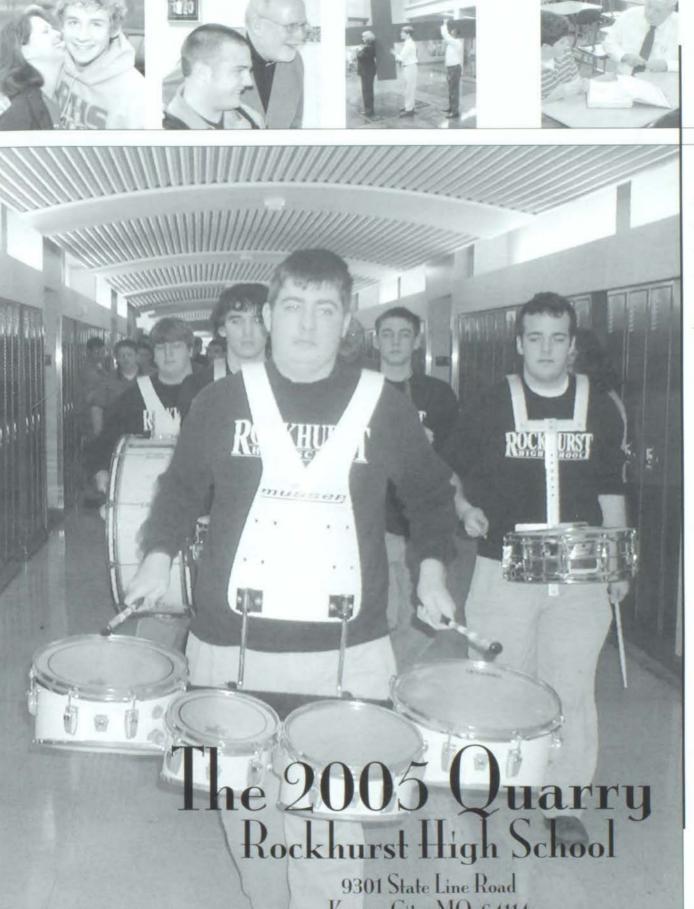


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intangible that makes Rockburst High School the place that it is could be many things, depending on who you ask. Whatever it is. that intangible, that R-Factor. if you will, it sure makes a difference.

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R It's sometimes called the Xfactor, that intangible that provides an edge for success





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At Rockhurst, maybe it's an R-Factor, hard to put your finger on, but there all the same. It'll vary a bit depending on your point of view. You decide by the end. There'll be a quiz, so watch carefully.





Need a hint? Maybe it's in the faces?







The Rockhurst High School Theater program traveled to London and Edinburgh, August 2-15*. Performers and sponsors spent two days in London where they attended two London shows and participated in a Globe Theatre workshop. They spent the rest of the time in Edinburgh, Scotland, where they performed Jesus Christ Superstar to capacity audiences at the internationally acclaimed Fringe Festival as part of the American High School Theatre Festival. Full coverage in the 2006 Quarry yearbook.







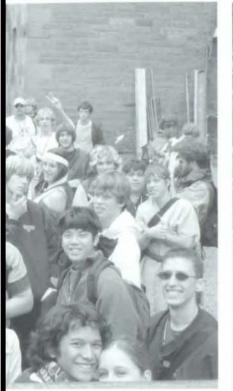






World From Kansas City to Scotland to Iraq, the R-Factor exhibited itself













The Theater Department showcased itself in Scotland and traveled throughout Great Britain, and a parent displayed her bravery while serving in the Iraq War. For most, a rousing effort made it a happy and successful year on the home front.







Intangible An indefinable spirit seems to enhance the RHS community













Everywhere one looks, there seems to be lots of people who have made Rockhurst their home, including parents and administrators and students who all really get involved.



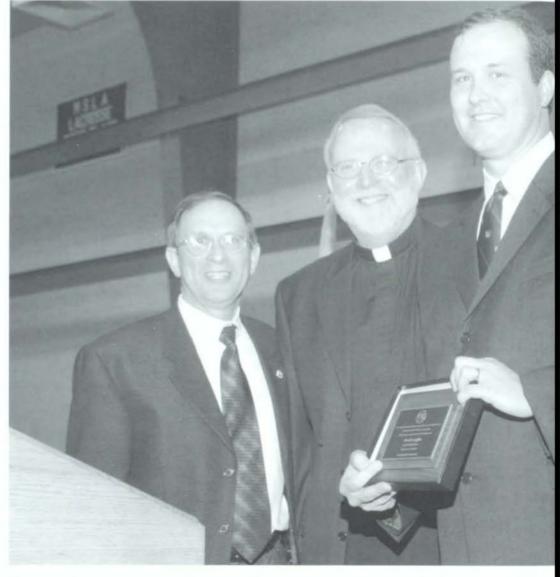


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New Pope, new bishops, tangible changes



Principal David Laughlin left to be SLUH's president, and Mr. Larry Ruby took over, and Mr. Scott Duschen took over for him. Pope John Paul finally went to heaven and Pope Benedict XVI took over for him. Mr. Vince Giacabazi went away to be a Jesuit. Bishop Raymond Boland retired and was replaced by Bishop Robert Finn. And Bishop James Keleher left and Bishop Joseph Naumann replaced him. And then the Scotland trip ... Whew!





























The intangible that sets Rockhurst apart is a silent inestimable force



From her small office in the hallway leading to the annex, Mrs. Judie Scanlon orchestrates the most vital aspects of Rockhurst society, parental involvement. Whether involved in stuffing envelopes, or coordinating the annual spring auction, Rockhurst owes its existence to dedicated parents.

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Parents

Volunteering at Rockhurst revolves around the Parents Club, headed by Mrs. Katie Link, which coordinates the activities by forming committees and assigning various tasks.

"I find that it is really fun to get involved and meet great people who have sons at Rockhurst," said Mrs. Link, whose son Michael is a junior. "Plus it gives me a chance to experience Rockhurst along with the students."

"Once the spirit of Rockhurst gets into one's blood, it starts pumping blue," said Mrs. Judie Scanlon, Special Activities Coordinator and the liaison between parents and the school for 18 years. "Once this happens, parents become more than happy to help in any way possible."

Some parents decide to participate in the everyday workings of Rockhurst, including volunteering either in the cafeteria, the Rock Shop, or the Quarry snack bar after school.

Mrs. Jo Gratton, immediate past Parents Club President, has been helping in the cafeteria for eight years, and considers her involvement as an opportunity to observe first hand the inner workings of RHS.

"Every year I become more impressed with the Rockhurst staff, whether in the classroom, on the playing fields, on retreats, or at school mixers," said Mrs. Gratton, whose son Travis is a senior. "This makes it easy for me to help out to lighten their load."

Moms who work in the Rock Shop and the Quarry provide an after school snack, or sell a cool pink polo shirts. Mrs. Eileen Quinn is in her fifth year organizing volunteers in the Quarry.

"Working at the Quarry allows me to feel like I'm doing something to help," said Mrs. Quinn, whose son Ryan is a junior. "I feel a sense of importance knowing how much boys appreciate snacks after a hard day at school."

Special events draw parents, both past and present, including the Bridging the Gap concert series where parents and alumni parents provide publicity, sell tickets, feed performers and the production staff, or set up or clean up.

The annual Heritage Festival and craft sale depends entirely on parents to showcase the

gourmet talents of a variety of ethnic groups.

"For four years it has become a tradition to prepare around 200 fried cheese and rice filled balls called rengini," said Mrs. Kelly Privitera, whose son Joseph is a junior. "I know that what I do helps to develop an appreciation for different cultures while letting others try food that they don't have access to on a daily basis."

By far the most complex assignment for parents is the annual Spectacular Auction. Parents start months in advance securing donations, advertising, cataloging items, and organizing the remainder of the volunteers for the event. Weeks in advance they are busy selling tickets and managing funds.

Mrs. Mary Vignatelli and Mrs. Mary Ring, along with their husbands, were chairpersons of the 2005 Spectacular Auction.

"Co-chairing the auction was an opportunity to help a great school," said Mrs. Vignatelli, whose son Nick is a junior. "One of my motivations is knowing that because of my contribution, any qualified student is capable of receiving a Rockhurst education."

So what influences the dedication and commitment parents have toward the school?

"Part of the reason is that Rockhurst doesn't ask parents to involve themselves for the sole purpose of helping the school," said Mrs. Scanlon. "It aims to draw families into the collective, spiritual community that has endured through generations."

This phenomenon accounts for part of the reason why alumni parents continue to donate their time and money to RHS.

"Rockhurst creates an environment that encourages parents to want to get involved instead of involvement being merely a laborious task," said Mrs. Scanlon. "Parents take ownership of their projects and induce the flow of creative juices. They appreciate the opportunity involvement provides to unite. In addition, flexible scheduling provides parents a chance to participate despite varying abilities to commit."

The end result is an involvement that towers over most other schools. Approximately 75% of Rockhurst parents volunteers some of their time. Rockhurst has never sent out a request for help and not had a huge response.

"It is amazing every year to see the amount of dedication that parents have in the school," said Mrs. Scanlon. "It has been like that forever, and I hope it always will be." Story by Earnest McCoy

Subtract parents from the Rockhurst equation and where would we be? Not at the particular high point we are, that's for sure. Who else can we credit for the talented and well formed young men who join us every year?







Mr. Chuck Loose, Assistant Director of Development, shows the Barry Commons to an RHS Alum



The Rockettes, alumni moms, meet often to socialize and to raise funds for needy students



Mr. Joey Williams, Class of 2004



Mr. Alex Fontana, Class of 2004, with Mr. Chris Jensen



Dr. Jon Browne, RHS Class of 1961, Fr. Terrence Baum,SJ, RHS President, and Mrs. Angela Browne.



New members of the Rackhurst Sports Hall of Fame were inducted October 8, 2004. They are: Mr.Ronald Geldhof, RHS Tennis Coach, Mr. William A. Whitaker, Class of 1977, Mrs. Janet Lillis for her late husband Mr. Michael Lillis, Class of 1956, Mr. Thomas W. Jantsch, Class of 1977, Mr. Jay Reardon, Class of 1976, Mr.Jeffrey Crippin, Class of 1976, Mr. Ed Budde, for his son Mr. Brad E. Budde, Class of 1976, Mr.Jeb Goodspeed, for his late son Mr. Mark J. Goodspeed, Class of 1975, Mr.Christopher Garlich, Class of 1975, Mr. Thomas Muehlebach, Class of 1964, Mr. Joseph B. Groner, Class of 1964, and Coach Doug Bruce, RHS Athletic Director. Not pictured: Mr. Timothy C. Jantsch, Class of 1977, and Mr. Cecil Stockdale, III, Class of 1976.



Mrs.Peggy Reardon, and her husband Mr. Kerry Reardon, Class of 1967. Mrs. Jeanne Reardon and her son Brian, Class of 1996, and her husband Mr. Jerry Reardon, Class of 1969.

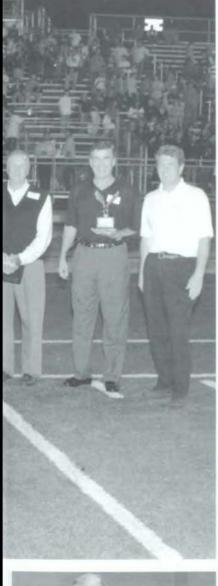


Mr. Mike VanDyke and his wife Karen, and his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joe VanDyke

Rockhurst *Those who went before have to be considered as the ultimate R-Factor*



Coach Mike Dierks and Mr. Jamie Maggard Class of 2004







Mr. Mike Van Dyke addresses the seniors about his love for Rockhurst.



Mr. Michael J. VanDyke, Class of 1966, was presented the 2005 Alumnus of the Year Award by Rev. Terrence Baum, SJ, during the Alumni Senior Luncheon. The award, sponsored by the Rockhurst National Alumni Association, is given to the Rockhurst graduate who honors the spirit, mission and vision of the Society of Jesus as a "Man For Others."

What other place can claim lifelong love and support from, and for, the thousands who were once, and will be forever, an integral part of the Rockhurst community?



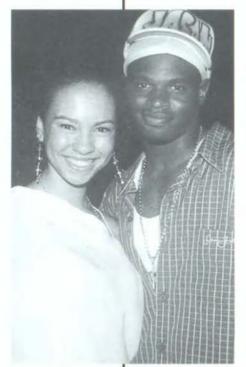
Mr. Brad Long. Class of 2004

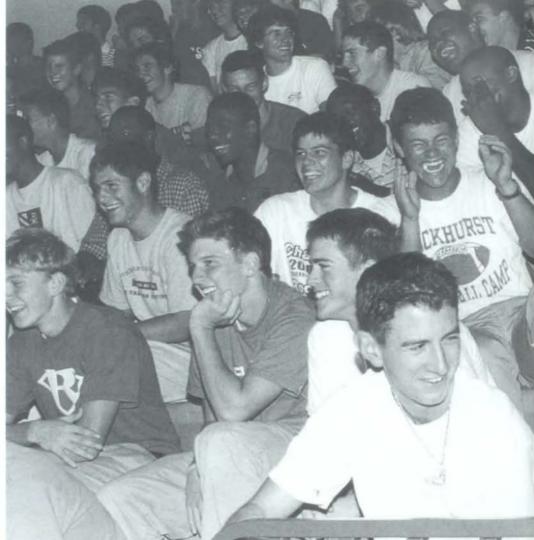


Mr. Mark McNeal, Class of 2003











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Student Life











Could the R-Factor at Rockburst be found in the myriad of activities offered outside the classrooms? Maybe. Look again at the faces before deciding whether or not this is the section you might find the intangible that makes RHS unique.





Section assembled by Sean Comiskey and Michael Aylward



"We wanted the week to reflect the ideals of Rockhurst, not the ideals of society," said senior Jon Dandurand, SGA President.







Homecoming sans Royalty New activities supplant emphasis on queens

2004 Homecoming Week's Hawaiian theme initiated a new tradition – no Homecoming Queen.

The queen process was discontinued because it was seen as sexist and outdated. Every year the student body voted on which girl was the hottest, rather than on her character or achievements.

"We were the fourth RHS student government to vote against having the queens," said senior Jon Dandurand, SGA President. "We wanted the week to reflect the ideals of Rockhurst, not the ideals of society."

Homecoming Week opened with a Mass celebrated by Father Ed Kinerk, SJ, RHS Class of 1956, and President of Rockhurst University.

Later in the week, the RHS student body came together for the traditional Homecoming Pep Rally, where seniors Mark Davidson, Brian Meyer, Patrick Cohen, Jay Howell and Danny Jonas, along with junior Max Hangar, imitated RHS faculty members to win the heart of Mrs. Valerie Davis in a bachelor contest.

"The best moment was Mark Davidson (Coach Mo imitator) getting tackled by Jay Howell (Coach Wikiera imitator) after his loss in the contest," said Meyer, Spirit Club President.

On Friday, students and faculty dressed in Hawaiian attire wearing everything from Hawaiian shirts, to shorts and sandals.

"The dress down day this year turned out much larger than in the past," said Mr. Mike Heringer, Assistant Principal for Student Affairs. "I think it was the sandals that were the kicker."

A Hawaiian Pig Roast was held before the football game on Friday in the Barry Commons, where Gates Bar-B-Q and drinks were served to students who purchased the \$5 ticket earlier in the week.

"The Pig Roast was fun," said theology teacher Mr. Marvin Grilliot. "We played Hawaiian music while trying to sell tickets before school in the commons. We didn't have a great turnout, but it was a lot of fun."

On Friday, the Hawklets defeated Lee's Summit North, 38-14, their fourth straight win, improving their record to 4-1.

At halftime, the Notre Dame de Sion Drill Team performed instead of the traditional homecoming queen candidate's introductions.

The Homecoming Dance Saturday night, included a slushy machine in the Barry Commons. Story by Joe Christiano



















HOMECOMING/17





Mission Week fun and activities secondary to reason for participating

SGA raised over \$32,000, which went to missions in Central America and the Red Cloud Indian School in South Dakota.



The Student Government Association raised over \$27,000 during Mission Week and more than \$5,000 at Battle of the Bands, which went to missions in Central America and the Red Cloud Indian School in South Dakota.

Activities during the week included the board game, the STA/Sion and Rockhurst volleyball game and Casino Night. In conjunction with the Campaign for Human Dignity. Dead Man Walking was performed for upperclassmen on Wednesday and for underclassmen on Thursday.

Casino Night on Monday raised additional money for the missions and provided an opportunity for students to play blackjack, Texas hold 'em, roulette, and craps.

"The Texas hold 'em table was really fun because I got to play cards with all my friends," said junior Jonathon Roberts. "I am really bad at cards, though, so I lost all my money."

The Mission Week Prayer Service on Tuesday included a presentation from the students who went to Belize in June. Fr. John White, from Belize, made a short speech about life as a missionary.

In The Student-Faculty Basketball game, the faculty, coached by Dr. Jorge Taracido, pulled out a win, defeating the students by four points.

"The faculty referees were biased towards the faculty, which is why the students lost," said junior Rob Hanson. "The students will pull out a victory next year."

The Sion and St. Teresa's Academy volleyball teams played against the colorful Rockhurst team, with senior announcers Patrick Cohen and Billy Clarkson. Sion beat St. Teresa's and Rockhurst won both of itsgames against the girls' teams. The upperclassmen beat the underclassmen in the final game, ending the night.

On Friday, the junior class pulled out a needed victory during the board game. Events included movie quote trivia, tug of war, singing, and arm wrestling. The board game included newly created dice and a surprise ending. Towards the end of the game, the seniors came up with an amazing \$3,750, which gave them the highest average dollar per student fair and square.

Students raised money in homerooms, through dodgeball games and through raffle ticket purchases. Prizes included an iPod, a Mission Week parking pass won by sophomore William Trakas, a \$100 gift certificate to the Rock Shop won by junior Scott Buckley, prom tickets won by senior Danny Jonas, and a \$100 gift certificate to the cafeteria won by junior Taylor Ward.

"It was cool winning the gift certificate because I have bad luck," said Buckley. "I wish I would have won the iPod, though." Story by Chris Fakoury







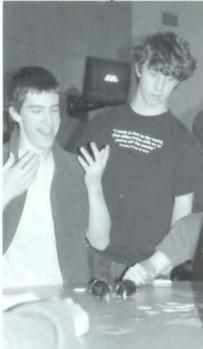


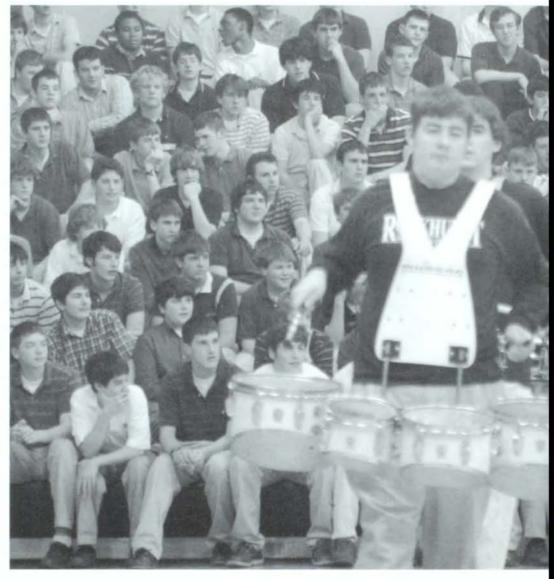
















Week for Missions

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Activities abound but true mission is not forgotten for much more than a minute



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Faculty wins another close contest with student team





Carlitos Battle of the Bands, as usual, punctuates rigorous

The Annual Carlitos Battle of the Bands competition sponsored by National Honors Society, showcased a plethora of talented musicians while raising more than \$4,000, for the missions in Honduras.

Bands who participated included Resonance, Sabotage, Sappho Comet, Equinox, The Pillage People, Tin Soldiers and Ontario.

Teachers participated in the Battle with the band Johnny Mac and the Flashbacks headed by Mr. John McEniry and featuring, Mr. Michael Kern and Mr. Justin Rogers.

"We wanted to raise money, showcase talent, and have fun when we put on Battle of the Bands," said Mrs. Molly Reardon, first year NHS moderator.

The judges included students Mr. Mark McCaffrey and Mr. Garth Hightower, both from the RHS Class of 1997. and teachers Mr. Chuck Irons, Mr. Mike Brockland and Mr. Kevin Holland.

The winner of the competition was Equinox, with runner up Tin Soldiers. Independent Mainstream took third. Other awards included best vocals, won by Resonance lead singer Rachel Wilson: best keyboards. Peter Brewer of Tin Soldiers; best bassist, Matt Leigh of Equinox; best guitarist, Dylan Maloney of Sabotage; and best drummer, Justin Johnson of Equinox.

"Sappo Comet was my favorite band because they made up their whole act on stage," said junior Bobby Koerper. "The music was very different from everything else." Story by Chris Fakoury





Battle of









Big time production numbers were well received by the entire community.







Creative Spirit Club designs entertaining pep rallies



The Spirit Club officers, senior president Brian Meyers, senior vice president Chris Rhoades, and headed by Coach Tony Severino came together with other members to create the Rockhurst spirit enhancing pep rallies.

The club opened the rallies with the first-ever "Chode" Olympics, which included hurdles, wrestling, and the biggest hit platform dancing.

Next came the annual teacher impersonations which featured Mrs. Valerie Davis on a bachelor game show asking question to decide who she was going to have a date with. After a series of questions Mrs. Davis picked Mr. John Morris, portrayed by senior Mark Davidson.

The choice sent Mr. Rich Wikiera, depicted by senior Jay Howell, into a rage. He stripped down to a singlet, tossed Coach Mo, and put him in a series of wrestling moves. Other notable impersonations were senior Brian Meyer acting like Coach Tony Severino, junior Max Hanger representing Mr. Kevin Miller, and senior Pat Cohen trying to be like Mr. Ron Geldoff.

Story by Connor McDonough







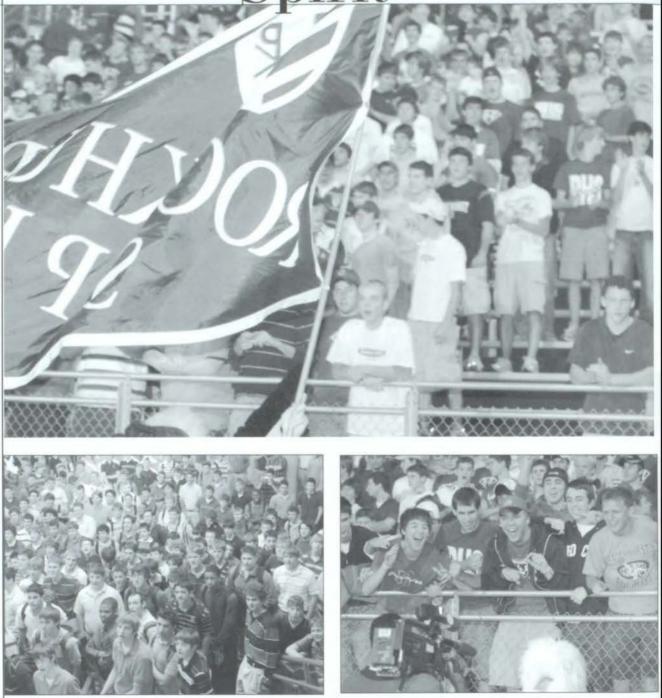
Everybody enjoys the pep assemblies which provide the intangible feeling of spirit. Maybe spirit is the R-Factor?





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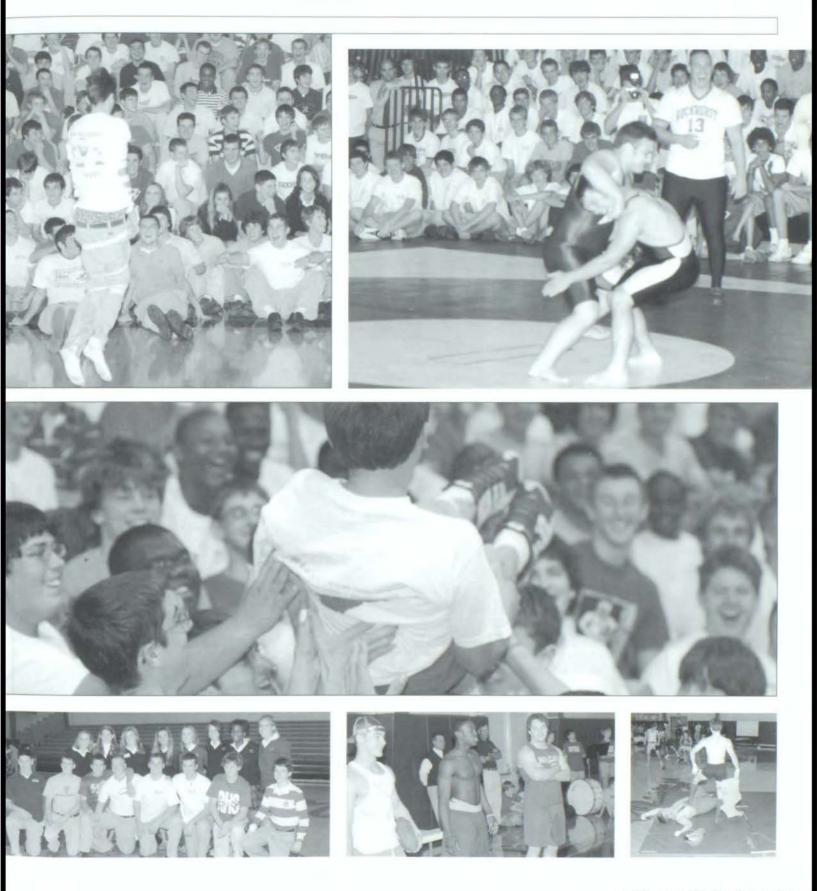
Coach Nolen will take over for Coach Severino for next year's rallies











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Roots go Deep Annual Hernage showcases wonderfully diverse student body

Annual Heritage Festival

The Rockhurst cafeteria was transformed into a melting pot for several different cultures, as the 15th annual Heritage Festival celebrated the diversity of RHS.

"Heritage Festival is a celebration of Rockhurst," said Mrs. Judie Scanlon, Coordinator of the event. "It helps make the community aware of its roots."

Representatives of African-American, Asian/Islands, French, German, Hispanic, Irish, Italian, and Middle Eastern cultures provided samples of food and decorations. Entertainment was provided by the Rockhurst Jazz Band, directed by Mr. Mike Kern, Buffalo Spirit (a Native-American group), directed by Tim Robinson, KC St. Andrews Highland Dancers, directed by Kelsey Amara, and Andean Express featuring Spanish instructor Mr. Bert Roney.

The atmosphere was affected by bright decorations and costumes from places the world over, and the crowd included RHS students. performers, families, and teachers.

Visitors to the African-American table enjoyed a variety of soul food including fried chicken, barbeque wings, cornbread, and macaroni and cheese amidst artifacts, including statues and colorful paintings.

"We are serving soul and cajun food to express our heritage," said Mrs. Lisa Hardwick who worked at the stand. "This food is African-American but an African wouldn't recognize it because it is the blending of our African roots, and our American culture."

The large Asian/Islands display of artistic banners and screens provided the décor for Chinese, Thai, and Islander food, with servers dressed in authentic costumes.

Guests who stopping by at the French table had a choice of desserts and drinks to satisfy their sweet tooth while observing a model Eiffel Tower, wine bottles, and other French decorations.

The German table, surrounded by bunting, offered hearty foods, including German potato salad.

Workers at the Hispanic stand served a variety of dishes including burritos and a special hot sauce for the more daring visitors.

The Middle Eastern table offered unique foods made with spices and flavors that separated them from others.

"I thought it was very nice that we could see all the different cultures and their foods," said Mrs. Trudy Infankin of the Middle Eastern stand. "Our table is very diversified with many flavors."

"Heritage Festival is like the ultimate all-you-can-eat buffet," said sophomore Larry Devries who helped at the Irish table.

On their table were pins with Irish slogans, a map of Ireland showing common family names in the regions of Ireland, and the Irish flaa huna behind the stand.

The Italian table served classic dishes such as pasta, lasagna, and meatballs, all to the sound of Frank Sinatra's voice.

"I'm proud to be a representative of Italy, where my descendants came from," said junior Joey Privitera. "My family and I try to preserve our Italian roots, and this is just another way."Story by John Mahoney







HERITAGE FESTIVAL /29



"If kids can feel more comfortable in their surroundings, they'll be more open to contributing to the community," said Mr. Chris Bosco, Retreat Director





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Freshmen begin to get it, as leaders dare them to move

The 'Dare You To Move' theme of the Freshman Retreat tried to stress for the freshmen both the idea that RHS is a community of friends, and the importance of applying their talents to that community.

With Mr. Chris Bosco taking over for Mr. Sean Agniel as freshman retreat moderator, the retreat experienced some changes, but maintained its energy and purpose.

"We look at what works and what doesn't," said Mr. Bosco. "Much is in the hands of our student core team members. They really make each retreat their own."

The Core Team consisted of seniors John Marrin, Michael Camacho, John DiGiacinto, and Ryan Sellers, and juniors Charlie Doolittle, Jacob Christian, Adam Hare, and Jason Coleman. For the senior leaders, it was the final opportunity to lead the new format retreat that first started their freshman year.

The retreat began Thursday night with a slide show in the Rose Theater followed by icebreakers with group leaders. The students returned the next morning at 8:30, where they participated in more group activities, and enjoyed a short concert by the student band Independent Mainstream. That night they went to their group leaders' houses for supper and activities before returning to Rockhurst for Mass.

"The comment I most heard from freshmen was some form of 'I didn't realize there's so many people like me'," said Mr. Bosco. "If kids can feel more comfortable in their surroundings, they'll be more open to contributing to the community."

Because the retreat is mainly student-led, Mr. Bosco didn't change anything dramatically. He's been involved four years, serving as a prefect, heading the Grounds Crew, and assisting Mr. Agniel before taking over.

The biggest change senior co-chairs Marrin and Camacho made was moving Mass from the cafeteria to the Barry Commons. Along with faculty leader Mr. Jeremy McElduff, Fr. Gary Menard, SJ, Mrs. Mary Catherine Newman, Mr. Bosco, and Mr. Vince Giacabazi, the Core Team met at houses Sunday evening in the fall to plan.

"The retreat was an amazing experience," said freshman Kevin McGannon. "I would definitely consider being a group leader when I get the chance. The food was great!" Story by Sean Comiskey





FRESHMEN RETREAT / 31



focused in and paid attention it showed me that just one mistake can change your life forever;" said Connor Teahan.





Inside Adventure

The Sophomore Retreat was a little different for the class. Instead of the much-anticipated trip to Adventure Woods, which had recently closed, students found themselves in the Rose Theater for the day.

Instead of a day of fun and exertion it was a day of seminars and stories about the effect of drugs. The speaker, Mr. Richard Ryan, a recovering drug addict, shared his stories with the class. He owns his own consulting firm and travels the country giving talks to students and parents about substance abuse and the effects it can have.

The retreat was split into two separate days. Mrs. Molly Reardon's and Sr. Mary Ann Thue's theology classes attended the first day, and Mr. Vince Giacabazi and Mr. Jay Coleman's classes participated the next day.

"It scared me at first," said Connor Teahan. "But once I focused in and paid attention it showed me that just one mistake can change your life forever."

The sophomore's were given time to just relax. During a break they had a chance to shoot hoops in the gym and to visit with some classmates they might not normally hang out with.

"When I was in line for knock out, (a game where you shoot free throws and try to knock out the person in front of you), I met Rico VanBuskirk," said Mike Garza. "I had never talked to him about anything before but during the retreat he and I got to know each other better."

According to Mr. Tom Norman, Pastoral Associate, and director of the retreat, the experience is designed to bring the class members together to help them bond and feel comfortable around each other. It is meant to provide a fun but serious way to do this and could be the future of the retreat. Faculty members Mrs. Reardon, and Mr. Giacabazi assisted Mr. Norman.

"This was a successful retreat," said Mr. Norman. "It could continue to be a possibility for the future or could turn out to just be a one time thing. We'll see how it goes next year."

Story By Michael Cotter

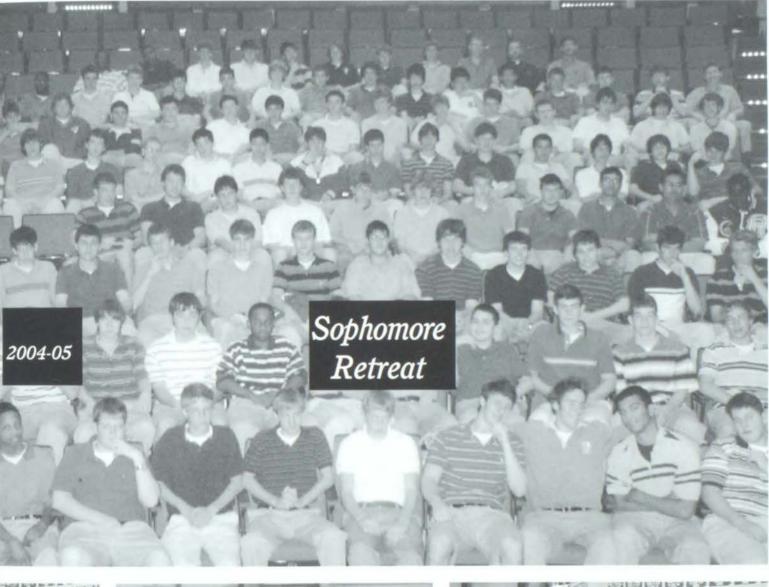


New Sophomore Retreat format shifts emphasis from feats of skill to introspection















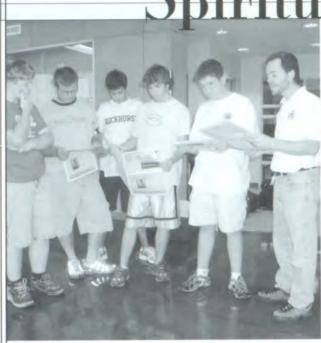


SOPHOMORE RETREAT/33



"When the juniors come back from retreat. I can see a more mature side from them," said Fr. Gary Menard, SJ, Pastoral Activities Director. "They are able to look beyond the surface and see people for who they are."





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Photo by Drew Bienhoff





Photo by Pat Stoops

Retreat enhances juniors' self image and spirituality

The Junior Retreats, which offer juniors a three-day, two-night opportunity to discover more about themselves through Jesuit values, were held either at Prairie Star Ranch, Savior Pastoral Center, or Conception Abbey.

The goal of the retreat, to build juniors' Christian leadership, was accomplished by doing activities to help the student learn more about themselves, more about their classmates and more about God.

"When the juniors come back from retreat, I can see a more mature side from them," said Fr. Gary Menard, SJ, Pastoral Activities Director. "They are able to look beyond the surface and see people for who they are."

Fr. Menard organizes 10 retreats each year with an ideal number of 30 students, supervised by three teachers. These students are split into small groups of eight to 10 where they get a chance to interact, while following a format prearranged by Fr. Menard.

"Small groups gave me a chance to voice my opinion while learning about my classmates at the same time," said junior Sean Eskew. "It felt good to interact and have people listen to what I had to say"

A Junior Kairos retreat held in April gave juniors an opportunity to take the next step in becoming leaders of faith. This retreat, held at the Franciscan Prayer Center, has grown in popularity so much that next year there will be two Junior Kairos retreats. Story by Dan Durie





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JUNIOR RETREAT / 35



Auction

"We

would meet every morning either at school or some place else," said Mrs. Vignatelli. "We wanted to make this the best auction ever."





The "Island Paradise" theme for the 2005 Spectacular Auction enabled a more casual look as many of the guests wore a variety of looks from tuxedos with tropical ties to just Hawaiian shirts.

The annual event included a silent and a live auction where over 800 items were sold. The live auction raised \$155,000, bringing the grand total to \$485,000, which goes toward the Rockhurst Scholarship Fund. New items included a used car auction and the Texas Hold 'em Poker Night.

Some of the more unusual items included a Segway, artwork drawn by an elephant, a lunch with Fr. Terrence Baum, S.J., Rockhurst President, Fr. Baum singing to a student at lunch, Christmas Mass with Fr. Baum, and a home improvement package.

"Every year we try to add new items to the Spectacular," said Mrs. Judie Scanlon, Special Activities Coordinator. "Fr. Baum wanted to be really involved in this year's auction."

The auction was co-chaired by Dr. and Mrs. Kevin Ring and Mr. and Mrs. Brad Vignatelli. The two women worked for months organizing the event.

"We would meet every morning either at school or some place else," said Mrs. Vignatelli. "We wanted to make this the best auction ever."

The two couples made a lasting friendship while working on the event.

"We didn't know the Vignatellis before we started to work together," said Dr. Ring. "After working with them all year we've become really good friends."

More than 500 parent and student behind-thescenes volunteers helped work on the auction.

"We were at school for a few hours everyday before the auction," said junior Jason Benson. "We helped explain some of the items to some of the guests the night of." Story by John King



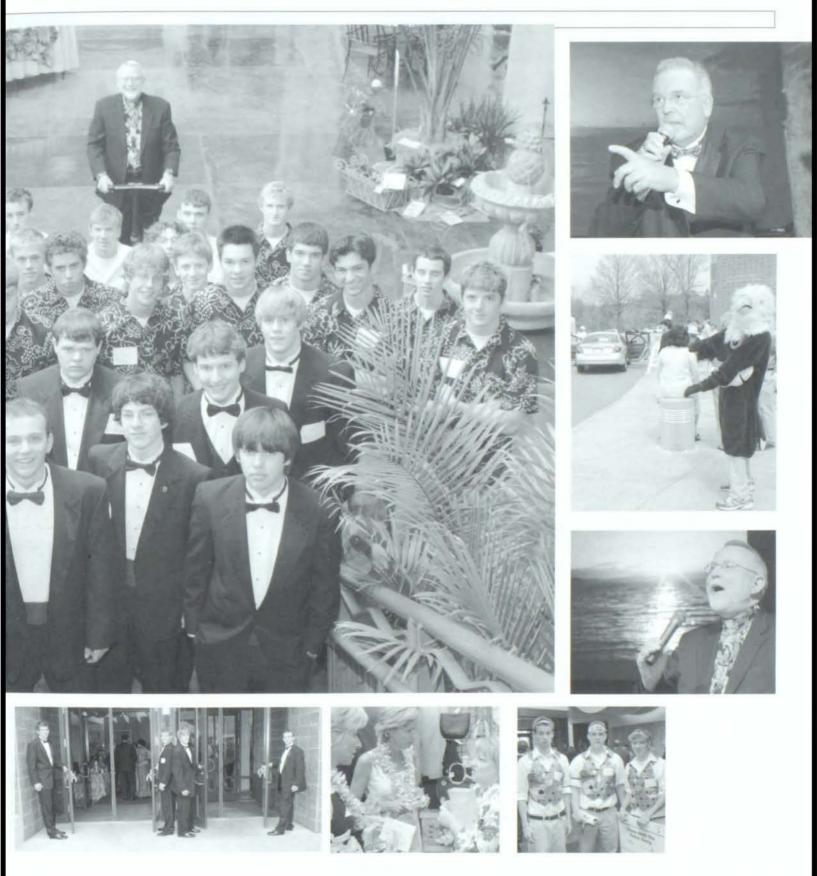








Island Paradise theme wows donors to scholarship effort



Seniors Kyle Davis, Andrew Shepard, Spencer Martens and Mark Scharosch sing on stage at mom prom. Seniors fight for the best rose to present to their mothers. Senior Bryan Smith and younger brother Scott Smith pose with their mother Mary Beth Smith.





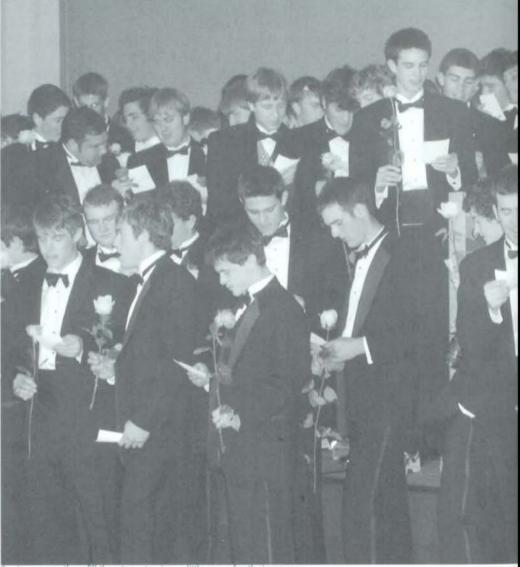






Junior Ryan Brenneman and his mother Kelly, juniar Max Hanger and his mother Suzanne, juniar Andy Bianco and his mother Catherine, and sophomore Conner Teahan and his mother Donna. Junior Nick Holderness and his mother Doris tear up the dance floor.

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eniors more than fill the stage to sing a little song for their morns.



Junior John Moffitt and his mother Betty dance the night away.



Prom for Mom

Night out with sons remains highlight of year's social calendar





Many moms can hardly wait each year to show off their sons and socialize with other mothers of RHS students at the annual Mother-Son Dance. The event, held at the Overland Park Convention Center, featured several additions.

The evening kicked off with a social hour outside the ballroom where mothers where able to mingle with the women that they had heard so much about from their sons and catch up with old friends. The pre-party included pictures to remember the night by and virgin daiquiris.

Dan Martin, RHS Class of 2002, who served as D.J. brought new ideas along that made the night even more special for all. Dan is the older brother of Tim Martin and son of Mrs. Julie Koppen, Director of Marketing and Communication. The night included a dance competition between grades. Prizes were given to the best mother/son dance team who were crowned best dance couple in the grade.

"Dan was able to bring an electric party atmosphere this year," said Mrs. Margaret Whitaker. "He brought great dance tunes, ideas and prizes to make the event even more spectacular."

A power point presentation by Mr. Preston Peine, Academic Technology Coordinator, incorporated a photo of almost every student into a slideshow that ran the entire evening.

"Preston, the IT guru here, made a marvelous presentation," said Mrs. Whitaker. "He was able to make a creative slideshow that everyone could enjoy throughout the evening."

Mr. Dave Laughlin, RHS Principal, along with Patrick Cohen, Senior Class President, spoke to mothers and sons to set the mood for the traditional Rose Ceremony. Cohen invited seniors to the stage to select a rose for their mothers before they sang a song written by Julian Rivera set to the tune of Jingle Bells.

The three-course dinner included a salad, grilled steak, potatoes, and fresh green beans, and cheesecake and cookies.

Mothers and sons spent most of the night talking with friends and dancing to good music. Story by Kevin Mulloy



Sophomore Kevin Webster and senior William Webster with their mother Debra, senior Danny Jonas and his mother Maria, senior Damon McKinney and his mother Pamela, and senior Matt Wiber and his mother Janet.



Senior Ryan Smith and his mother Jayce with Senior Jimmy VanDyke and his mother Peggy.



Junior Chris Balmaceda and his mother Jaoquina Baranda with Senior Julian Rivera and his mother Souvenir

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Junior Larry Pfeffer and his mother Sally



Junior Jonathon Roberts and his mother Shannon











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R-Factor?









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Student Government Association thrives with Dandurand at the helm

Led by President Jon Dandurand and Vice Presidents Jeff Herrera and Pat McShane, the Student Government Association revised its Constitution, as it does every two years, doing away

Freshman Orientation

with the cumulative GPA of a Class Representative before voluntary removal, and adding a public relations position to the 2005-06 Executive Committee, headed by John Moffitt.

"We felt that the student body needed to be better informed," said Dandurand, "We applied the new position to make it easier for the students to voice their opinions."

The SGA sponsored a "Switch Day" with Notre Dame de Sion and St. Teresa's, which sent student government members to Sion or STA, and, later, women from those schools visited RHS

"The Switch Day was great because I saw what the girls schools are like," said McShane. "We hope that we can do it again next year, but it depends on what their schools are doing."

Dandurand, who will attend Loyola-Chicago in the fall, led the

SGA through example.

"Jon was a very hands-on leader," said SGA moderator Mr. Mike Heringer. "He was so involved in everything."

> "Jon was a great leader," said McShane. "He was the one who got the projects started and made sure they were done correctly."

The SGA also sponsored most major events including Freshmen Orientation, Harvest Food Drive, Homecoming Week, the Freshmen Mixer, Casino Night, Mission Week, Junior Ironman, Blue/ White Mixer, Winter Mixer, Senior Prom, the Junior Leadership Mass and Dance and Sophomore Bowling Night.

The SGA met the first Thursday morning of the month at 7:03 am in the McGee Hall where the schedule for the next month was discussed and then given to each homeroom.

"We accomplished a lot," said Dandurand. "We got most of what we wanted done. We were glad that we did Switch Day."

"Next year's group is going to have a lot of work to match these guys," said Mr. Heringer. Story by John King

SGA Moderator Mr. Mike Heringer speaks at the freshman elections at the beginning of the vear SGA President Jon Dandurand speaks to a news crew after a SADD assembly hosting speaker Mr. Jason Barber. A group of St. Teresa's students and their hosts for the switch day







Club Facts

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Mr. Mike Heringer, Pat McShane, Jon Dandurand, Jeff Herrera, Pat Curran



Jon Dandurand and Pat Curran



RONT ROW: Sean Bishop, Eli Sopcich, Sean Fessier, ROW 2: Jack Euston, William Boesen, Mark Fowler, Henry Thomas, Irian Chalmers, Michoel Gude, Frank Reardon, Ronald Mergan, ROW 3: Will Flanigan, Gibran Chavez, Tommy Palmer, de Estes, Patrick Cohen, John Moffitt, ROW 4: Jeff Hemera, Pat McShane, Patrick Curran, Jon Dandurand, Mr. Mike feringer, John Bickimer, Mike Walczuk, Chris Rhaades, Ryan Coughlin, Corey Carr, Steve Fessler, John Marrin, Peter teintjes, Jake Lyssy.



Senior John Nantz assigns Tyler Trout an area to cover at <u>Back to School</u> Night. Freshman band, Sabetage, performs at Battle of the Bands with Dylan Malaney playing guitar for The group. Mrs. Reardon goes over procedures with NHS candidates before they were assigned to guide parents to rooms.

FRONT ROW: Larry Pfeffer, Jim Langworthy, Sean Kins, Drew Pavlovich, Spencer Duvall, Kevin Jakopchek, Shaffer Degen. ROW 2: Peter Brewer, Michael McInemey, Adam Kmak, Sam Tapko, Jonathon Roberts, Jacob Christian, Jordan Jurcyk, Brad Chapman, Lat McShane. ROW 3: Bobby Smith, Sean Eskew, Andrew Hemline, Bobbie Tonnies, Kevin Ruprecht, Colin Fewell, Phil Schapker, Bryan Hogan, Alex Higbie, Nick Simcox. ROW 4: Andy Bianco, Charlie Doolittle, Ryan Manel, Daniel Barth, Henry Thomas, Jate Lyssy, Jon Gaff, Jason Coleman, Jim Koppen, Willie Dobbels, Christopher Nauser, P.J., Thompson. ROW 5: Steven Kamare, Thomas Robinson, Chris Fakoury, Nathan Hickey, Jerome Jackson, Drew Bienhoff, Max Maple, Dan Kovac, Spencer Jones, Austin Hertell, Zack Dehaemers, ROW 6: Ernest McCoy, Tyler Czinege, Jordan Raybould, Kyle Callahan, Chris Kearney, Jason Benson, Ryan Brenneman, Brian Strickland, Brian Chalmers, David Kaufman, Adam Hare, and Jason Schulte.

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National Honors Society enables Rockhurst's 'men for others' credo

Headed by seniors Pat Casey, John Nantz, Andrew Blackwell and Jason Crain, the National Honors Society kept several important Rockhurst activities organized and running.

Activities sponsored by NHS include the Mission Week Battle of the Bands, the Honduran Donut Society, which sells donuts before school to raise money for Honduras, providing tutoring at the Student Success Center, and ushering at Back to School Night and Open House.

"Young men involved in National Honors Society have the qualities of leadership, service and character that represent the excellence of Rockhurst," said Mrs. Molly Reardon, first year NHS moderator.

The 18th Annual Battle of the Bands raised more money than last year and Back to School Night ran smoothly thanks to members who volunteered to serve as ushers.

Each NHS candidate must have a GPA of 3.5 or above,



Photo by John Mahoney Elected NHS president Brian Chalmers gives his first speech at the Induction Ceremony. David Kaufman, Jason Schulte, and Adam Hare were also elected as leaders of the 2005-06 NHS.

perform 30 extra service hours, work three hours in the Student

Success Center, and complete one leadership project, which might include running the Battle of the Bands, managing the Stress Buster's Workshop or coordinating the Honduran Donut Society, in order to be inducted.

NHS members were present at the funerals of two Rockhurst graduates from the Class of 2004, Sam Woodell and Chris Camarena, , who died in car accidents.

"It was a strong, visible presence to have these men at the funerals," said Nantz, NHS vice president. "They made a big impression on the assembly."

"The students take a suggestion and make it into a reality," said Mrs. Reardon, who took over sponsorship of the organization from long-time mentor Mr. Tom Norman. "I am continually amazed with the talent and creativity in the

National Honors Society."

Story by Chris Fakoury

Club Facts

... "One phone call to Pat Casey and over a hundred boys showed up for 'Honor Guard' at the funerals of the two Rockhurst boys who were killed in car accidents." --Mrs.Molly Reardon





Jason Schulte helps a parent understand a student's schedule for Back to School Night run by NH5 Moderator Mrs. Molly Reardon poses with NHS president Pat Casey after the induction ceremony. Volunteers, including NH5 members help usher at Back to School Night



MODERATOR



Mrs. Molly Reardon

NHS President Brian Chalmers

Honduran Donut Society

Campaign for Human Dignity is right up Amnesty's alley

Amnesty International's mission is to educate the Rockhurst community about human rights not only in the United States but

also around the world. This is one of several organizations which raise awareness of issues important to the community.

In previous years tAmnesty International has had an "in your face" attitude. But the club tried a different approach of informing and including. Instead of lecturing about their issues. Memebers wanted to help the other students feel they had made a difference.

"We have tried to include the students in the process of our petitions," said club president senior Cam Summers. "Instead of just listening to us, they get more out of signing a letter about the injustices going on in other regions."

The club, often stood in the Barry Commons informing the students about different issues such as the Columbian human rights violations and the situation in Darfur.

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Club Facts

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Photo by Chris Oldenburg

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Members of Amnesty International pose in the hall following a weekly meeting.

the club did its part by hosting numerous events to help raise awareness of human rights issues facing society.

Amnesty hosted an all-school assembly featuring former RHS teacher Mr. Brad Grabs who spoke about his experience in Columbia which is suffering from a revolutionary war and how terrorist from both side are effecting the civilians.

The club demonstrated against the acts of genocide in Darfur and other regions by walking from Rockhurst to 60th and Ward Parkway while displaying signs with sayings such as "Peace on Earth" and "No more Death."

"This was the most memorable event this year because the kids were out there making a difference," said moderator Mr. Mike Brockland. Summers was assisted by junior Brian Noland,

and juniors Peter Brewer and Tim Martin.

"Cam Summers and Brain Noland have done a great job," said Mr. Brockland. "We have a strong core of underclassmenmen for the upcoming years." Story by Chris Oldenburg





Freshman Tommy Leonard holds up a sign protesting the death penalty. The club converses during a meeting.



FRONT ROW: Pat Shami, Tommy Leonard, Robert O'Connell, Brian Noland. ROW 2: Dillon McRoberts, Reade Fors, Cam Summers, Mr. Mike Brockland. ROW 3: Pat Braud, John Henry Grothaus, Tim Martin, Peter Brewer, Charlie Fitzpatrick, and Nick Yeates.



Amnesty walks down a hill on a march along Ward Parkway to make a statement about the genocide in Darfur. A table is set up to gather signatures. The club crosses the street displaying their thoughts on signs. The Amnesty table at the Organization Fair. Another table to get signatures for a petition.

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Photo by Chris Oldenburg

FRONT ROW: James Hart, Pat Rhea, Pat Knight, Matt Quinn, ROW 2: Mike Henehan, Pat Stoops, Tommy Palmer, ROW 3: Scott Hanson, Mr. James Bascom, Donnie Quinn.







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Mr. Michael Hanson, director of Mother's Refuge, talked about how the housing facilities for young mothers-to-be worked, and stressed the importance of putting belief into action. Mrs. Michelle Thomas spoke about abortion and the benefits of chasity. After her speech, she took questions from the audience and was presented with a pink Rockhurst sweatshirt.

Pro-Life hosts multiple speakers for Campaign for Human Dignity

Sponsored by English teacher Mr. Jim Bascom and led by senior Scott Hanson, president, the Pro-Life Club's goal was to inform and educate people about the

causes and effects of abortion.

The highlight of the year for the club occurred during the Campaign for Human Dignity, when guest speaker Mrs. Michelle Thomas spoke to the student body. She outlined how abortions are performed, and spoke of the advantages of chastity.

"It was important to have someone come in and talk to us about how they are performed," said junior club member Mike Henehan. "I think it opened some people's eyes on just how wrong abortion really is. "

Other accomplishments included a visit from Michael Hanson, director of

Mother's Refuge. He talked about how the housing facilities for



Photo by Spencer Walsh

young mothers or young mothers-to-be worked, and stressed the importance of putting belief into action.

"He seemed like a nice guy who knew what he was talking about," said junior Pat Stoops. "He was knowledgeable about how teenage mothers are treated when they go to a housing facility rather than having abortion."

The club made a strong effort to get people to support the abolition of abortion, which kills approximately 1.5 million babies every year in the United States alone.

"I believe the tide is slowly turning in America," said Mr. Bascom. "As more people become aware of what abortion really is, and the more we see its effects on women, the more people are willing to take a morally courageous stand and oppose it.

"Regarding defending the helpless, such as Terry Schiavo, as long as people become informed I'm convinced people will be on the side of life," he said. Story by Daniel Durie

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Mr. David Laughlin, Mr. Jim Bascom, Mrs. Michelle Thomas, John Koster, Joe Spaniol, Scott Hanson.

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SADD works to remind Rockhurst community to think, think, think!

Students Against Destructive Decisions, moderated by Mrs. Jerry Featherston, is designed to point out to students the

dangers of alcohol and drugs, and ways in which one can make smart decisions.

Throughout the year the club came up with different ideas to remind the student body to make good decisions, such as putting posters up throughout the school.

President Tim McManus and vice-president Frank Reardon led the club in discussions on ideas about how to reach out to Rockhurst students, including giving up their lunch to hang ribbons on students' cars during Homecoming Week to remind others not to drink and drive.

Two all-school assemblies featured guests who spoke about dangers of drunk driving and speed. The first speaker, Mr. Jason Barber, related the story of his drunk driving experience that resulted in the death of his brother.

Later, Ms. Holly Baker and Kansas City Missouri Police

Club Facts

....The group offered a program for the first time to help RHS smokers quit.

...SADD hosted KCPD Sergeant Randy Sims, who showed a popwer point with pictures taken at the scenes of fatal accidents, showing the bodies of persons involved in the wreck.



Mrs. Jerry Featherston, Vice-president Frank Reardon and President Tim McManus.



Photo by Ryan Gibson SADD members tied ribbons to cars to remind Rockhurst drivers of the seriousness of drinking and driving over homecoming week.

Department Sergeant Randy Sims, spoke to an all-school assembly about choices such as wearing a seat belt and not speeding.

Sergeant Sim used a Power Point presentation to show actual pictures taken at the scenes of fatal accidents, even showing the bodies of persons involved in the wreck.

"The power point was a real shock to me," said junior Nick Simcox. "The pictures showed what can actually happen if you make a bad decision."

The goal of the club is to promote good decisions on the weekend and make students aware of the possible consequences of their actions.

"SADD helps me to make conscientious decisions," said junior Henry Thomas. "It helps me to see what is right and wrong."

According to members, the club's focus is to be subtly present in all areas of Rockhurst." Story by Ryan Gibson





Chris Corless holds up this years SADD t-Shirt. Jason Barber spoke to Rockhurst about his drinking and driving that killed his brother.



FRONT ROW: Andrew Hamline, Ted Ginder, Tom Redmond, Michael Stingo, John Moffitt, Andrew Chase, Adam Mehl, Tom Sorrentino, Ryan Gibson, 2ND ROW: Matt Leigh, Matt Clifford, Jim Langworthy, Matt Hanrahan, Kevin O'Sullivan, Brian Chalmers, Mrs. Jerry Featherston, 3RD ROW: Tim McManus, Adam French, Jay Howell, Patrick Stoops, Chris Corless, Mike Pine, Adam Fulks, Peter Murray, Mike Paradise, Larry DeVries, Zac Schulte, Nick Holderness.







Matt Clifford ties a ribbon on a student's car to remind them to be safe over Homecoming weekend. Club members hold up signs to encourage students to make good choices over spring break. A Kansas City Missouri Police officer gave a presentation on the effects of drunk driving. Stephen Hinck volunteers at a SADD meeting. Henry Thomas ties a ribon on the bumper of a student's car.

Photo by Ryan Gibson

FRONT ROW: Lyndon Gray, ROW 2: Chris Silvers, Steve Jones, Joss Tillard-Gates, Spencer Hardwick, Drew Temple, James McFadden, James Miller, ROW 3: Phillip Strozier, Jerome Jackson, Earnest McCoy, Derek Hall, Ronnie Raglin, Jason Crain, Bryan Hogan, Larry Hayes, NOT PICTURED. Mrs. Carol Dougherty

A group of MEET members pose in the Barry Commons. Phillip Strozier battles Tom Herring in The MEET-sponsored Madden Tournament. A Group of students on the staircase in the Barry Commons during The Winter Dance. Allen Fletcher refuses to serve Jason Crain at the Soul Food Lunch. More students at the Winter Dance.





MEET sponsors more activities than ever to foster harmony in community

ET table at the

Organizations Fair.

The Multi Ethnic Educational Team held several harmony meetings with other schools in the Kansas City area and sponsored the Madden Tournament, Winter Dance, and Black History Month.

The club is made up of a group of Rockhurst students from different ethnicities who come together to promote better interaction among all cultures.

"Our goal for the MEET club is to promote ethnic awareness in the RHS community," said senior President Jason Crain. "We have a lot of fun throughout the year."

The Winter Dance, held in the RHS gym, included students from Rockhurst, St. Teresa's and Notre Dame de Sion. Music was provided by DJ Dan Martin and proceeds went to a scholarship program for incoming freshman.

Every morning during Black History Month in February, a club member offered a prayer, and told of accomplishments of important African American heroes. During the month, important icons, facts and the pride of African Americans was shown in the

Club Facts

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...On the Mix it Up Day, students were invited to sit with others that they normally don't sit with at lunch. While entering the cafeteria, they grabbed a candy bar and sat at the labeled table of the candy they chose.



display case in the Barry Commons. A Soul Food lunch was later served with ribs, corn bread, macaroni and cheese, greens and red kool-aid.

