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Interview with Prof. Gullerud *By Leah Fleischer*

Prof. Joel Gullerud is the second child in a family of four children. He is the son of Eau Claire's very own Pastor Mark Gullerud and Barb Gullerud. He has a sister, Kirsten, who lives and teaches in Phoenix, Arizona, and two younger brothers, Aaron and Daniel.

He went to public school until his junior year. He came to Immanuel for the rest of high school and college. He went through the teaching program at Immanuel.

His best memory at Immanuel was at Field Day one year. It was raining and very muddy. Someone slid in the mud and started a huge mud fight. People were wet and muddy and if you want to see the video, just ask Prof. Gullerud.



has always wanted to be a teacher. His first choice was to teach elementary. After he graduated he taught at St. Johns in Okabena, Minnesota, grades 4-8. He says his experience here so far has been great! He likes how his students are well-behaved and says how it is so nice to talk to fellow Christians about God's Word.

**"Teaching is the profession
that creates other professions."
—Prof. Gullerud**

His words of encouragement to people who want to be teachers: "Train up a child in the way he should go, and when he is old he will not depart from it." – Proverbs 22:6, and, "Teaching is the profession that creates other professions."

He also says: "When you teach, you invest in something eternal. You're investing in a student's spiritual life and can help their faith grow."

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Features
Alana Ahrens Interview *By Christina Hein*

Describe your family: Three sisters; I am the middle child

What school did you attend? Valentine Elementary for Kindergarten, Grace Lutheran in Valentine for 1-8, Immanuel for high school, Immanuel for two years of college, Chadron in Nebraska for B.A.

Church? Valentine, Nebraska, St. John's in Okabena, Faith in St. Louis, Messiah in Eau Claire.

Why did you want to be a dorm supervisor? All of the lucrative benefits.

What's it like? I really can't answer; ask at Christmas.

How do you like working with your sister? I love it, and I recommend it to anyone. She is, by far, the best R.A. on campus.

Do you like this job? So far, yes.

Any other jobs? Child food program coordinator at Western Dairyland.

Any advice or words of wisdom for the readers? Girls, behave, and boys, tell me all the girls' gossip. There will be rewards.

When is your birthday? November 20th. I will accept gifts.



Mt. Simon Outing *By Melanie Hallstein*

On Sunday afternoon, of Labor Day weekend, a few of our teachers decided it would be a good idea to take a group outing to Mt. Simon, a family park in Eau Claire. The day's activities included a sandy game of volleyball, bocce ball, a game of dice, ladder golf, and some others. However, some preferred swimming, diving off a cliff into the water, or hiking in the woods. The lunch menu consisted of grilled hot dogs and burgers, chips, grapes, carrots, cookies, and tasty Kool Aid. While most of the crew were socializing and swimming out by the dock, a couple of the girls ended up losing track of time in the forest and held up the bus. It was a fun experience for the participants, and surely enjoyed by all.



ILC Football Is Back

By Don Skinner

Nick Marzofka will captain the Hawks with Jordan Albrecht at quarterback. Erik Nelson, a seventh year player, will once again captain the Bears. Quarterback for the Bears will be Josh Rodebaugh. Ben Libby will be captain of the Sharks with Tom Albrecht at quarterback. Joe Naumann becomes captain of the Razors with Jared Barthels as the Razors quarterback.

Eight rookies will be playing their first game contending for Rookie of the Year Honors. Matt Iverson, Dave Knutson, Tom Mayfield, Randy Oster, Dave Rehm, Isaac Schaller, and Austin Skinner.

Immanuel football is back with forty-six guys signing up to play.

It can be noted that history can repeat itself—fathers and sons playing the same positions. Twenty-three years ago Immanuel football saw Jerry Barthels playing quarterback with Tom Skinner as a freshman center on the same team. In 2007 we have Jared Barthels, son of Jerry, playing quarterback with Austin Skinner as a freshman center on the same team. Games are played on Mondays and Wednesdays 3:15 PM and 4:30 PM.



New to the FLASH... Bravos and Bloopers! *By Becky Gerbitz*

New this year! This Flash-space is yours! Submit your praises and oops moments to the box in the Commons. This is bring back the Prof. Quotes with a twist. We want to commend the bravos (Good sportmanship, etc.) But we also want to share the laughs from the bloopers—your funny quotes, a Prof’s quote, or an overall blooper. Here are some examples!

