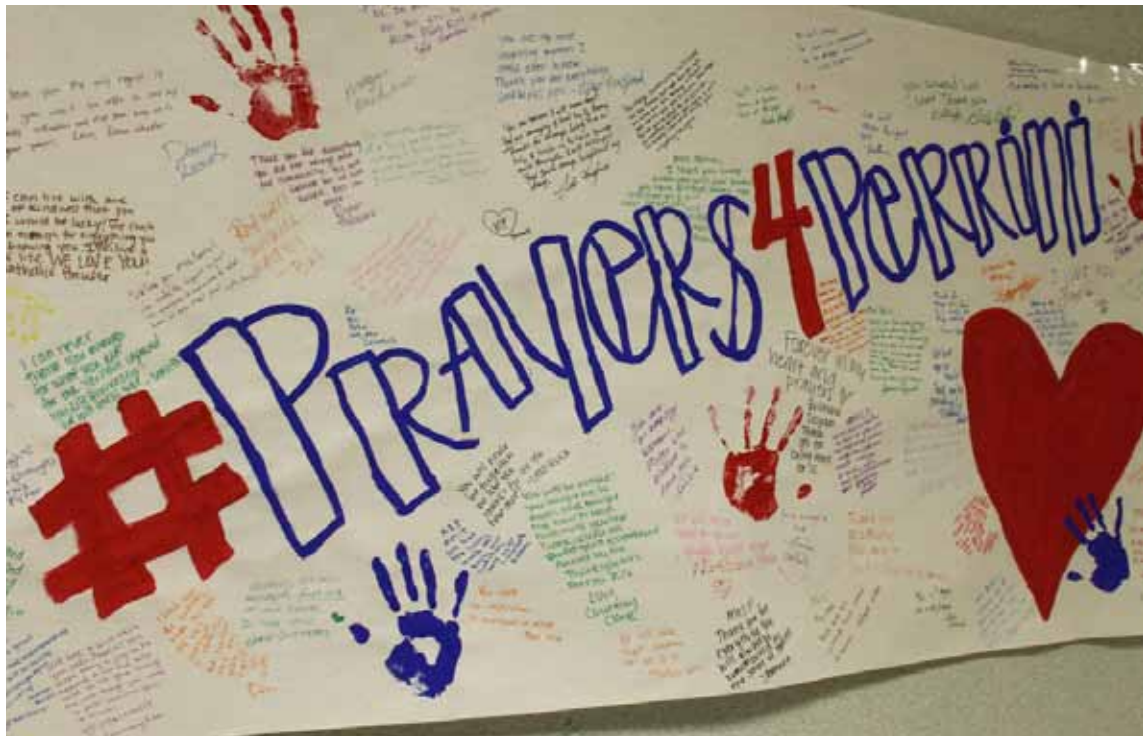


THE MIEGIAN





WINTER PLAY RETURNS MANY EXPERIENCED PERFORMERS

By: Ben Hire

staff writer

After its spectacular run of Leader of the Pack last fall, the Miego theater department, led by Mr. Dave Steinberg, will be staging a new performance of an old piece. Unlike their previous show, a musical, the upcoming production is a Shakespearean play, Much

Ado About Nothing. The play focuses on how self-centeredness and rumors can escalate and cause serious problems. Performances will be held on Feb. 14, 15 and 16.

Cast members from the musical will show off their talents again in the upcoming production, including Matt McCombs, Alex Murfey, Abby Parra, Grant Whitaker and Bridget Woulfe. Other cast members are Leah Brownley,

Matt Caffey and Matt Stanley. Unlike Leader of the Pack, which centered on two clear leads (Matt McCombs and Abby Parra), each of the students mentioned plays nearly an equal role. Many new faces will have a chance to play a big role in the play.

Performing one of William Shakespeare's masterpieces certainly has its challenges, but Mr. Steinberg is not worried. This is

largely due to the fact that he has already directed six Shakespeare plays during his time at Miego and is aware of which aspects of the play will be more difficult to handle. To add a little twist to the show, he has decided to set the play in the Civil War era. Characters will portray soldiers returning home from the war.

Tickets go on sale one week before the first performance.

SCHAIBLE MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP QUICKLY GAINING ITS MOMENTUM

By: Maureen Murphy

staff writer

Connor Schaible was a bright, charismatic, and friendly person who graduated from Bishop Miego in 2010. He was involved in newspaper, track and cross-country. When he suddenly passed away on July 4, 2012, the news devastated many people at Miego.

Since then the Schaibles have decided to give back to the Miego community for helping their family in a time of loss with a scholarship in Connor Schaible's memory. They wanted to celebrate Connor's life, said Mrs. Susan Tremonti, vice president of development.

Connor's brother Nick, a sophomore at Miego, is excited about this scholarship. "It's amazing how Connor will still be helping people even after his passing," he said, "I'm happy that the scholarship will be carrying on his life by financially helping someone."

