Charity after the Nutracker performance. As a police officer, Tenbarge was involved in a plethora of activities, including ushering and traffic control. Staff Photo Homework may be a dreaded eightletter word, but it is definitely a necessary evil. Some students complain about having too much homework, yet they still manage to get it finished, knowing the consequences that could follow if they didn't. When there are so many distractions, how do students stay motivated and devoted?

In grade school, parents helped to make sure that homework got done and tests were studied for. Every time that a good grade was achieved on a test or assignment, there was a reward.

"In grade school my parents paid me \$2 for every "A" I got on my report card. As I got older and they stopped paying me, I began to lose motivation, but I soon realized that school was still important," senior Andy Krack reminisces.

In high school, students have to find new motivation to get good grades and complete homework. This motivation comes from many areas.

"Bad grades keep me motivated. I hate them, and having a couple in my life has really made me feel like I could have done better," senior Beth Groves shares.

Senior April Scheller agrees that grades are motivation for getting her work done on time.

"I know for sure that my grades would be significantly lower if I didn't do my homework. I wouldn't learn as much without homework, either."

Getting good grades is not the only motivation for staying devoted to homework. As students hit their senior year, many develop senioritis. Everyone pictures senior year as a year to slack off and take the easy classes, but in reality seniors have to prove their devotion to homework and school more than ever.

"I can't afford to let my grades drop. I know my acceptance relies on my final transcripts. If my grades drop I could lose my scholarships and wouldn't be able to go to my choice college due to utition costs." senior Dana Mueller savs.

Students have to get good grades to aquire scholarships and get accepted into their dream colleges. They then have to maintain their excellent grades, even after acceptance, to keep sholarships.

Staying devoted to homework is a difficult task, but it is a necessary element to success. Students have to discover the motivation that works for them and use it to stay devoted.

Brittney Kerchief '05





Sophomore Ryan Musgrave reads his outside novel during English class. The class is required to do weekly updates. Photo by: Allison Probert





Seniors Brittany Erkman and Cassie Schentrup dissect a fetal pig during advanced biology. Erkman took the pig home with her for extra study time before the tests. Photo by: Brittni Herron

Junior Amanda Cox studies for Algebra II using a "foldable." Mrs. Strehl had her students make the book as a creative and different way to learn. Photo by: Rosanna Sartore



Sophomore Ryan Wink works on homework for geometry class. Each day students hope to have extra time after a lecture to work on the assigned work. Photo by: Brittni Herron







Junior Emily Winternheimer prepares for a chemistry test during Wildcat block. Mr. Schleter requires a student to turn in the chapter's homework on test day. Photo by. Rosanna Sartore

Junior Rosanna Sartore researches information for an English paper while at Holy Redeemer. Sartore is able to concentrate in this special room dedicated to teenagers. Photo by: Allison Probert Junior Mark Modesitt, who played Russel in And They Dance Real Slow in Jackson, searches in the woods for Elizabeth Ann Willow, played by junior Rachel Schenk. Photo by: Brittney Kerchief



laugh, but a few scenes later they would feel guilty for laughing. The audience would then be crying or dead silent," senior Ben Weber, who played Skeeter Robins, reminisces.

The play, previously unknown to many of its audience members, was forever imprinted on their hearts. The story of a crippled girl, played by junior Rachel Schenk, who grows up as the center of most neighborhood jokes, is a touching drama that made the audience want to reach out and help the little girl. At the end, the play was able to tear apart the audience's hearts when the neighbors shatter the girl's dreams.

"The end of the play did an incredible job showing the reality of the cruel people in the world. It made me feel empowered to stand up for others," senior Jenna Denstorff shares.

The spring musical, Annie, was more well-known to most of its audience. It was a huge success, with Brittany Erkman playing the role of the little orphan girl. Junior Rachel Schenk shined as the hateful Miss Hannigan. Other outstanding cast members

included freshman Sam Moore, who played Daddy Warbucks, and senior Jaclyn Muensterman, who played

Grace.

None of these performances were a unique as this year's talent show. The acts ranged from dancing to an elbowlicking comedy. A Grease rendition by sophomores Jewel Reising and Hannal Boots took home first prize.

"Winning felt good. At first I was i shock, but once it kicked in, it was awesome," Boots recalled.

The performers ended the year with bang, just as they started it. As the yea closed, the performances blurred into one vision of applause and accomplish ment. In the hearts of the audience, all of the performers went home as stars.

Brittney Kerchief '(

A Leg



Junior Rachel Schenk's character, Miss Hannigan, scolds senior Brittnay Erkman's character, Annie in the spring musical. Erkman's dog made an appearance as the loveable Sandy. Photo by: Liz Wargel

Sophomores Jewel Reising and Hannah Boots sing "You're the One That I Want," from the musical *Grease*. The girls' performance earned them first place at the talent show. Photo by: Brittni Herron



drama

Junior Tiffany Floyd took home second place by singing "Cruz" at the Mater Dei Talent Show. The show was organized by the student council to raise money for the Lambda Chi Alpha Fraternity's Teeter-Tottera-thon and Mr. Will's grandson. Photo by: Brittni Herron



Junior Rachel Schenk helps Mr. Drew unfold a carpet for the set of And They Dance Real Slow in Jackson. The cast dedicated many hours to building the set and backdrop. Photo by: Jessica Grabert









Senior Jaclyn Muensterman's character, Grace, threatens to phone the board of orphanages. Grace saved Annie from Miss Hannigan's torture by using this tactic. Photo by: Liz Wargel

Seniors Jeremy Coomes, Scott Koressel, and Jason Devillez entertain the audience as hosts of the Mater Dei Talent Show. The trio changed into many extravagant outfits throughout the night and told many uproarious jokes. Photo by: Brittni Herron

Annie.

Seniors Drew Jenkins and Ben Weber discuss different ideas for Roosevelt's New Deal during the spring musical, Photo by: Liz Wargel

Seniors Jessica Byrely and Beth Cardin cheer on the wrestlers at Team State. Byrely and Cardin used their voices to help motivate the wrestlers. Photo by: Brittni Herron

Senior Katie Barnes paints a wrestling sign after school. The Mat Cats decorated the wrestling gym with many colorful posters. Photo by: Brittni Herron





Seniors Marie Schiff and Beth Groves hang up a basketball goal during Homecoming week. A different section of the school was decorated by each class. Photo by: Brittni Herron Step into the world of glitter, rubber cement, markers, and school spirit. The Pep Club and Mat Cats show their dedication to Mater Dei athletes throughout the year.

"Pep Club makes the student body realize no matter how important the

sport is to Mater Dei, we support each and every person in their talents," says freshman Ashley

Citiles.

Throughout each athletic season, various posters can be seen down the hallways posted on the players' and managers' lockers. They are always cheerful, spirited, and colorful, bringing smiles to the competitors. In addition, the Pep Club plans each assembly, with the eventual goal that the crowd will leave the gym pumped up and supporting each activity that was reconized.

"We do all the stats and videotaping for the coaches. We make posters that are hung in the wrestling room to inspire the wrestlers. We also make scrapbooks for each wrestler, highlighting their triumphs and hard work," says senior

Katie Zenthoefer, a two-year Mat Cat.
These subtle supporters and
contributors realize that they can help
without being the center of attention or
even associated with sports. All they
have to do is enjoy supporting Mater
Dei activities.

"I don't feel we need to be acknowledged any more than we are simply because it isn't about us; we chose to do this for the wrestlers, not for ourselves," states junior Tiffany Floyd.

The fan turnout and dedication at the different events is largely in part to the players and their skills, practice, and success, but Pep Club and Mat Cats lead to some of the dedication. Through them, the awareness of various programs is spread all over the school.

"I think Pep Club increases school spirit by getting people excited and by acknowledging people for their participation in activities. The most successful method would be assemblies that incorporate games to get the crowd involved," says junior Katie Alexander.

The best recognition for each of these groups is the fans coming in flocks to Mater Dei events. This allows the members to realize that their work does not so unheralded.

does not go unheralded.

"The best things are when a tournament runs smoothly, and we get positive attitudes from the coaches and players. It lets us know that they understand what we do for them," states junior Mat Cat, Alivia Scott.

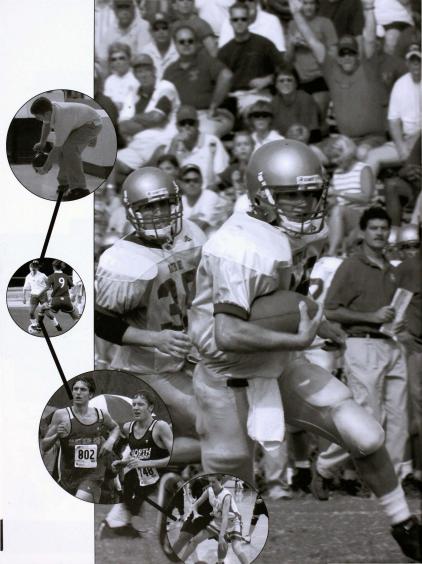
Through their dedication, the participants of both Mat Cats and Pep Club motivate the student body to bring their pride, commitment, and enthusiasm for Mater Dei to the next level.

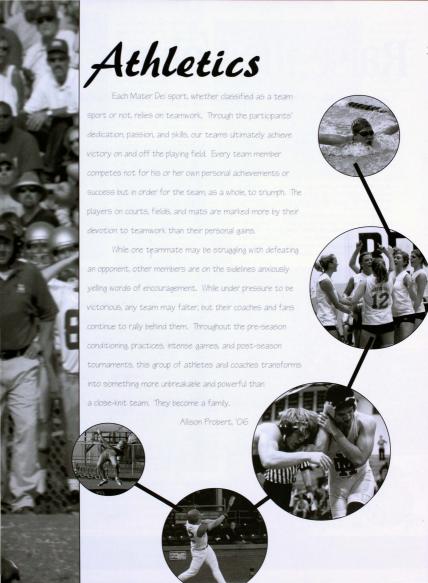
Allison Probert '06



### Spirit Within







#### Raise the Volume

Mater Dei High School is widely known for its winning sports teams and its highlyspirited fan base. At many athletic events, hundreds of red and gold clad supporters can be seen and heard pumping up our competing teams. Two groups in charge of pumping up the crowd are the Dance Cats and cheerleaders. Although sometimes overlooked, the two groups play a huge role in increasing the spirit level of the famous Mater Dei crowd.

The Mater Dei cheerleaders continuously try to increase the level of spirit amongst the crowd at every athletic game. Although they sometimes complain that the students aren't spirited enough, they continue to find ways to pump up the morale.

"We use new, exciting cheers and chants, make signs, and perform exciting assembly routines to try to increase the level of spirit."

cheering sections.

"We show unity, teamwork, and good sportsmanship, and by cheering, try to higher the morale of the football team, basketball team, and the fans," explains senior Dance Cat. Brittney Kerchief.

Unlike most sports teams at Mater Dei, the Dance Cats are usually in control of their routines, using their coaches only for suggestions and moral support. However, making up dances is not easy work.

"To get a dance ready to perform, one or two of the team members make up a dance to teach to the rest of the team. When coming up with the dance, the members of the team choreographing it spend a lot of time making sure it's creative, different, and fun for

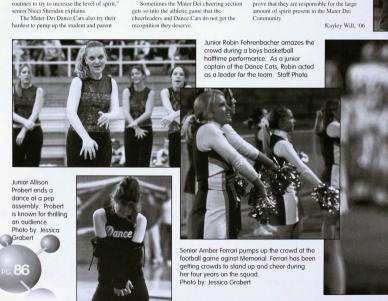
everyone," explains junior Jennifer Rathgeber. Sometimes the Mater Dei cheering section gets so into the athletic game that the cheerleaders and Dance Cats do not get the

"We want people to know that we do work hard and sacrifice a lot to cheer. I believe with all the things we do for football and basketball players, we deserve more." describes senior Rachel Luigs.

The majority of the Dance Cats agree that despite their dedication, recognition doesn't come easy. However, the members of the team hope that they can prove themselves in the future

"In the past, the Dance Cats haven't received much support from our peers. I hope by showing how well we perform in front of the crowds, we can show that we enjoy what we do," explains junior Dance Cat Robin Fehrenbacher.

Through cheers, chants, stunts, and dances, the Mater Dei cheerleaders and Dance Cats prove that they are responsible for the large amount of spirit present in the Mater Dei





Junior Emily Elpers yells in an attempt to get the crowd fired up during a boy's basketball game. With the girls' support, the boys basketball team won the game. Staff Photo

Senior Nicci Sheridan, a four year member of the cheerleading squad, gets the crowd on its feet between quarters of a boys basketball game. Staff Photo



Senior Captain Brittany Erkman works the crowd during her final performance at the Mater Dei vs. Central boys basketball game. Photo by: Kayley Will



Sophomores Sarah Schneider and Danielle Ritter get Mater Dei fans pumped up at a home basketball game. Photo by: Jessica Grabert

Senior Kourtney Scott leads the crowd in a cheer at a football game. Scott's enthusiasm makes her an important member of the cheerleading squad.



Freshman Kayleen Glaser smiles as she completes her routine at another home game. Photo by: Kayley Will

### Flying High

The Mater Dei girls volleyball season was not only successful, but it was eventful as well. The girls completed the season with special memories and a feeling of accomplishment that made a remarkable season

For senior Molly Couture, a four-year member of the Mater Dei volleyball team, her last season on the team was one to be proud of.

"We did really well. We beat some key teams like Forest Park and Heritage Hills, but we also had a few disappointing losses," Couture said.

The volleyball team's ability to keep a positive frame of mind aided the players in winning their games.

"It felt really good to beat Heritage Hills on our home court," said senior Katie Zenthoefer. "It felt great to beat a team that qualified for state. It showed that all of our hard work had paid off."

The team tried to keep a positive attitude and focus on the wins rather than the losses.

"We never dwelt on our losses because we knew from the past that it prevented improvement. We knew our team wasn't as talented as some of the teams we came up against, but we came out with the victories with our teamwork and our heart that is traditional of Mater Dei athletics," Couture explained.

Another major aspect of the team's success was due to the experienced seniors. The leadership the senior girls showed proved their passion for the sport. The seniors helped the younger girls and kept the Mater De it radition alive.

"We knew how important it was for seniors to care about the whole volleyball team because the freshman and junior varsity would be the future of Mater Dei volleyball," Couture said. "Sometimes we had to be loud and maybe a little bossy, but that's a part of leadership that can't come from coaches."

Another key factor in the team's success was their friendship and teamwork.

"We played well together as a team, and we got along really well," said senior Cassie Schentrup.

Although the girls put an enormously unbearable amount of work into their game, they still found fun in the sport as well as in their teammates

"Our bus rides were always pretty eventful. Considering how much time we spent together, everyday for three months, it was amazing how awesome we got along. Somehow, we not only kept our sanity, but had a blast the whole season," said Couttre.

For Couture, playing volleyball at Mater Dei was an honor. It was a moment in time that will not soon be forgotten.

"The memories and the girls will always be with me. It was awesome to walk on the court with that Mater Dei jersey on," Couture said.

While watching the team play, the teamwork skills necessary were visible, and the victories followed. It showed on the court that the girls played every game with determination and put their hearts into it. The girls' spirit is why this season will stick out forever.

Jaclyn Muensterman, '05



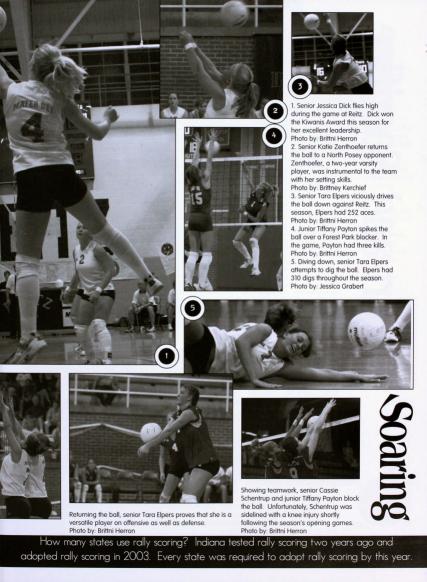
Senior Tara Elpers, a four year member of the volleyball team, rises up to spike the ball. Elpers had 235 essential kills all season and was an asset to the team. Photo by: Brittney Kerchief



Even though senior Jessica Dick and junior Alyssa Edwards go up strong for a third match block., the Wildcats could not pull a sectional upset against Boonville. Staff Photo

Senior Tara Elpers and junior Alyssa Edwards jump in unison to attempt a block at home against the Lady Vikings of North Posey. Photo by: Brittney Kerchief





### Sacrifi eart and

From the achievements of the Mater Dei football program comes a lot of pride. Attributing to the pride and success are four key elements: tradition, winning, leadership, and teamwork.

Tradition is a major element in the pride of Mater Dei. Many young boys dream of becoming football players some day, and many follow in the footsteps of their fathers and brothers. In addition, they become examples of hard work and success for those who are to come.

"People look up to you. You are a different person when you play football for Mater Dei. You have to be a good example for the young players who look to follow in your footsteps," says senior Danny Martin

Senior quarterback, Dustin Slaton, is an example of a player who has followed in his father's footsteps. Scott Slaton was also once quarterback at Mater Dei.

"There is tremendous pride in being a Mater Dei football player," says Slaton. "Growing up and watching the games as a little kid, all I could think about was getting to put on a jersey some day. There have been so many great players to come out of Mater Dei that it's great to be a part of the football tradition."

People of all ages can be seen at Mater Dei football games. It's not unusual to see little boys in Mater Dei jerseys that are a few sizes too large. They hope to some day grow into them and wear them proudly on the field like their role models.

"It feels so good to be part of something so special and big in the community," shares junior David Hudson. "As I run out on the field, I look up at the crowd and see little kids watching us. It brings me back to when I was a kid dreaming of being where I am now."

A game played against Mater Dei's biggest rival exemplified the intensity of the season

"The best game of the season was probably against Reitz. No one really thought we could win besides us. They were confident coming in, and I don't think they had any idea how focused we were," says Slaton. "We came out with a total team effort and got the job done. Till never forget the feeling when the game was over, and all of the fans were cheerine".

In addition to the leadership from the coaches, the seniors on the team also stepped up this season to lead and motivate the team.

"The seniors told the team what was expected," says Hudson. "They said we wouldn't succeed if we didn't come together. They started working harder and wanted everyone else to work harder, too."

