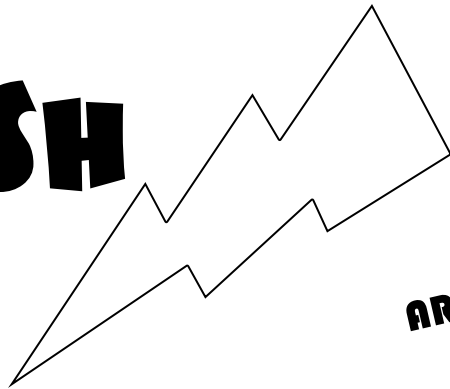


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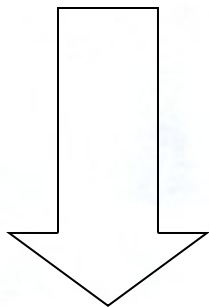
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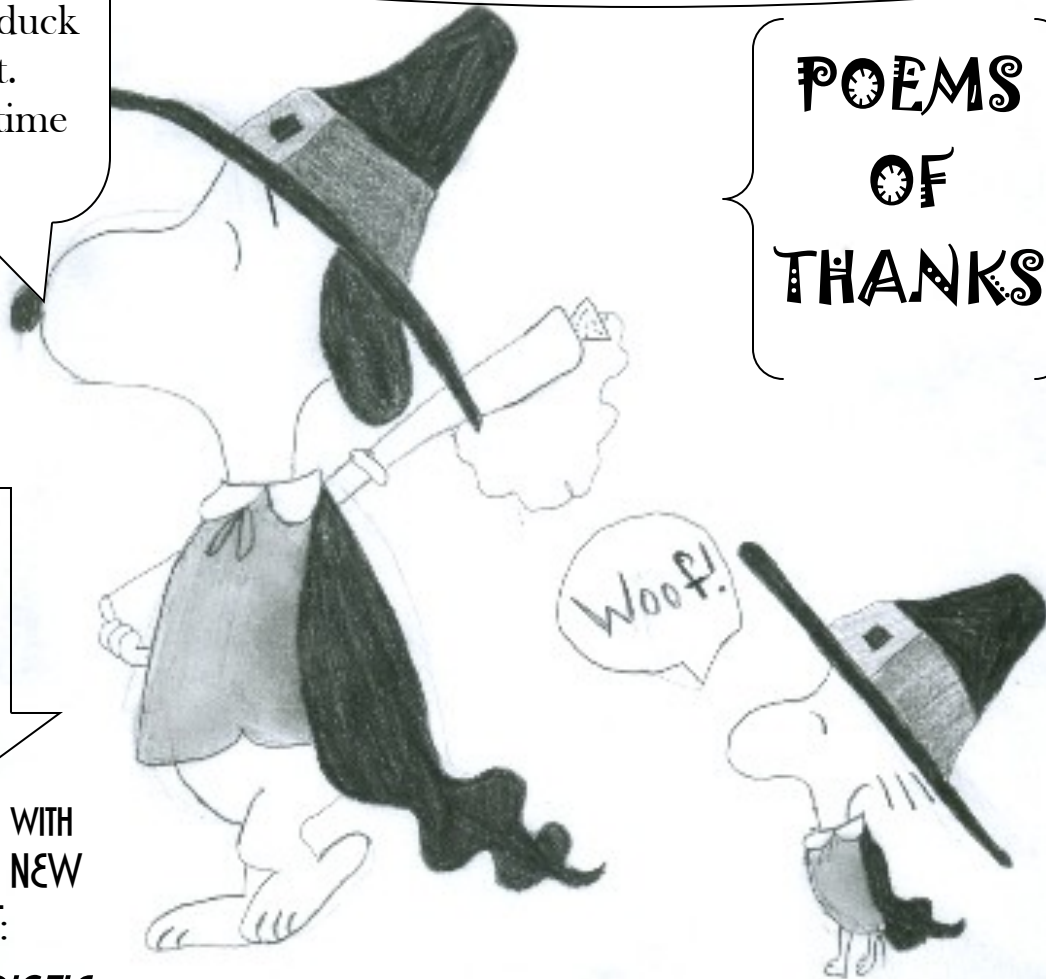
For thanksgiving
people eat tur-
key. They also
eat chicken, duck
and pheasant.
What a bad time
to be a bird.

**POEMS
OF
THANKS**



**INTERVIEW WITH
EMERGING NEW
ARTIST:**

DEAR CHRISTIE



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OUR
EDUCATION
IS A
BLESSING?

Thanksgiving. The time when families come together and, for a time, reflect on the blessings they have been given.

As you go home to be with your families and eat good food and make memories and watch football, try to think about what you're thankful for.

I tend to think about this sometimes, even when it's not Turkey Day. Aren't we blessed to have a place where we can spend our adolescence with other people whose lives are led by Christ? I feel that we sometimes take for granted our education

and the experiences we have here. Many people would love going to a place where you don't have to worry too much about the world and the things we are tempted to submit to. We get to have an education fully based on the word of God!

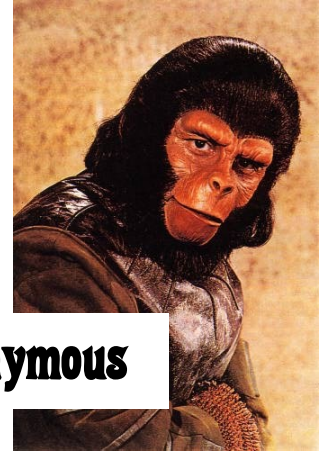
By Hannah Hulke

How's that for something to be thankful for?

