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Softball Starts with Winning Season

By: Caroline Sweeney

Midway into the season, girls' softball has started off with a winning record. As of Tuesday, April 19th they have a 4-3 record, dominating the field to Long Branch, Raritan, Rumson, and Holmdel. They practice hard everyday by working their batting skills, practicing catching, and working on defensive plays and technique. "We're making progress," stated Kelly Oberto, a senior on the team. The team was

looking forward to their game against St. John Vianney last Thursday. "They will be a tough team to beat. They are the best team in the shore conference, and ranked 5th in the state," she said. The team has high hopes, and looks for help from underclassmen Lindsay Ayers and Liz Lowes who both play on the varsity team. "We hope to still have a winning record by the end of this season," said Kelly.

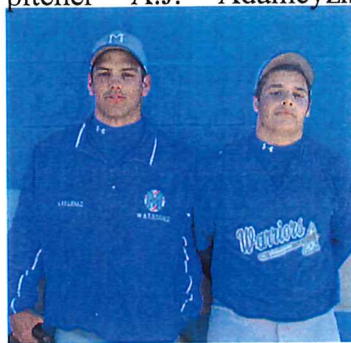
Warrior Baseball Continues Season with Winning Record

By: Eric Quatrone

The Manasquan Baseball team started the year off on the right foot with a 2-1 victory over Marlboro at home. Starting pitcher A.J. Adamczyk

allowed Dave Armstrong to score the winning run, making the final 5-4 Squan.

Continuing their hot start, Manasquan beat St. John Vianney on the road 3-2 in extra innings. Going into the 7th inning, Squan was down 2-0. James McNulty stepped to the plate and smashed a 2-run homer over the left field fence to tie the game. It was a nerve-



(Above): Captains Nick Vasilenko and Mike Voskian, along with coach Art Gordon (below) lead the team into the 2005 season; (Right) A strong crop of seniors hope to make their final season a memorable one

got the win, pitching four innings and allowing only three hits and one walk while striking out three. T.J. Labaugh got the game winning hit on a single to right field in the fourth inning. Joe Florentine came in to relieve Adamczyk and secure the win for Squan.

Following their close victory over Marlboro, the Warriors followed with another win, this time over Red Bank Catholic. Heading into the last inning, Manasquan was trailing 4-2. Nick Vasilenko hit a two run homer to left over the trees and tied the game at 4 all. A couple of batters later, Joe Florentine hit a ball to the shortstop who made

wrecking bottom of the seventh, with SJV loading



the bases and nobody out. Pitcher Mike Grille worked his way out of a tough jam, and struck out three hitters in a row to send the game into extra innings. In the top of the 8th, T.J. LaBaugh hit a solo home run to left field and Grille closed it out in the bottom of the inning for the win.



Yankees-Red Sox Continue to Strengthen Rivalry



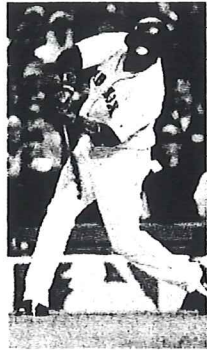
The greatest rivalry in sports, between the New York Yankees and the Boston Red Sox, has gotten even better over the past two years. The two teams played each other 52 times in 2003 and 2004 with the Red Sox holding a slight edge of 27 wins to the Yankees' 25 wins. The Yanks and Sox have also met in two American League Championship Series in the past two years, both of which were very memorable. Some question whether or not the rivalry will be the same even after the Red Sox won the World Series last year. I personally think it will be even better.

This rivalry has really gotten out of control. The two past seasons have



been unbelievable. In 2003, the Yankees won the AL East and also beat the Red Sox in the ALCS. Aaron "Bleepin" Boone hit a walk-off home-run in the 11th inning of Game 7 to send the Yankees to World Series. However, the Yanks lost to the Marlins in 6 games. In 2004, the Yankees won the AL East again but the

ALCS was different. The Yankees dominated the first 3 games of the series, but lost the last four. It was the first time in Major League Baseball history that a team



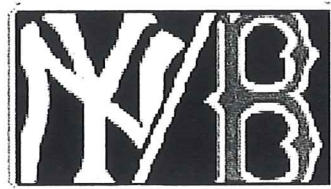
came from 3 games down to win a series. The Red Sox then swept the St. Louis Cardinals in the 2004 World Series to break "the curse of the bambino." It was the Red Sox first world championship in 86 years.

Both teams made changes to their rosters for this season. The Yankees added Randy Johnson, Carl Pavano, and Jared Wright to their pitching staff. They also brought in Tony Womack and Tino Martinez to help them in the field. The Yankees didn't lose any key players from last season. Some say that this year's Yankee team could be the best team in history with every single position player being an all-star at least once in his career. The Sox didn't have as great an off-season as the Yankees did. They lost Pedro Martinez to the Mets. However, they did sign David Wells, Matt Clement, and Edgar Renteria.

The rivalry kicked

By: Brendan Ward

off this year during spring training. The Yanks and Sox played two spring training games, and there was also some comments from Red Sox players about Alex Rodriguez. A couple of Red Sox players



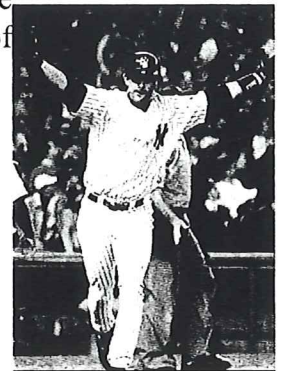
including David Wells and Trot Nixon said that A-Rod wasn't a true Yankee. Alex and the Yankees refused to answer back, saying that they would do their talking on the field.

The Yankees and Red Sox' have already played each other six times this year. The two teams opened up the season with a series at Yankee Stadium. The Yanks won two out of the three games. The following week, the two teams hooked up for a three



game series at Fenway Park. The Red Sox' won two out of the three games. A nasty altercation took place during the third game of the series at Boston.

While fielding a ball against the wall, Yankees outfielder Gary Sheffield was struck by a fan. Before throwing the ball back to the infield, Sheffield pushed the fan back. Then Sheffield was about to hit the fan before holding back and restraining himself. A Fenway Park Security guard then got in the way of



Sheffield and the fan. Hopefully, another event like this doesn't occur for the rest of the season. Even though there was an ugly incident, the Yankees and the Red Sox' gave us two excellent series so far.