In late November, hundreds of people came to the Miego auditorium to celebrate Connor. This included a benefit concert which was headlined by a popu-

lar local band She's a Keeper. The members were Schiabile's friends and played in his memory. "Connor really found his potential at Miego," said Nick, "which is why we chose to have it there of all places." A prayer vigil followed the concert. "Seeing so many people happy was the best part of the fundraiser," said Nick. "Instead of everyone being gloomy and sad, it was a celebration of Connor's life, which is what he would have wanted."

This event raised more than \$17,000. Many people beyond the Miego community have been touched by Connor. Donations have continued to come in from all over the country, according to Mrs. Tremonti.

Connor came to Miego from St. Peter's school. He was a runner, and enjoyed cross-country and track and field. He would have been a junior at Missouri State University this year. He is described as being easy to like and confident. "He was a great role model to me," said Nick.

Most scholarships have certain qualifications that a student must meet to acquire it. Qualifications for the Schaible scholarship are undetermined, said Mrs.

Tremonti. The family will meet with Dr. Passantino and decide together. An amount of money that will be given to the student receiving the scholarship is unknown as

well, and will also be determined by what the family believes is best.

There is a link on the Miego website for information and donations.

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ROBOTICS TEAM BEGINS BUILDING FOR INTENSE NEW COMPETITION

By: Luke Wheeler

staff writer

Mr. Scott Anderson and his Stag Robotics team, aka Team 1997, are hard at work building, testing, and modifying this year's specialized robot most afternoons at North Campus.

At this point, the robot is far from completion, since the challenge was only announced a few weeks ago. Coach Anderson said that asking how they expect the robot to turn out in this stage of development is like asking in late July if the football team will win state. The road is pretty murky.

According to the organization's website, "FIRST Robotics Competition (FRC) combines the excitement of sport with the rigors of science and technology." This year's

competition is called "Ultimate Ascent," incorporating robot abilities ranging from throwing frisbees to climbing metal structures.

Mr. Anderson says, "By the time the robot is completed, there are around one thousand hours of work put into it, and the net worth of the machine is up around \$10,000."

Hale Arena will again be the site for the Greater Kansas City FRC Regional in 2013. From Thursday, March 14, to Saturday, March 16, teams from the Kansas City area will battle it out for the right to move on toward the national championship. Over the three days of competition, teams compete alongside and against just about every other team at the tournament.

Last year's project was SPUD, a robot that was able to shoot baskets, launching the ball with precision at multiple demonstrations in the gym.

Team 1997 has 45 active members this season, including 15 seniors to lead the way.



To keep Robotics in the minds of students, juniors Tim Moore, Xavier Hernandez and Andrew Hovis prepare for a demonstration. Photo by Jennifer Gonzalez



Under the guidance of Mr. Anderson, Andrew Hovis and Xavier Hernandez do some routine maintenance on their T-shirt cannon at the Homecoming game. Photo by Jennifer Gonzalez



In this Miegian file photo, Megan Wancura works on a previous year's robot. She is one of 15 seniors on the team this year. Photo by Courtney Burke

A SWEET DEAL

By: Luke Wheeler

staff writer

Miege's annual Magazine and Cookie dough sale kicked off earlier this month with a bang and ended yesterday. This year's school goal was \$60,000 and the individual goal was \$115 or 8 sales per person.

The 2.7 pound tubs of Paula Deen's treats were expected to be best sellers. Development office officials believed that the Paula Deen brand would help bring name recognition, just as the iconic Otis Spunkmeyer name did in previous years.

Last year, Miege students raised \$61,000 for the Magazine and Cookie Dough sale. As of Jan. 15, only 504 orders had been brought in, 100 less than this time last year, for a total of \$8,926, or 14.8% of the school goal. After the turn in day on Jan. 22, the school total was over \$27,695.

As the second of three student lead fundraisers of the year, the Magazine and Cookie

Dough Sale is relied upon heavily to fill the gap between the amount of money brought in by tuition and the actual cost of running the school and its

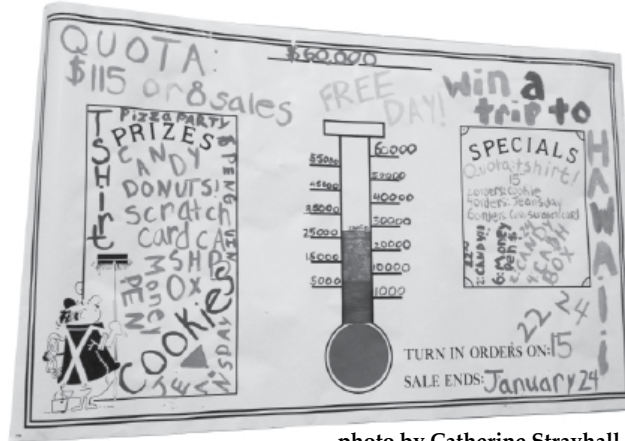


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programs. According to Mrs. Susan Tremonti, vice president of Development, the school goal of \$60,000 will go toward, "operational funds to help

offset the difference between tuition and actual cost of education." Tremonti went on to explain that the difference between the tuition and education cost is around \$1,000 per student.