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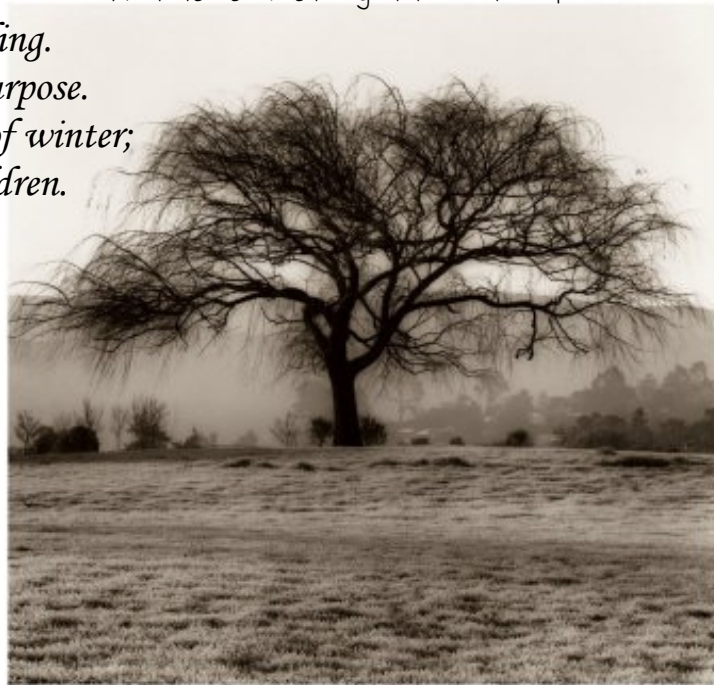
by

anonymous



The world comes alive when summer comes 'round.
 To the lakes and the ponds the children are bound.
 Little boys scattered on the baseball fields
 And to my senses does appeal
 The smell of a bonfire late at night
 As fireflies fill the sky with light.
 A whole new meaning of fun is found.

*The willow tree so old and bare
 Comes down like an abandoned building.
 Like an organ donor she still has a purpose.
 She sits in the fireplace in the midst of winter;
 She warms the rosy cheeks of the children.
 She is everything in the universe.
 She shows God's glory and
 Leaves us to tell her story.*



Election Day 2010

By Caleb Gerbitz

For the first couple months of the school year, the better part of your time watching TV was probably spent watching, or more likely enduring, the endless and mostly derogatory political ads. As tensions increased and ads multiplied, the fateful November 2nd election day approached and then finally arrived. So how did it all turn out, and what changes are in store for our country?

It was expected that there would be a power swing in favor of the Republicans following two years in which the approval ratings of the Democrat-run Senate, House, and presidency dropped significantly. And at the end of the day, that is exactly what happened. Previously in the Senate the Democrats had held a strong majority with sixty of the hundred seats, but in the next session the Democrats will still hold a majority, but only by a few seats. In the House, the Republicans took control, far surpassing the 218 mark necessary for a majority by over 20 seats. The governors' races also showed a similar trend with the Republicans winning the majority of those battles. What happened locally in the state of Wisconsin? In short, Wisconsin was perhaps the biggest swing state of them all. Scott Walker (R) beat out Tom Barrett (D) with 52% of the votes for the governor's position, following the stepping-down of Jim Doyle (D) after eight years as governor. Ron Johnson (R) upset the eighteen year incumbent senator Russ Feingold (D), also with 52% of the votes. Of the eight House races in the state, five went to Republicans, including Sean Duffy, and three went to Democrats, including Ron Kind.

What does all of this mean? Well, this dramatic change in control will definitely change what takes place in Madison and Washington D.C. In Madison, many of the policies of Jim Doyle will be tossed out and replaced by Scott Walker's more conservative policies. Walker has promised to put a stop to the proposed government-run trains that would run across the state, reduce and eliminate the deficit, and fix the education system in the state. At a national level, in the House and in the Senate, Republican senators have promised to bring a repeal of the healthcare bill to the table, and put a stop to bills that involve frivolous spending. How many of the promises are kept will be interesting to see. Politicians may say many things, but in the end, it is what they do that matters.



BRENT {THE TRAINER}

By Lydia Albrecht and Jo Ohlmann

This is an interview with the man you see every Thursday and who watches all our games. He's also known as Brent the Trainer.

Q: What's your full name?

B: Brent Larry Amble

Q: Are you married?

B: Yes

Q: What's her name?

B: Nichole

Q: Do you have kids?

B: Yes

Q: What are their names?

B: Brady and Gabrielle

Q: Where did you go for high school and college?

B: Boyceville, UW La Crosse, Silver Lake College, and Warren National University

Q: What made you want to go to school to be a trainer?

B: I was injured in high school and I enjoyed it

Q: What teams have you been a trainer for?

B: Packers, Plymouth, Durand, and Immanuel

Q: What's your favorite part about being a trainer?

B: The varied schedule; every day is not like the last

Q: Have you ever saved someone's life?

B: No

Q: What's the craziest thing you have experienced being a trainer?

B: Spine boarding someone on Lambeau Field

Q: How long have you been a trainer?

B: 10 years

Q: Would you recommend your job to someone who asked you?

B: Yes

Q: What's your favorite sport to watch or be a trainer at?

B: Football

Q: What sports did you play in high school?

B: Football, basketball, and track

Q: How long have you been a trainer at Immanuel?