A highlight of the year was the Mix it Up Day held in the cafeteria, which invited students to sit with others that they

normally don't sit with. While entering the cafeteria, students grabbed a candy bar and sat at the labeled table of the candy they chose.

"Our purpose was to get people comfortable with different interests and backgrounds," said MEET club moderator Mrs. Carol Dougherty. "Diversity is our biggest boundary to overcome for this year and next."

The club supports events such as the Peer Mentoring Program, and lent a helping hand in Human Dignity Week.

"The Peer Mentoring Program is for those students who are the only one or two coming from their grade school," said Mrs. Dougherty. "It helps kids fit in here better at school and it makes the school better as a whole." Story by Joe Christiano



Rockhurst students pose with girls at the Winter Dance, sponsored by MEET. Junior Earnest McCoy poses at the concession stand for the Winter Dance after talking to senior Allen Fletcher, who was working. Members of the MEET club after the Soul Food lunch. The popular event has become on of the many things the club is known for.



Ecology Club hosts ninth annual contest to save the environment

The Ecology Club made steady progress towards showing the school how to make the world a cleaner place.

The addition of 12 new plastic bottle (PET) recycling bins to

Dasta Stadium kept the club busy. The containers were donated to help reduce the flow of bottles from stadium to the landfill. The club spent a good deal of its time cleaning up and recycling plastic soda containers after every football game.

"The stadium recycling bins was a major step for the club," said club moderator Mr. Chris Jensen. "Some in the community do not know how important ecological conservation is in this day and age but most do and they are helping us contribute to the effort."

Another major event was a summit in Columbia, MO, sponsored by the governor, to discuss government-funded plans that are

meant to make the public more aware of environmental issues. "The summit was formed to allow educators and

environmentalists to discuss the current ecological situation and

Club Facts

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... Mr. Jensen ran a PowerPoint presentation on Channel 5 and placed a chart in the Pastoral office display case. They described an "overshoot" of natural resources that will require reduced consumption by the year 2050.



the progress of programs Missouri had setup to help the issue," said freshman Trent Ness. "It concluded that the programs were helping, but they were not enough and had missed set goals."

The club faced a new issue with the addition of a milk vending machine in the cafeteria, but it was determined that the plastic milk bottles could be mixed in with the plastic soda bottles.

During the Campaign for Human Dignity, Mr. Jensen ran a PowerPoint presentation and placed a chart in the Pastoral office display case which described an "overshoot" of natural resources that will require reduced consumption by 2050.

The club held its annual contest to encourage students to conserve energy in their everyday lives such as carpooling, bringing in paper to recycle or checking tire pressure and fuel cap leakage to conserve fuel mileage. First place went to junior David Brinker and freshman Trent Ness, and

second place went to junior Alex Higbie and senior John Koster. The group participated in a march down Ward Parkway on "Earth Day" in April. Story by Michael Aylward





Matt Kenney checks a student's car for gas fumes while Ben Molini checks tire pressure.



FRONT ROW: Ben Molini, Matt Kenney; ROW 2: Trent Ness, Alec Schwartze, Ms. Katie Mertz, Mr. Chris Jensen; NOT PICTURED: Patrick Lancey, Jim Pidcoe, Brian Wieliczka, Phillip Sandridge, Sean Martin, Colin Fewell, Michael Wachtel.



Mr. Jensen with his car packed full of recyclable goods.



Ecology Club members are: Matt Kenney, Ben Molini, Phil Sandridge, Michael Wachtel, Sean Marlin, Trent Ness. Front: Ben Wieliczka.

Matt Kenney and Alec Schwartze place recycling bins out for a Friday night game. Homeroom reps Lyndon Gray and Zach Dehaemers put paper in the recycling bin. Cardboard boxes are loaded for recycling. Every week Ecology Club collected paper from the classrooms. Mr. Chris Jensen positions bins down at the stadium.

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A Spanish Club member shows off the skull he made for the Dia de los Muertos, or Day of the Dead. The festival was a major highlight of the year for the club. The stand was displayed in the Barry Commons for several days surrounding and including the famous holiday.





Spanish Club made paper mache skulls to celebrate Day of the Dead.



Members of the Spanish Club pose for a picture during a club meeting.





The Day of the Dead stand is set up



Spanish Club competes against other clubs at the Foriegn Language Bowling Tournament.



Club members Ryan Smith and Jacob Swetnam paint their paper mache skulls.

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Spanish Club members gain wide cultural experiences outside of class

With the leadership of seniors Ryan Smith and Anthony Modica the Spanish Club added new events, including the creation of sugar skull heads that were incorporated into the Day of the Dead Altar.

Members continued making contact with their Mexican pen pals.

"I really like the pen pal program because it not only helps me practice my Spanish", said junior Tyler Czinege. "But lets me learn about another culture from someone my age."

In the spring, the club competed in the annual bowling tournament against the French and Classics clubs. The previous year the French club had dominated the tournament, and hoped

to do the same. With the help of junior Colin Fuel the French Club was able to get its second consecutive first place trophy.



The Day of the Dead table was decorated by the Spainish Club

For the 5th consecutive year the group hosted a Chipotle lunch each month, which became a popular recruiting tool for the club.

"The Chipotle is for the students to enjoy," said Moderator Señor Roney, "But for the students who are in Spanish Club consistently it is only a small reward for learning about something they enjoy."

In May The organization held its annual Cinco de Mayo festival, which celebrates athe Spanish victory against the French. St. Teresa's and Notre Dame de Sion also attended where they enjoyed Spanish food and music

"It was a areat night overall," said sophomore Will Trakas. "We got to meet some new girls from two close schools and also celebrated an Story by Michael Cotter

important Mexican holiday."

Club Facts

..." Even when Danny Anthony did not get elected as a major officer he has been the most consistent supporter of the club. He demonstrates amazing dedication and enthusiasm and he is a positive role model for underclassmen."

-- Mr. Bert Roney





FRONT ROW Peter Mitko, Matt Leigh, Joe Kruger, Anthony Modica, Will Flanigan, Adam Baker, Keegan Zuk, Anthony Luca, Brian Clifton, Mr. Bert Roney. ROW 2: Andrew Paredes, Kevin O'Sullivan, Blake Kryger, Ryan Coughlin, Mark Fowler, Jacob Swetnam, Jeff Witcher, Sam Sabaugh, Marc Lyan, Nick Vignatelli, Pat DeNegri, Joe Flanigan, Sinon Bennett, Ryan Smith. ROW 3. James Meiners, Kelly Mercer, Frank Reardon, Sean Hennessey, Jonathon Morrand, Brian Vaughn, Keaton Knott, Austin Hertell, Minh Nguyen, Brian Strickland, Matt Davis

French Club experiences culture with Notre Dame de Sion women

The French Club offers activities that increase students' involvement in the French culture.

Headed by Mrs. Sabina Akes, the club met Tuesdays during activity period to play traditional French games and to plan and organize events such as the breakfast with the Notre Dame de Sion French Club.

In November during a late start, students met in the Sion cafeteria to have breakfast with their French Club counterparts. They ate pastries and drank juice while they conversed with the women and played a few games in French such as bingo.

"The breakfast is one of our biggest events of the year," said Mrs. Akes. "The students love eating with the Sion girls."

The annual Foreign Language Bowling Tournament, held in the spring, pitted the Classics Club and Spanish Club. The club placed second out of the three teams.

"It is really nice how we have the opportunity to learn more about the French culture outside of classes," said junior Pat McShane who served as club president. Story by Chris Balmaceda



FRONT ROW Madame Akes, Pat Kelly, Phil Caldarella, Pat McShane, Andrew Hamline, Chris Fakoury ROW 2: Michael Sizemore, Reade Fors, Stephen Stinger, Mark Anton, Willie Dobbles, ROW 3: Brian Clifton, Adam Mitchell, Willie Nelson, Matt Davis, William Miller, Matthew Jenkins,



Members of the club play a game of cards after a meeting. Madame Akes and Dr. Cusick photographed together after the Foreign Language Bowling Tournament.



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French Club Moderator Mrs. Sabrina Akes-Mills speaks to Sion Students sitting at her table.

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A table at the annual French Club breakfast with Sion. Members of both schools' French Club' sit and converse. The French Club table at the Foreign Language Bowling tournament. A card game at one of the meetings. Two more tables in Sion's lunch room. The breakfast took place during a late start.

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Classics Club wins first at State and first in annual bowling tournament

Junior Larry Pfeffer captured first place in the State Latin Convention test and ranked as one of the highest scorers in the history of the Classics Club.

Junior Adam Hare and sophomores Matt Friedrichsen, Matt Jianas and Andrew Robinson reached the Semi-Final Round in Certamen held April 23 in Columbia, MO.

Certamen, a Latin form of Jeopardy, covers the history, culture, and grammar of the Romans, and the State and National Latin tests.

"Certamen is like Latin trivia over grammar, history, culture, and other aspects of the Romans," said co-president junior Jason Coleman. "It is a really fun way to compete against other schools."

The club also competed against the Spanish and French Clubs in the Language Bowling Tournament in the spring, where it



Matt Quinn and moderator Dr Michael Cusick discuss their win

placed first among the three teams for the first time in history. Under the direction of Dr. Michael Cusick, the Classics Club,

increased involvement in the classical languages.

"The Classics Club is a fun way to learn about the Roman and Greek history, culture, and traditions," said Dr. Cusick.

All members of the club are registered with the Junior Classical League.

The members of the club who are in Greek class attended a Greek Festival in September where they experienced a bit of Greek Culture in Kansas City.

For the first time in several years the club created t-shirts with a Latin phrase that translate to "these are not the druids you are looking for."

Story by Chris Balmaceda

Club Facts

... All members of the club are registered with the Junior Classical League The Club learned about Greek and Roman culture, history and development.

The members of the club who are in Greek class attended the Greek Festival in September where they experienced a bit of Greek Culture present here in Kansas City.





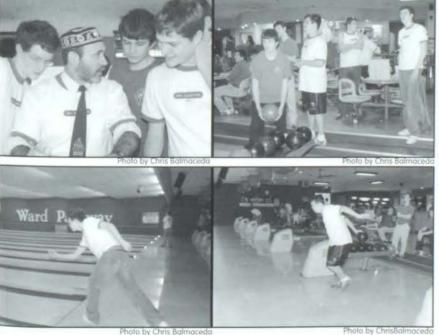


Andrew Cirocco and Peter Brewer take a break from the bowling action to eat some chips. Another member celebrates after a good shot.





FRONT ROW: Peter Henggeler, Dr. Michael Cusick, Pat Rhea, Daniel Friedrichsen, Matt Friedrichsen, Larry Pfeffer, Jason Coleman, Chris Wells. ROW @: Conor Foley, Henry Hodes, Chris Frantze, Adam Hare, Corey Beisser, Alex Dobens. ROW 3: Robert McCarty, Kevin Dalton, Ben Beisser, Jimmy Koppen, Peter Brewer, Brian Clifton, Andrew Cirocco, John Farchmin. ROW 4: Matt Quinn, Joe Madden, Tyler Kaplan, Sean Martin.



Dr. Michael Cusick tallies his score with some help from his club memebers. The Classics Club members watch their teamate bowl. Doug Haden puts a spin on the ball. Andrew Cirocco pulls back the ball before his release. Dr. Cusick prepares himself for a shot at the pins. This was the first year that the he won the Foreign Language Bowling Tornament.



Photo by Chris Balmaceda



The Chess team poses with all of it's trophy's on the steps of the Rose Theater. Junior Nick Omland thinks about his next move. Senior Michael Esposito plans his trap. Chess Club met during activity period everyday. Freshman Matt Howard and Brian Wieliczka are caught in an intense match.

Chess Club wins State Championship but can't defend its national title

The defending National Champions, the Rockhurst Chess Club, Chris Immele, Alex Soloducha, and sophomore Michael Esposito

won the Missouri State Chess Tournament, beating rival Crossroads High School in St. Louis, but were unable to defend its national title.

The Hawklets took 15th place out of 59 other teams in the under-1200 level at Nationals in Nashville, TN, in April. In the 1500 level they placed 9th out of 67 teams.

The Hawklets took first place in six of eight tournaments during the year, and placed second in two others. Instead of having a couple of dominating boards, it was a collective team effort as even inexperienced or first-time players won at least half of their games.

The club returned a majority of its competitors, losing last year's only senior, Brian Eller. Senior John Hicks, juniors Phil Shapker, Nathan Judy,

Mr. Larry Ruby talks with a member of

Chess Club in the Barry Commons. Chess board could often be seen around the staircase in the Commons.

mmele, Alex Soloducha, and sophomore Michael Esposito and David Hicks, who placed at state and

nationals, were back and ready to compete. It was sad to lose a great player like Brian, but we have all moved up to a higher level, said Dr. Cusick. We are definitely a tough opponent.

For the first time in several years the club has realized its goal of hosting a tournament, inviting over 13 schools from around the Kansas City Metro the weekend of January 21st. The Hawklets showed their dominance, taking the top places in the tournament.

For the first time ever it was able to compete with a full team in the under-1500 and under-1200 divisions at nationals.

I don't know if it's realistic to look for a National Championship next year but, we will definitely be able to compete, said Dr. Cusick. Nationals will

be pretty stiff.

Story by Brad Chapman

...The Chess Club took first place in six tournaments out of a total of eight. In the other two tournaments, they placed second, barely losing to some stiff competition.

...Chess Club thoughts of hosting their own tournament didn't pan out. Despite this they conbtinue to hope that it will become a reality in future years.







Junior Chris Immele displays his awards for Chess. Sophomore Matt Friedrichsen at one of the activity period practices.



FRONT ROW: Matt Howard, Mark Dobrowolski, Brian Wieliczka, Nathan Judy, and Matt Friedrichsen. ROW 2: Mrs. Valerie Davis, Michael Esposito, Kevin Ruprecht, Chris Immele, Alex Soloducha, Phillip Schapker, Dr. Michael Cusick.



Science Club captures second place in local Science Knowledge Bowl

The Science Knowledge Bowl teams competed in the largest contest in the United States, with 83 teams attending from as far

south as Joplin, as far east as Columbia, St. Joseph to the north, and Topeka to the west.

The A Team of seniors Jeff Poskin, Joe Caudle, Dan Anthony, Sean Eskew and junior Kevin Dalton placed 5th in its division. The B Team, which consisted of juniors Doug Haden, Mike Stingo, Jordan Jurcyk, Jimmy Koppen and senior Andrew Parrin, placed 7th in its division.

"The young men performed extremely well considering the amount of time we practiced," said moderator Mr. Mike

O'Leary. "When you finish in the top ten in each division, you should be very happy about your performance."



Photo by Pat Lancey

An experiment conducted in the science lab. Rico Van Buskirk labors on the construction of a model for the Science Club.



The club took first place in three events at the year's first Science Olympiad in December at Shawnee Mission South, as

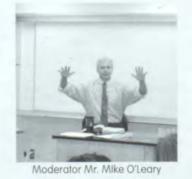
Koppen and Jurcyk placed first in Physics. Poskin and Caudle placed first in Chemistry and Poskin and senior Jacob Bayer placed first in Genetics.

In the last Science Olympiad in February at Rockhurst University, Poskin and Dalton placed third in Chemistry Lab, junior Brian Strickland and sophomore Rico Van Buskirk placed fourth in Experimental Design, Stingo and Eskew placed fourth in Cell Biology, and sophomores Chris Frantze and Mike O'Bryan placed fifth in Compute This.

"Science Olympiad looks at students' strong points and gives them a chance to show off their talents," said Mr. O'Leary. Story By John Brocato

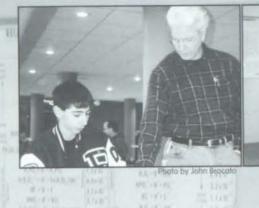
Club Facts

..."It's the work ethic of the leaders on the team that helps generate greater competion and leadership for the younger players." -Mr. Mike O'Leary



Doug Haden, a member of the Science Knowledge Bowl team, shows parents and potential students a science experiment at Open House. Kevin Dalton and Jeff Poskin work out a science problem. Moderator Mr. Mike O'Leary shows Christopher Frantze how to solve a problem. Juniors Michael Eskew, Larry Pfeffer, Doug Haden, Michael Stingo, and Kevin Dalton, the participants of the Science Knowledge Bowl, stand by with buzzers in a practice. The practices were held during activity period in Mr. O'Leary's room and were open to anyone who wanted to watch.





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Students for Political Action voted best at Los Angeles Model U.N.

"Inform the uninformed," said senior President Andrew Blackwell about the goal of Students for Political Action. "That's where we come in. Get people interested. If you don't like the way things are done, then change them."

The SPA kicked off its involvement with a voter registration drive, registering about 40 from the approximately 100 eligible students.

SPA also put on several mock debates and open forums which included a variety of topics including the War in Iraq, gay marriage, and the presidential election in November. The turnout was encouraging but not as well attended as hoped.

"Our main focus was centered on several United Nations models that we participated in," said club sponsor Mr. Chris Elmore. "The students were really into the model UN and we were thoroughly prepared."

In November, SPA showed the extent of its preparation when it swept the UCLA Model United Nations in Los Angeles. Out of 30 schools attending, Rockhurst won Best Extra-Curricular Club. Blackwell, senior Cameron Summers, and sophomore Anthony Badami were recognized as Outstanding Delegation and seniors Alex You and Zach Fietsch were recognized as Commended Delegation.

"We've gone to model UNs in the past and we have always received individual awards but we've rarely won school awards except for local ones," said Mr. Elmore. "Now, for the second year in a row we have won a national school award. Judging from these kids' track records, we will probably win several more in the future.

In February, SPA went to the Georgetown Model United Nations and where they were awarded the Best School award for the second consecutive year. Seniors Pat Casey, Steve Isom, and Ryan Sellers were recognized as Best Delegates. Blackwell received Outstanding Delegate, while You, Chris Guggisberg, and John Nantz received Honorable Mention.

The Johnson County Community College Model United Nations, held in April, was another sweep for SPA. Four students, juniors Kevin Jakopchek and James Mavec, Guggisberg and Sophomore Keegan Zuk, were recognized as the most outstanding delegation at the conference. In addition, You and senior Danny Anthony, junior Patrick Camacho, and Zuk were recognized as the best delegates on their committees. You, Jakopchek, Guggisberg and Rico VanBuskirk received awards for their position papers.

"I am really pleased with our effort this year," said Mr. Elmore. "This group of seniors was definitely the best we've ever had. Kid's here are so busy that they are often in 15 different clubs. I think it is pretty impressive that they can put that much effort into their busy schedules. I'd say it showed in the end."

Story by Brad Chapman



Mr. Chris Elmore, Phil Linvile, Peter Reintjes, Andy Huffman, Andrew Blackwell and Pat Casey.

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Club Facts

..."Pat (Casey)showed tremendous leadership, not only in preparing himself for success, but working to make his teammates better. He even worked to prepare other students for Model U.N., which he didn't participate in. He is truly a man for others." - Mr. Chris Elmore





Photo by Brad Chapma



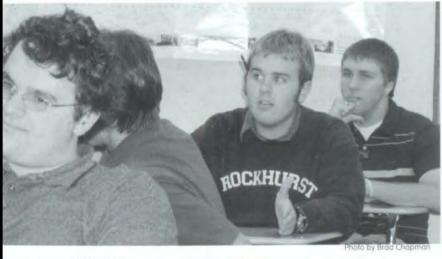




Photo by Brad Chapmon

Senior Cam Summers and Matt Kenney talk while freshman Dillon Maloney listens. The meetings were a great place for people to express and explain their political views outside of class time.

Math Club doesn't take long to qualify for state competition

Led by seniors Jason Dehaemers and Jeff Poskin and Mr. Scott Duschen, Math Club qualified for State in it's first competition.

Along with Dehaemers and Poskin, sophomore Jake Bayer, juniors Jacob Christian and Jordan Jurcyk, and senior Michael Camacho qualified at the Great Plains Math League Qualifying Contest, and took first in the overall competition and in Relay while finishing second in Team. Bayer won the Overall Sprint Round while Jurcyk won the eleventh grade sprint round.

"The kids worked very hard for that competition," said Mr. Duschen. "They deserved all the honors they got."

At the GPML competition at Pembroke Hill in February the Bayer-Dehaemers-Poskin relay team tied for 3rd. Bayer placed first in the Sophomore Sprint Round and Poskin placed 4th in the Senior Sprint Round. Jurcyk took first in the Junior Sprint Round. In the Target Round Bayer, Junior Kevin Dalton and Poskin placed first in the sophomore, junior and senior competitions. The team of Bayer, junior Drew Bienhoff, Dehaemers, sophomore Reed Fors, sophomore Michael O'Bryan and Poskin placed first in the Team competition.

The KCATM math contest was another successful outing for the club, as it placed second. Jurcyk, Dalton, and sophomore Hunter Burk finished second as a Word Problem Team. The Advanced Math Team of Poskin, Joey Caudle and Bayer finished first. Bayer also placed first as top sophomore in the city. Jurcyk placed second in the city for juniors. Poskin placed first as top senior in the city.

Bayer, Burk, Jurcyk, O'Bryan, and Poskin all competed at State GPML with Jurcyk and Bayer qualifying for regional qualifiers at the University of Kansas in Lawrence in May. Story by Tom Carlin



Jacob Bayer and Jeff Poskin work on a problem in preparation for an upcoming competition



FRONT ROW: Jacob Christian, Jeff Poskin, and Michael O'Bryan, ROW TWO: Drew Bienhoff, Jordan Jurcyk, Mr. Scott Duschen, Jacob Bayer.

Club Facts

...Led by seniors Jason Dehaemers and Jeff Poskin alongside Mr. Scott Duschen, the Math Club qualified for State in it's first competition of the season.

...At the GPML competition at Pembroke Hill in February the team continued its success as the Bayer-Dehaemers-Poskin relay team tied for 3rd.

TIE offers opportunity to relate while helping

TIE, or Total Ignation Experience, an urban immersion open to juniors during the summer, is intended to enlighten students about the amount of poverty in the Kansas City area.

During the summer of 2004, 13 Rockhurst students spent a week at St. Louis Parish at 60th and Swope Parkway. They primarily worked in the Upper Room in the attic of the church that provides a safe place for children in the neighborhood to learn and play. They spent most of their time working with the children on their reading skills.

"A lot of the children are really behind on their reading levels," said Ryan Sellers. "We just spent the time helping them learn easier ways to read to catch them up with their reading level as much as we could."

The one thing all TIE participants noticed was the amount of affection the children gave them. The children become so attached that they don't want the students to leave at the end of the retreat.

"Reading with the children is not what they truly need. They really just need the attention," said Julian Rivera. "For them, reading with someone who is actually paying attention to them and caring about whether or not they succeed is really what they need."

Besides working in the Upper Room, the group spent a lot of its time working at different organizations including the Hope Center and the Holy Family Catholic Worker House. The program attempts to teach students that they do not need to drastically change their life to help the needy, but that small contributions can go a long way.

"The TIE program was created to give students a first-hand experience with people who are struggling," said social studies teacher and program moderator Mr. Chris Elmore. "The students see that you don't need to go farther than 10 minutes from the Rockhurst community to see people who can benefit from their help." Story by Michael Aylward













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Ultimate Frisbee captures State;

The Rockhurst Ultimate Frisbee Team's 14-5 season was highlighted by capturing the Missouri State Championship, winning all six of its games there, and playing in some of the nation's top tournaments, including the Madison Mudbath in Madison, WI, where it was 4-3, and Western Nationals in Seattle, WA, where it placed 6th with a 3-3 record.

The season started with high expectations after the team placed 7th in a preseason tournament in McPherson, KS, which had 18 teams, including 16 college teams and only two high school teams.

The team's regular season started in Madison at the Midwest Regional Tournament. Placed in the losers bracket by a point differential, the Hucklets went on to win all three games on Sunday, placing ninth.

Factoring in the losses was the absence of senior Jeff Poskin, a top cross country runner and NHS member, and senior Captain John Nantz's inability to play due to a groin injury, which kept him on the bench all season.

Some of Rockhurst Ultimate's key players included seniors Andy Huffman and Poskin. Sophomores Chris Guggisberg, Jake Fisher and Brammer, who played for club teams in the offseason, provided some experience rarely found in players their age.

Starting training earlier than previous years, the team began in early February with the season officially starting March 1st. "It was a lot of hard work, but it paid off," said Guggisburg.

"It changed my role a lot," said Nantz. "Since I was on the sidelines I had more of a coaching role than a captain one."

Given the experience and disappointment that followed the Madison Mudbath finish, the Hucklets won all six games at the Missouri State Championship beating instate rivals SLU and DeSmet as well as a national caliber team from Kentucky.

"The State victory helped," said Guggisburg. "After that we were able to execute."

With the State win under their belts, the team headed off to Seattle for their first ever Western Nationals performance. Losing 15-7 to Churchill, who went on to take 2nd place, the Ultimate team won its next three games assuring the team a place in the top eight teams.

"Getting in the top eight felt good," said senior Danny Anthony. " It validated all our work."

On Sunday the team lost to Alameda High School in a close game. In the following game, fighting for fifth, the Hucklets lost to rival Creighton Durham-Hall of St Paul, MN 13-12. They were winning 11-7 when Brammer suffered a head injury and Creighton Durham- Hall went on to score five points.

"The loss hurt, but without Alex's injury I think we would have won." said Nantz.

Club Facts

"...John Nantz is not only a leader, he's a teacher, a coach, and an organizer. He understands both team and administrative problems and is eager to contribute not only to the team, but to the program." - Coach Tim Wietzen Ultimate's Head Coach David Schleicher almost went pro in football when an injury ended his career. He played Ultimate Frisbee at a club level for six years and traveled the country, recently turning down a job to coach Kansas University's Ultimate team. Altogether the season proved to be successful.

Coach Schleicher thought the Hucklets did extremely well and will continue to improve. "We are only going to get better," said Coach Schleicher.

With all the winning and developments, the team made a priority to stayed true to its unique roots.

"It really is a community," said Poskin. "Ultimate can surprise you. It's fun but extremely hard and competitive. The other players just make it that much better." Looking to the future,

Ultimate maintains its focus on

continuing to improve.

"The season was a blast and 6th place at Western Nationals defiantly did justice to the effort put into practices and games," said Guggisburg. "Given that we still want to do better, and I believe we will."

One of the things that makes Rockhurst Ultimate a unique high school team is that it is not a varsity sport, which has its advantages.

"I like Ultimate not being a varsity sport," said Nantz. "We are able to cut players, be more relaxed on the field, and get to know our coaches differently than the coaches of varsity sports." Story by John Mahoney

takes 7th place at national tourney







FRONT ROW. Tim Trabon, Jake Fisher, Gerrit Smith, Everett Arruda, Austin Fowler, Chris Guggisberg, Reade Fors, Jacob Bagner, Coach Tim Wietzen. ROW 2: Charlie Smith, Andrew Johnson, Alex Brammer, Nate Searle, Adam Baker, Keegan Zuk, John Nantz, Jeff Berry, Steve Lorenz, Andy Huffman, and Delaney O'Rourke.



The Ultimate Frisbee table at the Orgsanizations Fair. Group Shots of the team after returning from tournaments.

Hawklet's strong season under new coach ends in round one of playoffs

The Ice Hawklets started the season with a change in the coaching staff as Coach Corey Quinn departed Rockhurst, leaving in charge Coach Colby Lysne who worked as the assistant coach under Coach Quinn the year before.

"It wasn't hard to take over the reigns after Coach Quinn," said Coach Lysne. "We shared a lot of the same ideas in regards to coaching strategy and a common love for the game."

A major game for the Hawklets was a win over Saint Pius X Warriors. The Hawklets went into the game undermanned due to the number of seniors on Kairos and player suspensions the game before. Despite the odds, the Hawklets pulled out a 5-4 win.

"The Pius game was an opportunity to prove ourselves," said Coach Lysne. "It showed that we were very disciplined and able to make up for the lost players with strategy and teamwork."



hoto by Michael Alyward Cam McCulley shoots past the St. Thomas Aquinas gollie. The Hawklets pulled out a 3-2 victory over the Saints.

The Hawklets faced the Blue Valley Northwest Huskies three

times in regular season, losing the first two games by narrow margins. In the final game, the score was tied, 4-4, and went into overtime where the Hawklets took the game, 5-4, in a shootout.

"We accomplished a lot more this year than last," said Coach Lysne. "It was due to the team's strong sense of unity and ability to connect well as a team rather than a bunch of individual talents."

The Hawklets suffered a hard loss to the Pembroke Hill Raiders in the first round of the playoffs. In the three-game series the Raiders dominated the first game 5-1, but the Hawklets came back strong in the second game winning 7-3. The rubber match was close but the Raiders won. 6-5. ending the Hawklets' season.

Story by Michael Aylward

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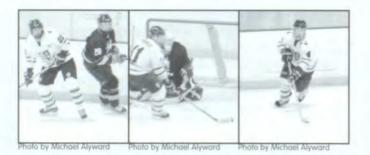






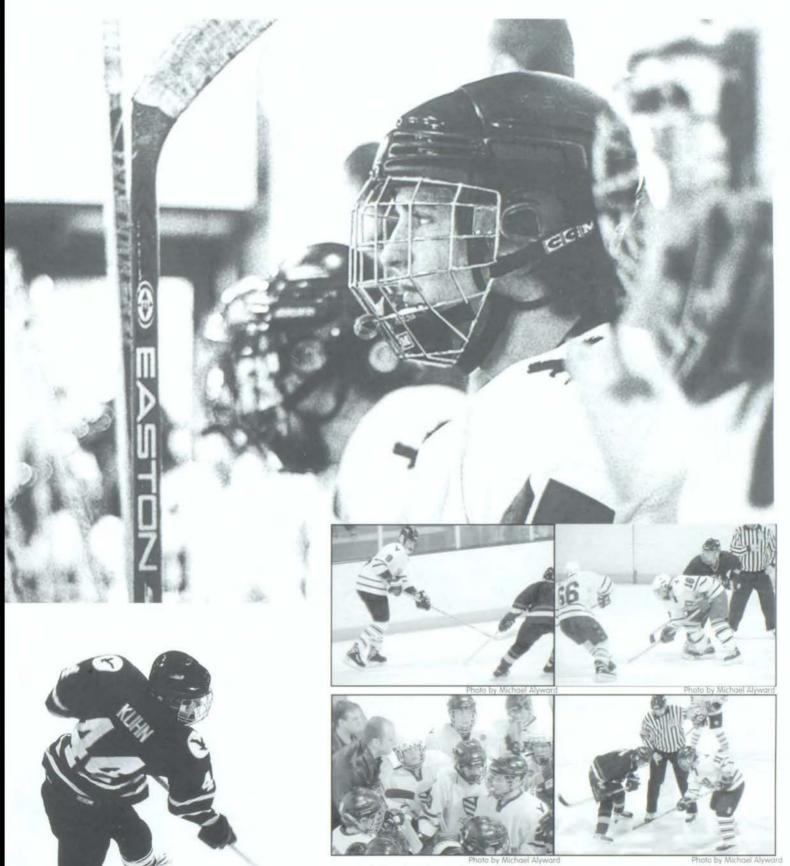
Photo by Michael Alyward

Robert Kuhn looks to make a pass. David Gorosh fights for the puck in a face off.

Photo by Michael Alyward



Photo by Michael Alyward Seniors pose with their parents at Senior Night. The Hawklets beat Olatha East that night pleasing their strong fan base.



Junior Robert Kuhn takes a short at the goal. Junior David Gorosh watchs while he takes a short breather. John King passes. Cam McCulley wins a face off to his brother Spencer McCulley. Head Coach Colby Lysne gives the team a pep talk in between periods. Mitch McMonigle wins a face off against Aquinas.

Mr. Reichmeier keeps racquetball alive for his exercise and the students

Plaving on Saturday mornings, the Racquetball Club works on teaching RHS students the basics of the fast-paced sport.

Mr. Jack Reichmeier, Director of Admission and Financial Aid, has moderated the club for the last six years, meeting weekly with members to teach them the fundamentals of racquetball and compete with them.

"I played at Rockhurst College and the University of Missouri," said Mr. Reichmeier. "I started playing handball before I played racquetball."

Mr. Reichmeier took over for Mr. Jeff Miller who started the club with a group of Cure' of Ars alumni which has now shifted to mostly St. Ann's alums

The club has had courts and other parts of the building available to them every weekend at the

Athletic Club of Overland Park. The members not only play whenever they want to with membership cards provided by the

Club Facts

...Racketball Club played at the Athletic Club of Overland Park with courts and other parts of the building available to them .

... They are currently the only school in the Kansas City area that has a Racquetball Club. Mr. Reichmeier has sent letters to high schools in the area trying to get competition, but no one has matched their enthusiasm.



Michael Link hits the ball back with Spencer Jones supporting him

club, but have full access to all the facilities.

"The Athletic club has been very cooperative with us." said Mr. Reichmeier. "The facilities are amazing and the amount of equipment available outside of the racauetball courts is impressive."

RHS is currently the only school in the Kansas City area that has a Racquetball Club. Mr. Reichmeier sent a letter to all local private high schools trying to get competition for the club members but no school has had the enthusiasm that RHS has.

"The sport is not as popular here as it is in St. Louis," said Mr. Reichmeier. "The Kansas City area is always a little behind St. Louis in sports. It was the same for lacrosse and hockey, taking a little time for them to catch on here."

The club wanted to have a tournament but did not finda time when all could play, so members just played on weekends for fun. Story by Kevin Mulloy



Spencer Jones sets to hit the ball. Pat Stacy starts his serve as Jones gets ready to play.



FRONT Row: Kevin Flanagan, Kyle Callahan, Second Row: Gallagher Ring, Mr. Reichmeier, Patrick Stacy, Spencer Jones, Michael Link

Club Facts

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Senior David Kaufman mans the Regis Club informational booth at Freshman Orientation, displaying the t-shirt that members wore when doing service projects.



Luke Betterman, Phil Helt, Pat Houlehan, Jason Morgan, David Kaufman, Hunter Caldarello, Chris Frantze, Mr. John Lan Tran, SJ.

Regis Club lives up to its reputation by offering opportunities to assist the poor

Led by sophomore Phil Helt, and moderated by Mr. John Lan Tran, SJ, the Regis Club helped the community with activities such as Recycling Center. Christmas Toy Drive, and Habitat for Humanity.

"The point of The Regis Club is not only to do community service, but to serve the poor," said Mr. Tran. "The club also provides underclassmen with service opportunities."

With Habitat for Humanity, students were able to share their gifts and talents by giving back to the less fortunate. By building houses to give poverty stricken people a better place to live. The annual Toy Drive brought in over 200 toys for less fortunate children and raised over \$600.

"Giving back to the community is what we are here for," said former president Chris Oldenburg. "Seeing how much this little deed meant to these people I realized how fortunate I was."

The third annual bowling tournament held in April raised over \$400 for the Belize Missions. Nathan Karlin, Frank Reardon, Paul Reintjes, Joseph D'Agostino, and Alexander Fiorella all took first place.

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Besides Helt, others who helped make the club what it was included juniors Brian Strickland, Drew Bienhoff, Michael Stingo, David Kaufman, and sophomores Pat Houlehan.

"I like to see Rockhurst students getting out and getting involved," said Stingo. "I hope to be in the club throughout the rest of my Rockhurst career." Story by John Brocato

FCA hosts inaugural bombardment tourney to help Harvest Food Drive



FRONT ROW: Jesse Doll, Andy Brooks, Jared Matthews, Mr. Eric Berg. ROW 2: Tyler Reed, and Jake Fogle.

Approximately 15 athletes, whose faith fills them so much that they feel a need to share it, met periodically to do just that. These are the members of Fellowship of Christian Athletes, who discuss questions or simply reflect on different events in the member's lives.

The FCA organized the first annual Bombardment Tournament, under the leadership of seniors Jessie Dull, President and Tyler Reed, Vice President. Along with Coach Eric Berg, club moderator. The event held most of the school captive during Thursday activity periods first semester. The finale was a battle between the juniors and seniors, won by juniors. Entrance fees went to the Harvest Food Drive.

" Everyone seemed to enjoy the activities," Coach Berg said. "Participants and spectators alike swarmed to the gym."

If members from this year become leaders as well as Dull and Reed, the entire student body can look forward to more years of bombardment.

Story by Tom Carlin

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Through hard work FCA launched the first annual Bombardment Tournament. It was a great success becoming instantly popular.



Joe Pete Christiano shows off his throwing arm from baseball.

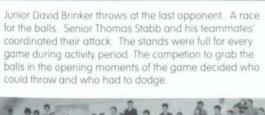




Photo by Tom Carlin



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Club fosters a lifelong interest, inspiring many to pursue flying

Few Rockhurst organizations offer the adrenaline rush of taking the controls of a \$70,000 vehicle capable of speeds exceeding 160 mph and reaching altitudes of 5,000 feet. For Flying Club members this thrill is more than a break from an ordinary daily routine. It satisfies a lifelong interest in flying.

Since the club began in 1989, moderator Mr. Steve Ryan and members have logged more than 350 flight hours. Occasionally, faculty members join in the fun. Fr. Gary Menard, SJ, Director of Pastoral Ministry, participated in the club's September flight.

"I have always had a passion for flight but more importantly I like to participate in the activities that Rockhurst guys enjoy being involved in," said Fr. Menard. "Mr. Ryan is an excellent pilot who is not only safe, and professional but a good instructor as well."

Members receive classroom instruction on maneuvers, flight instrumentation, and proper safety procedures with flying to make them more comfortable in the cockpit.

In February, the club made its annual five-hour cross-country flight consisting of three legs with stops at Billiards Airport in Topeka, where members visited the Forbes Air Museum, and

Club Facts

...In February, the club made its annual cross-country flight. The excursion stopped at Billiards Airport in Topeka, KS where members visit the Forbes Air Museum, and have lunch at a restaurant off the runway. The second stop was in Lawrence, KS, where the crew refueled. At every destination, club members rotated so that everyone has a chance to fly the plane.



Mr. Steve Ryan Brad Chapman starts the engine.

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> One of the disappointments of the year was not being able to take a flight in a jet. In years past, RHS alumnus Leo Estrada, corporate pilot for the American Dairy Association, has flown a group to Wichita in a Cessna Citation jet where it undergoes an annual inspection. While in flight, club members got to sit in the cockpit or lounge in the cabin while enjoying snacks. Due to a shortage of company pilots Mr. Estrada was unable to fit the flight into his schedule.

Nevertheless, the club continues to inspire students to pursue flying either as a career or hobby. In fact, two of last year's Rockhurst araduates and past flying club members entered

the US Air Force Academy. In addition, two more went on to receive their pilot's certification. Although, recent fluctuations in oil prices have raised the cost to fly, the club continues to attract students eager to experience flight.

Story by Earnest McCoy





Photo by Earnest McCo

Mr. Steve Ryan and junior Brad Chapman pause before taking off. Chapman takes control during flight.



Photo by John Mahoney Mike Lisman, Earnest McCay, Jeff Witcher, Steve Kilgore, Mr. Steve Ryan, Mark Fowler, George Diab, and James Hart



Club moderator Mr. Steve Ryan demonstrates manuevers during a Flying Club meeting.



Mr. Ryan taxis plane down runway for take-off. Mr. Ryan checks fuel mixture while preparing plane for flight. Brad Chapman and Earnest McCoy pose in front of a Cessna at Johnson County Executive Airport. FRONT ROW: Minh Nguyen, Brian Wieliczka, Colin Cicchetti, ROW 2: Mr. Tom Norman, Michael Camacho, Chris Balmaceda, Joey Caudle, Patrick Curran, Matt Neff, Michael Tran, John Marrin.





Photo by John Mahoney

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The set up for Mass in the Rose Theatre. Mr. Tom Norman instructs members. Chris Balmaceda cleans up after Mass. Father Gary Menard, SJ, works tests a wireless microphone for Fr. Vern Heintz, SJ, who will preside at the junior class Mass.



Pastoral Council helps all to connect more completely to the liturgies

Michael Camacho and Patrick Curran

set up for Class Mass in the Rose

Theatre This was held every Friday

Through hard work and some new innovations, the pastoral council has made it a great time to attend Mass at Rockhurst.

Through a close integration with his Liturgy and Worship class, Mr. Tom Norman, along with senior Pat Curran, Pastoral Council President, and senior John Marrin, Vice President, has brought about a more involving and visually stimulating service.

"We've worked hard on including more visuals and audio in the Mass," said Mr. Norman. "It started with simply projecting words to the hymns, but now we've moved on to feature theme-based images and even music to help people get more involved in the celebration."

One major addition to the council was that of Mr. Vince Giacabazi, theology teacher.

Mr. Giacabazi has brought with him a great

reverence for the Blessed Sacrament," said Mr. Norman. "Thanks

to him, we have another reminder of the sacredness of Jesus present in the Eucharist."

The council has incorporated more reflections from students. At the Senior Service Mass, students came up and talked about their experience while pictures from the project were projected on the screen behind them.

The Pastoral Council has even greater dreams for the future. It hopes to one day make it easier to project high quality images and video by installing permanent systems not only in the Rose Theater (which was completed in May), but in the gym. Working on gathering and cataloging pictures, Mr. Norman hopes to have a large image library where pictures can easily be accessed and inserted into slideshows as part of the theme. Finally, he hopes to extend his class to all grades in order

to train lectors and acolytes.

Story by Sean Comiskey

Club Facts

..."Patrick Curran is willing to go beyond the ordinary. He is very dependable."

--Mr. Tom Norman ...The council has also incorporated more reflections from students during the time usually reserved for the homily. At the Senior Service Mass, students came up and talked about their experience.





Senior Adam Schleicher reads at a Class Mass. Sophomore Colin Cicchetti and senior Matt Neff educate freshmen in the soundboard. Chris Nauser sets up the altar.

MODERATOR



Mr. Tom Norman and Fr. Vern Heinsz, SJ



















It wasn't too long ago that Rockburst arts were not as emphasized. Now they are prevalent, diverse and popular. It might be said that the Rockburst man strives to be a Renaissance man. That begins with R. Maybe that's the R-factor.











Junior Bobby Smith, senior Anthony Modica, and freshmen Sean Martin, and Andrew Cirocco work as timekeepers during the Rockhurst Debate Tournament. Freshman Nolan Gear works on a speech outside of class. Sophomore Anthony Badami and senior Andrew Blackwell display their trophies won from multiple tournaments.





Sophomore Anthony Badami and senior Andrew Blackwell display only a handful of trophies at Freshman Orientation.



Nolan Gear, Patrick Shami, Phillip Helt, Zach Fietsch, Anthony Badami, Philip Cardarella, Keegar Zuk, Chris Frantze, Andrew Blackwell, Carson Monetti, Philip Rellihan, Anthony Dominick





Senior Anthony Dominick and sophamore Carson Mohetti talk to Mr. Slephen Derrington while working at the judges' table at the Rockhurst Debate Tournament. Sophomore Phillip Helt and seniors Blackwell and Dominic give speeches during activity period for The Campain for Human Dignity Freshman Philip Cardarella performs a humerous interpretation during the Fine Arts Day Festival.

In October the speech and debate team kicked off its new season with a trip to Blue Springs South. Anthony Dominick placed 1s with Phillip Helt coming in a strong second. Other honorable mentions go to Zach Fietsch who placed 6th. In the Teams second debate at Hillcrest sophomore Anthony Badami and Andrew Blackwell went 3-1 in efforts to another RHS victory. At the North Kansas City Invitational Badami and Blackwell once again went 3-1 and placed first in their events. Anthony Dominick also came in strong with a 4" place finish. In December the team visited Truman where Spencer Hardwick and Jace Henderson went 3-1 and placed in a surprising eighth. Badami once again finished strong in first and fourth place in his event. He was followed by Gibran Chavez who finished in second and Carson Monetti in who placed forth. At the Raytown Invitational in December Dominick and Helt once again came to the teams aid by taking second in their events. Badami also placed sixth gaining much needed points for the team. In January the team took a short trip to Liberty where Dominick went 3-1 and Pat Camacho and Tim Martin placed fourth. The teams next adventure was to Barstow were the team did exceptionally well with Badami and Blackwell going 4-0 along with Camacho and Martin going 4-0 and Once again Dominick set the bar high with another perfect 4-0 record. At the Show Me NFL Districts Tournament the Andrew Blackwell and Anthony Badami finished in first place giving them a chance to travel to nationals in Philadelphia.

Speech and Debate

team's work pays off

The Mock Trial Team won their first round competition on January 18, 2005 at the Jackson County Court House. This was a chance for several debaters to show off their skills as they argued for the plaintiff's case. The team won on a 3-0 decision leaving no doubt in the mind of their competed against Fort Osage that they were the better team on that day. In the second round RHS represented the defendant's case against Ruskin. The Mock Trial team once again completed the sweep with a 3-0 decision. This win advanced them to the regional tournament. In February the Mock Trial Team once again won on a 3-0 decision in the first round of Regional Trials. RHS was the plaintiffs against Oak Park's defendants. The second round of Regional Trials at Jackson County Courthouse. Story by Daniel Durie

Technicians prove their mettle in the background

Senior Tyler Whetstone takes a break after setting up sound equipment in the Rose Theater.



Junior Bobby Koerper reaches up to readjust lights in the Black Box Theater for the production of Lend Me a Tenor, directed by junior Tim Martin. Students work on the set for Jesus Christ Superstar during Tech Theater Class With Mr. Bill Murphy. Sophomore Rico Van Buskirk works the sound board in preparation for Dead Man Walking Junior Kevin Dalton works on the set of Arsenic and Old



FRONT ROW: Corey Murphy, Michael Tran, Taylor Mallon, Jarrod Williams, Rico Van Buskirk, Sam Tapko: ROW 2: Kevin Dalton, Bobby Koerper, Joe Burnett, Chris Corless, Andrew Milbourn, Grant Russell



Mr. BillMurphy teaches freshman Alex Waite the finer points of carpentry. Junior Matt Kaufmann and sophomore Andrew Whittaker carry part of the set of Aesenic and Old Lace. Senior Matt Neff and sophomore Anthony Luca work on building the catwalk for Jesus Christ Superstar.



Sophomore Philip Helt swears in Senior Ryan Sellers during The Caine Mutiny Court Martial



SEATED: Conor Foley, Zack Tomlinson, Madeline Burkhart, William Miller. STANDING: Becka Scott, Allegra Gassman, Tim Martin, Ben Molini, Sarah Stytes





Zack Tomlinson and Ben Molini discuss the situation in "Lend Me A Tenor." Brian Wieliczka, Andrew Paredes, Mitch McCoy, Molini, and Erika Dixon perform in God's Favorite. McCoy stuns three other actors in "God's Favorite." Molini and Conor Foley laugh and walk together. Julian Rivera tries to convince McCoy to renounce God.



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Peter Mitko, Ben Donelly-Strait, Colin Fewell, Michael Wachtel, Phillip Helt, Dylan Macherney, Cam Summers, Phillip Cardarella, Tyler Kaplan, Tommy Leonard, Zach Rau, Zach Fietsch, Chris Nauser



Students take full creative control in the Black Box



Colin Fewell and Phil Helt, Shawn Holloway watches his actors during a rehearsal. Madeline Burkhart in "Lend Me A Tenor."

The Rockhurst Theater Department offers students the opportunity to produce their own plays in the Black Box Theater, located next to the music room. The department sponsored three studio productions, The Caine Mutiny Court Martial, God's Favorite, by Neil Simon, and Lend Me a Tenor, by Ken Ludwig, both produced and directed by students.

The Cain Mutiny Court Martial was directed by junior Chris Nauser in the Black Box Theater in September. It was Nauser's first time directing a student production.

"I had a great time working with the few new faces who joined us," said Nauser. "They all had quite a bit of talent."

God's Favorite, which ran from December 9-11, was produced by senior Shawn Holloway. The play tell of a night that an angel, played by Julian Rivera, comes and attempts to get a God-fearing man and his family to renounce God. The comedy was well received by the RHS community

"The play went very well," said Holloway. "The actors and crew worked hard and the people of Rockhurst did a great job supporting us."

"I really enjoyed doing this play," said Rivera. "All the actors did a great job working together and it paid off because we did so well in front of the large crowds."

Lend me a Tenor, performed March 31-April 2, was produced by junior Tim Martin. The play is a comedy of a man and his family and how they live their lives while dealing with many different problems.

Actors included senior Ben Molini, as Tito, junior Conor Foley, as Max, Notre Dame de Sion juniors Madeline Burkart, as Maggie, Sarah Stites, as Maria, Allegra Gassman, as Julia, sophomores Becca Scott, as Diana, freshman Zack Tomlinson, as Saunders, and William Miller, as the bellhop, Jack.

"The play went a hundred times better than I thought it would go," said Martin. "Everyone involved worked so hard and the end product was nothing short of spectacular." Story by Ryan Gibson





Abby Brewster, played by STA junior Magdalene Vick, talk about life after death with the Rev Dr Harper, played by junior Tim Martin. Brewster is being arrested by officers played by seniors Joey Caudle and Andrew Paredes.



Mrs. Kathy Kane, Director, creates the face of Jonathan Brewster played by senior Ben Molini



Dr. Einstein, senior Julian Rivera, Jonathan Brewster, Ben Molini, and Teddy Brewster, senior Travis Gratton.



SEATED: Katherine Gleason, Travis Gratton, Maggie Vick. STANDING: Andrew Paredes, Ryan Ptomey, Joey Caudle, Julian Rivera, Ben Molini, Ryan Sellers, Tim Martin, Erik LaPointe, Jamie Duncan, Mitch McCoy, Joe Spaniol, Derek Brown.

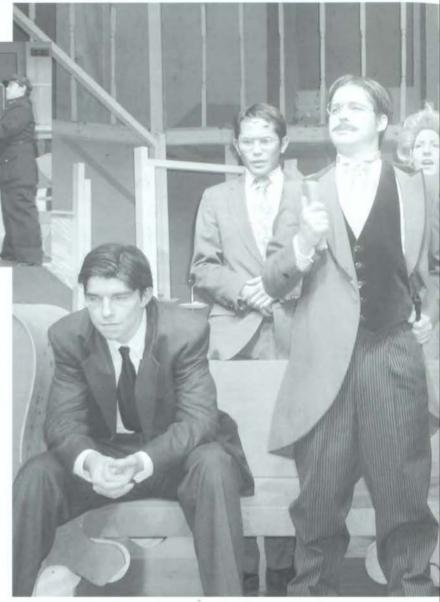




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Arsenic and Old Lace brought back to life



Julian Rivera takes a break with Jamie Duncan



Teddy tells Abby Brewster that he is leaving for the doctor.



Erik LaPointe played the lead character Mortimer Brewster



Travis Gratton discusses his character's issues with Assistant Director Mrs. Kathy McCoy.

The Fall play Arsenic and Old Lace, directed by Mrs. Kathy Kane, combined entertainment with a theatrical classic.

"I thought it was fun," said Mrs. Kane. "The kids worked hard to create a good time for the audience. It's also important to keep our classic plays alive."

Set in the 1940's, Arsenic and Old Lace provided a good study into adaptation for the cast. The actors did research into their characters. St. Teresa's junior Magdalene Vick studied her own grandmother to see how her character, Abby Brewster, should act.

"Doing classic pieces is difficult," said Mrs. Kane. "Its hard to relate our time period with that of the play."

Lee Hanover, an Arsenic and Old Lace critic and enthusiast from New York, gave Mrs. Kane tapes of college theatrical department's productions of the play, which gave the cast and production staff ideas to work from and insight into character choices. In return, Mrs. Kane sent a copy of RHS' version of the play.

Lead roles were played by seniors Eric LaPointe as Mortimer Brewster, Ben Molini as Jonathan Brewster, and Julian Rivera as Dr. Einstein. Police officers were Joey Caudle, Andrew Paredes, Ryan Ptomey, and Derek Brown. Also featured were junior Tim Martin as The Rev. Dr. Harper, senior Travis Gratton as Teddy Brewster, senior Joe Spaniol as Mr. Gibbs, sophomore Mitchell McCoy as Mr. Witherspoon, and senior Ryan Sellers as the dead bodies. Sion senior Katherine Gleeson, portrayed Martha Brewster, and St. Teresa's senior Jamie Duncan, played Elaine Harper.

"My favorite part was getting to know the cast and crew," said Gratton. "They were really good people and fun to work with. I think what made this play so good was the quality of all the people working on it."

The set was designed by Mr. Bill Murphy's Theatre Tech class, and was built by Kevin Dalton, Shawn Holloway, Bobby Koerper, Anthony Luca, Andrew Whittaker, and Mr. Murphy's class.

"The set was incredible," said Mrs. Kane. "It was extremely functional and beautiful."

Story by John Mahoney

Human dignity issue is examined in Jesuit collaborative effort

TheTheater Department's winter play selection, Dead Man Walking, was offered only to Jesuit schools by request of Mr. Tim Robbins, who holds high regard for Jesuit institutions ability to emphasize social justice as a vital part of Catholicism.

The drama chronicles the real-life story of anti-death penalty activist Sister Helen Prejean's, CSJ, struggle to help a Louisiana State Penitentiary inmate Matt Poncelet come to terms with his imminent execution.

The decision to produce the play inspired an entire campaign revolving around its theme, resulting in the creation of the Campaign for Human Dignity. A weeklong symposium featured presentations on abortion and genocide.

"The theme dealt with moral decision-making surrounding the death penalty," said Mrs. Kathy Kane, performing arts instructor. "For the campaign, we encompass concerns such as poverty, hunger, abortion and respect for life."

The Theater Department enlisted the help of professional director, Mr. Andy Garrison of Actors Studio, to direct. As one of his first actions, Mr. Garrison cast Mrs. Kane in the lead role of Sister Prejean.

"We both agreed that it would be difficult to cast a high school airl for such a multifaceted role." said Mrs. Kane. "Therefore, I accepted the role with a desire to work side-by-side with the kids."

Mrs. Kane dedicated hours researching to prepare for the complex role. Adding to the stress was the loss of her father during the early rehearsing stages.

"This show was the hardest script I've ever had to perform," said Mrs. Kane. "However, the students were very supportive throughout the entire process."

Plaving Matt Poncelet was senior Ben Molini, a novice to the theater scene. Molini's maturity and understanding of characters helped his portraval. Making appearances were Spanish teacher Mr. Kevin Holland, art teacher Mr. Chuck Irons, and English teacher Mr. Frank Griffin. Mr. Mike Kern produced original music for the production and Mr. Chris Jensen who reviewed and revised the script.

The stage was filled with a few ramps, a catwalk and hanging lights, symbolic of the tone of the play, while still giving the illusion of a prison.

Mr. Bill Murphy's technical crew coordinated light queues, sound effects, and space restrictions.

"I am very pleased because this was a difficult play to stage," said Mrs. Kane. "I am proud of the community for how it was integrated. Story by Earnest McCoy

Freshmon Luke Nantz plays an inmate who talks to

Sr. Helen Preiegn.

Kathy Kane, tutors

Herbie, freshman

William Miller Sr.

Molini. Montoya,

senior Andrew

Paredes, tries to

a spiritual advisor for a death row

inmate

played by Mrs.

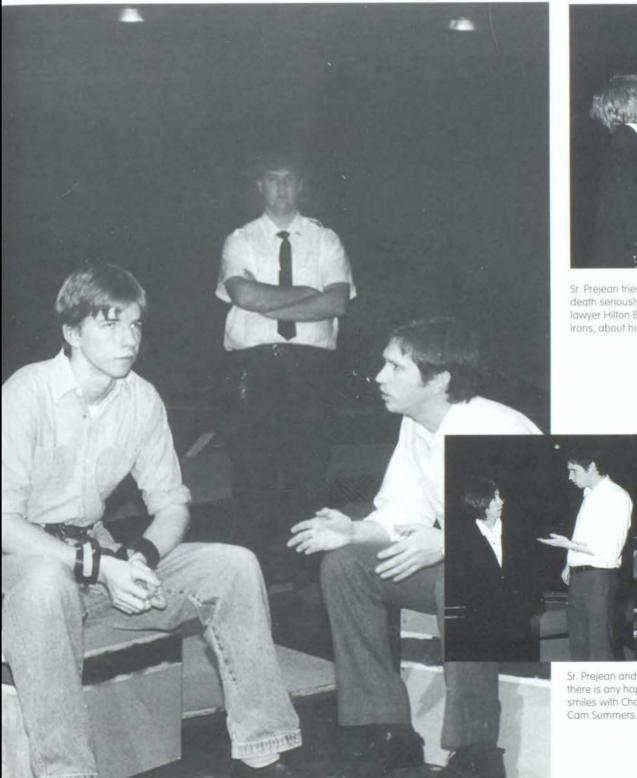




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FRONT ROW: Anna Johnson, Allegra Gatsby, Andrew Paredes, Cam Woods, Erika Dixon, Dylan MacInerney, Colleen Grate, Ben Molini, Chris Gard, Mrs. Kathy Kane, William Miller, Courtney Bulles, Courtney Kivet, Mary Martha Donaldson, Audry Bock, ROW 2. Colin Fewell, Zach Rau, Mr. Kevin Holland, Luke Nantz, Peter Mitko, Mr. Frank Griffin, Tyler Kaplan, Erik LaPointe, Derek Brown, Mitch McCoy, Mr. Chuck Irons.

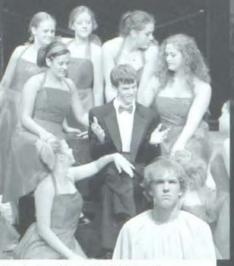




Sr. Prejean tries to get Poncelet to take his death seriously. Left. Poncelet talks to his lawyer Hilton Barber, played by Mr. Chuck Irons, about his appeal.



Sr. Prejean and Barber try to figure out if there is any hope for Poncelet. Sr. Prejean smiles with Chaplin Farley, played by senior Cam Summers.



Herod, played by junior Colin Fewell, surrounded by his women taunts Jesus, played by senior Erik LaPointe, Judas, played by senior Chad Francis, argues with Jesus during The Last Supper.