The rivalry looks like its right back where it left off last year. The Yankees and the Red Sox are arguably the two best teams in baseball. Don't worry if you missed the first series between these two teams because they will play 16 more times this season and hopefully 7 more come October. So now just sit back, relax, and enjoy the best rivalry in sports.

The MLB Preview

By: Matt Gebhard, Brendan Ward, and Eric Quatrone

AL East- Despite the fact that Red Sox (yes the Red Sox) will be the defending world champions; the Yankees are once again favored to grab the American League East title. With the acquisition of pitchers Randy Johnson and Jared Wright, the Yanks have filled the holes in their roster and are ready for the Pennant race. The Red Sox have done their fair share or acquiring pitchers as well in the form of a former Yankee



David Wells. The Orioles have dipped their hand in the free agent pool and came out with RF Sammy Sosa. With the loss of Carlos Delgado, the Blue Jays have fallen even further behind the other Yanks, Sox, and O's, not to mention their pitching staff has never been the same since losing Clemens and Hentgen. This leaves the Devil Rays in last place, with virtually no pitching and a weak lineup it would be shocking if the could finish above the Blue Jays and stay out of the AL East basement.



AL Central- Even though this is not the division where you'll find the best teams in baseball, it certainly is one of, if not the most competitive league in the MLB. The Twins are the obvious favorite, being they have won the division the past three years, and have last year's Cy Young Award winner Johan Santana. Don't count out the Indians either, they have talent, look sharp, and have a chance to compete. The Tigers have a real chance this season behind catcher Ivan Rodriguez, and it wouldn't be a surprise to find them in



second or third at the end of the season. The Chicago White Sox have lost some players in the off season, and look to have a worse finish than last season, while the Royals who have the least amount of talent should finish in last.

AL West- In the AL West division the Angels have a new name but not a new story as they seem to be the team that will grab the division crown again. They have a strong line-up to compliment an outstanding pitching staff. The Oakland Athletics lost two thirds of "the big 3" in baseball letting go of Tim Hudson (Braves) and



Mark Mulder (Cardinals) but still can't be counted out.

NL East- The NL East division made a lot of noise in the off-season. The New York Mets signed pitcher Pedro Martinez, and Center Fielder Carlos Beltran. Other teams like the Braves signed Pitcher Tim Hudson, and also took John Smoltz out of the bullpen. The Marlins went out and signed a much needed power hitter in Carlos Delgado despite losing pitcher Carl Pavano to the Yankees. Speaking of the Yankees, the Phillies acquired two former ones: center fielder Kenny Lofton and pitcher Jon Lieber. And the Montreal Expos acquired a whole new home becoming the Washington Nationals. The Braves are the favorite to win again but you can't keep your eye on the Phillies, Mets, and Marlins who can come battling back or even grab the wild card in the NL.



NL Central- The NL Central is the only division that consists of six teams. This is possibly the best division in baseball and could possibly have 4 teams bidding for the title. The two teams that aren't expected to show up this season are the Brewer and Pirates, but there is still hope for the Cardinals, Cubs, Reds, and Astros. The division in general lost power on offense and playmakers on defense. For example the Cubs lost Sammy Sosa (Orioles), and the Astros lost Carlos Beltran



(Mets). On, defense the best double play combo was lost as Tony Womack (Yankees) and Edgar Renteria (Red Sox) from the Cardinals were lost, but added Pitcher Mark Mulder from the A's. The Cardinals also have the strength of being the defending National League Champions. The Cubs have a chance to win the division if their pitchers stay healthy. The Astros could very well win the wild card behind the arm of the "The Rocket" Rodger Clemens. The Reds could also be the surprise teams this year; they have the talent, but that's not always enough in this division.



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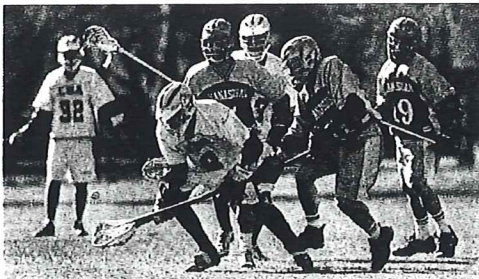


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Boys' Lacrosse

By: Zuri Malick

The boys lacrosse team is sitting on an acceptable 4-3 record. The squad kicked off the season with a 16-2 victory over the first year team RBC. Many of the players are showing us their best in their senior year. Of these seniors is Colin Ford who had 11 points against RBC, but more recently is Kyle Dawson with 5 goals and Matt Aiello with 4 goals against Howell. One of the most important players in the squad is Mike Reynolds, who is a junior. He has done a phenomenal job replacing the great Scott Manson who graduated last year. Coach Dowd compliments him by saying "we are very comfortable with him between the pipes". The



Spring Track Off to a Rocky Start

By: John Girard

The Manasquan Warrior's Spring Track Team kicked off the season with their first meet. Both the boys and girls squad competed in a tri-meet against Matawan and St. John Vianney on April 6, 2005. The boy's team trekked to Matawan's home field while the girls ventured to St. John's respected home field.

The boys started off somewhat shaky during the first race. But such races as the 400 hurdles, sprint medley and 3200 meter got Manasquan some of their points. The Weightman's Team also pitched in, throwing great lengths in the shot put, discus and javelin to earn the team some points. Though the boys put out a great effort, they still gallantly lost to Matawan by a score of 129-11 and lost to St. John's by a score of 94-46.

The girls had good day competing at St. John's. Numerous athletes earned first place in their events. Such athletes included Caroline Sweeney in the pole vault, Daniel Gorman in the mile and Nichole Hawkins in both the high jump and long jump. The girls also lost to both teams by scores of 98-41 against Matawan and 78-58 against St. John Vianney.

The Warriors record for both teams is 0-3. The team will together venture to Holmdel on April 18, 2005 to hopefully better their record. Good luck throughout the rest of the season.

Golf's in Full Swing

By: Megan Fechter

The Manasquan High School golf team looks to follow in the footsteps of Tiger Woods fresh off his fourth Masters victory. With a record of 5-4 both the junior varsity and varsity teams are sure to accomplish great things this spring season.