B: 5 years

FAVORITES
Color: Camouflage
Holiday: Thanksgiving
Hobby: Hunting or fishing
Disney movie: <i>Fox and the Hound</i>

We had a lot of fun interviewing Brent and getting to know him better. We would like to thank him for all he does here at Immanuel. May the Lord bless him and his work all the years of his life.

1) Upperclassmen know what's going on.

Yes, there is a reason they strut the halls. They have been through what all underclassmen is going through. They have had to adjust to the life of Immanuel and have had to prove to their classmates, and themselves, who they are. If you have questions, you should go to them and learn from them. Most of them set a prime example to follow.



**STEREOTYPES
to
REMEMBER**

Everyone knows high school to be one of the most judgmental times in anyone's life. You could be benefitting from the stereotypes, or your life could be torn to pieces. I think there are a few stereotypes that are beneficial to surviving high school.

by anonymous

2) The Profs have special powers. You would not believe Prof. Reim's agelessness or his ability to teleport until you have seen it in action. But there are more than just those kinds of powers that they have. They can see you sleep in class, even if you are hiding it. They have the sense to call on

you when you don't know what's going on. They know you didn't type your paper until four o'clock the day it was due and probably won't remember what you wrote in it. Yet they have the amazing powers of patience and forgiveness through all of this.

3) Energy drinks save your life.

It's a short term save, and it's expensive. Yet, if you really are cramming, it will help. Coffee (straight black) is better for you though. Either way it's addictive and only recommended in dire circumstances.



4) The people you don't like now are going to be the ones you wish you had been friends with.



Every class has its outcast; I know from experience. There are people that are pushed out of circles based on their backgrounds on their general behavior or appearance. These are the stereotypes that every teenager lets control them. Yet when these students, wacky and confident (to be who they really are instead of blending in and being a clone), become the next President of the U.S. or are holding the technology that cured you from a life-threatening disease, you are going to feel pretty sorry that you treated them the way you did. It may seem impossible, but it happens more often than you think. The popular people lose their popularity and the geeks and nerds triumph.

“I love that students are passionate about everything, even about being bored.”

5) HIGH SCHOOL IS THE BEST TIME OF YOUR LIFE.

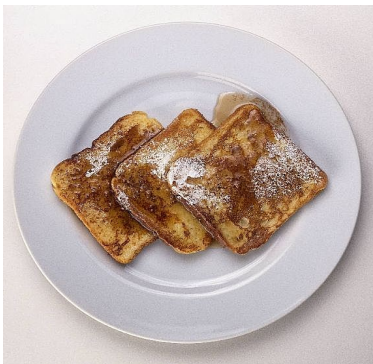
I know with all the papers and homework and games and bells and fights and emotional roller coasters, high school can seem like the worst time of your life. It may seem like it goes on forever. You will wish it did. After you hit your senior year, you wish you could go back to the beginning, maybe not to redo it, but to live it again. You learn so much in high school. You establish friendships and relationships that last longer than your lifetime. So, make the most of the time you have here. Do something crazy, love like it won't stop, and when it does stop, learn from it. Try some-

thing new; be bold; be you. It's the last real freedom you get before you unwillingly take on the task of being an adult. No, don't be reckless, but don't sit in your room and do nothing.

MEET THE FRESHMEN

Jack Tanner Mielke

Jack was born the day after Thanksgiving in Eau Claire, Wisconsin, in 1995. We moved to Valentine, Nebraska, on his first birthday. This is where he grew up, and his two younger sisters were born. He became a Husker fan and enjoyed fishing and hiking. Jack started throwing a ball at age one and has not stopped. He plays a variety of sports and his goal is to make it to a Bronco's game. We moved to Milwaukee, Wisconsin, in 2007, where he is able to catch plenty of Brewer's games!



Joshua Thomas Beekman

Joshua Thomas Beekman came into the world August 25, 1995. He's the only boy in our family of 5 girls. (Don't feel sorry for him, he's spoiled rotten). Josh has always loved to hunt and use tools and has always been fairly athletic. His favorite pastimes now are watching sports, playing sports, hunting with his Dad and brother-in-law, and spending time playing with his little nieces (he adores them!). He also makes some pretty decent French toast.

Joseph Stephen Albrecht

Joseph Stephen Albrecht was born in St. Joseph, MI, as number 5 of 6 boys. He was one of the quieter of the boys until the past few years. Today, he can hold his ground with any of his bros. When he was little, Joseph had a fondness for sleep and for his bed. When traveling in the car, he was the perfect passenger until 11 p.m. at which time he started screaming until he was out of the car seat and into his own bed. If allowed to, he'd sleep until noon. If you couldn't find him, it paid to check his bed. Joseph loves to hunt and fish. He is quite clever in coming up with inventions and creating "treasures" out of what others consider to be junk.



Katie Naumann



Katie Naumann is from Tacoma, Washington, though she was born in its capital city, Olympia. Katie came into the world with a shock of flaming red hair. Throughout childhood she wore her hair long, except for the time when her brothers cut it off quite short (on one side only!). Kate likes a wide range of music, the color green, anime videos, her cat "Cloud," and playing her violin. She has a special place in her heart for her little sister Jane, who is autistic. Katie does NOT like flying, especially when it involves missing a connecting flight because her big brother wandered out of the security area! (he shall remain nameless, but his initials are N-I-C-K).

SENIOR SPOTLIGHT: Alison Froelich

By Brianna Lillo and
Mary Bruckbauer

Brianna Lillo: All righty! So we are interviewing Alison Froelich today for her senior spotlight!

Alison Froelich: I'm gonna cry; I'm so old!