Simon Zealotes, senior Julian Rivera, sits with the crowd during "Heaven On Their Minds." Judas is pressured by the priests not to turn back from their deal. Jesus is comforted by Mary Magdalene, Ivy Gagnon

FRONT ROW: John Koster, Tim Martin, Colin Shea, Nolan Gear, Michael FRONT ROW: John Koster, Tim Martin, Colin Shea, Nolan Gear, Michael Judge, Ian Lewis, Ryan Donohue, Joe Spanial; ROW 2: David Magruder, Peter Brewer, Colin Cicchetti, Mike Sizemore, Tim Lowndes, Brian Vaughn, Andrew Whittaker, Derek Brown, Tyler Whetstone, Bobby Koerper, Sean Comiskey, Kevin, Dalton, Matt Neff, Jon Dandurand, Matt Friedrichsen; ROW 3: Sam Wiedeman, Ivy Gagnon, Joey Caudle, Peter Mitko, Mrs. Bernadette Kaplan, Mr. Frank Griffin, Mrs. Gina Milbourn, Mrs. Kathy Kane, Mr. Ryan Olsen, Andrew Milbourn, Erik LaPointe, Luke Nantz, Abigail Spanial, Audrey Volbracht, Stephanie Chapman, Brooks Fitzptrick; ROW 4: Zach Rau, Jonny Swift, Tommy Leonard, Colin Fewell, Katherine Gleeson, Charlie Reichmeier, Sarah Phillips, Magadelene Vick, Alexandra Lucas, Tiffany Lewis, Chris Gard, Donovan Fowler, Alex Alexandra Lucas, Tiffany Lewis, Chris Gard, Donovan Fowler, Alex Wilson, John Martucci, Claire McFarland, Anna Comiskey, Long Nguyen, Jamie Duncan, Gina Milone, ROW 5: Ryan Ptomey, Mitch McCoy, Andrew Paredes, Tyler Kaplan, Nicole Cattron, Julian Rivera, Mary Martha Donaldson, Chad Francis, Colleen Grate, Joe Burnett, Chris Nauser, Emily Heid, Phillip Cardarella, Gina Camerata, Denise Dibben



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Superstar opens to raves in the Rose; closes in Scotland



With its trip to Scotland just around the corner, the Rockhurst Theater Program showcased its version of Jesus Christ Superstar, which tells the story of Jesus' last days on Earth through Judas' eyes in musical form.

The Rose Theater was crowded every night, with an average of 800 people, including a sell out for the Friday night show.

"It was very well received because it told the story of the Passion," said Mrs. Kathy Kane. "Being a Jesuit school really helped get it going."

The set was built by Mr. Bill Murphy's Theater Tech classes, which put in about 450-500 hours building it.

"We had a little difficulty building the complicated set," said Mr. Murphy. "The auction was the weekend before so we were also setting up for that."

"It is not a show most high schools would attempt," said Mr. Ryan Olsen, musical director. "You need a strong cast and strong ensemble, which we have."

The show performed at the Kansas City Fringe Festival in July and the Fringe Festival in Edinburgh, Scotland, in August, one of 25 groups chosen to go. They will be part of a two week event showcasing schools from around the world.

The cast included seniors Erik LaPointe as Jesus, Chad Francis as Judas Iscariot, and Jon Dandurand as Caiaphas along with almost 70 others, including 19 women.

"Most musicals end with a cheesy ending," said Mr. Olsen. "This play ends very dramatically, with the death of Jesus."

"There is no better way to end your high school careers," said Francis. "It was great to perform in front of a crowd that wanted to see the show."

Story by John King

Senior Andrew Milbourn as Pilate Senior Jon Dandurand as Ciaphas. Sophomore Sam Weideman as Peter. The crawd praises Jesus as "Hosanna."

Honors Chorale

FRONT ROW. Scot Buckley, Mitch McCoy, David Gorosh, Zach Rau, Taylor Ward, Chris Rhoades, Bobby Smith, Jon Dandurand, Andrew Paredes, Andrew Shepard, Chris Balmaceda, Chris Gard, Mr. Ryan Olsen, Chad Francis, Long Nguyen, Scott Hanson, Pat Stoops, J. Scott Harrison, Jason Morgan, ROW 2. Greg Drummond, Jack Hasty, Sam Wiedeman, Jamie Fitzpatrick, Tommy Palmer, Tyler Reed, Andrew Milbourn, Erik LaPointe, Daniel Close, Julian Rivera, Matt Friedrichsen, Eddie Williams, Tyler Kaplan, Brett McKinley, Chris Silvers, Mike Fischer, Andy Dooban, Ben Kaplan, Brett McKinley, Chris Silvers, Mike Fischer, Andy Doohan, Ben Strauss

The Freshmen Choir

FRONT ROW: Kyle Blacker, Hunter Capps, Will Krouse, William Boessen, Danny Lobb, Mr. Ryan Olsen, Ben McAnany, Kevin O'Brien. ROW 2 Patrick Robb, Joe Tulipana, Deaney O'Rourke, Sam Crandall, Adam McClusky, Matt Quinn, Connor Callahan, Chris Griffen, Niel O'Brien, Kevin Healy, ROW 3. Jon Johnson, A.J. Hollrah, John Fryer, Michael Looney, John Calhoun, Michael Worms, Steve Bruns, Alex Waite





Freshmen Will Krouse and Will Boeson practice their sight reading during rehearsal. The Honor Chorale sings "Luck Be A Lady" from Guys and Dolls at the Spring Patio Concert. The RHS Singers get ready to sing "The Best of the Boys." The Honors Chorale sings for Arts In Motion during activity period.





to by Anthony Tade





The Rockhurst Singers



Freshmen reherse one of the songs they performed at the District Solo and Ensemble Competition. Senior Jason Morgan poses with his mother after the Autumn Sampler Concert Members of the **RHS Singers** perform the sona "You've Lost That Lovin' Feelin" at the Spring Picnic Concert.

Choral music reaches the top of its game

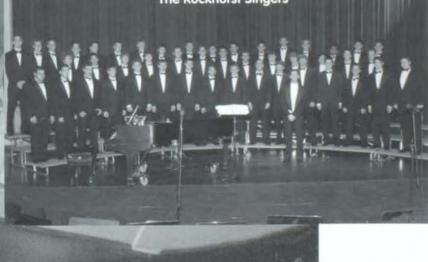
Mr. Rvan Olsen has been the head of the choir program for two years and believes that this has been his greatest year yet. Accomplishments include performing the "Handel's Messiah" alongside the St. Teresa's choir.

"In my opinion the Handel's Messiah was the highlight of the year," said Mr. Olsen. "We pulled off an hour-long "un-staged opera" without a single hitch."

The choir sent several singers to State, including a freshman ensemble, which received a Two-Rating, a chamber choir ensemble, which received a Three-Rating, and senior soloist Julian Rivera, who received a One-Rating, the highest possible score one can receive at State. Rivera was also named to the All District Choir.

"Julian embodies all that RHS choir is meant to represent," said Mr. Olsen. "His talent and drive to perform will carry him through college."

The choir is made up of five sections: two sections of RHS singers, one section of Freshman Choir, one section of Chamber Choir, and one section of Honors Chorale. Both Honors Chorale and Chamber Choir are chosen through an audition process creating a varsity choir of Story by David Sherwood sorts



FRONT ROW: Jacob Johnston, Billy Martucci, Larson Carter, Kyle Dixon John LeRoy, Daniel Dougherty, Zach Frisch, Phil DiMartino, Mike Pernice Blake May, Jeff Herera, Mr. Ryan Olsen, Matt Switzer, Tyler Vaughn, Mark Hindman, Jimmy Jordan, Barrett Campbell, ROW 2: Adam Bellinder, Joel Hamilton, John Bickimer, Cameron Webb, Steve Martinat, Kelly Quirk, Sal Capra, Brian Euston, Sean Hennessey, Christian Schörosch, David Price, Mark Cedom, Andy Soloducha. ROW 3. Matt Betterman, Kerry Bowen, Michael Burns, Bryan Smith, Kevin Stone, Tommy Condon, Alex Mincher, Daniel Stanley, Carl Novick, Ryan O'Leary, Scott Clark, Larry DeVries, Gallagher Ring, Steve Lorenz, Henry Thomas, Cory Owens, Phil Scovill

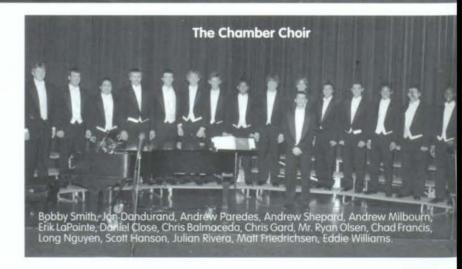


Senior Andrew Milbourn reacts with the lyrics to the song "Mr. Cellophane" from the musical Chicago, one of the Broadway Showtunes performed at the Spring Patio Picnic Pops Concert in May.



Photo by Anthony Tade

The Chamber Choir performs a barbershop quartet version of The Beatles song "When I'm 64." It was one of the many fun, up-beat songs performed at the Spring Picnic Concert. Mr. Olsen conducts the choir during the Autumn Sampler Concert. Notre Dame de Sion senior Alex Duncan, sophomore Matt Friedrichsen, and senior Julian Rivera perform the solo parts for a song at the Catholic High School Choral Festival.



Chamber Choir rises up to sing the 'Messiah'



choir traveled to St. Louis University High School with the Senior Jazz Ensemble to perform for their students and faculty.

The Chamber Choir sings a Lativan song entitled "The Noble Son" at the Pre-Choir Tour concert in March. The

Photo courtesy of Mr. Keith Gard, VisPic

Fr. Terrence Baum, SJ,RHS President, sings one of the solos in Handel's The Messiah with the Rockhurst Chamber Choir, St. Teresa's Academy Choir, and the Rockhurst String Ensemble performed during the Christmas Choral Concert. The choirs and strings practiced together several times at night in the weeks before the concert. The Chamber Choir, Honor Chorale, Freshman Choir, STA Choirs and Sion Choirs sing togther in the Rose Theater for the Catholic High School Choral Festival in April. Dr. Anderson from the University of Missouri, Kansas City served as the guest conductor and rehearsed with the choirs during the day-long rehearsal.

Sophomore Patrick Schmidtt plays his violin during a freshman Mass.



Senior Ryan Koster jams away on the drums during "Go Make a Difference" at one of the last senior class Masses.



Seniors Ryan Ptomey, Joey Caudle, juniors Charlie Reichmeier, Chris Balmaceda, Brian Vaughn, and senior Julian Rivera lead the songs at the Freshman Brothers Mass at the beginning of the year.

Without fanfare, Chapel Choir lifts the spirit of all

Freshman Nate Lutzrehearses in the band room for a Friday class Mass. Seniors Ryan Ptomey, Andrew Paredes, and Julian Rivera sing "Fish with Me" at a Junior class Mass. Sophomore Ryan Koster tunes his viola before a Mass.

Pep Band really is ultimate R-Factor for spirit



FRONT ROW: John Koster, Tyler Whetsone, Pat Hernke, Mike Sizemore, Travis Yuille, Liberty Ruddy, Tim Cannor, Andrew By, Matt Purcell, Sean Martin, Richard White ROW 2. Mr. Michael Kern, Hunter Burk, Matt Friedrichsen, Chris Lindgren, Colin Shea, Willie Dobbels, Steve Stinger, David Hicks, Chris Tait, Kevin Ruprecht, Marc Lyon, ROW 3. John Hicks, Colin Fewell, Brian Vaughn, Robert Kuhn, Nick Yeates, Drew Latenser, Robert DeCoursey, Stuart McCausland, Charley Fitzpatrick, Sean Noack, ROW 4. Corey Stever, Chris Wells, Robert McCarty, John Marrin, Anthony Ishmael, Matt Neff, Michael Guerin, Josh Luber, Davis Magruder, Nate Miller, John Shealy, ROW 5. Joe VandenBoom, Michael Wachtel, Pat Doyle, Matt Howard, David Stamm, Dan Friedrichsen, Nick Faulconer, Pat Shami, Aaron Sirna, Austin Althaber.



Instrumentalists win eight Firsts, nine Seconds at State Fest

Eight solos or ensembles of the Instrumental Music Department achieved a first place rating at the State Music Festival, and nine achieved a second place.

First place medalists include sophomore Austin Molina and juniors Bobby Tonnies and Drew Latenser on piano; sophomore Ryan Koster and freshman Nolan Gear, string duet; senior John Koster, Ryan Koster, Nolan Gear and sophomore Dustin Basler, string quartet; and junior Peter Brewer and freshman Nick Faulconer, trumpet.

In the KC Metro All-District Jazz and Orchestra, over 11 students won chairs. Ryan Koster went on to win a chair with the All-State Orchestra.

Besides District and State medallists, the program, directed by Mr. Michael Kern, had exciting concerts, students qualifying for KC Metro Ensembles, and a jazz show at B.B.'s Lawnside BBQ.

Handel's Messiah, a special concert including the St. Teresa's singers, RHS Chamber Choir, String Orchestra and Fr. Terrence Baum, SJ, RHS President, was considered by some to be the best concert of the year.

"The Messiah was the most memorable for me," said junior cellist Andrew Hamline. "It incorporated a lot of the talents between instrumentalists and the choir."

The Jazz Band took its talents outside, performing its annual jazz showcase at B.B.'s Lawnside Bar-B-Q, selling over 200 tickets. The band traveled to St. Louis to perform for St. Louis University High School, whose band also came to Rockhurst to perform.

"The trip to St. Louis was a good experience," said junior saxophonist Lyndon Gray. "The trip worked to improve our talents as a group not just as individuals."

To join the music department, students audition by playing a prepared solo, two scales, and a sight reading exercise, which indicates which ensemble best suits him.

For senior jazz band, the musician must have either been in a jazz program prior to the auditions or would have to work up through jazz lab band.

Course offerings for instrumental music include wind ensemble, string orchestra, senior jazz, jazz improvisation, and jazz lab band.

In his instrumental music classes, Mr. Kern teaches essential techniques such as improvisation and blending.

"Without the student's love of music there would never be so much success within our program," he said. Story by Chris Fakoury



Sophomore Dustin Basler plays the cello. Vincent Ciaramitaro performs during the Spring Concert. David Magruder and Nathan Lurz warm up and tune.



FRONT ROW: John Koster, Nate Long, Reade Fors, Nolan Gear, WillBorge, Patrick Schmidtl, Ryan Koster, Andrew Hamline, Dustin Basler, ROW 2: Mrs. Judy Koster, James Wagner, Austin Molina, Nathan Lurz, David Magruder.



FRONT ROW Steve Singer, Ian Lewis, Kevin Ruprecht, ROW 2: Liberty Ruddy, Josh Luber, Matt Purcell, David Hicks, Andrew Bly, Vince Ciaramilaro, ROW 3: Cornell Ellis, Dominic Ishmael, Daniel Barth, Joe Estes, Michael Guerin, Mark Thompson, ROW 4: Sean Martin, Alex Dobens, Richard White, Tim Connor, John Hicks, Adam Whitaker, Doug McFarland, Tyler Whetstone, Matt Neff, Nick Yeates, ROW 5: Mr. Michael Kern, Cameron Korle, Anthony Ishmael, Chris Lindgren, David Stamm, John Koster, NOT PICTURED: Marc Lyon.

The Rockhurst Wind Ensemble



St. Louis University High School orchestra performs for RHS in the gym.



Junior Kevin Ruprecht plays for the Autumn Sampler Concert, Senior John Koster warms up for The Messiah with freshman Nolan Gear. Matt Purcell and David Hicks play during the Christmas Concert



Senior James Wagner plays the keyboard during the Spring Concert. The Wind Ensemble performs at the Tribute to Rockhurst Musicals Concert.



FRONT ROW: Mr. Michael Kern, Dylan Maleney, Joe VandenBoom, Chris Wells, Robert McCarly, Robert DeCoursey, Corey Carr, Will Tarr, Cory Stever, ROW 2. Michels Wachtel, Aaron Sirna, Austin Althamber, Patrick Hemke, ROW 3. Kevin Webster, Matt Howard, Steve Mendenhall, Charley Fitzpatrick, Steve Bolton, Dan Friedrichsen, Pat Shami, Nick Faulconer, Patrick Doyle,



Sophomore Will Tar pays his Sax at the Autumn Sampler Concert. Corey Carr, Rob DeCoursey, and Rob McCarty at the Spring Concert.



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Mr. Michael Kern directs the the Jazz bands at the Autumn Sampler Concert. Dan Freidrichsen take the stage for his solo. Dylan Maloney jams away on his guitar at the Winter concert.

Photo by Sam Monsees







Lab bands continue to interpret the true meaning of jazz



Freshman Corey Stever plays away at JazzFest 2005 and tries improvisation out for a try.



Junior Robert Kuhn plays the trombone for Arts In Motion during activity period. Juniors Bobby Tonnies, Peter Brewer, Wes Ellwood and Charlie Doolittle play the night away at the Tribute to Rockhurst Musicals Concert.





Peter Brewer inprovs at the Autumn Sampler Concert. Senior Michael Love plays a solo at the Spring Concert. Senior Tyler Whetstone plays a Jazzfest 2005.







RHS Senior Jazz Ensemble provides fun, entertainment for all audiences



Senior Joe Spaniol plays at the Pre-Tournament Concert. The Senior Jazz Ensemble traveled to St. Louis University High School with the Chamber Choir to perform for the SLUH student body during their activity period in March. Bobbie Tonnies warms up for Arts in Motion on a cold winter day.

Students explore their hidden, and obvious, art talents



Mr. Chuck Irons lays out excellent examples of his students' work. Junior Neil O'Connor sketches a portrait of the statue of St. Ignatius of Loyola outside the Office of Admission and Financial Aid.





Senior Michael Camacho works on a drawing of the art room. Mr. Chuck Irons helps sophomore Kyle O'Grady on his sculpture. Senior Jon Morrand draws a portrait of himself.



Junior Bobby Koerper gels advice from Mr. Irons for drawing an image of the

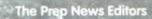
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Mr. Chuch Irons takes a break from teaching. Junior Evan Youngbload works on a drawing in class. Senior Jesse Dull works on his wheel pottery







Mr. Michael Dierks, Jared Meadows, Michael Nouri, Danny Anthony Steve Isam, Joe Sturgeon, Cam Woods, Michael Tabory, William Webster, Tim McManus, Michael Timberloke, Kevin Campbell, Ryan Smith, Jameson Hubbard, Reid Martin, Frank Allen, Steve Yanda

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Senior Frank Allen, Mr. Michael Dierks, advisor, and senior Steve Isom present awards to the Prep News editors and staff.



Mr. Michael Dierks asks senior Steven Hinck to make a correction on the computer. Senior Kevin Campbell receives anaward from Mr. Dierks at the Prep News awards assembly. Seniors Jarred Meadows, Danny Anthony, and Reid Martin go over the new layout of the paper. Seniors Jarred Meadows, Danny Anthony, and Reid Martin put together the results from a student survey. Seniors Isom, William Webster, and Michael Tabory edit a page of the paper late into the night.



Isom and Meadows look over the latest edition of the Prep News after a long publication week.





ROW 1: Michael Link, Scott Paradise, James O'Malley, Christian Liddeke, Scott Kelly, Jordan Raybould, Nick Omland, Stephen Hink, Jay Howell, ROW 2: Derek Hall, Shea Hamid, Patrick Cohen, Brian McGannon, Spencer Jones, John White, Brett Barton, Taylor Briggs.



'Family' works late into the night to put paper to bed

To inform, influence, and entertain is the credo that the Prep News lives by and to that end one will often find journalists still working late into the night in the annex putting the final touches on that month's edition.

Mr. Michael Dierks is the proud father of this "family" of 34 junior and senior students who together make up the Prep News.

"My goal as a teacher is three-fold," said Mr. Dierks. "I try to give the students a situation where they can learn something new, the ability to be a leader, and an opportunity to communicate to the school."

This newspaper family is a talented bunch, having collected such awards as All-State newspaper from the Missouri Interscholastic Press Association, and has received national honors, including a first place from the American Scholastic Press Association.

Co-editors-in-chief seniors Steve Isom and Jared Meadows spent time with 11 of their peers at a newspaper retreat the summer before their senior year where they discussed ideas and leadership on the newspaper. Isom and Meadows, along with 16 other senior staffers, spent individually around 25 hours per edition perfecting layouts and editing stories.

"The newspaper was a big responsibility, but I feel that it's moving in the right direction," said Isom. "The newspaper did a good job this year mixing information and opinion."

Mr. Dierks recognized students who displayed outstanding work ethic on the newspaper, including senior Steve Yanda for best writer and senior Frank Allen for best layout editor. Juniors James O'Malley and Jordan Raybould were named the successors to Isom and Meadows as co-editors-in-chief for the 2005-06 edition of the paper.

"I think that RHS students trust the newspaper as a source for accurate information," said Mr. Dierks. "It's very satisfying to see students in the hallways reading and taking an interest in the something that we have spent the past month working on."

Story by David Sherwood



Mr. Mike Wickenhauser, Advisor, checks up on the editors after school. Senior Michael Camacho types up one of the many stories submitted to the Rock Collection.



Junior Patrick Carnacho listens to music as he designs a creative page. Mr. Mike Wickenhauser proofreads each page of the Rock Collection. A sophomore reads some of the literature and enjoys the photos in the Rock Collection.



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FRONT ROW: Mr. Mike Wickenhauser, Ben Beïsser, Marcelo Bustamante, Michael Camacho, Joey Caudle, ROW 2: Brent Sear, Tim Martin, John Marrin, Patrick Camacho

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The staff works had after school to finish everything by their deadline. Many photographs and drawings were submitted to be used for the Rock Collection: Junior Conor Foley gets some help from Mr Wickenhauser on an odd design. Senior Joey Caudle tries to pick out some of the best entries for the publication.

The Rock Collection staff, comprised of 16 students, included a good mix of first-time and veteran staffers. This blend of experience and fresh perspective certainly contributed to the quality product we were able to put together.

The creative vision of seniors Michael Camacho and John Marrin and junior Tim Martin contributed significantly to the magazine's layout. Of course, senior Danny Anthony and junior Patrick Camacho, the technical gurus of the staff, helped Michael, John, Tim and the other staffers bring their creative visions to life.

As the staff and I started putting together the magazine this year, we wanted to make sure to include a larger number of contributors to the magazine this year than we have included in previous years. We accomplished this goal. The magazine includes the creative output of 40 plus Rockhurst students, ranging from freshman to seniors. Last year's magazine represented the creative output of less than 30 students.

For the past two years, the Rock Collection has received a rating of "Excellent" according to the NCTE (National Council of Teachers of English) Literary Magazine Recognition Program. I certainly believe that the quality of the content and the creativity of the layout will earn another "Excellent" rating this year.

For me, the distribution of the magazine is, perhaps, the event which most makes me truly appreciate the value of the literary magazine to the school community. I see the excitement of the staffers as they go from homeroom to homeroom to distribute the magazine. I see the pride in the eyes of the published contributors who see their poems, photographs, and stories in print. And I see the interest of the student body as a whole as they read and appreciate the talent of their friends and peers. Story courtesy of Mr. Mike Wickenhauser Seniors Sean Comiskey and Michael Aylward discuss the Homecoming coverage

Quarry presents interactive cover to illustrate R-factor

The members of The Quarry yearbook staff spent time after school was out to assemble hundreds of stories and thousands of both digital and conventional photos in an effort to capture the intangible factor that makes Rockhurst the place it is.

Since the advent of digital photography four years ago, there has been a steady increase in its use, reaching approximately 40% of the book's photos in the 2005 edition.

Junior Brad Chapman served as Advertising editor, laying out the senior sentiment submitted by parents.

Senior Chris Oldenburg designed and implemented the senior section, which he changed to combine senior activities like prom, graduation and service, throughout the portrait pages.

Seniors Sean Comiskey and Michael Aylward volunteered to complete the Student Life section.

Juniors John King and David Sherwood, who divided the work as Co-Sports Editors, captured another hectic year in athletics.

Junior Chris Fakoury, as Academics Editor, insured that the administration, faculty and staff was covered.

Junior Chris Balmaceda served as Arts Editor, covering all aspects of the fine arts, performing arts and communication arts offered at RHS, and took a hand in several other projects for the staff, including indexing.

Junior Earnest McCoy assumed the role of Student Body Editor, designing and implementing the underclassmen portrait pages, including feature stories within the section.

Junior John Mahoney was responsible for covering all of the clubs as Organization Editor.





Sean Comiskey, Chris Oldenburg, and Dan Durie put the finishing touches on their layouts. David Sherwood helps Chris Balmaceda with a photo ID.

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Editors and members of the staff work with an artist at the Herff Jones Yearbook Company to implement the R-Factor theme on the cover of the book

Editors and staff members of The Quarry yearbook take a break from production to pose for a photo. They include David Sherwood, Chris Balmaceda, John Mahoney, John King, Earnest McCoy, Dan Durie, and Sean Comiskey. Other editors and contributors not pictured are Chris Fakoury, Brad Chapman, Michael Aylward, and Chris Oldenburg.

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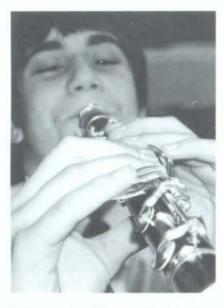


Chris Balmaceda helps John King with a photo identification



FROM LEFT: John King, Sean Comiskey, Earnest McCoy, and Brad Chapman use the Macs to design The Quarry The Honors Chorale sings "The Morning Trumpet" for students and faculty in the Rose Theater.Mr. Joe Delehunt, Counselor, looks at some students' selfportraits.





Sophomore John Hicks plays his clarinet in the Pesci Atrium Sophomore Kyle Davis admires the stunning painting of Mr. Scott Duschen. Senior Thomas Staab checks out some photos taken by students. Junior Mike Judge plays for Dirty Joe and the Mechanics in the gym. Junior Derek Hall admires a picture of himself playing basketball.



hoto by Andrew Woodward





Student talent displayed for all to see on Fine Arts Day



Junior Charlie Doolittle plays with the Senior Jazz Ensemble Senior Andrew Blackwell gives one of his speeches in the McGee Hall for several students. Junior Peter Brewer plays "Brick House" with the Senior Jazz Ensemble. In its ninth year, the Fine Arts Day showcases student's work in the Arts Department, allowing students an opportunity to demonstrate their talents and abilities on stage, with instruments, or through artwork.

"This day is meant to show the student another side of Rockhurst," said Mr. Michael Dierks, Arts Department Chairman. "It also is a good way for students to appreciate their fellow classmates' talents."

The Fine Arts Day is organized so that the student body is able to travel around the school observing different ways Rockhurst students express themselves.

"This experience is good for both the students watching and the students performing, " said Mr. David Laughlin, principal. "This unique day is one way the school allows students to be exposed to things they may otherwise not be exposed to."

The features included a preview of Jesus Christ Superstar, the Senior Jazz Band, dramatic interpretations by the forensics team, individual and group performances on musical instruments, and a set by Independent Mainstream, a student band.

In the classrooms students were able to enjoy the words of the speech and debate team or the comical stories of the forensics team.

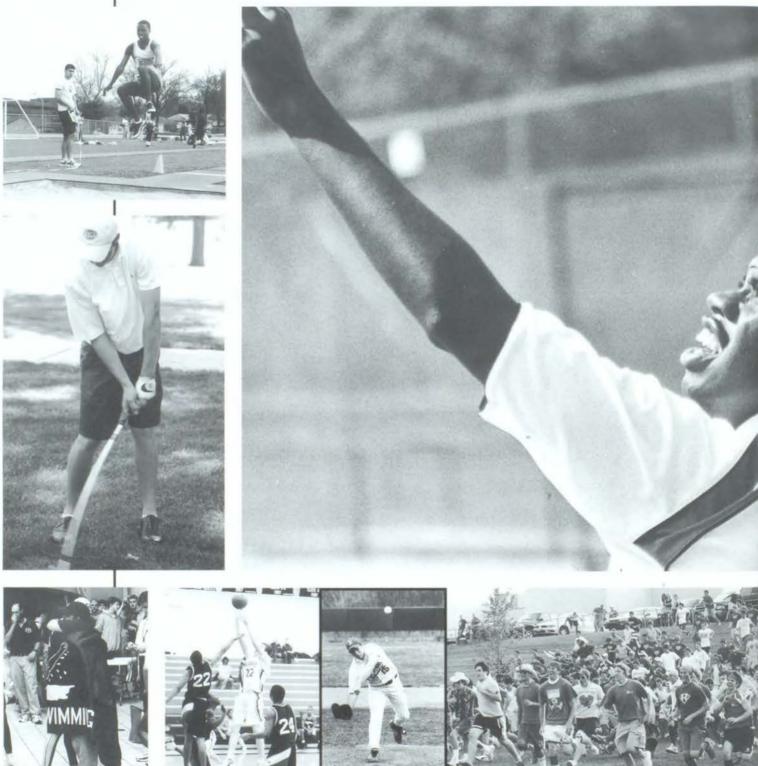
In the in the Pesci Atrium, McGee Hall, college placement conference room, or the gym, students could enjoy the sounds of musical performances such as Dirty Joe and the Mechanics, the Jazz Lab Band, or the Senior Jazz Band.

The Barry Commons was used to display student artwork, pottery, and photographs from their class assignments.

"It is a very good cultural experience and is entertaining," said junior Nathan Judy. "I was also able to see my friends doing what they feel passionate about."

The celebration ended with a performance by the Drum Line, which includes seniors John Koster, Mark Thompson, Cameron Korte, David Stamm, Anthony Ishmael and sophomore Nate Miller. The attentiongetting group was founded this year by Koster. Story by Chris Oldenburg





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Of course one thinks of sports when thinking of Rockhurst. It's been that way since the beginning. We're maybe (in) famous for it. The fact that we do sports as well as everything else means that the R-Factor might be found here. Or it might not.











Edited by John King and David Sherwood

Clifford and Poskin lead the way over tough cross country course

With a longer race to start the season, a 5k versus the traditional 2.1 mile at the Truman Invitational, cross country practices had to be modified to make sure the Hawklets could adapt.

So a third place finish at the St. Thomas Aquinas Invitational was not disappointing to the coaches. With 12 teams competing, senior Matt Clifford finished first for Rockhurst, placing 14th.

The Hawklets kept striving for faster times and at the Blue Springs Invitational where the team finished fourth, senior Jeff Poskin dropped six seconds off his previous time on the significantly more difficult course compared to the first meet.

The Hawklets went on to finish seventh out of 29 complete teams at the KC Metro Championships with Poskin finishing 16th and Clifford finishing 27th.

At the District Championships the team finished fourth out of 10 teams and qualified six runners, surpassing the expectations of the coaches and the team.

At Sectionals, the Hawklets finished a disappointing seventh, but still managed to send Poskin to the State Championships where he finished 57th

Key runners who contributed to the team's success were senior Michael Timberlake, junior Christian Liddeke, and sophomores Nick Cowing, Jack Fletcher and Colin Looby,

Alternates were senior Andrew Bly, juniors Ernest Davis, Dan Durie, Gallagher Ring, Pat Stoops and Bobby Tonnies, sophomores Jack Barker, Alex Berry, Andrew Bush, David Cotter, James Meiners and Will Tarr, and freshmen Evan Daugherty and Alex Dobens.

Clifford and Poskin shared the Golden Spike Award, the highest award given by the program, and Poskin was named to the Greater Kansas City Cross Country Association All-Metro Honorable Mention team.

"This all would not have happened if we didn't have such great team members and supportive parents to cheer everyone on at all the meets," said Poskin.

The season was an emotional roller coaster for Head Coach Michael Dierks, ending with the less-than-stellar showing at State.

"These are some of the best people I have had a chance to bond with," he said. "I am really proud of the character and effort they gave in this difficult season. But there is still lots more work to be done for next year." Story by Chris Balmaceda







Senior Jeff Poskin runs hard through the last mile of the marathon. Junior Dan Durie runs with sophomores Andrew Buss and James Meiners. Senior Andrew Dahmer is followed by sophomore Corbin Kline and junior Kevin O'Sullivan.

Scoreboard

Saints Challenge Blue Springs Invitational 3rd of out 12

4th out of 6

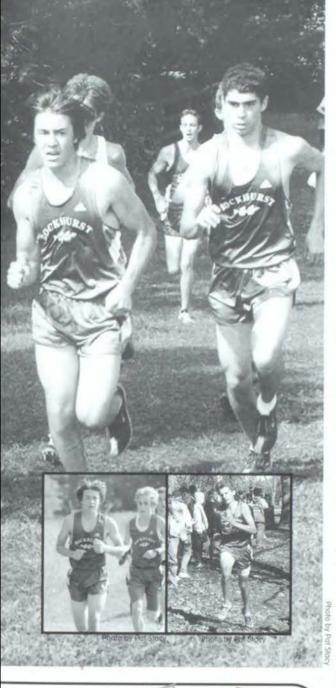
Ray-Pec Invitational 4th out of 8

Rim Rock Classic 17th out of 29

Who was the X Factor?

> Shawnee Mission North Invitational 3rd out of 5

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KC Metro Championships 1-5

Midwest Jesuit Invitational 5th out of 7

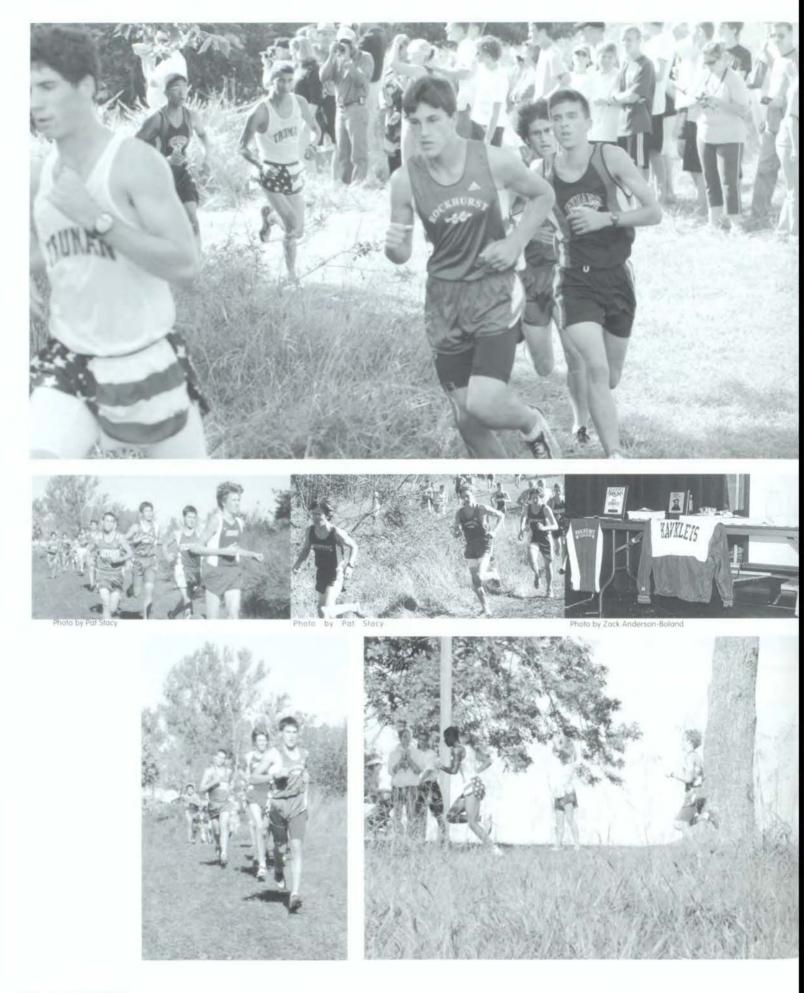
and effort they gave in this difficult season."

Kearney Invitational 1st

Districts 4th out of 10

Sectionals 7th out of 8

The team gathers for a prayer before a race Charlie Smith thinks mind over matter at the



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Photo by Pat Stacy





Varsity

Cross

Country

Senior Matt Clifford and Jeff Poskin run together at the JCCC meet. Junior Ernest Davis leads the pack followed by senior Ted Ginder Junior Michael Link stretches out before the Longview meet. The awards table displays the team's many achievements. Senior Jason Dehaemers leads the pack in KC Metro Cross Country Race. Poskin and Clifford win Golden Spike award. Senior Andrew Bly competes at Sectionals. The learn sits at the All Metro Championships under the tent waiting to be called Juniors Gallagher Ring, Bobbie Tonnies, and Ernest Davis sprint towards the finish line after 20 minutes of running. Liddeke and Ring run together at the JCCC meet.





SEATED: Jeff Paskin, Thomas Cotter, Jason Dehaemers, David Cotter, Christian Liddeke, Matthew Clifford; STANDING: Gallagher Ring, Andrew Bly, Coach Jorge Taracido, Coach Michael Dierks, Coach Rich Sullivan, Michael Timberlake, Colin Looby

Hard work pays off for JV runners

On Monday, August 9, at 7 am most of the Rockhurst student body was still asleep, grasping onto their few remaining days of summer, but for 87 others they were ready to sign on to the 2004 Cross Country Team. Included were 64 junior varsity runners.

"When I tried it last year it was just something for me to do in the Fall," said junior Kevin O'Sullivan. " But this year I tried to exceed what I had accomplished last year as a sophomore."

The Hawklets started off the season at the St. Thomas Aquinas Invitational where they have been successful in the past. With the help of five top-20 finishes, the team placed 3rd overall.

"We came together and ran as a team that day," said Head Coach Rich Sullivan. "That's what helped us have such a great race."

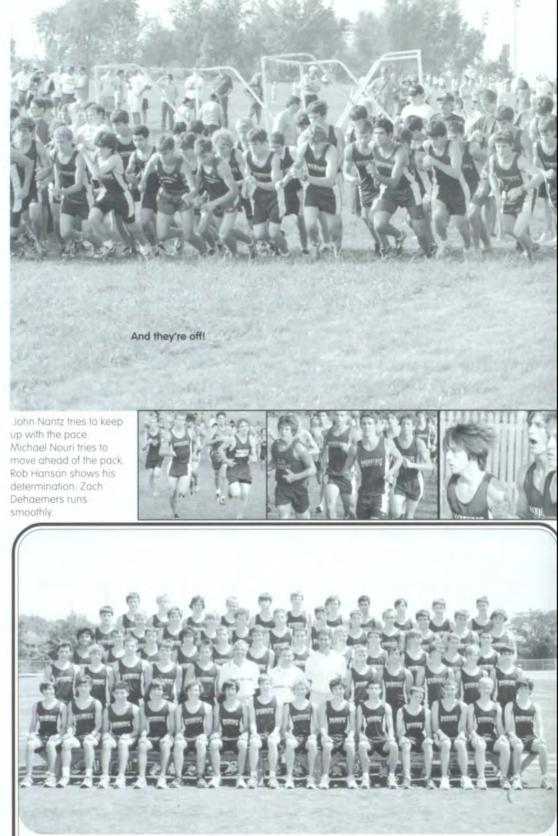
A few weeks later at the Ray-Pec Invitational the Hawklets pulled off their first win of the season, and they would go onto finish in the top five in four of their next five meets.

At the Metro Championships, held at Raymore-Peculiar, the team finished 2nd out of 12 teams competing.

"The sophomore and junior classes give us a great starting point for the future," said Coach Sullivan. "If they commit to training over the summer, we have the potential to be very competitive next year."

Story by Michael Cotter





FRONT ROW: Michael O'Bryan, Reade Fors, Austin Molina, Dan Durie, Ryan Smith, George Noth, Corbin Kline, Jeremy Cahill, Rob Hanson, Matt DeCapo, Jason Coleman, Spenser Nelson, Ernest Davis, Derek Poskin; ROW 2: Nicholas Liddeke, Cory Beisser, Charlie Smith, Griffin Foley, Jack Barker, Mr. Rich Sullivan, Mr. Michael Dierks, Dr. Jorge Taracido, Andrew Bush, Jack Fletcher, Jeff Huggins, Gerrit Smith, Zach Dehaemers; ROW 3: Kevin O'Sullivan, Derek Lyssy, Jim Koppen, Ted Ginder, Patrick McNamara, Lawrence DeVries, James Meiners, Jared Meadows, Anthony Luca, John Cullen, Nick Becker, Chris Balmaceda; ROW 4: Adam Whitaker, Kenny Jenkins, Nick Cowing, Steve Lorenz, Spencer T. Jones, Bobby Tonnies, John Mahoney, William Webster, Wes Ellwood, Joe Estes, Alex Berry, Kevin Looby; ROW 5: Josh Hubbard, Sean Eskew, Brent Sear, Michael Nouri, Andrew Dahmer, Cameron Fiser, Michael Link, Will Tarr, Tyler Kunce, Charlie Regan, Pat Stoops.

Dr. Taracido helps freshmen to new heights

Under the leadership of long time cross-country coach, Dr. Jorge Taracido and three outstanding runners the freshmen team experienced one of its best years in history.

At the Saint Thomas Aquinas Invitational the Hawklets earned three medals, with Nick Brownrigg finishing third, Evan Dougherty, sixth, and Alex Dobens, tenth. At Blue Springs, the runners took on three full teams composed of over 60 participants and were able to pull off their first of two back-to-back race victories. Brownrigg won the race outright, Dougherty came in third, and Dobens finished with a fifth place medal.

At Raymore-Peculiar the next week the Hawklets claimed the first, third, and

fourth spots with Brownrigg winning, and Dougherfy and Dobens following right behind.

Later, even though Dougherty was injured right before the Shawnee Mission West Invitational, the Hawklets pulled together with 11 runners medaling.

"Our kids never gave up," said Coach Taracido. " There were no disappointments this year." Story by Michael Cotter



FRONT ROW: Clint Useldinger, Daniel Friedrichsen, Ben McAnany, John Fritzlen, Joe Krugh, Nick Brownrigg; ROW 2: Evan Daugherty, Jon Hamilton, Mr. Rich Sullivan, Mr. Michael Dierks, Dr. Jorge Taracido, David Mattione, Phillip Watson; ROW 3: Alex Dobens, Matt Hainje, Will Krouse, Dominic Ishmael, Jonathan Johnson.





Freshman Thomas Cotter can't stop to smile for the camera in this picture because he has a race to win. Freshman Evan Dougherty begins to pull away from the pack as he experiences first hand the "runner's high".

Hawklets lose in State Semifinals after thumping Blue Springs, 28-0

Falling one game short of the State Championship would be considered a tremendous success for most teams, but with and beat Columbia-Hickman, which returned 19 the high expectations of Rockhurst, it is considered a disappointment.

After a dominating 28-0 win over the Blue Kewpies just 114 total yards offense.

Springs Wildcats, the Hawklets advanced to the State Semifinals for a rematch against Columbia-Hickman where the Hawklets fell. 10-7, to the Kewpies, who the State Championship the following week

"After seeing the team play so well, especially on defense, it was hard to see them lose." said Head Tony Coach Severino. "It hurt when we did not take advantage of their mistakes."

With two preseason all-Americans, D.J. Hord and Allen Smith, and seven returning starters, the 2004 Hawklets were

Photo by Jon Lan Tran.SJ determined to have a successful season, but lineman/linebacker in the city, became the in the opening game against Blue Springs those hopes started to fade after a devastating, 29-9, loss.

Rockhurst held the Wildcats to just one first down in the second half but turned the ball

Hawklets won, 14-7, at Columbia allowing the shutouts.

over four times throughout the game.

The next week the Hawklets bounced back

starters from its 2003 State Semifinal team. The

Then the Hawklets started rolling, winning the next eight games by a total score of 283-53, completing a nine game winning streak. In that streak they swept their district against Lee's Summit, Lee's Summit North, and Joplin with two

"The second Blue Springs game was the biggest one of the year." said Coach Severino. "The players prepared well and played a near perfect aame."

Smith, winner of the Buchanan Award as the best

leading all-time sack leader in Rockhurst history. Hord was one of 78 high school football players invited to play in the Army All-American bowl.

The Hawklets had six members chosen to the All-State Team. Story by Connor McDonough



Junior Jerome Jackson plows over his opponents. Belfonte sprints towards the endzone. Senior D J. Hord surveys the fields as he runs.



Senior Jason Crain gang tackles his opponent in a close game with Blue Springs South. Junior David Belfonte makes a hard cut past teammate senior D.J. Hord

Scoreboard

Blue Springs 9-29

Columbia-Hickman 14-7

Blue Springs

South

41-13

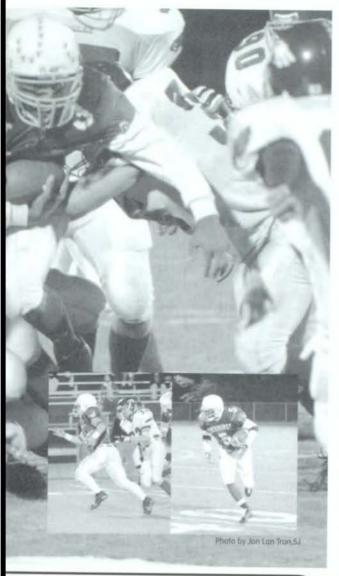


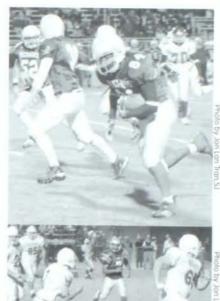
Who was the X Factor?

Oak Park 48-10

Jefferson City 28-10

Lee's Summit Liberty 24-6 44-0







Senior Allen Smith rolls down the field. Senior Mike Walczuk looks down field for a body to block for Belfonte. Smith lays out the quarterback from Jefferson City. Junior Derek Hall jumps to catch a ball. Senior quarterback Terry McMahon surveys the field and finds senior Larson Carter awaiting the pass



Photo by Jon Lan Tran, 51

"We have been so good for so long, that our tradition gives us an edge on the field." -- Coach Tony Severino



Lee's Summit Joplin North 39-14 31-0 Blue Springs Quarterfinals 28-0 Columbia-Hickman Title game 7-10

SEASON RECORD 9-2

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Senior D.J. Hord stretches for a ball over a Blue Springs defender Sophomore Stevie Jones reaches for a ball just out of reach. Sopomore Drew Temple attempts to break a tackle. Bellonte keeps his feet maving and fights through a tackle made by a Hickman Mills cornerback.

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Photo by Jon Lan Tran 5J

Junior Ben Wickman pressures the quarteback into throwing the ball away Junior Derek Hall celebrates an outstanding catch as the Hawklets rolled over Lee's Summit North. Senior Matt Switzer propels himself out of his starting posistion and heads towards a Hickman Mills quarterback. Senior Connor McDonough makes a last ditch effort at grabbing a Blue Springs halfback as he lays on the ground Quarterback McMahon scampers away from a Blue Springs linebacker



Photo by Jon Lan Tran, SJ



Varsity Football

FRONT ROW: Michael Pernice, David Belfonte, Jerome Jackson, Phillip Strozier, D.J. Hord, Josh Walker, Terry McMahon, Grant Harrison, Conner Teahan, ROW 2: Joe Christiano, Frank Allen, Blake May, Kemer Quirk, Colin Quinn, Anthony Accurso, Jack Hodes, James Miller, Sean French, Matt Leigh, ROW 3: Steve Jones, Scott Smith, Tom Staab, Paul Reintjes, Kevin Campbell, Chris Barton, John LeRoy, Jeff Herrera, Jess Dull, Adam French, Nick Kirkman, ROW 4: Jason Crain, Joss Tillard, Chad Baker, Blake Heatwole, Anthony Lolli, Chris Rhoades, Jake Frey, Bryan Connell, Joe Manzo, Connor McDonough, Dane Cousins, Kyle Pierson, ROW 5: Brian Euston, Larson Carter, Ben Wickman, Henry Belfonte, Drew Temple, Mark Davidson, Jason Switzer, Corey Murphy, Justin Steele, Drew Mirocke, Michael Duschen, Alex Soloducha, Jon Palmer; ROW 6: Allen Fletcher, Tyler Reed, Andy Bianco, Matt Moorman, Tom Godsey, Tom Carlin, Jack Schleicher, Taylor Mallon, Tom Condon, Mike Walczuk, Jacob Johnston, Sean Kitts, Damon McKinney, Luke Betterman; ROW 7: Jacob Fagle, Andrew Brooks, Frank Reardon, Eric Meyers, Jeff Smith, Jeff Caldwell, Eric Vogel, Robert Tait, Corey Carr, Josh Karlin, Derek Hall, Kelly Quirk, Matt Switzer; ROW 8: Alex Mincher, Allan Smith, Sal Capra, Nate Karlin, Anthony Bruno, John Nagle, Steve Martinat, Pat Cullinan, Chris Gard, Kyle Tushaus, Sam Tapko, Brian Meyer, Andrew Medlin; ROW 9: Coach Frank Lyngar, Coach Eric Berg, Coach John Morris, Coach Tony Severino, Coach Chris Dawson, Coach Fred Campisano, Coach Matt Nolen.





Photo by Jon Lan Tran, SJ

Team loses for first time in 12 years

Starting out 5-0 with two shutouts, the Junior Varsity Football Team, led by Coaches Eric Berg and John Morris, was on its way to having another undefeated season, when a 27-21 loss to Jefferson City broke a 10-year winning streak.

The Hawklets rebounded to beat Liberty and Lee Summit in the next two games by an 83-20 margin, finishing with a 7-1 record.

"We knew we had to end the season strong with nothing but wins," said junior Eric Vogel. "So we got on the field and gave it our all."

Three players in particular stood out according to Coach Berg, including sophomore quarterback Connor Teahan, running back Stevie Jones, with his impressive runs and quick bursts of speed, and receiver Josh Walker who, according to Coach Berg, was the "X factor" for the team with his unbelievable catches in game-winning situations.

"Consistency and personnel are key aspects that dictate what you can do on and off the field," said Coach Berg. "These three helped our team to be what it was and they gave it their all throughout the season."

"Although we lost, and against our biggest rival, we made unbelievable improvements," said Coach Berg. "What made the season different was the team's ability to correct its mistakes and learn from them."

Story By John Brocato

Blue Springs 28-12	Columbia- Hickman 28-7
Blue Springs South 22-6	Platte County 35-0
Oak Park 41-0	Jefferson City 21-27
Liberty 48-13	Lee's Summit 35-7
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Sophomore Conner Teahan takes snap from Junior Taylor Mallon. Freshman Drew Temple runs the ball against Columbia-Hickman. Sophomore Steve Jones tries to break a tackle against Columbia-Hickman. Junior Kyle Pierson listens to what Coach Eric Berg tells him.

Despite lack of size, 6-0 start leads sophomore squad to winning record

After beginning the season with six straight victories, scoring 147 points while holding opponents to just 12, the Sophomore Football Team stumbled, finishing with two consecutive losses, and ending hopes of a perfect noznaz

The two losses, which came at the hands of Blue Springs and Oak Park, gave the Hawklets a 6-2 final record

"Although this year's team has had one of the smallest lines, offensively and defensively, they played their hearts out and overcame the adversity they were faced with," said Head Coach, Bernie Kreikemeier.

Sophomores Steve Roepke and Jack Hasty led the Hawklets on the field whether it be on offense, defense,

or special teams. Roepke took the offense by the reigns after switching from fullback to guarterback. He also led the defense as one of the team's best linebackers according to the coaching staff.

"Steve showed lots of determination and leadership on the field. He also made several phenomenal plays out of nothing," said Coach Kreikemeier.

Hasty also made several big plays on the offensive side but contributed on special teams with even bigger kickoff returns.

"I loved beating St. Thomas Aquinas in our first game. It was such a great feeling shutting out one of our rivals like we did," said Hasty.

Story by Chris Oldenberg



FRONT ROW: Spencer Hardwick, Mike Garza, Nathan Karlin, Tom Daily, Pat Schilling, Dan Rhoades, Chris Accurso, Matt Connell, Kyle O'Grady; ROW 2: George Diab, James Miller, Aaron Murphy, Matt Callegari, Scott Smith, Jack Hasty, Paul Reintjes, Kyle Davis, Steven Roepke, Chris Silvers; ROW 3: Corey Wolfe, Frank Mulhern, "Dusty Kunce, Andrew DiCarlo, Jacob Stellen, J.D. Pasternack, Blake Kyger, Jack Moderson, Brendan Quirk, Joe D'Agostino, Kyle Tushaus; ROW 4: Will Trakas, Patrick Murray, Michael Jianas, Sean Carter, Evan Beasley, Scott Barton, Ross Nigro, Donovan Stabler, John Schuler, Jeff McCorkle, Lou Groff, Paul Dominick; ROW 5: Dom DeFeo, Andy Soloducha, Mark Bissler, Blaine Balderston, Alex Fiorella, Andy Doohan, Kirby Campbell, Michael Fisher, Mark Fowler, Mike Lawrence, Travis Hunt, Alex Klinghoffer, ROW 6: Mr. Jeff Crowe, Mr. Mike Sullivan, Mr. Bernie Kreikemeier



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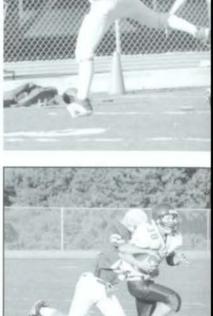
Steve Roepke drops back in the pocket. The team gathers around before the kickoff. Dusty Kunce sweeps wide right and bursts loose.

Aquinas	Liberty
20-0	20-6
Lee's Summit	University
North	Academy
34-0	30-0
Park Hill South	Park Hill
20-6	23-0
Blue Springs	Oak Park
7-20	20-22
SEASON	RECORE
6-2	

Scoreboard Aquinas(B) Jeff City(A) Jeff City(B) SM South (A) Shawnee St. Joe Central(B) Park Hill(A) 14-20 24-18 14-0 48-6 Mission S(C) 21-38 13-12 SMNW(B) Blue Springs(C) BS South(A) LS North(B) Blue Springs(A) Ray-Pec(A) BS South(B) 20-0 0-14 6-0 6-0 0-24 19-6 26-0

Freshman get Rockhurst football experience





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Zach Tomlinson makes a break for the end zone. Brendan Quinn turns up field to try to gain a first down. Quinn looks down field for some blockers. Luke Tapko runs the ball around the outside. Josh Slack catches a punt and look down field for some help. Ivan Charbonneau catches a pass while keeping his feet in bounds. Erik Ross makes a tackle against the oppsing running back. Andrew McCracken tries to break the opposition's attempt at a tackle. Chad Maple lunges forward to try and gain some more yards. Nick Jordan catches a low throw against Shawnee Mission South.



Lee's Platte County(B) Summit(A) 20-0

lee's Summit(C) 8-0

LS North(A)

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The Freshmen "A" Football Team set the tone for the season with a victory over Jeff City, 24-18, but it was the next game against Park Hill that proved to be the first real strugale for the team.

8-11

SM West(C)

Park Hill(C)

Ray-Pec(B)

14-0

"This was probably the best game both our teams played the entire season," said Head Coach Frank Griffin. "It was primarily a tough defensive struggle."

Tied 0-0 until the end of the 3rd quarter, the game ended with Rockhurst stopping Park Hill on the10-yard line with an interception as the clock wound to zero. narrowly escaping with a 13-12 victory.

Blue Springs South shattered its hopes of going undefeated by beating the Hawklets, 24-0, leaving the team with a 7-1 final record.

"Blue Springs South was by far the best team we played in the last couple years," said Coach Griffin. "That team will definitely be a force in the future."

Some of the team's biggest contributors were linemen Jack Euston, Nathan Lurz, Josh Slack, guarterback Rudy Amato, and tailback Ivan Charbonneau.

"This special group has established a strong foundation which is the offensive line," said Coach Griffin. "This made it easier for our skilled players to put points on the board or run behind blocks."

Despite the Freshmen B Team's 4-4 record, the glass is still considered half full.

The Bandit squad started the season on a losing note that left them 1-3 at midpoint. The tides shifted when a 20-0 victory over Lee's Summit North catapulted the team.

The Hawklets overcame obstacles that hindered early-season progress, including the absence of a guarterback. After experimentation. Rex Redlinashafer, and later Chad Maple, rose to fill the position.

"I had played quarterback throughout grade school but coming into high school, I wanted to try out a new position," said Maple. "Because of the shortage, once Coach DeGraw made a request for a guarterback I knew I had to step up."

Another obstacle proved to be three losses to the A-teams from St. Joe Central, 38-21, Platte County, 44-8, and Shawnee Mission Northwest, 14-0

SEASON RECORDS

A Team 7-1 B Team 4-4 C Team 3-1-1

"As coach, I would always want to win every game," said Coach DeGraw. "But at the same time I can't ask players to do more than they can. Even though we had a 4-4 record, I'm still content with the improvement we made over the season."

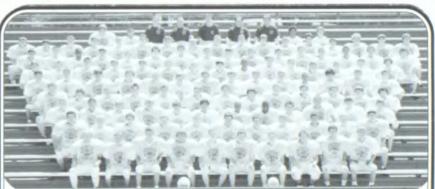
The Freshmen "Corn-nuts" Team proves its mettle with a 3-1-1 record.

Quarterback Jerry Mancuso along with fullbacks John Koegel, and Casey Cummings led the way for the offense. On the opposite side of the ball, linebackers Dillon McRoberts and Pete Buchanan kept opposing offenses on their toes.

After a scoreless tie in the first game versus Shawnee Mission South, the team went on to shut out three consecutive B team opponents, including a 6-0 victory against Blue Springs after stopping the Wildcats on the four-vard line with one minute remaining. Story by Earnest McCov







FRONT ROW: Austin Althaber, Rudy Amato, Jake Arbanas, Brent Baca, Michael Banks, Beaven, Sinon Bennett, Sean Bishop, William Boesen, Paul Boushka; ROW 2: Steve Bruns, Pete Buchanan, John Calhoun, Connor Callahan, Ivan Charbonneau, Andrew Cirocco, Alex Cowan, Jack Crowe, Michael Cuezze, Casey Cummings, Quinn Damon; ROW 3: Sam Dearth, Alex DeZeeuw, Stephen Dobler, Ryan Doolan, Taylor Dorman, Ryan Eckert, Jarrett Edwards, Cornell Ellis, Danny Esselman, Jack Euston, Joe Ferber, Michael Fischer; ROW 4: Michael Fitzgerald, John Fitzpatrick, Austin Fowler, Donovan Fowler, John Fryer, Michael Gillcrist, Shane Grace, Robert Gude, James Hart, Austrick Hemke, Peter Henggeler, Jack Henning, P.J. Hire, ROW 5: Henry Hodes, Lance Holloway, A.J. Hollrah, Adam Ingersoll, Erik Ise, Nick Jordan, Seth Jurcyk, John Koegel, Kelly Langeluttig-Patrick, Nick Latona, Darion Latson, Michael Locascio, Nathan Lurz, Dylan Maloney, ROW 6: Jerry Mancuso, Chad Maple, Charlie Martel, John Martucci, Matt Mavec, Pat McClain Adam McClusky, Andrew McCracken, James McFadden, Doug McFarland, Joseph McMikle, Dillon McRoberts, Daniel Messick, Jimmy Meyers, Patrick Miller, ROW 7. Ryan Miller, Devin Moore, Ronald Morgan, John Nemmers, Danny O'Brien, Evan O'Brien, Brendon O'Leary, Andrew Orndoff, Emmett Pellant, John Price, Alex Privitera, Brendan Quinn, John Quirarte, Kenyon Rasheed, Rex Redlingshafer, Will Richerson; ROW 8: Erik Ross, Marcus Santoro, Lucas Satterlee, Sam Schieber, Michael Schmidt, Alex Schoeck, Albert Selanders, Nick Shearman, Josh Slack, Steven Switzer, Luke Tapko, Jason Taylor-Ohmes, Zack Tomlinson, Quinton Tubbert, Joe Tulipana, Jake Vaughan Chase Waeckerle; RÓW 9: Matt Wirken, Sean Wirtz, Bell Ciaramitaro, Darryl Vincent; ROW 10: Mi aul Beirne, Mr. Jay Coleman, Mr. Frank Griffin, Mr. Mick Swanson, Mr. Jim DeGraw

Six overtimes needed to defeat Hawklets, 1-0, in state title game

A strong senior class carried the Varsity Soccer Team to a 24-3-2 season, its 20th consecutive district championship, an eighth consecutive final four appearance, and a second place at State.