The team practices at Eagle Ridge Golf Club in Lakewood and at the Manasquan River Yacht Club

juniors and sophomores on the squad have also done an amazing job replacing the players that graduated last year. The team came upon their first stumble with a disappointing loss against Toms River North. From this loss they can only gain more desire to beat their biggest rival CBA. Come and support the team!

after school. At practice the team works on their chipping and putting before they break into groups of four to play nine holes.

Although no captain is named Tim Johnson is the team leader after establishing himself as the best player on the team. Sophomore Leslie LaBruto the only female on the team has been doing a great job on junior varsity and will sure to continue her success throughout her high school career.

This past Tuesday the team performed tremendously at the County Tournament held at Hominy Hill in Colts Neck. They will go on to compete in the upcoming Shore Conference.



College Acceptances

As of April 15, 2005:

Amanda Nadrowski

Sacred Heart University
Hofstra University

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Monmouth University

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Erin Rauch-Sasseen

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University of Dallas
The College of New Jersey
Fordham University

Alexandra Nies

Lynchburg College
University of North Carolina at
Greensboro

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Old Dominion University
Sacred Heart University
East Carolina University
George Mason University
University of Rhode Island

Kateri Norton

Lock Haven University
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Hofstra University
East Carolina

Brian O'Connell

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Megan O'Rourke

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The College of New Jersey
Wagner College
Monmouth University

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Stephanie Bruett	University of North Carolina at Wilmington Georgian Court University East Carolina University	Kurt Fenchel	Rutgers University Rowan University
Mike Budalich	Fordham University Fairfield University Providence College	Angela Ferrelli	Pacific University Allegheny College Franklin Pierce University of New Hampshire
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Al Cleary	Fordham University Pace University Northeastern University	Daniel Galantucci	University of Hartford West Virginia University
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Shauna Corbo	James Madison University	Julianne Gardner	Fairleigh Dickinson University
Chris Curry- Edwards	Christopher Newport University Monmouth University Rider University	William Gegan	Barton College
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Michaela Dooley	Vanderbilt University	Liam Golding	University of Vermont University of Rhode Island University of Colorado Rutgers University University of Denver
Amber Dzitko	Farmington University	Cathryn Gorlinsky	University of Delaware
		Alex Groezinger	University of Rhode Island

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Senior Guess Who

Senior Guess Who?

1. TMMETE ISTMH

This senior guy drives a '91 Honda Civic, known as the "White Knight." He lives in Spring Lake and is the director of the D.A.R.E program. He plays centerfield for the Manasquan Varsity baseball team, and also played soccer in the fall. He has an older brother, named Jim, whose a junior in college.



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3. TSVEV VILNGIOSNT

This senior guy has brown hair and lives in Squan, and next year will be attending VillaNova. You probably see him driving his blue Blazer. He has a younger sister in the Manasquan named, Caitlin. Along with that, he has two older sisters, and an older brother. He is the vice president of Key Club, and a great student.

5. HSPET TBURET

She has long brown hair, and lives in Manasquan. You can catch her driving her blue Acura around town, unless She's lucky and gets to drive her Mom's bright blue Durango that day! She's also known has Princess. She has a cat that she's obsessed with, and a dog named Sandy. Don't forget, her favorite color is purple.



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Blue Beat

By: Kevin Jones

"If you could choose any job what would it be?"



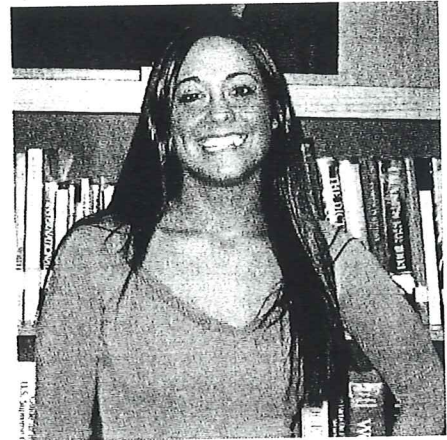
Dan Griffin:

"I dont know man, i'd have no job I guess."



Kyle Clancy:

"A comedian"



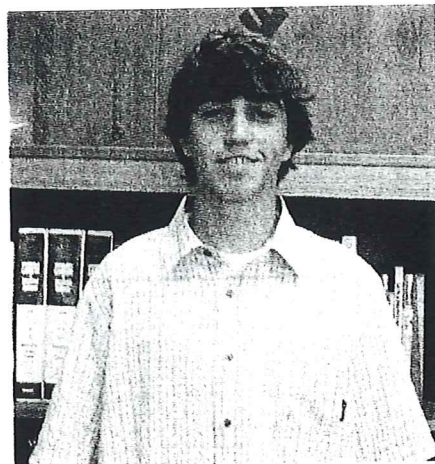
Tara Butts:

"Pro-Tanner"



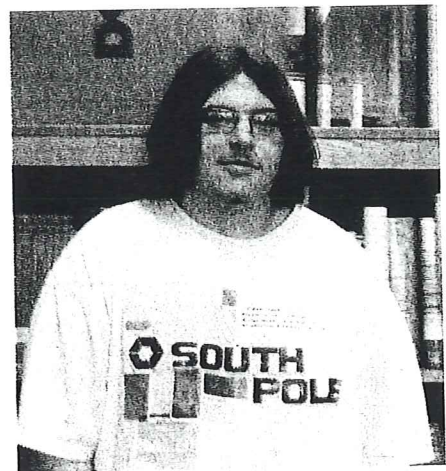
Katie Corbo:

"I'm gonna marry rich."



Colin Ford:

"I'd be a librarian."



Joe Yuka:

"Own a sports team cause you make so much money."

