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Mr. DeFrisco's Mission in Africa

By Brian O'Hara

Mr. DeFrisco is currently on a trip to Africa. Before he left, I had the opportunity to interview him. He was flying from Chicago to Paris and then from Paris to Lagos, Africa. He then was to connect on one more flight that would take him to Nsukka, Nigeria. I asked Mr. DeFrisco what the main purpose, or goal, of this trip was. He stated, "The main purpose of this trip is to help the people of Nsukka understand that the people in Africa can build a school system that will work for them."

While in Nsukka, Mr. DeFrisco plans to be teaching with some of the Catholic school teachers from that area. His plan is to be at the parish of Father Odo. Unfortunately, he will not see his friend, as father Odo will be traveling in Paris during that time. Mr. DeFrisco will visit another priest named Father Ipke. When asked what he was looking forward to most, Mr. DeFrisco said that he was looking forward to arriving at his final destination, Nsukka, because it would be hot there.

Mr. DeFrisco will not experience the cushiest of accommodations; his bed will be a platform bed made of wood with a very thin mattress. He is traveling with approximately eighteen other people from the Chicago area.



I asked him what the most memorable part of the trip was that he took last year to Nsukka. He replied, "I enjoyed visiting the children in the schools. They really love to see people from other parts of the world."

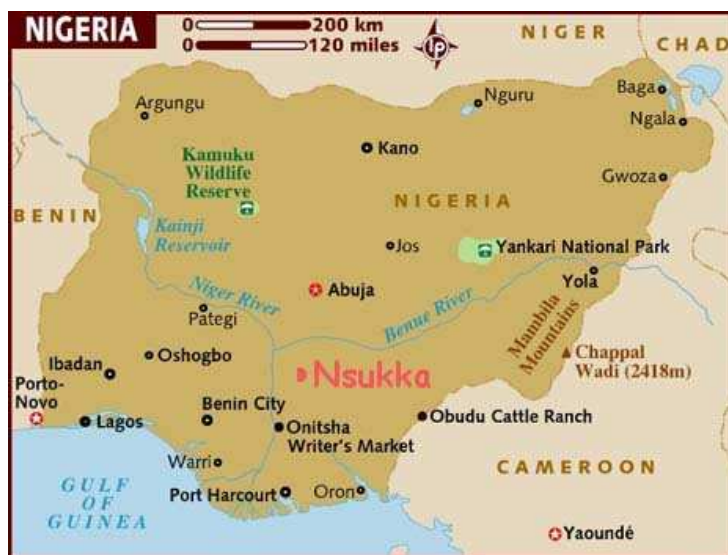
I also asked him how this trip would make St. Hubert School a better place. Mr. De Frisco said, "It will provide an opportunity for us as a school to get to know people around the world. It will also help our school become closer."

Mr. DeFrisco also feels that his trip will bring hope to the people he visits in Africa. "It will bring hope for a better school system and the idea of caring for other people."

Mr. DeFrisco will return home on March 22nd. We wish him a safe, fun, and successful journey!

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Helping to Keep Us Healthy! Our New Nurse, Mrs. Fitzpatrick

By: Andrew Baack

I had a chance to interview our new school nurse, Mrs. Fitzpatrick, who is very happy to be taking care of all the students here at St. Hubert School. She is an important part of the staff because she is always there to help students.

Q: About how many kids come into your room every day?

A: I would say anywhere from fifteen to twenty.

Q: Do you ever regret being a nurse?

A: No, I love it.

Q: What do you do when you get sick or hurt?

A: I try to take care of myself the same way I would with someone else.

Q: Is it stressful being a nurse?

A: No, not too stressful.

Q: Do you have kids, and if so do you use your knowledge of being a nurse to help them and others?

A: I have three kids and I do use my knowledge of being a nurse to help a lot of people.

Q: Were you a nurse at a school before ours?

A: I used to be a nurse at a Catholic school in Evanston.

Q: What do you do when students aren't in your office?

A: I have loads and loads of paperwork, and I bring students in for vision and hearing tests.