Not only was there impressive solidarity among the seniors, but the whole team grew very close over the season.

"The team unity was tremendous. Everyone bought into the team concept, and the results were excellent," says Slaton. "Everybody got along and hung out, whether it was football related or not."

The student leadership and teamwork left a strong impact on the players.

"The team this year had the best bond of any team," says Martin. "We respected each other and played as a team, not as individuals."

Brittney Miller, '06





Junior Nathan Miller rushes the ball past defenders. Miller received Mater Dei's Mental Attitude Award, setting a great example for the team. Staff Photo



After scoring a touchdown, senior Andy Reddington gets the crowd on its feet. Reddington had 11 touchdowns this season and received the best receiver award. Photo by: Brittni Harron

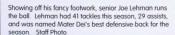
Senior Drew Alcorn runs past defenders at Reitz Bowl. Alcorn earned 1,158 yards, making him fifth in the state in total yards. Staff Photo





ball mid-air. Muensterman was named Academic All-City this season. Staff Photo 2. Senior linemen Cory Goebel, Ryan Matt, and Joe Weinzapfel take down their Mt. Vernon opponent. Staff Photo 3. Senior Dustin Slaton hands the ball off to a fellow team member. Among Slaton's honors this season was best offensive back. Staff Photo 4. Running for a touchdown, senior Andy Reddington passes Mt. Vernon's defenders. Reddington will be playing for Wabash College next year. Staff Photo 5. Senior auarterback Dustin Slaton receives the ball from the center during the Castle game. Slaton passed for







Senior Dustin Slaton hands off the ball to junior Ryan Schnarre. This was Slaton's third year as starting quarterback for the Wildcats. Staff Photo

**Dreams** 

#### Changing the Speed

On a normal day, the girls cross country team could be seen laughing and throwing pine needles as they stretched to warm up. However, the girls knew when to be serious.

With all the determination, hard work, and motivation from the senior leaders, the girls placed fourth at regionals, one spot higher than last year's team.

Faced with a rebuilding year, the girls pushed their minds and bodies, in hopes of making it to semi-state.

"Losing Katie McKinney was tough, and it was different without her," said senior Kathy Goebel, "However, every girl on the team made a big difference. Every place counted; every girl did her part."

Things looked bleak at the beginning of the season due to many injuries the team suffered. The girls motivated one another to tough out their injuries. They focused on setting personal records, in order to reach their final goal of semi-state.

"Our biggest challenge this season was to advance to semi-state. We knew it would be close at regionals. So, when Coach told us we had placed fourth (at regionals), we all started screaming," junior Ellen Weinzapfel said.

Juniors Katie Scheller, Kim Spahn, and Ellen Weinzapfel agreed that the reason the team was able to advance so far was because of excellent senior leadership.

"The night before semi-state, we had a meeting. It made me realize how much I was going to miss the people that were going to graduate. We had a lot of seniors who wanted to make their last season count, and their determination was very motivating," Spahn said

The future loss of their senior leadership didn't hinder anyone's spirits. The team came back with an attitude that lasted throughout the season and post-season.

"Kathy Goebel really became our leader and pushed herself and everyone to make it to semi-state," said Weinzaphel.

The girls had many memorable experience during the season. Some were serious,
such as when junior Julia Dick caught
bronchitis. Some were fun, like when the
girls goofed around while warming up. Some
were even downright painful, such as when
the girls 'legs went numb while taking ice
baths. All in all, memorable moments defined
the season.

"The most memorable moment this season was when we went to Bloomington for semistate," said Scheller, "It was pouring down rain and cold and windy, but it was a good experience."

Because each girl pushed herself beyond her limits, the team as a whole improved from past years.

"We weren't going to give our spot away when we knew how much we deserved it," Goebel said

Jessica Grahert '06



In the last seconds of a race, junior Kim Spahn pushes herself to move a few places ahead. Spahn, along with the other girls on the team, pushed herself to challenge her previous personal records. Photo bv. Brittni Herron



During the Mater Dei Invitational, sophomore Krista Wildeman runs with strength and perseverance. As an underclassman, Wildeman looked to the team's senior leaders for expertise and advice. Photo by: Brittni Herron



Leading the pack, senior Kathy Goebel pushes herself to set an example for her team. Goebel recieved All SIAC, All City, All Sectional, and All Regional honors this season.
Photo by: Brittni Herron

As an upperclassmen, junior Katie Scheller had an extra obstacle to overcome. Scheller ran her heart out and would have to be carried off after passing out at the end of each race. Photo by: Brittni Herron





Senior Anna Reckelhoff runs faster to finish ahead of a Boonville runner. Reckelhoff was a key runner when it came to devotion and leadership. Photo by: Brittni Herron

How many times have runners passed out this season? Approximately 15 meets

## Pushing Limits

The 2004 boys cross country team had a season of unprecedented success and glorification, despite the disappointing culmination of the season.

The team was very successful, and there were also great achievements for some runners as individuals.

"Winning city, SIAC, sectionals, and regionals were all highlights for both the team and me. It feels good to go out and be the first team in Mater Dei history to win both city and SIAC in the same year, the first team since 1968 to win a sectional tile, and foremost, to be the first team ever in Mater Dei history to win a regional title." saw senior Andy Krack.

In addition, the team also competed at the state level for a second straight year. Unfortunately, the state race did not go as well as expected.

"I would have to say that the state meet was the low point. We all had high expectations for the team and ourselves. I was extremely disappointed with my performance," says Krack.

The team's last-place finish on the Terre Haute course fell short of their topten goal. Individual runners were disappointed with their finishes, and many felt it was the worst race of the season.

"It was exciting to have made it to state again," senior Scott Koressel says, "but I hoped to compete at a higher level."

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The heartbreaking performance at state reflected the challenges faced by the team

throughout the season.

"Sickness and injury were common issues for most of the team," says junior Patrick McKinney.

Despite the challenges and disappoint-

ments, the season was full of memories and camaraderie.

"Every moment from this season and past seasons will be memorable. It has been the best three years of my life. I wouldn't trade the times I have spent with the team for anything. I'd do anything for must those your." "any Krash."

any of these guys," says Krack.

In addition, the team had outstanding leadership.

"Andy and Scott led the team through everything they did, and they were the best captains a team could have. The glue of the team, though, was Matt Feller, who made sure that if they said anything wrong, they knew it," says McKinney.

The coach was also a strong leader. "Coach Moll is a very religiously centered person and he made sure that we stayed morally correct through the season Through this, we were able to overcome any obstacle," adds McKinney.

Despite the challenges and disappointments at the end of the season, this was the most glorifying Mater Dei cross country season ever.

"This was, despite its tragic end, the greatest season in Mater Dei cross country history. I only wish that we could have won semi-state and finished in the top twelve at state like we should have," says Koressel.

"This is the best team Mater Dei has ever had. We are closer to each other than any team ever will be," adds McKinney.

"I would say the season was great and exciting," sophomore Sean Herron sums up. "We had ups and downs, but we overcame that and did well in the season."

Brittney Miller, '06



Senior Eric Sammet runs at USI. Sammet's best time at USI was 19:28, helping his team defeat their opponents. Photo by: Brittni Herron





Sprinting to the finish, sophomore Sean Herron pushes himself at the Mater Dei Invitational. Herron recieved All City, SIAC, and All Regional honors in additon to running in the state meet for his second year. Photo By: Brittni Herron







- 1. Running their hearts out, seniors Scott Koresssel, Andy Krack, and junior Patrick McKinney run strong together. They lead the team well by their example and leadership. Photo by: Brittni Herron
- First-year runner, sophomore Mitch Eickhoff finishes hard, sprinting past a Memorial oppoent. Despite being an underclassman, Eickhoff earned a place as one of the team's top runners.
- Photo by: Brittni Herron
- 3. Senior Matt Feller focuses on the race at the Mater Dei Invitational. Feller ran the three mile at USI in a time of 18:13 minutes. Photo by: Brittni Herron

### State Bound

## Swing

Girk golf is a very serious sport. It requires much patience, lots of will power, and a strong passion for the game. This year, the girls decided to add two more key elements: team bonding and fun. The girls may not have done as well as they wished or dreamed about, but by putting all of the elements together they had many new, fun experiences while playing together.

"This year was a lot of fun. We all got along, worked well together, and never gave up," senior Natalie Wolf comments. This season was her forth and final at Mater Dei.

This year, the team made it a point for each girl to set her own goals and accomplish them by the end of the season. These goals were written down at the first practice during a team bonding drill. The goals pushed each team member to work harder on a day-to-day basis.

In order to acheive these goals, the girls had to help each other improve on their weaknesses and build on their existing strengths.

surengms. "My main goal for this season was to make it to regionals and possibly on to state. I especially wanted to do better than last year," Wolf replies about her personal goals. "Thanks to the hard practices and motivation from my team, I went to regionals and had a better season than last year."

Led by Coach Jeff Jewel, the team practiced at Helfrich Hills Golf Course after school every day. The girls had to do many tough drills such as chipping, putting, and a game called Nine Holes. Not only did these drills improve their game, but they also brought all of their relationships closer. To improve the team, the girls motivated and encouraged each other. Before they knew it, they had become a united team, as well as a group of of very close friends.

"Practices were a lot of fun. We worked hard, and it brought us together as a team," sophomore Jenna Whorl remembers.

Not only did the girls have fun at practices, they also had a great time on the way to their matches. The trip to each match was made in the school's infamous white van. The van was not in the greatest condition, but this only made more room for jokes. Many of the team's favorite memories come from their rides in the van. Every ride was something new, exciting, and full of fun.

"The rides in the white van were so much fun. We made fun of each other and goofed off the entire time. They really brought us closer together as a team," senior Niki Render comments.

All of the team members would agree when saying this season was a memorable one.

"It really was an unforgettable season because we have two seniors leaving who will be missed. And the bus rides home were always hilarious," three-year golf team member, junior Kasey Render, sums up the year.

The entire team grew as a whole and became the best of friends. The season ended with plenty of wonderful memories. By fusing together all of the key elements they needed, the girls had a great season filled with lots of laughs.

Brittney Kerchief, '05

Junior Kasey Render fights the sun as she attempts to make a short putt. Render, a third-year member of the golf team, has steadily improved since she began. Photo by: Lynnsey Zirkelbacch







Sophomore Jenna Whorl asks Coach Jeff Jewel for advice. Whorl's best score this season was her 52 at Helfrich Golf Course. Photo by: Hannah Wagner Golf is a competitive sport, but it also allows for interaction between the players, like when sophomore Danielle Rolley compares notes with a Memorial golfer. Photo by: Lynnsey Zirkelbach



season was a 53 in 9 holes

carries her golf bag to the next hole. Render achieved her goal for the season by scoring a 50, her best score

3. Senior Natalie Wolf holds her body in perfect postiton as she attempts to make a putt. Wolf advanced to regionals, and her best score this season was a 79 Photo by: Lynnsey

Zirkelbach







First-year golf member, sophomore Danielle Rolley, concentrates on an upcoming putt. Rolley surveys the green to decide how hard she must putt the ball. Photo by: Lynnsey Zirkelbach

Will To Win

## hallenging

At a glance, the boys tennis team had a relatively uneventful season. At a closer look, however, they had a wonderful season filled with challenges, fun memories, key victories, heartbreaking losses, and hard work.

The beginning of the season was full of goals. Most of the players set high standards for themselves and the team, hoping to accomplish more than they had the year before.

"I was hoping to finish the season with a winning record as an individual. I was also hoping for the team to improve our record," stated junior Lucas Nelson.

To achieve these goals, the players had to come together. Becoming a team was one of the many challenges the tennis team had to face this season.

"One challenge that occurred this season was the relationships between the teammates. We overcame it by talking to each other and by learning from our mistakes," commented Junior Corey Lannert, who played number three singles.

Hard work and commitment were crucial to the team's improvement. Everyday practices were vital in bettering the team and enabling them to stick with the tough competition.

"A challenge for me was having to play the best kids in the city. I had to practice really hard and devise strategies to take advantage of my opponents' weaknesses," explained junior Branden Clements, the team's number one singles player.

Throughout the season, there were many moments that pumped the team's morale. One prime example was the victory over Reitz.

"The high point of the season for me was beating Reitz 4-1," Lannert recalled. "The matches got really competitive and intense. The guys my partner and I were playing kept trying to hit us with shots, and we got pretty mad. But we ended up beating them, which was cool."

Although the team improved their record from last year, the season was not without its losses. The moments of the season sometimes occurred on an individual basis, with the players feeling they did not play to their full potential.

"The low point of the season for me was a three-set loss to the number one doubles team from North," stated Nelson. "We did awesome in the first set and won 6-2. We were on a roll and were up 2-0 in the second set, but we ended up losing it 6-2. The last set was really close, but we ended un losing it 6-2. The last set was really close, but we ended un losing 4-6."

In addition to individual disappointments, there were also a few matches where the entire team was unhappy with its performance. An example of this would be the first-round sectional loss. However, the season was filled with memorable happenings that enhanced the victories and downplayed the losses.

"The entire season was funny. There wasn't a day that something funny didn't happen. Sometimes our coach would make jokes about people. The trips in the van were pretty fun. too." Nelson mused.

The boys tennis team is a perfect example of how to produce an all-around good season, complete with lots of fun, hard work, and the determination to overcome inevitable challenges.

Kayley Will, '06





Junior Branden Clements wipes the sweat from his brow as he receives advice during a changeover. Clements advanced to semi-state in singles for the first time. Photo by: Rachel Williams

Senior Kyle Neisen grimaces after a bad shot. Neisen, a three-year tennis team member, played both singles and doubles during his tennis career at Mater Dei. Photo by: Brittney Miller Junior Corey Lannert reaches for a short ball while playing with his doubles partner, Kyle Neisen. Together, the boys worked hard in a rare double combination. Photo by: Megan Ziliak



- Junior Lucas Nelson waits in the case of a return pass as fellow junior, Chris Coudret, serves the ball. Both boys helped lead the team to victory. Photo by: Britthi Herron
- 2. Junior Corey Lannert returns a serve from his opponent. Each player's individual skills were instrumental during the season. Photo by: Megan Ziliak
- 3. Junior Branden Clements hits a forehand ball back to his opponent. Clements became a leader and source of inspiration for the team with his many successes. Photo by: Brittni Herron





Junior Branden Clements prepares to slice his opponent's serve. Slicing leads to a fast back spin that will make it hard to return the ball. Photo by: Brittni Herron

How many tennis balls would it take to cover an entire court?

Obstacles

10,232

# Chang

Despite the disappointing loss to crosstown rival, the Memorial Tigers, in the first round of sectionals, the girls soccer team had an unbelievable season, complete with many rewarding experiences. The season, one of the best in recent years, was something to take notice of.

"The season, overall, was great. Not only did we start off the season very well, but it seemed like we were all very close," said freshman Jamie McGinness.

The expectations for this season were at an all-time high. The girls, however, accepted the challenges and built the season on hard-earned successes.

"The most memorable parts of the season were the first seven games when we were on our winning streak," says senior Emily Shetler. "That was the longest streak in our history, and it helped us get off to a great start."

Each soccer season has memorable moments that will never be forgotten, and this was no different. This season's most exciting moments were focused around two certain games, both of which were against the Tigers from the East Side.

"The best thing about this season was beating Memorial," McGinness says of the 2-1 defeat over Memorial. "Man, that felt good!"

Through pre-games, the team got to know each other even better and developed a strong support system. They came together as a team and played as one unit. This helped them achieve many goals throughout the season.

"This was the most tight-knit group I've ever had the pleasure to play with," says senior Allison Mesker. With help from players and coaches, the team succeeded in defeating the goals they had set prior to the start of the season.

"The three captains helped me out the most this season by pushing me. They were a source of inspiration and leadership, and they worked their hardest everyday," says junior Natalie Fleming.

The success of the season wasn't just built on the players, but it was also attributed to the fans. At both of the Memorial games, the fan support really kept the team focused on winning.

"At the Memorial games, there were so many people, and it made me want to play even harder," says senior Adria Keller. "The adrenaline rush was so high."

Considering they had beaten Memorial earlier in the season, the girl's soccer team suffered a depressing loss to the Tigers in the first round of sectionals.

"It was unfortunate to end the season on a game we could have won," adds Fleming.

Some players will miss this season because of the games and friendships they made along the way.

"The end of the season was disappointing because we realized we wouldn't get to be a team anymore or hang out with all the girls everyday," adds Keller.

Even with the seniors leaving, this team still remains strong. Hopes for a better and even more successful season are already in progress for next year.

"My advice to the returning players next year is to continue to get along, be supportive, and beat Memorial," says Mesker.

Brittni Herron, '05



While going hard for the ball, senior Adrio Keller collides with a Harrison defender. Defense was key on both sides of the field as the game ended in a shut-out.

Photo by: Brittni Herron



Coach Tom Williams explains half-time adjustments during the game against Bloomington South. Williams helped the team achieve their full potential. Photo by: Mackenzie Riggs

Stealing the ball, junior Natalie Fleming shows her soccer skills With 11 goals, Fleming was the team's leading scorer. Photo by: Brittni Herron





- Freshman Kelsey Hoffmann takes a header. Hoffmann brought a lot of spirit to the team with her many interesting voices. Photo by: Brittni Herron
- Moving past a Harrison defender, junior Natalie Fleming protects the ball. Fleming helped lead the Wildcats to a final record of 8-6-3.
- Photo by: Brittni Herron
- 3. Freshman Jamie McGinness shields the ball from a Harrison opponent. McGinness, a freshman on the varsify team, learned a lot throughout the season. Photo by: Brittni Herron
- Junior Jaci Babcock falls as she goes for the ball in the sectional game aganist Memorial. Babcock's agressiveness helped the team.











Senior Sarah Fehrenbacher dribbles the ball down the sideline. Fehrenbacher, a four year member, received a lot of playing time due to her talent and experience. Photo by: Brittni Herron

#### Paving the Way

After losing seventeen seniors from last year, the boys soccer team knew they would have a difficult struggle ahead of them if they wanted to do as well as last year's team. But the challenge became more difficult, as the soccer team also welcomed a new coach, Matt Settles

"I think the biggest challenge was having a very inexperienced team. Only a few guys had played varsity before this year. Also, having a new coach was challenging, but everything fell into place during the season," senior Kyle Swickard said.

Indeed, things did fall into place, and everyone's chemistry matched perfectly.