Answers to Nicknames

1. H. Justin Dzwonkowski
2. J. Mrs. Hawryluk
3. G. Jesse Irons
4. I. Mr. Higgins
5. B. T.J. Shinn
6. D. Keith Bradley
7. A. Justin Smith
8. F. Mrs. Best
9. E. Ray Mitchell
10. C. John Donadeo

Answer to Senior Guess Who

Emmit Smith
Breece Panepinto
Steve Livingston
Dana Tamburella
Steph Bruette
Chrissy Blair

Answers to Spring Jumble

Flowers	Thunderstorm
April	Spring
June	May
Gardens	Showers

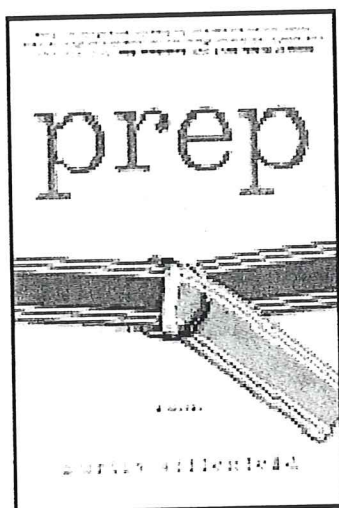
SPRING TIME!

Book Review

Prep

By: Megan Fichter

Living in a world that is both at your fingertips and just out of arms length can make high school at a prestigious and ritzy prep school extremely challenging. In the coming of age novel Prep, title character Lee Fiora struggles to find her place as a scholarship student among her classmates, many of



whom spend summer on Nantucket and have family body guards.

Lee, at the ripe age of fourteen, leaves her lively and loving family in small town South Bend Indiana, for the impressive Ault boarding school in Massachusetts. The neatly cut grass, cute boys in argyle sweaters, and old brick buildings displayed in the school's glossy brochure draws

Lee into a life far different than her own in the Midwest.

Upon arriving, Lee soon learns that prep school students live in a world jaded by money, looks, and surprisingly witty slang. Lee feels intimidated by her classmates and becomes an introvert whom rarely socializes with the other students. Despite her shy behavior, Lee is an astute observer, one who gets close enough to people to figure them out but not close enough to give any of herself away. As the years progress, Lee does engage in more school rituals but still holds true to the outsider mentality because of her status as a financial aid student. However, Lee's life takes a surprisingly public turn during her senior year at Ault, destroying her cautiously crafted identity and place within the boarding school community.

Prep is a fantastic novel and cleverly written by first time author, Curtis Sittenfeld. This widely publicized book delves deep into the issues of teen

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Book Review

Gossip Girls

By: Natalie Willt

Come check out this six, soon to be seven, book series Gossip Girls! For all those girls out there that



love to gossip, which is all of you, try killing those urges with a good book. This may sound crazy, but you wont get better gossip anywhere else. A group of rich families living in New York City can produce some crazy stories. Told by the unknown Gossip Girl, you hear every little detail to the fanatical lives lead by the children and even their parents. Imagine being able to

drop as much money as you want, whenever you want. You're known everywhere you walk in, and treated just like a star. When you have this much money you pretty much are. The kids in this book may look like they have the greatest life, but these books give you the inside scoop on their troubled lives. Although you don't have to read them in order, you should so you know every little detail to each gossip story. So come enter the world of people who live and breath gossip. Keep an eye out for the upcoming movie.

Prep Continued

angst, relationships with friends and teachers, insecurities, fights with parents, and the all consuming crushes. It is even rumored that the movie adaptation of the novel will star Natalie Portman who I am sure can pull off the complexity of the character Lee Fiora. With a tone similar to that of Holden Caulfield's in The Catcher in the Rye, Sittenfeld has created a masterpiece. I most certainly recommend Prep to anyone interested in reading a smart and brilliantly humorous novel which is not afraid to bring race, class, and gender issues to the forefront.

Music Review

Warts & All Volume IV

By: John Girard

Anyone out there like moe.? Oh sorry, maybe I should start this article out with a different question. Has anyone out there ever heard of moe.?



moe. is a jam band that jams, hence the name jam band. The band consists of four guys named Rob Derhak on bass and lead vocals,

Chuck Garvey on guitar and vocals, Al Schnier on guitar and vocals, and finally Vinnie Amico on drums. Rob, Chuck, Al, and Vinnie make up quite possibly one of the best jam bands around today.

moe. has a series of CD's called *Warts & All*. They are a collection of randomly picked moe. shows from different years. The most recent album, Volume IV, was recorded on July 18, 1998 at the Chopper Dragon in Carbondale, Illinois. *Warts & All Volume IV* consists of excellent moe. hits such as "Happy Hour Hero, Rebebula, Water, Waiting for the Punchline and Y.O.Y." They also cover the well-known Grateful Dead hit entitled "I Know You Rider".

I highly recommend this album to anyone who enjoys jam bands. You might as well, while you're at it, purchase *Warts & All Volumes I-III*. Enjoy the CD, that is, if you do look into purchasing it.

New Record Releases

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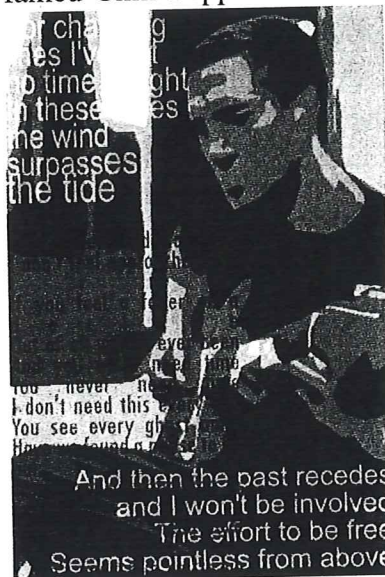
Rise Against

Music Review

Ovations Aplenty for Frusciante's "Curtain" Call

By: Tyler Magyar

Since hearing the opening riff of the Red Hot Chili Peppers' "Knock Me Down", it was love at first listen. The courtship has been drawn out for years, lined with trysts in the form of new projects and releases. What's not to love about John Frusciante, famed Chili Pepper and solo artist extraordinaire?



His inventive style, urgent delivery, and infectious melodies have immersed me in a world of music I had since only imagined of. More often than not, I can identify where I was each time I opened up a new album featuring acoustic/electronic/alternative/experimental dabbler. Each meeting place was rather typical -- a friend's house, a car, a record store... But to usher in John's latest effort, the 15th in his musical repertoire, I needed something new. Something special.