Q: What kind of car do you have?

A: I have a black Chrysler.

Q: Sox or Cubs?

A: Cubs definitely

Q: If you weren't a nurse what other job would you choose?

A: I would probably be a teacher.



Mrs. Fitzpatrick with one of her many patients (Zack Davis)

A Baby's Valentine



By Roel Mendoza

This February, Junior High students celebrated Valentine's Day with a purpose.

During the two weeks before Valentine's Day, junior high students brought in baby items to give to the Society for the Preservation of Human Dignity (PHD). The

baby things that were provided were for all the basic needs: clothing, food, diapers, toys, etc. PHD will provide these baby items to poor pregnant women or women who already have babies.

Mrs. Heavey asked one of the PHD members, Mrs. Patty

Branham to come to the school on Valentine's Day, to pick-up the baby items and talk to the junior high students and teachers. She told them about how they have a lot of different counselors for different family situations and how they also have many places for volunteer work.

Spring Break Survey

By James Becker

Spring Break is rising out of the shadows of old man WINTER! I wondered what everyone had planned for the week off so I sent out a survey to the sixth grade students to see where they were traveling over the break.

Of the 15 responses that I received, 40% will be staying home, another 40% will be traveling out of the state, and the remaining 20% indicated that they will be visiting family and/or friends. Whatever the destination may be, I hope everyone has a great time especially our wonderful teachers!

Once we start back up again, there will only be 10 more weeks remaining in the school year. There is light at the end of the school year tunnel!



Riddles

By Alan Zapinski



If you spin me you can see the world.
I am mostly blue, but also other colors.
I usually have a frame around me.
I am used for a school subject.
What am I?

Answers can be found on the last page of this newspaper.

I have 8 eyes.
I make something pointier.
You use me in school.
What am I?

2011 Saint Hubert Academic Bowl



By Andrew Baack

The annual St. Hubert Academic Bowl was a very special one. Many of us cheered on our fellow classmates. We are proud of the students who participated in this special event. The win-

ning team of this year's academic bowl was team one, second place was team four, third place was team three, and fourth place was team two. We are not only proud of the students, but also the teachers because they are the

ones who take their time to educate the students. Overall this academic bowl was a memorable one.



Movie Review: *Unstoppable*

By Andrew Baack

If you want to see an awesome movie, be sure to see *Unstoppable*. It stars Denzel Washington and Chris Pine. The film is directed by Tony Scott. This is an action packed thrill ride with lots of fun that will appeal to just about everyone. It has lots of great stunts and and special effects.

The story is about a runaway train that is going through several small towns in Pennsylvania. The train is carrying several tons of toxic chemicals, and if it were to crash it could create a major disaster and be quite deadly as well.

Special forces were called in to try

and stop the train by forcing it to derail.

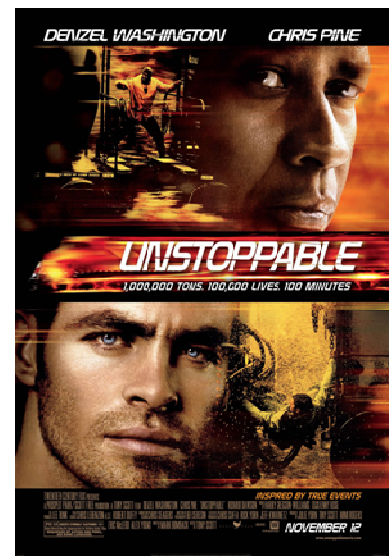
Both Denzel Washington's and Chris Pine's characters are caught in the middle of the situation and are forced into making a decision to try and stop the train themselves.

I really enjoyed this film. It has a lot of action and suspense and it is quite touching at the end.

I give this film:



(out of five stars)



Tim, That's Amazing!