In the playoffs Rockhurst won in overtime in the semi finals, but lost a tough championship game to Christian Brothers High School in a six-overtime contest.

"This team was special especially the senior leadership," said Head Coach Chris Lawson. "The loss in overtime was heartbreaking but they gave it their best. We only gave up one goal all weekend and that was the goal that decided the State Championship. The team lost with grace and I'm really proud of them."

Returning senior letterman provided experience, having played in three final fours, including Kerry Bowen, Cole Mayer, Daniel Kerley, Eric Sweetin, Seth Sinovic, who was also the team's leading scorer, Tyler Atha, Brian Smith, and Mike Tabory.

"This team put its mind to the task of taking responsibility for its own destiny," said Coach Lawson. "In the end they were able to succeed because of their maturity."

The squad posted two shutouts at the Jesuit Classic in Denver in September, 3-0 against Marquette and 5-0 verses Regis. In

Districts the Hawklets defeated Raytown and Raytown South by a combined score of 16-0.

The most rewarding thing for Coach Lawson was the growth in maturity, and the team's ability to overcome adversity. He felt the players worked hard and ended the season on a positive note, conducting themselves according to the Jesuit ideals.

"Every player had a special story as to how they contributed and improved throughout the season," said Coach Lawson. "They arrived at different times, but they all arrived. Every kid bought into the philosophy of the team, and I'm proud of them for that."

Top defenders were Kerly, Mayer, Smith, and Betterman who contributed to a lopsided 78-10 goal difference.

The Golden Boot Award went to Sweetin for being the best player, the Solid as a Rock Award, went to Mayer for being the team leader, and the Bryan Bolden Award went to Betterman and Madden for team spirit and their selfless contributions to the team.

"It will take a huge off-season commitment for next year," said Coach Lawson. "They need to bring a sense of maturity to prepare in practice and in the off-season in a manner that is conducive to helping the team compete for another run for the playoffs." Story by John Mahoney



Photo by Jon Lan Tran, SJ Senior Seth Sinovic dribbles the ball up the field. Junior Jordan Raybould looks to see what his options are against his opponent.

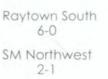
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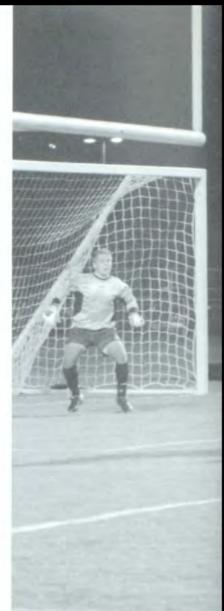


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Blue Springs	Lee's Summit		
6-0	2-2		
Jeff City Class	Ray-Pec		



Lee's Summit North 2-0 Oak Park 2-0 Marquette 3-0 O'Hara 1-2

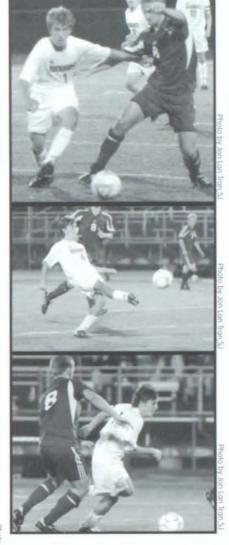


What was

X Factor?

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Senior Spencer Martens goes up for a header to score. Raybould heads the ball to a teammate. Eric Sweetin dribbles past a teammate during a pregame warm up.



Junior Drew Paylovich makes a move around his defender. Senior Eric Sweetin runs by his defender Senior goalie Mike Tabory sends. the ball sailing away.



Photo by Jon Lan



Photo by Jon Lan Tran,5J

Senior Leadership kept the team on track to one of its best finishes of the past five years.

Photo by Jon Lan Tran, SJ



Regis 5-0 Raytown 10-0

Liberty Top Dawg Tournament 2-1 2nd Raytown South Lees' Summit 2-1 6-0

Blue Springs South Jefferson City 6-0 Park Hill South 2-1

5-1 Francis Howell North 1-0

BV North 6-0 CBC 0-1

SEASON RECORD 24-3-2





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The team huddles up before a game for a quick prayer. Senior Cole Mayer dribbles past the goalie and looks ahead towards an empty net. Senior Seth Sinovic attempts to poke the ball away from an opponent. Senior Danny Salzman stares down an opponent and prepares to stop him from shooting a goal.





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Senior Seth Sinovic dribbles down the field and prepares to shoot on goal. Junior Jordan Raybould makes a pass to get around an opponent. Coach Mike

Wickenhauser directs the team on how to set up and play in the second half of the game Senior Spencer Martens dribbles past midfield than begins to wind up for a crossing pass. Raybould pushes an opponent out of the way as he fights for position on the ball. Senior goalie Mike Tabory makes an outstanding diving save.

Senior Kyle Davis pushes the ball down the

field to set up a goal.

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FRONT ROW: Anthony Altomate, Mark Thompson, Drew Pavlovich, Joe Madden, Patrick Camacho, Mike Tabory, Chris Shaw, Daniel Kerley, Tyler Atha, Jordan Raybould, Eric Sweetin, ROW 2: Anthony Ishmael, Michael McInerney, Mr. Mike Wickenhauser, Mr. Scott Siegel, Fr. Gary Menard, S.J., Mr. Matt Darby, Mr. Chris Lawson, Matthew Quinn, Cory Owens; ROW 3: Seth Sinovic, P.J. Thompson, Peter Reintjes, Spencer Martens, Daniel Salzman, Michael Burns, Matt Betterman, Kerry Bowen, Cole Mayer, Bryan Smith, Kyle Davis.



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Former star returns to coach 17-1 JV

Under the leadership of Rockhurst alumni, Coach Matt Darby, Class of 2000, and Coach Scott Siegal, Class of 1995, the Junior Varsity Soccer Team finished with a stellar 17-2 mark.

"This is the first time I have coached at the high school level," said Coach Darby. "I have done clubs and camps, but it is nice to get back in high school where they play with more passion and emotion for their school."

Starting off the season with a 4-2 record, while losing to Aquinas and Liberty, was not what the team was planning on.

Coach Darby classified the Liberty aame as a "fluke" because the Hawklets were the better team but did not capitalize on the chances they had. Liberty scored a goal in the second half with fewer than two minutes left and held on for a 1-0 win.

The JV got revenge for both losses, later beating Aquinas, 2-1, and shutting out Liberty, 5-0.

Juniors Marty Cummings and Dan Kovack provided leadership the team needed, according to Coach Darby.

"They were vocal leaders who didn't give up many goals," he said.

The freshman and sophomore classes provided talented players like freshman Justin Koehler and sophomore Adam McCray.

The team completed the season with a new coach, four freshman move ups and a number of players that will be key components to next years Varsity team. Coach Darby finished his first year as a RHS coach with a team that posted one of the best records in recent years. Story by Kevin Mulloy





Junior Nick Simcox manuevers through defenders. Junior Dan Kovac surveys the field. Kovac send the ball down the field. Junior Marty Cummings winds up for a shot Junior Ben Davis elevates for a ball.





RONT ROW: Tom Sorrentino, Justin Koehler, Alex Higbie, Nathan Hickey, Adam McCray, Devin Springer, Nick Simcox, Peter O'Neill; ROW 2: Mr. Scott Siegel, Daniel Kovac, Kelly Mercer, Joe Kerley, Ben Davis dam Hare, Mr. Matt Darby; Joey Martin, Zac Schulte, Tyler Czinege, Danny Dougherty, Marty Cummings

Aquinas 2-1	Blue Springs South 1-0	BV North 0-0
Columbia- Hickman 3-0	Bishop Miege 3-0	SM East 5-0

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> Park Hill BV Northwest Liberty 2-0 5-0 4-1

Jefferson City Pembroke Hill Ray Pec 2-1 6-0 2-1

SM West Aquinas Liberty Lee's Summit North 0-1 3-0 5-0 2-1

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Sophomores win 15 despite scoring lapses

The Sophomore Soccer Team posted a record of 15-3-2 as Coach Jeremy McElduff was handed a group of freshman and sophomores that played a possession game. However, the team had to overcome close heartbreaking losses and trouble scoring.

"Losing games even when we outplayed the other team is what killed us this year," said Coach McElduff. " We had games where we outshot teams 20-2 and still lost, 2-0."

Highlights of the year, included the games versus archnemesis St. Thomas Aquinas. The team played the Saints three times, winning the first game and the last game, the most exciting of the three, as Hawklets scored seconds into overtime.

The biggest loss of the year came against Shawnee Mission East. Even though the Hawklets played a tough game against the Lancers they were never quite able to score.

"It was hard for us to match up against some of their bigger players" said Coach McElduff. "They brought down some of their better players just for the Rockhurst game."

"At the beginning of the year it didn't look like this team would get much done," said sophomore Captain Travis Yuille. "But as the season progressed we ended up doing a lot better than people thought."

Other captains were Frank Altomare, and freshmen Ben Muga and Mike D'Adamo.

"This team has the potential to have varsity starters next year," said Coach McElduff. "If they develop their touch and game knowledge a bit they could make an impact." Story by Dan Durie



FRONT ROW: Ben Mugg, Frank Altomare, Jimmy Rinella, Alex Waite, Sean Egan, Jacob Swetnam, Matt Newman Niles Jeran; ROW 2: Matthew Gound, Michael Brennan, William Borge, Rico Van Buskirk, Rob DeGeorge, Keator Knott; ROW 3: Conner Zecy, Reilly Hannapel, Travis Yuille, Conor Lewis, Kyle Meagher, Michael Dadamo.



Photo by Connor McDonnough

Coach Jeremy McElduff looks on from the sidelines during a rainy game. Sophomore Will Borge makes a diving effort for a ball against Shawnee Mission South. Sophomore Conor Lewis sends a ball down the field for his teammate in a game against Shawnee Mission North West, Sophomore Reilly Hannapel dribbles by a Shawnee Mission South defender and then winds up for the shot on goal.





Photo by Connor McDonnough

Scoreboard

Lee's Summit	BS South	Bishop Miege	SM East	Liberty	Oak Park	Liberty
4-2	1-3	1-1	2-1	1-2	0-1	0-0
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SM East Colombia-Rockbridge 2-1 0-5

Aaron Sirna throws the ball in Danny Riesmeyer takes the ball away from his Liberty apponent. Philip Martel chases down an opponent. Taylor White punts the ball down field Alex Vansan lets the ball go out of bounds and signals he didn't touch it. Garrett Parger dribbles the ball in a match against Oak Park.



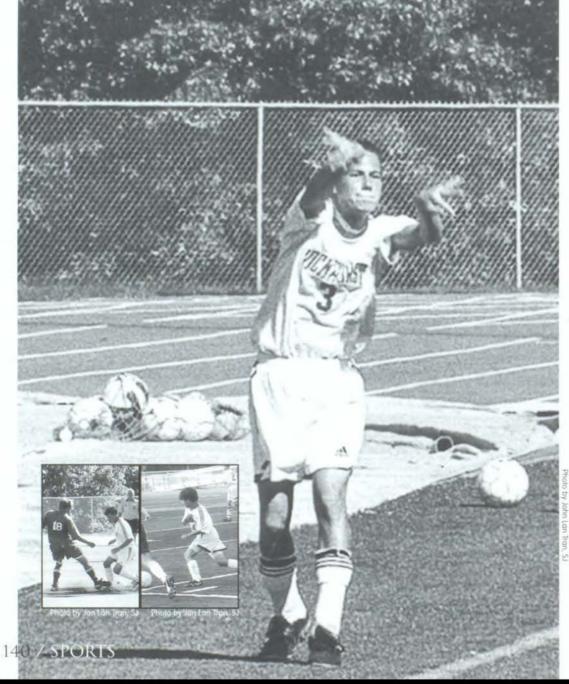
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St. Joe 3-0

BVNW

1-5

SM North 2-3 BS South 0-5

SEASON RECORD

3-10-1



Photo by Jon Lan Tran, S

Freshmen develop through tough Coach Baker practices

The freshmen who played soccer focused on development of skills and fitness to prepare for their soccer careers at Rockhurst, but experienced a rough season, ending with a 3-10-1 record.

BVN

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"Winning is only my fifth objective," said Head Coach Phil Baker. "The program is focused more on having fun, developing as a team and making friends that you can have for the rest of your life."

When freshman enter the soccer program, the first person they meet is Coach Baker. Most freshman know him for his patented "two laps in two minutes." At the beginning of the season they start out at two minutes, 45 seconds and work their way down through the season to end at two minutes. Coach Baker is known as a strict but fun coach.

"He is pretty militaristic and in control, but it gets us in great shape and ready for our

future in soccer," said Kevin Healy. "He tells a lot of jokes that are funny, but also get us to work harder."

Freshman soccer is all about development. Players get the experience as well as learning the basics and being challenged. The freshman soccer program trains the players and gears them up for try out next season.

"We played a lot of teams with sophomores and juniors," said Everett Arruda. "But we did well playing older kids and gained a lot of experience and a feel for a faster game."

The highlight of the season was the team's victory over Shawnee Mission East in the second-to-last game of the season. The Hawklets proved their mettle with a 2-1 victory.

"I was very proud of how well this group played together," said Coach Baker. "Every player came off the field pumped up about how well they did." Story by Michael Aylward

Sean O'Connor juggles the ball. Aaron Sirna makes a move around a sliding Rockbridge defender. Tyler Kilcourse tackles a defender.





FRONT ROW: Drew Arensberg, Neil O'Brien, Alex VanSant, Kevin Healy, Riley Dunn, Phillip Martel, Patrick Kelly, Kevin O'Brien; ROW 2: Mr. Phil Baker, Michael Wytock, Aaron Sirna, Danny Riesmeyer, Zach McClelland, Garrett Page, Everett Arruda; ROW 3: Tyler Kilcourse, Niki Vantzos, Sean O'Connor, Colin Sigler, Robert DeCoursey, Taylor White.



Strong fan support propels Hawklets to State's Final Four

The Varsity Basketball Team generated excitement throughout the school by reaching the Missouri State Final Four for the first time in five years, but the season run ended with a 79-73 loss to Poplar Bluff, the eventual State Champion. The Hawklets then lost the consolation game to Springfield Kickapoo, who was ranked second in the state, finishing the season with a 22-9 record.

"It was the senior's attitude that allowed this season to happen," said Head Coach Mark Nusbaum. "Their acceptance and willingness to allow the underclassmen to develop throughout the season played a huge role."

Winning the Aquinas Tournament was an accomplishment as it was the first time RHS came in first in the tournament's history. In the

championship game, the Hawklets beat the soon-to-be 4-A State Champions O'Hara Celtics, 70-63.

RHS beat Hickman Mills and Raytown to win Districts for the first time since 2001. Later they went on to stomp Lee's Summit North, ranked number one in the city and fourth in the state, by 23 points. In the State Quarterfinal game against Truman, played at Central Missouri State University, the Hawklets won, 72-66, advancing to the Final Four.

Milestones included standout junior Phillip Strozier making second-team All State, senior Tom Farmer being selected to play in two allstar games and senior Jeff Barnthouse being picked to play in another.

Story by Connor McDonough



Photo by Greg Earl



Senior John Nagle is introduced with his parents on Senior Night. Junior Mike Burns leads the drumline down the hallway. Coach Mark Nusbaum gives a high five to a member of the drumline.

Scoreboard





Junior Sal Capra pump fakes a lay up versus Wyandotte. Junior Max Ward lays one in over the defense. Sophomore Connor Teahan gets fouled hard while going up for a shot.

Who was the X Factor?

Lee's SummitWashingtonWashingtonTopeka Highland ParkWitchita NorthSM SouthBS South57-4766-4869-4360-7277-4845-3759-56

St. Pius X Creighton Prep Bishop Carroll SM East Wyandotte SM South O'Hara O'Hara Aquinas 71-39 50-59 53-49 70-63 53-56 47-48 69-38 54-60 56-42







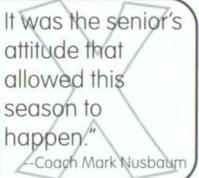
Junior Eric Vogel goes up for a layup against Bishop Miege Senior John Nagle shoots a jump shot from inside the paint. Junior Alex Potts leaps ove a Liberty player to get the tough defensive rebound.















Junior Sal Caprashoots the uncontested layup Junior Phil Strozier lays one up against the K.C. Central Eagles

SEASON

RECORD

22-9

Ray-Pec Lincoln Prep Central Helias Jeff City Truman Liberty 53-39 65-48 41-49 66-55 77-56 61-51 55-40

Jeff City Hickman Mills Northeast LS North Truman Poplar Bluff Kickapoo Raytown 58-67 49-56 59-52 74-56 62-41 65-42 73-79 72-66

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Matt Switzer lays it in over a Lee's Summit defender. Eric Vogel elevates and shoots the lay up. Junior Michael Burns leads the drumline down the hallway. Seniors Frank Allen and Matt Switzer shake hands.

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Photo byGreg Earl

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SUIDE







by Patrick Lances

Junior Sal Capra raises up for the lay in Matt Switzer does an acrobatic lay up against Lee's Summit Junior Ryan Mandl makes a huge block over an Aquinas player, Strozier takes a three-pointer in warm-ups. The seniors assemble with their parents A fan shows his enthusiasm for





Varsity Basketball

FRONT ROW: Ryan Mandl, Phillip Strozier, Sal Capra, Matt Switzer, Brian Barnthouse, Jerome Jackson, Zach Sheridan ROW 2. Ian Edwards, Coach Pete Campbell, Coach Mark Nusbaum, Coach Paul Beirne, Coach John Morris, Tom Farmar ROW 3: Jeff Barnthouse, Derek Hall, John Nagle, Max Ward, Alex Potts, Eric Vogel, Conner Teahan.



VARSITY BASKETBALL

JV 4 points away from perfection

Finishing 16-1 and winning 14 straight games, the Junior Varsity Basketball Team won its first two games by a 43-point margin, but lost to Blue Springs South, 51-47, the team's first loss since the beginning of the 2002-2003 season.

"The loss to Blue Springs didn't destroy the teams hopes for a successful season," said Head Coach John Morris. "We knew we had to win the rest of our games, and we did exactly that."

Archrival Aquinas put up a fight before bowing, 60-59, in double overtime.

"We stepped on the court knowing we needed to pull off a big win," said junior Eric Vogel. "It was a intense game from beginning to end, but we ended up on top."

Contributors included juniors Eric Vogel, Jerome Jackson, Danny Kovac and Derek Hall, who provided leadership and skills.

"We put what we had together and made it a winning season," said Coach Morris.

Story By John Brocato

Lee's Summit 78-49		
Washington	S.M. East	
80-66	72-39	
B.S. South	O'Hara	
47-51	79-35	
Liberty	Wyandotte	
44-43	74-28	
Central	Aquinas	
80-28	60-59	
Helias	St. Pius	
58-30	83-55	
Jeff City	Creighton Prep	
58-37	64-58	
Aquinas	Northeast	
59-25	83-50	
Bishop Miege	Jeff City	
62-46	47-43	
	RECORD	
16-1		







Alex Potts, Eric Vogel, Sal Capra, Brian Barnthouse





Junior Eric Vogel lays it in against Liberty. Junior Derek Hall wins the opening tip against Shawnee Mission East. Hall goes for a lay-up against East. Sophomore Conner Teahan goes up strong against East. Teahan scores as junior teammates Hall and Jerome Jackson watch. The team goes in for a huddle during a timeout.

Three-year sophomore winning streak ends

The season ended a little different for Head Coach Paul Beirne and his sophomore basketball players, as they had two losses, the first time in three years that the Hawklets had lost at the sophomore level.

With the leadership of twin brothers, Thomas and David Cotter, the team started off strong winning its first four games, but then hit a speed bump when they went up against Shawnee Mission East on their home court and lost 57-41.

"This was a tough loss for the team," said sophomore Matt Moorman. "This is our big rival and to lose to them was just a hard thing to come back from."

"We had worked so hard this year to be the best," said

sophomore Aaron Meade. "And this loss just showed us the work we had ahead of us to be the team we wanted to be."

The Hawklets rebounded from the East game, beating Aquinas, 60-30, the first of two wins against the Saints. They won twice against archrival Blue Springs in two close games.

With the team losing for the first time in three years, the coaches look toward the future of the sophomore team while these players move on to the next level.

"This team played and achieved more than I had hoped at the beginning of the season," said Coach Beirne. "I am really proud of these guys, because they just kept getting better as the season went on." Story by Michael Cotter







Photo by Bobby Koerper



Photo by Billy Orschein

Matt Moorman goes up for a lay-up. Erin Meade dribbles past a Shawnee Mission East defender. Jake Barker shoots a 3.

Defense propels team to 16-3 record

Led by tough defense the Freshmen A Basketball Team rolled to a 14-0 start following an impressive opening 79-35 win against Blue Valley North, where the Hawklets outscored North 23-1 in the second quarter.

"Our defense really set the tone," said Head Coach Scott Duschen, whose team posted a 16-3 season record. "When we played defense we were very tough to beat."

During the team's streak it beat opponents by an average of 20.5 points and included a come-frombehind victory over Blue Springs. Down, 30-11, in the second quarter, the Hawklets made a fourth-quarter comeback, outscoring the Wildcats 25-1 to win, 49-37.

"The Blue Springs game was a huge victory for us," said Coach Duschen. "We rallied on the road to make a big comeback."

The Hawklets offense was led by Sam Schultz, who scored at least 20 points in five games. Its inside game was led by Jake Arbanas, Nick Shearman, and Terry Smith.

"Those three guys were very consistent in the big games," said Coach Duschen. "They played at a top level no matter what the situation."

"Overall I think that this season was a lot of fun," said Coach Duschen. "I thoroughly enjoyed it."

Story by John King

BV North 79-35 O'Hara 51-25 Grandview 41-34 O'Hara 71-40 Blue Springs 49-37 LS North 49-36 Aquinas 55-29 Raytown South 44-52 Lee's Summit 45-16

SM East 51-46 Pembroke Hill 52-13 **BV** Northwest 43-28 SM East 47-36 SM South 44-38 Ravtown 63-54 BS South 44-23 **Bishop Miege** 60-43 Ruskin 52-50 Raytown South 42-46



Josh Walker elevates over a Blue Springs forward. K.J. Rasheed lays it in. Mike Brennan shoots a floater. Andrew McCracken explodes past his defender.







FRONT ROW: Connor Callahan, Ben Schmerge, Michael Brennan, Sam Schultz, James McFadden, Rudy Amato; ROW 2: Marcus Santoro, Sam Crandall, Coach Chris Dawson, Coach Scott Duschen, Coach Stephen Stock, Coach Bill Munninghoff, Geoff DiGiacinto; ROW 3: K.J. Rasheed, Nick Shearman, Andrew McCracken, Jake Arbanas, Terry Smith, Paul Boushka.

Jake Arbanas, Paul Bushka, and Andrew McCracken watch their coach carefully as he gives them instructions on how to play in the second half of the game.

SEASON RECORD 16-3



Coach Chris Dawson

yells encouragement

to his starters.

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Hawklet B Team almost perfect at 17-1 as coaches stress basic fundamentals

With victories over Bishop Miege, Blue Springs, and St. Thomas Aquinas, the Freshman B Basketball Team concluded its season with a record of 17-1. The team's head coach Mr. Chris Dawson was very proud of his team as they walked off the court in their final game against Shawnee Mission East.

"Everyone improved," said Coach Dawson. "Everyone got playing time throughout the season, and it was good to see them achieve the goals they had set."

This year's team was characterized by

strong defensive fundamentals.

"If they were playing in the game, they were playing good defense," said Mr. Dawson. "If they were not playing proper defense, than they were sitting next to me."

This was evident in a Hawklet victory against Bishop Miege. Down 10 points going into the fourth quarter, the team picked up its intensity not only on the defensive side of the ball but also on offensive.

"That night we overcame lots of

adversity," said Coach Dawson.

The players felt that this game was the best win for them in the season.

"The game against Bishop Miege was the best of the year because we shut them our in the fourth quarter and won the game," said Darien Latson.

The team showed discipline in its overtime victory against rival Blue Springs.

"It was nice beating them in basketball because of the rivalry we have with them in almost all sports," said Latson.

Story by Chris Oldenburg



FRONT ROW: Jerry Mancuso, James McFadden, Ben Schmerge, Luke Callahan, Steven Angles, John Nemmers, Dan Reismeyer; ROW 2: Darlon Latson, Sam Crandall, Coach Chris Dawson, Coach Stephen Stock, Coach Scott Ducshen, Geoff DiGiacinto; ROW 3: K.J. Rasheed, Patrick Miller, Michael Fitzgerald, Lance Holloway, Quinn Damon



Photo by Steve Fessle





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am Schultz drives by
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Aquahawks win first State Title while setting new standard

The two-a-day practices and strict diets paid off as the Rockhurst Swim Team won the Missouri State Championship, setting a state record for the 200-meter Medley Relay and placing first in the 400-meter Freestyle Relay.

The 200-Medley Relay team consisted of juniors Thomas Robinson and Nick Vignatelli and seniors Chris Crawford and Phil Linville.

"State was exciting," said Head Coach Paul Winkeler. "Waiting there for the 400-Free Relay to start was a special moment that the entire team cherished. It is something that you probably won't experience more than twice in your life since everything was so close and we were up by only two points before the race."

Everything came down to that final race with Blue Springs. The AquaHawks' relay team of juniors Chris Kearney, Jason Benson, Matt Jones, and Robinson pulled it off, winning the event by one second and giving the team a 12-point lead over Blue Springs and the State Championship Title.

Robinson was the first in RHS history to win a first place medal in every event during the regular season, one of very few swimmers in the state's history to qualify for state in every event, and the first swimmer in the team's history to win gold in the 100-Backstroke at State.

Leadership was most notably shown at State by Kearney who, after swimming in several other events within the last hour of the final race, decided to take up the starting leg for the 400-Free Relay which gave the team the first place finish.

Senior leadership also brought the team together as one.

"Linville really helped keep this team together," said Winkeler. "The guys all listened to him. Without him and Crawford, the team would definitely have fallen apart and we probably would not have made it to State. I really am going to miss all the seniors."

Throughout the season the AquaHawks' road to State was a difficult one. The team went through an intense training process with strict diets and morning and afternoon practices.

"They were tough," said Linville. "It was hard waking up really early in the morning to go swim but it all paid off in the end."

While everyone else was practicing at one end of the pool, freshmen Drew Arensberg and Hunter Capps, and sophomore Alex Van Maren were working on diving. The dive team focused on getting used to competing and building a solid foundation for next season.

"The divers have a lot of talent," said diving coach Margaret Ulett. "They have made a lot of improvement throughout the season and we hope to build on the success of this season to work towards an even better one next winter."

"We didn't really care about winning regular season meets," said Coach Winkeler. "The goal was to drop time in all our events and to do the very best we could at State without gaining time which has happened in the past."

Story by Chris Balmaceda







Photo by Jack Keenar

What was the X Factor?

Scoreboard





Chris Crawford takes off for his event Juniors Matt Jones, Thomas Robinson, Jason Benson and Chris Kearney celebrate their 400 freestyle relay win Robinson looks for his time.





Practices every morning really got the guys in shape and gave us that edge. --Coach Winkeler



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Park Hill South Invitational 1st Blue Springs Invitational 1st

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Ozark Invitational 3rd

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Springfield Invitational 1st State Raytown Invitational 1st

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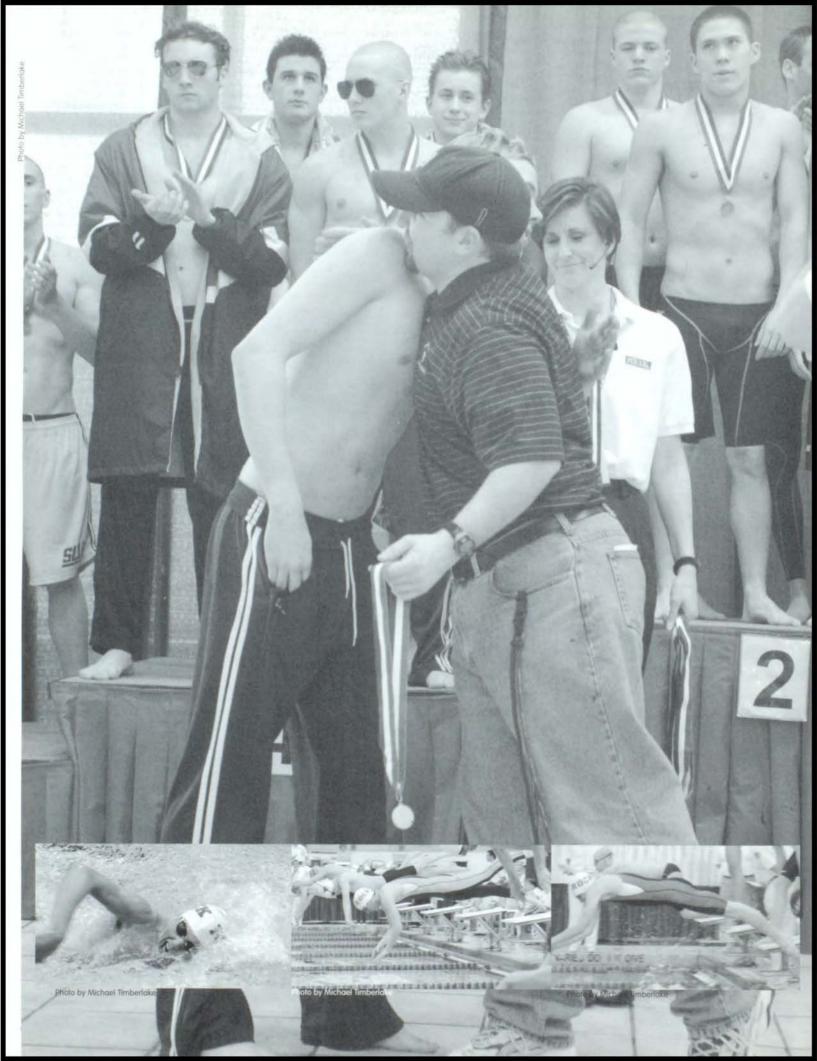






Photo by Pat Lancey



Junior Joson Benson dives into the pool. Junior Matt Jones takes a breath. Junior Chris Kearney dives into the pool. Senior Chris Crawford and juniors Thomas Robinson and Nick Vignatelli give Coach Winkeler a hug after receiving their medals at State. The new 400-medley state record holder team accepts its medals. The 400-freestyle relay team celebrates its win giving the team the State Championship. Senior Captoin Phil Linville takes off for his event.





Photo by Michael Timberlake



FRONT ROW: Drew Arensberg, Kevin Harlow, Michael Wytock, David Messick, Jacob Christian, Sam Unwin, Keaton Knott, Chris Wells, Tyler Bernard. ROW 2: Mike Brockland, Alex Van Maren, Chris Oldenburg, Trey Schorgl, Anthony Pace, Joseph Roh, Dan Meyer, Danny O'Connor, Jacob Swetnam, Paul Winkeler ROW 3: Mike Wirtz, Justin Brown, Brian Schorgl, Chris Balmaceda, Kevin Webster, Patrick Dyer, Jesse Dull, ROW 4: Joe Caudle, Jack Naylor, Andrew Robinson, Doug Haden, Jason Benson, Joe Vandenboom, Sean Martin, Bill Unwin ROW 5: Phil Linville, Chris Crawford, Jack Keenan, Thomas Robinson, Chris Kearney, Nick Vignatelli, Patrick Lancey, Matt Jones, Johnny Laughlin, NOT PICTURED: Hunter Capps.

Junior varsity swimmers perfect against all those at same level

The Junior Varsity "Killer B's" continued their streak of being undefeated against

other JV teams for another season. The Hawklets placed first in every JV meet and placed second against varsity teams. The squad has only lost twice to varsity teams in four years.

In the Pembroke Hill Dual, the Medley Relay A Team, consisting of senior Jack Keenan, sophomore Keaton Knott, and freshmen Michael Wytock and Patrick Dyer, placed first with a time of 2:02.29.

In the Blue Springs South Dual, the Medley Team dropped eight seconds off its previous time. Knott also placed first in the 100-meter backstroke. The 400-meter Freestyle Relay team also placed first.

The swimmers kept on going with what seemed like nothing in their way at the Park Hill South Invitational where they scored an impressive 326 points, over 120 points ahead of the second place team, Park Hill South.

In the Truman Invite the team again scored over 120 points more than the second place team Blue Springs with a total of 413 points. Sophomore Dan Meyer placed first in the 100 freestyle.

In the Independent League Championship, the Killer B's tied for second with Sedalia Smith-Cotton.

"I am very proud of these guys," said Head Coach Mike Brockland. "They all really have the heart and desire to compete, a necessity for success."

This was Coach Brockland's last year at Rockhurst High School and as JV Swim Coach. He will be

attending law school in Chicago.

"It is going to be really sad next year without him," said Knott. "We are all going to miss him a lot." Story by Chris Balmaceda.



Alex Van Maren spreads his arms out as he propels himself off the diving board. Freshman Michael Wytock bursts out of the water gasping for air. Junior Justin Brown prepares himself to swim by stepping on the platform.



Photo by Steve Fessle











Photo by Pat McShane

Sophomore Alex Van Maren stretches into the air. Freshman Hunter Capps dives into spins into the air at a Park Hill meet Capps jumps into the water doing his best impression of a dolphin. Van Maren does a back flip into the water, one of the sports more difficult manuevers. VanMaren seen upside down in perfect form.





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Seniors Zach Anderson-Boland, Tyler Reed join elite group with their State performances

The Varsity Wrestling Team's success was centered around seniors Tyler Reed and Zach Anderson-Boland who both finished sixth in the State Tournament, only the ninth and tenth Rockhurst wrestlers ever to place.

The season record of 3-6 could have been turned around if things had gone slightly different in just a couple of dual meets.

The Blue Springs South meet was decided on the last match with Rockhurst losing. Against Lee's Summit North it was so close it could have gone either way. Winning those duals would have given the athletes momentum throughout the year.

"Everyone was shocked at our poor performance after our first dual of the season," said Head Coach Mr. Rich Wikiera. "But we kept improving and made great strides throughout the year."

In the District Tournament three wrestlers came one match short of advancing to State. Seniors Steve Thill and Christian Scharosch



and freshman Pat Kelly, who all had the potential to wrestle at the highest level, were eliminated in the last round of Districts leaving only two wrestlers going to Columbia. Anderson-Boland posted the squad's best

> record at 35-5, only the 4th wrestler to have 35 or more victories. He also set a school record for the most career 3point near falls with 144.

Freshman Doug McFarland had the quickest pin, in 15 seconds. His 114 team points was surpassed by only seniors, and he had the second most pins, 16, to Anderson-Boland's 20.

"Conditioning was a high priority, which allowed us to go beyond our natural abilities," said senior Steve Yanda.

Being in better shape was a goal for the Hawklets, and was something they concentrated on.

"We worked so hard on conditioning this year," said Coach Wikiera. "Not a single individual tired before an opponent."





hoto by Zach Schulte

Senior Ryan Elder is declared the winner of his match against St. Joe Central. Adam Fulks ensnares his opponent. Tyler Reed has a near pin.





Senior Adam Fulks grapples with his opponent. Senior Tyler Reed grapples with an opponent from St. Joe Central.

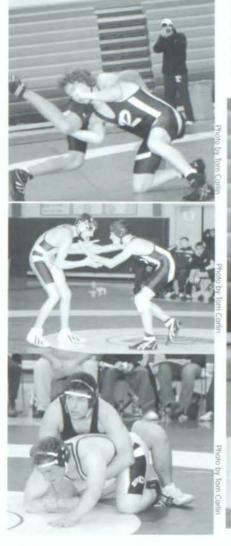
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Freshman Pat Kelly fights off an apponent early in the match. Senior Zach Anderson-Boland approaches his St. Joe Central opponent waiting for the right moment to make his move. Adam Fulks wait for the referee's signal to begin, and then wrestles his opponent to the ground.



Photo by Tom Carlin



The team's work ethic in practice made up for the lack of wrestling experience.

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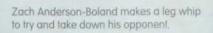
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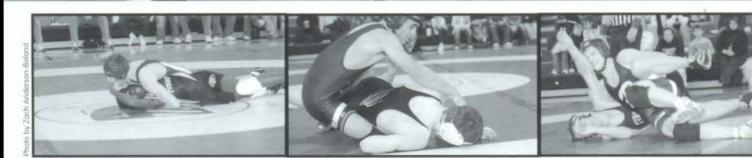
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Photo by Tom Carlin





Freshman Pat Kelly pins his opposition.

Senior Zach Anderson-Boland attempts to turn his opponent over for the pin.

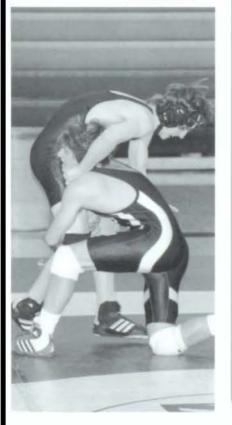


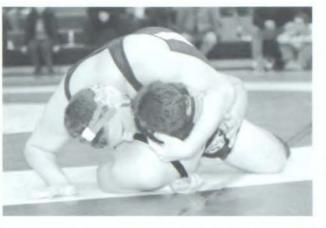
Senior Steven Till tries to pin his opponent.

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Photo by Tom Carlin





Coach Rich Wikiera talks to senior Tyler Reed. Reed holds his opponents face into the mat. Senior Zach Anderson-Boland prepares to roll his opponent. Junior Taylor Mallon lifts his opponent off the mat.



Varsity Wrestling





FRONT ROW: Brandon Schlitzer, Steve Yanda, John Price, Zach Anderson-Boland, Anthony Altomare, Pat Kelly; ROW 2: Christian Scharosch, Chris Nauser, Coach Cliff Cromer, Coach Justin Rogers, Coach Rich Wikiera, Tyler Reed, ROW 3: Ryan Elder, Taylor Mallon, Adam Fulks, Robert Tait, Doug McFarland.









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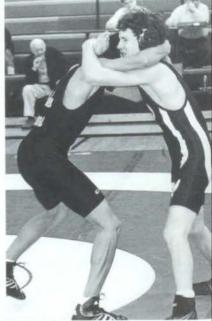


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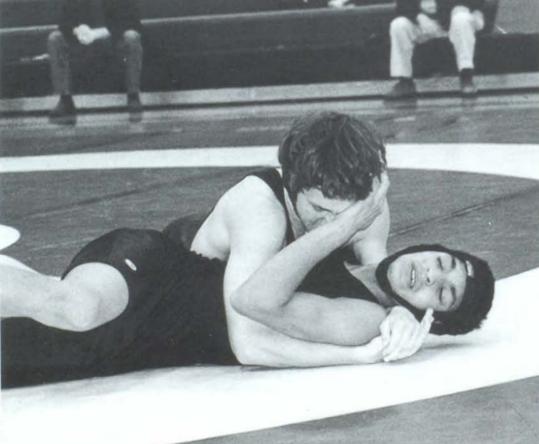






Photo by Zach Anderson-Bowland

Freshman Phil Watson puts his opponent in a painful hold. Senior Anthony Altomare contorts the body of his opponent into a pretzel, forcing him to go down for the count. Freshman Zach Taylor-Ohmes shakes hands with his opponent before their match. Sleve Yanda stretches out with a fellow teammate. Tyler Reed dominates his opponent as he goes down for the pin. Senior Zach Anderson-Boland waits for the referee's whistle to start the match. Senior Steve Yanda finds himself in a tight spot, as he gets squeezed by his opponent.

Injury-prone season doesn't keep athletes from developing

The Junior Varsity Wrestling Team continued to develop key wrestlers for future varsity competition but several injuries affected team results.

Led by Coaches Nage Damas, Cliff Cromer and Justin Rogers, the team was hampered by serious injuries to Matt Wirken, Chase Waeckerle, James Hart, and Nick LaTona.

"It's tough for them to miss out on the experience of matches this early in their careers," said Coach Rogers. "The guys we lost to various injuries throughout the season have the potential to develop into good wrestlers with time and hard work."

Since JV team points aren't kept, personal victories are all that can be measured. Frank Altomare and Jason Taylor-Ohmes led the team with the most takedowns, with 25. Robbie Tait and Brent Baca had the most pins, with 12.

"The real joy and point of JV is to develop kids for varsity," said Coach Rogers. "Next year

we have eight spots to fill which were filled by seniors this year. Hopefully we will have enough guys who can step into weights they might not have wrestled at this year."

Several members of JV last year stayed to contribute again, including wrestlers Lou Groff, Taylor Mallon, Maurice Brewer, Frank Altomare, Robert Tait, and Brandon Schlitzer. Most stepped up to fill varsity spots that were empty due to missed weights, sickness, and injury.

There were several newcomers who contributed, including freshmen William Richerson and Jason Taylor-Ohmes, and sophomore Jeff McCorkle.

"It's great to see these guys develop because they come to us with little or no experience, and since we have a developing feeder program, their hard work is key," said Coach Rogers. "We hope that their drive will power them into off-season training." Story by Tom Carlin



FRONT ROW: Peete Buchanan, Jason Taylor-Ohmes, Brent Baca, Sam Rice, Emmett Rellant, Casey Cummings; ROW 2: Coach Cliff Cromer, Dan O'Brien, Michael LoCascio, Sam Lord, Will Richerson, Phil Watson, Coach Justin Rogers; ROW 3: Frank Altomare, Jon Hamilton, James Hart, Sinon Bennett, Taylor Wike, Nick LaTona; ROW 4: Lou Groff, Chase Waeckerle, Jeff McCorkle, Matt Wirken, Robbie Tait, Maurice Brewer.

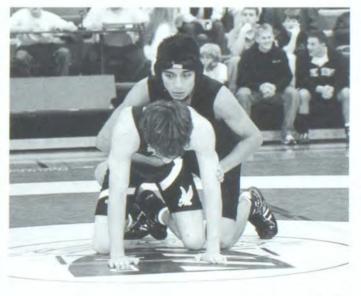


Photo by Zach Anderson-Boland

Varsity's strong start ends with disappointment in Sectionals

"Rock on three...one, two, three, ROCK!" This phrase was said in the huddle of the Varsity Baseball Team after every practice and before and after every game.

It worked to generate enthusiasm most of the season, but not for all.

After falling to Vianney in the State Championship game in 2004, the Hawklets looked to take it all in 2005, but, after posting a 16-7 record, the season ended suddenly with a 13-7 loss to the Lee's Summit Tiders at the State Sectionals.

"They came out aggressive and hit the ball," said Head Coach Jim DeGraw, "We couldn't make a big enough rally to come back."

The cancellation of the Liberty Tournament in the beginning of the season delayed game time experience for the Hawklets.

"Not having the Liberty Tournament hurt us a bit," said Coach DeGraw. "We didn't get a chance to see any live pitching before our first game against Shawnee Mission South."

The Hawklets kicked off the season with a

four game-win streak including a first place finish at the Jefferson City Tournament. The Hawklets had a combined score of 37-7. defeating Blue Springs in the title game. "We came out smacking the ball," said

Coach DeGraw. "We showed good discipline by sitting back on the ball and putting it in play "

Before District play the Hawklets overcame two hard back-to-back losses against Liberty and Belton, both close aames.

"We struggled a bit during those two games," senior first baseman Mike Walzcuk "Coach DeGraw told us we needed to forget those losses like they never happened and make a turnaround for Districts. It's called baseball amnesia." The Hawklets were crowned

champions of District 14 for the third straight time after beating Blue Springs, 13-4.

"We had some tough times, but we never gave up," said Coach DeGraw. "It hurt to see us work so hard and not get to where we wanted to be " Story by Joe Christiano





Photo by Mr. Michael Dierks

Senior Brian Euston sits back in the catcher's position and waits for the pitch. Junior David Belfonte rips a pitch down the first base line against Aquinas. Seniors Frank Allen and Mike Pernice turn a double play.

Scoreboard

SM South McCluer North 11-1 15-5 Rav-Pec

17-0

Jeff City 10-0

12-2

to by Mr. Michael Dierks

Blue Springs

O'Hara

Aquinas Aquinas LS West **Bishop Ward** 5-1 5-3 6-4 6-4

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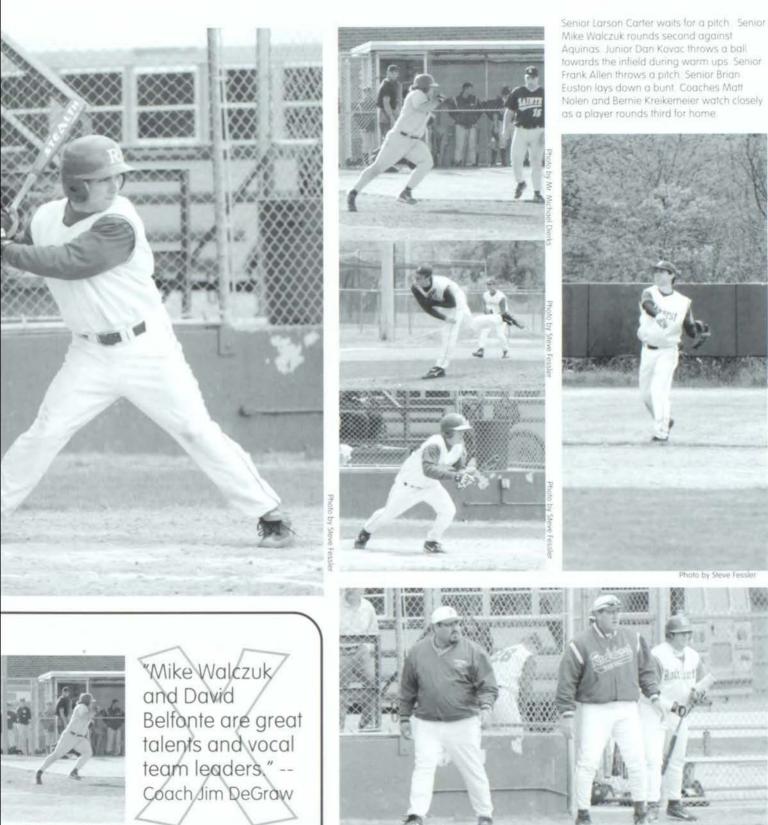


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Lee's Summit

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Senior Joe Christiano swings at a pitch. Senior Zach Sheridan rips a ball down the third base line. Senior Mike Walczuk swings at a pitch. Senior Larson Carter dives head first back into first base.

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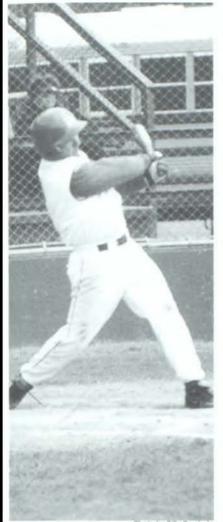




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Quirk hits a high fly ball. Sophomore Mike Garza swings and hits a fly ball. Seniar Michael Pernice makes a thraw to first baseman Walczuk. Sophomore Ryan Nugent makes a perfect pitch

Photo by Billy Orschein

Larson Carter swings at a pitch. Senior Kelly







FRONT ROW: Cory Owens, Dan Kovac, David Belfonte, Brian Euston, Joe Pete Christiano, Zach Sheridan, Larson Carter, Michael Pernice, ROW 2 Tommy Palmer, Frank Allen, Coach Bernie Kreikerneier, Coach Jim DeGraw, Coach Matt Nolen, Ben Wickman, Drew Mirocke, ROW 3. Brian Baca, Mike Walczuk, Kelly Quirk, Michael Cotter, Ryan Nugent, Pat Casey

Junior varsity adapts to player shifts

The Junior Varsity Baseball Team won its first three games by a combined 36-6 score, beating Liberty, 13-6, Bishop Ward, 10-0, and Belton, 13-0, before splitting a two-game series with Aquinas.

The team lost two games by one run, including Aquinas, in going 11-5 for the season.

After getting beat 10-0 by Blue Springs the team bounced back to beat Lee's Summit North, 12-1.

"The team really showed a lot of character," said Head Coach Jim Bascom. "They were one-hit by a great pitcher but didn't get down.

With the help of Lolli and juniors Adam Mehl, Ryan Gibson, and a strong group of sophomores, the team went on to win five out of its next six.

The Hawklets showcased talented players including Mike Garza, Colton Stock, and Kyle Kongs who were moved up to varsity.

"Losing the guys to varsity really changed our chemistry," said Coach Bascom. "They were a talented group and we had to make up for that loss."

The Hawklets were led by their strong pitching staff, which included Lolli, Josh Walker, and Garza

"The team worked hard and did its part," said Coach Bascom, "We were satisfied with our record but we felt we shouldn't have lost at all."

Story by John King

SEASON	
Liberty 13-6	- 9 Bishop Ward 10-0
Belton	Aquinas
13-0	12-13
Aquinas	O'Hara
12-6	22-1
Bishop Ward	Bishop Miege
26-0	11-9
Bishop Miege	Blue Springs
1-5	0-10
LS North	BV North
12-1	5-2
BV North	Washington
10-14	13-0
BV West	BV West
5-4	5-6



Sophomore Mike Garza hits a high fly ball. Sophomore Josh Walker throws a pitch. Junior Adam Mehl hits a ground ball Sophomore Kelly Mercer is helped off the field.



Photo by Eric Krugh

Photo by Eric Krug



Junior A.J. Lolli rips a pitch down the line.

Photo by Eric Krug

A J.Lolli rips another ball down the first base line. Sophomore Kyle Klinghoffer is areeted at home by junior Ryan Gibson.





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Photo by Eric Krugh

Hawklet freshmen peak at the right time to win four straight at the end of the season The Freshman Baseball Team finished with an overall record of

The Freshman Baseball Team finished with an overall record of 3-10, but struggled in the beginning of the season, losing four straight. The Hawklets bounced back and beat Blue Springs with a game-wining hit by Brandon Quinn.

"It was a very well played game," said Head Coach Paul Winkeler. "With a man on third Quinn got the last hit to drive in the game winning run."

Besides beating rival Blue Springs, the Hawklets staged a last inning comeback to beat Blue Springs South, as Michael D'Adamo hit a sacrifice fly to bring in the game winning run.

"It was a well earned win," said Coach Winkeler, "It was our

last game and we wanted to end the season with a win." The team was led by Quinn, Kemer Quirk, and catcher Albert Selanders, who was impressive behind the plate.

"Quirk and Quinn were the type of players who led the team by example," said Coach Winkeler. "Quinn led with strong at bats and probably had the best judgment of the strike zone."

Although the team struggled in the beginning, it came together in the end to finish with a four-game winning streak.

"This is the best team I've had, improvement wise," said Coach Winkeler. They knew how to win close ballgames and came together in the second half." Story by Joe Christiano



FRONT ROW: Angelo Christiano, Jerry Mancuso, Hunter Calderllo, Brian Quiason, Frank Saladino, Parker Klinginsmith; ROW 2: Michael D'Adamo, Sean Attebery, Rex Redlingshafer, John Calhoun, Brenden Quinn, Shane Grace, Coach Paul Winkeler; ROW 3: Albert Selanders, Kemer Quirk, Jack Euston, Terry Euston, Paul Boushka, Connor Callahan.





Golfers win for Coach O'Leary; eighth state title sets a record

Remembering last season's second place finish, the Varsity Golf Team was worried after the first day at State, being down by nine shots and in third place, but the Hawklets shot a 304 the second day and finished with a 613 to win by two strokes over Poplar Bluff., giving Head Coach Mike O'Leary his first Championship and Rockhurst's eighth, a State record.

With four of the five golfers having previous experience, Tyler Trout tied for 9th with a 149; senior Patrick Roth tied for 14th, junior Jason Schulte, 18th, and senior Chad Dobbs finished 44th. Junior John Kimminau shot a 171.

Dobbs' improved five strokes from the first to the second day and was instrumental in establishing team momentum.

"After coming so close last year, these guys really deserve what they earned this year. Coach O'Leary said. "They worked very hard and in the end met their goal of winning State."

The senior class has compiled a spectacular record in the State Tournament, with a third place, two second places, and finally a championship

The team started out the year by defending its title in the Lee's Summit/Lee's Summit North tournament by shooting a 291. Schulte was medalist with a one-under 69. Kimminau and Roth had 72's, and Trout a 78

The Hawklets placed first of out 17 teams at the Columbia Classic, defeating defending State Champion Chaminade and host Columbia Hickman by one stroke, shooting a 285. The two-man best-ball team of Dobbs and Kimminau placed first with a 64. The two- man scramble team of Schulte and sophomore Andrew Campbell also placed first with a 65.

At the Rockhurst Invitational at Swope Memorial, the team shot a 302 for second place to two-time State Champion Mount

Vernon, losing by 2 strokes.

At the triangular with Columbia Hickman and Blue Springs South, the Hawklets won with a 293. Roth was medalist, shooting a one-over 72. Schulte shot a 73, followed by Dobbs and Kimminau with 74's.

At the Blue Springs South Tourney, RHS dominated, shooting a 321 for 1st out of 18 teams. Scores included Kimminau's 3rd place 76. Campbell's 80. Schulte's 82 and sophomore Mark Ledom's 83.

The team continued its winning ways by capturing first at the Lee's Summit/Lee's Summit North/Blue Springs Quad with a 291 (only four over for the team). Schulte was medalist with a 3-under 68, the lowest score shot in the city.

At the Blue Valley auad, the team pulled out a seven shot victory over Blue Valley, Blue Valley North and Blue Valley Northwest. Roth was the medalist with a one under.

At the Park Hill South Quad the team won with a 289, the lowest score of the year. Roth placed first shooting 70, followed by Dobbs' 71, Schulte's 73, and Trout's 75

At the Remax Invitational the Hawklets placed fifth with Trout tying for 8th with an even par 72, followed by Schulte's 75, Roth's 76 and Dobbs' 83

The final match against Pembroke was a convincing win. Roth was medalist with a oneover 73. Schulte and Trout had 74's, followed by Dobbs' 75

Schulte led the team to a district win, shooting a 72 for 2nd place. Trout placed 3rd with a 73, Roth placed 4th with a 74. Kimminau placed 5th with a 75 and Dobbs placed 7th with a 77. Together they shot a 294, a District record, to win by 13 strokes over Lee's Summit. All five qualified for State as medallists.

Story by Tom Carlin





Jason Schulte searches for a lost ball. Schulte stares down the shot as the ball travels towards the hole



Who was the X Factor?

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Park Hill Triangular 1st

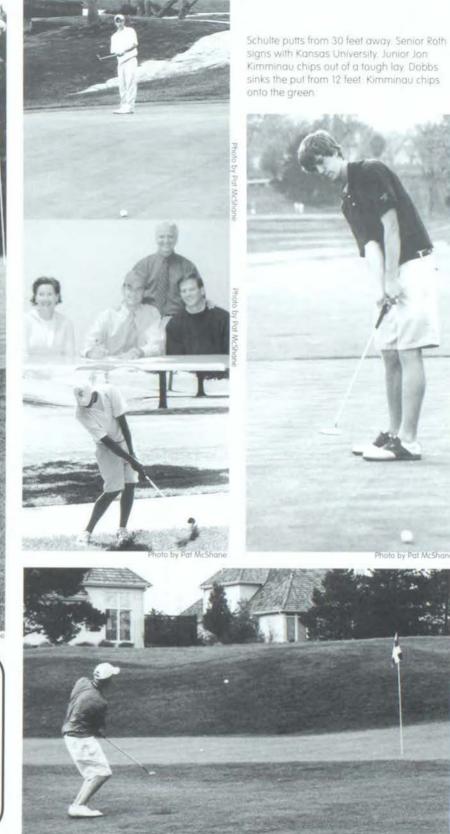


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Senior leadership propelled this talented team to a record eighth Missouri State Championship.



Invitational Blue Valley Quad Rockhurst Invitational Shawnee Mission South Relays 1st 4th 3rd

SEASON RECORD 1st at State

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Junior Jason Schulte chips out of the rough on to the green.







Patrick Roth received the annual Kenneth Smith Award in July which goes to the golfer who best demonstrates excellence in tournament play, academic achievement, leadership and community service. Patrick is shown with his Coach, Mr. Mike O'Leary.

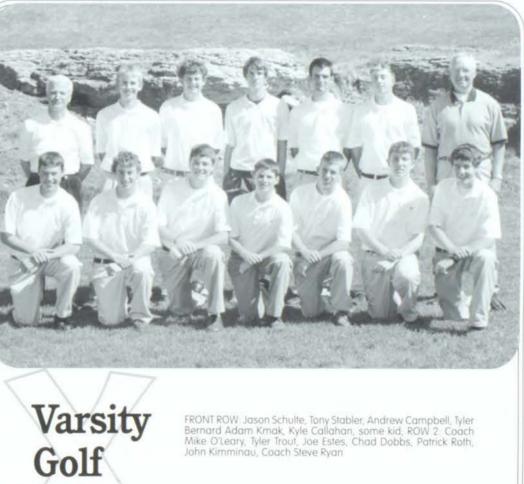


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Juniar John Kimminau bends down to read the break of his putt. Kimminau chips onto the green. Kimminau taps in a birdie putt

FRONT ROW Jason Schulte, Tony Stabler, Andrew Campbell, Tyler Bernard Adam Kmak, Kyle Callahan, some kid, ROW 2. Coach Mike O'Leary, Tyler Trout, Joe Estes, Chad Dobbs, Patrick Roth, John Kimminau, Coach Steve Ryan

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Junior Varsity Golf Team plays and beats other varsities

For the third year in a row, the Junior Varsity Golf Team demonstrated its ability by competing in several varsity-level tournaments while managing to win the majority of its junior level tournaments.

"The x-factor definitely had to be our underclassmen,"said Head Coach Steve Ryan. "Year after year they seem to step up and better themselves and, in doing so, help the squad and prepare themselves for varsity-level golf."

The Hawklets were divided into Junior Varsity I and Junior Varsity II with the majority of the squad consisting of underclassmen, with only four juniors, two freshmen and five sophomores.

According to Coach Ryan, the backbone of JV I consisted of junior Adam Kmak, sophomores Andrew Campbell, Mark Ledom, and Joe Estes, and freshman Tyler Bernard. JV II was led by junior Kyle Callahan, sophomores Zach Kratofil and Tony Stabler, and freshmen Eli Sopcich and Kevin Harlow.

The Hawklets opened the season with a hard fought win in the Blue Valley Quad 18-Hole Tournament, surpassing rivals Olathe South and St. Thomas Aquinas.