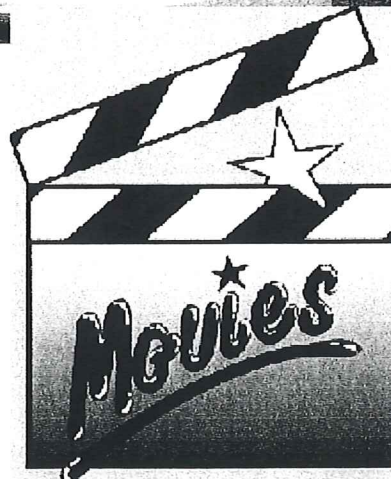
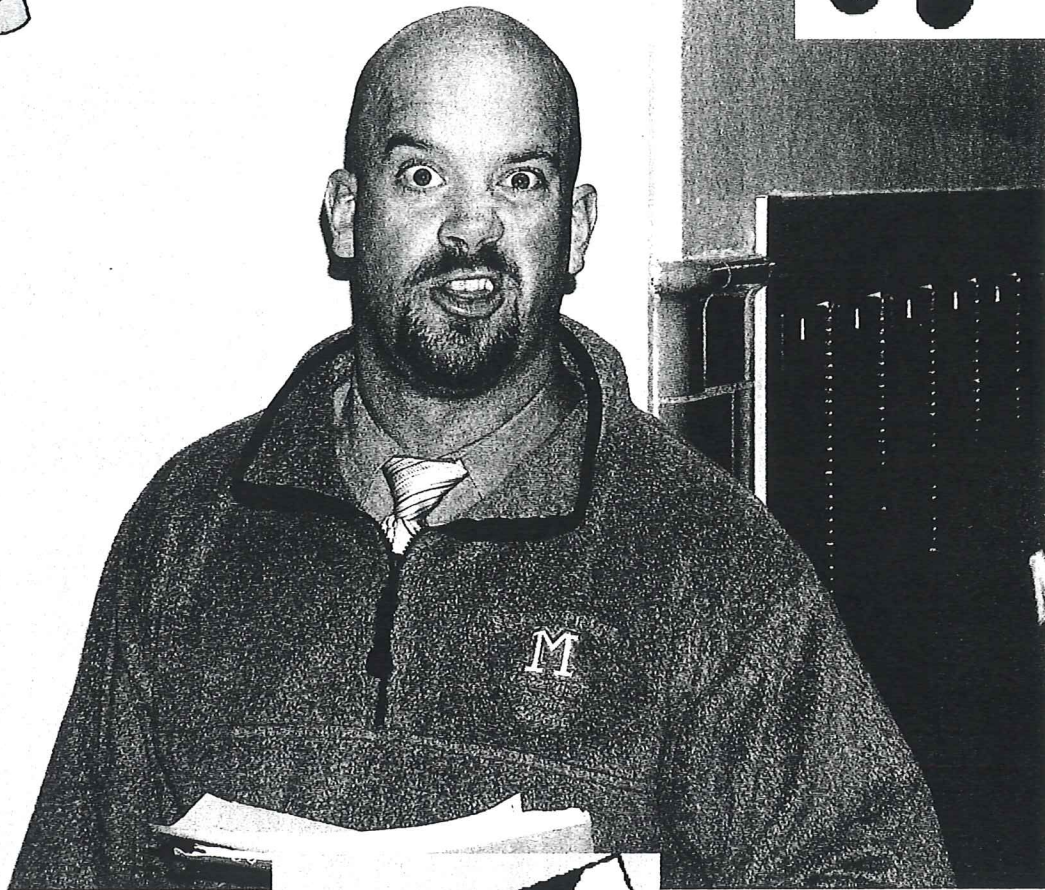
Curtains, the sixth and final release which caps off Frusciante's "Six Albums in Six Months" stint with Record Collection Music, introduces a mellower, more cut-and-dry acoustic sound along with the complex approach John has capitalized upon for years now. With only 11 songs and clocking in at barely over thirty minutes, you can tell that the 35-year-old virtuoso has more up his sleeve. That is more than a relief, however, being our present status in an industry lacking the merit, originality, and devotion Frusciante holds.

No quicker than when Curtains hit my mailbox did I rush to find the sanctuary which would host

Entertainment



AND THAT'S THE BOTTOM
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Mr. Mawn Honored as 2005's Teacher of the Year



By: Tyler Magyar

"There are so many things I could say..." begins Miss Callas as she is asked for her opinion of Mr. Mawn. She's right -- to classify such a dynamic teacher is no simple duty. Miss Callas, who has taught classes alongside Mr. Mawn for the last few years, is an undoubtedly credible opinion on the matter.

After a bit of thought, she continues, "... (Mr. Mawn) is one of the most dedicated teachers I have ever come across... he maintains such a high level of enthusiasm on a daily basis." This also is true; in my three years as his student, I am confident

in reaffirming that there are few days when Mr. Mawn enters a classroom without a smile, a joke, or a story to tell. Often enough, his congenial nature takes the best of him.

It goes without saying that Mr. Mawn possesses the makings of a great educator. Thankfully, the MHS faculty agrees, thus naming him 2005's Teacher of the Year. As Mrs. Marklein attested, "he is well deserving of this honor... a creative, knowledgeable teacher who certainly develops a terrific rapport with his students."

Mr. Mawn came to Manasquan High School in 1995, replacing Mrs. Watson. Originally taking on the role of English 1

teacher, Mawn eventually moved on to teach English 3 and English 3 honors, as well as advising the Blue & Gray. Finishing up his tenth year here at Manasquan, Mr. Mawn calls his time here "exciting and meaningful... I work with an excellent group of talented teachers and enjoy the Manasquan students."

As do all great teachers, Mr. Mawn finds the learning process to work both ways. "I've learned a tremendous amount," he said. "But I feel there's always room to learn."

The Teacher of the Year award is truly a prestigious honor. Other recent recipients include Mrs. Mangan, Mrs. Sickles, Mr. Harvey, Mrs. Kenney, and Mr. Freda. Although their individual roles vary, all of those teachers share with Mr. Mawn one common trait: the ability to go beyond the duties of one's job in order to educate to the best of their ability. Mr. Mawn, or "Mawny", as he is often playfully referred to, combines all the best

traits of an ideal teacher. It is equally easy to catch him discussing Harlem Renaissance literature as it is to start a debate about the best *Simpsons* episode. "Mr. Mawn has a way of relating the material to use so that we understand", testifies junior Lindsay Tomes, a student of Mr. Mawn's. He is even adept to giving advice about what is going on in his students' lives. When someone seems under the weather, Mawn is first to lend a hand.