Mary Bruckbauer: Wait, how old are you, 18?

AF: 17.

BL: When were you born and where?

AF: I was born right here in Eau Claire over by Shopko.

MB: In the Sacred Heart Hospital? The one that's, like, in Scrubs?

AF: Yes, Mary.

MB: Yeah man! That's super cool!

BL: You lived here all your life?

AF: I did live in Minnesota for awhile.

MB: Why?

AF: Because we moved 11 times before I turned 4.

BL: What, really? This sounds like a good story, you should tell.



AF: My dad worked as a carpenter, so we moved 11 times cause it was...easy

MB: Hey, where in Minnesota did you live?

AF: I have no idea!!(laughs)

MB: No! We could've been Twin Cities buddies! (Mary lives in Minnesota too)

AF: Well, I lived north of the Cities.... (Mary has a sad, sad face)

BL: Ok, well anyway, so you've been here in Eau Claire all through grade school, right? So, how was it? Was it amazing?

AF: LAME!

MB:(smiles) She didn't have any friends. (laughs)

AF: Yeah, I wasn't cool until sophomore year.

MB: Wait! Hey! I met you at camp in grade school!

AF: Yeah, but it wasn't cool until we were here.

BL: Well, then, how was your time here at Immanuel? What is your favorite memory?

AF: Oh no!

BL: Yes, you have to answer this! (Ali is still groaning) If anything, list a couple.

AF: Well, ninja was pretty awesome, and getting my license that day in the parking lot, all those car rides...

MB: Do you remember that time when we were at Shopko and we were like "WHOA! It's Mrs. Roehl!"

AF: Yeah! Other fun memories, well the Banquets were decent or whatever, but the fun stuff like parties at my house (yeah!) and better-than-anything cake...

MB: Playing um...Lord of the Rings at Mikel's cabin! We were canoeing at her lake and we got to the other side and we got out and we found all these sticks and we were fighting with them and pretending to be (lists of LOTR characters that I can't spell), going through the woods and destroying Orks.

Think ninja.



↑
Ali's Choice

FAVORITES

Candy: Carmellos, Mentos and Diet Coke is pretty good (did anybody get that?)

Movie: Moulin Rouge! No matter what Prof. Roehl says

Book: *Harry Potter*, *Dear John*

Prof: Prof. Lau and Mrs. Reim

Class: Art

Band: Rascal Flatts (she loves country)

Video Game: Call of Duty Modern Warfare 2

Game: Nervous Game, I've never (with soda)

Board Game: Life

Sport: Cross Country

Color: Rainbow! No, green

Bible Passage: Psalm 74:21-24

BL: Ok, so since you're a senior and such, and you're wise in the ways of Immanuel, what is some advice that you would give people?

AF: Well, I did actually write a handbook called *How to Survive ILC*

BL: I want this book!

MB: Me too!

AF: It's pretty awesome, if you wanna find out about it, I'm going to carry it around in my backpack now and it's for students and has fun stuff...but something I would advise people..Enjoy your time here; don't let the future or any of these worldly things get you worried, and have a ball, cause that's what this is about. It's the best four years of your life.

MB: Do you have any freshmen pets?

AF: Well, I kinda have like 6 freshman pets spanning across 3 years.

MB: Wait, who? I know me, Bri, Paige, Liz (then guessing from me and Mary)

AF: I want it to be a mystery! I have a blonde every year though...

MB: Ali, what do you look forward to each and every day that you come to school?

AF: Mary's hugs!(everyone laughs) Ok, well the whole entirety of what you look forward to each day? Getting a hug from Mary in the morning, seeing Brianna's smiling face, (deep breath) making fun of Mikel and Melanie during POD class, kicking Sarah during Chemistry class, what else..drawing, goofing off in Choir, eating lunches, and the end of the school day.

BL: So where do you see yourself after high school?

AF: Jumping out of helicopters in the Navy.

BL: That sounds exciting.

AF: Yeah, it's called the Aviation Rescue Squad Swimmer Thingy. (Melissa walks in)

BL: What was your favorite school memory?

AF: Biology was pretty great with the whole MASH RAP thing and such. But my favorite memory during school was junior year Religion class and Sullivan had us go up and talk, and this was when I was obsessed with shooting rubber bands, so he had Christina Hein go up to the front, right? And I get all set up and as Prof turns away, I shoot Christina in the face with the rubber band, and nobody notices. Christina is like, bright red in the face, and well...you had to be there for that.

BL: Ali, what's your favorite special moment?

AF: That one time we were down by the creek and we were creating a fake crime scene and I kinda almost fell into the creek.

Unclassifiable...Random Stuff:

Soda or Pop? Pop

Coke or Pepsi? Ew! Cola?

Hot Dogs or Hamburgers? Brats

You're from Wisconsin aren't you?
So what kind of cheese do you like?
There isn't a cheese I don't like.

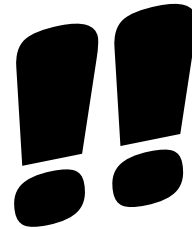


Where will Ali be in 10 years..?

Brianna Lillo—Ok, here's why she isn't going to die: She is going to find some guy who is going to sweep her off her feet and take her out of the military. Then one day she is going to find out that if she had stayed she would've been killed in this huge boat/plane explosion and she's going to be like "Oh, I'm glad I found this guy, the love of my life, who saved me from the military." Then she is going to live a happy life with a battalion and three kids who are going to make up some U.S. Olympics team.