'Last year we were a really talented team. This year we weren't as talented, but we all made up for it with hard work and hustle," sophomore Matt Price commented.

With only three seniors, the pressure fell on the younger teammates to help out as much as they could.

"It was very tough, considering the past year's large amount of seniors, but it was also a lot of fun because it gave everyone a chance to prove themselves instead of being a seniororiented team," Swickard said,

Unifying the team, most agree, was the biggest challenge they faced this season. "Having a small number of upperclassmen

helped unify the team. Most of the young players played junior varsity last year and moved as a full group to varsity," junior Ben Lasher remarked

As the team began to come together, the season kicked into high gear. Although the boys did not have a particularly successful regular season, they had more luck in the post-

The boys defeated Central to become the sectional champions in a game which still frequently enters the memories of each team member.

"The most memorable game this season

was when we played Central in the sectional final because they had beaten us in the regular season. They had a one goal lead, and we tied it up with about two minutes left. We then beat them in overtime to win," senior Jon TenBarge said.

After winning sectionals, the boys advanced to regionals. Unfortunately, the season ended there, with a loss to Castle.

As the underdog team this year, the boys soccer team exceeded many expectations with hard work and dedication.

"Last year's team played soccer together for so long that they were like a big family. We had so many kids that had never played together that we had to adjust to each other and become a family," said TenBarge.

The challenges of coming together in the regular season, although difficult, were eventually overridden by the sweet sensation of success in the post-season.

Allison Probert, '06



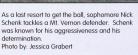
As freshman Andrew Elpers stays out of the way, sophomore goalie Matt Price reaches for the ball. Due to 2004's goalie Shane Provost's graduation, Price had big shoes to fill this season. Photo by: Rosanna Sartore

Sophomore Andrew Shetler shields a New Harmony player from the ball. Shetler and the other underclassmen stepped up after the loss of seniors from 2004. Photo by: Allison Probert





Schenk tackles a Mt. Vernon defender. Schenk was known for his aggressiveness and his determination.





Junior Daniel Armstrong concentates on moving the ball down the field. Playing at Mater Dei helps Armstrong prepare for playing soccer in college.

Photo by: Jessica Grabert

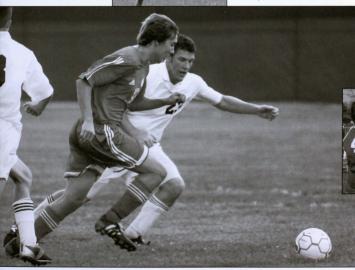
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Sophomore Andrew Shetler dribbles around a Mt. Vernon opponent. Shetler helped the team on offense to achieve a sectional victory. Photo by: Allison Probert

Junior Daniel Armstrong struggles to keep the ball in his possesion during the sectional game against New Harmony. The Wildcats were victorious against the Rappites.
Photo by: Jessica Grabert

Junior Adam Lambert races to gain control of the ball over a Mt. Vernon opponent. Lambert helped his team advance to regionals this season.

Photo by: Jessica Grabert



Freshman Andrew Elpers heads the ball away from a New Harmony player during the regional game. Photo by: Allison Probert

How many miles does the team run during a game? The average high school male will run about 7 miles per game.

### Us Down an't Keep

The 2004-2005 girls basketball scason might be dubbed by some as a "rebuilding season." With a nine game losing streak, the loss of many very close games, and a losing record, this year's team couldn't seem to get on a roll. However, the team continued to work hard and maintain a positive attitude.

"I thought the low points of the season were the nine game losing streak we went through and the fact that we had yet to win a home game. Through it all, we never gave up and kept trying, even though it seemed impossible," explained senior forward Cassie Schentrup.

After each disappointing loss, the girls weren't discouaged. The team quickly picked up, moved on, and focused on the next challenge to come.

"Before every game, we kept encouraging each other and telling each other, 'This isit! We can win tonight!'" laughed junior guard Emily Weinzapfel.

Over Christmas break, the team had the opportunity to travel to Madison, IN. In Madison, the girls had the chance to play a new variety of teams. Some players thought of the tournament as a good learning experience. Many players left with a new sense of the ever-present Mater Dei pride.

"An important game we played was against Louisville-Moore. We got killed that game, but Coach Groben told us that she was so proud of us. Even though we lost by a tremendous amount, we never gave up until the horn sounded at the end of the fourth quarter," Weinzapfel reminisced about the same.

Because of all the players determination, the team's perseverance finally paid off during the last regular-season home game against Madisonville.

"Our Senior night was the most memorable and important game we played the whole season, because it was the last time that the seniors and I would come into our gym and play in front of our fans," explained Schentrup.

Like most teams, the final home game for the girls basketball team was the highlight of the season. However, besides it being their last game, the girls had other reasons to remember the game against Madisonville. The Lady Wildeats painstakingly pulled through by going into overtime. They won the game with a proud victory of 81-77.

"My most memorable game this season was when we played against Madisonville. The score was close throughout, but we pulled out with a victory," recalled senior guard Audrey Goebel.

To pull off such a season-clinching win, true teamwork was needed. The girls considered themselves a tight-knit group.

"Our team was very close. We had our bad moments, but we could always work out every problem." Goebel said.

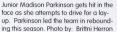
Despite the losing record, the girls basketball team retained a positive outlook by sticking together and encouaging each other through the season's good and discouaging times.

"We had our ups and downs, but in the end I think we all respected each other," concludes Schentrup.

Kayley Will '06

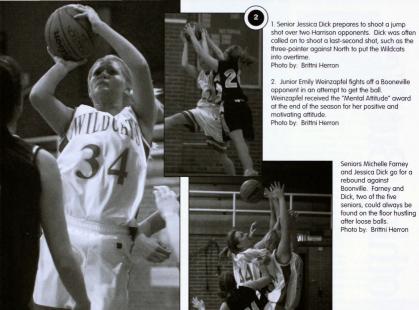
of the fourth qua reminisced abou Senior Mallory Morrow drives hard to the basket in the game aganist Harrison. Morrow had twelve points against the Warriors. Photo by: Brittni Herron











**Explode** 

Senior Jessica Dick attempts to shoot over two opponents. Although Dick was a post, she often hit the crucial outside shots. Photo by: Kayley Will Senior Audrey Goebel dribbles around a Harrison defender on her way to being named Player of the Year. Photo by: Brittni Herron Senior Michelle Farney goes up strong aganist Harrison. Farney was presented the "Will to Win" award at the end of the season. Photo by: Brittni Herron

What is the size difference between a women's basketball and a men's basketball?

3% by circumference

### But N Nothing **F**

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Sitting on the bench, standing in the crowd, or watching on the news, it makes no difference. This year's boys basketball team is excellent from every view. The boys pulled together and completed the regular season with a 17-4 record. The team made the key plays, and it wasn't a surprise they won the big games

"This year has been good. There wasn't one game that stood out as the best, but we had an exciting week during the SIAC tournament," Coach John Goebel comments

The SIAC Tournament is held every year by high schools in the area. This year, the Wildcats had a tough tournament with Central, Bosse, and Harrison as their opponents. The team pulled together, worked the inside and outside offenses, kept up the defensive attacks, and came out as the SIAC champions.

In the opening night of the tournament, the team played a close game against the Central Bears. Senior Wacev Hall scored the game's high with sixteen points. In the end, Mater Dei came out on top with a final score of 56-50 to beat the Bears.

"We fed off the fans' emotions and cheers. They helped to take Central off their game while pumping us up," junior Kelly Muensterman responds

The fans played a big role in every game. For example, they helped initiate the intensity in the 65-45 victory against the Bosse Bulldogs

In the semi-final round of the tournament, the boys faced off against the muchimproved Bosse Bulldogs. The Wildcats took the lead in the second quarter and

kept it for good.

"The Bosse game was close, and we came together to play as a team for most of the game. It was a good win," senior Craig Majer adds

So far in the tournament, the team stepped up to the challenge and came out victorious. The final-round game in the SIAC tournament was a key victory. The Harrison Warriors stepped up to face our victorious Wildcats, but failed. The Wildcats' preparation was vigorous, making their defense unbeatable and offense incredible

While I was stretching in the locker room. I tried to visualize different situations. This helped prepare me for the many different styles Harrison used," senior Drew Alcorn shares.

The whole team visualized the win before the final game and made it happen. The Wildcats came out on top to take the championship title with a 51-41 victory.

"There was a lot of pressure on the team. We had to play one game at a time, and we won. Winning the tournament was my favorite memory of the season," senior Danny Martin says.

It was no surprise that this year's season would be exciting and very promising. With seventeen season wins, the Wildcats were a tough competitor for the post-season games. One game at a time, the boys overcame obstacle after obstacle to come out on top. They ended the season with Mater Dei's seventh consecutive sectional championship. The team beat the odds against them and proved to be great once again.

Brittney Kerchief '05





Senior Drew Alcorn jumps above a Castle opponent to toss the ball into the basket Alcorn ended the season with 34 steals and 54 assists. Staff Photo



Senior Andy Reddington sweeps pointers added to the team's 90. Staff Photo

Junior Kelly Muensterman shoots a past a Reitz opponent to drive into field goal against three Castle defendthe basket. Reddington's 14 three- ers. Muensterman scored a team high of 319 points this season. Staff Photo









 Senior Wacey Hall tips the ball into the basket. Hall had a team high 179 rebounds for the season.
Staff Photo

Senior Cory Goebel drives for the basket against a Jeffersonville opponent. Staff Photo

Manuevering around his Central opponents, junior Kelly
 Muensterman works for the basket.

Muensterman works for the basket. Muensterman was the team's leading scorer for the season. Staff Photo

4. Wacey Hall dunks the ball during the SIAC Conference game against Central. Hall ended this year with 1004 career points, ranking third in Mater Dei's history. Staff Photo

 Andy Tekoppel, Brandon Deig, Paul Kempf, and Danny Martin cheer during the Castle game, a loss ending in overtime 44-49. Staff Photo.



Senior Cory Goebel drives in for the lay-up against Central. Goebel averaged five points per game this season. Staff Photo



Senior Craig Maier hangs on to the ball despite the distraction of a flying Castle Knight. Maier led the team with 82 assists. Staff Photo

Swish

#### Fighting Spirit

The wrestling team had an amazing season but, unfortunately, lost to Lawrence North in the semi-finals match at team state. Though this was disappointing, the team had every reason to be proud of themselves, finishing the season with a strong record of 20-3.

"All things considered, it was an excellent year," said coach Mike Goebel. "Even though we weren't able to take another state championship, the team really improved from beginning to end. Even though we lost, we had an extremely good effort."

This year's team was led by seniors Matt and Mike Coughlin, Jacob Herrmann, and Joe Weinzapfel. They stepped it up, leading by example, and made the other wrestlers work just as much as they did.

"Being one of the leaders this season made me work even harder because I felt like I had to set the example," said senior Jacob Herrman

With the seniors leading the way, the other

wrestlers became motivated to work even harder to achieve the ultimate goal of reaching the state level again.

"I really liked the upperclassmen," said freshman Drew Lappe. "They treated me really well, and I really look up to them. They motivated me to work even harder."

It wasn't just the seniors who made a difference this year. The team had seven underclassmen filling vacant weight classes.

"The team this year worked very hard throughout the season," said senior Matt Coughlin. "This team had a lot more heart and determination than any other team I have been on."

Coach Mike Goebel agreed.

"This was one of the most enjoyable groups I have ever coached because of their attitude and work ethic. As much as wrestling can be fun, this year was very fun. The team worked well together."

Although this season had its distressing

moments, it was filled with exciting ones as well. Senior Matt Coughlin helped lead the team, going undefeated for two years straight, and becoming a two-time state champion in the 152 pound class.

"The best moment of the season for me was winning the individual state title with a pin in the first period," said Coughlin.

Other wrestlers were up at Conseco Fieldhouse for the first time and were thrilled simply to have the opportunity to compete at the state level.

"Going to state was a really fun and great experience," said Lappe. "It was a lot of pressure, but it was just fun because I got to be up there with the older guys."

Both the victories and Josses made this year's wrestling season memorable and thrilling. By completing a tough season and making our community proud, the wrestlers have every reason to hold their heads high. Britini Herron. '05



senior Matt Coughlin pins Bryan Deutsch in a fall time of 1:47. Coughlin, completing his senior season undefeated, became a two-time state champion. Photo by: Brittni Herron

Competing under the lights at state,

Sophomore Sean Herron pins his opponent in the 119 pound class at Mater Dei's Hoilday Classic. Herron was a semi-state qualifier this season. Photo by: Brittni Herron





Locking in the spladel, freshman Alex Weinzapfel competes at individual semi-state at Roberts Stadium. Weinzapfel finished fourth at semi-state, qualifying him for the state meet in Indianapolis. Photo by: Brittni Herron



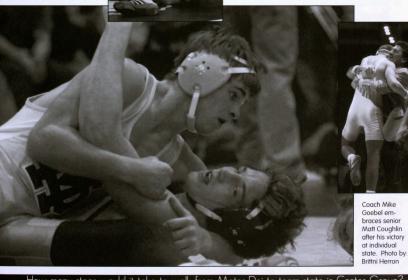
Struggling to escape, freshman Drew Lappe competes at the Brentwood Invitational Lappe won 38 matches this season, in additon to qualifying for the state meet.

Photo by: Brittni Herron

Junior Jeremy Goebel uses his strength to hold down an opponent in the 171 pound class at the Bentwood Invitational. Goebel placed second in the tournament. Photo by: Brittni Herron

Senior Jacob Herrmann works to pin his opponent at the Brentwood Invitational. Herrmann recieved the Scott Miller Mental Attitude Award this season for his hardwork and dedication. Photo by: Brittni Herron

Senior Michael Coughlin pins his opponent at the Brentwood Invitational. Coughlin became the Brentwood champion, in addition to being the SIAC, sectional, and regional champion this season. Photo by: Brittni Herron



How many steps would it take to walk from Mater Dei to team state in Center Grove? 1,003,200

### Striking Back

Bowling. The first thing that may come to mind is the smelly shoes at your best friend's third grade birthday party. However, for five dedicated girls, this common activity has evolved into a sport worthy of school-wide recognition. The girls bowling team is made up of three seniors, one sophomore, and one freshman.

"We are really going to miss the seniors. Aimee Fischer, Hannah Johnson, and Lauren Muensterman were great. We wouldn't have had a team without them," stated sophomore Emma Stephens.

This appreciation extends to the seniors as well. They are thankful for the underclassmen's expertise and help.

"The underclassmen, Hannah Jay and Emma Stephens know a lot about bowling. They are really what made us good this year," said Hannah Johnson.

Each Tuesday, the girls got together and bowled three games to practice for their upcoming matches. Through spending this much time together, the girls bonded to become a close-knit team.

"For our matches, we simply have fun. All we do is joke around while at practice and loosen up. It really helps because it keeps us from getting nervous during close games," said Stephens, "Believe it or not, we get nervous in bowline!"

Many would assume that from the lack of support, unlike major sports at Mater Dei, these girls would begin to get discouraged that their dedication and accomplishments go without recognition. However, these girls are dedicated to their sport and continue to encourage and support one another. As much as they are dedicated to their sport, the bowling team also likes to keep things informal to lighten the mood and tension during a difficult match.

"I think what mostly encourages us is how much fun we have. It feels like the other teams stress so much over winning, but we joke a lot and enjoy the competition," said Stephens.

The team did have other obstacles to overcome other than being a small team.

"One of our biggest challenges was being consistent. Some days we would bowl extremely well, and then the next day we could do bad," said Muensterman.

The girls' hard work paid off. They almost beat top-ranked Central in a tiebreaker for the sectional title.

"Our biggest obstacle was Central. Every time we bowled against them, we would tie, and they ended up beating us by the total pins," said Aimee Fischer.

Although they were disappointed because the two teams are big rivals, they were also proud of how close they got.

"Afterwards, we received many compliments of how well we dealt with the loss and Central's rowdy behavior. Even though we didn't win sectionals, it was a good feeling to know that we still had everyone's respect," stated Stephens.

Throughout the season, the girls bowling team not only improved their talents and consistency, but also fully enjoyed the sport that they played instead of just playing it under pressure and criticism. One thing is certain, they would be awesome to watch at a birthday party.

Allison Probert '06



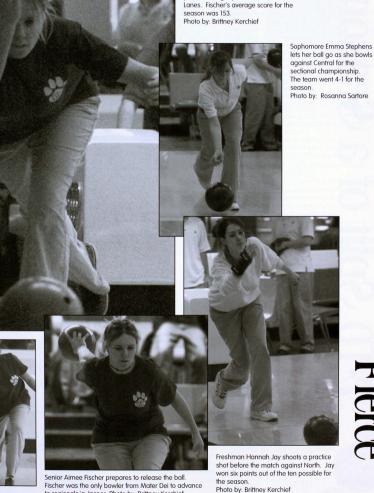
Sophomore Emma Stephens watches to see if her ball will strike the pins. Stephens had the most match points out of the West Division.

Photo by: Rosanna Sartore



Freshman Hannah Jay records her score during the sectional match against Central. Jay's highest score during a match was 184. Photo by: Britney Kerchief Senior Lauren Muensterman releases at the end of her approach. Muensterman bowled an average score of 140. Photo by: Rosanna Sartore





Senior Aimee Fischer finishes her approach during a practice at Franklin

Fierce

How many cheesesticks did the girls' bowling team consume during the season? About 600

to regionals in Jasper. Photo by: Brittney Kerchief

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The Mater Dei boys bowling team faced a tough 2005 season, yet the bowlers still finished in high spirits about the team's years to come. The team of freshman, spohomores, juniors, and seniors combined their bowling talents to create a season that was both enjoyable and a learning experience in the sport for the entire 2004-2005 season.

Freshmat Fric Muensterman, whose sister is a member of the Mater Dei girls bowling team, joined the boys bowling team his first year in high school for many reasons. Not only is his family involved in the sport, but he also associates himself with other bowlers.

"Most of the influence to join came from my sister and my friends that bowl for other teams at different schools," Muensterman explained.

The bowling team helped Muensterman not only to improve his score but also to more fully appreciate the game.

"I was really bad at first, but I learned the right way to do everything. I used to bowl for fun with my friends, but then I started to try and practice weekly," Muensterman said.

Even though Muensterman was an amateur, his top score was high for a freshman member of the team.