Aside from his work as English teacher and Journalism advisor, Mr. Mawn also takes the time to head the Key Club, along with Mrs. McKenzie. Said Mrs. McKenzie, "he works very hard alongside the students, creating a good working environment and creating great progress."

Student Lindsay Tomes concluded, "(Mr. Mawn) keeps everyone interested so you *want* to pay attention." That in itself is a skill worthy of recognition.

Congratulations Mr. Mawn, and thank you for all that you have brought to Manasquan.

Wrong Decision

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in order to help their child. The parents claim that if Terry could talk she would want to live. In one of their most publicized appeals to the 11th Circuit Court, the parents claimed that they saw their daughter trying to verbalize the words "I want

to live". Many argued that it was "politically correct" to have the feeding tube removed, but doing this was obviously no better than murder, and a cruel attempt by Michael Shiuvo to rid himself of the personal responsibilities required to care for his needy spouse.

the family for permission to pull the feeding tube. And this is where the controversy begins, over a matter of life and death.

Although it may seem immoral to some, the right thing was done. It was necessary. She was extremely helpless,

and reliant on people and machines simply to survive. Furthermore, she did not suffer because she felt no pain. It was no different to the decision to turn off life support for a coma patient. Most of all, it was what she had wanted.

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vote in the election came into play by Pope Alexander III in 1179. In 1274, Pope Gregory X decided that the cardinals must meet within 10 days of the pope's death, and that they should be in seclusion until a new pope has been chosen. Most of the procedures now used in the pope selection were established by the late 1500s.

There are three methods in which the pope can be elected. A unanimous voice vote is acceptable, as is the unanimous selection by the cardinals of a 9 to 15 member committee. This committee must then agree on a pope. The most common technique is election by ballot. This technique works as follows:

- The dean of the Sacred College of Cardinals notifies the cardinals and calls a meeting which is always held in the morning and it held no later than 20 days after the pope's death.
- The cardinals draw lots to select three members to collect ballots, three "tellers" to count the votes, and three others to review results.
- Approximately 120 active cardinals, under the age of 80, walks to an altar and pledges to perform his duty with integrity after writing the name of one man on a ballot. The ballot is then placed into a container covered by a plate.
- The "tellers" tally the ballots and the result is read to the cardinals.
- Another vote is taken if there is no winner. Two more votes are scheduled for the afternoon.
- The ballots are burned each time they are counted. If there is no winner a chemical is mixed with the ballots to produce black smoke when they are burned. Sight of the black smoke emerging from the roof of the Vatican Palace tells people in St. Peter's Square that a pope has not been selected yet. When a winner has been selected, the ballots are burned alone, and the white smoke indicates there is a new pope.
- The winner has to acquire two-thirds of the votes plus one, but John Paul II changed that in 1996. He ruled that if, after 12 or 13 days there is still no winner, the council could invoke a rule, by majority vote, which would permit the selection of the pope by an absolute majority.
- Once there is a winner, the pope-elect is asked if he accepts the decision. If he does, the dean asks what name he chooses and announces it to the

Remembered, Mourned

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theatre when his country, Poland, was invaded by the Nazis. During the Nazi occupation of Poland from 1940-1944, John Paul worked in a quarry and a chemical factory. In 1942, he began to study priesthood. John Paul was ordained as a priest in Krakow, Poland on November 1, 1946. On July 4, 1958, he was appointed Auxiliary Bishop of Krakow by Pope Pius XII, and was consecrated September 28, 1958 in Wawel Cathedral in Krakow. On January 13, 1964, he was nominated Archbishop of Krakow by Pope Paul VI, who made him a cardinal June 26, 1967. He was then named pope in 1978.

Besides having interest in religion, John Paul also had interest in theatre and writing. He has written numerous documents and letters. He has also published 5 books beginning in 1994.

Pope John Paul II will be remembered as a conservative and courageous pope. To keep his conservative voice alive, John Paul has appointed many bishops and cardinals who believe in his conservative views. John Paul also showed great courage during his reign as pope. He stood up for what he believed in and he encouraged other people to stand up for their rights. He was a key part in many of things that happened in the world during his 27 years as the pope including one of the most important events in history, the fall of communism. He has traveled across the globe spreading his message of hope, peace, and happiness. Pope John Paul II will forever be remembered for moving words like these:

"Have no fear of moving into the unknown. Simply step out fearlessly knowing that I am with you, therefore no harm can befall you; all is very, very well. Do this in complete faith and confidence."

cardinals, who then come forward to offer their congratulations.

- The eldest cardinal steps out on a balcony overlooking St. Peter's Square and says to the people, "*Habemus papam*" – "*We have a pope.*" He then introduces the pope, who steps out on the balcony to bless Rome and the world.
- Many popes are formally installed with a coronation, formal ceremony, but Pope John Paul II refused and was initiated as the pope during a Mass in St. Peter's Square.

More Devastation for Disaster-Torn Region

By: Caroline Sweeney

Indonesia is experiencing a recent splurge in natural disasters. Three months ago, in December, an earthquake-triggered tsunami hit Asia and killed over 200,000 people. In the weeks and months that have followed, the reconstruction has been slow. There have been a train of earthquakes shaking the coast of Indonesia. On March 28, 2005 a powerful quake which measured 8.7 killed 600 devastated residents of

Sumatra. Hasn't this region suffered enough? It didn't end there. Then two more quakes, both measuring a 6.3, rocked the shores of the already battered islands. Luckily no one was killed in this incident. The most recent natural phenomena happened on April 5th. This quake caused Mount Talang to erupt, sending residents fleeing the area. The people feared another tsunami was going to follow, but thankfully no such tsunami was recorded.

Now the question is

when will all this end. Or better yet, what will happen next?



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Students Sound Off



Breaking Point:

Could lowering the drinking age to eighteen ease alcohol abuse among young adults?