Mary Bruckbauer—**She's going to be dead because of the Navy.** Please help me convince Ali not to go into the military so we don't lose her! (Mary then asks like 10 people to tell her that she's going to die, including Ali's brother, who doesn't count.) She's going to die! And I'm going to cry! And I just rhymed!

RACHEL'S RIDICULOUS RECIPES



Hey everyone! Turkey Day is coming soon, so I thought I would give you some renditions of the regular side dishes. Enjoy!

Whipped Cranberry Dressing

Directions

Combine 1 can whole-berry sauce and the gratings of half an orange in a skillet and warm over low heat, stirring, just until the cranberry sauce loosens. Sweeten 2 cups with a touch of confectioners' sugar; fold into the cranberries until ribbons of color form, but stop before the two mix completely.



STUFFED SWEET POTATOES—MY FAV!

Ingredients

- 12 large sweet potatoes
- 3/4 cup (1.5 sticks) unsalted butter,
at room temperature
- 3/4 cup light brown sugar
- 3/4 cup all-purpose flour
- 1/4 teaspoon ground
- 1/4 teaspoon salt
- 1 cup toasted pieces
- 1 cup miniature marshmallows

Directions

Preheat the oven to 400 degrees F.

Wash the sweet potatoes, scrubbing them well to remove any dirt. With a fork, prick the sweet potatoes in a couple of spots and place them on a cookie sheet. Bake for about 45 minutes, or until a knife inserted in the center goes in easily.

In a large bowl, mix the butter, brown sugar, and flour together until it's crumbly-looking. Add the cinnamon, salt, pecans, and marshmallows; fold the streusel topping together to combine.

Slice the sweet potatoes lengthwise down the center and push the ends towards the middle so it opens up. Stuff the sweet potatoes generously with the topping and return to the oven. Bake for another 20 minutes, or until the topping is bubbly and brown.

Tangy Mashed Potatoes

Directions

Make Classic Mash or Chunky Red Mash. Use 1 cup cream instead of milk; top with fresh dill.

Cover 2 pounds whole russet or Yukon gold with cold salted water; boil 45 minutes. Drain, peel and mash with 1/2 to 1 stick butter. Add 1 cup hot milk, and salt and pepper; mash until smooth and fluffy.

Cover 2 pounds whole red potatoes with cold salted water; simmer 40 minutes; do not peel. Smash with 1/2 to 1 stick butter, 3/4 cup hot milk, and salt and pepper.



**Senior
Spotlight :**

Mikel Marzofka

By Abby Sydow and Jo Ohlmann

Q: When and where were you born?

A: Um. . .I don't exactly know where I was born. Somewhere in Wisconsin on May 16, 1993.

Q: Do you have any plans for college?

A: I am hopefully going to major in education administration. Either here or at the UW.

Q: What do you like to do in your free time?

A: I like to. . .study things, help people, man search, and I'm also a professional interpretive dancer.

Q: Do you have any special talents?

A: I have a lot. . .What am I good at? Umm. . .I'm very good at "twirling the baton," I'm psychic, I'm a genius, I'm really good at looking good, and I'm good at...loving people.

Q: So, Christina tells us to ask you about your Barbies?

(Mikel takes out her Barbies she has in her room and shows them to us. There were a few "sketchy" looking ones.)

A: Oh man, people buy them for me at garage sales, and the pretty ones go on display. . .I wish I could live in a Barbie world because I love their stuff.

Q: So you've been on tour choir for 4 years. . .You should tell us about it, like favorite memories and stuff.

A: Well, I've had a lot of interesting roommates; I always get hot tubs where I stay; there are some hilarious old people, oh man. . .once some people played uno with color-blind people, didn't really get how that worked, but whatever. But the best part was probably telling people about God's Word, getting to meet new people, and staying in our own apartment on a beach in Texas.

Q: Who is your favorite prof?

A: Man, that's hard to choose. Probably Prof Lau, Prof Schierenbeck, and Prof My Brother.



Q: How many boys have you dated?

A: 5

Q: Names?

A: "JJVIII", Louie, Luke Wilke, Jordan Horillo, Luke Schaser, oh and once Kaiser tricked me into dating him so I accidently dated him for 2 days.

FUN FACTS ABOUT MIKEL

- She's "ambidextrous"
- She can lift things with her feet
- Has a diary of previous texts
- Got 8 marks from Alana for having a naked Ken doll
- Really good at making animal noises - especially of the feline variety
- Really good at contorting her face
- Has only 3 months of her entire high school career without getting over 3 marks

Mikel in 10 years:

Rachel: In 10 years, Mikel will be a teacher at her own school, and one of the classes will be interpretive dancing. When she is not teaching, she will have a side business of knitting scarves. Also, she will make mac n' cheese every night for her husband and kiddies.

Christina: In 10 years, Mikel will be living in a hut in Hawaii with her husband and their kid, Tender, with another one on the way. She'll have a huge room in her hut where she practices interpretive dance and weird faces, and where she tries on all her outfits. She'll reach all of her goals and still manage her career as a van attendant.

Melanie: Mikel will have dated 9 men, eaten 5 cases of ramen noodles, spent \$2.4 million, and birthed 3 children by the age of 27. She'll meet Bradley Cooper in a grocery store, and her morals and beliefs will have a huge impact on him. He'll become a monk. Mrs. Mikel Cooper will live happily ever after in a mansion, running her own psychology business and writing me letters every morning and eating chips and salsa in her free time. Oh, and she BETTER be planning to attend our CLASS REUNION! :)

FAVORITES

Color: Well that depends on what it's for. Like cars, clothes, or just all around. But probably yellow, black, red, white, and silver.