"My best score is a 187 or maybe 190," he said.

Senior Tyler Lutterbach is also an avid bowler for Mater Dei High School. An expert at the sport, he joined the team his junior year of high school.

"I've played on the team for two years. I bowled when I was a little kid so I decided I would for Mater Dei," Lutterbach explained.

His experience in bowling helped him improve his personal scores, but it also helped improved the whole team's score as well.

"My best score was a 218 at Central," Lutterbach said.

The team practices once a week at Franklin Lanes. Though only one day a week of practice seems minimal, the practice is highly important for the howlers.

"It's challenging because each week you are competing for a spot," Lutterbach explained.

Having a few members to help lead is always an important aspect of team sports. The bowling team had many boys that stepped up to take the responsibility to lead the team's younger members.

"They guide the team in a positive direction and help with the coaching," said Muensterman of the boys who helped lead the team to success.

"Mike Goelz was an awesome bowler and a good senior leader," Lutterbach said. "Sophomore Adam Butts was a good leader because he was pretty consistent at bowling," Muensterman said.

For all of the bowlers, the season for the Mater Dei boys bowling team was an experience that left an impression for years to come. Muensterman, along with many of the other bowlers, will be returning next year in full force.

"I can't let the team down can I?" Muensterman joked.

Jaclyn Muensterman '05



Junior Jake Weinzapfel focuses after just releasing his bowling ball down the lane. This was Weinzapfel's second year on the team. Photo by: Rosanna Sartore



Senior Michael Goelz falls into his bowling stance after releasing the bowling ball. Goelz was one of the few senior leaders on the team. Photo by: Britthi Herron









Junior Tegan Rush pauses as he releases his shot. Rush was a great asset to the boys bowling team.
Photo by: Brittney Kerchief

 Junior Jake Weinzopfel swings while preparing to release the ball. He keeps his position aligned to ensure the ball rolls perfectly down the lane.

Photo by: Rosanna Sartore

 Junior Matt Taylor takes a stance and prepares to swing the ball during weekly bowling practice at Franklin Lanes.

Photo by: Rosanna Sartore 4. As the ball rolls down the lane, junior Josh Jourdan watches in hopes of striking the pins. Photo by: Rosanna Sartore

 Coach Joe Dippel watches the lane ahead and checks the scoring. Dippel's philosophy is that academics are enhanced by athletics. Photo by: Brittni Herron



Focusing on the lane ahead, junior Matt Taylor winds up to gather momentum before releasing the ball. Photo by: Brittney Kerchief



As the ball leaves his hand, junior Brandon Miller focuses as it rolls towards the pins at the end of the lane. The boys bowling team practiced once a week at Franklin Lanes.

Photo by: Brittney Kerchief

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### Splish-Splash

Commitment is a cornerstone of successful addring team have certainly learned this valuable lesson over the course of the season, which lasted from November to February. While this was a lengthy time commitment, it allowed each grif to spend months correcting her weaknesses and preparing for the final sectional meet. During practices, the girls spent countless hours with one another. Both in the pool and at school, they grew closer as members of a team.

Despite the challenges they faced, sophomore Alyssa Lambert found the commitment to the swimming team difficult but worthwhile

"I believe that making a goal to make a certain time and then meeting that goal gives a person great confidence and a sense of selfpride." said Lambert.

Diving was also a commitment that required both flexibility and precision to achieve

For junior Katie Alexander, diving was well worth the work involved. Alexander's attitude helped her on her path to achieving a second place at the city meet.

"I was excited after receiving a second place award at the city meet. The challenge diving gave me was exciting. Because of my gymnastics background, diving seemed like a worthwhile option. So. I took if," explained Alexander, who successfully completed her first season as a Mater Dei girls diving team member.

The four senior swimmers had a successful, fulfilling season as well. They topped off their high school career by ending the season with a third place in the 400 meter relay at sectionals.

"Sectionals were exciting for the team," said junior swim team member Katie Funke. "The real high point was the seniors' third place finish in the 400 meter freestyle relay. They worked for four years to reach that place. It was great to see our school's name in the paper."

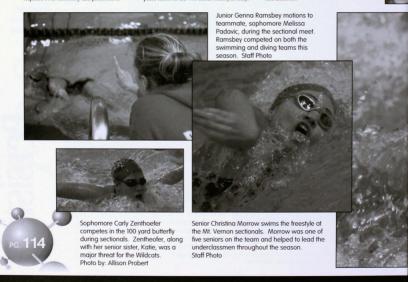
However, the seniors were not only intent on achieving their own goals; they also helped to shape the swimmers into a formidable team and prepare them for their next years on the swim team.

"The seniors really led the team this year, not just in competition, but at school and practices, too," said Funke of the senior's leadership on the team.

Although the seniors were happy with their overall effort, the whole team fell somewhat short of reaching the goals they had originally

for the season. Nonetheless, they pushed through both triumphs and failures. In the end, they regretted nothing and worked towards the future.

"I told myself to just leave it in the pool," said Lambert





Junior Katie Alexander pulls herself into a tuck position as she dives into the water. Alexander did extremely well in her first season, placing second in the city competition. Photo by: Allison Probert

Senior Katie Zenthoefer comes up for air in her final meet with the Wildcats. Zenthoefer was a major part of the girls swim team for four years.
Photo by: Rosanna Sartore



Seniors Katie Zenthoefer and Jenna Denstorff take hints from coach Robert Thomas during their sectional meet at Mt. Vernon. These girls were key in leading the team throughout the season. Staff Photo

Senior Jenna Denstorff gulps for air at the Mt. Vernon sectionals. Denstorff, a veteran member of the swim team, continually encouraged the younger members of the team. Staff Photo



How many gallons of water does it take to fill Lloyd Pool, where the team sometimes competes? 550,000

#### **Guys Dive In**

As with any sport, focus is an essential element of swimming. The Mater Dei boys swim team set high goals, which kept them motivated and focused through the season.

"My goal has been to get to state by senior year. I set it freshman year, and I've been working really hard to get there. It's very difficult, but I know it's not impossible," shared junior Lucas Nelson. "My teammates help me stay focused. Some days I don't want to be at practice, but I see my team working hard, and I don't want to let them down,"

High goals stem from motivation and from this motivation, the team has earned success.

"Lowering my times and swimming faster in meets keep me focused," said junior Branden Clements. "When I can see my swimming improve, I know my practice is paying off."

The boys have an additional reason to

"What helps me keep my focus is the idea

that I am part of the first Mater Dei boys swim team. I don't want it to fail," shared junior Calvin Clements.

With practices lasting ten to thirteen hours a week, remaining focused became difficult.

"The four month season can seem very long," said Branden. "At the end, it gets hard to saty focused, but with sectionals coming up, we all put in our best effort."

As the team discovered, their hard work led to success as sectionals approached. "We broke ten out of eleven of our record

times," stated Branden.

While the team felt the sectional competi-

While the team felt the sectional competition was a highlight of the season, sectionals especially paid off for junior Adam Lambert, who came close to achieving his personal goal.

"I stayed motivated and worked hard because of my goal was to achieve a six minute flat in the 500 yard," said Lambert. "I was only four seconds from my goal despite getting really sick two weeks before sectionals."

The season was not exclusively a success story. The setbacks the team experienced helped the boys return to their focus.

"The low point was losing a tri-meet to Bosse and Central. We were better than we swam that night," shared Nelson. "This loss motivated us to work harder. We ended up beating Bosse in sectionals, so it was

awesome to see all of our hard work pay off."

Although the team did not always perform as well as they would have liked, the

teammates felt that their practice was worth it.
"My times significantly dropped. I had my
best times ever this year," said Nelson.

As a whole, the team achieved what they had set out for. "We defeated teams that we should beat and continued to strengthen our team for

senior year," said Clements.

Brittney Miller '06



Junior Lucas Nelson swims the freestyle at the Mt. Vernon sectionals. Nelson swam freestyle in addition to four other events this season.

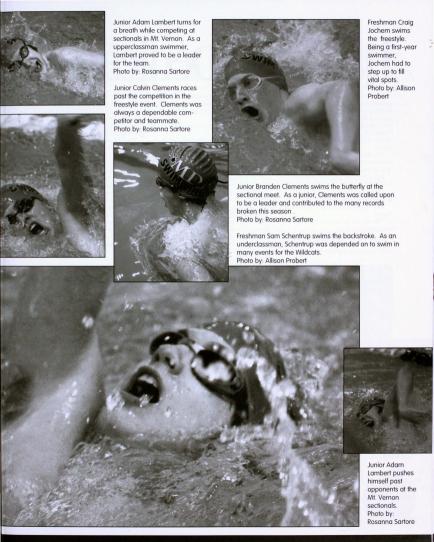
Photo by: Allison Probert

Coming up for air, junior Adam Lambert swims at Mt. Vernon. Lambert strived to surpass his record set during the season at sectionals. Photo by: Allison Probert





Diving into the water, junior Ryan Marx competes in the relay at sectionals. Marx proved to be a worthy member of the relay race during their many fierce competitions. Photo by: Allison Probert



### Hardcore Dedication

"We need gum!" This seems to be the general consensus of the girls softball team Bubble gum has always been a big part of the team, but this year the coach quit buying the girls gum after they chewed a whole gallon of it during the first two games of the season. Despite the lack of sugar, the team is full of energy.

"We don't have gum, but we do have sunflower seeds," says junior Sarah Scott. "It's all about the seeds,"

Part of the girls' pre-game ritual also includes food.

"Before home games we go to Happy Hour at Sonic," shares senior Hannah Johnson. This sugar intake compensates for the lack

"The slushies get us really hyper and

energized," says Scott.

In fact, Scott is known for being hyper.

"We can always count on Sarah for a funny story," says senior Michelle Rietman, "When she and Tiffany Payton are together it's insane; there is a lot of energy."

Scott's energy is not always used in a silly manner. "Before games, Sarah gives us pep talks," says Johnson.

In her pep talks, Scott discusses positive aspects of the team.

"One positive aspect is that we all communicate well and get along," shares Scott. "Also, Michelle Rietman, Melissa Elpers, Brittney Kerchief, and Hannah Johnson are great senior leaders."

The strong leaders have led the team to some key victories. These games really stand out to the girls.

"Beating Heritage Hills in our first game of the season was really exciting," says Elpers. "We are the only team in the city to beat them so far."

However, the girls all agree that the victory against Castle was the most exhilarating. "Beating Castle was our best so far," says Johnson. "They are usually a tough team to beat, and we won 7-3. We scored all seven runs in one inning!"

In spite of the leadership and strong points, the team also has its weaknesses.

"We have a lot of potential, but we do not utilize our skills to their full effect," says Johnson

The girls are directing some of their energy toward making improvements.

"Putting it all together and coming up with a finished product seems to be a problem for us," states Scott.

"We are working on letting our energy carry us through the whole game, not just the beginning," says Brittney Kerchief. "I can tell that we are improving."

The girls may not have gum, but they've got the energy and drive it takes to complete a successful season, full of exciting victories.

Brittney Miller, '06



Senior Hannah Johnson slides under the tag at second base against Bosse. The Wildcats dominated Bosse with a final score of 8-3. Staff Photo

Senior Melissa Elpers connects with a pitch to get on base for a single. Elpers makes the clutch hits and catches in left field to win key games. Staff Photo





Junior Stephanie Seibert, sophomore Jenna Whorl, junior Mallory Schenk, and sophomore Lauren Niemeier cheer for their teammate at the plate. The team chants cheers for every batter to keep up the team's spirits. Staff Photo



Junior Hailey Kempf prepares to swing at a hard pitch to bring in a run against South Spencer. The Wildcats were victorious over the Rebels with a final score of 3-2. Staff Photo



Senior Michelle Reitman and junior Tiffany Payton slap hands after making an out. Congratulating each other after each play is a tradition the players use to keep spirits up. Staff Photo

Seniors Hannah Johnson and Brittney Kerchief run toward first base to get the base runner out. Johnson caught a pop fly and ran back to tag first base for a double play.

Staff Photo

Junior Hailey Kempf pitches a drop ball to strike out her Bosse opponent. Kempf averaged five strike outs per game. Staff Photo



Junior Tiffany Payton covers second base for a steal as junior Hilary Masterson backs her up in center field. Staff Photo

### Batter Up

For four long years, the seniors of the Mater Dei boys baseball team have disciplined themselves to play as a team and achieve their full potential. They have strived to come together as a whole. During the final season of their high school career, the boys finally succeeded at what they worked so hard for.

Senior Dustin Slaton believed that being on the team made the players closer to their teammates because of the extended amount of time spent together.

"I'm best friends with everyone on the team," Slaton said. Senior Jared Droste explained how the

players helped one another after downfalls.
"It helped us become closer, work
together, and pick each other up," Droste.

Senior Drew Alcorn agrees that the players worked well as a team after spending such a large amount of time together during both practices and games.

"It strengthened the bonds because you had to trust that your teammates were disciplined and would perform to the best of their abilities for the betterment of the team," Alcorn said.

The baseball team showed their discipline by practicing for long hours at the Mater Dei baseball complex after school and on Saturdays.

"We practiced any day we didn't have a game at Mater Dei from 3-5 p.m. on weekdays and 8-11 a.m. on Saturday," Alcorn explained.

The discipline is compliments of the coaches, especially head coach Darin Knight. "Coach Knight's discipline helps make me a better player, both physically and mentally," said senior Michael Goelz. "Practicing with more intensity helps prepare us for different situations that arise in a game."

This practice paid off in a difficult game against Harrison.

"Harrison was beating us; then, we were tied in the bottom of the 7th inning. In the bottom of the 8th, we came back to win," said assistant coach Roger Sills. "Slaton got the winning hit in that game because he used the mechanics of hitting to his advantage. There were two outs, and he disciplined himself, laying off the bad pitches and waiting for the right one to come alone."

Another refreshing victory was against Heritage Hills.

"Defeating Heritage Hills was invigorating simply because they are such a powerhouse," said Sills. "We beat them 5-1."

Despite the exciting victories, the boys had higher expectations for themselves.

"We didn't perform as well as we expected to, but we still have the team experiences to remember," said Slaton.

Because of the disciplined players, the team's year was an improvement from the 2004-2005 year.

"It was an up and down year, but I'll always remember the good times and fun the team had together. I'll remember Droste and Coach Siwaye talking smack to each other, and I'll try to forget the big losses," Slaton said.

Brittney Miller '06 and Jaclyn Muensterman '05



Junior Joe Kelley winds up for the pitch. Kelley ended the season with an average of 5.3 strike outs per game on his way to a 5-3 regular season record. Photo by: Hannah Wagner



Junior Phil Loehr catches the pitch to add another strike against the batter. The Wildcats came out victorious with a final score of 14-2. Staff Photo

Senior Dustin Slaton runs home to score a run for his team during the Southridge game. Slaton's .539 on base average made him a key base runner. Staff Photo





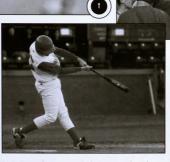


2. Sophomore Adam Schenk congratulates senior Drew Alcorn on his run. Alcorn had 23 RBIs on 31 hits. Staff Photo

3. Junior pitcher Kyle Grossman winds up to deliver a pitch to a Bosse Bulldog. Grossman averaged 7.58 strike outs per game. Staff Photo

4. Sophomore Ryan Gries winds up to pitch against Southridge. Gries led the team with a 0.40 ERA (earned runs allowed). Staff Photo 5. The Wildcats congratulate junior

Matt Major at home plate after hitting a home run. Major had a 0.361 batting average Staff Photo



Senior Drew Alcorn swings the bat at an inside pitch against Bosse. Alcorn led the team with 5 of the Wildcats' 13 homeruns. Photo by: Hannah Wagner



Junior Jon Eickhoff fields a ground ball and tags second base on his way to turning a double play. The Wildcat's late-season defense helped the team take an early nine-run lead over Southridge. Staff Photo

What is the average speed of a Mater Dei fastball? 75 mph

### Overcoming Hurdles

It's any team's worst nightmare a rebuilding year. Losing record breakers, motivators, and leaders can make or break a team's morale. Some might use the loss of seniors as an excuse to slack off or stop caring. However, the opposite was true for the girls track team. The team certainly lost some outstanding athletes and friends, but they look the loss as a challense.

"Losing the seniors was hard on the entire track team, especially the girls. Every member knew they had to step it up to keep the same pace the seniors had set for us last year," comments junior Katie Sheller.

With last year's leaders gone, this year's seniors were looked to for guidance.

"Kathy Goebel, Kristin Shapker, and Allison Mesker are just a few of the seniors who really stepped up for the team this year," says junior Ellen Weinzapfel.

With the underclassmen's eves upon them.

this year's seniors were fully aware of their new duties.

"Coming into this season, we knew we were going to have to work especially hard. Last year's seniors brought in a lot of points for us, but I think we've done a pretty good job of compensating for our loss," comments senior Allison Mesker

With the help of the seniors, the girls track team overcame pesky setbacks.

"The track team persevered, despite obstacles such as injuries or slow times, because we knew that we would always do better next time. That kind of thinking is what kept us going," says Sheller.

As with any sport, hard work and dedication were vital. The team practiced every day for at least an hour, depending on one's event. Despite the long hours, the team didn't have one of its greatest years, but members focused on the nositive aspects. "The meet that sticks out the most in my mind is the Mount Vernon Invitational. We worked really hard to win it all," says sophomore Sarah Hall.

The end of the season's records might not be the best example of the dedication and perseverence that was shown in practices and meets, but the returning members know that running track is not without its rewards.

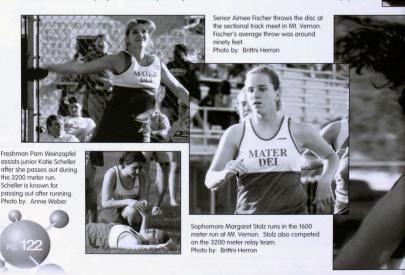
"Basically I run track because it keeps me fit for cross country," says Sheller.

Many agree that track is often considered as a medium for keeping in shape.

"A lot of people run track to stay conditioned for sports like soccer or basketball; for me, its cross country," says Weinzapfel.

No matter the reasons for running, the girls track team persevered throughout the 2004-2005 season and sprinted right though their so-called rebuilding year.