By: Larissa Reto

"It's hypocrisy to say that an eighteen-year-old's brain is developed enough to drive a tank in Iraq but can't handle a glass of wine." These are the words of Alex Koroknay-Palicz, executive director of the National Youth Rights Association. These words hit me like a sack of bricks when I was reading the article "Booze Control" in the March issue of Teen Vogue magazine. At first, I thought the article was going to be some annoying teenager whining because she has to be 21 to drink legally. But it's *not*! According to this article, some experts are debating whether lowering the drinking age could prevent things like binge drinking, drunk driving, and alcohol poisoning. And when you *really* think about it, it is completely ridiculous to expect 18 year olds to be able to handle a war, and not be able to handle a drink once in a while.

According to the

Centers for Disease Control and the U.S. Department of Health, about 28 percent of high school seniors and more than 2 out of every 5 college students are binge drinkers. That's *a lot* of under-age drinkers. Krystal Werth, a sophomore at the University of Kansas says "[Students] are binge drinking and trying to get as drunk as possible so their buzz will last while they're at a club where they can't buy alcohol." They do this because they know that as soon as they leave the secluded place where they're drinking at, they can't buy alcohol anymore. If we can drink when we're 18, it won't be as fun to overdo it and drink to the point where we don't know our own names.

For example, there is no drinking age in Europe. Statistics prove that there are not nearly as many teenagers binge drinking there as there are in America. That is because they *can* drink in

A Bottomless Tank

As barrel prices soar, students struggle to afford gas



By: Chris Hoyler

New Jersey might not be the best place to live we don't have 75 degree weather all year, massive ski slopes, or the hip city life, but we do have one thing to be proud of: the lowest gas prices in the nation.

As a student who drives an SUV, the price of gas is always on my mind. Within the last couple of weeks, crude oil has risen 77 cents a gallon, pushing gas over \$2.00 in New Jersey. Gas prices are now well over \$50.00 a barrel, due to various factors. The need for unleaded gas in the United States rose the first week of April by 2.4 million barrels from 314.8 to 317.1 million barrels, which is 8% higher than last year.

However, the US reports that supply demands are at normal rate: "Although demand still remains strong, supplies are normal", stated Tetsu Emori, chief commodities strategist at Mitsui Bussan Futures, an oil distributor. Yet, economists argue that

point, saying that gas prices will rise even higher during the summer "driving" season, and push \$60 a barrel, already up \$20 from last year. Economists are suggesting gas prices for regular unleaded gas will be around \$2.35 a gallon by May, from the average of \$2.10 now. The US is benchmarking crude oil at over \$50 a barrel for the rest of 2005, and into 2006, and nothing seems to be able to change this.

I drive all the time, it's my job, so to have gas prices rise higher and higher every week makes my eyes pop out every time I pull into the gas station. Do you know how much an SUV with a V8 engine takes to fill up? \$30 to \$35 a week, which adds up to be between \$120 and \$140 a month. Wow! That's a lot of money, and to know that its going to get even higher, makes me wonder how I am going to afford gas when I'm on my own. Just imagine living

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Monmouth County Honors Jamie Kapalko

By: Megan Fechter

Prestigious honors are bestowed on only the best and this year's Monmouth County Student Achiever Jamie Kapalko is no exception. As number one in the class and a participant in numerous extracurricular activities, Jamie was an obvious choice for this most celebrated award.

The Monmouth County Student Achiever Award is given to an excellent student at each high school in Monmouth County. Winners were invited to a ceremony at Colts Neck High School where they received certificates and pins for their accomplishments. They also

had the opportunity to meet honorees from other schools. One that stood out in Jamie's mind was the winner from Asbury Park's Culinary School. He described how every morning he and his classmates make bread and sell it to people living in Asbury Park, which enables them to better serve the community while practicing their craft.

Jamie, a leader in academics and sports, has dedicated her high school years to the betterment of herself and her community. Jamie is the captain of the Manasquan High School softball team and is a member of the traveling team JAXX where she stars as a left fielder. As a member of the National Honor Society, Key

Club, and Peer Leaders, Jamie lends her hand in the community as a perpetual volunteer. On top of all of this Jamie makes time to earn a little extra cash working part time as a hostess at the Boathouse in Belmar.

After being commended as a National Merit Scholar, an Asbury Park Press Academic Leader, and a New Jersey Bloustein scholar, Jamie is well prepared to take her next steps into academia. Jamie will enroll at Villanova University next year and hopes to one day pursue a career as a writer for Sports Illustrated Magazine. Congratulations Jamie on being named this year's Monmouth County Student Achiever.



*Jamie was named
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Achiever.*



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Junior Prom

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a night that juniors will remember for a long time.

The DJ's selection of songs provided excitement, packing the floor with enthusiastic dancers. The only negative was that he didn't play many slow songs. Most people only remembered three slow songs being played.

Another highlight was the annual announcement of the prom court. After Don Burke, Amy Rea, Mike Falciani, Calli Peters, Tommy Farese, Emily Kozlowski, and Emmett Walling were named to the Junior court, Richie Grieb

and Rachel Weston were crowned king and queen.

Some students complained about the food. The Vegetarian meal was too bland, and it took far too long for the food to be served. "We were sitting at the table for about an hour, when we wanted to be dancing."

After everything was said and done, the Junior Prom was amazing. Administrators and chaperones proudly complimented the juniors for their mature behavior. The night ran smoothly with out any little dramas. Many people worked



hard, both on the prom committee and setting up before the dance. Now, senior year seems a little closer.

*Top from left: Courtney Magee, Zuri Malick, and John Girard (right)
A group of juniors sit down to eat.*



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Drama Club Premieres *Jane Eyre*

By: Michaela Dooley

"Every few years it is important to do a serious show," stated Mr. Lee Weisart at the most anticipated drama club meeting of the year, the meeting in which the spring musical is announced. "We must challenge ourselves." The announced show was *Jane Eyre*.

The story of *Jane Eyre* is set in early nineteenth century England and begins with the death of Jane's parents. Young Jane (Megan Gallagher) is then sent to go live with her only known relative Mrs. Reed (Katie Maricic), however she and her family treat Jane terribly. Jane is then sent to the Lowood School, a frightful place for a young girl, run by Mr. Brocklehurst (Robert Avakian). There Jane befriends Helen Burns (Anna Klindworth) and the two become inseparable until Helen becomes ill and passes away.