Food: Chicken Alfredo and seafood.

Song: Breathe Me by Sia

Sport: Volleyball, of course. "Baby I Like It!"

Holiday: Christmas!

Season: Fall, because I can wear scarves.

Man: Dad, because he's the smartest man in the world.



Senior Spotlight: ***DANNY NASON***

By Miriam Bernthal and Lauren Lisak

L: What is your full name?

D: Daniel Joseph Nason, Jr.

L: Where are you from?

D: Sleepy Eye, Minnesota.

L: What made you decide to come here instead of going to Mankato?

D: Because I wanted to escape the rules of my mother.

L: Do you like it here?

D: Definitely.

D: I feel like I'm being interrogated.

M: What sports do you like to play?

D: Soccer, basketball, baseball, put-put golf.

L: What's it like being a senior?

D: It stinks. They have so many rules and we don't have as many freedoms.

L: How long is your hair?

D: I don't actually know, but when Amy cut it she said she cut off like 4 inches.

L: What are some of your nicknames?

D: Party monster, Oh Wait, and Henderson.

L: Do you think you're going to college here?

D: No, I'm going to SCC (South Central College). My goal is to be an electrician.



L: What do you clean in the mornings?

D: I clean the floor.

Tyler: You don't clean anything, Danny.

D: Yes, I do.

Tyler: No, Nick cleans the floor, technically.

D: Well, ok then, I sweep the floor and wash the windows.

L: Are you obsessed with ping pong?

D: Yes, I love ping pong.

L: Packers or Vikings?

D: Vikings.

M: Twins or Brewers?

D: Twins.

L: Soda or pop?

D: Soda.

M: Pooh Bear or Barney?

D: Barney.

FAVORITES:

Color: Green, yellow, red (in that order)

Food: Buffalo Wild Wings chicken wings

Band: Bullet for My Valentine

Energy drink: Amp

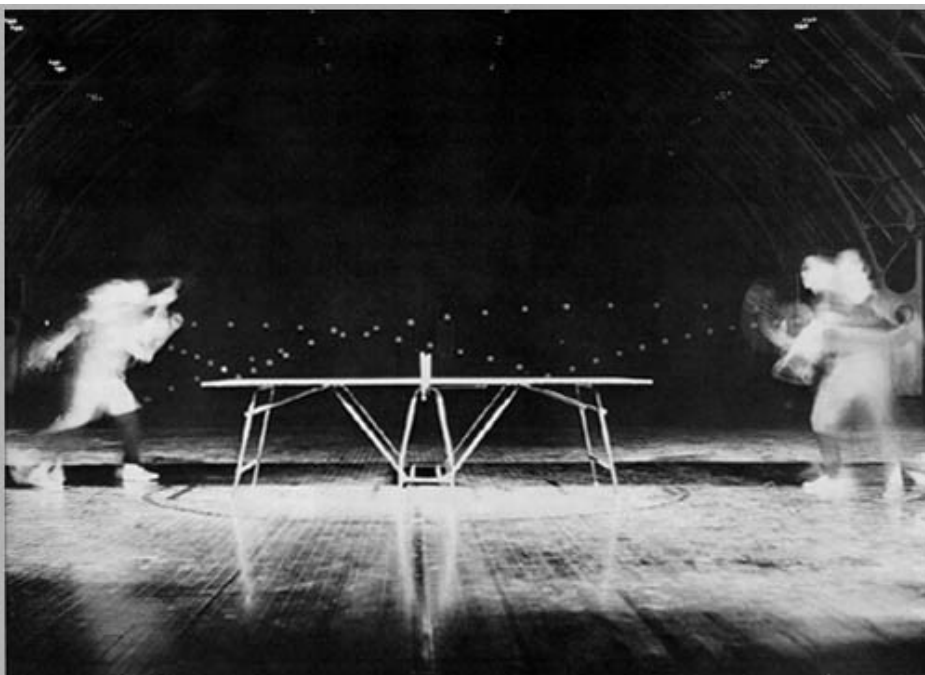
Restaurant: Taco Johns

Animal: The liger (from Napoleon Dynamite)

Movie: Dumb and Dumber

Class: Brit Lit.

Prof: Kranz



Dear Christie: an interview

By Paige Louderman

[Dear Christie is a newly formed band from Westerville, Ohio, made up of 4 teenaged (or around that age) guys. I got a chance to “chat” (e-mail back and forth) with Eric, Adam, Tommy and Brandon to get a quick interview.]

Paige: What are your names and what do each of you do?

Dear Christie: Adam Markin- Rhythm guitar/Vocals, Eric Markin- Drums, Tommy Parrill- Bass
Brandon Friedel- Lead Guitar

P: How old are you all?

D.C: Adam and Brandon- 16, Eric-19,
Tommy-20

P: How did you guys meet/how long have you known each other?

D.C: Well, I met Tommy through Eric a couple years ago, and I've known Brandon since 5th grade.- Adam

(P: Eric and Adam are brothers!)



P: When did you decide to form a band?

D.C: Adam and I both played instruments and we both knew that we wanted to pursue ourselves as musicians. So we decided to start Dear Christie in September of 2009 but we didn't really start taking it as serious as we are now until February of 2010.- Eric.

P: Whose idea was it to get the band started and organized?

D.C: It was a combination of Eric and myself, but all of us have always had a passion for music.

P: How did you come up with your name?

D.C: Adam and I were sitting writing our sister's birthday card, and we wrote "Dear Christie" on the card, and from then we just knew that was it.- Eric

P: How did you decide who you wanted in the band?