Bravo:

- To the volleyball teams for an amazing victory over Blair-Taylor.
- To Alana for taking the new dorm mom position.
- To Prof. Gullerud on becoming the 13th Prof.

BLOOPER:
 “No, we’re not concerned about safety in this class. I’ve got band-aids. You’ll be okay.” ~Mrs. Reim

Bloopers:

- Art Class:
Billy: “Can we use safety scissors?”
- Mrs. Reim: “No, we’re not concerned about safety in this class. I’ve got band-aids. You’ll be okay.”

Have fun with it!



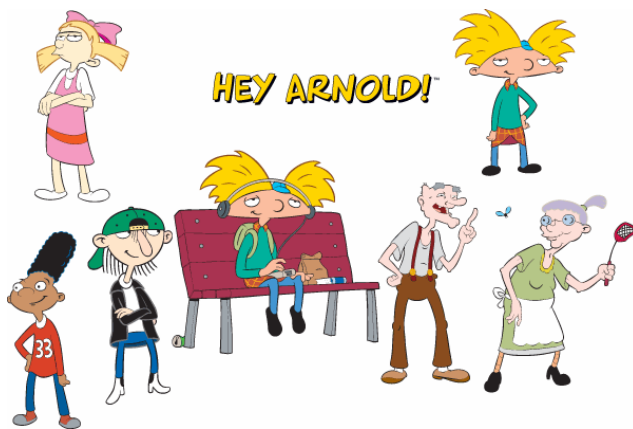
Technicolor Memories: Hey Arnold

What was the one TV show where you could find the main character wearing a skirt? Many shows may come to mind, but what if we rephrased the question to ask, “What was the one TV show where you could find the main *male* character wearing a skirt?” The correct answer is “Hey Arnold.” A Nickelodeon cartoon, “Hey Arnold” was about a kilt-wearing boy with a football-shaped head who struggled with everyday

problems. “Hey Arnold” was based around a cast of colorful characters, such as Cookie, his insane Grandma, his uremic Grandfather, his basketball-enthused best friend, Jerome, and Olga, the love of his life. Of course this list would not be complete without Olga’s younger sister Helga. On the outside Helga seemed to be Arnold’s bully, with a bad unibrow, but on the inside she

was his greatest secret admirer, still with a bad unibrow. “Hey Arnold” was a show that was filled with quirky and unpredictable humor and it’s truly missed.

— *By Jenny Squires and Megan Schierenbeck*



Top 3 Things We Love About This Show:

3. Helga’s statue of Arnold—made out of his gum
2. Helga repeatedly punching that heavy breathing kid in the face
1. **Stoop kid**

Features / Senior Spotlights

FLASHback *By Hannah Gerbitz and Lauren Franson*

Alana Ahrens comes from the corn state of Nebraska. She is the outgoing redhead you see all over campus. She is a take-charge kinda gal.

Q: Does anything good come out of Nebraska?

A: The list is endless. Besides me, Nebraska is most famous for inspiring the “Children of the Corn” book and movies. It is also well known for the best college football team—the Cornhuskers.

Q: Does your quest for power come from your Nolting genes?

A: No, it comes from my determination to graduate with more letter pins than Rick Nelson. I must earn an activity pin.

Q: Does your ideal home have ceiling buttons and wheels?

A: No, change of plans—I am now starting a design for a house a little larger than Bill Gates.

Q: How many hours of sleep do you get during school hours?

A: Me?! I never sleep in class! I’m just like you, Sara.

Q: Is it your goal to have more activity points than anyone in the history of Immanuel?

A: No, just to beat Rick.

Q: Who is your favorite freshman?

A: Trick Question! Most of you have guessed. It would have to be my little sister Kendra.

Q: Do you have jealous fits over Becky having a whip?

A: I bought her the whip. In the great state of Nebraska, whips are readily available. I could have thousands if I wanted.

Q: Do you need a whip to become an ILC dorm mom?

A: No, all I would need is a whip.

Q: Could you go through a week without “Special night” with Rachel Mueller?