By Roel Mendoza

On February 25th Saint Hubert School students watched professional motivational speaker Tim Hannig perform amazing tricks and tell funny jokes. He also inspired them with words of wisdom from the Bible. Throughout the show he combined these elements. For example, he explained the concept of integrity, or doing something you said you would do, by telling an amusing story of how a man walked a tight-rope across Niagara Falls. The man went across the falls twice on a tight-rope with a pole. He then went across pushing a wheel barrow. Everyone wanted to watch him



Our own Miss LeBeau looking stylish in the hat made by Tim.

walk across the falls on the tight-rope. They told him they believed in him and that he could do it. He then asked someone to sit in the barrel and cross the falls with him, but no one would. That explains even though you say one thing you do another.

Throughout the show Tim brought out his friend, “Vern” the Bird for a little conversation with both Tim and the audience. Vern didn’t really like Tim, but it was very entertaining for the audience to watch them argue.

So basically, Tim performs comedy with a purpose. I hope that his messages have inspired all students to help others.



‘Tis That Time of Year Again. But Why?

By Brian O’Hara

Most people love to celebrate St. Patrick's Day, but many people don't understand the significance of it. The holiday St. Patrick's Day is named after St. Patrick, the patron saint of Ireland.

St. Patrick was born to a wealthy family in Roman Britain in the fourth century A.D. When Patrick was sixteen years old, he was kidnapped by Irish raiders. He was then forced to work for the raiders as a slave in Ireland. Patrick claimed that in a dream God told him to flee from slavery and to board a ship to return to Britain. When Patrick returned to Britain, he studied to become a priest at the Church in Auxerre. Patrick again

claimed that he was called back to Ireland, but this time as a bishop. There, Patrick converted many people to Christianity. According to Irish folklore, one of Patrick's teaching methods was to use a shamrock to explain the Holy Trinity of Christianity—the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. Shamrocks have now become a symbol of St. Patrick's Day. Patrick died on March 17, 432 B.C. His death age is estimated to be about eighty-eight. St. Patrick officially became a saint in 493 A.D., and since then March 17th has been recognized as a holiday.

Originally, blue was the official color of St. Patrick's Day, but over the years green became the most

recognized color of St. Patrick's Day because of the association of the shamrock, which is green. Green is now the most popular color and is primarily worn at St. Patrick's Day celebration.

So, the next time you are celebrating St.

Patrick's Day remember why it is celebrated.



Guess Who?

By Brian O'Hara

His favorite books are Song of Solomon, Moby Dick, Shakespeare's Strategies, Parting the Waters, Gilead, Self-Reiance, The Bible, and Lincoln's Collected Writings.

His favorite food is shrimp and grits.

He went to college at Harvard.

He was born in Honolulu.

He started his career in Chicago.

His favorite color is blue.

His favorite hobby is playing basketball.

He got married in 1992.

He drives a Ford Escape Hybrid and a Chrysler 300C.

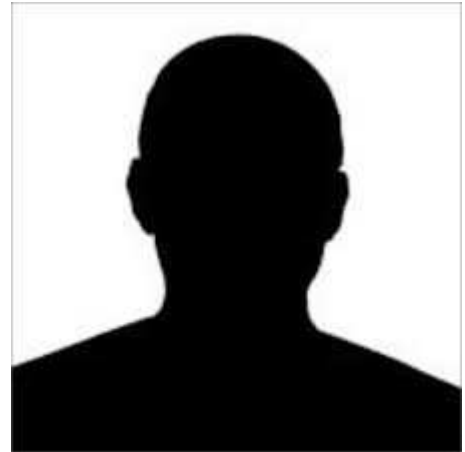
His favorite movies are Casablanca, The Godfather I, The Godfather II, Lawrence of Arabia, and One Flew over the Cucoo's Nest.

His favorite musicians are Bob Dylan, Miles Davis, John Cultrane, Stevie Wonder, Johann Sebastian Bach, and The Fugees.

He wrote a book in 1995 entitled Dreams from My Father: A Story of Race and Inheritance, a book in 2006 entitled The Audacity of Hope: Thoughts on Reclaiming the American Dream, and another book in 2006 entitled It Takes a Nation: How Strangers Became Family in the Wake of Hurricane Katrina.