D.C: Well, I could play guitar, Eric drummed for a couple of metal bands in the past, Brandon knew how to play guitar and Tommy wanted to learn bass, so there really wasn't much thought to it.

P: How long have you guys played your instruments?

D.C: I've played guitar for around 4 years now- Adam

I've played bass for almost a year now- Tommy

I've been playing guitar for 7 years- Brandon

I've been drumming for 4 years- Eric

P: Can any of you play multiple instruments?

D.C: We're not that talented!- Adam

I can play every instrument all at once. You should see it... EPIC!- Tommy

P: What's your song writing process?

D.C: Adam writes a base on Acoustic. We all get together and listen to it and throw out ideas. Then we throw a lead on top. Then some drums. Then some sweet vocals. Bada bing! Bada boom! We've got ourselves a song!- Eric

P: Are your songs random or inspired by something?

D.C: A mix of both. Most are inspired by something.

P: So on the subject of songs, what is your favorite song that you've written and why?

D.C: I think it would have to be Our Story, because that song just seems to really bring together all the styles of music that we love- Adam

P: What do you guys do to get your name out there?

D.C: Use the internet a lot.- Adam

P: Did/Do your parents support you?

D.C: Our parents are all very supportive. Without them we'd be screwed!- Adam

P: What's it like to juggle school, friends and family time, work, and the band?

D.C: It's hard. Adam and I see each other every day because we're brothers, but for everyone else it's hard. We really only see each other on practice days, but hopefully that will change soon- Eric

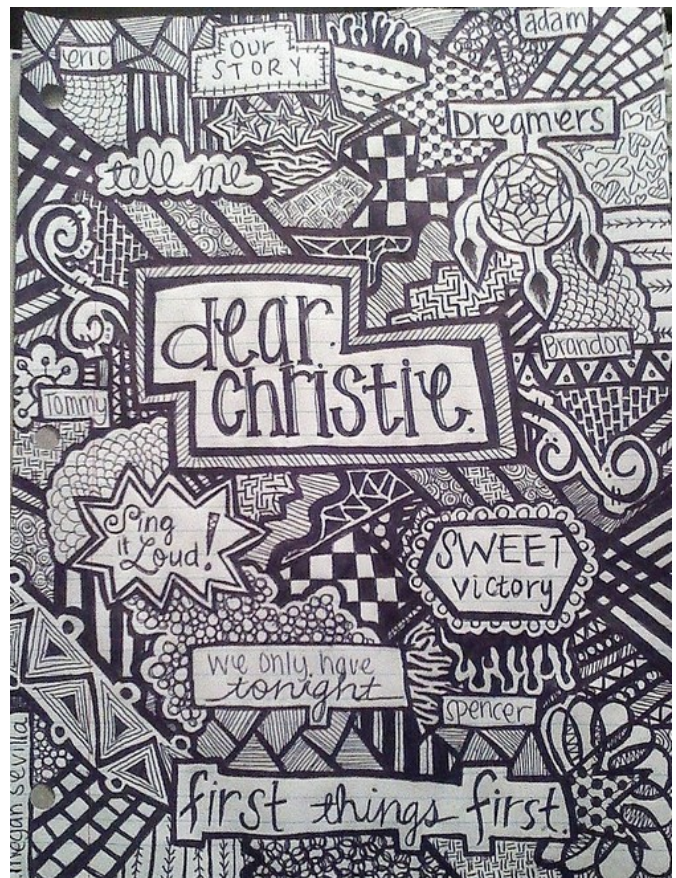
P: Any advice for young musicians like yourselves?

D.C: Don't give up! Play for fun and work hard.

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[A Few Random Facts About Dear Christie]

P: Who decided your wardrobe for on stage?

D.C: We all wear whatever we think looks good individually, but I'm really hoping for costumes like Gwar for the next show. - Tommy

(**P:** I have no idea what Gwar is...)

P: What's your favorite candy?!

D.C: I love Mike 'n Ikes! -Adam
Watermelon Jolly ranchers. Nuff said.- Tommy

Sour Patch Kids For Sure!- Eric



From Left: Tommy, Brandon, Adam, and Eric

P: Coke or Pepsi?

D.C: Pepsi- Eric

P: If you could choose, which band/s (broken up, on break, whatever!) would you most like to tour with?

D.C: Fall Out Boy, Mayday Parade, All time Low, Justin Bieber, and Kiss.- Eric

(**P:** I think Eric's kidding about the Justin Bieber thing, but don't hold me to that!)

P: Any secret talents?

D.C: I can unicycle. -Adam

P: If you could choose, What country would you want to live in?

D.C: I'd have to say Australia. The beaches look dank there.-
Tommy (Definition of Dank: awesome, sweet, cool, nice)

P: What are your favorite genres of book to read?

D.C: Adventure/Mystery.- Eric

P: What's your favorite animal?

D.C: Kangaroo! -Adam

P: Where do you see the band in 5 years?

D.C: Hopefully signed to a record company and touring a lot!- Adam



[Dear Christie Facts Cont...]

P: What are you guys most looking forward to?

D.C: Hanging out with our fans at every show. It's the highlight of the day when we get to meet the people that give us a chance to do what we love!- Eric

P: What do you guys want to bring to the music world?

D.C: Just good music that people can sing and dance to. We want smiles on our fans faces when they hear our music- Brandon

P: What is the name of your EP and is it available on iTunes?