A: Never! Special nights keep me going. They are the one thing I look forward to every week. They are detrimental to my being.

Q: What are your plans after ILHS?

A: I’m coming back for a year or two and enrolling in the indecision program. Anita and I are planning on getting high-paying jobs together, maybe at Menards. We are also planning on starting a seniority. Oh, I forgot, Michelle and I are getting married on graduation day. Not to each other. Naturally.

Scott Adkins *By Hannah Gerbitz*

What is your full name? Marcus Scott Atkins

Where were you raised? Marquette, WI

Who was your childhood role model? Bill Gates, because he’s a billionaire

Who is your role model now? Psht, I don’t have one.

What was your most fond or memorable memory from high school? Rooming with Ben Blue

How do you think you have changed since freshman year? I’m nicer.

Is there anything you regret or would have done differently? Nope.

What will you take away from your time here? Friends, bad food.

What are you going to do after high school? Work, college

Do you have any words of wisdom? Never give up. Tomorrow’s another day.

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Scott Adkins (continued)

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Passage that got you through hard times? John 3:16

Here's what Scott's friends said about him: Megan - describe him in a few words? ... spontaneous

Ben says he is selfless.

What is your most memorable memory with Scott? - Ben: A lil' you do me, I do

you (inside joke)

How has he changed since freshman year?

Megan: He hasn't, except for he's more studious.

Mark: More patient and understanding of other people.

Where do you think he will be in 10-20 years?

Megan: Either bartending or in big name real estate.

Mark: Either in jail or in real estate—with a lil' Scottie jenk poppin' his collar.

Scott's Favorites:

FOOD: Steak

CLASS: Music Fundamentals

SONG: *Snap Ya Fingers* by 'Lil Jon

PET PEEVE: People who care about no one but themselves

WORST QUALITY: Wasting too much time

SECRET AMBITION: To be a bartender

Ben Blue *By Kelsey Albrecht*

KA: What is your full name?

BB: Benjamin Lee Blue

KA: Where and when were you born?

BB: Chocolate City (Burlington), USA on May 8th, 1990

KA: Where do you live now?

BB: In B-town still

KA: What was your favorite TV show as a child?

BB: Power Rangers

KA: Who is your favorite super hero and villain?

BB: Hero- Definitely Master Chief ; Villain- Id from Xenogears

KA: What was your favorite year of high school and why?

BB: Junior year, because we did a lot of fun stuff :)

KA: Who is your favorite Prof?

BB: Prof. Sullivan

KA: What is your favorite sport?



BB: Basketball

KA: What are your plans after high school?

BB: College and a family later on.

KA: Can you give us any words of wisdom?

BB: As in the words of William Wallace, "Every man dies, not every man truly lives." Live life to the fullest.

KA: Any favorite passages that you would like to share with us?

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Ben Blue (continued)

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BB: Ecclesiastes 11:9-10- "Rejoice, o young man, in your youth, And let your heart cheer you in the days of your youth, Walk in the ways of your heart, and in the sight of your eyes; but know that for all these God will bring judgment. Therefore remove sorrow from your heart, and put away evil from your flesh, For childhood and youth are vanity."

KA: How would you describe Ben in a few words?
Ashlee: Outgoing, helpful, athletic, can always make you laugh

Mark: VERY good looking, athletic, outgoing, fun, usually smells pretty good.

KA: What was your most memorable memory of Ben?

How Come? By Rachel Schrader

How come we as "Christians" can recite the Apostolic Creed in church and then go against everything we say we believe in during the week? How come we as "Christians" can petition the LORD in prayer and then use His name in vain later that very same day? How come we as "Christians" can scold those around us and then turn around and do the very same thing we chastised them for doing? How come we as "Christians" have the only thing we'll ever need and yet find it necessary to steal from classmates? How come we

as "Christians" can betray our friends and consider ourselves better than our enemies? How come we as "Christians" even have enemies at all? How come we as "Christians" can shun our classmates while seeking popularity and then blame them for a loss in close friendship? How come we as "Christian" men and women can say do not conform to this world and then go out and wear ill-fitting or revealing clothing? It was once said "The greatest single cause of atheism in the world today, is CHRISTIANS who acknowledge

BEN'S FAVORITES

FOOD: Steak

CLASS: Religion 11

SONG: *Find A Way* — The Used

PET PEEVE: When people put their books away before the bell rings.