Kayley Will, '06





Junior Kendra Scheller sprints to prepare for her long jump. Long jump requires both strength and speed. Photo by: Brittni Herron



Sophomore Sarah Hall goes over the bar during the high jump at the girls track sectionals. As a first-year member of the track team, Hall paticipated in high jump and the 400. Photo by: Liz Warzel

Senior Kristin Schapker, juniors Jaci Babcock and Kendra Scheller, and senior Allison Mesker take time to pray before the 400 meter relay, holding the "shining." Praying before each meet was routine among the girls. Photo by: Brittni Herron

Junior Kim Spahn sprints around the track during the 400 meter run. Spahn, a three-year member of the track team, also participated in the 800 meter run. Photo by: Rachel Williams



Junior Katie Scheller passes the baton to freshman Pam Weinzapfel in the 3200 meter relay. Photo by: Brittni Herron

### Bound Aps and 1

Citius, Altius, Fortius is the theme for this year's track team. The motto is fitting because it's Greek for "faster, higher, stronger." The team is making an impression by taking Mater Dei track and field to new heights.

"It's going very well; this is by far the best team we've ever had," said senior Ben Weber "For once, the distance team isn't all that shines; they just shine the most, by a lot. We also have a lot of depth with field events and sprints." Weber, a fixture on the team for the past four years, participates in events ranging from the 100 and 200 meter races, the four-person 100 meter relaw, and the 300 meter hurdle.

The well-rounded team has resulted in an impressive record of 25-5. This is even more inspiring because they compete at meets against seven teams at a time.

"The season is tubular, mon!" said senior Andy Krack, in his typical goofy fashion. Krack is a runner in a variety of events, including the 800, 1600, and 3200 meter runs and the 3200 meter relay.

The 3200 relay team, consisting of sophomore Sean Herron, junior Patrick McKinney, and seniors Andy Krack and Scott Koressel, made a huge impression this season.

"Our awesome relay team broke the record at the city meet," says Koressel. "We are currently ranked 9th in the state."

All of this success doesn't come easily. The rigors of practice have increased significantly in the past four years. Formerly, practice consisted of a quick warm-up followed by a rousing game of ultimate frisbee. Practices still start with an

800 meter warm-up, but now stretching and dynamic drills follow them. On days before meets, the team only practices key elements like jumping or handing off the baton for the relay. Otherwise, practice is spent running any combination of 100, 200, or 400 meter repeats.

"I love running, but our sport is every other teams' punishment," said Krack.

In addition to practice, senior leadership is also paramount to the team's success.

"We are the ones everyone looks to for guidance because we have the most experience," said Weber.

Not only are the seniors experienced, but they also know how to keep the the team motivated and hyped up.

"The seniors on the team are all awkwardly funny," said McKinney, "Matt Feller is the funniest and most entertaining. There isn't a particular reason; he is just Feller"

However, the seniors are not the only leaders on the team.

"Everyone stands out on the team for one reason or another," said Krack, continuing in his humorous manner. "Scotty Koressel is just awesome. Patrick McKinney, a.k.a P-Mac, is nearing godlike status, Feller is always calling people out, Wes Dingman is out of control, and Herron is a leprechaun."

Because of the amazing accomplishments of the whole team and the outstanding leadership, the boys track team made a big impression this season.

Emily Copeland '05 and Brittney Miller '06



Senior Matt Feller finishes the 3200 meter race. As one of the longest races, it requires much endurance and strength. Photo by: Brittni Herron



Senior David Hertel clears the pole vault. Hertel, a four-year member of the track team, did well in the field events. Photo by: Brittni Herron Junior Patrick Mckinney passes the baton to senior Andy Krack during the sectional meet. Krack placed 25th at state in the 3200 meter run. Staff Photo







Senior Jason Devillez competes in the long jump at Central during sectionals.
 Devillez also competed in the 4x1 relay and the 100 meter dash. Staff Photo

- The 3200 relay team consisting of seniors Scott Koressel and Andy Krack, junior Patrick McKinney, and sophomore Sean Herron compete at the city meet. They broke the city record with a time of 8.08. Staff Photo
- 3. Freshman Jacob Schneider jumps hurdles at Central. Schneider competed in hurdles, pole vault, and sprinting events. Staff Photo
- Sean Herron endures tired muscles to compete in the relay. The 3200 relay team placed 6th at state and qualified for nationals in North Carolina.

  Photo by: Brittni Herron
- 5. Senior Scott Koressel and junior Patrick McKinney compete at sectionals in the 1600 meter run. McKinney finished 18th in the 800 meter run at state, with a time of 1:58.80. Staff Photo



Senior Jeremy Coomes stretches over the bar during the high jump event at sectionals. Coomes advanced to regionals with a jump of 6 feet 2 inches. Staff Photo



Senior Scott Koressel pushes himself in the last lap of the 3200 meter run. Koressel led the team this season with his hardwork and motivation. Staff Photo

How many ounces does a boys track uniform weigh? 5.1

#### Tight-Net Team

"SENIORS!" As a tribute to the outstandingsonic leaders on the 2005 girls tennis team, this was the "word of the day" for the last practice of the regular season. After facing last year without the help of senior leadership, the girls tennis team pulled through this year with vibrant enthusiasm. On any given spring day, each girl could be found practicing in an attempt to better herself. With a regular season record of 9-4, the girls have done much better than in recent vears.

Many of the girls admit that they are indebted to their coaches in regards to their improvement as a whole.

"I think that our success came through the fact that we have two of the best coaches in Evansville. I know they have helped me greatly," said junior Hannah Wannemuehler.

Others say that it is companionship that pulled the team together.

"I was nervous about our season this year,"

admits junior Lauren Oliver. "But the team was really welcoming and we laugh so much that we don't even realize how hard we're working. The seniors joked around with the freshman, which made it easier for everyone to come toeether as a team."

It was precisely this senior leadership that helped the team pull through any rifts to come together. For a team who had doubled their winning record, this was quite an accomplishment.

"The improvement from last season to this season was unbelievable. Our number one doubles team, Molly Couture and Audrey Goebel, were undefeated for most of the regular season, and also enjoyed a successful post-season. Also, our number two doubles team, Hannah Wannemuehler and Laura Mesker, were ranked number two in the

SIAC," commented junior Kayley Will. In this season, the girls faced more than their share of magical moments.

"The best moment this season, by far, was beating Memorial. Other matches came close, but beating Memorial gave us something to be proud of." said Wannemuehler.

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Not to be forgotten, even the two freshman girls on the tennis team excelled.

"The freshman had a huge impact this year. Lindsey Will has really stepped it up and played varsity. Elizabeth Wagner, our other freshman, showed a lot of improvement," stated junior Laura Mesker.

At the end of each day, the girls, tired, exhausted, and proud, joined together in a huddle that exemplified their unity. Beginning with a slow clap, the girls came together, complete with the "word of the day." When they were finally calm, they looked to one another and realized that they had come a long way.

Jessica Grabert '06



Senior Audrey Goebel returns the ball to her Harrison opponent. Goebel and her doubles partner, senior Molly Couture, have played together for two years. Photo by: Kayley Will





Senior Katie Barnes returns a serve hit by her Central opponent. Barnes, a two-year member of the tennis team, could always be seen cheering on her teammates. Staff Photo

Junior Laura Mesker prepares to serve during the Harrison match. Mesker and her doubles partner, junior Hannah Wannemuehler, were ranked number two in the SIAC. Photo by: Kayley Will





Junior Kayley Will prepares to hit a backhand to her Central opponent. Will, a two-year varsity member, stepped up to play number one singles this season. Staff Photo



Freshman Lindsey Will concentrates on hitting a volley against her Harrison opponent. Will, the number three singles player, was a huge asset to the team and offen pulled through to win close matches. Photo by: Kayley

Senior Molly Couture prepares to return the ball to her Harrison opponent. Couture, a four-year varsity member, was a great leader for the team and made sure everyone had fun during practices. Photo by: Kayley Will

Freshman Lindsey Will is cheered on by her teammates before the Central match. The girls tennis team always found new ways to pump each other up before, during, and after matches. Staff Photo



Junior Hannah Wannemuehler serves to her Harrison opponent. Wannemuehler's serve is sometimes referred to as "the heater." Photo by: Kayley Will

What is the length of the string used to make a tennis racket? Just under 40 feet

### **Putting Along**

Tiger Woods and the pump of his first made golf more accessible to our generation. Still, golf remains a mystery to many. It is largely known as an older person's sport, not filled with many exciting moments. Spectators do not fill the course during the Mater Dei boys golf matches as they do for the Masters. However, because of their drive, the boys golf team was able to achieve their goals and make the activity fun and eventful.

"The will to get better motivated the team to do our best," said junior Matt Loehrlein, who has played golf at Mater Dei for three years.

The team exemplified this will by spending every day except Wednesday practicing, unless they had a match. Each team member played one nine hole round and then practiced putts on the putting green.

"Practicing was actually fun because the

guys are so funny. We had a great time joking around," said sophomore Jared Krieg.

The successes were not measured by the number of fans tailgating or cheering. They were determined by each team member struggling to achieve his best score and pushing his fellow team members to do their personal best as well.

"We're all friends. We can joke around but be serious about the game and competition at the same time," said sophomore Mitchell Fishoff

Although golf seen on the television does not seem to be too lively, this season the golf team had a few memorable and exciting moments

"My most memorable moment was coming in with an awesome tie-breaking score to beat Harrison at the Helfrich course," said Loehrlein. Most enjoyed the game before joining the team and extended their enthusiasm to each of the matches,

"I joined the team to enjoy the game and take a break from work," said senior Ben Macke.

Players used golf as a way to escape from the pressures of life and focus solely on their

"I think my mental game has improved. I try the more laid-back approach at the sport," said Macke.

Despite the lack of following and sometimes even a lack of respect, the boys golf team was excited about and dedicated to their sport. At the end of a match, whether the outcome was good or bad, they left the course feeling like they had just played the Masters, just like Tiger Woods with his fist.

Allison Probert '06



Freshman Logan Slaton carefully listens to Coach Jewell as he instructs Slaton on the best angle to drive the ball to the first hole. As a freshman, Slaton was very open to instructions from the rest of the team. Photo by: Rosanna Sartore







Sophomore Mitch Eickhoff lines up his next putt. A very important aspect of golf is concentrating, since every stroke counts toward the final score. Photo by: Allison Probert



Junior Matt Eickhoff tees off during a match at Quail Crossing in Boonville. Eickhoff has been on the golf team for three years. Photo by: Allison Probert



Sophomore Jared Kreig and senior Ben Macke warm up during a match against Memorial and Boonville. Golf requires intense concentration, so it is important for players to take time to warm up and focus on their game. Photo by: Rosanna Sartore

Senior Craig Maier drives the ball on the final hole of the match. Maier has been on the golf team for 4 years and is considered to be the senior leader by his fellow golfers. Photo by: Rosanna Sartore

Senior Ben Macke watches on as freshman Logan Slaton tees off at the third hole of the Quail Crossing Golf Course. Watching a teammate gives Macke a better idea of how he is going to shoot the saine hole. Photo by: Allison Probert







the time that is given to us, we can do anything our minds deem possible. We can get our hands dirty and change the world, or at least our school, or we can sit back and let it change us. The former is more apparent in our school difference. With persistence and a positive attitude, the world and its problems shrink, and our dreams become attainable. We devote our time and energy to a variety of activities, and each has an outcome worth our effort. These decisions



In many cultures, food, and subsequently eating, is a way for groups to enhance social activities. This is true of Mater Det High School as well. Friends often gather to chow down. Over the years, teachers and students have catered to their love of food by enjoying everything from cooking classes to teacher breakfasts.

The student council-sponsored teacher breakfast is a commitment that students have learned to complete to perfection.

"I think the teachers spend a lot of time focusing on us and our abilities. The teacher breakfast is a way to show appreciation for the work they put in for us and to give students a turn to do work for the teachers," said senior committee leader Alli Vick.

The senior breakfast is also important because it is one of the last times the seniors are together as a group.

"I've had some of the best times of my life senior year. I think the idea of the school serving me will be a great way to end everything," said senior April Scheller.

Seniors also enjoy the advantage of out-tolunch, a weekly event that freshmen eye with envy and juniors wait for in anticipation.

"I have wanted senior lunch since I knew of its existence. At first I thought it was a joke, like the elevator passes or something," said junior Rachel Schenk. "I feel like senior out-to-lunch is an activity I've been working toward since freshman year."

Others believe out-to-lunch will be a stress

"Senior year is really difficult. I believe outto-lunch is a way to alleviate all the pressure of

senior life," said junior Mark Modesitt.

Many classes, such as Spanish classes and courses with Mrs. Larson, incorporate food as a

fun way to learn lessons.

"The Spanish fiestas are supposed to teach you the culture of Mexican foods and give different tastes for various cultures. Luckily though, they're also the highlight of the year,"

Sophomores Lynnsey Zirkelbach, Jennifer Born, and Anna Zeller, hover over a plate of dessert pizza. The students in Mrs. Larson's classes make many new dishes to broaden their cooking skills.



said iunior Haley Morgan.

Students who cannot take classes involving food oftentimes use the presence of food to meet people and make money. Many students have after-school jobs in restaurants, grocery stores, or small cafés and coffee shoos.

"I work at Donut Bank with a bunch of other Mater Dei students," said junior Hilary Masterson. "Working in food has its advantages. I've learned how to talk to people and, hey, there's always discounts on food."

The joys of out-to-lunch, Spanish fiestas, and a multitude of other opportunities are obtained only after hard work and patience. These privileges prove that indulging in food on various occasions is just what it is meant to be—the icing on the cake.

Jessica Grabert '06

Senior Beth Cardin stuffs a handfull of cake into her mouth during a homeroom party. The senior class held homeroom parlies to bring their homerooms closer together and to make Wildcat Block a little more fun. Photo by: Britini Herron



Senior Keri Dennis opens wide while a fellow classmate feeds her angel food coke. Dennis and her friends goofed off during one of their homeroom parties to entertain the rest of the class. Photo by: <u>Brittin Herron</u>

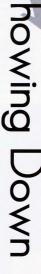






Senior Jessica Byrley is fed Jello by fellow senior Amber Ferrari. The warm weather allowed seniors to eat outside in the courtyard as well as have some fun during the last few days of school. Photo by: Brittney Kerchief

Seniors Ryan Matt, Michael Fuchs, and Jason Devillez eat pancakes and sausage during the senior breakfast. The breakfast is put on every year by the Mater Dei Friends and Alumni Association. Staff Photo







Junior Ben Yingling tastes a new Spanish dish during his Spanish fiesta. The fiestas are a way for the classes to experience Spanish culture in a different and exciting way. Photo by: Kayley Will

Juniors Matt Taylor and Phil Loehr pile food onto their plates during their Spanish fiesta. Each person in the class cooked their favorite Spanish dish and brought it to share at the fiesta. Photo by: Kayley Will

What is the biggest meal eaten during Out-to-Lunch this year? Josh Henderson ate a 6-patty Wendy's cheeseburger, large Frosty, large fries, large coke, two orders of chicken nuggets, and a bowl of chili.

Seniors Susan and Jaclyn Muensterman enjoy non-alcoholic "cocktails" at senior Lauren Adcock's 80s cocktail party. Each girl brought her favorite entree, while Adcock provided root beer and slushies to her guests costumed in 80s outfits. Photo by & Ritthey Kerchief

Junior Tegan Rush jumps during a game of ultimate frisbee. Rush and a group of friends, including students from all classes, often play at Perry Heights Middle School on Sunday afternoons. Photo by: Liz Wargel



Juniors Branden Clements, Scott Schapker, and Kyle Clements play Scattergories at junior Kayley Will's house. Schapker is always good for a laugh during the game, with his silly made up answers. Photo by: Brittney Willer



Senior Rachel Ketzner roasts a marshmallow over the bonfire at senior Lauren Adock's house. Adcock often came up with fun ideas for the weekends. Photo by: Brittney Kerchief

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"There's nothing to do in this town." "Evansville is so boring." "I am so bored that I'm going insane." These phrases are all commonly heard from Mater Dei students on the weckends. Many complain that there is nothing fun to do around here, but there are those who work, and some who do their best to make weckends fun.

"There really is nothing exciting to do around here," complains junior Hannah Wannemuehler. "The only options are going to the movies, bowling, or to someone's house. It drives my friends and me insane trying to think of something to do every weekend."

Some students, however, get creative on the weekends. One example of this is junior Tyler Bittner's poker nights.

"A bunch of guys and I try to get together once every two weekends to play Texas Hold 'Em," says Bittner. "We don't play for money, just pride and bragging rights."

Bittner's poker nights often bring together many different types of people.

"When we have poker nights, people that don't normally hang out together can be seen having fun with the game," explains Bittner. "We sometimes play with a few sophomores and freshmen. You learn a lot about people you never thought you would talk to."

During Spring Break, Bittner and the guys passed the time with a large tournament.

"Thirty-one people played. We played for hours. Freshman Alex Weinzapfel beat sophomore Nick Dewig after he had over 60,000 chips," shares Bittner.

Bittner and the guys play poker simply because it is fun.

"Poker is a really fun game that we like to play anytime we get the chance. We're all about the same in skill; it's anyone's game. However, we are learning some new versions of the game, which could be fun," says Bittner.

There is never a dull moment in Bittner's cabin, where the poker nights are held. Between the jokes told, the poker playing, and an occasional game of pool, the guys have lots of laughs and good times.

Another form of entertainment is going to concerts. While there are only concerts in Evansville once in a while, they are a lot of fun to attend. There seems to be a growing number of concerts in the area in recent years. Country music concerts are especially prevalent.

"My friends and I have seen Rascal Flatts, Josh Gracin, and Kenny Chesney recently," says junior Kayley Will. "We're going to see Kenny again this summer, and we are really excited. We always look forward to concerts because they give us something fun and different to de.

In actuality, weekends in Evansville are as fun as one makes them. The choices are to sit around and complain about how insane it is that there is nothing to do, or get out and be creative.

Brittney Miller '06

Juniors Adam Gilles and Scott Schmitt stock shelves at Pet Food Center. Gilles and Schmitt enjoy working together. Photo by: Rachel Williams









Junior Scott Schapker, sophomore Zach Bittner and junior Tyler Bittner play a hand of poker. The Bittners and their friends play for bragging rights, not money. Photo by: Brittney Miller Sophomore Alyssa Feldhaus cleans a barstool after a Saturday night shift at Steak 'n Shake. Many students spend part of their weekends working. Photo by: Jessica Grabert

When were the first and last weekends that the class of 2005 could have spent together? August 17, 2001, and May 30, 2005

"Comedy is comprised of four main ingredients: honesty, imagination, fun, and. . . well, I forgot the last one, but you get the idea." This is what senior Scott Koressel, who many would agree is the most comedic guy in school, feels is the definition of comedy.