D.C: Our EP, "First Things First," is indeed available for download on iTunes- Adam

Peppermint Mocha: A Warning to Holiday Jumping-the-Gunners

By Melanie Hallstein



I heard you, recently, in SOUTH HALL. It was especially nice to hear the accompaniment, in a chorus of sweet girlish voices. Who was playing "Christmas Shoes"? Well, give yourself a hearty pat on the back, because you've inspired the following insightful literature. Enjoy.

Are we ahead of the season a bit? Just a bit? It's a great song, and that flavor is incredibly delicious, I know. And yes, I'd love to drink it all day, every day, non-stop, but let's take it easy. This may be a foreign idea to you, but if we use up all the best seasonal creations in an out-of-season time, everything will lose its credibility! (E.g. pumpkin in February, colored eggs in October, turkey in April.) We are to value our flavorful, colorful, decorative festivities during the year, and limit them to the week-of and week-after.

This means please, please, for the sake of my soul during November, let's wait on the Christmas music. I KNOW, Bing Crosby has a beautiful voice! But you must agree it's sweetest in the WINTER, when Christmas is three days away, and you're curled up on the couch with hot chocolate (flavor: peppermint mocha), reading a book by the dim light of the decorated tree. Yeah, I hope you're swooning. That's a little preview. Are you sitting on the edge of your seat, ridiculously eager to find station in the moment? Well, guess what? Wait just another month, then I'll make you some coffee/hot chocolate and together we can sing along to "Christmas Shoes." Hey, I'll even teach you how to harmonize.

Thanks for your consideration.

SENIOR SPOTLIGHT: As interviewed by Emily Baker and Hannah Tiefel

David Robert Rehm



E: David, what's your full name?..

H: He's too focused on free throws to tell you so I will. It's Robert!

E: I didn't ask what his middle name was..I said full name.

D: It's David Robert Rehm

H: Tell me five basic things about yourself...

Born- Eagan (I lived there my whole life)

D: I haven't missed a free throw yet (He was shooting free throws while we were questioning him)

H: Where do you see yourself in ten years- out of college, married, starting my new career.

E: With kids?

D: Probably

E: Favorite memory from childhood?

D: Playing basketball with Nate in my backyard on our mini basketball hoop.

E: Favorite dorm memory?

H:He chuckles trying to decide what is appropriate.

D: Star Wars marathon, shaving cream contest(you put gel shaving cream in your mouth and see who can keep it in their mouth the longest)

H+E: Ewww!

E: What inspired you to play basketball?

D: My brother and I loved it and our family members that played it made us want to play. It was also my choice to be in it and I wasn't pushed into it by anyone. I wanted to grow up and be like my cousins.

E: Why do you like it so much?

D: Basketball isn't purely athletic or physical but also mental. You don't have to be the most athletic to be the best player, but you have to have a mind for the

Pet Peeves

Hearing people chew their food or their gum.

When girls wear their pants too low and you can see skin showing. Pull up your pants.

E: Who are three famous people you would like to meet?

D: Kevin Garnett, Jessica Biel, and the lead singer of Switchfoot (John Foreman!), (Grandpa Carstensen too)

E: If you were stranded on an island what are three things and one person you would want with you?

H: ME!

D: Nate,(sorry Hannah) Bible, Knife, and a crank radio

H: What is one thing you want to change about yourself?

D: I wish I didn't have Patellofemoral pain so my knees didn't hurt when I run.



FAVORITES

Movie- Any Bourne trilogy

Song- My Sacrifice by Creed

Band- Switchfoot

Sport- BASKETBALL!

Class- Calc with Prof. Schierenbeck

Prof- Prof. Schierenbeck

Hymn- 800

ILC Food- None

David in 10 YEARS

According to....

Sherm Carstensen: I see David married with two kids. One girl and one boy. He will be living out west in Washington State and he will be a math teacher.

Noah Meyer: I see David Rehm as a full time mascot for the Timberwolves, a part-time Calculus teacher, and a maker of fine cheeses.

Heidi Lau: I see David married with kids, but instead of having kids David will just have basketballs :)



Hannah Tiefel: Well, I see David as a bachelor living in a cute modern apartment. He will have a really nice paying job and season tickets to the Timberwolves (even though they stink). He will be the happiest person living.

Randy Oster: In ten years, I see David Rehm as the Timberwolves owner, making millions. Not only the owner but also the coach, and did I forget to mention that he is the point guard.



Thankful By Lydia Albrecht

It's that time of the year again, when we are expected to give thanks. But in reality we should be just as thankful all-year round as we are in Thanksgiving season. We really have so much to be thankful for. Even little things we don't acknowledge like shelter, electronics, food, clothing, the list could go on forever. Everything in life we should be thankful for and give thanks to God who provides us with everything! How amazing that is when you think about it! This song by Josh Groban is a great reminder of what we need to be thankful for.

Some days we forget
To look around us
Some days we can't see
The joy that surrounds us
So caught up inside ourselves
We take when we should give.

So for tonight we pray for
What we know can be.
And on this day we hope for
What we still can't see.
It's up to us to be the change
And even though we all can still do more
There's so much to be thankful for.

Look beyond ourselves
There's so much sorrow
It's way too late to say
I'll cry tomorrow
Each of us must find our truth
It's so long overdue

So for tonight we pray for
What we know can be.
And every day we hope for
What we still can't see
It's up to us to be the change
And even though we all can still do more
There's so much to be thankful for.
Even with our differences
There is a place we're all connected
Each of us can find each other's light

So for tonight we pray for
What we know can be
And on this day we hope for
What we still can't see
It's up to us to be the change
And even though this world needs so much more
There's so much to be thankful for



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