WORST QUALITY: Not pushing myself to my highest potential.

SECRET AMBITION: To hike all the major mountains in the US.

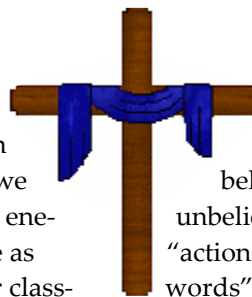
Ashlee: Oh man, too many. Probably our class party at the Roehl's or the movie "Click" at the Budget. All of our long talks.

Mark: Pillow talks, demon slaying with Sephystian, Halo parties, Fairfax pool, and so many others

KA: Where do you think Ben will be in 10-20 years?

Ashlee: He'll be working as some type of counselor and have a wonderful family with 3 kids.

Mark: He will be directing season 17 of the OC with some lil' boy Blues running away.



Jesus with their lips, and deny Him by their lifestyle. That is what an unbelieving world simply finds unbelievable." It was also said "actions speak louder than words" and it's true. How many of us lie on a daily basis without even realizing it? We all know the right things to say, but nobody will believe us if we contradict that with our actions. One of the most amazing things I've seen was a person say "Everything should be done to the glory of God." Ironically enough she was wearing a

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How Come? (continued)

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tight top and a mini skirt. Did she dress to the glory of God? Would God want her to conform to this world and show off some skin? Would God want her to maybe even lead some fellow brothers in Christ to sin? Of course not, and He doesn't want us to do it either. How are we supposed to evangelize and have any affect if all we do is contradict what we say? God wants us to openly proclaim our faith in words and actions. He wants people to see the difference between us and the unbelieving world. He wants us to praise His name, not curse with it. He wants us to dedicate our lives to Him, not just and hour a week at church. God

tells us to love one another, not betray them, or spread nasty rumors. He wants to shine through us, but how can He if we're just like every-

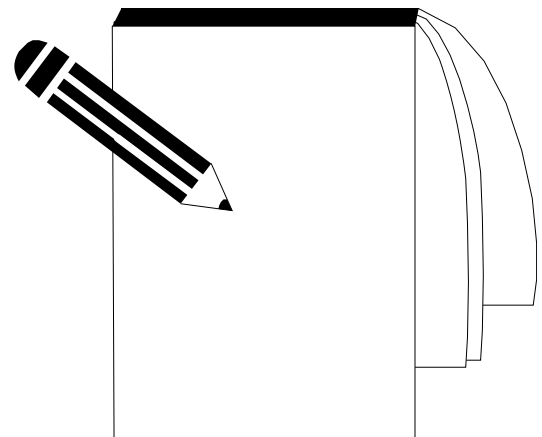
**"Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, that you may prove what is that good and acceptable and perfect will of God."
—Romans 12:2**

body else? He wants to be our all in all, our whole life, not just when it's convenient for us. He wants us to support each other, not break each other down. He put us here to encourage each other in His Word, not in Satan's sin. Why is being godly so unpopular? Why don't we try to prosper in religion class instead of sleep through it? This school is only Christian because of the people here

who make it that way. We should wake up every day and think to ourselves that today is going to be the day that people are going to look at ILC and the students here and be in awe at how we treat each other, the Profs, and the campus. They're going to look at the way we dress, and the joy on our faces and wonder why we're like that, and if they ask we'll get to tell them the greatest news on earth. Being different is a way of making a difference. Romans 12:2 –"Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. That you may prove what is that good and acceptable and perfect will of God."

Editorial *By Katie Bischoff*

It's the beginning of a new school year once again. There are a lot of friendly faces missing this year, but lots of new ones to fill their shoes. Our first *Flash* meeting looked really promising. I think there were more people there than I've ever seen before! (And this was before they found out we were having donuts!) Remember, we can always use more help if someone is looking to join an activity that looks great to colleges and is FUN! You don't have to be on the *Flash* to submit an article though. If there's something you feel like writing about, just hand it in to me or Brittany Voit. I hope everyone has a great year!



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