Jane stays at the Lowood School for many years, but eventually a much older Jane (Colleen King and Amanda Czerminski) leaves and takes a governess position at

Thornfield Hall. The delightfully flighty Mrs. Fairfax (Erin Rauch-Sasseen) and obedient butler Robert (Donald Burke) greet her there. One winter's night Jane encounters a dark man on a horse who turns out to be the master of Thornfield Hall, Edward Rochester (Mark Miskin). The two are immediately drawn to each other, but Jane is haunted by strange noises at night and a dark Figure who set fire to Rochester's bed—there seem to be darkly kept secrets in the house.



There was also an Ensemble that followed the main action of the play, and was an interesting addition to the piece. "Sometimes the Ensemble is supposed to be towns people in period costuming, sometimes they do other things with the Ensemble," said senior Erin

Rauch-Sasseen. "It's kind of left up to the artistic vision of the director." Mr. Weisart chose to have the Ensemble dress all in black, and they seemed to represent the thoughts of Jane as she moved through the events of her life.

Outstanding performances came from everyone. I especially enjoyed Don Burke and Erin Rauch-Sasseen as an unlikely

tag-team in Thornfield Hall. Both Janes played their roles exceptionally well, especially as rookies on the Jack Nicholson Theatre Stage. Also Matthew Truex's performance of "The Call" was refreshing and well executed.

Sarah Rogers impressed the audience with her arias, and brought comic relief to the stage, as did Marc Miskin when he dressed as a gypsy and sang a song pretending to be an old woman.

It is easy to see why Mr. Weisart warned everyone that *Jane Eyre* would be a challenge. The show had over twenty musical numbers and went well over two hours in length. It was a success by all standards, and everyone did excellent job with the entire behind-the-scenes work such as make-up and set construction.

In keeping with some of the darker thematic qualities, the stage remained a little bit dark throughout the show. With that in mind, if I could make a suggestion for next year, I would suggest something a little bit lighter that would be fun to do and would showcase even more of the extraordinary talent we have here at MHS and in the MHS Drama Club.

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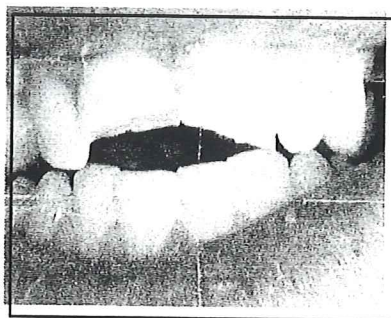
By: John Girard

Gym, "Physical Education" if you want to be all serious about it, is one of the greatest, most entertaining classes to be found in this school. I mean, it doesn't get much better than Gym Volleyball or Floor Hockey. And how could I forget such great activities as mat-ball, softball and ping-pong. In gym class, true talent comes out of students.

But, as we all know, some people take gym class a little too seriously. But hey, gym is a class in school and we are supposed to take school *so seriously*. This seriousness has its drawbacks though. So sometimes in gym someone has to get hurt and ruin the fun for everybody. Take me for an example. My fellow classmates and I were

entwined in a heated game of volleyball when BAM! I took my good friend James McNulty's fists to my face when we both tried to hit a ball at the same. I fell to the floor and came back to my feet noticing that my jaw was two inches to the left. So of course everyone had to come over and stare at me and make me feel stupid. And we had to pause the game for five minutes which could have easily been used for us to win the game. Also a recent

incident occurred in a certain gym class. The Great Steve O'Malley Tooth Incident, as it's being referred to by many people.



Seen above are what remains of Junior Steve O'Malley's teeth after being hit by a hockey stick during a heated matchup. Thankfully, Steve has since gotten them fixed.

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He was playing an extremely intense game of floor hockey when he took a hockey stick to the face. He collapsed to his respected

court. When he arose he noticed that good portions of his two front teeth had been knocked out. He also noticed that he had a pool of blood in his had; sorry for the graphic details.

Soon after the event Steve was taken to his dentist where replacement teeth were put into the gaps. An x-ray was taken of Steve's teeth where you could literally see the nerves in his teeth. Again I say, sorry for the graphic details. This serious, yet still quite funny event shows how serious gym class really is.

So to conclude, don't take gym so seriously. But seriously, all the seriousness in gym class takes away all the fun found in the class. If you don't have fun, then what is the point? Enjoy gym class and all of the funny events that may occur. But, at the same time be aware of your surroundings, you never know when you may takes James McNulty's fists to your face.

Pizza Champ Delivers

By: Tyler Magyar

By the time you finish reading this article, I will have finished a double extra-large Pete & Elda's pizza pie. That's right—in just under five minutes (4:45, to be exact), my sub-150 lb. frame was able to devour (and hold down!) roughly three pounds of bread, sauce, cheese, and scrumptious grease. What can I say? Just another day in the life, I guess.

Each year, the MHS swim team flocks to Pete & Elda's for their annual pizza eating contest. Seeded to win, more often than not, are the "big dudes" -- Tim Kellers/Emmett Walling/Andrew Smith kinds of guys. But as it turns out, the contest does not rely solely on size, for an almost Zen-like mindset is also required to take home the gold. Think back to 2001, when then-Squan swimmer Tom Quigley conquered the feat in roughly six-and-a-half minutes. It was not the extra vestibules of flub that took Tom down the road to victory, but instead a meditated state

Tom allegedly refers to as "hammer time". Quigley cites this demeanor as being "a gracious gift from the Gods of gluttony." Whatever it was, it worked for him --and I was confident it would work for me too. After three months of a strict, non-stop training program (which included the consumption of 5,000 calories per day and the constant viewing of infomercials and Mexican soap operas), I was ready to take to the battle field. When I came to the table during last year's challenge, I was ready to tap into the power of Zen and tickle the tootsies of lady luck.

Quigs lurked over my right shoulder and common sense (wailing "why are you doing this, you dummy?") lingered over my left one. I embarked to show these sissy Marys who was boss. (Me.) Roughly eighteen minutes later (about three times longer than Mr. Quigley), I had taken first place--but not the time record I should have scooped up with it. Although flabbergasting my teammates ("*how the heck did Tyler beat me?*"), I felt the sharp pains of discontent. The following year was to be my time for redemption.

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