Ironically, some of the funniest moments of the year have occurred during the school hours. There is humor throughout the day: both lunch and Wildcat Block give us time to release the

The lunch period often serves up much comedy. Oftentimes, Father John Silva stands at the end of the lunch line chatting with students. Most know that Father Silva is a very funny guy and a great new addition to the priesthood and the Mater Dei community.

Father John Silva came to eat lunch with us in the cafeteria. He wanted to see if it was true that when somebody dropped something. everybody would vell, 'Oh!!!' One day, Andy Krack purposely tripped and dropped his tray on the cafeteria floor, and everybody yelled it," laughs senior April Scheller. "Everyone thought Father John tripped him, but it was just a stunt.'

It isn't too often that we are fortunate enough to see the funniest of the funny at our school. However, during a few Wildcat Blocks, we were entertained by Mater Dei's finest comedians. One such opportunity was when the speech team gave us a sampling in the school auditorium. prior to state and national competitions.

Wildcat Block is also a prime time for pep assemblies to cheer on teammates competing and advancing in athletics. There is a good deal of humor that comes with school spirit when it is time to pump up the sports teams. Seniors Jason Devillez, Scott Koressel, and Jeremy Coomes supported their teammates with their own style.

Jason. Scott, and Coomes made up a rap for the basketball players," says senior Katie Barnes. "I just thought it was funny because, not only did the lyrics rhyme and describe the basketball players perfectly, but the way the three dressed was hilarious. They had on hats and sunglasses

humor that is suffocated by the textbooks.

assemblies," says junior Alyssa Edwards. "It helps people get more into school spirit when the pep assemblies are fun." While there have been comedic times at

and rolled up their sweat pant legs. It was

The students aren't afraid of a little embar-

"I love it when they do funny stuff like that at

rassment. For instance, who could forget the

incredible

male cheerleading squad?

school, there have also been plenty after school and on the weekends, from dressing up for games to random funny times with friends.

"Scholars maintain that the definition of 'comedy' has been lost to the ages," says Koressel. However, it has definitely not been lost here at Mater Dei.

Susan Muensterman '05

Dressed as cheerleaders, seniors Wacev Hall and Mike Coughlin show their spirit by carrying other cheerleaders to lead the students. Their presence pepped up the crowd for the upcoming football sectionals game. Photo by: Jessica Grabert

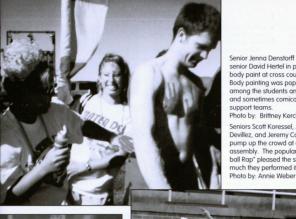
The "C-Sauad." Mater Dei's most untalented but ever-popular cheerleaders, wow the crowd with their aymnastic abilities. The squad showed their school spirit by helping during the school song Photo by: Jessica Grabert



Senior Andy Reddington prepares to spike a volleyball during advanced P.E. "High-pants volleyball" was a creative way to lift up the advanced class

Photo by: Marie Schiff





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Senior Jenna Denstorff assists senior David Hertel in putting on body paint at cross country state. Body painting was popular among the students and a great and sometimes comical way to support teams.

Photo by: Brittney Kerchief Seniors Scott Koressel, Jason Devillez, and Jeremy Coomes pump up the crowd at a pep assembly. The popular "Basketball Rap" pleased the students so much they performed it twice.

augh Out Loud





Senior Drew Alcorn secretly lays down three cards during a game in homeroom. Playing cards gave students something entertaining to do during Wildcat Block. Photo by: Brittney Kerchief

Senior Ben Weber performs his speech for the school before going to the state competition. Weber also qualified for the national competition. Photo by: Brittney Miller

Who do students feel is the funniest teacher at Mater Dei? 45% of those polled said Mr. Knight

With the countless hours spent on homework, tests, and school projects, sometimes the only motivation students have is living for the days off. These days provide much needed rejuveration during the sometimes sluggish routine of high school. Some students choose to spend their breaks relaxing by zoning out in front of the television and forgetting about the pressures of school. Others decide to get away from the city of Evansville and travel to someplace new for exciting adventures.

For spring break this year, seniors Beth Groves, Katie Barnes, and Cassie Schentrup decided to take a road trip to Nashville, Tennessee. They thought it would be interesting to take a trip on their own and spend time together before the final stretch of their last year at Mater Det.

"It was our senior year, and we wanted to do something really fun," shared Groves, "We decided to go to Nashville because there are a lot of malls, and some of us needed prom dresses,"

of malls, and some of us needed prom dresses."

The independence factor also added some fun and excitement to the trip.

"We had all the freedom in the world," said Barnes. "It was cool to be able to do whatever we wanted, whenever we wanted."

Although they were miles from home and on their own, there was still the sense of familiarity that comes with being with your best friends.

"The only thing really different was just having the hotel all to ourselves because there is usually a parent there. As for everything else, it felt like you were out on the weekend with your friends," said Groves.

While the Nashville trip was just for fun, other students get away for more crucial reasons, like choosing colleges. College visits are great ways to get a breather from the high school world and get prepared for the future. Two of the more popular schools visited by Mater Dei students are Purdue and Indiana University, Juniors Kenny Terburge and Logan Schiff both visited Purdue University.

"At Purdue, they break you up into groups by what you think you want to do. Then, they show

Seniors Jeremy
Coomes, Jessica
Byrley, and Beth
Cardin went to the
Smokey Mountains
over spring break with
other friends. They
enjoyed many different outdoor activities.
Photo provided by:
Jessica Byrley

you the campus and all the buildings. I don't know if I'll end up going there, but it was cool to miss school," stated Schiff.

While missing a day of school is fun, others try to forget about high school and focus on their future.

"My college visit was interesting because I knew that it would eventually help me decide what I want to do after I graduate. It made the whole trip a lot more exciting," said Tenbarge.

No matter what students do on their days off, one thing is for sure: the plans they have in store will be an adventure, either because they are hanging out with friends, deciding what they want to do after graduation, or just because they are making the most of their time away from the routine of high school.

Kayley Will '06

Junior Allison Probert focuses on the road on the way to Bloomington, Indiana, to visit the Indiana University campus. Probert was accompanied by her friends on the college visit. Photo by: Rosanna Sartore

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Junior Jennifer Rathgeber searches for a swimsuit before her weekend getaway to Kentucky Lake. Rathgeber often goes to Kentucky Lake with her family. Photo by: Allison Probert





Seniors Kristin Shapker, Kourtney Scott, and Kyle Neissen play in the sand during their spring break vacation in Daytona, Florida. Many seniors took advantage of their last spring break together. Photo provided by: Kristin Shapker

Juniors Leah Weinzapfel and Amanda Cox, sophomore Liz Wargel, and freshman Paul Fischer pose for a picture at the Teens for Life March in Washington, D.C. Photo provided by: Amanda Cox









Senior Brittney Kerchief packs for a weekend visit to Bellarmine University, where she plans to attend after Mater Dei. Staff Photo

Seniors Brittni Herron and Audrey Goebel stop to eat at McDonalds on the way to the cross country state meet. Road trips with friends are a great way to strengthen bonds. Photo by: Katie Barnes

What is the farthest distance that a student traveled for a college visit this year? Kyle Swickard visited St. John's College in Annapolis, Maryland Senior Ashley Lefler is surprised to learn she had received the Ray Krack Award. This \$500 award recognized her determination, hard work, and all-around excellence in academics. Photo by: Allison Probert

Senior Dustin Slaton signs his letter of intent to play football at the University of St. Francis in Fort Wayne, Indiana. Slaton is also considering playing baseball while at St. Francis. Staff photo





Senior Susan Muensterman is surprised in class by representatives from 14WFIE and Fifth Third Bank. They presented her with one of 50 leadership awards given to tri-state students, Photo by: Brittni Herron



Senior Melissa Elpers looks over her UE scholarship award. Elpers received direct entry into UE's doctorate of physical therapy program and \$95,040 in tuition assistance. Photo by: Allison Probert

SUSAN MUENSTERMAN

At the senior breakfast, hosted by the Mater Dei Friends and Alumni Association, the senior class was congratulated and thanked for their hard work during their four years at Mater Dei. Staff photo



# cclamation

Honor can be defined in many different ways. Sometimes it refers to a person with an upstanding reputation. Other times it refers to a special achievement. Still other times it refers to the esteem a person's actions bring to a bigger group or association. Here at Mater Dei, all of these different types of honor are represented in ways that yary in many ways.

One of the many ways honor is earned here at Mater Dei is through academics. Many academic honors involve scholarships. These can be small, to help out with the cost of books, or they can be large enough to cover tuition, such as senior Mary Williamson's First Choice Award from UE. which eives her \$52,000 a year.

"When I found out, I sat down because I felt like I was going to pass out. I was extremely happy," Williamson states.

Not all academic honors are rewarded with money, however. Junior Sarah Paciorsowki, newly elected into the National Honor Society this year, agrees. "All my hard work is finally paying off, especially since it can help me in the future." Paciorsowki says.

Honor is also earned through sports. Many teams bring honor to our school, and the players can also receive individual honors for their personal performances.

Senior Matt Coughlin has won many wrestling awards throughout his career, including Most Valuable Wrestler, Most Points Award, and the Toughman Award.

"It felt like all the hard work I put into wrestling was all worth it," Coughlin claims.

Sports honors aren't always about performance on the field, court, or mat, however. Many honors are about a role on the team, such as senior Scott Koressel's Knights of Columbus Leadership Award in cross country.

"It was definitely an honor. I was very excited to receive this award." Koressel states

Some honors, such as Kiwanis and Academic All-City, involve both academics and sports. Senior Craig Maier, who won Kiwanis in basketball this year, is an example of this.

"It felt great and helped me realize how much my team respected me and how much I respected them," Maier says.

Of course, one very important factor of honor is the recognition. Here at Mater Dei, people are recognized through special events such as banquets and Honors Night.

"I really enjoyed Honors Night because it was exciting to see everyone's achievements and applaud them for all their hard work," senior Susan Muensterman claims.

Head baseball coach Darin Knight sums it all up by saying, "It's just important to recognize the accomplishments of our students. Banquets are a nice way to say some thank yous to the team and parents who supported the program."

Rosanna Sartore, '06



Senior Audrey Goebel is presented with an All-Sports Award trophy. Goebel earned varsity letters in tennis, volleyball, basketball, and cross country. Photo by: Rosanna Sartore











Senior Haley Austin receives her bar for Magna Cum Laude. Austin also received the Senior Scholar Award for being Magna Cum Laude for 7 semesters. Photo by: Rosanna Sartore

Chris Drew presents senior Craig Schutz with the Director's Award. Schutz received the award for his outstanding performances and leadership in the theater department. Photo by: Rosanna Sartore It goes without saying that Mater Dei has a great athletic department. But in order for our teams to be great, they have to have a strong support system. Numerous booster clubs have been formed to fund our teams' various expenses, from new uniforms to transportation to away games. Team managers also provide muchneeded assistance.

One major booster club that often goes unnoticed is the band booster club. Consisting of the parents of the Mater Dei band members, the band boosters put in countless hours planning ways to raise money for the band's activities.

"The booster club has a meeting about once a month to talk about raising money for us. We have two funds: a general fund and a student fund. The general fund goes toward stuff like uniforms, and the student fund goes toward band camp and other activities we do," shares junior band member Robin Fehrenbacher.

Unlike athletic organizations at Mater Dei, the band boosters and members fundrate year-round, not just during the fall, when they compete. They put on car washes and sell blankets and other Mater Dei apparel, but their biggest event is the band auction.

"Everyone is required to bring in a certain amount of items to auction off," explains junior Sarah Paciorkowski, whose mother is the president of the band booster club. "We hire a chef to cook a big meal for everyone. It's a really big deal and definitely our biggest moneymaker."

Another group of people that supports our teams and often goes unnoticed is the team managers. They put in innumerable hours behind the scenes to assist the team during practice and games.

"I decided to be a manager because I really like football and basketball, and I thought it would be a good way to get involved," explained junior Jake Weinzapfel, who has been the football manager for four years and the basketball manager for three years.

Managers are often called upon to do the jobs

that the coaches and other players have no time to do, such as make Gatorade, retrieve equipment, record games and stats, and take care of the dirty laundry. While others might see these jobs as trivial, the athletes appreciate all the managers do for them.

"If it weren't for people like Jake, things would be really different. Our water wouldn't be cold, our towels wouldn't be clean, and our stats wouldn't be as accurate. The managers give 110% behind the scenes and don't receive all the credit they deserve," said junior basketball and football nlaver Kelly Muensterman.

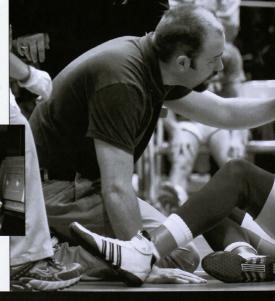
From band to basketball, our winning teams would be nothing without the support of their booster clubs and managers.

Kayley Will '06

Sports trainer Dan Bowman checks on sophomore Chris DeWitt ofler DeWitt took a hard fall at team state wrestling. Bowman traveled with the team to assist them in any way he could. Photo by: Brittni Herron

Junior Jake Weinzapfel washes towels after a football game. Weinzapfel is a manager for both the football and basketball teams. Photo by: Brittni Herron





Senior basketball manager Shane Goedde retrieves ice from the training room for an injured player's ankle. Goedde was the basketball manager for four years. Photo by: Brittni Herron





Junior Matt Taylor works at the band booster club car wash. The car wash raised money for the band's end of the year trip to Holiday World. Photo by: Kayley Will

Mater Dei alumnus Dan Niemeier serves at the senior breakfast. The breakfast was hosted by the Mater Dei Friends and Alumni Association, which supports the school in many ways throughout the year. Staff photo







Sophomore wrestling manager Chris Emmert wipes the mat after an injury. Emmert is not only known for cleaning the mats but also for missing the bus. Photo by: Leslie Woehler Senior Shane Goedde wipes the basketball court at the sectional game against Central. A player had fallen, and as a manager, it was Goedde's duty to wipe the sweat from the floor.
Staff photo

Seniors Josh Henderson, Tim Weber, and Andy Dile grill out at the tailgate party before the Mount Vernon football game. The theme for the game was "Crazy Red and Gold." Staff photo

Senior Phillip Fischer leads the crowd in doing the "rollercoaster" at the Bosse basketball game. Fischer and the other seniors asked that the underclassmen share their enthusiasm at that evening's game. Staff photo



Juniors Nicole Hinderliter and Jamie Eali cheer on the football team at the game against Reitz. Hinderliter wore a vintage Mater Dei jersey that she borrowed from the school.





Senior Tyler Lutterbach and the rest of the crowd go wild at the Heritage Hills sectional game. Despite the crowd's enthusiasm, the team suffered a heart-breaking loss. Photo by: Jessica Grabert

Seniors Jenna Denstorff, Jake Hermann, and April Scheller have a flour fight at the football game against East side rivals Memorial. The game's theme was "Ice the Cake Red." Staff photo

# an-tastic Spirit

And the crowd goes wild! Any Mater Dei student or faculty member that has attended a sporting event can describe an intense rush that will sweep through them as the team scores or wins the game. Any spectator is overtaken by the immense pride and thrill, especially if they are sitting in or near the student section. Mater Dei fans have a reputation for being the rowdiest and loudest fans at any event, and through their dedication and passion, the teams are proceedled to ultimate victory.

"I get so involved in the close matches that I find myself, and observe others, going into contortions," remarked Sister Donna Herr, a longtime supporter of Mater Dei's upstanding wrestling program.

At many events, there are always a select few fans that stand out as the most outrageous and passionate. Three extremely dedicated fans this year were seniors Jeremy Coomes, Jason Devillez, and Phillip Fischer. These seniors can be most noted for their crazy outfits or body paint.

"I start preparing for the game about a week in advance thinking of what outfit I could wear. Then, the night before the game, I usually set it out. On game day, I get ready about an hour before the game," said Fischer.

Not only do their outfits help increase the spirit of the Mater Dei community and players, but the guys also do things people may not see during the games.

"Before the basketball games, all the seniors huddled up and prayed. We also listened to cool music to pump us up while tailgating," stated Coomes.

Due to their immense dedication, outsiders may wonder what types of sacrifices or time commitments these Mater Dei maniacs face.

"We have to sacrifice some money and also risk looking incredibly stupid," said Devillez.

However, there are also some more extreme stories that prove that these guys aren't just fair-weather fans.

"In order to get off work, I had to tell my bosses that my grandpa was in the hospital, and I had to pick him up. Instead I went to the game, and my grandpa was fine at home," recalled Fischer.

Most Mater Dei fans would agree that they are attending the sports events, not for themselves, but to support their peers and cheer them on to success

"The cheering can sometimes make a difference in the outcome. It can give the participants the extra motivation needed," said Sister

This rings very true and is seen in our trophy cases throughout the school, as well as in the large fan turnout at various events throughout the seasons. Passionate fans, wild outfits, and a little spirit can light fire in both players' and onlookers' hearts.

Allison Probert '06





Seniors Scott Koressel, Jeremy Coomes, and Phillip Fischer show their school spirit at the Central basketball game. The guys could often be seen wearing silly ouffits, their signature mullet wigs, and body paint. Stoff photo









The student cheering section at the Reitz football game was a sea of red and gold, complete with body paint and crazy outfits. The fans' cheering and support meant a lot to the football team. Photo by: Jessica Grabert

Fans extend their arms for spirit fingers while a basketball player attempts to make a free throw. This was done throughout the season to show that the school was behind the team. Staff photo



Seniors Kathy Goebel and Jake Herrmann walk up on the stage for the crowning of prom king and queen. Goebel and Herrmann were voted the winners by the juniors and seniors. Photo provided by: Andy Dije

# A Night of **Enchantment**

"Under the Sea," the song from The Little Mermaid, played as prom-goers entered SWIRCA. The tables held bowls with beta fish surrounded by sand and seashells. A sunken ship scene and a treasure chest area provided beautiful decorations and great backgrounds for pictures. A drink stand designed to look like a tiki hut was manned by parents serving Hawaiian drinks in tropical cups, complete with umbrellas and fruit skewers.