The Hawklets' 1st place finish at the Lee Summit, Lee Summit North and Blue Springs Quadrangular was marked by a score of 299, nine strokes ahead of second place Lee Summit North. Estes played particularly well, stepping up to shoot a 68.

"There were some kids that were on the qualifying teams that didn't quite make it, who would be playing varsity in other school's golf programs," said Coach Ryan. "I really think that they will be able to step up and show their ability next year on a junior or even varsity level." Story by Brad Chapman



ROW 1. John Moffitt, J.C. Sutherlin, Drew Arensberg, Eli Sopcich, Mike Poppa. ROW 2. Coach Mark Nusbaum, Luke Callahan, Alex Peeples, Zach Kratofil, Matt Hanrahan, Coach Steve Ryan.

Scoreboard

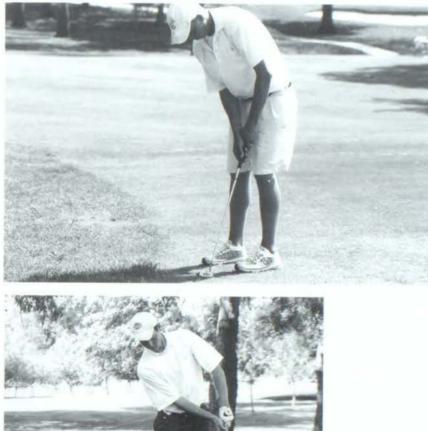
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Lee's Summit/Lee's Summit North JV Invitational 1st

Belton JV Tournament 5th







Junior Jason Schulte taps in a putt. Junior John Kimminau taps in a putt of his own. Schulte chips on to the green.

JV GOLF / 173

Talent-laden lacrosse team wins 8th straight conference crown; places 12 on all-star roster

Despite a disappointing loss to MICDS in the State Semifinals, the Varsity Lacrosse Team still had several

accomplishments to celebrate. including winning its conference for the eighth consecutive year and having 12 players make the All-Conference team.

Under the leadership of Head Coach Jay Coleman and assistant coaches Dave Steffand, Dan Connely, and Mark Bayhalle, the team went 15-5 during the regular season. Senior Carl Novick led the team with 84 total goals while juniors Jason Coleman and Brent Sear and senior Tommy Schrader contributed greatly. Seniors Chris Rhoades and Michael Surface were tough on defense while senior Peter Hannapel did well in face-offs.

"It was a great ride," said Coach Coleman. "I've never seen a group of seniors step up

like these auys did."

While the team's main rival has always been DeSmet, lately it has become MICDS after the Rams knocked them out of the playoffs the last two years. The Hawklets

did come away with a close, 8-7. win over MICDS during the regular season. "It was a great season despite our loss in the semis," said senior

Jeff Herrera. "We worked hard all vear so we can't let one aame ruin the whole thing."

On the road, the team had a memorable 9-8 win over St. Ianatius Prep in San Francisco over spring break, and a disappointing 15-14 overtime loss to Mullen in Colorado.

Yet despite the team's losses. Coach Coleman remains

Story by Sean Comiskey



Junior Brent Sear flips a pass to a teammate. Senior Carl Novick mixes it up with a Lafayette defensiveman.





Photo by Joe Kerbaway Scoreboard

Shawnee Mission St. Ignatius BV North Mullen Fort Collins Columbia Hickman 18-0 14-15 9-8 24-0 2-14 16-6

Springfield-Glendale Aquinas Columbia Rock Bridge MICDS Pembroke Hill Olathe 12-3 19-5 8-7 24-0 20-2 20-1



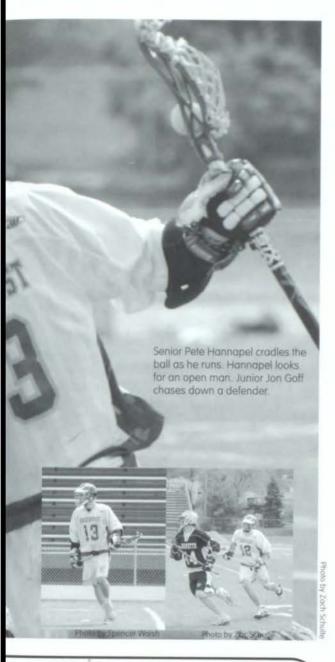
ophomore Colin Looby sprints across the field wearing battle paint under his eves

optimistic.

"This program will be a power for years to come."









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Senior Carl Novick stares down a goalie's attempt to pick up a ball. Coach Jay Coleman delivers crucial instructions. Michael Jianas sprints forward to get rid of the ball. Senior Chris Rhoades runs with his stick in the air. Junior Jimmy Whitaker gets in position for a face off



Photo by Zoc Schulte



Photo by Zac Schulte

SEASON RECORD 15-5

VARSITY LACROSSE / 175



Photo by Spencer Walsh



Photo by Spencer Walsh Goalie Jason Coleman makes a great save as his teammates look on in amazement

Photo by Spencer Walsh Freshman Paul Reinites intercepts a pass and then attempts to get a handle on it.

Photo by Zac Schulte Junior Michael Stingo watches the offense play, while he prepares to move up and help out



Photo by Spencer Walsh

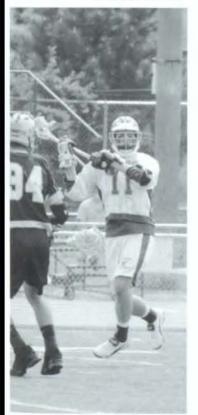


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Junior goalie Jason Coleman picks the ball right out of the air, making yet another fantastic save.

Varsity Lacrosse



The Hawklets assemble on the sideline to get pumped up for the big game against Blue Valley North: Senior Carl Novick winds up for a shot on goal. Junior Kyle Pierson prepares for action. Senior Carl Novick flips

a pass over the head of his opponent to a teammate. Junior Brent Sear sprints down field while twirling his stick to maintain





FRONT ROW Jeff Huggins, Robert Kuhn, Ryan Coughlin, Tommy Schrader, Jimmy Oades, Jeff Herrera, Danny Dougherty, Schaffer Degen, Danny Rhoades, ROW 2: Cam McCulley, Wil Flanigan, Brian Chalmers, Coach Sean Connelly, Coach Jay Coleman, Coach David Steffano, Michael Gude, Michael Stingo, Scott Bluhm, ROW 3: Dan Barth, David Kaufman, Michael Jianas, Dusty Kunce, James Meiners, Mark Olshefski, Kyle Pierson, Jason Coleman, ROW 4: Colin Looby, Michael Surface, Peter Hannapel, Spencer Walsh, Chris Rhoades, Peter Reintjes, Kevin Campbell, Jimmy Whitaker, ROW 5: Paul Reintjes, Brent Sear, Brendan Quirk, Jon Goff, Carl Novick, Kevin Looby, Blaine Balderston.

JV Lacrosse wins them all

The JV Lacrosse team went 18-0 and captured the Junior Varsity State title, winning all five of its games including one with St. Louis CBC.

"This team is perhaps the most talented JV team we've ever had," said Head Coach Mike Brockland.

The state team was limited to the sophomore class to give the coaches a chance to evaluate players who could someday help the varsity.

"The State Tournament was our highlight of the year," said Coach Brockland. "It was cool to have an entire class play together and see the future of the lacrosse team."

A close game with CBC, the number two team in the state, proved to be the biggest and toughest game for the Hawklets, who prevailed, 10-3.

Key sophomore players included midfielder Ryan Coughlin, goalie Michael Gude, attacker Josh Becker. Freshman Chad Maple also showed potential. Approximately 15 players will be moving up to varsity level next year.

"One motivation to take only the sophomores to State was to see who would be good enough to move up," said Coach Brockland.

Improvements were made during the season to help players better understand the game and to get them prepared for the varsity level.

"We let the players be the students of the game by teaching them more defensive concepts," said Coach Brockland. "We hope that they think more of lacrosse than just a sport that involves running around the field." Story by Chris Fakoury

Hickman BV West Parkway South 8-2 7-0 11-1 Kirkwood SM East DeSmet 15-1 6-2 4-3 Olathe East SM East Aquinas 12-4 13-2 15-1 Kirkwood Eureka CBC 7-6 9-4 6-2

DeSmet CBC Aquinas 10-4 10-4 8-1

Witchita Creighton Prep Pembroke 15-1 14-1 8-5

SEASON RECORD 18-0 178 / SPORTS



hoto by Michael Sandrige



Sophomore Ryan Coughlin makes a move to attempt to get by the Olathe East defense Freshman Joe Ferber handles the ball as he runs down the field. Sophomore Kyle Christian goes down to get a loose ball against Olathe East. Sophomore Dusty Kunce tries to win a face off against Olathe East.



Front Row: John Fryer, Joe Ferber, Michael Gude, Steven Roepke, Tom Herring, Dusty Kunce, Connor Keenan, Spencer Hoad, Row 2: Spencer McCulley, Keaton Knott, Chad Maple, Coach Tim Hannon, Coach Michael Brockland, Coach Stephen Stock, Corey Beisser; Will Flanigan, Tom DeWolfe, Row 3: Conner Zecy, Kyle Christian, Brian Clifton, Will Trakas, Anthony Luca, Dan Barth, Rico VanBuskirk Row 4: Jeff Huggins, Michael Jianas, Colin Looby, Kevin Looby, Blaine Balderston, Nate Apathy, Ryan Coughlin, James Meiners



rhoto by Michael Sandrige Connor Keenan makes a move to get by a defender.





Colin Looby knocks down an opponent. Keaton Knott makes a pass to a teammate.

Experience mixed with newcomers propels frosh to 10-2 mark

The Freshmen Lacrosse Team brought a mixture of experienced players with beginners to post a 10-2 record and win the Freshmen State Tournament, in the process beating St. Thomas Aquinas, Hickman, Pembroke and CBC

The Hawklets came up against Pembroke in the semifinals where they were able to propel their way into the finals with a dominating 11-1 shellacking. The Championship game against CBC posed a challenge to the freshmen who had dominated against all the teams they had played in their bracket. CBC jumped out to a quick lead but was not able to hold it for long as



FRONT ROW: Padriac Corcoran, Sean Fessler, Evan O'Brien, Joseph VandenBoom, Joe Ferber, Daniel Lobb, Scott Strohm, Chad Maple, ROW 2: John Schust, Kyle Blacker, Sam Rice, Nick LaTona, David Messick, Robert Decoursey, Robert Gude, Alex Privitera, Cameron Cregler, ROW 3: Coach Weiss, Jake Vaughn, Andrew Orndoff, Nicholas Faulconer, Jack Crowe, Michael Byerly, Matt Wirken, Coach Swanson, Row 4: Sean Martin, Brendon O'Leary, William Krause, Lance Holloway, Joseph Tulipana, Colin Sigler, John Fryer.

the Hawklets regrouped and came from behind, finishing the tournament with an impressive 9-5 win.

"CBC was the hardest game of the whole tournament," said freshmen Chad Maple. "All other teams were easy to play. We crushed Pembroke and were doing really well until CBC, which had challenged us most of the season."

Team players ranged from the very experienced to some who had never held a lacrosse stick. Evan O'Brien and David Messick started the season having never played the game and finished as starters.

The freshmen spent most of the year rolling over many of the teams they played except for a tough, Lansing, KS, team that beat them twice. Lansing had juniors and seniors mixed in with the freshmen who played against the RHS all-freshmen team. Even with the older players the Hawklets were still able to give Lansing's team a run for its money.

"That game was just a battle," said Head Coach Mick Swanson. "They had a bunch of older guys but we were still able to hold our own. Even though they didn't win I'm still proud of the boys who played hard and kept up with a much rougher team." Story by Kevin Mulloy









Freshmen huddle to celebrate Jack Crowe takes a shot against Pembroke Nick Faulconer shoots on goal against Pembroke. Daniel Lobb wins a faceoff.



William Krause positions himself to scoop up the groundball against Pembroke.

Decade of excellence is capped with another state tennis crown

For a decade the Rockhurst Varsity Tennis Team has dominated Missouri high school tennis, and the amazing streak continued as the Hawklets captured their 10th consecutive Class 2 Championship in Springfield, MO.

With a solid core of six seniors, Zach Frisch, Jose Guerra, Guerin Smith, Reid Martin, Andrew Wank, and Patrick Cohen along with the number one player junior Malcom Harrison and his sophomore brother Taj, the Hawklets won Districts before defeating Oak Park, 6-0, to win the first round of Sectionals. The Hawklets then beat Blue Spring South, 5-0, to win Sectionals and advance to the final four where they beat St. Louis University High, 5-0, in the semis before knocking off Kirkwood High, 5-1, for the title.

"The pressure these guys had of winning 10 straight was very strong," said Head Coach Ron Geldhof, who has led the Hawklets to all of their championships. "The way they handled the pressure and the way they preformed was phenomenal."

The team posted a perfect 14-0 record in duals, and winning all three tournaments it competed in, most notably the Tournament of Champions in St. Louis, which hosts the top four teams of each class.

"Winning the Tournament of Champions

was important because we saw where we were in relationship to the rest of the state," said Taj Harrison, "It helped reinforce our thought that we were the team to beat."

For the third straight year the State Doubles Championship pitted Rockhurst teammates against each other. Frisch and Taj Harrison beat Martin and Guerra, 6-2, 6-3, to win their second straight Class Two Doubles Title finish with a two-year record of 49-1.

"Taj is a great player and we complemented each other well, which is the reason we were able to do what we did," said Frisch.

Malcom Harrison, looking for his second straight singles title was upset in the semifinals by Taylor St. Eve of Chaminade College Prep, 6-1, 6-2. Harrison then went on to beat Blue Springs South's Brett Berryman to take third.

"I was pretty disappointed," said Harrison. "I really wanted to get my second straight but it didn't work out. I have one more year though."

With only two returning varsity players some may think the future is grim, but not according to Coach Geldhof.

"With Malcom and Taj both back and a great group of JV players who went undefeated," he said. "I think the future of Rockhurst tennis looks real good."

Story By Ryan Gibson



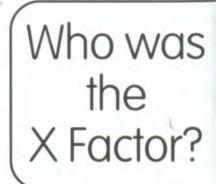
Junior Malcolm Harrison swings through a backhand while wearing his trademark bandana.



Senior Patrick Cohen serves one over. Senior Jose Guerra smashes a forehand crosscourt.



Photo by Eric Krugh



Scoreboard

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BV NorthwestBV NorthPembroke HillDistrict TournamentOak Park7-29-07-21st6-0





Senior Guerin Smith crushes a serve. Junior Malcolm Harrison serves up a mean kick serve. Senior Jose Guerra hits a big forehand for a winner



Photo by Patrick Lancey



The feam's depth always meant that it could compete with anyone throughout the entire line up.



Photo by Zac Schulte

St. Joe Central Liberty Aquinas Tournament BS Tournament SM East 10-0 9-0 1st 1st 9-0

BS South State Championship Tournament of Champions 5-0 5-1 1st

SEASON RECORD 12-0

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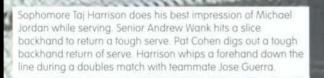




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Harrison serves up an ace against Blue Springs South. Andrew Wank uses a strange grip to hit a kick serve. Wank elevates while ripping a backhand down the line.

Photo by Erik LaPointe



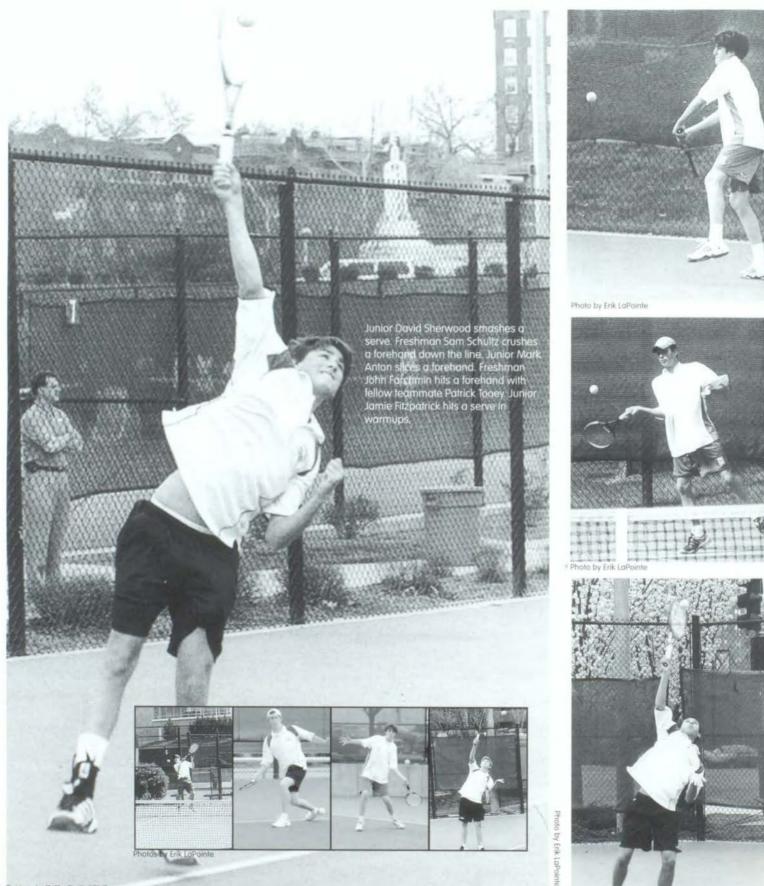


FRONT ROW: Jonathan Farchmin, Pat Cohen, Andrew Wank, Jamie Fitzpatrick, Guerin Smith, Mark Anton, ROW 2: Mr. Ron Geldhof, Malcolm Harrison, Patrick Tooey, Sam Schultz, Reid Martin, Jack O'Flaherty, Micky Thompson, Mr. Bill Munninghoff, ROW 3: Dan Close, Spencer Jones, Zach Frisch, David Sherwood, Taj Harrison.

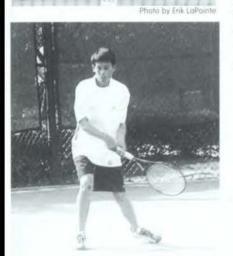
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SM East BV North West 9-0



Park Hill Varsity Doubles Tournament 1st Place



Freshman Jonathan Farchmin hits a backhand during practice at the Plaza. Freshman Jack O'Flaherty hits a forehand for a winner. Sophomore Pat Tooey blasts a serve past his opponent. Freshman Sam Schultz serves an ace. Tooey sets up for a backhand in a match with Blue Springs. Junior Spencer T. Jones hits a

drop shot against

teammate Mark Anton.

JV team goes undefeated while playing mostly varsities

1st Place

Pembroke Hill

JV Tournament

The Junior Varsity Tennis Team finished the season undefeated while competing against tough varsity squads such as Shawnee Mission East and Blue Valley North.

Lee's Summit

JV Tournament

1st Place

"We had a group of hard working, talented individuals, who did their best every time they stepped on the court," said Head Coach Bill Munninghoff. "This really made it a fun season all around."

The Hawklets' skill was tested in the Park Hill Doubles Tournament where they finished first out of eight teams, while competing against only varsity teams. They won won both junior varsity tournaments at Pembroke Hill and Lee Summit.

The Junior Varsity team was "loaded." Veteran players such as junior David Sherwood and sophomore Patrick Tooey led the team, retaining their top positions the whole season and going undefeated.

Freshmen Jack O'Flaherty, Sam Schultz, and Jonathan Farchmin also contributed to the team's success.

"For many kids, the big deal was staying undefeated," said Coach Munninghoff. "Everyone hoped to win all nine matches; everyone hated the thought of being the one to cause them to go 8-1. It wasn't a big deal for me; I just wanted to make sure everyone was having fun while competing."

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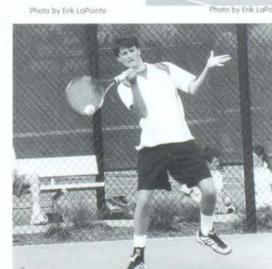
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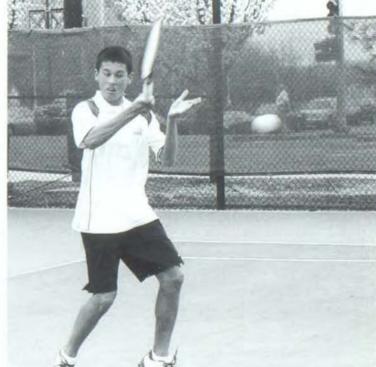
Coach Munninghoff's main goal was to prepare the squad for varsity level competition. Six of the top players on varsity were seniors and several spots will be up for grabs.

Their hard work paid off in the end, culminating in one of the best seasons ever.

"My goal each year is to get these kids ready for the next level of competition," said Coach Munninghoff. "Who's to say if it's realistic to look for another great season next year? I really just want to make sure the kids have fun. The wins will take care of themselves." Story by Brad Chapman







David Sherwood crushes a forehand cross court in a match against Aquinas. Pat Tooey blasts a forehand down the line in the team's final match.

State Champion highlights Coach Mike Sullivan's first year as head of track program

Senior Connor McDonough captured the State Championship in the discus throw, the first Rockhurst state champ in a single event in track since 1988. McDonough, with a throw of 179'6", went down as one of the top ten throwers in Missouri State

Track and Field history.

McDonough's efforts propelled the Hawklets to a 6th place overall at State, the best finish in 20 years. All finished no worse than third in any of the events they competed in.

Senior D.J. Hord qualified early for State in the 100 and the 4x100 meter relay team which broke the school record an unprecedented three times, at Districts, Sectionals, and finally at State, with a time of 42.19 seconds

"We had a really strong senior class this year," said first year Head Coach Michael Sullivan, who took over the track program from long-time Coach Michael Dierks. "Both D.J. and Connor have the ability to compete at a college."

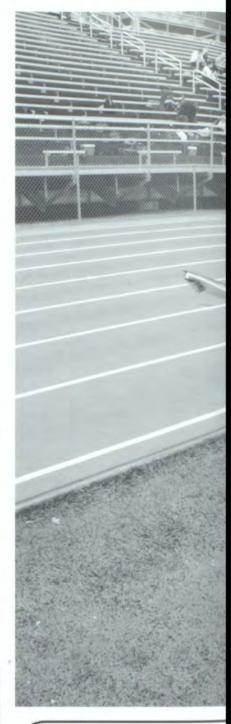
The team had a roller coaster year with talented up-and-coming freshmen and sophomores stepping up, like sophomore

Patrick Schilling in the triple jump and freshmen Dan Esselman. Several seniors continued to lead the team for a run at state. The team had several meets canceled due to inclement weather.

Districts were the toughest event all year for the Hawklets, as they qualified in only four of 18 events. Several of the varsity athletes capable of competing at state were not able to make it past what many thought was the toughest district in the state.

"It was disappointing the way Districts was set up and handled," said Coach Sullivan. "Out of five throwers at State four came from our district, showing how difficult the competition is around here."

Story by Kevin Mulloy





Senior D.J. Hord finishes first in the 200meter run at the Rockhurst Relays. Michael Guerin takes off into the pit during his triple jump at the Rockhurst Relays.



Photo by Steve Fessler

Who was the X Factor?



pack during a prelim heat

for the 100-meter dash at

the Rockhurst Relays.









State Champion senior Connor McDonough winds up to throw the discus at the Rockhurst Relays. Senior Jeff Barnthouse jumps into the pit. Junior Ernest Davis runs in the 4x200 relay. Senior Michael Timberlake runs in the 4x200 relay. Coach Mike Sullivan talks on his radio to get the updates during the Rockhurst Relays.









Senior D.J. Hord had tremendous success in his respective events and set many records.

Dan Salzman leaps into the pit.

Photo by Steve Fessler

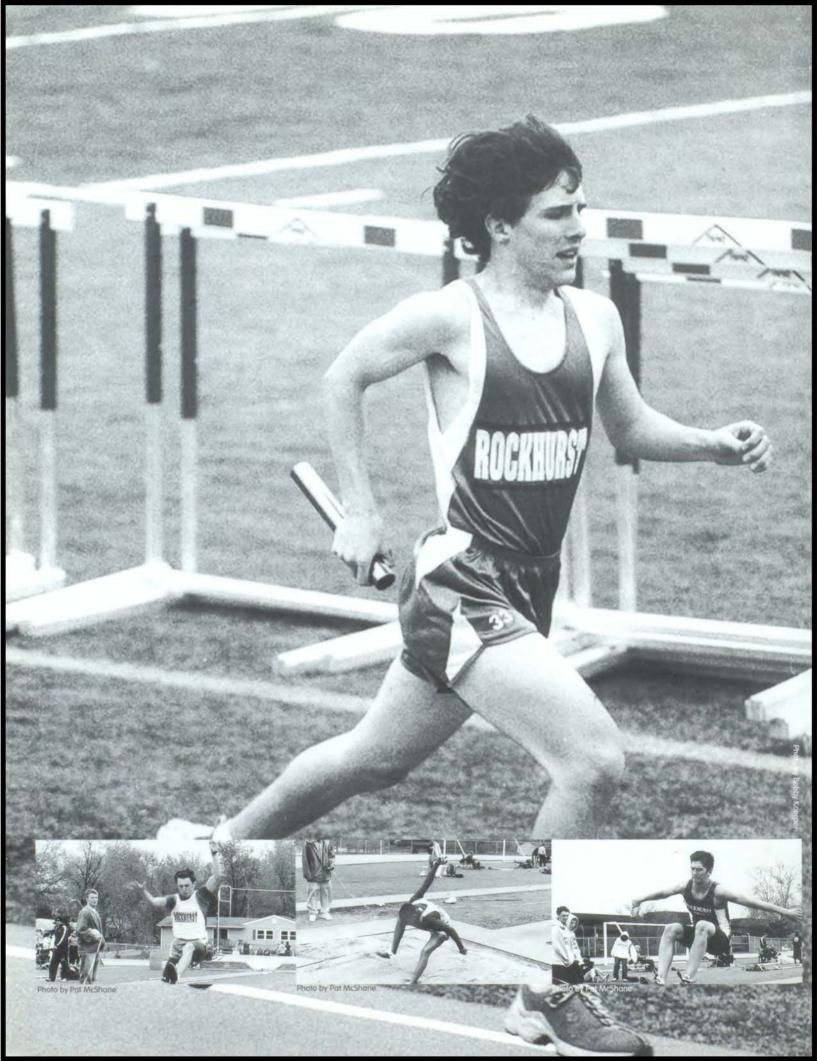








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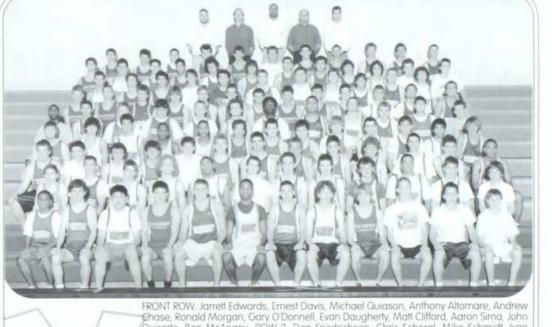
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Photo by Steve Fessler Ernest Davis sprints with the batan Jimmy Whitaker competes in the long jump. Long jumper Darion Latson jumps into the pit. Salzman strains to get more distance in the long jump. Dan Esselman jumps into the pit. Salzman jumps into the sand box. Matt Clifford runs with the batan Nathan Karlin takes off from the first stripe of the triple jump.

oto by Steve Fessler



Varsity Track FRONT ROW. Jarrett Edwards, Ernest Davis, Michael Quiason, Anthony Altomare, Andrew Chase, Ronald Morgan, Gary O'Donnell, Evan Daugherty, Matt Clifford, Aaron Sirna, John Quirarte, Ben McAnany; ROW 2. Dan Friedrichsen, Chris Schorgl, Mike Schmidt, Ivan Carbonneau, Drew Temple, Dan Durie, Aaron Murphy, David Mattione, Dan Esselman, James Miller, Kevin Flanagan, John Fritzlen, ROW 3. Ryan Mueller, Sean Noack, Alex Dobens, Andrew Bush, Matt Gound, Corbin Kline, Nathan Karlin, Kyle O'Grady, Christian Liddeke, Ben Sauder, Ross Miller, Matt Weber, Khalil Jones, ROW 4. John Hicks, Tyler Kilcourse, Ben Hodes, Obi Ekekezie, Darion Latson, Michael Paradise, Ryan Quinn, Wes Ellwood, Dominic Ishmael, Marcus Santoro, Ryan Eckert, Max Hanger, ROW 5. Steve Jones, Joel Hamilton, Grant Russell, Robbie Tait, Pat Stacy, Kerry Bowen, DJ Hord, Michael Duschen, Chris Barton, Pat McNamara, Chris Tait, Derek Lyssy, ROW 6: Dane Cousins, Adam French, Pat Schilling, Will Tarr, Alex Barry, Nick Becker, Jack Fletcher, David Cotter, Tom Cotter, Kyle Meagher, Nick Shearman, Phil Scovill, Blake May, ROW 7. Jared Meadows, Michael Guerin, Andrew Bly, Steve Hinck, Steve Bruns, Barrett Campbell, Jeff Caldwell, Matt Quinn, Alex Jantsch, Matt Leigh, Spencer Crook, ROW 8. Michael Timberlake, Andy Cirocco, Devin Moore, Michael Nouri, Jacob Steilen, Mike Link, Dan Salzman, Austin Hertell, Andrew Dahmer, Pat Stoops, Mike Fitzgerald, Alex Schoeck, ROW 9. Brian Barnthouse, Connor McDonough, Pat Cullinan, Frank Reardon, Jeff Barnthouse, Jacob Fogle, Jason Switzer, Mark Davidson, Sam Tapko, Gallagher Ring, Jeremia Reardon; ROW 10. Mr. Stephen Derrington, Mr. Kevin Holland, Mr. Chris Dawson, Mr. Mike Sullivan, Mr. Chris Bosco, Not Pictured: Mr. Scott Reagan.

Junior Varsity Track squad compete at two varsity meets

The Junior Varsity Track Team placed in the top three at the Blue Springs Invitational, and in the top five at the Raytown South Meet, the only two true JV meets that the team competed in.

The Hawklets were sent to compete in place of the varsity squad at the O'Hara and Bishop Miege Varsity Relays and did as well as a JV team at a varsity meet could have done.

"There's lots to look forward to next year for these guys," said Coach Mike Sullivan. "There are several JV auvs on this team who will compete at a varsity level next vear."

Standout athletes mentioned as possibilities to compete at the varsity level next year include

sophomore triple jumper Pat Schilling who

was one of the team's best jumpers. Schilling was headed to Districts, but suffered a

debilitating injury near the end of the year that kept him sidelined.

Up-and-coming sophomores, sprinter Aaron Murphy and high jumper Jacob Steilen, both had outstanding showings all season long in their respective events.

The shortage of actual meets kept the team from competing as much as they would have liked to.

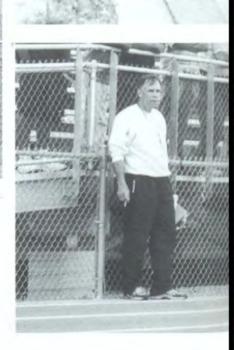
"There were really only two meets that were meant for the JV sauad that we went to," said Coach Sullivan. "Bad weather resulted in the cancellation of some of the meets that we had hoped to compete in."

Story by David Sherwood



Ronald Morgan stretches as he lands in the long jump pit. Cornell Ellis explodes upwards as he throws the shot put





Evan Dougherty sprints the 4X200 meter dash.

Ronald Morgan reaches for the baton from freshman Ross Miller to begin his leg of the 4x100 relay. Darion Latson takes the baton from Ivan Charbonneau and sprints out in front of the pack. Drew Temple practices running out of the blocks while holding a baton. Devin Moore contorts his body to get over the high jump bar.







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The Freshman Track Team had an inauspicious start to the season, opening with a ninth place finish at the Blue Springs Relays, but used the experience to finish with several new milestones.

"They looked like freshman; they made a lot of freshman errors," said Head Coach Mike Sullivan. "They had a lot to learn, but so do all freshman."

The debut was not a reflection of the season as a whole as the Hawklets took fourth place at the Rockhurst Relays, a vast improvement over the 2004 seventh place showing, and placed second at the Lee's Summit North Relays.

Outstanding individual performances were turned in by Obi Ekekezie, Dan Esselman, Darion Latson, and Cornell Ellis. Latson and Ekekezie both performed well in the triple jump. Latson took his skills to Districts, becoming one of only a few elite freshmen competing.

Other freshmen District contenders were Esselman in the long jump as well as Latson in hurdles. Ellis didn't compete at Districts but deserved an honorable mention for his outstanding shot-put throw of 40 feet. Alex Dobens and Aaron Sirna both made strong contributions to the distance team.

"After a rough start at the Blue Springs the team got progressively better," said Coach Sullivan. "They had a strong finish at the Lee's Summit North Relays that really capped off the season." Story by David Sherwood





Aaron Sirna pushes himself during the relay, Jack Crowe clears the high jump bar with little to spare. John Fritzlen prepares to make his move on a Lee's Summit West runner. Jack Crowe, showing perfect form, gets over the bar in the pole vault. James Miller bursts out of the blocks.





Competition just as spirited during intramural contests

Once again, intramurals were an opportunity for students to take a relaxed approach to sports.

"It's like a fourth varsity sport because of all the kids who play," said Coach Tony Severino, intramural basketball moderator. "The guys are really just in it for the fun and camaraderie."

Basketball, which had a total of 36 teams compete, featured two junior teams for the first time in the finals, Magical Fairies and Bye . In the end, Magical Fairies won by a score of 30-28.

"The guys know the good games to show up at," Coach

Severino said. "They also know which teams they want to see lose. So there's a large turnout to those games, too."



In football, the senior team of Sweet 0-5 swept the playoffs to win the tournament.

The team consisted of seniors Stephen Hinck, Jay Howell, Trev Schoral, Rvan Nugent, Cam McCulley, Patrick Roth, Ryan O'Leary, and Jon Gossman.

Volleyball, on the other hand, had to cut its season short and cancel its tournament because the aym was closed for AP tests the last two weeks of May. But, with a total of 42 teams, it was still a successful season

"The guys like volleyball because it's different than basketball or football," said Mr. Campbell, intramural volleyball moderator. "It's fun to see the

guys who aren't necessarily considered good athletes surprise you."

Story by Sean Comiskey



Sophomore Pat Tooey runs away from Nick Cowing and Jack Fletcher. Junior Bryan Hogan battles with juniors David Brinker and Jim Oades. Team Tony Danza shows off their shirts. Team 0-5 celebrates a victory. Junior Michael Cotter makes a pass to freshman Cam Quirk.



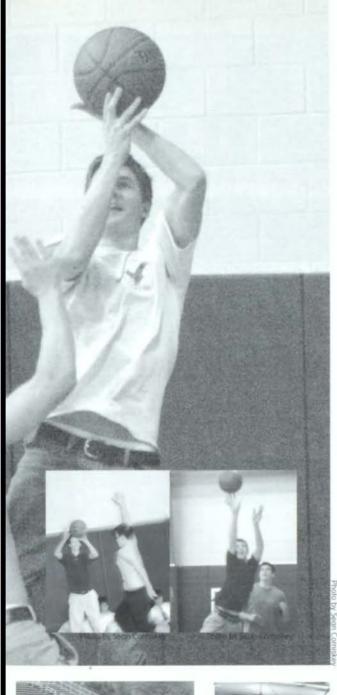
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Junior Jeremiah Reardon rises up over junior David Belfonte. Sophomore Stevie Jones out duels junior Anthony Accurso. Senior Jeff Graves makes a jumping catch. Either Colin or Kevin Looby makes a pass to his teammate.





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You'd think the faculty and staff would be course . . .





the hands down favorite to be that intangible R-Factor, but they aren't really so intangible when you think about it. They're right out there on the front lines contributing big time. noticed to be sure. Let's keep them in the running, of





















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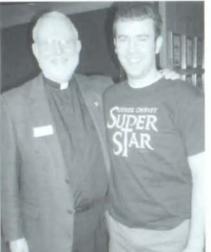
Charles Loose Assistant Director of Development



Mr. Laurence Freeman discusses upcoming alumni events. Mr. Gus Sonnenberg, National Alumni Director, Mr. Charles Loose and Mr. Freeman pose after the Alumni of the Year Awards presentation. Mr. Rick Bishop and Mr. Kevin Campbell discuss the Rockhurst Computer Database









Fr. Terrence A. Baum, SJ, Rockhurst President, and senior Jon Dandurand pose after a performance of Jesus Christ Superstar. Mrs. Judie Scanlon, Special Activities Coordinator, poses with a Rockhurst jersey.



Mr. Robert Kelly, Mr. Rick Bishop, Mr. Charles Loose, Fr. Terrence A. Baum, SJ, Mr. Laurence Freeman, Mr. Randal Hallett, Mrs. Judie Scanlon, Mrs. Joanne Comiskey, Mrs. Julie Koppen.



Rick Bishop Database Coordinator

Judie Scanlon Special Activities Coordinator

Kevin Campbell Computer Technogogy Coordinator

Tom Norman Ignatian Comiskey Coordinator Development/ Advancement

Joanne

Assistant



Fr. Terrence A Baum, SJ, Rockhurst President administers the Eucharist to Mr. Michael Cusick Mr. Robert Kelly, Database Assistant, goes over important matters on the phone. Mrs. Joanne Comiskey, Development Assistant, reads over various documents.

President's Office

Fr. Baum brings new ideas and approach

When he came to Rockhurst as President midway through the 2003-04 school year. Fr. Terrence A. Baum, SJ, set priorities to keep RHS a first rate Jesuit High School.

He wanted to keep the faculty and staff deeply involved in their own spirituality and growth, increase financial aid from \$900,000 to over a million dollars, keep up with technology, and complete the third and final phase of the Millennium Master Plan, which will add more classroom space, a new choral area, and a second aymnasium.

"This year there was a terrific increase in the support from the alumni," said Mr. Laurence Freeman, Executive Director of Alumni Affairs and Assistant to the President. "This is a positive response to Fr. Baum's first full year, and aives areat optimism for what we can expect in the future."

Fr. Baum traveled around the country to meet with RHS alums and to encourage their support. In January, he went to Florida, where in five days he and Mr. Randall Hallett, Director of Development, traveled to Orlando, Tampa, Sarasota, Naples, Miami, and West Palm Beach.

"The trip was not only about raising money," said Mr. Hallett." It was also about communicating the mission and the value of RHS."

Several others assist Fr. Baum in his work beyond Mr. Freeman and Mr. Hallett, including Mr. Charles Loose, Assistant Director of Alumni and Development, Mrs. Julie Koppen, Director of Marketing and Communications, Mrs. Judie Scanlon, Special Activities Coordinator, Mr. Kevin Campbell, Technology Coordinator, Mr. Rick Bishop, Database Coordinator, Mrs. Joanne Comiskey, Development Assistant, and Mr. Robert Kelly, Administrative Assistant.

Story by Michael Cotter

Principal's Office

Mr. Laughlin says goodbye; will be President at SLUH

Vice Principal for Academic Affairs Larry Ruby will become Principal of Rockhurst High School with the departure of Mr. David Laughlin, who will become the first non-Jesuit president of any school in the Missouri Province when he assumes that role at St. Louis High University,

"I'm excited to become the new principal," said Mr. Ruby. "I've been here for awhile now so I'm pretty comfortable with how everything works."

Mr. Ruby's current position, which encompasses all grading responsibilities and course scheduling, will be taken on by Mr. Scott Duschen, who has served as math instructor at RHS for seven years.

Included in the Principal's Office is Mr. Dana Brack, Chief Financial Officer, assisted by Business and Finance Assistant Mrs. Kelly Williams.

Fr. Gary Menard, Director of Pastoral Ministries for seven years, will leave RHS to complete his tertianship, a final stage of Jesuit formation, in Boston.

Mrs. Renee Smith assists the principal by scheduling appointments and forwarding messages. Additionally, she assists the school with a variety of responsibilities.

Alongside Mr. Ruby is Mrs. Theresa Fessler, who serves as Registrar/Academic Coordinator.

Mrs. Deloris Weist directs all calls and greets visitors as the receptionist.

Mr. David Alvey, Dean of Students, maintains order. Mrs. Cheryl Cavlovich, who has served as Mr. Alvey's assistant for several yers, will leave that office to assume additional duties as a Student Services secretary. She will work with the Athletic, Counseling, Pastoral and Student Affairs Office.

The library is managed by Mrs. Melody Degnan and Mrs. Kelli Reidy, both parents of several RHS grads.

Admission and Financial Aid are headed by Mr. Jack Reichmeier and assisted by Ms. Katie Mertz.

The Director of College Placement Mrs. Debbie Hudson will leave RHS to spend time with her daughter and will be replaced by Mrs. Mary Catherine Newman, Assistant Director of College Placement. Ms. Linda Rixson is the College Placement Department Secretary.

All cafeteria responsibilities are taken on by Mrs. Jean Krump-Barnhart, Cafeteria Manager.

I love working at Rockhurst," said Mr. Laughlin. "I'll miss the friendly environment and being a part of the great community here." Story by Joe Christiano Mr. David Laughlin, Rockhurst Principal, writes down important notes while receiving a phone call. Mr. Laughlin, Mr. Larry Ruby, and Mrs. Renee Smith, Assistant to the Principal, take a break from a meeting.







Mr. Mike Heringer, Mrs. Deloris Weist, Mrs. Theresa Fessler, Mrs. Renee Smith, Fr. Gary Menard, SJ, Mr. Larry Ruby, Mr. David Laughlin, and Mr. Preston Peine.



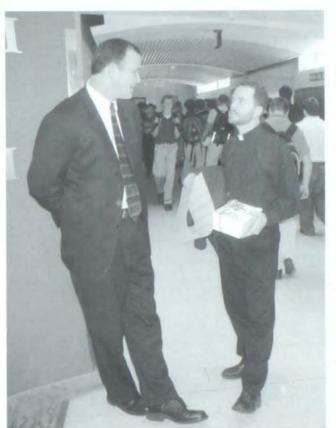
David Laughlin Principal

Larry Ruby David Alvey Assistant Dean of Students Principal -Academic Affairs

Mike Heringer Assistant Principal -Student Affairs



Mr. Preston Peine discusses technical information with Mr. Larry Ruby. Fr. Gary Menard, SJ, Director of Pastoral Ministry, presents Mr. David Laughlin, Rockhurst Principal, with a gift of gratitude for his hard work. Mrs. Cheryl Cavlovich places letters into teachers mailboxes. Mr. Mike Heringer, Assistant Principal for Student Affairs, talks about upcoming Student Government Association events with Mr. Richard Staihr









Mrs. Theresa Fessler looks over grades at the end of the year. Mr. David Alvey dismisses classes at an assembly. Mr. Larry Ruby discusses plans for an upcoming class convocation with Mr. Alvey.



Gary Menard, SJ Director of Pastoral Ministry

Cheryl Theresa Cavlovich Regist Assistant to the Dean

Theresa Fessler Registrar Resistant to the Principal

Preston Peine Academic Technology Coordinator

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Dana Brack Chief Financial Officer

Kelly Williams Assistant to the Business Office

Doug Bruce Director of Athletics

Deloris Weist Receptionist

Melody Degnan Librarian

Kelli Reidy Librarian

Jean Barnhart Cafeteria Manager

Melissa Reichmeier Rock Shop Manager







Mr. Paul Ptasnik's photography was displayed during the Festival of the Arts and in the faculty studio. Mr. Ptasnik sells a theology textbook to a sophomore.





FRONT ROW: Fr. Gary Menard, SJ, Ms. Katie Mertz, Mr. Larry Ruby, Mrs. Deborah Hudson SECOND ROW: Mr. David Laughlin, Mr. Jack Reichmeier, Mr. Doug Bruce THIRD ROW: Mr. David Alvey, Mr. Mike Heringer, Mrs. Mary Catherine Newman





Administrative Staff

Behind the scenes labor is crucial to smooth operation of Rockhurst

Librarians Mrs. Melody Degnan and Mrs. Kelli Reidy keep track of a multitude of AV materials. Mrs. Jean Barnhart, Cafeteria Manager, records lunch card sales.











Mr. Dana Brack, Chief Financial Officer, goes over transactions. Mrs. Deloris Weist, receptionist, answers a phone call at the front desk. Mrs. Melissa Reichmeier, Rock Shop manager, checks a customer out and records the sale. Mrs. Kelly Williams, Assistant to the Business Office. takes a break from her hectic schedule.

Building and Grounds Delbert Conrad, Artie Vielhauer keep physical plant in top shape

Working behind the scene day and night, the Maintenance Department labors to make the physical facilities at Rockhurst the best they can be.

Preparations for the following school year begin in May. All through the summer, the staff keeps all the facilities clean, paints the walls, and finishes any other job that may need to be done. The crew tries to work out any problems that may become big issues during the school year and attempts to stay at least one month ahead of itself.

Mr. Delbert Conrad, Facility Director for the last two years, and Mr. Artie Veilhauer, supervisor, for the last nine years, worked alongside the maintenance staff of seven, which included Mr. Rudy Rodriguez, Mr. Ricky Juarez, and Mr. Harry Ward who primarily took care of the grounds, Mr. Ben Sabido, Mr. Deng Khammanivong, Mr. Lang Thatsanithone, and Mr. Paco Cabezas primarily worked inside the building at a multitude of tasks.

This is a beautiful school," said Mr. Conrad. "My staff and work grant students work hard to keep it that way."

Each staff member is cross-trained, which allows them to do various tasks such as plumbing, electrical, carpentry and mechanical. Also, several members of the staff have additional skill-sets, such as welding and metalworking.

The housekeeping night team works until midnight each night cleaning restrooms, offices, floors and the commons. This division of the staff consists of Mr. Angel Sandoval, Mr. Albert Martinez, Mr. Scott York, and Mrs. Mary Hartsock.

Once the school year starts, the staff begins every morning at 7 a.m. They give assignments to the work grant students and keep close watch over the facilities all day, fixing any problem that may arise.

"I enjoy working with the students," said Mr. Vielhauer. "I would like to thank them and our fine maintenance staff." Story by John Brocato

> Above: Maintenance Director Mr. Delbert Conrad and Supervisor Mr. Artie Veilhauer discuss plans for the day Mr. Harry Ward adjusts the sprinkler head. Mr. Angel Sandoval introduces his daughter during her visit to school.



Mr. Harry Ward, Mr. Rudy Rodriguez, , Mr. Deng Khammanivana, Mr. Ricky Juarez, Mr. Ben Sabido, and Mr. Lang Thatsanithone take time away from sweeping the cafeteria after lunch.



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Delbert Conrad Director

Artie Veilhauer Supervisor

Paco Cabezas Ricky Juarez

Deng Khammanivong Rudy Rodriguez

Ben Sabido Lang Thatsanithone

Harry Ward





Mrs. Mary Hartsock poses in front of the display near the entrance into school. Mr Paco Cabezas transports replacement lightbulbs Mr. Deng Kharmanivong fixes the front door Members of the maintenance crew are: Mr. Ben Sabido, Mr. Harry Ward, Mr. Ricky Juarez, Mr. Deng Kharmanivong, Mr. Delbert Conrad, Mr. Lang Thatsanithone, Mr. Artie Veilhauer and Mr. Rudy Rodriguez.

Counselors

Spare time nonexistent with myriad of additional tasks

The laborious scheduling of classes, organizing and providing standardized testing, and assisting students with their academic and daily lives are all part of the Counseling Department's job.

"We are assigned a group of students as they come in as freshman," said Mr. Eric Berg. "Then we take it from there and assist them through the process of high school."

Mr. Bill Munninghoff, Department Chairman, who has worked at Rockhurst for 26 years, co-moderated Senior Service and assisted in coaching the tennis team. Mr. Munninghoff administrated the testing programs like PSAT and the TAP tests, and was also chairman of the Incentive Program.

Mr. Joe Delehunt administered the North-Central program that evaluated Rockhurst, and also was the chairman of the emergency preparedness programs.

Mr. Michael Heringer, Assistant Principal-Student Affairs, participated in the National Jesuit Counseling Workshop, bringing back many lessons learned at the conference to assist the Rockhurst community, and also moderated the Student Government Association.

Mrs. Carol Dougherty attended a workshop dealing with diversity issues in Jesuit schools. She moderated the Multi Ethnic Enrichment Team, and administered a grief support team.

Mr. Eric Berg organized Career Day, moderated the Fellowship of Christian Athletes, and was an assistant varsity football coach.

Mrs. Gerri Sopyla moderated the Student Success Center, where students received help with homework and studies. She also assisted with the Study Skills Across the Curriculum program, which helped students learn test-taking strategies and note-taking skills. Story by John Brocato Mr. Eric Berg and Mr. Joe Delehunt converse about plans for the upcoming year.



Mrs. Mary Kay Hiatt, Mr. Joe Delehunt, Mr. Bill Munninghoff, Mr. Mike Heringer, Mrs. Gerri Sopyla, Mr. Eric Berg, Mrs. Carol Dougherty.





Photo by Pat Stoops



Joe Delehunt

Eric Berg

Carol Dougherty





Juniors Steve Kamara, Chris Fakoury and Chris Balmaceda plan Stress Busters, the program was run by Mrs. Gerri Sopyla. Mr Eric Berg poses after a conference with one of his students. Mr. Bill Munninghoff tempts danger with a dragon, which was on display to benefit the theater trip to Scotland.







Mr. Mike Sullivan and Mrs. Gerri Sopyla pose after directing students into an assembly. Mrs. Joe Delehunt and junior Drew Pavolovich begin planning their classes for next year.







Photo by Spencer Wals



Mike Heringer Mary Kay Hiatt

William Gerri Sopyla Munninghoff

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Deborah Hudson Director of College Counseling

Mary Catherine Newman College Counselor



Linda Rixson Secretary



Senior Anthony Modica receives information about Seton Hall University. Junior Ben Wickman talks to a college representative about acceptance rates. Senior Thang-Long Nguyen takes time during activity period to fill out college applications.





Mrs. Deborah Hudson, Mrs. Linda Rixson and Mrs. Mary Catherine Newman manage the College Placement Office.





schedules an appointment with Mrs. Linda Rixson. Junior Brian Strickland writes down contact information at the Regis University table. Mrs. Mary Catherine Newman talks to seniors about their college plans

Senior Jack Keenan

College Placement

Choices narrowed with help of experienced, energetic staff

"The goal is to work with students to help them find their right match," said Mrs. Deborah Hudson, Director of College Placement. "We try to guide students through the process with a variety of resources."

Since the switch to the TCCi Family Connection Program last year, processing is made easier because it cuts paperwork in half and allows students to take a more active role in the selection process.

"From our standpoint, the program has saved a lot of time," said Mrs. Hudson. "We no longer have to search for information when a parent or college calls. It's all right there and it can be accessed from anywhere."

In addition to Mrs. Hudson, the office includes Assistant Director Mrs. Mary Catherine Newman and secretary Mrs. Linda Rixson.

In August, the group hosted the Colleges that Change Lives Program for students to become aware of small liberal arts schools that sometimes go unnoticed. They also brought back the Catholic College Morning. This optional, before school program, showcased nearly 30 Catholic schools from around the country.

"Not everybody is going to be interested in everything," said Mrs. Hudson. "It's our job to organize and make any and all information available."

Rockhurst hosted the College Fair in May. Coordinated by St. Teresa's Academy, the fair is for all nine metro Catholic high schools and features over 100 colleges and universities.

What sets the Rockhurst College Placement Office apart is its support from Rockhurst parents, as 15 moms help coordinate the visit of college representatives. Mrs. Sande Novick, Mrs. Alison Ward, and Mrs. Mary Thompson serve as CPO Mom Coordinators.

"It really helps us out," said Mrs. Hudson. "We wouldn't stand a chance without them."

Mrs. Hudson is leaving Rockhurst to spend time with her family. Mrs. Newman is taking her position as Director of College Placement and Mr. Richard Sullivan is moving from history teacher to Assistant Director.

Story by Brad Chapman







Jack Reichmeier Director of Admission and Financial Aid

Katie Mertz Assistant Admission Director









Volunteers at the Open House pose for a picture before the event. FRONT ROW: Pat McShane, Larry Pfeffer, Brian Chalmers, Jason Coleman, Charles Degen ROW 2: Ryan Brenneman, Daniel Barth, Spencer Jones, David Kaufman ROW 3: Tom Carlin, Scott Kelly, Brad Chapman, Mrs. Molly Reardon, John Goff, Drew Bienhoff, Brian Strickland ROW 4: Tyler Trout, Jonathon Roberts, Isaac Ah-Loe, Chris Fakoury, Kevin Ruprecht, Chris Immele ROW 5: Thomas Robinson, Kevin Dalton, Austin Hertell.



Photo by Stephen Hinck





5J. Rockhurst President, and junior Chris Balmaceda converse about the responsibilities of a Rockhurst student: Sophomore Nicholas Cowing shows a prospective family around Rockhurst at Open House Shadowing students read the Prep News after spending a day at Rockhurst. Ms. Katie Mertz and sophomore Corey Murtha talk about plans for Open House. Mr. Jack Reichmeier informs a family about **Rockhurst**

Admissions

Mr. Reichmeier, Ms. Mertz help with entrance to Rockhurst

Choosing a high school is not an easy task. It is very much like buying a house or car, or selecting a college because it takes a long time to decide. Mr. Jack Reichmeier, Director of Admission and Financial Aid, and Miss Katie Mertz. Assistant Director of Admission, are available to help ease the process of selecting a proper high school for prospective students.

Several events such as the Open House, 8th Grade Visit Program, arade school visits, and the placement test and lunch, are held to help 8" graders and parents decide whether Rockhurst High School is the school for them.

During Open House student tour guides take families through the school where they experience the different opportunities that RHS has to offer, from listening to choir and band to observing chemistry experiments.

The placement test and lunch, held in January, helps the Admission Team determine if RHS is a good fit.

The 8th Grade Visit Program provides an opportunity to experience a real day at RHS by shadowinging volunteer freshman ambassadors.

"The Visit Program really is an excellent way to experience what a typical day is like at Rockhurst," said Mr. Reichmeier. "We've even added Wednesdays to the available days for visits because of the high number of 8th araders requesting a visit."

Grade school visits occur during the first semester. Students accompany Miss Mertz and Mr. Reichmeier when they visit their previous arade school and share their experiences at RHS.

During the early part of the second semester, the Admission Team reviews every application, placement test scores, teacher recommendation, arade school transcript, and standardized test scores in order to determine whether the student and RHS are meant for each other.

In addition to the admission process, Miss Mertz and Mr. Reichmeier administer the financial aid and work grant programs, which gives students the opportunity to attend RHS who might not otherwise be able to afford a Story by Chris Balmaceda Jesuit education.







English

Rockhurst experience inspires return in new roles

The English Department maintained the status quo but for the additions of Mr. Tim Wientzen and Mr. Matt Darby, both members of the Rockhurst Class of 2000.

Mr Wientzen, who graduated from Boston College, transferred to RHS in his sophomore year. He brags that he received only one A on an essay through two years with Mr. Andy Hagedorn, English Department Chairman. He decided to return the gifts he was given in his years at RHS.

Mr Darby, who graduated from Marquette University, credits the intensive writing in Mr. Hagedorn's classes for his decision to become an RHS teacher.

The goal of the English Department continues to be introducing students to classic novels and different types of literature.

In freshman English there is a stress on writing, following the eleven-sentence paragraph form, essay writing, and vocabulary.

Sophomore year features reading politically-based novels such as <u>1984</u>, and <u>Animal Farm</u>, with more of an emphasis on writing essays than freshman year.

In junior English, drama is emphasized as is writing essays and reading novels outside of class.

Senior year consists of writing in-class essays in response to readings, most of which are classic novels.

Besides Mr Hagedorn, who teaches Honors English III and AP English IV, Mr Jim Bascom teaches English III and IV; Mr Chris Bosco, English I and II; Mr Mike Brockland, English II and III; Mr Matt Darby, English I and III, Mr Frank Griffin English I and IV; and Mr Chris Jensen teaches English IV and III. Mr Wientzen teaches English I and II.

Mr Brockland will leave RHS to attend law school. Mr Wientzen has also decided to leave to gain more life experiences. Story by Tom Carlin

Mr. Jim Bascom and junior Jared Concannon discuss an essay after class Junior Scott Kelly and Mr. Andrew Hagedorn. Department Chairman, go over an essay in his English III class Senior Daniel Stanley and Mr Frank Griffin debate a grade in his Enalish IV class.





hoto by Earnest McCoy



Admirers of Mr. Mike Wickenhauser dress up to imitate his looks. Daniel Kerley, Ryan Ptomey, Pat Cohen, Brian Meyer, Michael Mercer, Geoff Hightower, the real Mr. Wickenhauser, Joseph Kerley and Jon Higgins.



Andy Hagedorn Department Chairman

Jim Bascom



Chris Bosco Mike Brockland

Matt Darby Frank Griffin



Chris Jensen Laurie Prater

Mike Wickenhauser Tim Wientzen



Mr. Mike Brockland goes over essay strategies with junior Richard White Mr. Matt Darby talks to junior Kevin Mulloy before school





Photo by Earnest McCoy

Photo by Stephen Hinck



Mr. Chris Jensen, Mr. Tim Wientzen, Mr. Chris Bosco, Mrs. Laurie Prater, Mr. Andrew Hagedorn, Mr. Matt Darby, Mr. Jim Bascom, Mr. Mike Wickenhauser, Mr. Frank Griffin and Mr. Mike Brockland.

Math Technology in classrooms complements instruction

The Math Department focused on new technology to increase learning productivity in the classroom.

As part of a five-year technology program, computers were connected to ceiling-mounted projectors that were used with mathematics software to give students a better visual understanding and ability to apply math to real world problems.

"We want to take advantage of this opportunity to increase the use of technology in our curriculum," said Mr. Paul Ptasnik, Department Chairman. "It will allow us to use technology past the graphing calculator."

The department will lose two teachers. Fr. Gary Menard, SJ, will leave for Boston where he will begin his last official stage of Jesuit formation or Tertianship, and Mr. John Lan Tran, SJ, will leave for the Boston School of Theology where he will study to complete his last three years of training to become a priest.

The department is focusing on a switch to a new textbook starting with the 2005-06 school year's incoming freshman class.

It will allow teachers to update their curriculum with the new graphing calculator technology.

Requirements to be enrolled in honors and applied classes have been added to the course catalog making it more convenient for students to decide on classes they wish to take. Story by Michael Aylward Mr. Scott Duschen goes over math problems with senior Ben Molini. Mrs. Peggy Martin shows her excitement over a student's test grade. Mr. John Lan Tran, SJ, overlooks work progress.