He is a one-time Nobel Peace Prize Winner.

(Answer can be found on last page)



Hungry? Try Baker Hill Pancake House!

By Nathan Jones

If you like pancakes, waffles, eggs or any other breakfast food, then you should try Baker Hill Pancake House in Elgin. I recently went there for breakfast and sampled their French Toast, Waffles, Pancakes, Corned Beef Hash and Eggs. Everything was excellent!!!!

My waffle was golden brown and topped with powdered sugar. It melted in my mouth when I ate it. They have several different flavors of waffles but I got my favorite, the plain Belgian Waffle.

The pancakes are grilled golden brown and topped with butter and sometimes fruit. They have so many options for breakfast that I can't even list them all in my review. They also serve sandwiches for lunch, but I haven't had a chance to try them yet.

I bet they are fantastic based on the foods I have tried.

The service at this restaurant is fantastic. The host greeted us as soon as we entered and seated us promptly. As soon as we were seated we were given water and someone brought coffee to the table. The waitstaff is always friendly, and they take your order as soon as they can. In fact, as often as I have eaten here, they have never gotten my order wrong. The cooks prepare the food to perfection and it is always hot when it gets to my table.

When I'm done eating, I'm full and completely satisfied with my meal. I look forward to going back for breakfast again. Baker Hill employees always go out of their way to try and make you feel like the only customer in the restaurant, even though the res-

taurant is full and people are waiting to be seated. You never feel rushed to finish your breakfast, and all the employees make you feel like family.

Baker Hill is located in Elgin at 1279 Dundee Ave. They have a dining room and carry out is available. They are open daily from 6am to 4pm.

I hope you get a chance to enjoy their food soon. I'm sure you will be as satisfied as I am every time I go.

Baker Hill Pancake House

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Performance Not as Shaky as a *Fiddler on the Roof*

By Hugh Tully

Recently, the junior high went to Saint Viator High School to see the musical they were performing, *Fiddler on the Roof*.

I thought they did a magnificent job every time that I saw it (I saw it three times). The actors had clearly practiced a lot and seemed very dedicated to their roles.

All of the actors performed well, and the singing was marvelous. The actors spoke very clearly

throughout the play as well. They were very composed despite being in front of hundreds of people.

The actors also portrayed emotions extremely well. If the character was supposed to be sad, they were sad.

Many of the performers were St. Hubert alumni. They included D.J. Horstman, Jimmy Sexton, Raymond O'Hara, Vanessa Lopez, Paulette Lopez, Jordan Tully, Andrey DeLarco, Eric Zuba, and Caleb Trimble.

Congratulations to all those involved in this wonderful production!



The Poetry Corner

Buses

By Alan Zapinski

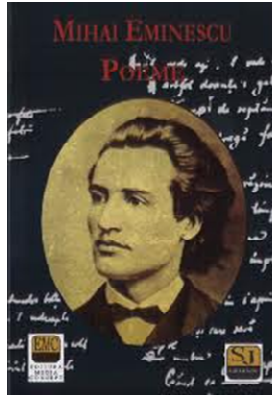
Buses are so very slow,
Slower than you'll even
know.

They're never at our bus stop
on time,

If they were early, it'd be a
crime.

The only time they are ever
fast,

When were late, they go
speeding past.



Spring Break

By Alan Zapinski

Students are dismissed
Either travel or stay home
They still have much fun.



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Seussical Quotable Quotes

Don't cry because it's over. Smile because it happened.

Theodore Geisel (aka, Dr. Seuss)

"You know you're in love when you can't fall asleep because reality is finally better than your dreams."

— [Dr. Seuss](#)

"You have brains in your head. You have feet in your shoes. You can steer yourself any direction you choose. You're on your own. And you know what you know. And YOU are the one who'll decide where to go..."

— [Dr. Seuss](#) (Oh, the Places You'll Go!)

Riddle Answers:

Riddle #1: A Globe

Riddle #2: A Pencil Sharpener

Guess Who Answer:

President Barack Obama