"The theme, 'Enchanment Under the Sea' was awesome," senior Katie Zenthoefer says. "The music was also great. We had a limbo contest using the guys' canes. It was just one huge party."

The party for many prom-goers started earlier in the evening when they arrived in style.

"Our parents surprised us with a stretch Excursion," says senior Sarah Fehrenbacher.

Others made arrangements themselves.
"I was with a group of almost thirty people.

We had rented a party bus that took us downtown to eat at Angelo's and then to the prom. It was so much fun," says senior Melissa Elpers. "While we were downtown taking pictures by the riverfront, the news cameras showed up to do a story on Kyle and Kourtney."

While others were decked out in expensive ensembles, seniors Kourtney Scott and Kyle Niesen decided to make their own attire.

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"Kyle and I made our outfits out of duct tape," says Scott. "There's a

scholarship put on by Duck Tape where you have to make your prom clothes out of duct tape. All you have to do is go to prom and take pictures, and you can win money for college."

The two used blue and green duct tape to make her dress and his tux. Neisen even wore a duct tape top hat, and Scott had a matching bag.

"It wasn't the most comfortable dress, but it was fun to wear. It almost looked like a real prom dress," Scott comments.

The clothing and limos were only icing on the cake. More important was the camaraderie the students felt throughout the evening.

"It was the best dance I've ever been to because it just seemed like the seniors bonded," says senior Niki Render. "During the 'Friends in Low Places' song, we all got in a circle."

It was a memorable evening for everyone.
"It's kind of sad that this was the last time we would really get to be together," says senior
Sarah Fehrenbacher. "It was definitely a prom I will never forget."

Susan Muensterman '05

# Under the Sea



Seniors Emily Stute, Drew Alcorn, Ryan Matt, and Ashley Muensterman dance the night away. The seniors formed a circle during "Friends in Low Places." Photo provided by: Jenny Padavic

Seniors Jeremy Coomes and Jason Devillez entertain their friends with a dance. Their white fuxes and outrageous moves on the dance floor made them the center of attention. Photo provided by: Jenny Padavic

Seniors Kourtney Scott and Kyle Neisen answer questions from 14WFIE. The two received a lot of attention for their creative outfits made of duct tape.

Photo by: Brittney Kerchief



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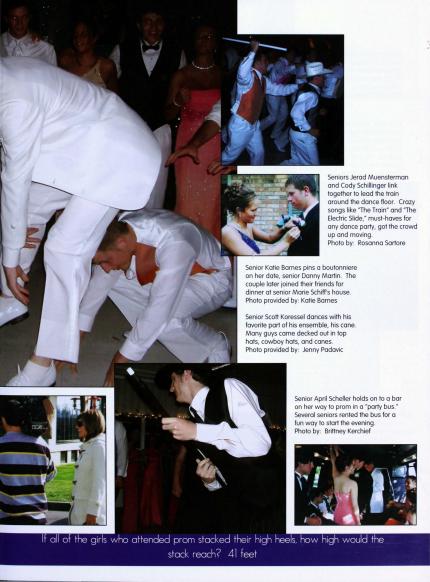
Rathaeber and Toni Solis

held at Walther's Golf-N-

race cars during After-

Prom. The event was

Photo by: Rosanna



Sophomore Sarah Schneider models a dress for her friend. The girls went dress shopping at Magic Moments before the Christmas Dance. Photo by: Liz Wargel

As mayor, senior Jenna Denstorff congratulates football homecoming queen and king, seniors Haley Austin and Jeremy Coomes. They reigned over an impressive win against the Bosse Bulldogs.

Photo by: Liz Wargel



Juniors Meghan Berneking, Laura Mesker, Katlie Funke, Hannah Wannemuehler, and Allison Probert string lights for the sunken ship scene at prom. Mesker's dad also assisted with the decorations, which the group spent many hours perfecting. Photo by: Kayley Will



Junior Branden Clements pours a beta fish into a bowl for table decorations at prom. As junior class president, Clements was head of the prom committee. Photo by: Kayley Will

s Senior Dance Cat Jessica Byrley and sophomores Jewel Reising and Mary Ann Gaffney move tables in the cafeteria before the Back to School Dance, Which they sponsored. Photo by: Allison Probert

Getting ready for a dance is half the fun. From planning, to decorating, to dressing up, there are many preparations to be made. The junior class officers and prom committee work all year to make prom a magical night for everyone. Shopping for dresses, getting manicures and pedicures, and going to the salon for a fancy "do" are almost as much fun as the dance itself. All the hours of preparations lead to very memorable nights.

Countless hours of preparation are spent on prom. The work behind the scenes doesn't go unnoticed. Led by Mrs. Strehl, the prom committee plans the entire evening, from the theme to the decorations to the song played for the king and queen dance.

"We started planning prom over the summer," says junior class secretary Ali Raben. "We chose the theme and started thinking of seenes for the room. When school started, the prom committee was formed, and groups were assigned to specific

In addition to these preparations, there are also many hours spent preparing oneself for the dance. The first step is finding a dress.

"I went to Nashville to find my dress. I couldn't find one here, and I didn't want anyone else to have my dress," says senior Cassie Schentrup.

Besides the dress, there are accessories, hair, make-up, and nails.

"I really enjoy going with my friends to get a pedicure and get my nails done," says junior Emily Raben.

Finally, after all of the planning and getting ready are finished, it is time to enjoy the dance.

Although prom is the biggest dance of the year, the Christmas Dance and homecoming dances are also special occasions.

Along with the dance, there is also a homecoming court. Students choose representatives from their class, and two seniors are crowned king and queen.

"It was exciting, and I felt very honored," says senior Haley Austin, who was the football homecoming queen. "All my friends' support really meant a lot to me."

Being the king also has its advantages.

"I felt really kingly," adds senior football homecoming king,
Jeremy Coomes. "The night went by too fast."

From crazy dancing to fun theatrics, each Homecoming has its share of memorable moments.

"My most memorable moment of the night was when the crown fell off my head," says senior basketball homecoming queen, Katie Barnes. "It was kind of embarrassing, but it was funny. I just shook it off, though, because I was so honored."

Between getting physically ready and making plans for the dance itself, getting there is half the fun. These preparations make the dances special nights to remember.

Brittni Herron '05 and Brittney Miller '06

Junior prom committee member Sarah Scott helps to drape gossamer in the background of the treasure chest scene for prom. This was one of many attempts to get the scene just right.

Photo by: Kayley Will









Junior Laura Mesker has her hair put into an updo before prom. She and a friend went to get their hair styled at Guys & Dolls. Photo by: Kayley Will

Junior Ali Raben gets a pedicure at Eva's Nails the day before prom. She went with her cousin, junior Emily Raben, and another friend. Photo by: Brittney Miller



Seniors Kathy Goebel and Michelle Rietman sing "Ave Maria" during Mass. The voices of Goebel and Rietman highlighted many special occasions throughout the school year. Photo by: Allison Probert



At the end of the school year, teachers begin to assign homework as though they have an infinite amount of time to grade it. The students scramble to tie up loose ends. In the midst of all this chaos, May Day, a laid-back, fun-filled day arrives as our saving grace.

The student council spends a lot of time planning, scheduling, and setting up for this eventful day.

"We've been planning for the past two months, making revisions to the games and assigning committees for each game," said junior Amanda Cox, head of the bat spin committee.

The day begins with a Mass celebrating our patron, Mary. The May Queen is an exemplary model chosen by her fellow students to crown the statue of Mary. This year's queen was Melissa Elpers.

"She embodies all the traits that Mary held. When thinking of all the girls in the senior class, it's easy to see why she was chosen. Her

personality and character shine," said junior Rosanna Sartore.

After Mass comes the part that students anticipate the most. The freshmen are required to carry a senior chair back to the cafeteria, while the other students race to change out of their dress clothes. The fun is about to begin.

Each class competes against one another for the ultimate prize, bragging rights. The games range from the egg toss to a pie eating contest

"I signed up for the sack full of cats because it is an unusual event. It's always great to have a break from the normal routine and be able to let loose," said junior Ryan Marx.

Many games require some skill or at least the ability to be spontaneous and carefree.

"I had a great time competing in the obstacle course. I wanted to do well, but my only strategy was to have fun," said junior Hilary Masterson

This year, like the past years, the seniors prevailed to win over the other classes.

"It felt so great to be down there on the floor when we chanted, 'Seniors, seniors.' Our class truly came together as one to beat the other

classes," said senior Brittni Herron.
As finals and the end of school year come upon us, May Day sticks out as a day of unity, blessing, and celebration.

After all the hard work, May Day rescues us from desks filled with mounting book and papers, our blessing in busy times.

Allison Probert '06





Roger Sills coaches sophomore Zach Goebel as he spins around the bat. Sills enjoyed encouraging the competitors. Photo by: Brittni Herron

Senior Melissa Elpers crowns the statue of Mary during the Mass celebration. Elpers was chosen for this honor, based on her character and reputation.

Photo by: Rosanna Sartore

Freshman Kelley Short slides through the shaving cream during the obstacle course event. The seniors narrowly defeated the juniors in this event.

Photo by: Susan Muensterman



Junior Tiffany Floyd

feet after searchina

through a pool full of

struggles to stay on her

Jello for a ping pong ball.

This year the pool was

filled wih blue Jello to

resemble water.

Kerchief

Photo by: Brittney





"I want to thank everybody for not being ware of their surroundings so I can be sneakysneaky," said Chris Stolz during one of the many activities at the senior retreat. Many students found the portion of the day allotted to passing around a microphone and sharing memories humorous and eniovable.

Seniors arrived at the Daughters of Charity Provincial House for the retreat, which began with a prayer that led straight into the first event of the day: the scavenger hunt. Seniors dashed outside to hunt for the items on their lists.

"It was one of my favorite parts of the retreat because it was really something out of the ordinary," said Craig Maier. "It gave everybody the opportunity to go outside and enjoy the day."

After the last group dashed inside, the seniors settled down to hear the first of three speakers of the day. Chad Raben, who graduated from Mater Dei in 2001, shared the trials he faced during his senior year and advice on how to face the hard times. Principal Marie Williams told the students of her encounters with people throughout her life. Frank Will spoke of his grandson's surgery and how to deal with unexpected difficulties.

"The speakers were really great," said Haley Austin. "They gave us real-life circumstances in order to prepare us for the future."

Another event that seniors found particularly meaningful was writing letters to classmates.

"The letters helped us restore relationships and reconcile arguments. Not holding any grudges brought us closer together as a class," said Kasey Kollker.

In the afternoon, the seniors relaxed and enjoyed their lunch. Subway sandwiches and Lic's ice cream were quickly devoured. Then, the class scattered to enjoy their first and only recess of the year. While some chatted and played cards indoors, others headed outside to play a number of games.

"There were all sorts of fun games going on at lunch," said Jenny Padavic. "People were playing Red Rover, bean bags, ultimate frisbee, and football."

During the "Pass the Mike" section of the senior retreat, Chris Stolz thanks his fellow classmates. Every senior was able to say what he or she was thankful for.
Photo by: Britt Kerchief

As the day drew to a close, the students filed into seats in the small chapel for a class Mass. Seniors provided music and served as lectors and sift-bearers.

"The mass was touching because it was just our class. It was a wonderful opportunity for us to grow closer to each other and to God," said Katie Zenthoefer.

When the retreat was over, seniors left in small groups, many feeling renewed after the day's events.

"The retreat was one of our last opportunities to come together and enjoy spending time with the whole class. It helped us to remember all the good times we had and reconcile our differences before we graduate and go our separate ways," said Dana Mueller.

Emily Copeland '05

At the end of the retreat, the seniors celebrated Mass together. Leslie Woehler and Amber Ferarri participate in the motions to "Our God is an Awesome God," led by the musically tolented seniors. Photo by: Brittini Herron



Jessica Byrley and Beth Cardin write letters to friends, expressing both regret and thanks. Writing the letters helped to mend and strengthen relationships. Photo by: Jaclyn Muensterman





Kyle Neisen takes advantage of a quiet opportunity to rest on the grounds during the senior retreat. Students were encouraged to eniov nature while reflecting on their lives. Photo by: Jaclyn Muensterman

Alli Vick thoughtfully composes a letter to one of her classmates as she lounges on a park bench. The students were encouraged to use this time for reflection. Photo by: Jaclyn Muensterman





Joe Lehman, Ben Weber, and Mary Williamson examine one of the many statues at the Mater Dei Provincial House. The scavenger hunt required students to collect items and information from a number of locations as quickly as possible. Photo by: Brittni Herron

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Mike Coughlin holds up the candy selections so his table can choose which they like best. Prizes were awarded to the teams who finished first in the scavenger hunt and to raffle ticket winners. Photo by: Brittney Kerchief

How many envelopes were used for letters during the retreat? Over 300

# Parents say, "Hats Off"

As the year came to an end for the class of 2005, the class took the opportunity to make a few last connections. On the last few days of high school, memories that will never be forgotten were created. The class trip to Six Flags St. Louis and Project Graduation were some of the last times that the class would be together as a whole.

"I will never forget either night. It really brought us together," Kristin Schapker comments.

While loading the bus for Six Flags, many of the seniors realized that it was the last time they would have to be at school by seven in the morning. This realization pumped the seniors and fueled their excitement for the rest of the day. After the buses arrived at the theme park, all of the students ran to the entrance yelling and screaming about which ride they were going to get on first. The roller coasters and water rides were hot picks.

"The Boss was my favorite. It was a fast ride with unexpected turns," states senior Andy Dile.

When the class gathered again the following day, the focus was no longer on favorite rides. The focus

of the night had changed to celebrating the class and their last memories together. Project Graduation was a night for the seniors to party and have a good time together without the influence of drugs and alcohol. The western theme brought plenty of fun events to make the night unforgettable.

"The theme was very interesting, and it was a nice, fun hoedown for

the class," Lauren Adcock states. The seniors' parents decorated the small gym with western scenes.

They also organized games and music. The class was split into teams when they arrived to the party. Each team was given a western style name such as "Hoe Downs" and "Tumbleweeds," The teams went up against each other to win prizes. The games made the members connect and work as a team

The DJ played a lot of music that the seniors could get up and dance to. The "Electric Slide" and "Rocky Top" were great opportunities for the seniors to grab their favorite dancing partners. Every hour the parents brought out new food dishes. Examples of the delicious dishes were barbeque pig, pizza, breadsticks, fruit, donuts, and desserts. The limbo, team games, music, and food made the evening worthwhile and exciting

The last moments that the seniors shared together brought them closer together and helped them to connect as a class. The class trip and Project Graduation were full of fun and created promising memories. As the class of 2005 moves on to adulthood, they will forever remember their greatest moments together.

Brittney Kerchief '05





Seniors Melissa Elpers, Hannah Johnson, Nathan Beach, Anna Reckelhoff, and Rachel Ketzner ride a roller coaster on the senior class trip. The seniors spent the whole day at Six Flags in St. Louis. Photo by: Brittney Kerchief

Seniors Jerad Muensterman, Brad Unfried and Getty Murray help themselves to the food served at Project Graduation. The food for the night included pizza, desserts, fruit, and many other goodies for the seniors.

Staff Photo



Seniors Jaclyn

Muensterman and

around at Project

was exciting, especially at the end when

the seniors received

free prizes.

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Brittney Erkman joke

Graduation. The night





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Senior Drew Alcorn takes a photo for some of his fellow classmates. Each senior recieved a disposable camera to capture the moments of the night. Staff Photo

mates. There were many western toys lying around

Joe Lehman, Mike Coughlin, and Craig Maier lead the way into Project Graduation. The parents who planned the evening kept the theme secret from the seniors to build anticipation for the event. Staff Photo

> bandana around his head. The color of the bandana represented which team each senior was on. Staff Photo



Father Kenny Steckler leads the seniors in prayer at Mass. Baccalaureate was the seniors' last Mass together as a class. Photo by: Rosanna Sartore

An inspirational speech was given by Father Kenny Steckler to the seniors. The speech reminded the seniors to make a difference in their own special ways. Photo by: Rosanna Sartore



Senior Emily Stute offers the Eucharist to a fellow classmate's grandparent. The seniors were responsible for the readings, gift bearing, eucharistic ministry, and memory bearing. Photo by: Rosanna Sartore



Seniors Katie Zenthoefer and Andy Krack add wrestling head gear and track shoes to the memory altar. The seniors chose items that were sentimental and representative of their class.

Photo by: Rosanna Sartore

Seniors Kathy Goebel and Michelle Rietman sing along with director Mr. Tim Dickle. Goebel and Rietman sang "You Raise Me Up" to prepare the audience for the procession. Photo by: Rosanna Sartore



**emotions** 

# arewe

After over 720 days of school over four years, countless hours of homework, and a month-long countdown to graduation, the senior class was finally able to celebrate the end of their Mater Dei career. After cheering through their last May Day, breezing through the last set of finals, and bonding through a class trip, this year's seniors had only one experience left to share as a whole before graduation. This event, baccalaureate, was very emotional. It was both a solemn and fun way for the seniors to look back on their time together. It was an evening full of both laughter and tears, joy and bittersweet recollections

Baccalaureate ran smoothly with a little practice beforehand. "Before school ended," states senior Katie Barnes, "some of the teachers had us practice for baccalaureate during a Wildcat

Block to make sure things ran smoothly. The practice wasn't hard, but it allowed for the mood of the Mass to be what it was supposed to be-a time for reflection.

There were many opportunities for the seniors to get involved in the Mass. Many thought this made the event special and more sentimental than any other Mass before it. A list was passed around before baccalaureate for the seniors to sign up. Some of the possibilities included Eucharisic minister, memory bearer, offertory gift bearer, and musical ensemble

The memory bearers brought up items that symbolized the class of 2005. Many felt that this was the most emotional part of the ceremony.

"It reminded me of all that our class has been through and done together," says senior Brittney Kerchief.

A favorite item for many of the seniors was the mullet.

"The guys always wore them to athletic events and May Day, Our class was the first to start wearing them, and it helped define our personality as a class," senior Marie Schiff comments

Every year, a person who is close to the senior class is chosen to speak at the end of Mass. This year, Frank Will gave a meaningful speech that touched many of the seniors' hearts. Mr. Will is known for being the serious former football coach and drivers' ed teacher. However, he is also known as the substitute teacher who tells funny jokes. Mr. Will's speech was also both serious and funny.