Mr. John Lan Tran, SJ, Mr. Paul Ptasnik, Mr. Scott Duschen, Mr. Frank Lyngar, Mr. Mark Nusbaum, Mr. Phil Baker, Fr. Gary Menard, SJ, Mr. Pete Campbell, Mr. Doug Bruce, Mr. Chris Dawson and Mrs. Peggy Martin





Phil Baker Doug Bruce Pete Campbell Chris Dawson Scott Duschen Frank Lyngar



Photo by David Price



Sophomores Gernt Smith, Michael Sizemore and Nathaniel Searle look at various angles on a protracter. Mr. Phil Baker helps senior Chad Dobbs with a math question. New PCs were added to classrooms. during the school year





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Photo by Greg Earl





Juniors Josh Gates and Joe Scaglia browse through a magazine after class with Mr. Chris Dawson Mr. Phil Baker is always the last one in line for supper at Parent-Teacher Conferences. Mr. Peter Campbell announces for the Rockhurst Relays. Mr. Doug Bruce lectures to his Calculus class.

Photo by Ryan Gibson



Peggy Martin

Fr. Gary Mark Nusbaum Menard, SJ

John Lan Tran, SJ

Paul Ptasnik Department Chairman



Dr. Fred Campisano Ron Geldhof Mike O'Leary Department Chairman

Steve Ryan







hoto by Patrick Lancey



Mr. Steve Ryan, Dr. Fred Campisano, Mr. Ron Geldhof, Mr. Mike Sullivan, Mr. Mike O'Leary, Mr. Rich Wikiera, Mr. Nick Vaughn and Mr. Paul Winkeler.



Photo by Patrick Lancey

Mr. Steve Ryan lectures on mitosis to his Biology class. Mr. Mike O'Leary discusses the concept of equilibrium to his Chemistry class. Sophomore Ryan Coughlin gets ready for his Honors Chemistry lab by lighting a bunson burner. Mr. Paul Winkeler lectures on how to solve a molarity equation.



Photo by Sam Monsees









Mike Sullivan Nick Vaughn

ghn Rich Wikiera Paul Winkeler





Seniors Graham Rolston, Phillip Chad Francis collect samples at a nearby creek for Mr. Rich Wikiera's Environmental Science class Mr. Mike Sullivan helps junior Bill Unwin with a chemistry worksheet Seniors Joshua Karlin and Michael Nouri put on a demonstration at Open House.

Science Well-rounded curriculum exceeds college criteria

The Science Department continues to thrive under the leadership of Mr Ron Geldhof, Department Chairman, in his 33rd year at Rockhurst.

The general four year path continues to be Physical Science for freshmen, taught by Mr Paul Winkeler, and Biology for sophomores, taught by Mr. Steve Ryan, Mr Mike O'Leary and Mr. Nick Vaughn, the newest member of the department.

In junior year, chemistry is the usual choice, taught by Mr Winkeler, Mr Mike Sullivan, Mr Geldhof, and Mr O'Leary. In the fourth year, Physics, Environmental Science and Human Physiology are available.

Mrs. Cathy Geisel left Rockhurst to spend more time with her children, and Mr. Vaughn took her course load after student-teaching under Mr. Ryan.

"I greatly enjoy working here at Rockhurst," Mr Vaughn said. "The faculty is a great source of knowledge as I continue to learn as I teach."

Mr Wikiera took his Environmental Science to Blue River and Indian Creek to study different life forms present in their natural habitats.

At graduation Rockhurst students must have three lab science credits to be admitted into most colleges, but Mr Geldhof has more than one goal for his department.

There is a two-fold point of the department," he said. "Obviously to get the required number of credits for admittance to college, but also to create a love of science and the interest that leaves a possibility for a career in the sciences." Story by Tom Carlin Paul Beirne Jeff Crowe

Jim DeGraw Chris Elmore

Jerry Goben Department Chairman

Chris Lawson

Larry Ruby Stephen Stock

Richard Sullivan Mick Swanson



Students had joked about much Mr. Jim DeGraw resembled former Kansas City Royals 3rd baseman Joe Randa and the two finally stood side-by-side at the Turkey Bowl. Mr. Chris Lawson lectures to his U.S. Government class

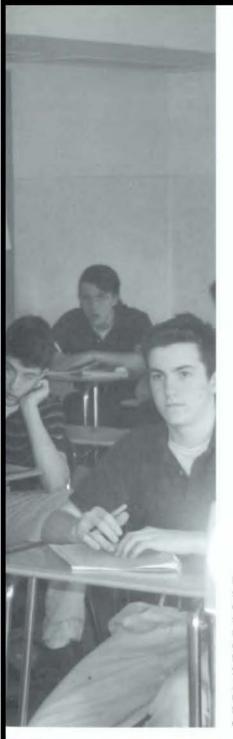


Mr. Stephen Stock, Mr. Chris Elmore, Mr. Jeff Crowe, Mr. Chris Lawson, Dr. Jerry Goben, Mr. Mick Swanson, Mr. Jim DeGraw, Mr. Richard Sullivan and Mr. Paul Bierne.









Dr. Jerry Goben spent many hours after school teaching students about reading text books and preparing for tests at the Student Success Center Mr. Jeff Crowe gets ready to pass back tests to his economics class

Social Studies Diverse faculty and technology accomodate student interests

If it's not broken, don't fix it is the view taken by Dr. Jerry Goben, Chairman of the Social Studies department.

"We've had an outstanding year," said Dr. Goben. "Our staff has a good mixture of age and background and works extremely well together. Besides that, everyone coaches or stays involved in some extracurricular."

Textbooks have remained the same as the previous year and the staff has been a constant for the last four years. The only additional class was an extra section of U.S. History.

The department's only two electives, Contemporary World Problems and Economics, have seen their numbers more than double over the past four years, and AP and honors courses have grown substantially.

"We've worked very hard with Mr. Ruby to make sure that the kids who want to be in the honors and AP classes get into them," said Dr. Goben. "At the same time, we're also making sure that they're placed in the correct spot academically. It takes a lot of work and coordination with the Counseling Department."

Mr. Jim DeGraw and Mr. Chris Elmore arrived back from summer break to find a projection systems installed in their classrooms. The systems can hook up to a computer and show PowerPoint presentation from both students and teachers or to a DVD player or VCR and show a movie.

"This makes things a lot easier," said Mr. DeGraw. "Now I don't have to worry about reserving a projector from the library, getting down to the classroom, and then bring it back up. It's all here in the class."

The department has requested two more rooms to be equipped with the new technology for next year. Story by Sean Comiskey







National History Day projects are displayed in the hallway Dr Goben helps a freshman with his homework at a Stress Busters meeting Junior Ryan Gibson poses with his U.S. History teacher Mr. Stephen Stock.

Theology

Students contemplate Catholicism but hear of most world religions

The Theology Department tries to expand students' views about their religion, help them grow spiritually, provide information on other religions, and to learn about the sacred texts of Christianity and Judaism.

Mr. Justin Rogers moved from the English Department to teach Church in the Modern World. Mr. Marvin Grilliot, new to RHS, previously taught at Bishop Ward High School and has recently come back from Nicaragua on a Jesuit Volunteer trip of two years with his wife. He teaches Systematic Theology and Catholic Faith in Practice, a basic introductory course to theology and morality.

Mrs. Valerie Davis, Mr. Joe Delehunt and Sr. Mary Ann Thue continue to teach freshman level theology along with Mr. Jay Coleman, Department Chairman.

Mrs. Molly Reardon, Mr. Coleman, and Sr. Thue teach scriptures classes, which focus on studying the Old and New Testament to sophomores.

Mrs. Jerry Featherston and Mr. Rogers teach Church in the Modern World where juniors learn about different world religions along with the Sacraments of the Catholic Church.

Mr. David Alvey, Mr. John Morris, and Mr. Grilliot teach senior level theology, which includes Catholic Faith in Practice andChristian Justice in the world today. Mr. Tom Norman teaches Liturgy and Worship where students study the lituray and plan and lead class and all-school masses.

Mr. Vincent Giacabazi, a member of the Alumni Service Corps, taught sophomore theology as well as two freshman theology sections when Mr. Delehunt was on leave for surgery.

Mr. Grilliot invited a representative to talk to students about a retreat called Anytown, which is held in the summer and promotes equality for all. The freshman theology teachers also had several speakers on Catholic Morality.

"Hearing another voice is always important for students," said Mr. Coleman. "The outside speakers we bring in provide a different perspective and hopefully challenge our perceived way of thinking."

Story by Chris Balmaceda

Mrs. Jerry Featherston speaks on Islam to her Church in the Modern World Class Mr. Marvin Grilliot jokes with senior Kyle Davis. Junior Sal Capra converses with Mrs. Reardon before class.Mr. Justin Rogers makes a point on early religions. Hani Al Halawany gives a presentation about being a Muslim.





Photo by Stephen Hind

Junior Kyle Pierson and Mrs. Molly Reardon chat during activity period. Mr. Vincent Giacabazi decided to begin his training to be a Jesuit priest. Mr. John Morris discusses upcoming events with Mr. David Laughlin, Principal.





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Dave Alvey Jay Coleman Department Chairman

Valerie Davis Joe Delehunt

Jerry Featherston Vincent Giacabazi

Marvin Grilliot John Morris

Tom Norman Molly Reardon

Justin Rogers Sr. Mary Ann Thue











Mr. John Morris, Mr. Thomas Norman, Mrs. Jerry Featherston, Mr. David Alvey, Mr. Jay Coleman, Sr. Mary Ann Thue, Mrs. Molly Reardon, Mr. Justin Rogers, Mrs. Valerie Davis, Mr. Vincent Giacabazi and Mr. Marvin Grilliot.

Photo by Sam Monsees

Foreign Language Language study proves more important than ever

According to Department Chairman Dr. Jorae Taracido, as the number of students going on to higher language levels grows, the popularity of the Foreign Language Department becomes evident.

Familiar faces abound except Spanish, which welcomed Mr. Stephen Derrington as its replacement for Mr. Paul Brockland. Leaving will be Mr. Kevin Holland and Mrs. Sabina Akes. Dr. Taracido knows he'll be able to maintain the quality teaching he has now.

could not be more pleased with the staff."

A new textbook sequence was introduced to the Spanish 1, 2 and 3 classes, while PowerPoint presentations were used much more widely.

"A lot of the young teachers have been using it solidly," said Dr. Taracido. "Some of the older teachers are coming around as well. Except Señor Staihr."

The department sponsored two trips over the summer, one to Spain, and the other to the Greek Islands, both under the leadership of Señor Staihr and Story by Sean Comiskey Dr. Michael Cusick

Junior Justin Brown tosses the bocce ball during a demonstration of the game in Mrs. Sabina Akes French III class. Mr. Jeremy McElduff goes over a homework assignment with members of his Spanish II classes



Forty-four Spanish students and four faculty members traveled extensively throughout Spain for two weeks in June. They are pictured here in Seville. Kansas City's sister city

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Mr. Jeremy McElduff, Dr. Jorge Taracido, Mr. Stephen Derrington, Mrs. Sabina Akes, Mr. Kevin Holland, Mr. Richard Staihr, Dr. Michael Cusick, Mr. Bert Roney.



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Sabina Akes Mike Cusick

Stephen Derrington Kevin Holland

"We have very good teachers," said Dr. Taracido. "I





Junior Jason Coleman translates Latin in Dr Michael Cusick' class, Mr. Bert Roney helps Sophomore Carson Monetti with his Pen Pal letter for Spanish Club, Senior Zach Anderson-Boland shows the wrestling article that mentions him to Dr. Jorge Taracido at the end of his Spanish IV class





Photo by Chris Fakoury







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Mr. Kevin Holland shows the conjugation of a verb. Freshmen compete in Latin Scrabble in Dr. Michael Cusick's class. Dr. Cusick shows freshman Sean Martin a passage from Homer's Odyssey. Mrs. Sabina Akes reacts to a student's comment in French Class Junior Kevin Jakopchek makes a point with Mr. Rick Staihr.



Jeremy McElduff Bert Roney

Rick Staihr

Jorge Taracido Department Chairman

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Mike Dierks Joe Fleming Department Chairman

Chuck Irons

Kathy Kane

Member of the Arts Department are Mr. Joe Fleming, Mr. Bill Murphy, Mr. Mike Kern, Mrs. Kathy Kane, Mr. Ryan Olsen, Mr. Chuck Irons, Mr. Mike Dierks, and Mr. Don Ramsey. Seniors Robert Johnson and Thomas Staab observe various pieces of artwork at the Fine Arts Festival. Mr. Michael Kern plays a verse during the faculty retreat at Prairie Star Ranch Ms. Jennifer Konzem was Mr. Ryan Olsen's accompanist for many of his vocal music classes and concerts. Mr. Michael Dierks goes over layout designs with his Journalism I class Mr. Olsen conducts during the Pre-Choir Tournament concert.



















Mike Kern

Bill Murphy

Ryan Olsen Don Ramsey







critiques junior Bobby Koerper's artwork, Mr. Bill Murphy explains to freshman Alex Waite the complexities of architecture. Mrs. Kathy Kane speaks to the cast of Jesus Christ Superstar before a performance. Mr. Joe Flemina demonstrates the use of a flash in his photograpy class.

Mr Chuck Irons

Arts

Rockhurst students strive to be renaissance men

The Arts Department continued to thrive and grow, showcasing the diverse talents that Rockhurst students share outside their core classes.

With the departure of art instructor Mrs. Connie Greany, some thought it would be a tough task to fill her shoes, but students took an automatic liking to Mr. Chuck Iron's style of teaching and ability to connect.

"Mr. Irons bring a positive free spirit to his class," said freshman Nathan Neenan. "He has a good style in presenting information to his students at their level."

Department members focused on using more specific forms of technology to increase the knowledge of students towards their specific interests, including music editing software and stage lighting programs.

"We want to prepare the person for his future and orient the technology more towards a specific field," said Mr. Mike Dierks, Department Chairman. "Many students use classes in the department to work with their co-curriculars, to get to an end product, such as Speech and Debate researching on the internet to prepare for a tournament."

Along with new technology the department is also working towards a cross-curriculum form of teaching, taking different art classes and having them work together. This allows students to learn how fields of interest can cooperate with each other.

"Rockhurst is slowly becoming as known for its arts as sports," said Mr. Dierks. "We are fortunate that the community understands the importance of arts in forming a more well-rounded individual."

The annual Arts Day in April allowed students to showcase their works, so that others may experience things they might not otherwise be able to see.

"The Arts Days bring school spirit in a different way," said Mr. Dierks. "We have the sea of blue at sporting events, but this day shows that we are really a sea of many colors, or many senses, and allows all students to partake in experiencing the arts."

Story by Michael Aylward

Bernie Kreikemeier Department Chairman

John McEniry



Kevin E. Miller

Mr. John McEniry helps sophomore Eric Dean with his Visual Basic assignments. Junior Jacob Christian and seniors Spencer Martens and Christopher Barton assemble a computer. Junior Nat Nimley proofs a paper before school.







Mr. Bernie Kreikemeier, Mr. John McEniry and Mr. Kevin E. Miller.





Computer Education

Students learn computer systems from the ground floor and beyond

The Computer Education Department provides Rockhurst students an opportunity to gain collegiate computer skills in a high school environment.

The department is headed by chairman Mr. Bernie Kreikemeier who is in his 16th year at Rockhurst. He teaches Automated Accounting and Computer Essentials I. Mr. Kevin E. Miller, in his fifth year of teaching at RHS, instills the value of professionalism into students in his Computer Essentials I and Computer management classes. Mr. John McEniry, in his 26th year, teaches Visual Basic Land II and Java classes where students can learn how to make programs.

The department has made advances in technology recently by adding programs like Front Page, Dazzle, and the addition of 35 new Pentium 4's in Mr. McEniry' room.

"The goal is to get our students ready for college level courses," said Mr. Kreikemeier. "Adding new technology is just one way we can help them reach their aoals"

Mr. Kreikemeier's surgery on a tumor in his neck went well and he is virtually back to normal. He expressed gratitude to everyone who prayed and helped him through the difficult time, especially Mr. Miller and Mr. McEniry for filling in for him when he couldn't teach.

"Teamwork is the goal to the department's success," said Mr. Kreikemeier. Story by Daniel Durie













Physical Education

Competition, teamwork, skills developed with PE

"PE class allows students to have a little fun with the activities we do during class," said Coach Tony Severino, Department Chairman. "One of our goals for the class is to build team unity and make the students understand how their body works."

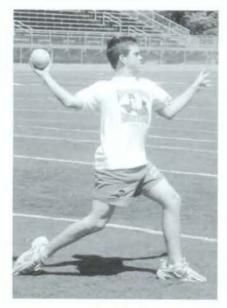
Physical Education also allows students to gain knowledge of weight training with focus on technique. It provides experience in team sports and fitness tests.

"When the new gym is built it will give us the opportunity to expand our program," said Coach Severino. "We will have the ability to offer more and can also combine several classes at one time."

Alongside Coach Severino is Coach Matt Nolen, who teaches PE and supervises the weight room.

Lifetime Sports, taught by Coach Severino, offers seniors the opportunity to learn the skills and participate in sports that can be played throughout one's lifetime, including golf, tennis, and bowling.

"I enjoy Lifetime because every class is unique in its own way for every sport," said Coach Severino. "Bowling is the most competitive because everyone wants to compete in the tournament at the end of the year." Story by Joe Christiano



Junior Keegan Surface throws a ball in an outside bombardment game. Senior Pat Casey blocks a shot during PE class. Senior Dane Cousins goes for a layup.









Mr. Tony Severino, Mr. John Morris and Mr. Matt Nolen.





Matt Nolen Tony Severino

Sophomore David Cotter pitches to sophomore Zach Kratofil during PE outside. Coach Tony Severino speaks at a pep assembly. He also moderates the Spirit Club Junior Sean Kitts maxes out during weight lifting. Freshman William Miller is safe, by an inch, at home plate. Sophomore William Tarr makes a jump shot





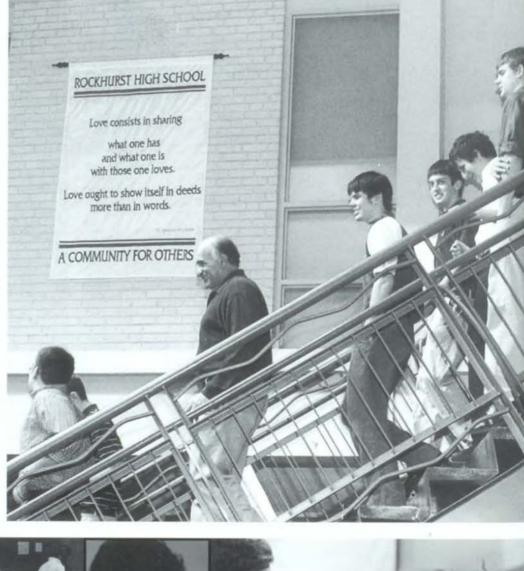














Student Body



Rockhurst revels in its students, who mission. Could





are here to become better. It's the only reason for the effort, the they be the intangible difference? Are they the way they are because of the community, or is the community the way it is because of them? Hmmm













Sean Fessler works on an assignment in Theology class.

Freshmen Class Officers are Jack Euston, Eli Sopcich, Sean Fessler, William Boesen, Sean Bishop, and Ronald Morgan.

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"We definitely had a full plate trying to learn the system while forming friendships." -Kevin Healy

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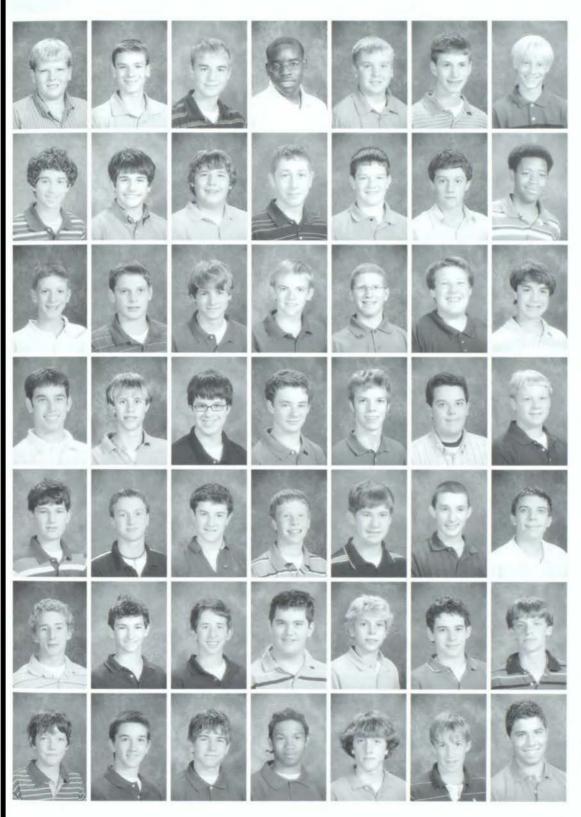
James McFadden listens as teacher gives instructions

"The year went by fast but I will never forget the intensity and fun everyone had at different sporting events." - John Calhoun

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Above and clockwise: Jake Arbanas studies In Latin class. Freshmen with their new spirit shirts. Kevin Healy poses for camera. Neil O'Brien, Ben McAnany, and Kevin O'Brien hang out above the Barry Commons.

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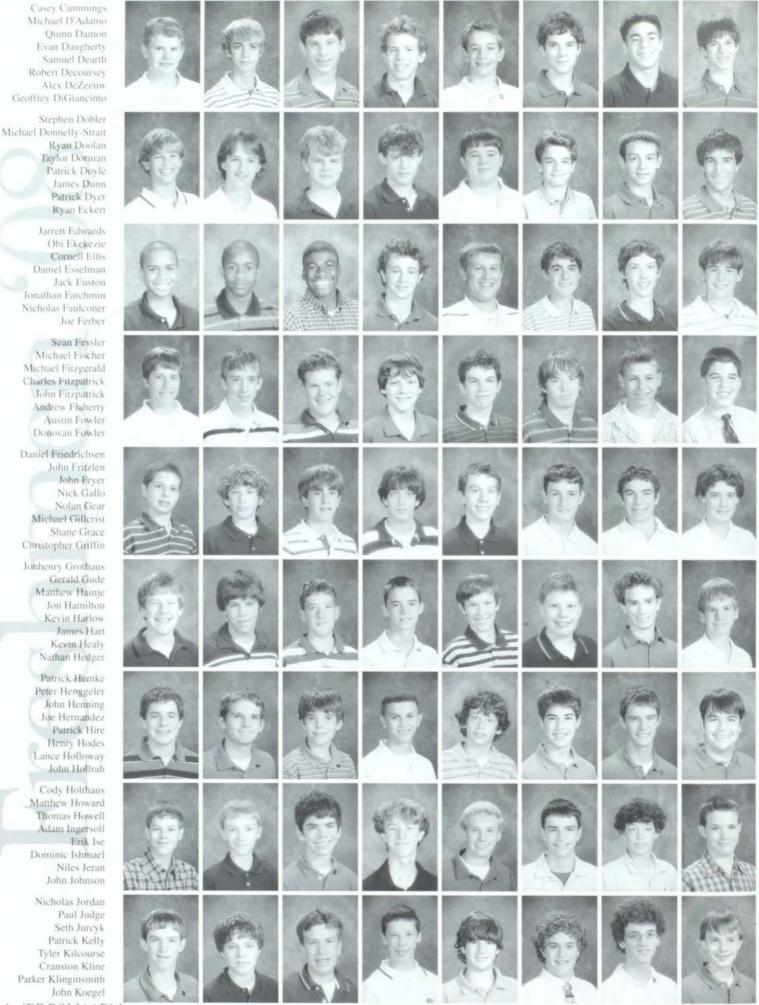
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Student Success Center helps others to reach potential

Hey, fellow Rockhurst students, are you stressing out about grades, homework, and tests? Well, if you are, the Student Success Center is the place for you.

Mrs. Gerri Sopyla, academic counselor, and Mrs. Jennifer Olsen, former RHS English teacher, began the program almost six years ago because they wanted to create a place where students

could get one-on-one peer and teacher tutoring. They hoped that students would feel comfortable coming in and asking for help on homework or advice on how to study for an exam.

This was the first time Rockhurst had tried this type of program where classmates help each other to understand different subjects. No one knew what was going to happen, but six years later it is still going and is at its highest point. After Mrs. Olsen left RHS, English instructor Mrs. Laurie Prater began helping Mrs. Sopyla.

Mrs. Sopyla and Mrs. Prater recruited teachers from several departments, including Dr. Jerry Goben who helped with study skills, Mr. Chris Bosco, Mr. Justin Rogers and Mr. Michael Wickenhauser, who provided English tutoring, and Mr. Paul Ptasnik and Mr. John Lan Tran, SJ, who helped with math.

The primary student moderators of the Center, seniors Tommy Palmer, Joe Spaniol, Pat Casey, and Josh Karlin, are assisted by sophomores, juniors, and seniors who tutor in subjects they feel



Mrs. Laurie Prater, Mr. Chris Bosco, and Mrs. Gerri Sopyla, founder, are instrumental in the success of the Student Success Center.

comfortable in such as math, English or science. There are those who come specifically to get help in less common subjects, like third year Latin student junior Phillip Shapker, who worked once a week, either Tuesday or Thursday, to assist students.

"Its not much trouble for me to go in and offer what I know," said Shapker. "I can also get service hours for National Honors Society."

> "It is an attempt by the students, to reach out to other students through one-on-one tutoring," said Palmer. "It gives kids the relief of knowing that help is out there if they need it."

> National Honors Society members are required to tutor at least three hours per semester, and some find this as a way to satisfy the requirement. There are others who simply do it because they feel as though it's their responsibility.

> For sophomore Eric Dean, it's a place where he can get help each Tuesday and Thursday in subjects such as English and math.

"The Success Center gives me the extra help I need, "said Dean." It also allows me to have a quiet environment to get my homework finished."

The only reward that the Student Success Center offers, besides the feeling of helping another with a

tough essay or homework assignment, is a piece of candy from the candy bowl each day one works.

"The kids want the help but the candy helps too," said Mr. Ptasnik. Story by Michael Cotter



Stress Busters allows for a lot of unwinding before exams



Stress Busters was at its highest point in history in December as Mrs. Gerri Sopyla, Mrs. Laurie Prater, and juniors Chris Fakoury and Steven Kamara, had a record 50 students attend the after-school test prep sessions.

The program was introduced in 2002 to prepare freshmen who were wondering how to study for their first final exams.

"We try to prepare the freshman for finals," said Fakoury. "It's hard for them to come into high school and have to take such important tests without help on how to study for them."

With five teachers, Mr. Kevin Holland, Mr. Justin Rogers, Mrs. Prater, Dr. Jerry Goben, and Mrs. Sopyla helping in subjects such as Math, Spanish and English, Stress Busters accommodated all who sought help.

"My first thought was that it wouldn't help," said freshmen Peter Buchanan. "But after I took my final it really did make a difference in my final semester grade."

"Thursday with the Dr!" is the newest of Mrs. Sopyla's ideas to create study sessions for underclassmen. The once-a-week session with Social Studies Chairman Dr. Goben assists students in areas such as study tips, note taking, and organizational skills. Juniors Jacob Christian and Tyler Czinege helped Dr. Goben with this study session.

"This is an eight week series that will be offered in the Fall and Spring next year," said Mrs. Sopyla. "Judging from this Spring's attendance we will need a larger room."

The center continues to evolve to meet the needs of the students and Mrs. Sopyla is enthusiastic because, in addition to "Thursdays with the Dr!" it is adding a series of writing workshops in 2005-06. Story by Michael Cotter

RHS employees and sons strike balance between work, parenting and going to school

Most who go to school where one of their parents works, or work where their son attends school, would consider it to be awkward. For 10 families at Rockhurst it works pretty well.

For mathematics instructor Mr. Scott Duschen and his junior son, Michael, working and going to school in the same building is not a problem. In fact they both like the arrangement.

"I think he feels like a bigger part of the Rockhurst family," said Mr. Duschen. "He personally knows the staff and spends time after school playing sports or doing other things around the school

Michael, who participates in football and track, also works at summer school with his father on his own time, helping teachers grade. He has become more involved with the school as a result of his father working here.

"Sometimes I forget my dad's even here," Michael said. "We just say hello if we see each other in the halls. Its not that big of a deal."

Unlike Michael, sophomore Frank Reardon, whose mother Mrs. Molly Reardon is a theology instructor, regrets that his parent knows almost everything that he does at school

hardest part has been keeping to his demanding work schedule, and providing rides to school. Mr Bishop is always on time to work and has time after school to catch up on Sean's day.

Other faculty members find ways to get around any problems that might come up.

"When I change into my teaching role, I try not to deal with the parenting aspects," said Mr. Duschen. "I think to be a good teacher you have to focus on just that.

Parents on the faculty try to keep the duties of their job and to their children separate as much as possible. It's a rare occurrence that a student gets special treatment from the other teachers because of their last name, and even more rare from their own parents.

Although they aren't asking teachers to grade their sons easier than other students, parents on the staff take advantage of a golden opportunity to ask about their son's schoolwork. It's also easy to find help in any class if their son needs it.

"As a parent I am able to be aware of Sean's daily trials and tribulations," said Mr. Bishop "As an employee of RHS, I have the 'inside' scoop on activities and this helps him get involved."

Having a parent at school can come in handy for students when unexpected problems come up. This was the case for Bishop and his first hour class. Their teacher was not in homeroom on a Friday class Mass and Sean went to his dad's office to have him escort the entire class to Mass. saving a jug for all.

It can present an obstacle when parents have their sons actually in

"I'd prefer not to have Frank in class, given his character," Mrs. Reardon joked. Although she feels this way, sometimes it's not a choice. Michael has Mr. Duschen for math and junior Jason Coleman had his father, Mr. Jay Coleman, for sophomore theology last year. It creates an interesting situation in class, but teachers treat their sons the same as any other

Mrs. Molly Reardon Mr. Jay Coleman and Mrs. Carol Dougherty and son Frank son Jason and son Danny

Mr. Richard Bishop and son Sean

"My mom has ways of finding out things I do in my classes," said Frank. "She will know if I got a bad grade or a jug. That's one of the only disadvantages to her teaching here.

The Reardon's have a unique perspective on spending so much time together. Mrs. Reardon and Frank say they have an excellent family relationship, which carries over into Rockhurst. They agree that it makes Rockhurst that much more fun to see one another here

"I like Frank at this school because it gives him an opportunity to see examples, through the staff, of people who are happy in their work," said Mrs. Reardon. "Frank's going to school here makes my job buckets of fun."

Most parents find the fact of their employment at Rockhurst secondary to the quality of schooling it offers students.

"Rockhurst is a very reputable school," said Mrs. Joanne Comiskey, Development Assistant and mother of senior Sean Comiskey. "Sean's dad and I always wanted him to have the opportunity to go to school at Rockhurst. It was very exciting for me when I came to work here. I am pleased to be part of the excellent faculty and staff."

For Mrs. Valerie Davis the biggest benefit Rockhurst offers is the spiritual role

"The opportunity to experience God in daily life is the biggest benefit any student has in his RHS experience," said Mrs. Davis. "I am delighted beyond measure that my son experiences a significant part of his adolescence within this loving, teaching, learning, coaching, growing, worshipping community."

Some of the problems for faculty with sons at RHS are the conflicts that arise from their two roles, parent and teacher. For most, like Database Coordinator Mr. Rick Bishop, whose son is freshman Sean Bishop, the

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and son Micheal

Mrs. Valerie Davis Mrs. Theresa Fessler sons Sean and Steve

Mrs. Peggy Martin and son Joey

student, diffusing a potentially awkward situation.

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"Having Michael in class creates a challenge," explained Mr. Duschen. "I just treat him the same as all of my other students

The schedule for most of the students and faculty does conflict due to faculty and club meetings, late start days, sports practices or games, or sometimes the faculty member's workday continues after school hours. It sometimes creates a problem with rides to school. It would seem like a waste to have two cars driven from the same house going to the same building and back to the same house again. On the other hand it doesn't seem likely that it would be the best choice to only drive one car to school in case there was something that held either one of the two late, such as a meeting or sports event. While the Duschens and Bishops work around each other's schedules, for the Reardon's, driving two separate cars is a necessary part of easing the tensions of working and schooling in the same building.

"I used to drive Sean to work and he rode home with a friend since I stay later," said Mrs. Comiskey. "Now he has his own car and drives himself.

There are advantages to riding to school with a member of the faculty. One is that the number of days late would be reduced, but most like driving two cars.

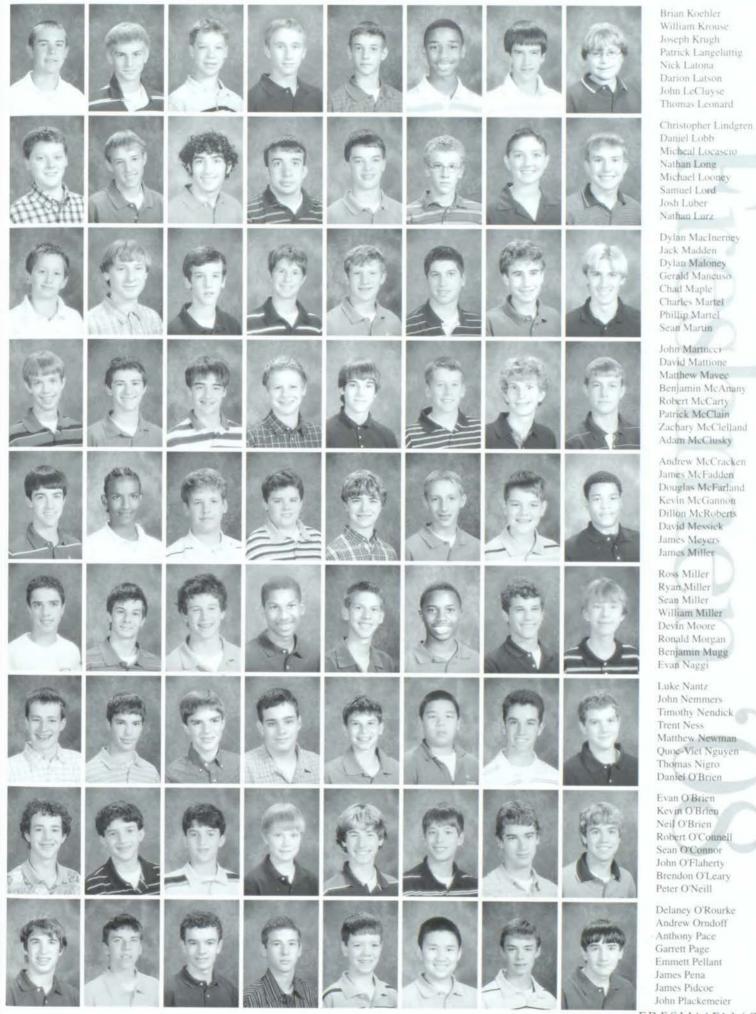
"When I rode with my dad it worked out nice because I run cross-country and he coaches football and they end around the same time," said Coleman. "In the winter we both left after school, and in the spring we both had lacrosse. Now I have a car and opt to drive myself to practice and school.

Other families working and attending Rockhurst include Mrs. Carol Dougherty and her junior son Daniel, Ms. Julie Koppen and her junior son Tim Martin, Mrs. Valerie Davis and her junior son Ernest, Mrs. Theresa Fessler and her junior son Steve and freshman son Sean, and Mrs. Peg Martin and her son Joev Story by John Mahoney

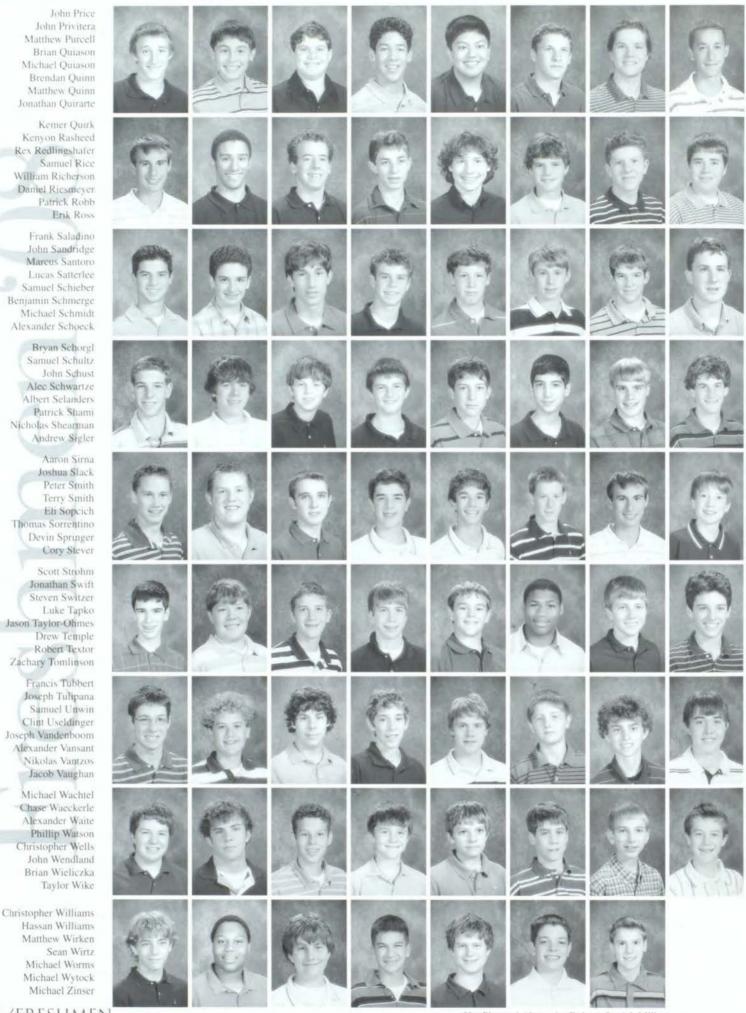








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Not Pictured: Alexander Dobens Patrick Miller

New faculty joins RHS community with shared vision

The Rockhurst community welcomed the addition of eight new faculty members, each bringing a unique background, experiences, and skills to share with students and faculty alike.

Predominantly recent college graduates, the group of teachers add a splash of youth to the faculty roster, and include two members of the Alumni Service Corp (ASC) as well as two RHS alumni.

With two other teachers in the family, RHS alumnus **Mr**. **Stephen Derrington** continues his family's teaching tradition as a Spanish I instructor. Upon graduating from RHS in 1998, Mr. Derrington furthered his education at the University of Missouri-Columbia, receiving a Bachelors in International Business and one-half a Masters in Spanish Literature. Mr. Derrington has a total of two and one-half years of experience teaching entrylevel Spanish at both MU-Columbia and Rolla. Living an active life, he spends his free time running, bicycling, or hiking.

Fulfilling ASC duties, **Mr. Vincent Giacabazi** is a new addition to the Theology Department. Having received a Bachelors in Political science and International Studies from Saint Louis University, Mr. Giacabazi teaches Hebrew and Christian Scriptures. He enjoys traveling, exploring nature and spending quality time with close family and friends.

"Rockhurst is a great place," said Mr. Giacabazi. "It is a mission-driven community that always seems to be alive with activity."

Mr. Charles Loose, Assistant Director of Development and Alumni Relations, received a bachelor from Michigan State and a jurist doctorate from the University of Missouri-Kansas City.

"I saw Rockhurst as an opportunity to give back to the Catholic faith and improve an already fantastic institution," said Mr. Loose. "I am surprised by the friendliness of students, faculty, and staff."

Also a part of the ASC program, **Mr. Stephen Stock** teaches U.S. History with his degree in History and English from the University of Missouri-Columbia under his belt. Mr. Stock served as an assistant coach for the freshmen basketball team.

"I have discovered being a teacher takes a lot of work," said Mr. Stock. "Nonetheless, the community here is awesome and I hope the faculty realizes how welcoming they have been."

Mr. Timothy Wientzen, RHS class of 2000, adds humor to the English Department. With a bachelor in English from Boston College, Mr. Wientzen teaches both English I and English II courses. He enjoys spending time juggling, doing gymnastics, and skydiving.

"I'm in it for the glory, respect afforded in society, and the ample pay checks," he jokes. "I'm just happy that I'm finally getting published again in The Quarry."

Story by Earnest McCoy



FRONT ROW. Mr. Marvin Grilliot, Mr. Steve Derrington, Mr. Tim Wientzen, Mr. Chuck Irons. ROW 2. Mr. Nick, Vaughn, Mr. Stephen Stock, Mr. Vincent Giacabazi, Mr. Matt Darby, NOT PICTURED, Mr. Charles Loose

Jesuit grads enhance Alumni Service Corps

Mr. Vincent Giacabazi, and Mr. Stephen Stock, worked at Rockhurst for the Alumni Service Corps (ASC), a program that for years has provide an opportunity for Jesuit graduates to give back. Mr. Giacabazi was born in Peoria, IL, where he attended Peoria

Mr. Glacabazi was born in Pe Notre Dame High School, a Roman Catholic co-ed diocesan preparatory school. After that he attended St. Louis University where he received an A.B. magnum cum laude in Political Science and International Studies, with minors in Spanish and Theology.

Mr. Stephen Stock was born in St. Louis where he attended St. Louis University High School. After this he attended the University of Missouri-Columbia where he received his undergraduate degree.

Both have very similar

reasons for wanting to give a year of service.

" I felt like this was a good time in my life to give back," said Mr. Stock. " The Jesuit



Community has given me so much so I wanted to do something for them."

Even with the small amount of pay and the different types of living conditions both felt it was worth the sacrifice to do it. The two lived on campus in Xavier Hall, receiveing \$300 per month to pay for essentials

They plan to head in opposite directions. Mr. Stock will remain at Rockhurst and teach English next year, and Mr. Giacabazi will travel to St. Paul, MN, to start is formation as a novice in the Society of Jesus.

"God willing, one day I will be ordained a Jesuit priest," said Mr. Giacabazi. Story by Michael Cotter

"This year was a lot harder academically, but easier socially because more friendships were formed."

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-Matthew Jenkins

"Sophmore year was a great learning experience and I look forward to taking on more responsibility." -Corey Murtha





Left Sophomore Class officers Will Flanigan. Gibran Chavez, Ryan Coughlin, Michael Gude, Frank Reardon, and Mark Fowler.



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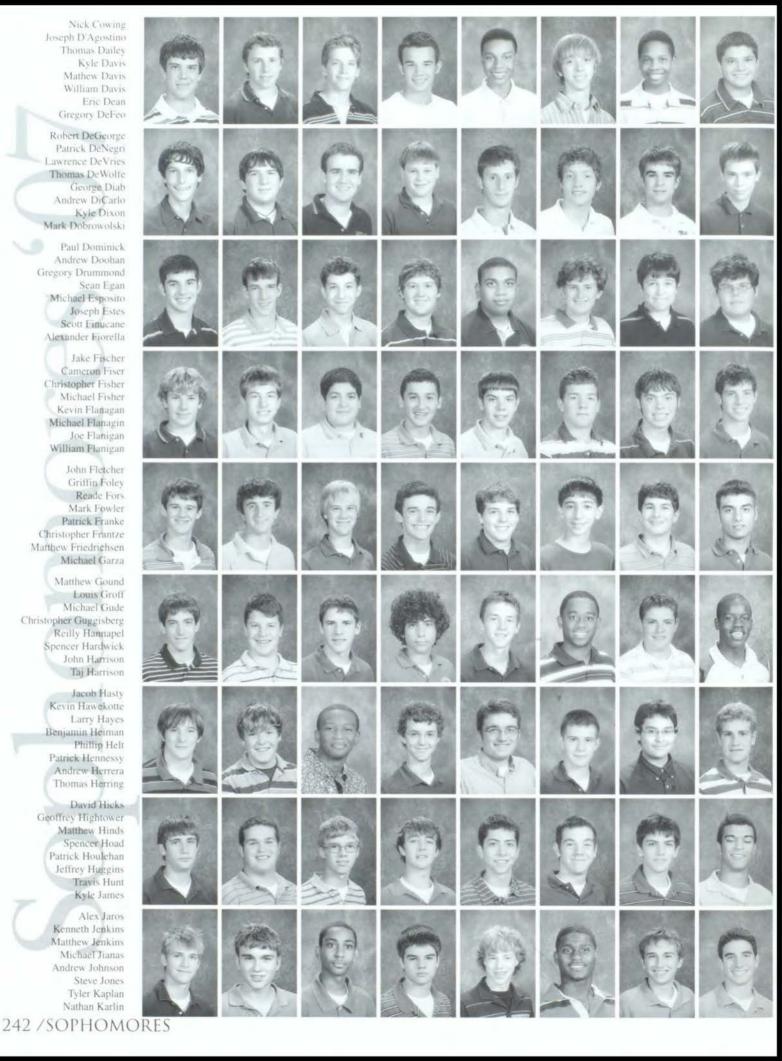
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Belize adventure provides first-hand world experience with those in need







FAR LEFT AND CLOCKWISE. Jim Barnes, Mrs. M.C. Newman, Chris Fakoury, Jimmy Koppen, Andrew Blackwell, Danny Anthony, Derek Cooke, Fr. Gary Menard, SJ, Andrew Whittaker, and Matt Kinney. Andrew Whittaker absorbes the environment at Na Luum Ca, a Mayan Village. Mrs. Newman greets Belizean Matt Kenney helps "Frankie" rebuild school foundation. Jimmy Koppen, Andrew Whittaker, Mrs. Newman, Jim Barnes, Andrew Blackwell, Matt Kenney, and Chris Fakoury at Mayan ruins. Fr. Tony Veag, SJ, welcomes Fr. Gary







The SGA sent \$3000 with Fr. Gary Menard, SJ, Mrs. Mary Catherine Newman, and eight students to Belize in June 2004 to provide service and to learn more about life in poor country.

Originally, Fr. Chris Pinne, SJ, took a group of students to Honduras in 1995, and they encountered a boy named Carlitos who became the namesake of Carlitos Battle of the Bands.

When Fr. Pinne left Rockhurst, Fr. Menard discovered others who needed help after he sent English instructor Mrs. Annie Riggs to El Salvador to explore the need for service. One year ago Fr. Menard planned to take students to El Salvador, but, as political tensions there began to rise, Fr. Menard talked to his Jesuit friends in Belize and decided to go thereinstead.

"Our purpose was to put a personal face on poverty by getting to know the poor instead of just sending money out into the blue," said Fr. Menard. "It also enabled the students to play a more active role."

Besides Fr. Menard and Mrs. Newman, the group consisted of seniors Jim Barnes and Derek Cooke, juniors Andrew Blackwell, Matt Kenney and Danny Anthony, sophomores Jimmy Koppen and Chris Fakoury, and freshman Andrew Whitaker.

While in Belize the group provided more than \$500 in supplies to several schools, talked to Belizeans about the United States, and experienced education in Belize.

The Belizean Government provides an adequate primary education, so about 95% of the people are literate in several languages, including English. Belize has several junior colleges but only one small university, so opportunity for higher level education is limited.

During the weeklong trip the days consisted of interacting with the people with whom they stayed. Because the society is less hectic than that of the United States, they were able to find time to relax and "soak up" the culture, which for the students was the most meaningful and memorable part of the trip.

"I don't think I will be able to forget the differences between life in the US and Belize," said Koppen. "We put importance on too many things."

"Because Belize is a developing country, it's not uncommon to see the juxtaposition of the rich and the poor," said Fr. Menard. "For example, you can see a fancy house right next to a wooden house that is practically falling down."

Living conditions, outside of urban Belize, are relatively crude and most houses do not have running water or electricity.

"Houses consisted of half-finished buildings because the people usually built until they ran out of materials," said Koppen. "Even still they seemed rather content."

Most rural Belizeans only farm enough to feed themselves, and whatever is left over is sold at market. Rice and beans are the most essential because they make up about 80 % of their diet, combined occasionally with meat. The main industry is tourism.

This was the first time that many of the students had left the country, but all who went had an unforgettable experience.

"The students enjoyed experiencing the Belizean culture," said Fr. Dick Perl, SJ, pastor of Punta Gouda parish, who hosted the group. "I hope Rockhurst will send more students in the future."

"I thought we would be the ones teaching, but this trip allowed me to observe the people and learn from them," said Fakoury. "I was able see the unneeded hustle and bustle in my life."

"The neat thing is that the students who went on the trip now have friends from other countries," said Fr. Menard. "World events may no longer cause them to think only about how they will be affected by them, but how the event will also affect their friends in the other country." Story by Brad Chapman

Rockhurst Jesuit tradition prevails despite fewer Sl's

Not too long ago one would find Jesuit priests or scholastics teaching in most classrooms and living on the Rockhurst campus. Today, RHS only has three Jesuits, Fr. Terrence Baum, SJ, RHS President, Fr. Gary Menard, SJ Director of Pastoral Ministry, and Mr. John Lan Tran, SJ, a Jesuit Scholastic While all three men play a crucial role in the development of students, as did their predecessors, the dwindling numbers of Jesuits has necessitated an increasing role for the laity

"The number of Society members has been in decline since the 60's," Fr. Baum said. "It's God who makes the call; a wonderful

opportunity has opened up for lay people to assume roles once performed by members of the Society. The mission will continue with the many lay people who understand the mission of the Jesuits."

Once filled with Jesuit teachers, RHS may be left with only one as Mr. Tran and Fr. Menard will be leaving after this school year

Both are headed to Boston Fr Menard will be going through Tertianship, which is the last official step in the Jesuit formation needed before being promoted to a leadership role. Mr. Tran will study Theology as the last step before priesthood.

All three men agree that there is a problem in the decline of members of the Society of Jesus and that they are members of a more and more elite club.

"At times it can be difficult, having a feeling of being the Mr. David Laughlin, Fr. Terrence Baum, SJ, Fr. Gary last of a group," said Mr. Tran. "The companions are not as Menard, SJ, Fr. John Vowells, SJ, Mr. Mike Heringer world, including California, Colorado, Michigan, Ohio, numerous, and I wish there were more

RHS, a school centered on the Jesuit Pedagogy, will turn to an increasing number of laity to carry on the mission of St. Ignatius.

"I think lay leadership is God's will and a great blessing for Rockhurst," said Fr Menard "It is these 100+ lay people who make Rockhurst the outstanding school that it is today, not the three Jesuits.

Mr. Tom Norman, RHS Class of 1959, initially joined the Jesuit Order but left in 1971. "It was not what God wanted me to do," said Mr. Norman. "I have no regrets, but what use would it be if it was not what God had planned for me."

Even with the decline in Jesuits at the school, Mr. Norman believes RHS won't lose its Jesuit character. Although he does not live the life of a Jesuit anymore, he still participates with pastoral activities as lay lanatian Coordinator.

"You have got to have fun at teaching, or else you're nuts," Mr. Norman said, who before coming back to RHS in 1981 was a real estate developer in Arizona. "There were lots more Jesuits and less technology than today, but the school has the same amount of pride and tradition it had then."

Fr. Menard and Mr. Tran are both math teachers, and Mr. Tran also teaches computer. Fr. Menard earned a graduate degree in computer science. Mr. Tran has a degree in physics from Rockhurst University Both help with activities ranging from soccer to the retreat program.

Mr. Tran grew up in a small, rural village in Vietnam, 100 miles south of Saigon. At 14, he came to America and graduated in 1992 from Rockhurst University. All three reside in the Rockhurst University Jesuit community.

Fr. Menard, at RHS for six years, grew up in New Orleans and moved to St. Louis at age seven. He graduated from St. Louis University, studying psychology and computer

science on his way to becoming a doctor, but was drawn to the Jesuits. He spent several years in California studying theology and serving as chaplain to the Berkley fire department. He has also taught computer ed at Regis Jesuit High School in Denver

Fr. Baum, who grew up on the shores of Lake Erie in Ohio about 30 miles west of Cleveland, graduated from Xavier University in Cincinnati where he became interested in the Jesuits and their service to the community. He joined the order after finishing college and receiving his Bachelors degree. Rockhurst is the fourth school in his 18 years as a high school administrator.

"I felt an inclination to the priesthood and teaching," Fr. Baum said. "I liked the Jesuits there (Xavier) and wanted to be one of them."

The RHSJesuits have traveled and lived all over the Guatemala, Belize, Kenya, and Rome.

Jesuits have formed Rockhurst from its beginning. With each passing year the school's Ignatian Educators continue the long tradition set forth from the beginning by the founding members of the Order and Rockhurst High School. The school, centered on committed faculty members, carries on Jesuit education supported by the remaining Jesuits and the Missouri Province of Jesuits. Story by Kevin Mulloy

While most schools send several students, some have only

entire school who came from a different country. Guerra lived in

one to represent them. Senior Jose Guerra is not only the only

one to represent his middle school, but is the only one in the

Rockhurst men prepared at more than 60 elementary schools

Glancing around the Rockhurst hallways one might think the students look like they belong here. However, before they were part of the whole that is Rockhurst today, they were at other schools.

Approximately 65-70 different elementary schools and junior high schools send their graduates to Rockhurst for freshman year.

Out of the top 25 schools, six were public schools, including Leawood Middle School, Mission Valley, Indian Hills, Delta Woods, Center Middle, and Summit Lakes.

For the past six years, only two public schools have made it into the top 10 of feeder schools, Mission Valley for the Class of 2003. and Leawood Middle School for the Class of 2005 and 2008.

We don't put emphasis on whether the students come from a Catholic or public school," said Director of Admission and Financial Aid Mr. Jack Reichmeier. "We don't focus on what school the students come from."

Students from the Class of 2005

represented 69 different schools entering for their freshman year.

Top 10 Feeder Schools By percentage makeup of '04-05' Student Body St. Thomas More- 93 students, 8.6%

- 2 Cure of Ars- 83-students, 7.5%
- 3. Nativity (KS)- 80 students, 7.4%
- 4. St. Peter-75 students,7.4%
- 5. Visitation-70 students, 6.9%
- 6.
- St. Ann (KS)- 42 students, 3.9% 7
- St. Elizabeth- 42 students, 3.9% 8
- Notre Dame de Sion- 40 students, 3.7% 9.
- Leawood Middle- 27 students, 2.5%

10. St. Paul's Episcopal- 20 Students, 1.8%

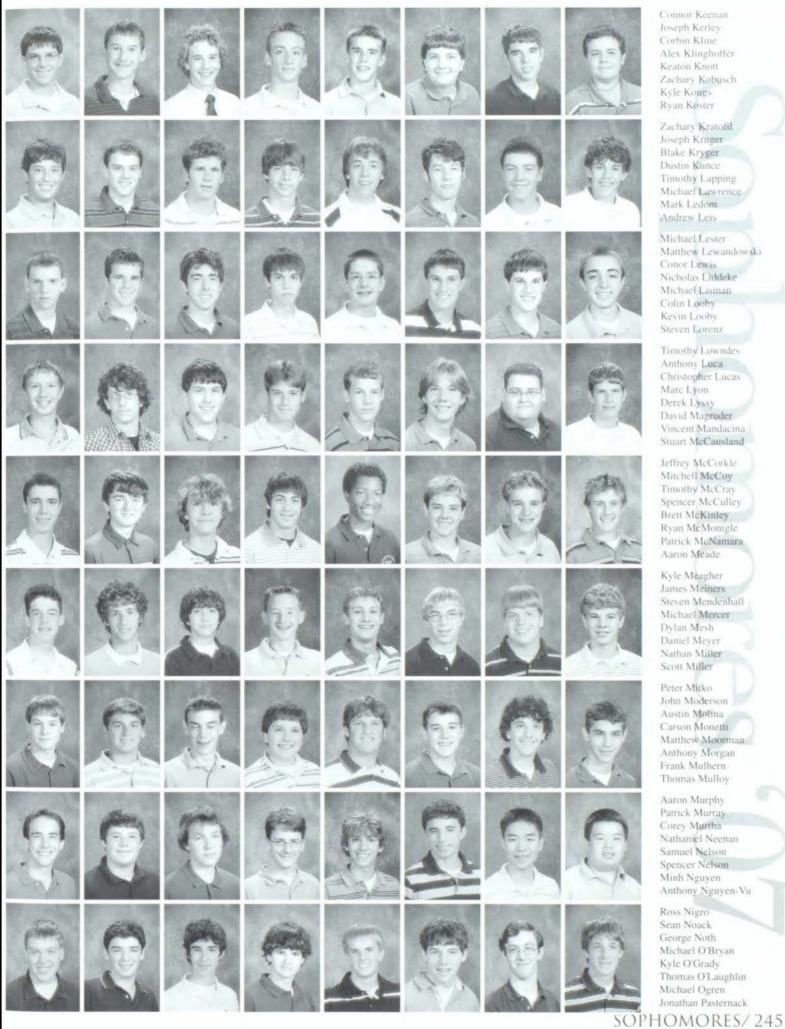
Ecuador prior to transferring to RHS. "I was really nervous transferring from my school in Ecuador to RHS. I was coming to a different country to go to a school where I knew no one," Guerra said.

> Junior Donny Quinn, one of 12 previously homeschooled, saw Rockhurst as an opportunity to make friends.

> "I didn't feel any different from any other freshman," said Quinn. "I knew a good number of students from Cure' of Ars, but there were many I didn't know. I felt excited because of the opportunity to get to know different people from different backrounds."

> On the State Line, Rockhurst enrolls from two states. Since 2000, Kansas has tallied

476 students while Missouri has 599. Story by Joe Christiano



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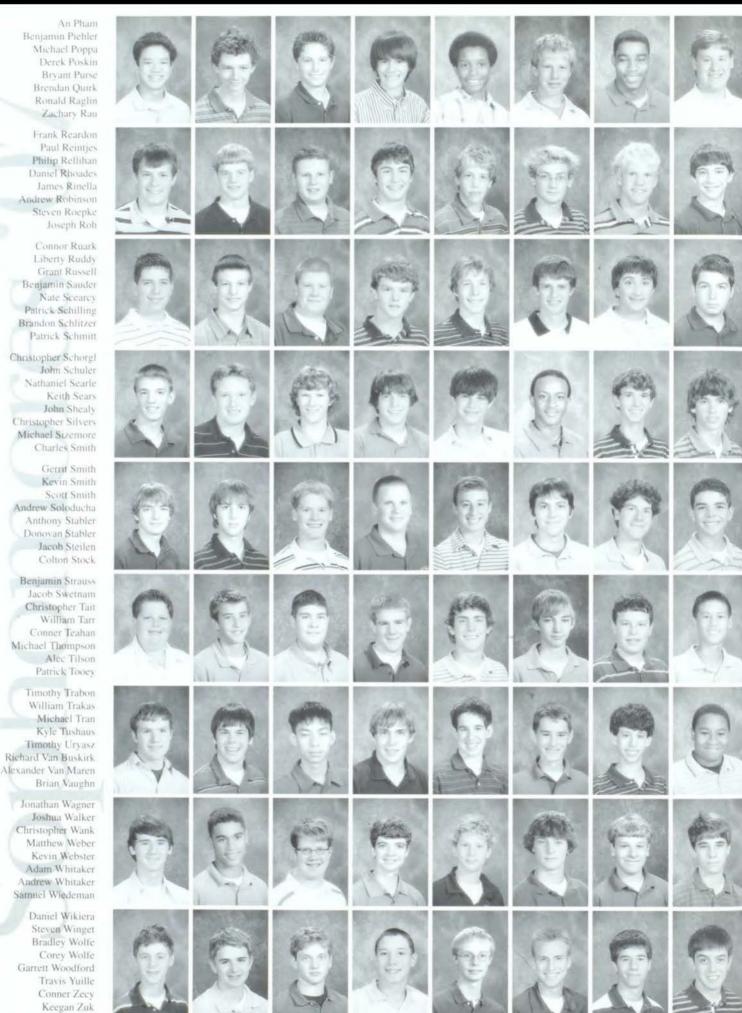
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Eagle Scouts still an elite group

To several Rockhurst students becoming an Eagle Scout is a prestigious honor. The path is challenging both physically and mentally but when the goal is accomplished these RHS student's earn the right to be called Eagles.