"Frank Will was a good speaker and an inspiration to me. He was my favorite part of the baccalaureate Mass," Aimee Fischer

Baccalaureate was an emotional celebration that allowed the class of 2005 to both look back on their special memories and look ahead to the future.

> Jessica Grabert '06, Brittney Miller '06, Kayley Will '06, Brittni Herron '05 & Brittney Kerchief '05

Senior Beth Cardin looks up as a friend puts on her graduation cap. The



Mrs. Kim Alles plays the piano durina Baccalaureate. She was joined by several other students to lead the singing at Mass. Photo by: Rosanna Sartore









The students, parents, and families listen to Frank Will as he gives a speech on his life and what the students should expect in the future. His speech was heartfelt and genuine. Photo by: Rosanna Sartore

Senior Anna Reckelhoff fans herself with a program during Mass. Sitting under the hot lights on the stage made the seniors very uncomfortable Photo by: Rosanna Sartore



Mrs Kristi Herr carries boxes containing the caps and gowns into the waiting room at the Centre. The seniors weren't allowed to throw their caps because they had to be returned to the companies. Photo by: Rosanna Sartore

# Graduation is a **Close Shave**

May 29, 2005, was the day every high school senior looked forward to-Graduation Day. Mater Dei High School's graduation ceremony was high-spirited to say the least. From the audience rang cheers of congratulations and the sounds of cowbells and kazoos. There was an air of excitement and awe from the class of 2005.

Graduating senior Beth Groves, who thought she would be nervous when the graduation ceremony arrived, didn't find leaving Mater Dei the hardest part of graduating.

'It's going to be hard to change my routine. I'm going to have to change everything that's been the same for the past thirteen years!" Groves explained

For Groves, the excitement of going off to college was about the new experiences freshmen have their first year in a new school.

"I'm excited about meeting new people, living on my own, and taking classes that I want to take rather than those that are required," Groves said. For senior Susan Muensterman.

graduation was a long-awaited experience. After a week of graduation events, she was ready to don her cap and gown

"I was very excited about graduation. I'm going to college in Boston, and I'm ready to leave high school behind to start with the new." Muensterman said.

Senior Brittni Herron had wonderful experiences during her four years at Mater Dei, and graduating was one of the highlights of her high school career.

"I knew I'd cry at graduation," Herron says. "I'm going to miss all of my friends when I go to Ball State. I really like how our class got closer this year, and there's no one else I'd rather graduate with."

Mater Dei High School's class of 2005 had four tremendous years of work and play, and most seniors agreed they wouldn't have changed

"I don't have any regrets," Herron said. "Everything that happened helped make me who

As they walked across the stage to receive their diplomas and turned their red and gold tassels to the left side of their caps, the seniors left behind their home of four years with a simple footstep. As valedictorian, Melissa Elpers gave a heartfelt speech to her classmates, reminding them, "The best is yet to come for the seniors of 2005. Hakuna Matata," Elpers said. "No worries."

Jaclyn Muensterman

# for some, but not all



The senior class gathers in the lobby of the Centre before graduating. Many seniors used the time to take last-minute pictures with famly and friends. Staff Photo

Senior Andy Krack shaves his face during the last minutes before the graduation ceremony begins. The boys were warned to be clean shaven, but many were wrong in thinking they could get away with it. Staff Photo

The faculty raises their hands in a blessing over the departing seniors. This gave the staff one last chance to wish the seniors a happy and healthy future.

Photo by: Jessica Grabert



Senior Molly Couture

ing her diploma. The

walk out of the Centre

excitement and anticipa-

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Photo by: Rosanna

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celebration after receiv-

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Senior Greg Ambrose poses for a picture with his family members before graduation. Many parents tried to capture the last moments of their child's high school career. Photo by: Rosanna Sartore

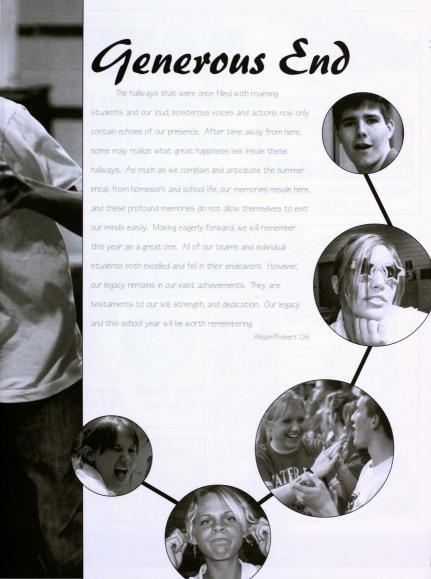
Senior Brittney Kerchief assists fellow classmate Brittany Erkman in pinning on her cap. While waiting outside the Centre for Memorial's graduation to end, many seniors needed extra hands to pin their caps on in the windy

The medal was given to all senior members of the National Honor Society. Photo by: Rosanna Sartore

> Senior Natalie Wolf shakes Ms. Marie Williams' hand after recieveing her diploma from Bishop Gerald Gettlefinger. The seniors had to take a long walk to receive their diplomas. Photo by: Jessica Grabert









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Tara Elpers



Congratulations!! We have loved watching you play ball these four years. We hope you are always happy. Good Luck! Love you always, Mom, Natalie, Kurt, and Sam

**Audrey Goebel** 



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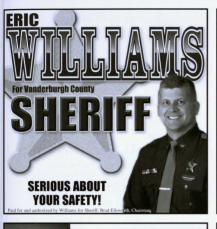
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Ryan Matt



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Our best wishes to you Andy. Love, Grandma Mary and Grandpa Tom May

Chad,
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**Chad Dewig** 

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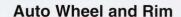
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Mom, Dad, Elissa, and Andrew

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We are so proud of you. You have grown into a beautiful young lady. May all your dreams come true. Love, Mom and Dad

Allison Vick



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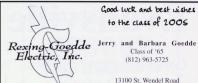


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We can't believe you are all grown up. We are so proud of you. Good luck at I.U., and also with wrestling. We will miss you.
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Always stay strong mentally and physically, and you will go a long way in life. Thanks for the areat memories. Mom. Randy. Nichole. and Grandma







To our daughter, Jessica, sweet and caring, yet strong and independent. We are very proud of you! May the future bring you many more wonderful surprises! We love you. Dad and Jane

Jessica Dick



We couldn't have wished for a more beautiful, loving daughter. We love your beautiful smile and the warmth of your laughter. Every year we watch you grow more wonderful, and every year we love you more. We hope the future holds all you ever dreamed of. Love and kisses, Mom and Dad

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Kyle, We've always known nothing could stop you! You've made us so proud. Love, Mom and Dad

Kyle Neisen



Andrew, Thanks for the memories, and good luck in the future.

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Hold on tightly to your dreams, Rhen, and you can accomplish anything. Our love will always be with you. Mom, Dad, Audrie, Layne and Lance

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Ashley Lefler



Greg, We are all so proud of the young man you've become! Congratulations! Mom, Dad, Jason, and Mark



Greg Ambrose



Thank you, Tyler for being so special these eighteen years. We are honored to call you our son. Be happy, stay faithful, and always remember we love you.

Mom and Dad

Tyler Lutterbach



Love Always, Mom, David and Family Whitney Staup



You have kept us laughing and smiling for 18 years. We are so proud of you. Remember you have so much to give. Never give up on your goals and dreams We love you! Mom, Dad, and John

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We are very proud of you. Remember to always love and respect yourself and others. Keep your faith in God and do your best. "Winners make things happen!" We love you.

Mom Dad and Heidi

Kenny Tenbarge



We are so proud of vou! Good luck at Murray! Love Mom and Dad

**Beth Groves** 



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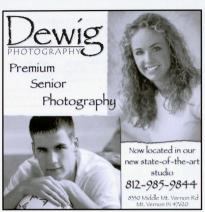
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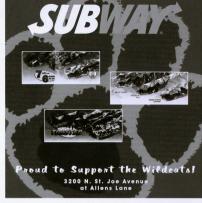
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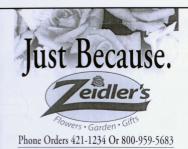
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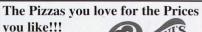


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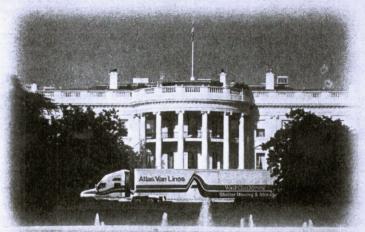


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- Row 4 Mark Modesitt, Katie Dockery, Rachel Buskavitz, Amanda Cox, Penny Appler, Andy Walker, Michelle Kelley, Sarah Hall, Hannah Boots, Marie Wolf, Jennifer Born
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#### Football Homecoming

Row 1 - Mack Weinzapfel, Kendal Elpers, Julia Knight, Ben Turner, Evan Hassler, Madison Coornes, Jamie McGinness, Dustin Scheller Row 2 - Michael Wolf, Michelle Kellev, Michael Fischer, Kim Soahn, Hallev Austin, Jake Herrmann.

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Row 2 - Jonathan Grosheart, Diana McConnell, Jake Weinzapfel, Tegan Rush, Eric Muensterman, Deidre Weis, Dustin Scheller





#### **Basketball Homecoming**

Row 1 - Jacob Schneider, Katie Reddington, Madelyn Goebel, Evan Englert, Dylan Butts, Raelynn Kelle, Celeste Englert, Kelsey Hoffmann, Reid Grossman

Row 2 - Ryan Wink, Brooke Wayne, David Hudson, Andrea Schnur, Greg Ambrose, Jessica Dick, Kathy Goebel, Shane Goedde, Katle Barnes, Dave Hertel, Katle Alexander, Joe Buffer, Mackenzie Riggs, Brian Pigman

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Row 1- Dan Weinzapfel, Joe Butler, Jerry Parkinson, Sean Herron, Kevin Elliot, Wes Dingman, Mitchell Eickhoff

Row 2- Jeremy Coomes, Dustin Stoltz, Matt Feller, Eric Sammet, Patrick McKlinney, Patrick Farmer Scott Korossel, Alex Echele, Andy Krack, Jerad Krieg, Shad Macke, Coach George Moll



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Row 1 – Tara Elpers, Holley Kempf, Katle Zenthaefer, Jenna Adler, Jessica Dick Row 2 – Coach Mary Jo Malicot, Casses Schentrup, Coach Carolyn Adler, Alyssa Edwards, Tiffany Paylon, Coach Kim Goebel, Mily Coulture, Coach Bryan Morrison



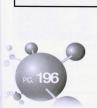
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Row 1 - Jessica Grabert, Jamie McGinness, Kelsey Hoffmann, Sarah Fehrenbacher, Emily Shetler, Andrea Schnur Row 2 - Leslie Goans, Penny Appler, Allison Mesker, Michelle Rietman, Haley Austin, Adria Keller,

Natalie Fleming Row 3 - Coach Rob Schoenstein, Jenny Padavic, Kerl Swickard, Jaci Babcock, Alex Jost, Alivia Scott, Manager Nicole Hinderliter, Coach Tom Williams



Row 1 - Ryne Stephens, Ryan Marx, Andrew Elpers, Calvin Clements, Jon Adcock, Aric Kennedy, Adam Lambert, Brian Pigman, Ben Lasher, Sam Schentrup, Andrew Shetler, Nick Anderson Row 2 – Tyler Hunt, Dan Armstrong, Jon TenBarge, Nick Schenk, Mitch Funke, Craig Jochem, Matt Price, Corey Rosek, Kyle Swickard, Kyle Clements, Cody Brandenstein, Adam Barchet





Girls Golf

Row 1 - Niki Render, Kasey Render, Natalie Wolf, Jenna Whorl, Danielle Rolley, Coach Jeff Jewell Not Pictured: Ali Raben, Emily Raben



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Row 2 – Carly Zenthoefer, Alyssa Lambert, Genna Ramsbey, Katie Funke, Nicole Elpers, Melissa Padavic

Row 3 – Amy Wolf, Annie Weber, Mallory Scheller, Kyla Wargel Not Pictured – Coach Brad Gilbert, Coach Robert Thomas



#### **Boys Swimming**

Row 1 – Alex Funke, Craig Jochem, Tyler Swhart, Sam Schentrup Row 2 – Aaron Crowe, Ryan Marx, Adam Lambert, Branden Clements, Calvin Clements, Mark Modestit, Lucos Nelson

Row 3 - Coach Brad Gilbert, Coach Robert Thomas



#### Varsity and Reserve Football

Row I – Syan Mart, Mile Coughlin, Joe Weinzupfell, Youn Wildemann, Cory Goebell, Donny Marin, Joe Lehmann, Jared Droste, Dustin Solden, Andy Reddington, Drew Akorm, John Shelter, Chad Dewig, Greg Ambrose, Joson Devillez, Mart Coupjell, Cossey Wildermann, Row 2 – Alex Dropper Paul Mindrugh, Tim Goebel Derew Kuppe, Paul Kerngk, Menwesterman, Biley Mores, Deniel Langhard, Tekoppel, Justin Hoog, Tiler Bither, Nothard I. Stell, Meller, Masson Kerngt, Nak Farm, Adom Butts, Row 3 – David Hudson, Jeremy Goebel, Andy Niemeier, Bart Schoeler, Zoch Moore, Josh Rice, Ryan Schorer, Ben Yinging, Scotl Schopler, Khanh Hassler, Meller Eskirbf, Adom Scheen, Mac Varhonoser, Mile Coebel, Greg Graff, Row 4 – Jasce, Andy Karcher, Sandhesius, Josh Marshall, Meller, Mell



#### Wrestling and Mat Cats

Row 1 × Knyla Wienzople I. Hilling Floyd, Kellyn Muyphy, Courtney Adler, Aliva Sord, Eritana i Bjess. Row 2 - Amber Ferrari, Rozhe Liugs, Moline Schill, Brittin Herron, Behl Cordin, Krale Bornes, Jenno Denstoff, Kfoffy Gobelde, Kfoliz Zembelder, Adhie y Musersham, Jessco Beyler, Leise Woelher, Christin Morron, Kow 3 - Alew Wienzople I. Deng-Seen Herron, Josh Firmon, Jake Hermann, Nick Dewig, Chris DeWitt, Band Schoeler, Mart Coughlin, Mike Coughlin, Jenerry Goebel, Joso Wienzople I. Zoch Goebel, Joson Wire. Row 4 - Tonner Sheridan, John TenBorge, Alex Topper, Moson Kempt, Anny Mort, Jenny Parkinson, Jose Buller, Erit Sammer, Logon Benke, Alex Will, Ben Eleming, Tenkr Folizano, Mart Echlord, Mike Robest, Serband Lydon, Kennyr Frabrogae, Zoch Miller, Dannyr Weinzopfel, Logon Schiff, Andy Seebert, Joke Schneider, Shown Will, Justin Knopp, Tony Wolf, Andy Kercher, Cody Moll, Monager Chris Emmert. Row 6 - Daniel Schweitzer, Gus Hoas, Stephen Loveler, Derw Will Liugen Fisher, Zoch Miller, Liude Dewig



#### Varsity Baseball

Row 1 - Will Moll, Nathan J. Miller, Ben Dausman, Phil Loehr, Ryan Wink, Adam Schenk Row 2 - Dustin Slaton, John Eickhoff, Andy Reddington, Tyler Bittner, Ryan Gries, Matt Major Row 3 - Kyle Grossman, Michael Goelz, Jared Droste, Drew Alcorn, Joe Kelley, Shad Macke



Row 1 - Michelle Rietman, Hannah Johnson, Melissa Elpers, Brittney Kerchief Row 2 - Jenna Adler, Jenna Whorl, Tiffany Payton, Hailey Kempf, Sarah Scott, Stephanie Seibert Laura Lutz Row 3 - Krystal Schmitt, Hannah Boots, Hilary Masterson, Marie Wolf, Lauren Niemeier, Mallory Schenk, Madison Parkinson



#### Boys Varsity Basketball

w 1 – Manager Ryan Musgra re, Brandon Deig, Paul Kempf, Kelly Muensterman, Craig Maier, Andy Reddington, Andy Tekoppel, Danny Martin, Manager Corey Lannert

Row 2 - Coach Jason Craig, Coach Justin Elpers, Manager Shane Goedde, Corey Goebel, Nathan Hassler, Wacey Hall, Paul Weinzapfel, Drew Alcorn, Manager Jake Weinzapfel, Coach Kevin. Moore, Coach John Goebel



#### Girls Varsity Basketball

Row 1 - Tiffany Payton, Madison Parkinson, Emily Weinzapfel. Row 2 – Coach Melissa Groben, Audrey Goebel, Michelle Farney, Cassie Schentrup, Jessica Dick, Mallory Morrow, Manager Kelley Short, Manager Beth Groves



#### Varsity Cheerleaders

Row 1 – Kayla Weinzapfel, Emily Elpers, Kourtney Scott, Rachel Luigs, Lauren Oliver Row 2 – Nicci Sheridan, Tori Fischer, Jaci Elpers, Amber Ferrari, Danielle Elsner





Row 1 - Audrey Goebel, Katie Barnes, April Scheller Row 2 - Laura Hall, Alyssa Lambert, Amber Kemper, Lindsey Will, Lauren Oliver, Sammi Sammett Row 3 - Elizabeth Wagner, Kayley Will, Laura Mesker, Hannah Wannemuehler Not pictured: Molly Couture, Coach Krista Loewen, Coach Nichole Freyberger



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Kristin Schapker, Michelle Farney, Cara Emmert Row 2 -Emily TenBarge, Sarah Schneider, Jaci Babcock, Kim Spahn, Kendra Scheller Row 3 - Kelsey Hoffmann, Ashley Hoffmann, Ellen Weinzapfel, Katie Scheller Row 4- Lisa McIntosh, Christie Kelley, Margaret Stoltz, Emily Weber, Jessie Buskavitz, Rachel Buskavitz, Michelle Kelley



#### Boys Track

Row 1 - Corey Rosek, Andy Krack, Scott Koressel, Jason Devillez, Dave Hertel, Jeremy Coomes, Ben Weber, Ryan Matt, Matt Feller

Row 2 - Jacob Schneider, Andy Matt, Sean Herron, Jordan Phelps, Scott Schapker, Patrick Farmer,





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