To most RHS Eagle Scouts it was their choice to finish out the scouling experience. Still some needed a little more motivation to get it done.

" No wings no wheels" was the pep slogan of Drew Mirocke's mother.

"I always wanted to become an Eagle Scout but the fact that I would getting my car gave me even more motivation to get it done," said Mirocke "Both my father and my brother had earned their Eagles so they

influenced me to get mine," said junior Matt DeCapo

To Some Eagle scouts it was a matter of getting it done for a personal cause, as is the case of sophomore Phillip Helt.

" I always wanted to become an Eagle so my parents didn't set rules because they could see it in my eyes," said Helt. " My Grandma, who always supported me in scouts, was diagnosed with cancer in March of 2002. I worked harder to ensure she would be able to see it. My grandma was so happy and even wanted to come to my Board of Review."

To other scouts, earning their Eagle is all about the experience of being involved in a troop, going on camping trips, and other adventure. Several of the RHS Eagles said that they just liked to hang out with their friends and have a good time.

"My favorite memory was going to the boundary waters," said sophomore John Martucci. "I loved the canoeing, camping and especially the fishing."

Becoming an Eagle Scout requires a project designed to help the community.

"I built and installed 40 birdfeeders at Timberlake Cave Center," said Sean Hennessey. " It took about 50 hours to finish."

Once they reach Eagle some decide not to go further in scouting but several RHS students still want to continue in the experience.

" L plan to stay involved in scouts when Lgo to college and hope to be a scout master someday," said senior Andrew Shepard, " Lalso hope to have a son that is involved in scouts."

Most people who have encountered scouting will tell you that part of the fun is earning new exciting merit badges. These badges are awarded for achieving a goal or learning a specific task.

Forming a band can be a seminal part of a young life, but few actually carry this on seriously past teenage years. For Mr. Bert Roney, Spanish teacher, and Mr. Chuck Irons, art teacher, music remains an important part of their lives.

Both members of bands, Mr. Roney plays in Andean Express and Mr. Irons in The Silver Shore. But that's where the similarities end.

"We have sort of an '80s pop-rock feel," Mr. Irons said. "Kind of like Blondie or Berlin, because our lead singer is

a girl." Mr. Irons, a bass player, didn't even know any of the members of The Silver Shore before January when, separately, they all entered a contest where the group was formed. They had two weeks to write and perform three original songs. After they won, they stayed together, and a few months later were nominated in the Pitch Weekly Music Awards for best new band.

Mr. Roney, on the other hand, has been with Andean Express for four years. He plays the charango, an instrument similar to the mandolin but with 10 strings, the pan flute, a wind instrument, the guitar, and the bombo drum, a native bass drum.

"We're heavily influenced by South American folk bands of the



Michael Zinser, Jacob Christian, Phillip Helt, Christopher Nauser, Andrew Shepard, Chris Tait, Matt Decapo, and Alex Wilson, Mr. Joe Fleming. NOT PICTURED: All the other Eagles who didn't come.

"My favorite is small boat sailing," said Rico Van Buskirk. " It is very interesting because I enjoy boating, sailing, and swimming in lakes."

"I have 40 merit badges but I would have to say my favorite is aviation because I got to fly in a small Cesna plane and actually take control for a little while," said sophomore Chris Frantze.

Scouting provides a lifetime of memories which range from accomplishments, to the times it rained all day and nothing was done, but it could be said that scouting is a time of fun and memories.

"My favorite memory is when I was initiated as a brave into the Mic-O-Say tribe at summer camp at Bartle," said junior Robert Tait.

Scouting also provides a unique chance for RHS students to build leadership skills and to learn teamwork.

" The most useful thing I learned in scouting was how to be a leader and work with others," said junior Chris Nauser, " Life is a continual learning process." Story by Dan Durie



'60s and '70s," Mr. Roney said. "Politically-inspired bands like Inti-Illimani, who are famous in South America."

According to Mr. Roney, the five-person band has made a lot of progress in the last few years,

releasing their first CD, "UJ" ("one" in Quechua) in August. They've played numerous gigs at churches, schools, parties, festivals and farmers' markets, including performances for the Plaza Live series, the Plaza Art Fair, a concert at Guardian Angels Parish and the Heritage Festival.

"We just want to continue doing what we're doing," Mr. Roney said, "and that is playing around

Kansas City." In fact, both teachers have rather modest aspirations. "I'm in it for fun," said Mr. Irons. "I've never gone on tour. This year I might get the chance with the summer off." Story by Sean Comiskey





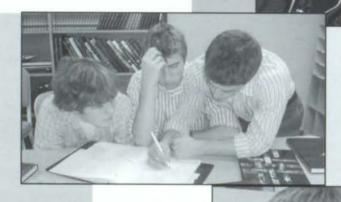


"I enjoyed being able to form more indepth relationships with faculty rather than having that student-teacher boundary." -David Kaufman



"Junior year was the best year because people began to worry less about portraying themselves a certain way and more about being open to others." -Mike Judge

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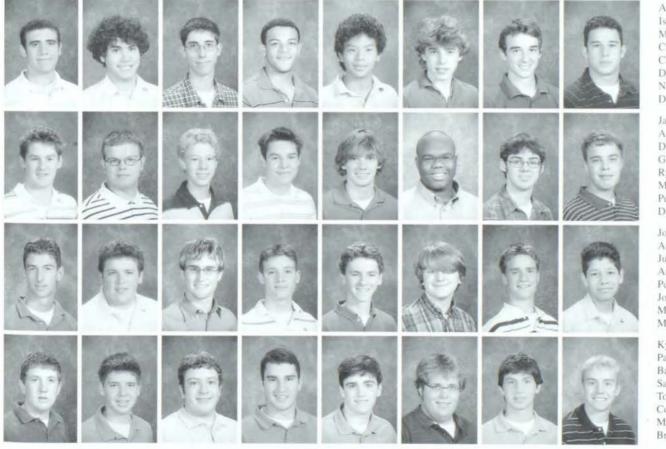


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Junior Class Officers Brian Chalmers, John Moffitt, Corey Carr, Steve Fessler, and Jake Lyssy.



Anthony Accurso Isaac Ah-Loe Mark Anton Chad Baker Chris Balmaceda Daniel Barth Nicholas Becker David Belfonte

Jason Benson Andrew Bianco Drew Bienhoff Graham Bode Ryan Brenneman Maurice Brewer Peter Brewer David Brinker

Jonathan Brocato Andrew Brooks Justin Brown Anthony Bruno Peder Buckley Joseph Burnett Michael Burns Marcelo Bostamante

Kyle Callahan Patrick Camacho Barrett Campbell Salvatore Capra Tom Carlin Corey Carr Mychal Cascio Brian Chalmers

JUNIORS VIE FOR IRONMAN TITLE

With the Junior Ironman in its 15th year, the junior class met in January to determine the best homeroom class. When the class representatives started planning the Ironman after the Christmas break they did not expect it to turn out as well as it did.

"We had been hoping that it would be this successful," said junior class representative Henry Thomas. "It turned out to be as much fun for the class as we hoped."

With the juniors competing in basketball, volleyball, ping-pong, washers and, new this year, Mario Kart 64, more than just bragging rights were on the line. They were also competing for a Gates Bar-B-Q lunch.

The winning homeroom along with all the teachers that were there, won the lunch. Each homeroom had contestants sign up in small aroups to compete in each event and, in the end, Mr. Larry Ruby's homeroom, the Rubinators, won for the second time.

"We knew we had a chance at winning because we had such an athletic class,"

said Joel Hamilton. "But to see that we did win, that Gates is going to taste great."

The Ironman is also to help the junior class grow into the



leadership position, when the seniors graduate.

"We hope that the juniors will take on more of a responsibility and leadership and the Ironman is just one step," said Mr. Mike Heringer, Assistant Principal for Student Affairs. "This just goes

> along with the Junior Ring Dance and the Student Government Association elections "

The Ironman is also a way for students to just hang out with one another on a school night without having to worry about homework, as most of the teachers gave the students the night off.

"It is a way for the guys to get to do things with their homeroom that they normally would not do," said Mr. Heringer. "Most of the kids already know each other so it is a way for them to get to know a little bit more about each other."

With each junior paying \$3 to cover the prizes, more than \$750 was collected, with the extra money going to finance the Junior Leadership Dance

"The Ironman was a lot of fun because I got to just relax for a night," said Robert Kuhn. "It allowed me to just have fun and have a chance to win a great lunch." Story by John King



Blue White Mixer inaugurates the social season, especially for brand new freshmen

The annual Blue/White Mixer started off badly, outside at least. The weather was rainy and stormy, so stormy that there was a severe storm warning. But inside, 1247 people crammed into the gym and commons for a night of dancing and mingling. The mixer is traditionally highly attended by freshman but with the air band competition at the end of the night, many seniors "pack the house" to watch their friends dance and lip-sync sonas.

One of the reasons for such a large number of freshmen is because it is their first chance to really mingle with other girls as a Hawklet.

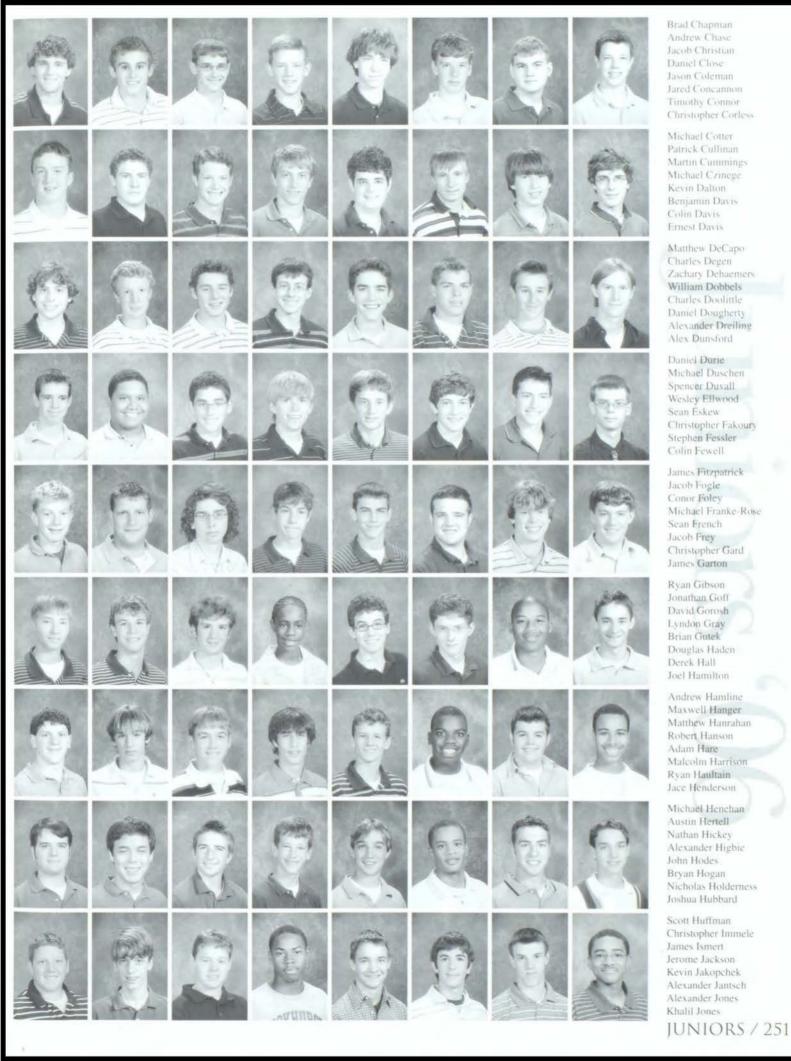
"The mixer was a lot of fun," said freshman Frank Saladino." It helped me to meet a lot of new girls."

After the music subsided and the dancing slows down, it was time for the air band competition, which featured three senior groups and a teacher group comprised of Mr. Chris Dawson, Mr. Kevin Holland, Mr. Stephen Stock, Mr. Tim Wientzen, and Mr. Chuck Irons, who were quickly booed off stage leaving only the senior groups in contention for the title of best band. With a loud and defiant cheer the crowd gave the victory to the band of Damon McKinney, Phil DiMartino, Pat Cohen, Matt Betterman, and Brian Myers.

"Our group was by far the best," said McKinney. "Our dance moves definitely gave us the win."

The mixer is also important because it is one of the many fundraisers for the Student Government Association, who receives all the money made from the mixer and uses It for the SGA scholarship fund.

Story by Ryan Gibson



Juniors assume new resonsibilities with leadership dance, ring ceremony

May was an important transitional month for the class of 2006 as it moved closer to assuming its role as a senior class. More than 65% of the class joined in the festivities at the Ritz Carlton for the Junior Ring Dance.

In early December a group of SGA juniors, including Steve Fessler, Henry Thomas, and Brian Chalmers assembled to begin planning the event.

"It's a milestone for the junior class," said Chalmers. "The dance is a symbol of the passing of the torch as the seniors step down as the leaders of the school and the juniors step up."

A week after the dance, the class gathered in the Rose Theater for the Junior Ring Ceremony, where they were first greeted by their parents and then shown a slide show that included each of their pictures as freshmen to emphasize on their physical growth throughout their years at RHS.

Following a Mass and homily by Father Terrence Baum,SJ, Rockhurst President, each student was called down individually to receive his senior ring or a pin that had been blessed by Fr. Baum earlier in the ceremony. Upon receiving the senior ring it is understood that the junior year has concluded and the senior year has begun. The event was followed by a reception, full of cookies and drinks, arranged by the parents, for the class. Story by David Sherwood



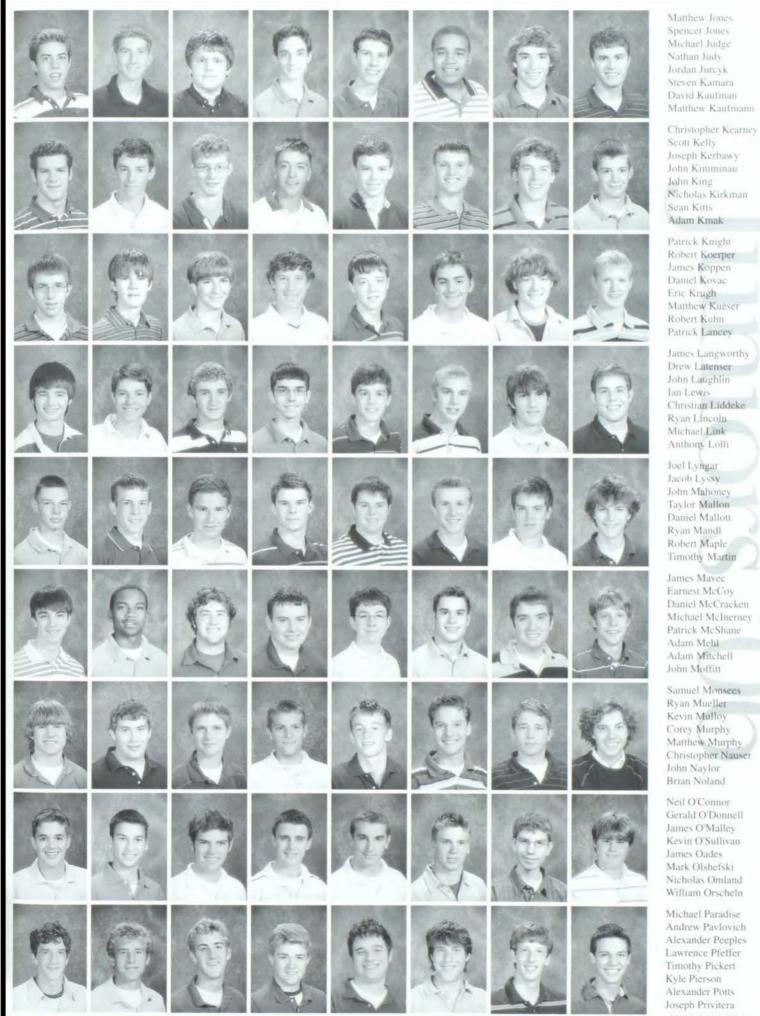


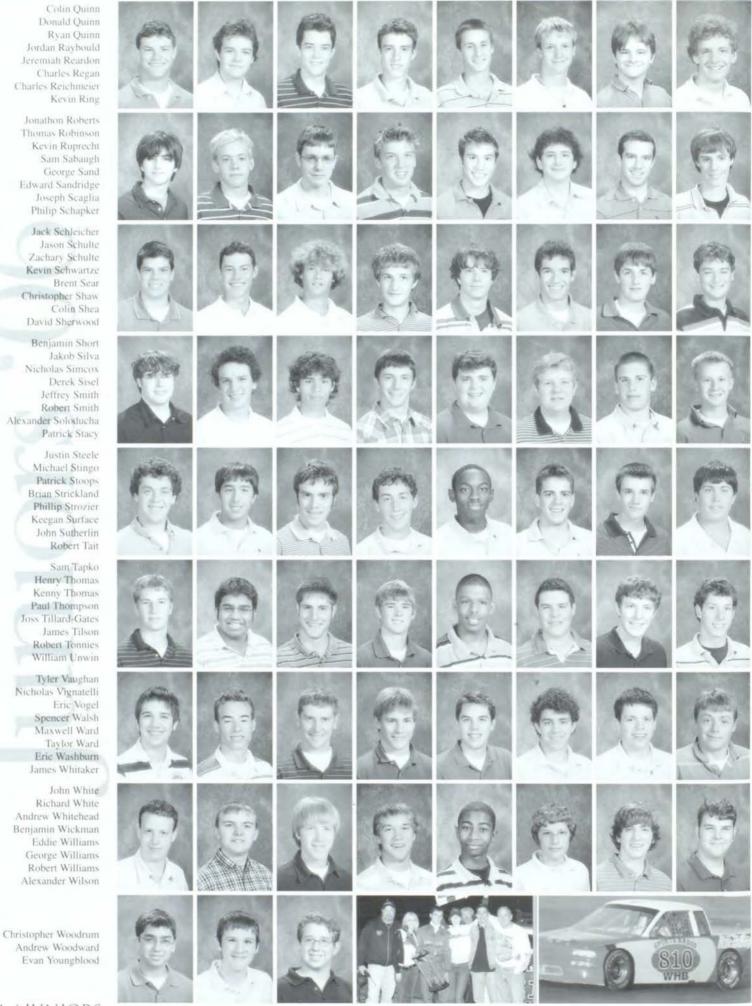












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Julian Rivera has passion for singing

Do you remember the first time you wondered who that auy was at mass singing those high notes with pop-like vocals? Or on stage dancing with that smile that seems to brighten the day? Well, that person is senior Julian Rivera who is committed to the performing arts big time.

Rivera is in two choirs, has been in several stage productions, and he even draws

"I chose RHS because of the Arts Department," he said. "When I shadowed here as an eighth grader I knew that this was the place for me.

Rivera discovered his talent for singing and acting while a cantor for Masses at his alma mater, Holy Trinity School in Lenexa. He was also involved in a Filipino dance group, Sinag-Tala, during grade school.

"My parents influenced me a lot," said Rivera. "When I was little my mom and dad would sing old classic songs to me while we were driving. That was where I got my first taste of music."

His devotion to the arts has not gone unnoticedduringhis high school career.

"He is passionate about his singing, acting, and drawing," said Mr. Rvan Olsen, Choral Director. "He exhibits total professionalism on and off the stage.



Julian Rivera

Mr. Olsen is not the only one who knows what Rivera is about

"Julian is a great leader for our tenor section in Chapel Choir," said Mr. Michael Kern, Director of Instrumental Music "He is energetic, accurate and never reprimands others for missing notes. He

is the kind of leader that doesn't brag about his abilities, he just

does what he needs to do. Along with being a leader and singer, he has been a student of acting.

"He has grown a lot during his years of acting for me," said Mrs. Kathy Kane, Theater Director. "His range has expanded to a wide array of personalities and talents.

Rivera has been part of upper-level choir classes for four year. was in The Varsity Singers sophomore and junior years, and has been a cantor at many all-school and class Masses. He has served on the Theater Council and has performed in several Black Box student productions and main stage productions including "A Chorus Line," "Guys and Dolls," and "Jesus Christ Superstar," to name a few.

"It's tough juggling school and singing and acting," he said. "What drives me is my love for it which comes from inside. And practice, practice, practice!"

somehow maintains his schedule in

the weight room, lifting three times a

week and becoming stronger, both

Already breaking the 485 lb

squat record and setting it at 525 lbs.,

bench record to surpass he must stay

Lifting Monday, Wednesday, and

Duschen pushes himself to become

bigger and better. With a 425 lb

Friday for at least an hour, he is

the bench board. He has to be

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"I am working

towards putting the

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squat record out so far

before anyone touches

it." he said. "This gives

me a lot to work for with

only my senior year left."

"I feel his lifting

mentally and physically.

on top of his game.

Story by Chris Balmaceda

Michael Duschen baseball player in the summer, he has made something out of himself

"No matter your size, stature, or weight, you have to work for what you get in the weight room," said junior Michael Duschen. "It is not just given to you."

A 5"9' 250 lb: junior weightlifter, Duschen has a lot going for and against him. As a sophomore he placed third on the bench board, which lists the top six benchers at school. As a

junior he broke the squat record and is now tied with Jacob Johnson at 525 lbs.

A weight lifter since eighth grade Michael has increased his upper and lower body strength so rapidly that he is considered one of the top lifters at Rockhurst.

Duschen has earned his spot in the weight room," said junior Eric Vogel. "With his devotion and effort all working in his favor, he is bound to have no limitations."

With a busy and committed RHS teacher as a father, Mr. Scott Duschen, Michael has to come and go to school on a certain time schedule so has limited opportunities in the weight room. He manages to stay devoted even while participating in three sports. As a varsity starter at left tackle on the football team, a shot-putter on the track team, and a



Michael Duschen

capabilities rank in the top five in the entire school," said Assistant Varsity Football Coach Eric Berg. "To maintain this position he must work hard and focus.

Although he is an animal in the weight room, he has a caring and loving side to him with his friends and family. However, when it comes down to business either in the weight room, in school, or on the playing field he is hyped up and ready for anything put upon him.

Story by Jonathan Brocato

Students fufill need for speed in free time Pockhurst students partake in a

broad spectrum of extra curricular activities. Some can be easily identified to their sport or activity, but others perform in the shadows, including three career throughout college and hopes RHS students who have unique interests



in common, the need for speed, but senior Austin Siebert takes that need to another level. During the week Siebert attends RHS like every other

Teenage boys

student, but on the weekends he races highly modified super trucks in the United States Super Truck Series

"I race because it gives me an adrenaline rush like nothing else," said Siebert. "I like going really fast."

He started his racing career on BMX. bikes on a dirt track and then decided to mechanically powered and progressed to go-carts. Siebert's racing abilities a BMX dirt track nearby. His were noticed by his father and Siebert was soon racing in the driver's seat of a modified super car disguised as a truck. by the age of 18. He went on to win Rookie of the Year

and was leading the point's championship in Tulsa at the end of the 2004-racing season

Siebert will continue his racina to enter the Craftsman truck series and race at the Kansas Speedway

Another up-and-comina racer. junior Joel Lyngar has been racing BMX bikes competitively since he was 11-years old. Lyngar started his racing career when his parents bought him a

bike protective gear and signed him up for his first race

Like Siebert, Lyngar races for the intense adrenaline rush and to stay in shape. He has climbed the ranks, taking first in three out of four state



races, and is the current Kansas State Champion

He has decided to continue racing there is a BMX dirt track nearby. His great ambition is to take his career to the next level and make the pro circuit

Story by Michael Aylward

Nat Nimleyreceives new lease on life

While Nat Nimley was growing up he had a hard time going out in public without people asking him questions.

" 'Does it hurt?' was the worst question. I just didn't like to talk about it," he said

Nat was born in Liberia, West Africa with Blount's disease, where the legs don't fully straighten as they grow. It is more common in males than in females, is more likely in African-Americans, and sometimes skips a generation. He inherited it from his father, although his father's is not as severe

When Nat was two years old his father came to the United States to earn a graduate degree from the University of Arkansas. When Mr. Nimley moved to Kansas City to get a job he sent for the rest of the family.

As a child, Nat was allowed to play any sport that any other child could play. The only problem was that Nat would have aching knees after he got done.

Nat decided to have surgery during his sophomore year. If he had waited any longer it may have become too difficult for the doctors to correct. His parents didn't want him to have the surgery but he finally talked his morn into it. His dad was not as easy to convince



Nat Nimley

"My mom was alright but I had to have her convince my dad," Nat said. "He said that it was 'the way God made you

During the surgery, the doctors sliced open the bone and took a

piece of Nat's leg out and replaced it with a metal rod. Finally, they put a metal "thing" in his leg to hold the rod in place. This metal "thing" caused Nat to have to sleep on his back at night, and to clean it weekly.

Nat only had one leg done at a time because it would have been too difficult for him to go to school if they had done both legs

at the same time. For rehabilitation, Nat just had to walk on the leg that had been operated on.

"The hardest part after they took out the metal 'thing' in my leg was getting used to walking without it in my leg," he said. "It just felt weird.

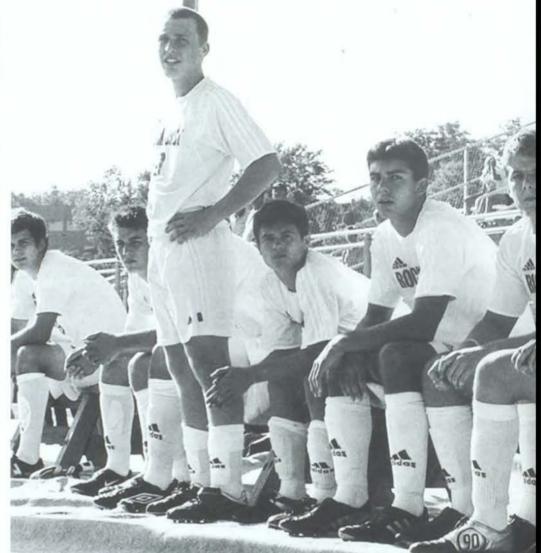
Nat recovered by the middle of October and had the same thing done to his other leg. Neither surgery had any side effects and both legs are in good shape.

Today, Nat can be found doing what most teenage guys are doing, hanging out with girls and friends.. He is in a rap group called "Krucial Click" which has put out one CD called "816-913 Story by John King











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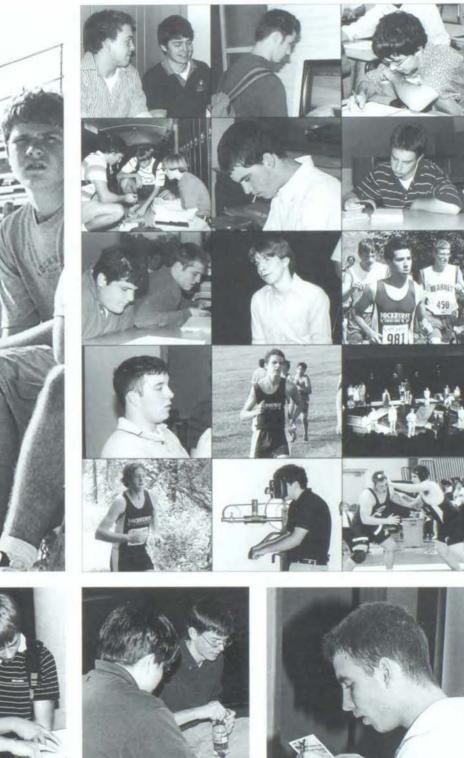


Seniors are very likely suspects to be the R-Factor. After all, they standard for the rest. They How else are the rest to know how to act except by watching those who know?





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Patrick Curran

John Marrin

Jon Dandurand

John Graves

Cole Mayer











Freshmen R-Award Winners Senior R-Award Winners

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Seniors recognized for providing the R-Factor



Five seniors





Cole Mayer, co-winner of The Senior Class Award of Excellence & Achievement, with his parents.



Patrick Curran, co-winner of the Carl G. Kloster, SJ, Award, with his parents



Jon Dandurand, winner of The Jesuit Secondary Education Award, and Commencement speaker, with his parents



The Senior Class Award of Excellence & Achievement, with his parents.



John Marrin, co-winner of the Carl G. Kloster, SJ, Award, with his parents.



Mr. David Laughlin, RHS Principal, John Graves, co-winner of The Senior Class Award of Excellence & Achievement, with his parents; Fr. Terrence Baum, SJ, RHS President, John Marrin, co-winner of the Carl G. Kloster, SJ, Award, with his parents; Patrick Curran, co-winner of the Carl G. Kloster, SJ, Award, with his parents; Jon Dandurand, winner of The Jesuit Secondary Education Award, and commencement speaker, with his parents, Mr. Larry Ruby, RHS Assistant Principal for Academic Affairs, and Cole Mayer, co-winner of The Senior Class Award of Excellence & Achievement, with his parents.









Sophomore R-Award Winners



Junior R-Award Winners



National Merit Finalists are Alex You, John Nantz, Patrick Casey, Michael Camacho, Jeff Poskin, Joseph Caudle, Ted Ginder, and Jason Dehaemers.



Zach Anderson-Boland shows a child sign language. Seniors report their experiences to the students following the completion of their service projects. John Graves plays with a young child at his agency.



Men Serving Others *The real purpose of all this*

For most high school seniors the end of Christmas break means only a half a year left until they head off to college. For the seniors at Rockhurst, it signals the beginning of a new growth and development, one that helps to finalize the process of turning boys into young men.

The Senior Service Project began in 1972, initiated by Fr. Pedro Arrupe, SJ, who wanted to create a program that would allow the senior class the opportunity to face the actual problems of the poor and disadvantaged as well as help them to see their calling in life. Mr. Frank Griffin and Mr. William Munninghoff have been moderating the project for a combined 30 years, Mr. Griffin for 19 years and Mr. Munninghoff for 11.

The seniors had more than 85 different agencies to choose from, ranging from grade and high schools, to hospitals, nursing homes, mentally disabled homes, and state schools. Some seniors head to a familiar place like that of their old grade school, but Operation Breakthrough, a place where seniors help out little kids in a central city day care center, primarily for single-parent families, also filled up quickly.

Some seniors take an alternate route, choosing a more difficult task, such as Katherine Carpenter School, Lakeview Woods State School, and Shawnee Mission West High School, helping the mentally disabled and children with learning problems. Senior Tom Farmer served at Rosehill Elementary School, where he assisted the classroom teacher with English as a second language, and with learning-disabled students.

"Working with the kids was a great experience because they couldn't really communicate with me," said Farmer. " It gave me the chance to reach out to people that need my help."

Another senior in a challenging setting was Zach Sheridan, who worked at Trailridge Middle School, where he helped teachers and therapists with multiple handicapped children in the seventh and eighth grade. He helped to keep the order in the classroom and assisted with schoolwork.

"I wasn't to sure what to think when I got there the first day," said Sheridan. "But the faculty did a good job of helping me get acquainted with everything, and the kids were very outgoing and fun to work with."

Mr. Griffin and Mr. Munninghoff agree that the project is a great way for the seniors to connect with their community and maybe even find something that they enjoy doing.

"The Senior Projects enables the young men to help the poor, disadvantaged, learning disabled and experience the problems in their life," said Mr. Griffin. "Hopefully it is not a 12-day vacation from class but something that they take with them into college." Story By Ryan Gibson









Senior Service Projects



Luke Aggeler Frank Allen Anthony Altomare

Zach Anderson-Boland Daniel Anthony Tyler Atha

Michael Aylward Jeffrey Barnthouse Michael Barry Brett Barton Chris Barton

Andrew Beal Tyler Beaven Benjamin Becker Benjamin Beisser Matthew Betterman

John Bickimer Andrew Blackwell Andrew Bly Eugene Bode Andrew Boos

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Kerry Bowen Taylor Briggs Derek Brown Connor Byrnes Jeffrey Caldwell Michael Camacho Kevin Campbell Patrick Casey Joseph Caudle

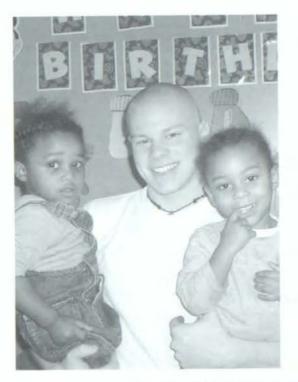
Joseph Christiano Scott Clark Luke Clarkson William Clarkson Matthew Clifford Patrick Cohen Sean Comiskey Thomas Condon Bryan Connell

Dane Cousins Jason Crain Christopher Crawford Johnathan Cullen Patrick Curran Andrew Dahmer Jon Dandurand Mark Davidson Kyle Davis





Leftand Clockwise: Ian Edwards watches over some of the children at his agency. Anthony Ishmael, Zach Anderson-Boland, Jon DiGiacinto, Shea Hamid, and Zach Fietsch take a group shot with the students from Frank Rushton School. John Graves poses for a picture with two of his kids.





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Seniors step out in style Prom marks the end of social life at Rockhurst

With the largest number of seniors in school history, the Class of 2005 met at Prom, a last chance to enjoy each other's company and celebrate four years of hard work.

Prior to the dinner and dance, the seniors and their dates met at the Rose Theater for formal introductions to parents, friends and other family members, and to have photos taken.

The participants then traveled to the Overland Park Double Tree Hotel whose ballroom was decorated with ice sculptures of the Hawklet, 2005, and the Rockhurst crest.

"It seemed that all the seniors liked what we had done for Prom, especially the ice sculptures," said Mr. Mike Heringer, Assistant Principal for Student Affairs. "I would consider this to be a successful Prom because of the number of seniors who attended. It reflects how this class has been involved with Rockhurst activities."

The evening featured dancing and was highlighted with the traditional Rockhurst cheer, a dance to the song "Sandstorm," and Dr. Jorge Taracido and Mr. Richard Staihr dancing alongside the seniors.

"This dance was the best I have been to in my four years at Rockhurst," said Patrick Cohen. "I thought the ice sculptures were cool, but I really enjoyed dancing with my friends for a final time."

Story by Chris Oldenburg











Joe Spaniol and his date dance up a storm at Prom. Tom Redmond and his date pose for a picture between dances

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Senior Prom



































Thomas DeBacco Jason Dehaemers Stephen DeWolfe Richard Dierks John DiGiacinto

Phillip Dimartino Chad Dobbs Anthony Dominick Ryan Donohue Jesse Dull

Gregory Earl Ian Edwards Ryan Elder Stephen Estrada Brian Euston

Thomas Farmar Zachary Fietsch Allen Fletcher Chad Francis Adam French

Zachary Frisch Adam Fulks Dimitri Gamez Daniel Gaughan Ted Ginder Thomas Godsey Jonathan Gossman Travis Gratton John Graves Michael Guerin

Jose Guerra Martin Hamid Peter Hannapel Thomas Hanson Grant Harrison

Patrick Hawekotte Blake Heatwole Sean Hennessey Jeff Herrera John Hicks

Jon Higgins Stephen Hinck Mark Hindman Scott Hoefer Shawn Holloway

D.J. Hord Jay Howell Jameson Hubbard Andrew Huffman Anthony Ishmael















Seniors

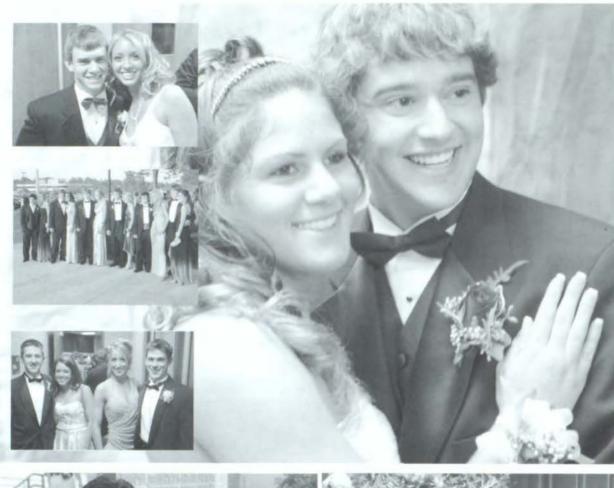
Below and clockwise. Patrick Curran and Cary Silverman crack smiles with dates before dinner. Jeff Caldwell and his date enjoy the moment of a slow song together. Mark Davidson and his date take a break from dancing. Matt Leigh and his date pose for a picture before they leave the dance. John Bickimer and his date pose for a picture on the dance floor. Scott Hanson and his date make their appearance at Prom.





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Above and Clockwise: Joe Christiano and his date pose for a picture in front of the Rose Theater at Pre-Prom. Scott Paradise and Stephen Estrada pose with their dates before being introduced to parents and family. Seniors and their dates take a group picture before heading to the Overland Park DoubleTree Hotel for Prom. Grant Harrison and his date pose for a picture in the band room before Pre-Prom. Jason Morgan and his date take a formal photograph after being introduced. Daniel Kerley and his date are introduced in the Rose Theater to family and frinds.













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Dan Jam

Danny Jonas James Jordan Joshua Karlin Jack Keenan Andrew Kellerman

Kevin Ismert Vincent Ismert Stephen Isom Robert Johnson Jacob Johnston

Matthew Kenney Daniel Kerley Steven Kilgore Cameron Korte John Koster

Tyler Kunce Erik Lapointe Matthew Leigh John LeRoy Phillip Linville

Michael Love Joseph Madden Joe Manzo John Marrin Spencer Martens





Reid Martin Stephen Martinat William Martucci Blake May Cole Mayer

Cameron McCulley Connor McDonough Brian McGannon Damon McKinney Terrence McMahon

Timothy McManus Mitchell McMonigle Andrew McRae Jared Meadows Andrew Medlin

Brian Meyer Eric Meyers Andrew Milbourn Michael Miller Alex Mincher

Devin Mirfashi Andrew Mirocke Anthony Modica Benjamin Molini Jason Morgan

















Seniors

Josh Karlin and his date walk out into the Rose Theater where they are introduced to family and friends. Jacob Weber and his date share a imoment on the dance floor.





Danny Jonas sports the aviators while escorting his date out of the McGee



Seth Sinovic poses with his date in front of the Rose Theater.



Michael Pernice and his date wait in line to be introduced on stage

Senior Prom

Jonathan Morrand Brian Mulcahy Patrick Murphy Peter Murray John Nagle

John Nantz Matthew Neff Thanh-Long Nguyen Michael Nouri Walter Novick

Ryan Nugent Kyle O'Brien Daniel O'Connor Andrew O'Donnell Ryan O'Leary

Chris Oldenburg Robert Orr Scott Orscheln Cory Owens Jon Palmer

Tommy Palmer Scott Paradise Andrew Paredes Andrew Parrin Christopher Peakes





































Mr. David Laughlin, Principal, and Mr. Larry Ruby, Assistant Principal for Academic Affairs, place the diplomas on the stage in preparation for the Graduation Ceremonies while seniors and their families enjoy the bruch before the Commencement Exercises.



Seniors walk across the stage, carrying on 89-year tradition Graduates leave mark on The Rock

As the member of the Senior Class of 2005 began the Graduation Day festivities at Municipal Auditorium, they became a fixture of Rockhurst High School as members of the 89th graduating class.

The day began with the Baccalaureate Mass for the 255 seniors and their families celebrated by Fr. Terrence Baum, SJ, RHS President. Fr. Gary Menard, SJ, gave the homily, explaining to the class that to whom much is given, much is expected.

Following Mass, seniors and their families made their way to Bartle Hall for brunch and socializing for the final time before the graduation ceremony.

"It was nice to sit down and talk to my family," said Joe Sturgeon. "The important part was just being there with my family."

After the brunch, families made their way back into Municipal Auditorium for Commencement Exercises, where Jon Dandurand, the Jesuit Secondary Education Association Award recipient, spoke to classmates about the accomplishments over the last four years, ranging from athletics to fine arts.

Mr. David Laughlin, Principal, presented the Class of 2005 to the assembly gathered by reading each person's name. As each walked across the stage, they were greeted by Mr. Mike Heringer, Assistant Principal for Student Affairs, Mr. Larry Ruby, Assistant Principal for Academic Affairs, and Fr. Baum, who presented diplomas. Mr. Raymond (Gus) Sonnenberg, President of the National Alumni Association, presented members of the class with alumni pins.

"This day was great because it was a celebration of the accomplishment of the graduates," said Mr. Ruby. "The Class of 2005 was a very lovable class and is ready for the next step in life."

After the last name was read, and the final student walked off stage, the senior class processed out of the auditorium toward the main lobby for one final Rock cheer headed by Bryan Smith, Phil DiMartino, Tom Redmond, and Jay Howell. Story by Chris Oldenburg

Graduation



Seniors Class of 2005

Chris Crawford and his mother pose for a picture after graduation holding his dipoma. Ryan O'Leary, Jason Crain, John Graves, Cole Mayer, John Marrin, Christian Scharosch, and Mr. Vincent Giacabazi prepare to process into the Baccalaureate Mass. Bryan Smith, Phil DiMartino, Tom Redmond, and Jay Howell lead the senior class in one final Rock cheer.















Graduation































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Tyler Reed Peter Reintjes Patrick Rhea Christopher Rhoades Julian Rivera

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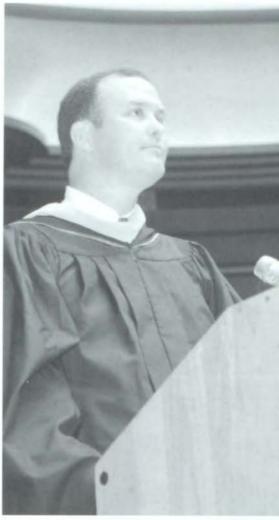


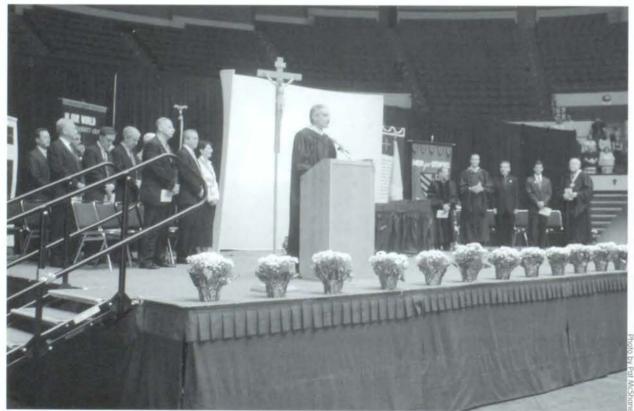
Adam Schleicher Trey Schorgl Tommy Schrader Phillip Scovill Ryan Sellers

Mr. David Laughlin addresses the Class of 2005 for the last time as Principal of Rockhurst High School. The seniors listen to Mr. David Alvey one final time before graduation. Danny Jonas sprints to be included in a photo with Chad Dobbs, Jose Guerra, Peter Reintjes, Kerry Bowen, Tom Condon, Drew Mirocke, Austin Slebert, Pat Cohen, Blake May, Chris Barton, and Steve Martinat. Mr. Mike Heringer, Assistant Principal for Student Affairs, addresses the Senior Class at the beginning of the Commencement Ceremonies.

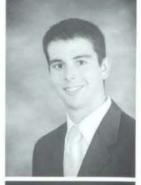


















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Daniel Shearman Andrew Shepard Zachary Sheridan Jack Shuler Austin Siebert

Tyler Sifers Cary Silverman Seth Sinovic Allan Smith Bryan Smith

Guerin Smith Jeffrey Smith Ryan Smith Joseph Spaniol Thomas Staab

Cody Stabler David Stamm Daniel Stanley Stephen Stinger Kevin Stone

Joe Sturgeon Cameron Summers Michael Surface Eric Sweetin Jason Switzer



Matthew Switzer Michael Tabory Anthony Tade Steven Thill Mark Thompson Michael Timberlake

Michael Trabon Tyler Trout Cameron Tusken James VanDyke James Wagner Michael Walczuk

Jake Walker Patrick Walker Andrew Wank Kyle Watson Cameron Webb Jacob Weber

William Webster Tyler Whetstone Matthew Wiber Andrew Williams David Willis Michael Wirtz

Jeffrey Witcher Cameron Woods Steven Yanda Nick Yeates Alexander You Samuel Zollicker















Jason Crain walks off stage after receiving his diploma. Fr. Terrence Baum, S.J., RHS President, offers his thoughts and prayers to the Senior Class. Mr. Rich Wikiera and Mr. Ron Geldhof have a laugh before the commencement ceremony.









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Luke Aggeler-SADD Club 3.4: Spirit Club 4: Freshman motto

Frank Allen-Prep News 2,3,4; NHS 3,4; Football 1,2,3,4; Baseball 1,2,3,4; Basketball 1,2,3; Honors 1,2,3,4; R award 4; Dear Mitch, if you're holding this letter, you already, know The house has been boarded up. The doors. The windows. Everything. We're at the comfort Inn. Room 112 1 love you

Anthony Altomare- Racquetball Club 3, 4; Orchestra, Cello 1.2,3; NHS 3,4; Wrestling 1,2,3,4; Soccer 1,2,3,4; Track 1,2,3; "Good timber does not grow with ease. The stronger the wind the strong the trees.

Zachary Anderson-Boland-Spanish 3.4: Wrestling 1.2.3.4: Magis- 2^{int} Honors 1.2.3.4

Tyler Atha-Regis Club 1: Student Life 2: Soccer 1.2.3.4: Athletic Awards 3,4; "I'll Sleep when I'm dead."

Brett Barton-Flying Club 4: Prep News 3,4: Swimming 1: Football 1.2: Ignatian Honors 3.4: "I don't know what happened I accidentally fell asleep.

Jeffrey Barnthouse-NHS 3,4; Football 1; Basketball 1,2,3,4; Track 1,2,3,4; Who's Who Among America's High School Honors 1,2,3,4: Perfect Attendance 2.3: "Why he normal?" Michael Barry-Regis Club 1,2; Spanish Club 3; Engineering are easy, but because they are hard, because that goal will 2; Spirit Club 4; Intramurals 1,2,3; 2nd Honors 1,2,3; 1" Honors serve the organize and measure the best of our energies and

4: "We ride and never worry bout the fall, I guess that's just the cowboy in us all." -- Tim McGraw Chris Barton-SADD Club 3.4; Spirit Club 4; Pro-Life Club

4: Football 1.2 3.4: Track and Field 1.2.3.4; Second Honors 1,2,3; First Honors 4; "The only thing necessary for the triumph of evil is for good men to do nothing." -Edmund Burke

Basketball 1; Soccer 1; Honor Roll 1,2,3,4; "Of course they

Tyler Beaven-Bowling Club 1,2; Freshman Retreat 4; "Unless you try to do something beyond what you have already Joe Christiano-Pro-Life 3.4: Wiffle Ball Club 2; Intramurals mastered, you will never grow

John Bickimer-SGA 3.4; NHS 3.4; The "R" Award 3: University of Rochester/Kodak Junior Leadership Award 3; "I came, I saw, I conquered."-Julius Caesar

Matt Betterman-SADD 4: SGA 2: Soccer 1.2.3.4: Basketball 1: Magis Award 1.2.3.4: Perfect Attendance 1: "/ can't make this class any less, more challenging."-Polish Snake Charmer

Andrew Boos-Regis Club 1: Spanish Club 3: Quarry Yearbook 3: Intramural Football 1: Football 1: 26 Honors 4: 7 can accept failure. Everyone fails at something. But I can't accept not trying."-Michael Jordan

Kerry Bowen-Sadd Club 3,4; Spirit Club 4; Rockfest 1; Soccer 1.2.3.4; Track and Field 1.2.3.4; 2nd Honors 2.3.4. Andrew Bly-Freshmen Retreat 3.4; Cross Country 1,2,3,4; Track 1,2,3,4; Honor Roll 2,3,4; "There is no progress without any pain or discomfort.

Derek Brown- Theater 3,4; Honor Roll 1.2.3,4; "Get involved in stuff; don't let the time slip away. Have fund and be yourself ... and stuff."

Connor Byrnes-Regis Club 1; Football 1; Track 1,2; 2nd honors 4; "Trust is a matter of faith.

Jefferey Scott Caldwell, II-Football 1.2.3.4; Track and Field Football 1: Track 1: Second Honors 1.4: "No regrets, that's my 1.2,3,4; Basketball 1.2, "We reap what we sow ... our lives are molded from what was once raw dough. We need to take advantage of every opportunity."

Michael Camacho-Freshman Retreat 2.3.4; Rock Collection 3,4; Pastoral Council 4; Theater 1; Soccer 1,2,3; Ultimate Frisbee 2,3,4; American History Academic Award 3; National Honors Society Induction 3: National Merit Finalist 4: "It now seemed that the deepest thirst within him was not adapted to the deepest nature of the world." - C.S.Lewis, The Pilgrim's Regress

Kevin Campbell-SGA 1: National Honor Society 3.4: Prep. News 3.4: Football 1.3.4

Lacrosse 1,2,3,4; Swimming 1,2; 1,000 lb. Club 4; 600% Club 4; "Well you do what you do and you pay for your sins, and there's no such thing as what might have been. That's a waste of time, drive you outta your mind."-Tim McGraw

Pat Casey-Spanish Club 2,3,4; Model UN Team 2,3,4; NHS 3,4; Football 1,2; Baseball 1,2,3; National Merit 4; Harvard Book Award 3; "Best Debate" at North American Invitational Model UN conference 3.4; "R" Award 3: Theology Department Students 1.2.3: Who's Who Among America's Athletes 3: First Award 3: "We choose to go to the moon. We choose to go to the moon in this decade and do the other things, not because they skills. Because that challenge is one that we are willing to accept, one we are willing to postpone, and one which we intend to win, and the others, too. "- JFK

Joey Caudle-Science Club 3,4; Pastoral Council 4; Rock Collection 3.4; Classics Club 1.2,3.4; Chapel Choir 2.3.4; Math Club 3,4; Theater 4; Swimming 1,2,3,4; Colorado School of Mines, Medal of Achievement in Math and Science 3: National Andy Beal-Spanish Club 2,3,4: National Honors Society 3,4; Merit Scholarship Finalist 4; Ignatian Honors 3,4; 1" Honors 1,2; "Let us first of all and before all he kind, then honest, and then-let us never forget one another "-Fyodor Dostoevsky, The Brothers Karamazov

> 1,2,3,4; Spirit Club 3,4; Football 1,2,3,4; Baseball 1,2,3,4; "Speak your mind and be respectful. Believe it or not, there are others who feel the same way.

> Billy Clarkson-SADD Club; Spirit Club; 2nd Honors 4. Matthew Clifford-SADD Club 2,3,4; Cross Country 1,2,3,4; Track and Field 1,2,3,4; Honor Roll 1,2,3,4; Perfect Attendance 2; Cross Country Varsity Captain 4; Gold Spike Award Winner 4; "Well in the end, we can all a friend, well that's something that I know as true. In a thousand years, and a thousand tears, I'll come finding my original crew." -OAR

> Patrick Cohen-Spirit Club 4; Spanish Club 2,3; SADD 1; SGA 1,2,3,4; Intramurals 1,2,3,4; Prep News 3,4; Tennis 1.2.3.4; R-Award 1; Battle of the Bands, 1st place 3; Honor Roll 1,2.3,4; "Maybe in order to understand mankind we have to look at that word itself MANKIND. Basically, it's made up of two separate words 'mank' and 'ind.' What do these words mean? It's a mystery and so is mankind."

> Sean Comiskey-Amnesty International 1.2: Freshman Retreat 2,3,4; Bowling Club 3,4; Film Club 4; Track and Field 1; R-Award 3; Honors Student 1,2.3,4; Quarry Yearbook Photo Editor, 4; "I assume my reputation for arrogant presumption. proceeds me."

Thomas Condon: SADD Club 3,4; Spirit 4; Freshman

Brothers 3,4; Regis Club 1; Football 1,2,3,4; Track 2,3; PF Award 1: 2nd Honors 1,2,3,4; "Sweet guys, Seniors '05?" Dane Cousins - Football 1.2.3.4; Track 1.2.3.4; "When in

Jason Crain - M.E.E.T 2,3,4; National Honors Society 3,4; Spanish Club 4; Jazz/Pep Band 1,2; Football 1,2,3,4; Track 1,2,3; Rockhurst "R" Award 3; "The only true thing in life is the friendship that two people share.

John Cullen - National Honor Society 3,4; Spanish Club 3,4; Newspaper 3: Cross Country 1,2,3,4; Track 3,4; Lacrosse 1,2; - "It's amazing that the amount of news that happens in the world every day always just exactly fits the newspaper." Jerry Seinfield

Patrick Curran - Regis Club 1,2; Spanish Club 2,3; Science Club 2: Pastoral Council 2.3.4; SGA 3.4; Frosh Retreat 3.4; R-Award 2.3; Ignatian Honors 1,2,3,4; "Destiny is not a matter of chance: it is a matter of choice. It is not a thing to be waited for: it is a thing to be achieved

Jon Dandurand - Student Government 1,2,3,4; Spirit Club 3.4: Musicals 1.2.3.4: Chamber Choir 1.2.3.4: Drama Club 1.2.3: Yell Leader 4: Kairos 4: Freshman Retreat 2.3.4: Football 1: Intramural Basketball 1.2.4: R-Award 1.2.3.4: JSEA Award 4; Choral Award 4; "No, he didn't slam into you, he didn't bump you, he didn't nudge you ... he RUBBED you. And rubbin, son, is racin." -Robert Duvall (Harry Hogge) in Days of Thunder

Mark Davidson-Regis Club 1; Spanish Club 3; SADD 3,4; Freshman Retreat 4; Football 1.2.3.4; Track 1.2.3.4; CYO Basketball 1,2,3,4: Ignatian Honor Roll 4: Christopher Clarius Award For Excellence in Mathematics 2.3: First and Second Honors 1,2,3,4; "Life moves pretty fast. If you don't stop and look around every once in a while, you cold miss it."-Ferris Buchler

Jason Dehaemers - Math Club 1.2.3.4; NHS 3.4; Golf 1.2.3.4; Cross Country 1,2,3,4: Ignatian Honors 1,2,3,4: "You must be the change you wish to see in the world."-Gandhi Stephen DeWolfe-Lacrosse 1; Hockey 1: "He fixes the cable"-The Dude

Rich Dierks-Spanish Club 2,3,4; Pep Band 1,2,3; Chapel Choir 3,4; Baseball 1; 2nd Honors 1,2,3; 1nd Honors 4; "Call it anarchy or whatever you want to - there's times when you wanna he able to do whatever the hell you want and, va know, life's short, so why shouldn't you."-James Hetfield

Jonathan DiGiacinto-Regis Club 1.2.3.4: Freshman Retreat 2,3,4; Pastoral council 2; Intramurals 1,2,3; CYO Basketball 1.2.3; Honor roll 1.2.3.4; "Persistence and determination alone dre omni-potent.

Phillip Kevin DiMartino-Spirit Club 4; Rugby 2,3,4; Second Honors 1,2,3,4; "Just when you think you know the answers, I change the question."- "Rowdy" Roddy Piper

Chad Dobbs-SGA 3,4; Spirit Contest Committee 4; NHS 3,4; Spanish Club 2,3; Golf 1,2,3,4;

Anthony Dominick-Debate 1,2,3,4; Model UN 4; Mock Trial 3.4: Spanish Club 3.4; Science Club 3: Speech and Debate 3; "R" Award 3; "Life is too short to learn everything the hard way.

Ryan Donohue - Pep band 1,2,3; Regis Club 1,2; Chapel Choir 2,3,4; Spanish Club 2,3,4; Science Club 2,3; Jazz Ensemble 2,3,4; Musicianship Award 1; NHS 3,4; Honor Roll 1,2,3,4; "Money.





John Donovan - Yell leader 4: Spirit Club 4: Football 4: Boxing 4: Weight lifting 4: "We are like Gods amongst

Jesse Dull-FCA 4: Flying Club 3: Football 1.2,3,4: Diving 2.3: Track 2: "What we do in life, echoes in eternity."

Greg Earl-Flying Club 1: National Honors Society 3.4: Football 1, Ignatius Honors 1,2,3; First Honors 4; NHS Tutor Award 3; "The music will never stop. The heartbeat will never fade. The party will never end

Tan Edwards-Spanish Club 1,2; Basketball 1,2,3,4; Soccer 1; 1,2,3,4; Soccer 1; 1 at Band Districts 3;3 at Band State 3; Golf 2: Honor Roll 1,2,3,4: NHS 3,4: "Life moves pretty fast .. If you don't stop and look around once in a while, you might miss it." -Ferris Bueler's Day Off

Ryan Elder-Racquetball Club 4; Football 1,2,3; Wrestling 1.2.3.4: Golf 2. Second Honors 1,2.3.4.

Stephen Estrada-Regis Club 1: SADD 2, 3; Hockey 1,2,3,4; Lacrosse 1,2: "The dude abides." Jefferey Labowski Brian Euston-Spirit Club 4; SGA 1,2; Football 1,2,3,4;

Baseball 1,2,3,4: "We've been going to the same party for 4 years now. And in no way is that depressing. Zachary Fietsch-Science Club 3; International Thespian

Society 2.3.4; Strategy Club 4; Speech Debate 1.2.3.4; Mock Trial 4: National Merit Semi-Finalist 4: "Out of my kitchen

Chad Francis-Ultimate Frisbee Club 2; Anime Club 2: Drama Club 3,4; Choir 3, 4; Improvisational Group 4; Cross Country 1: Track 1; 14 Honors 1.2; 2nd Honors 3.4; "Uhh ashe Maverick Goose, She's lost it, man Goose Come on I hate told me about the letters ... The letters. She told me about them. it when she loses that" - Top Gun I know all about the letters. How do you think I know? She told Sean Hennessey-Regis Club 1.2.3.4; Spanish Club 2.3.4; me. That's how I found out." - The Man Who Knew Too Little Adam French-SADD 2.3.4; Track 1.2.3; Football 1.2.3.4; Intramural Basketball 1,2,3; CYO Basketball 2,3,4; "You get what you take out of life.

Zach Frisch-Intramurals 3,4: Spanish Club 3: Cross Country 1; Basketball 1.2; Tennis 1.2.3,4; Honor Roll 1.2.3,4; "Heroes get remembered, but legends never die." -Sandlot

Adam Fulks-SADD 3, 4; SGA 4; Football 1,2,3; Wrestling 1.2.3.4: 2nd Honors 2,3,4; "Mom, I'm going to college" Danny Gaughan-Paintball 1; Regis 1,2; NHS 3,4; Freestyle 3; Intramural Basketball 2; R-Award Chemistry 3; R-Award Automated Accounting 3: 1" Honors 4: Ignatian Honors 3: Honor Roll 1.2; Perfect Attendance 2.3; "Remember that spelling bee you won? Rock, R-O-K. Yeah, so. R-O-C-K. The c is silent "-Billy Madison

Tom Godsey - Spirit Club 3.4; Spanish Club 1,2; NHS 2,3.4; Rugby 4; Football 1.2.3.4; Golf 1.2; CYO Basketball 1.2.3.4; Honor Roll 1,2,3,4: "Success is not final. failure is not fatal; it Jay Howell-Spanish Club 3,4: Spirit Club 4: Prep News 3,4: is the courage to continue that counts." - Winston Churchill Jonathan Gossman-Regis Club 1; Freshman Retreat 3; Intramural Basketball, Volleyball, and Football 1,2,3,4; Paintball Club 1: Bowling Club 4: Football 1: Lacrosse 1,2,3; Honor roll 1.2.3,4: First Honors 3,4; "Always do right. This will gratify some and astonish the rest." -Mark Twain Ted Ginder-SADD 1,2,3,4; NHS 3,4; Peer Mentoring 4; Freshman Retreat Leader 4; Quarry Yearbook Editor-in-Chief 3; Work Grant 1,2,3; Cross Country 1,2,3,4; Track 3; Lacrosse 1,2; Cross Country Captain 4; National Merit Finalist 4; Sometimes, you have to stop worrying about whether the

glass is half full or half empty and just drink up." - John Christopher Chansor

John Graves-Intramurals 1.2.3.4; Spirit Club 4, SGA 4; Kairos 3, 4; Student Life 4; Freshmen Track 1; Who's who award 2: Xavier service award 3: 1º Honors 1: 2º Honors 2,3,4; "Girls like a bad boy. They always say things to me like You're such a had person " You're so had at this " So Ladies look out, the bad boy is coming

Michael Guerin-National Honor Society 3.4; Pep Band 1,2,3,4; Wind Ensemble 1,2,3,4; Freshman Retreat 2,3,4; Track "Don't half ass it, unless it's your senior year.

Jose Guerra-National Honor Society 3; Flying Club 1.2. Spanish Club 2: Tennis 1,2,3,4: Honor Student 1,2,3; 2# Honors 4; "The only worthless opportunity is the opportunity not taken.

Scott Hanson-Pro-Life Club 2; Art Club 2; Rugby 1. Grant Harrison-Football 1.2,3,4; Wrestling 1: Eagle Scout; "Go hard or go home.

Patrick James Knell Hawekotte-National Honor Society 3. 4; Debate 1; Flying Club 2,3; Spanish Club 3,4; Latin Club 1,2; Football 1: Swimming 1.2.3.4; 2nd Honors 1.4: 1nd Honors 2.3; "There's no problem too big, that you can't run away from. Blake Heatwole- Regis Club 1; Herpetology Club 4;

Basketball 1; Track 1,2,3; Football 1,4; "Maverick: She's lost that lovin feeling. Goose: She's lost ... No she hasn't Maverick: Yes, she has. Goose: She has not lost that lovin...

Freshman Retreat 3,4; Intramurals 1,2,3,4; Paintball Club 1,2; Lacrosse 1.2,3; 2nd Honors 4; "Mr. Alvey I can't come to school today because I have a deadly disease I'm fat." Jeff Herrera SADD 2,3; Student Government 2,3,4;

Intramurals 2,3,4; Soccer 1,2; Lacrosse 1,2,3,4; Football 3,4; R-Award 2,3; Honor Roll 2,3.

Stephen Hinck SADD 2 3,4: Freshman Retreat 3: FCA 3: Prep News 4: Intramural Football 2.3,4: Intramural Basketball 1,2,3; CYO Basketball 1,2,3,4; Swimming 3: Track and Field 2,3,4; Football 1; Honor Roll 1,2,3,4; "Knowledge and wisdom aren't even related at all.

Scott Hoefer-Regis Club 1: Paintball 1: Herpetology Club 4: Intramural Volleyball 3,4; Wiffleball Club 3; "When in Rome ... How are ya?"

D.J. Hord-Football 2.3,4; Basketball 1.2.3; Track 1.2.3,4; Honor Roll 1,2,3,4; "I don't need broadway, broadway needs me " -Grandfather

Football 1; Track 2; 1" Honors 2,3; 2nd Honors 4; Magis 1, "7 don't know how to put this, but I'm kind of a big deal. People know me. I'm very important. I have many leather-bound books, and my apartment smells of rich mahogany." -Ron Burguny(Anchorman)

Jameson Hubbard-Amnesty International 2,3,4; Art Club 2,3.4; Lacrosse 1; Cross Country 2.3; "I set happy by the poolside staring at the leaf 1'd found. Is my hair antenna or a tether to the ground? I palmed that palm beneath the palm and I watched the veins compound. Is my hair antenna or a tether to the ground?" -Pewep In The Formats

Kevin Ismert-Regis Club 1.2.3; Bowling Club 1; Wiffleball Club 1,2; SADD Club 1, Raquetball Club 1,2; 2nd Honors 1.2.3.4: "To give anything less than your best is to sacrifice a great gift.

Vince Ismert Regis Club 1: French Club 2: NHS 2: Bowling Club 1; Wrestling 1.2; 2nd Honors 1.2; 1nd Honors 3.4; "If you wanna make some money, don't be afraid to screw your

Stephen Isom - Rockfest Committee 2.3.4: PrepNews 3.4: NHS 3,4; Cross Country 1,2,3; Track1; R-Award 3; Journalism Award 3. Ignation Honors 1.2.3.4; Best Delegation Georgetown Model UN 4: "To strive, to seek, to find, and not

Robert Johnson - Engineering Club 1.3; Math Club 2; Hacky Sack Club 1.2.3.4; National Honor Society 3.4: Lacrosse 1: Golf 2,3,4; Ignatian Honors 1,2,3,4; "I can't believe I have to hang my head against this wall again but the blows they have just a little more space in-between them. Gonna take a breath and try again "-Shannon Hoor

Jacob Johnston-Football 1.2,3,4; Track 1: Honor Roll 1; "To whom much is given, much is expected.

Danny Jonas-Yell Leaders 4: Spirit Club 4: French Club 1.2: Mascot 4; Golf 1,2; "Don't criticize someone until you've walked a mile in their shoes. That way, when you do criticize them you've got a mile head start and you have their shoes. How are ya?" - Arnold Swartznager

Jimmy Jordan-Latin Club 1.2.3; Rock Collection 3.4; Photography Club 3; Freshman Retreat 3,4; Football 1; "Take" it easy, but take it "-Woody Gunthrie

Josh Karlin-Spanish Club 2,3; FCA 4; NHS 3,4; Football 1,2,3,4; Basketball 1; Baseball 1,2,3; 1" Honors 1,2,3,4; Ignatian Honors 1.2.3.4: "A man is defined not by who he is but rather by what he does

Andrew Thomas Kellerman-Spanish 1,2,3: National Honor Society 3,4: CYO Basketball 1,2,3,4: Ignatian Honors 3,4: Magis 1.2; "I don't know, but I've been told; if you never slow down, you'll never grow old."-Tom Petty

Mathew Kenney-Ultimate Frisbee 1.2.3.4: Ecology Club 3.4: Regis Club 1,2; Hackey Sack Club 2; Spanish Club 1,2; Football 1: 1" Honors 1.2.3.4: R-Award 2: "The very existence of flame-throwers proves that sometime, somewhere, someone said to themselves, You know, I want to set those people over there on fire, but I'm just not close enough to get the job done." - George Carlin

Daniel Kerley-National Honor Society 4: Soccer 2,3,4: Computer Management Award 3; Athletic Awards 3; "When life throws you lemons, make lemonade

Steven Kilgore-Flying Club 1,4; Racquetball Club 3,4; Regis Club 1: SADD 1,2; Football 1; "Worrying is like a rocking chair It gives you something to do, but it doesn't get you anywhere,"-Van Wilder

Cam Korte-Regis Club 1.2.3; Herpetology 4; Intramurals 1,2,3; Paintball Club 1,2; Drum Line 4; Pep Band 1,2,3.4; SADD 3,4; Football 1; Wrestling 1,2; "Brothers don't shake hands. Brothers GOTTA HUG!" -Tommy Callahan

John Koster-Music Guild 3.4: Pro-life Club 4: Racquetball Club 3.4: Drum line 4: All-District Orchestra 1.2,3,4: All-State white letter 1.2.3; "If you believe you can know everything, if you know everything, then you can never believe.





1.2.3,4; Track and Field 1.2.3; Math Excellence 3; "Close yet far. Drop me a line and tell me and tell me how the heck you are, and I'll tip my hat to those who can't believe it's me, and still think of days when there was something to believe. No. I never, never ever wanted this to be " -CKY

Erik LaPointe-Chamber Choir 2,3,4; Drama Club 2,3,4; Varsity Singers 2.3; NFAA Merit Award 4; "Somehody needs to put their foot down, and that foot is mine?

Matt Leigh- SADD 2.3.4; FCA 3.4 Spanish Club 2.3.4; Racquetball Club 4; Senior Brother 4; Student Success Center 3.4: Battle of the Bands 3.4; Pep Band 1.2; Chapel Choir 2.3,4; Senior Jazz Ensemble 2.3,4; Football 1.2,3,4; Track 2.3.4; Baseball 1: Ignatian Honors 1.2.3.4; Fairfield University Book Award 3: National Honor Society 3.4: Christopher Clavins, SJ, Award for Excellence in Mathematics 3: All District Gold Jazz Ensemble 4: John LeRoy-SADD 1; Ecology Club 1; Intramural v-ball/bball 1.2.3.4: Lacrosse 1: Football 1.2.3.4: Honor Roll: "No one can make you feel inferior without your consent." Eleanor Roosevelt

Phillip Linville-SPA 3,4; NHS 3,4; Football 1; Lacrosse 1; Swimming 1,2,3,4; Ignation Honors 1,2,3,4; "I don't know how to put this but I'm kind of a big deal ... people know me. -- Ron Burgundy

Michael Alan Love, Jr .- SGA 1: Honor Roll 1,2.3.4; Alto Saxophone 1st Districts 3; 2st State 3; 2nd Districts 2. Joe Madden-Spanish Club 2,3,4; Engineering Club 3; NHS 3,4; Soccer 1.2,3,4; Ignatian Honors; A man must go forward from where he stands. He cannot jump to the absolute_He must evolve toward it."---Sojourn of Arjuna-Bela Fleck M. Joseph Manzo Jr .- Pro Life Club 1,2,3; Finance and Investment club 1; Spirit Club 4; Kairos 4; Chamber Choir 2; Men's Choir 1: Football 1.2.3.4: Principal's Honor Roll 1.2: "Dream as if you'll live forever, live as if you'll die today." James Dean

John Marrin-Freshman Retreat 2.3,4; Rock Collection 3.4; TIE 4; Pastoral Council 3,4; Pep Band 1,2,3.

Reid Alan Martin SGA 3: Spanish Club 3: Prep News 3,4; NHS 3.4; Tennis 1.2.3.4; Tennis State Champs 1.2.3.4; Ignatian Honors 3.4; "R" Award 3; Battle of the Bands Champions 3; Magis Honors 1,2; "Music's what I need to keep my sanity." -SA Martinez.

Steve Martinat-Regis Club 1,2; Football 1,2,3,4; Basketball 1,2,3; 2sd Honors 1,2,3,4; "Lady Propane. William Martucci- Football 1; CYO Basketball 1,2,3,4; Magis 1,2,3,4; "How are ya?"

Blake May-Football 1,2,3,4; Basketball 1; Track 1,2,3,4; "/ believe Rockhurst has changed me in a way which is positive and will get me prepared for my future." -Blake May Cameron McCulley- NHS 3,4; Hockey 1,2,3,4; Football 1;

Lacrosse 1,2,3,4: 1" Honors every semester: "Our deepest fear is not that we are inadequate. Our deepest fear is that we are powerful beyond measure

Connor McDonough- Intramurals 1,2,3,4; Football 1,2,3,4; Track 2.3.4; All-District football 4; 2nd team All State football 4; team captain football 4; All state track 3; "A good friend will bail you out of jail. A really good friend would be sitting next to you saying "that was sweet!"- Johnny Dare

Tyler Kunce-Spanish Club 2.3.4; Pep Band 1; Cross Country Brian McGannon-Flying Club 1.2; Prep News 4; Regis Club 1: Freshman Brothers Program 4: Kairos 51 4; Hockey 1.2.3.4; "Some say life will beat you down, break your heart and steal vour crown. How are va?

Damon McKinney - MEET Club 1,2,3; Spirit Club 4; Football 1.2.3.4: "I like to know a lot of people

Tim McManus- The Prep News 2,3,4; SADD 1,2,3,4; Regis Club 1.2.3; Spanish Club 1.2.3; Lacrosse 1; 2nd Honors 1.2.3.4; "This is your one opportunity to do something that no one has ever done before and that no one will copy throughout human existence, and if nothing else, you will be remembered as the one guy who ever did this-this one thing." - Garden State Andrew McRae- Hockey 1.2.3.4; Football 1; Magis 4; "The road less traveled sucks, that's why people don't take it. Andrew Medlin-President's Honor Roll 1.2.3.4; NHS 3.4; National Honor List 3.4; French Club 1.2.3.4; Football manager 1,2,4; Automated Accounting Award 3; Intramurals 1.2.3.4; "Luck is when preparation and opportunity come together." - Vince Lombardi

Brian Meyer- Spirit Club 3.4: Yell Leaders 3.4: French Club 1,2; SGA 1; Football 1,2; Football manager 3,4; CYO

basketball 1.2.3.4: "When people ask me why it ended. I stood there and defended you, but now I ask why its over, do you even feel the pain I do?" - Reid Martin

Andrew Milbourn- Drama Club 3,4; Art Club 1; Anime Club 2,3; Improv Troupe 4: Lacrosse 1.2,3; Theatre 3.4; Choir 4: Jazz Band 1.2.3: Pep Band 1.2.3.4: "Don't let anyone look down on you because you are young, but set an example for the believers in speech, in life, in faith, and in purity." -1 Timothy 1.12

Michael Miller- Regis Club 1: Herpetology Club 4: "Work hard and play hard.

Alex Mincher-Football 1.2.3.4: Basketball 1.2: 19 Honors 1,2,3,4; "I don't even own a gun, let alone many guns that would necessitate an entire rack. What am I gunna do with a gun rack?" - Wayne's World

Drew Mirocke- SADD 1.2,3,4; Spanish Club 2.3; Regis Club 1; Football 1.2,3,4; Baseball 1.2.3,4; Basketball 1; Wrestling 2; "It's not the size of the dog in the fight, it's the size of the fight in the dog." -Pat Phischer

Anthony Modica- Spanish Club 2,3,4; Forensics 3,4; Mock Trial Team 3.4: Drama Club 2.3; Football 1; Lacrosse 1; Lacrosse Manager 2,3,4; Honor Roll 1,2,3,4; "If we forgive, we are made rich; If we forget ourselves, we find peace; If we forgive we receive forgiveness. If we die, we receive eternal salvation."-Saint Francis

Jason Morgan- Regis Club 1,2,3,4; Photo Club 1,2,3; Freshman Brothers 4; Chapel Choir 3,4; Personal Finance and Investment Club 1; Lacrosse Manager 1.3.4; Basketball Intramurals 3,4; Honor Roll 1.2.3,4; NHS 3,4; "Love the Heck out of life

Jonathan Morrand- Regis Club 1; Spanish Club 1,2,3,4; NHS 3,4; Ignatian Scholarship 1; "The reward for work well done is the opportunity to do more." -Dr. Jonas Saulk

Brian Y. Mulcahy- Flying Club 1,2,3; Football 1,2; Baseball 1.3; "Smile like you mean it.

Patrick Murphy- Intramurals'1,2,3,4; Lacrosse 1,2; 2nd Honors 4; "It'd be a lot cooler if you did." - Dazed and Peter Murray- Regis Club 2; Hockey 3; Spanish Club 4; Lacrosse 1: "Words you say never seem to live up to the ones inside your head." - Chris Cornell

John Nagle- SADD 3.4; Senior Brother 4: Football 1.2.3.4; Basketball 1.2.3.4: Ignatian Honrs 1.2.3.4: "She says. Do you love meg and I say. "No, but that's a really nice ski mask " John A. Nantz- NHS 3.4; Choir 1.2.3; Freshman Retreat 3.4; Ultimate Frisbee 1.2.3.4: Football 1: Freshman Math Award 1: World History Award 1: World Studies Award 2: National Merit Finalist; American History Award 3; European History Award 3: 'R" Award 2: "I got nothing I asked for, but everything that I had hoped for. Almost despite myself, my prayers were answered. I am among men richly blessed

Michael Nouri - Freshman Retreat 4: Spanish Club 3,4; Prep News 2,3,4; Basketball 1, Soccer 1, Track 2,3,4; Cross Country 3.4; Henry and Marie Zahner Memorial Scholarship 3.4; Science award winner 1; 1" Honor Roll 1,2,3,4; Ignatian Honors 1.2; "That's rich.

Carl Novick- Football 1; Lacrosse 1.2.3,4; "The dude abides." -Jeffrey Lebowski

Ryan Nugent- Spanish Club 1,2,3; Book of the Month Club 4. Intramurals 1.2,3,4; Soccer 1.2; Baseball 1.2,3,4; "Winning isn't everything, it's the only thing." - Vince Lombardi

Kyle O' Brien-Regis Club 1: Spanish Club 3: 1" Honor Roll 1.2.3.4; "I have as much authority as the Pope. I just don't have as many people who believe it.

Danny O' Connor- Debate 1,2; Swimming 1,2,3,4; Magis Award 1.2.3.4; "Rock State '05"

Andrew O'Donnell- Flying Club 1,2: Regis Club 1; Spanish Club .2.3; NHS 3.4; Lacrosse 1; Track and Field 2; Perfect Attendance 2: 1º Honors 1,2,3; 2ºd Honors 3,4; "Today's opportunity is vesterday's dream and tomorrow's memory.

Ryan O'Leary- Regis Club 1; Golf 1.2.3.4; Quarry Yearbook Section Editor 3 "Don't worry about it.

Chris Oldenburg-Regis Club 1.2.3,4; Swimming 3.4; TIE 4; Football 1: Quarry Yearbook Senior Editor, 4-"There has never been an intelligent person of the age of sixty who would consent to live his life over again. His or anyone else's "-Mark Twain

Scott Orschein - SADD 1,2,3; Wrestling 1; "If you can't laugh at yourself, life is going to feel a lot longer than you'd like.

Cory Owens- Soccer 1,2,4; Baseball 2,3,4; "In three words I can sum up everything I've learned about life: It goes on."-

Jon Palmer- Football 1.2.3.4; "Whatever your hand finds to do, do it with all your might." - Ecclesiastes 9:10

Tommy Palmer- NHS 2: Student Success Center 1: SGA 1; Yell-leader 4; Football 1,2; Baseball 1,2,3,4; Magis 1,2,3,4; "Beware of the man who works hard to learn something, learns it, and finds himself no wiser than before." Kurt Vonnegut Scott W. Paradise- SADD 1,2,3; Prep News 2,3,4; Track and Field 1,2,3; 2nd Ignatian Honors 1,2,3,4; "Sometimes you eat the bar and, well, sometimes the bar eats you." - The Stranger Andrew Paredes- Drama Club 4; Spanish Club 3,4; Chapel Choir 3,4; Honor Choir 2,3; Chamber Choir 4; Freshman Retreat 3; Football 1; Intramural Basketball 2; 2nd Honors 1,2,3,4; "If you believe in forever, then life is just a one night



stand. If there's a Rock in Roll Heaven, well soucknow they vegot a hell of a band." Righteous Brothers

Drew Parrin— Amnesty International 1; Science Club 3,4; Latin Club 2,3; Battle of the Bands 3,4; National Honor Society 3,4; R Award 2; "I've loved, I've laughed and cried. I've had my fill: my share of losing, and now, as lears subside, I find it all so amusing "Frank Sinatra.

Michael Pernice— Spirit Club 4, Pro-Life 3,4; Football 1,2,3,4; Baseball 1,2,3,4; Magis Honor Student 1,4; Christopher Clavins, SJ, Award for excellence in mathematics 2; Physical Education excellence award 2; "If you can't outsmart them, out work them."

Mike Pine— Spanish Club 2,3,4: SADD 3,4: Basketball 1,2,3,4: 2nd Honors 1,2,3,4: "If you don't know where you are going, any road will take you there." — George Harrison David Price— Football 1,2: Principal's Honors 3: "Don't worry about a thing 'cause every little thing is going to be alright." — Bob Marley

Carl J. Privitera III — Chamber Choir 2.3,4: Herpetology Club 4: Spirit Club 4: Rugby 1.2,3,4: Football 1: "Earth's the right place for love. I don't know where its likely to go better." —Robert Frost

Ryan Ptomey— Chapel Choir 2,3,4; Chamber Choir 2,3,4; RHS Theatre Department 1,2,3,4; Regis Club 1; Ecology Club 2; "You can fight without ever winning, but never ever win without a fight."

Terris Purse— MEET Club 1,2,3,4; Intramural basketball 1,2,3,4; Football 1,2; "It's all good "

Kelly Quirk— Baseball 1,2,3,4; Football 1,2,3,4; "A leader is one who sees more than others see, who sees farther than others see, and who sees before others do."

Thomas Redmond— Regis Club 1: Intramurals 1,2,3,4; SADD 3,4; Quarry Yearbook 3; Spirit Club 4: Spanish Club 3; 2^{sd} Honors 1,2,4; "I get by with a little help from my friends." —The Beatles

Tyler Reed— FCA 1,2.3,4: Football 1,2,3,4: Wrestling 1,2,3,4: "Good, better, best, never let it rest until your good is your better and your better is your best."

Chris Rhoades— Spirit Club 2,3,4; Flying Club 3,4; SGA 2,3,4; Honors Choir 4; National Honor Society 3,4; Yell Leader 4; Kairos 4; Football 1,2,3,4; Wrestling 1; Lacrosse 1,2,3,4; "Don't stop working until everything is finished, then play hard."

Julian Rivera— Drama Club 1.2.3.4: Chapel Choir 2.3.4: Chamber Choir 1.2.3.4: Theatre 1.2.3.4: Art Club 1.2.3: R Award 3: Academic Achievement-Forensics 1: Outstanding Varsity Singer Male 2: Art Service Award: "*Hove my life, Live* yours."

Graham Rolston— Track and Field 1,2; Honors 2,4; "This school instilled in me something I was unfamiliar with prior to my entrance: the ability to think. I'm yet to discover the longterm side-effects."

Patrick Roth— Spanish Club 2,3; NHS 3,4; Kairos 4; Golf 1.2.3.4; All Metro 1st Team 3,4; 1st Honors 1,2,3,4; All state 3,4; "Columbus wasn't looking for America, my man, but that seemed to work out for everyone, didn't it?" — Bernard, Old School

Daniel Salzman—Spanish Club 3,4; National Honor Society 3,4; Soccer 1,2,3,4; Track 3,4; First honors 1,2,3,4; "Rockhurst men find a way to overcome adversity." – Coach Lawson Phillip Scovill—Regis Club 1,2; Spirit Club 1,2; Soccer 1,2; Track 1,2,3,4; "Sweet."

Zach Sheridan—Basketball 1,2,3,4; Baseball 1, 2, 3, 4; "We will fight till the fight is won."

Mark Christian Scharosch—Hacky Sack 1,2,3,4; Football 1: Swimming 1: Wrestling 1, 2, 3, 4; Intramurals 1,2,3,4; "Spence, talk to us."

Adam Schleicher—Soccer 1; "If everyone lived by an eye for an eye, the world would be blind,"

Trey SchorgI—Spanish Club 3,4; Speech and Debate 1; National Honors Society 3,4; Swimming 1,3,4; Golf 2,3; CYO 1,2,3; Honor roll 1,2,3,4; R-Award 4; "Life's a fragile thing, Harry. One minute you're chewing on a burger, the next minute you're dead meat." – Lloyd Christmas (Jim Carey)

Tommy Schrader—Regis Club 1; SADD 3,4; Intramurals 2,3,4; Football 1; Lacrosse 1, 2, 3, 4; Honor Roll 3,4; "There's nothing like fresh tracks in untouched powder. It's as if the snow has the ability to gaze over any obstacles or dangers that lie in the way, allowing you to glide right over them. leaving you free to choose whatever path your heart desires. If only life we so simple." Winter Break

Danny Shearman—Regis Club 1,2; Bowling Club 4; CYO Basketball 1,2,3,4; Football 1,2; Magis Honors 1; Second Honors 4; "I Like you, Betty: The name's Danny, sir...How are Andrew Shepard - Freshman Retreat 4; Football 2; Eagle Scout 1, "This will remain the land of the free only so long as it is the home of the brave." Elmer Davis

Jack Shuler – National Honors Society 3,4: Regis Club 1: Spirit Club 4: Football 1.2.3; R-Award 3: First Honors 1.2: Ignatian Honors 3,4: "What am I supposed to do with all my great ideas? Put 'em in a tub and clean mysell with them" Because that's what soap is for: "-Peter Griffin

Tyler Sifers—Student Life Committee 4; Football 1.2; Track 1.2; Eagle Scout 4: AP Scholar Award 4; "Only two knew the answers, and one of us is dead Anyone who seeks the truth can get it straight to the head." DMX

Cary Silverman—Racquetball 4, Flying Club 1, 2, 3, 4, K54-51, SGA 1; Soccer 1, 2; 2nd Honors 2; Eagle Scout 1; "There is no such thing as an extraordinary man; only ordinary men who do extraordinary things."

Allan Smith – Regis 1: MEET 1: Football 1,2,3,4; Basketball 1,2; Track 1: All State, All Metro, All District 3,4; Metro Defensive Player of the year 4; Buck Buchanan Award 4; "Success will be the best revenge"

Jeffrey T. Smith Bowling Club I; Spanish Club 2; Football 1.2.3; Baseball 2.3.4; Honor Roll 1.2.3.4; "Roads. Where we are going we don't need roads." - Dr. Emmit Brown

Ryan Smith Spanish Club 2,3,4; Film Club 4; Prep News 2,3,4; NHS 3,4; Cross Country 1,2,3,4; Eagle Scout 1;

"Twenty years from now you will be more disappointed by the things that you didn't do than by the ones you did. So throw off the bowlines. Sail away from the safe harbor. Catch the trade winds in your sail. Dream. Discover." - Mark Twain Joe Spaniol - Chapel Choir 4; Theatre/ Drama club 3: NHS 2; Pro-Life Club 2; Wrestling 1; Lacrosse 1; Football 1; Ignation

Honors 4: 1st at State Piano Competition 1 **Thomas Staab**—Regis Club 1: Intramurals 3,4; SADD 4; Basketball 1,2; Football 1,**2**,**3**,4; Rugby 2,3,4; Magis Award

Basketball 1,2, Football 1,2,3,4; Rugby 2,3,4; Magis Award 1,2,3,4; "Duh. Duh. Duh. see-ya!" Cody Stabler— Rugby 4; "A friend will check up on you

when you get out of jail, but a best friend will be with you in jail."

David Stamm—Drum Corps 4: SADD 3: Freshman retreat 2,3,4; Pit orchestra 2,3,4; Film Club 1,2; Primary Honors 1: Magis Honors 2,3,4; "So get in some licks, and hold your head up, and, son, you'll be drinkin' from the crystal cup "-"Advice to the Graduate" by David Berman' Stephen Malkmus

Stephen Stinger—Pep Band 1,2,3,4; French Club 1,2,3,4; Students for Political Action 4; Freshman Retreat 3,4. National Honors Society 3,4; R-Award 2; Ignation Honors 1,2,3,4; French Award 3; "The journey of a thousand miles begins with a single step."

Kevin Stone— Herpetology Club 4; Intramurals 1.2.3.4; Art Club 1; Rugby 2.3.4; SADD 3; SGA 1; Football 1; Wrestling 1; "Man, It's the same stuff they tried to pull in my day. If it ain't that piece of paper, there's some other choice they're gonna try to make for you. You gotta do what Randall Pink Floyd wanted to do man. Let me tell you this: The older you do get, the more rules they're gonna try to get you to follow. You just gotta keep livin "man. L-I-V-I-N."—Dazed and Confused

Joe Sturgeon—Prep News 2,3,4; Latin Club 1,2; Football 1; Wrestling 1; Second Honors 1,2,3,4; "There are not shortcuts to any place worth going" –Anonymous

Cameron Summers — Amnesty International 1,2,3,4; SADD 1,2; Movie Club 2,4: Theatre 1,2,3,4; Magis 1,2,3,4; "Float away little butterfly... just flutter away..." –Buddy/six string samurai

Jason Switzer – Intramurals 1,2,3,4; Football 1,3,4; Track 2,4; Second Honors 2,4; "I never wanted to be famous. 1 only wanted to be great." –Ray Charles

Matt Switzer—Football 2,3,4; Basketball 1,2,3,4; Honor Roll 1,2,3,4.

Michael Tabory—Prep News 2,3,4; Soccer 2,3,4; "I love, it fascinates me, I can sit and watch it for hours."

Anthony Tade—NHS 3,4: Spanish Club 4: Swimming 3: First Honors 2.3,4: "123 that's the speed of the seed. Abc that's the speed of the need. You can dream a little dream. Or you can live a little dream. I'd rather live it. Cuz dreamers always chase. But never get It. "-Aesop Rock

Steven Thill—Paintball Club 2; Ultimate Frisbee 1; Boxing Club 3; Wrestling 1,2,3,4; Football 1,2; "Winning is rising each time you fall."

Michael Timberlake—Prep News 2,3,4; Cross-Country 1,2,3,4; Track 1,2,3,4; Honor Roll 1,2,3,4; "Tim kinda tired. I was up all night trying to round off infinity. Then I got bored and went out and painted passing lines and curved roads. When I got bored. I like to drive downlown and get a great parking spot, then sit in my car and count how many people ask me if I'm leaving." Steven Wright

Mike Trabon—SADD 2,3.4; Football 1,2; Rugby 3.4; Track 1,2; "Just working out my upper Dorsimus, I know, it's boring, but it's my life "

Tyler Trout – National Honors Society 3.4: CYO Basketball 1.2.3.4: Golf 1.2.3.4: District Golf Champion 3: All-State 3; "The values emphasized at Rockhurst helped me develop a strong character and sense of identity, and the competition at Rockhurst helped me become a better student and a better golfer than I would have become at any other school."

Cameron Tusken – Varsity Ice Hockey 2,4; Spanish Club 4; Christopher Clavius Award for excellence in mathematics 2,3; Honor Roll 1,2,3,4; "That's it I've had it with this dump! We got no food, we got no jobs, our pets' heads are falling off^{(2)***} -Lloyd Christmas

Mike Walczuk – SGA 3.4; NHS 3.4; 1.2.3.4; Baseball 1.2.3.4; Football 1.2.3.4; All State, All Metro, All District Football 4; All State, All Metro Baseball 3; Honor roll 1.2.3.4; "Winners find a way to get a job done; while losers sit around and find an excuse not to."

Jake P. Walker—Freshman Retreat 4: Sentor Brothers 4: National Honors Society 3,4: Tennis 3: First Honor Roll 1.2: Ignatian Honors 3,4: "We live on an island surrounded by a sea of ignorance. As our island of knowledge grows, su does the shore or our ignorance"—John A. Wheeler

James Wagner—Chapel Choir 1.2,3,4; Music Guild 3,4; Regis Club 1.2,3; Spanish Club 1.2; Soccer 1.2,3; Second Place District Music Festival 1,2

Kyle C. Watson—French Club 3: Hackysaek Club 3:4. Guys and Dolls Cast 3: "What's the airspeed velocity of a swallow? African or European? I don't know that Ahhhh...?" "The belief in supernatural source of evil is not necessary. Man alone, is capable of every wickedness."

Cameron Webb—Soccet 1.2,3; First Honors 4; Second Honors 1.2,3; "Just relax, and remember everything depends on this."

Jacob Weber – NHS 3,4; Boys State 3; Football 1; Lacrosse 1,2,3; Perfect Attendance 1,2,3; CRLA Tutoring Certificate 3; "Lead me. follow me, or get out of my way:"—General George Patton Jr.

William Joseph Webster—SPA/Model UN 2,3,4; Prep News 2,3,4; Football 1: XC 2,34: Track 1,2,3; Perfect Attendance 1,2,3; Honor Roll 2,3,4; "The good times of today are the sad thoughts of tomorrow," –Bob Marley

Tyler Whetstone—Cycling Club 2.3; Pep Band 1.2.3,4; Theatre Tech 1.2.3,4; Wrestling 1; First at State musical festival 3; Band Letter 1.2.3; "At first I thought it was a change-a-tron. but then I was like, nope. fit's al plumbot."— Sealab 2021

Matthew Wiber — Paintball Club 1: Regis Club 1.2: Football 1: Track 2: Wrestling 1: "You laugh at me because 1 am different. I laugh at you 'cause you're all the same."

Andrew Williams—Perfect Attendance 1.2.3; "Once you take that first ride, you'll never be the same again."—Warren Miller

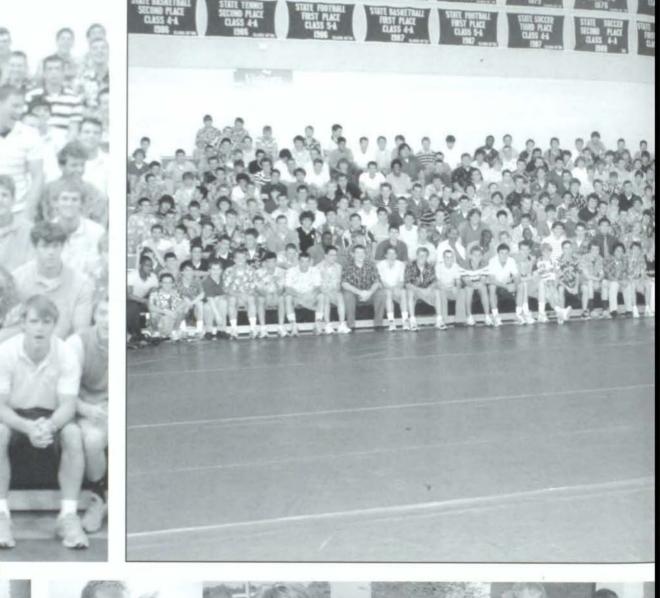
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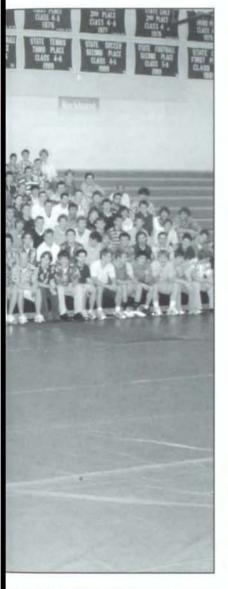




















Seniors did so many things that there were so many photos, that this spread was conceived to introduce the section that allows the parents to express their feelings. Parents, Now THEY could qualify as the **R-Factor!** Sure they could. Where would we be without THEM?



Jon Dandurand

You've accomplished so much at Rockhurst, Jon.

We're really proud of you.

Now spread your wings and fly!

Love, Dad, Mom, and Alli

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Love, Mom, Dad, Matt, and Mary



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Anthony Armando Altomare

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You're on your way, Anthony.

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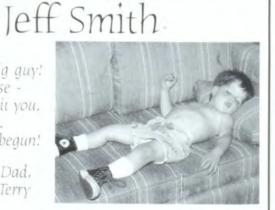
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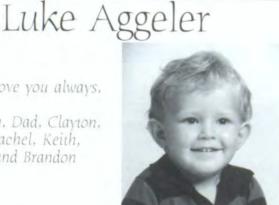
Lil' leffy, Awesome job, big guy! Stay the course great things await you. Rest up . . . the fun has just begun!

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We love you always,

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Tom Farmar

Choose always the way that seems the best, however rough it may be; custom will soon render it easy and agreeable. -Pythagoras

Tom, we're very proud of you! Love, Mom, Dad and Keeley

Cameron Tusken

Cam. You've worked hard these past four years and have earned everything you have achieved. As you go forward in life remember that success is usually found by those who are too busy to be looking for it.





Here's to a wonderful future ahead!!

With Pride and Love.

Your family

William Webster

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We love you, Mom, Dad and Caroline

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We're so proud of you man No longer a boy Take your talents and gifts and spread all the joy

The time has come to set you free to give you wings Become what you want to be Have fun work hard Give it your best We know your life will be a success.

While you're gone think of us and the Lord up above Know you're never alone You'll have all of our Love,

We love you, Dad, Mom, Troy, Rachel and Moxie



In eelebration of your 18th birthday and the year of your graduation let it be known to

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> You will always be our shining star. Your future is the brightest Star of all. We are so proud of you! Love, Mom and Dad

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"If you can dream it, you can do it." Walt Disney - 1961

> Congratulations Dew. -We are proud of you!

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Congratulations on your high school graduation!!

You are loved for the person you are. You are respected for the person you choose to be You are judged by the quality of your work. You will be remembered for the difference you

make a and make a difference,... All our love, Mom, Dad, and Chief



John Marrin

John ("Gift of God")

You grace our lives. Always go forward. Be well. Be happy

> Love always, Mom and Dad

Ryan Donohue

When you where small and just a touch IL away, I covered you with blankets against the cool night air. But now that you are tall and out of reach, I fold my

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You are my Sor whom I love; with you I am well

Spirit be with you always! With all our love, Dad, Mom, Travis and Brianna pleased." Mark 1:9-

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We love you always and forever,

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We are so proud of you, Brian!

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David, Take with you all of our love and pride wherever you may go. Love, Dad and Mom



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> Love. Mom, Dad, Matt and Kelly



Ryan Darby Smith

Risk more than others think is safe. Care more than others think is wise. Dream more than others think is practical. Expect more than others think is We love you, Ryan.

Mom. Dad. lack, Lauren and Ted

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Rich Dierks

"Trust I seek and find in you Every day for us something new. Open mind for a different view." -Metallica

Son, meld your imagination and efforts to create your own happiness.



"You are never given a wish without also being given the power to make it true." -Richard Bach

Keep on Rockin', Rich!

With pride and Love, Mom and Dad

John Bickimer

Keep smiling, John!

Love. Mom, Dad, Tommy, Michael. Megan, Kristen and Matthew



Joey Spaniol



The world awaits you.

Mom, Dad, Abigail, Matt, and Grace

It won't be disappointed!

Julian Paola Rivera

Iulian, Congratulations on your graduation! We are so proud of you. May your future be as bright as you invision it to be. Always believe! God Bless!



We love you, Dad, Mom, and Shaina

Tyler Atha



"What lies behind us and What lies before us are small matters compared to what lies within us." -Ralph Waldo Emerson

We love you, Mom, Dad, Neil, Brittany, and Will

Anthony Dominick

Anthony, Thank you for being a great son. Follow your heart, your dreams, and God. Be true to yourself and your rewards will be great. We will always love you!

> Love, Mom and Dad



Jon Erick Palmer

Be an example to the believers in word, in conduct, in love, in spirit, in faith, in purity.

Do not neglect the gift that is in you. which was given to you. 1 Tim. 5: 12-14



There is no limit to what you can accomplish.

Love Always, Granny, Family and Friends

Seth Sinovic

Seth, Here's to you! We proudly eelebrate and are with you every step of the way. Thanks for filling our lives with so much love, laughter and joy, Congratulations!



Love Always!"! Mom, Dad, Emily and Adam

Andrew Jeffery Bly

They say a picture is worth a thousand words, but one word says it all. We have truly been blessed by God with you in our family and all you have accomplished. Continue to trust in Him in all you do in life.

Con mucho carino, Mom, Dad, Ryan and Lauren



Martucci



What does the Lord require of you Micah 6: 8

> Go forth, Billy, and know that the love and support of your family are always

Stephen Dewolf



"Whatever road you I'm behind you win or In my heart you'll always remain forever young"

Mom

Anthony Modica

Anthony,

It's been a great four years at the "Rock." We are very proud of you and look forward to extraordinary things in the future. You're the best.





Mom, Dad, Pete, lim and loe



Blake Heatwole

We are so very proud of you. Keep up the hard work and you'll go far. Remember, you'll always be our "Itty Bitty"!!!

Mom, Dad and Logan

Adam French

To our Adam, an awesome son and brother.

Dance like no one's watching, love like you'll never be hurt. sing like no one's listening and live like it's Heaven on earth!

God bless you, Adam We love you, Mom and Dad, Sean, and Katie



Kerry Bowen

Kerry, Congratulations! We are so proud of your academic achievement and also your success in the soccer program! You have made wonderful lifelong friends. Set your goals high and build on what you have learned at the "Rock". We think you are awesome!

Love you, Mom, Dad, Lindy, David, Matt and Kaitlin



lacob Edward Weber



All our dreams can come true- if we have the courage to pursue them." -Walt Disney-

We are so proud of you!!!

May God bless you and give you courage. Love, Mom, Dad, and Steven

Blake Joseph May

Happy infant, energetic child, exciting adolescent, wonderful young man - all with that same smile and charisma. Our joy of that journey is immeasurable. We have been gifted with



your life.

You now begin a new journey, and as you do so never forget from where you came. Be who you are, and from that do not waver. Compete, but be respectful be open minded, but principled - be firm, but kind and compassionate - be confident, but humble - be disciplined, but have a spirit - when you are in need, help yourself - when others are in need, help them.

Have dreams - you are proof they come true. Work hard, laugh, cry, and love they make you feel better and give you perspective.

Love, God Bless,





Mom, Dad

Steven Kilgore

"Do not wish to be anything but what you are, and try to be that perfectly." We are so proud of the man you have become! We love you!

Mom, Dad, Leslie and Linda



Joshua Karlin

We are so proud of all your accomplishments but most of all the person you have become. Believe in yourself, remain true to yourself, and follow your dreams! Wherever life takes you, know that we are there for you We love you, Dad, Mom, Nathan, Micaela, oRyan, Jacob and Shannon



Christian Scharosch

Christian,

We are so proud of you! What a great four years it has been at Rockhurst.

We love you very much,

God Bless you always,

Love, Dad, Mom and Cheryl



Patrick Cohen



Patrick,

We are dog-gone proud of you and the accomplishments you have achieved at Rockhurst. Prepare well for life and good things will happen.

We love you very much, Mom, Dad, Courtney and Chubs

Graham Rolston

Once a Hawklet... <u>always</u> a Jayhawk?

ROCK CHALK

Congratulations to our witty, opinionated, liberal minded, lefthanded and left-brained "Middle Child"! Love, Dad, Mom, Andrew, Polly and Tess



Andrew Milbourn



Dad, Mom, Kelsey, Delaney and Mackenna

Proverbs 3:5,6 and Jeremiah 29: 11-13 Dear Andrew,

God has given you so many gifts. You are such a fantastic big brother, son, mentor, role model.

athlete, actor, and example of a Christ-like man. With this comes responsibility as a real man of God--Reject passivity. Accept responsibility, Lead courageously, and Accept God's reward. We are so proud of you. "Stay Frosty?"





T C DeBacco

Now it's time to leave the nest and put your values to the test.

We hope we've given you all you need, to make a difference and succeed.

Inside you are strong and kind. You think with your heart as well as your mind. Your beautiful spirit has flourished and grown, now show the world what we've always known.

> With guidance from above We send you off, with all our love.

> > Mom, Dad, and Katie





Kevin Campbell

You are the apple of our eye!

We love you. May the future hold many blessings for your good soul.

Happiness Always, Mom, Dad, Scott '03 and Mark '07

Andrew Wank

Congratulations, Andrew!!!

You have always put the SPARK in our lives The SMILE on our faces And the JOY in our hearts.

Love, Mom, Dad, Patrick ('01) and Christopher ('07)

Scott Orscheln

Make us proud! We love you!

Dad, Mom, Joe, Dustin and Eric



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Christopher William Rhoades

o it now

"I expect to pass through this world but once, Any good thing, therefore, that I can do or any kindness I can show to any fellow human being let me do it now. Let me not defer nor neglect it: For I shall not pass this way again." -Stephen Grellet



We will always love you, Mom and Dad

Michael Wirtz

Congratulations! We are proud of you and your many accomplishments. Follow your dreams, Michael, and remember we will always be here for you.

We love you. Mom, Dad, Ionathon and Steven



Terry McMahon



Conaratulations and be proud of everything you have learned, achieved, and experienced at Rockhurst, You are a areat son and brother.

We love you. Mom, Dad, Molly and Megan

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Tyler Trout

Way to go, Tyler!



As you continue through life. may your drives and your strokes few.

You'll always be #1 with us!

Love. Mom. Dad. Daniel and Sarah



Thanks for being you, so honest and real.

We know that you, too, will find a life you love and live.

We love you, Mom, Dad, Pete and Cassie

Jason Samayoa

We are very proud of you, lason.

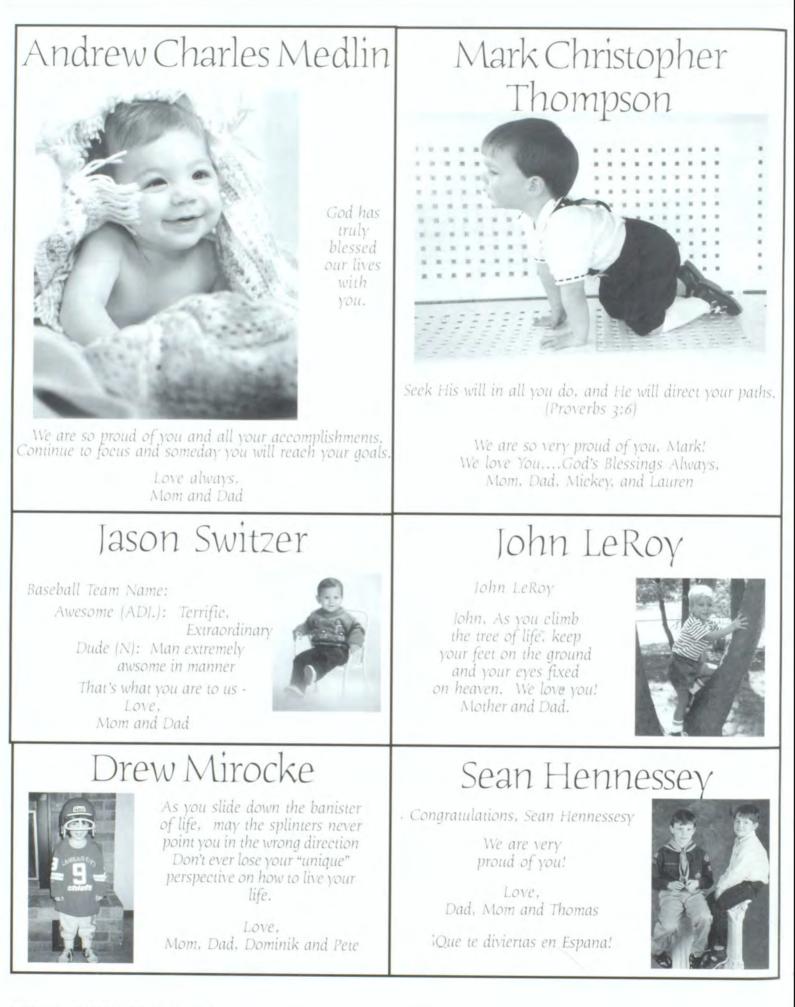
You have a bright future and

your bass quitar rocks!

Go for it!

Mom. Dad, and Jennifer

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Thomas Staab





Thomas, you wrote in Kindergarten, May 6, 1993 "Sometimes you get discouraged Because 1 am so small And always leave my fingerprints On the furniture and walls. But everyday 1°m growing up and Soon will be so tall. that all those little fingerprints will be so hard to recall. So here's a special handprint just so that you can say this is how my fingers looked when I placed them here today?"

THANKS FOR ALL THE MEMORIES and...all the fingerprints

Love, Mom, Dad 80', Alex 01', and Michael 03'

Ted Ginder



Ted,

You are a very special person. We are so proud of you.

> Love, Mom and Dad Molly and Laura

Erik LaPoint

Your first acting gig - pre school production - a

lamb. The start of something BIG!

> We love you and are very proud of you.

Love, Mom and Alexandra

Michael Trabon



There are but two things we should give our children, One is roots... The other wings.

We love you and are so proud of you. You can achieve anything you want. Love Mom and Dad

Brian Mulcahy

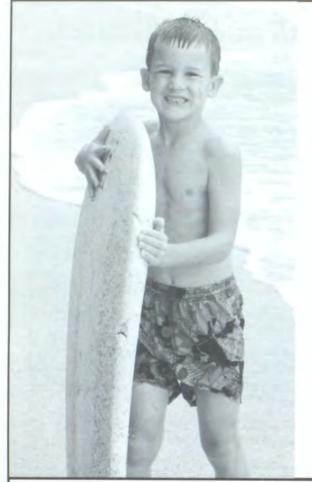




A world of wishes at your command, God and his angels close at hand. Friends and family, their love impart, And Irish blessings in your heart!

We are so proud of you, Brian!! Love Mom, Dad, and Erin





Zach Sheridan

Zach-We wish you a "smooth" ride as you catch the Big Wave of your future.

> Thanks for the fun memories going to State in basebalt and basketball.

Keep working hard and you will go far!

Lots of Love, Mom and Dad

Daniel Stanley

Daniel,

Trust God to direct the circumstances of your life, even if you don't know what He's doing!

Our love and support go out to you today and always. Congratulations!

Mom, Dad, Jimmy, Gena, Mary, Kevin and Monica

Matt Switzer

Matt-Keep taking the waves head on and you will continue your successful journey!! We are so proud of you!

Love -Mom, Dad, Drew and Abby



Derek Brown

Derek,

May you always hold you friends, family and faith close to your heart...

As we hold you close in ours.

The world is yoursseize the day!

We love you, Mom, Alex, and Spencer

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Austin Siebert

Austin Ewing Siebert,

Race to your goals. Keep the pedal down until you have reached the finish line.

We are very proud of you, Austin! Love Mom and Dad



Michael Surface



We are so proud of you, Michael !!!

SUITACE CONGRATULATIONS! A JOB WELL DONE! Michael, You have so many wonderful opportunities ahead. Approach them with your enthusiasm. Love, Mom, Dad, Keegan, Alexandra, and Brenden

Frank Connor Allen



Frank-We are so proud of the fine young man you have become.

We love you always. Mom, Dad, and Lindsay

Ryan Sellers



Play Hard.

Live life to its fullest!

Love, Mom, Dad, Amanda, Erin and Nathan

Work Hard.



Gregory Miller Earl



You have grown to be a great young man and we are so proud to have you as our son, brother, and uncle. We are so excited for your future! Congratulations!

Greg, you are the little brother but you've already had BIG accomplishments and we know this is just the beginning for many more to



Love Always, Dad Mom, Michael, Matt, Denise, Abby and Christopher

Stephen Mark Isom Jr.

Steve,

We've always supported you in all of your dreams. We're just so glad that you finally decided that you didn't want to be a Teenage Mutant Ninja

Turtle when you grew up! We love you and are so proud of you! We'll always have your back!

Love, Mom and Dad





Steve, We are really going to miss you. We look up to you so much! You're an amazing big brother. We love you!

- Meg and Emily

John Spencer Martens



Excellence is not found in being the best. but in doing your best!

We are so proud of you and will always love and support you every step of the way!

Congratulations,

Mom, Dad, Mandy, Danielle and Alex

Zachary Michael Anderson-Boland

Zachary;

Psalm 117 Summons to praise Alleluia!

Praise Yahweh, all nations, extol him, all you peoples! For his love is strong, his faithfulness eternal.

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Tyler Beaven

Your kind heart and your hard work and determination will take you far in life! You are such a blessing to us.



We Love you, Mom. Dad, Alexis, Drew and Chelsea

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Travis P. Gratton

Strong work, Travis!

Familiar faces around me Laughter fills the air Your loving grace surrounds me Everybody's here





We love you, Tess, Sean, Mom, and Dad



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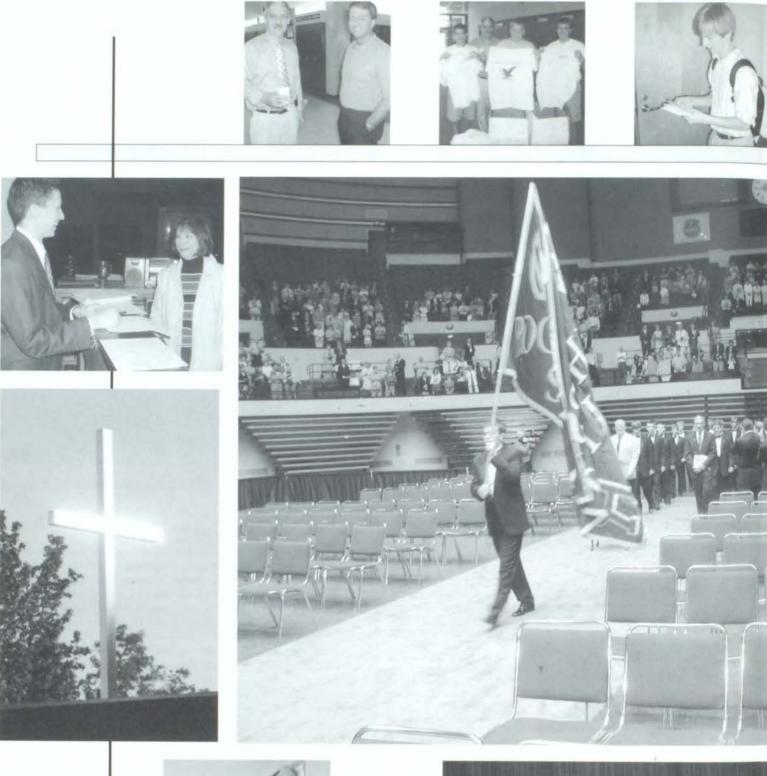
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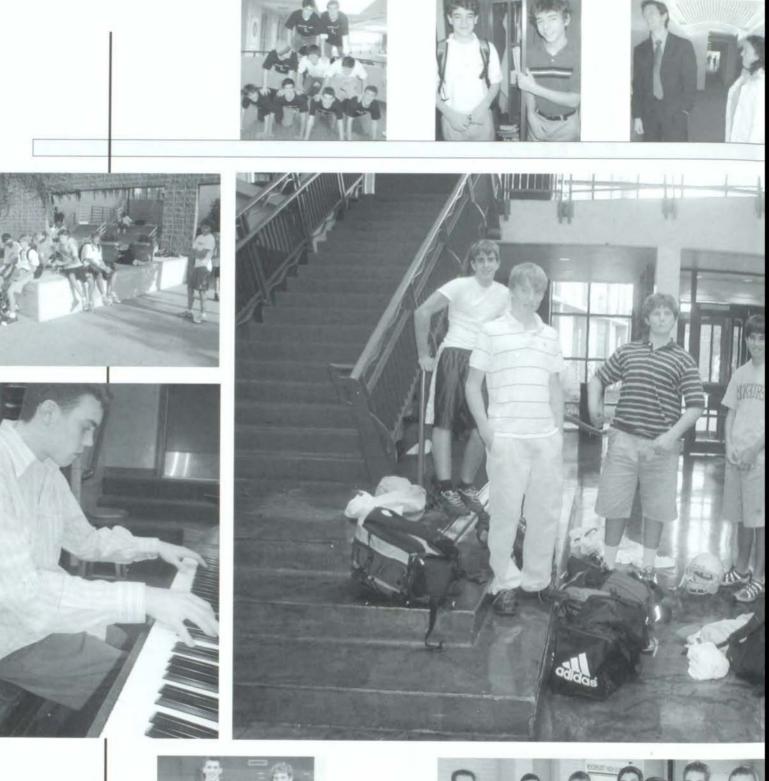






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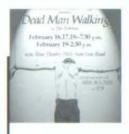








Thousands of photos reveal an enthusiastic, motivated student body



From freshmen orientation. when the lock is tried for the very first time and the books are stored, to that day in May, four short years later, when the seniors clear out for the last time, and to all of the life altering things that happened in between



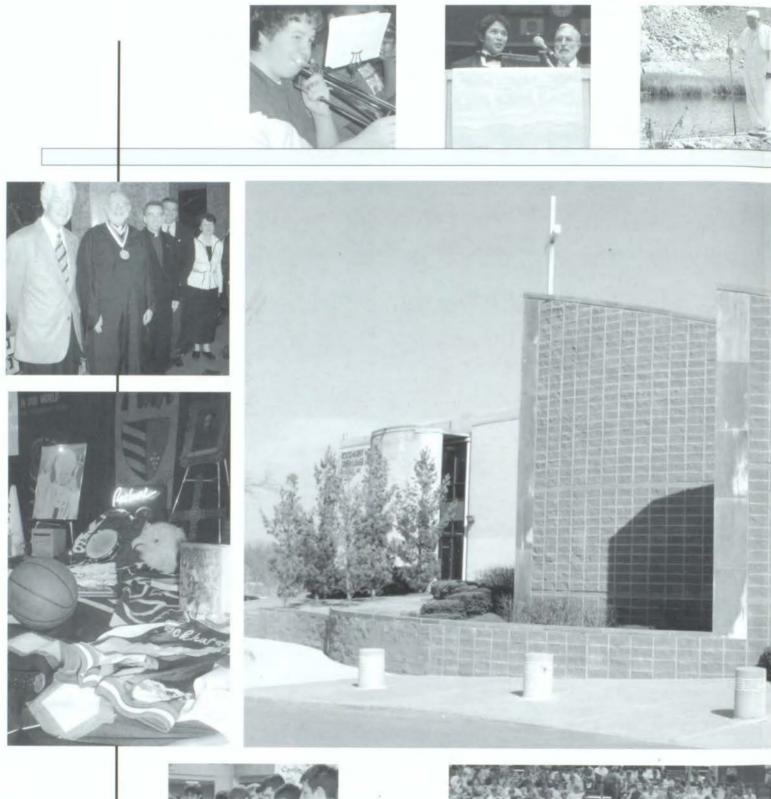


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Is it the alumni? The parents? The alumni parents? The faculty or staff? The seniors? The indomitable spirit? The rich Jesuits traditions? When you think about it, what is an 'intangible'? If we knew what is was, would it be intangible anymore? Sorry to get you all excited about discovering the secret of Rockhurst. Maybe the secret rests with each and every one of us who derives something from this community. You think?

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Did you suspect that it was going to be you? If not, enjoy the moment. Know that all you do here, in whatever capacity, is important. You are the R-Factor, that intangible something which gives everything and everybody else at Rockhurst that definite edge. And keep going, too.









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