Tremonti and the Development office officials believed that the \$60,000 goal was not beyond the means of the student body. Development based the school goal on previous goals that were met, number of students, \$115 quota, and percent of participants.

Mrs. Tremonti also said, "Online renewal is the easiest, most efficient way to succeed in this fundraiser. It allows for students to reach out to family and friends who are out of the area" so they can "support (students') Catholic education."

Subscribers can renew their magazines, or purchase new magazines throughout the year online at www.qsp.com; Miege will receive forty-five percent of all proceeds.

SALAZAR STEPS UP

THE VETERAN THEOLOGY TEACHER HAS BIG SHOES TO FILL AS SHE TAKES OVER FOR HER LATE FRIEND AND CO-WORKER

By: Andrew Carlsen

staff writer

After the passing of Mary Perrini this last December, the Miege administration faced the situation of deciding who the next Director of CMT would be. They chose someone who was constantly in the



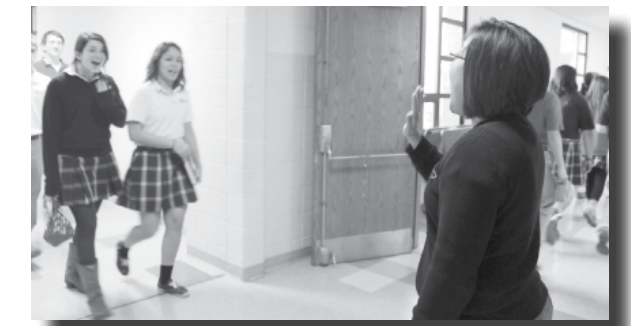
the beginning of second semester. She was the obvious choice, and she is thrilled about it. "It is hard, but

I try to remind myself that I am not Mary. I do not



because of service hours, mission trips and more. About the transition between teacher and Director of CMT, Ms. Salazar said, "It has been a pretty smooth move because I helped Mary the last two years and supported and helped her do things, so I learned a lot from her getting sick. Also I always spent a lot of

time in CMT and went on so many retreats that I feel that I am knowledgeable enough."



According to Ms. Salazar, when it comes to replacing Mrs. Perrini in the CMT office, you cannot just fill in and take over for retreats and service projects. It is the love and warmth Mrs. Perrini brought to Miege that matter. Ms. Salazar hopes to follow in the footsteps of everything Mrs. Perrini did for Miege.

Center: Ms. Salazar works at her desk in CMT, already busy as the new semester begins.

Right: On their way to lunch, students received waves and greetings from Ms. Salazar.

photos by Natalie Gonzales

NEW TEACHERS ARE READY FOR NEW EXPERIENCES

By: Andrew Carlsen

staff writer

There are two new teachers in the second semester schedule for some Miege students. One is the new Current Social Issues teacher Mr. Joe Allen. The other is Mr. Ross Dessert. Mr. Allen is replacing Bill Reardon who helped out Fred Turner during the basketball season, while Mr. Dessert is replacing Ms. Salazar who has become the director of CMT.

Mr. Allen started at Miege Jan. 7 and says he is really excited for the rest of the school year. This is the first time he has ever taught at a private school; all of the years before he taught for public schools. He said that this is the first time he had to wear a

tie to work. One thing he loves about his new teaching job at Miege is the people he meets everyday. He already



feels very comfortable when it comes to Miege and the student body. He is

teaching the three afternoon Current Social Issues classes.

Mr. Dessert started teaching on Jan 14. It is his first year as a professional teacher. Originally from Washington, D.C., Mr. Dessert has taught adult education classes in the past with his masters in theology and went to the University of Kansas in the '90s. He attended Ave Maria University to earn his masters, and that is



how he started teaching adult education. Then he went into the commercial roofing business.

Further down the road he was an assistant lacrosse coach at Rockhurst from '98-'04. He says he is nervous and excited to move into the school year as he takes over one sophomore and four junior theology classes.

Far left: Mr. Dessert is taking over Ms. Salazar's theology classes. Near left: Mr. Allen is adjusting to teaching at a private school for the first time, and to wearing a tie at work.

photos by Andrew Carlsen



Above: From the back row of the auditorium, Ms. Salazar reflects during the freshman NET retreat.

Right: Ms. Salazar, who worked hard to organize Catholic Schools Week, here hangs a notice about it inside the teachers' lounge.

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WHEN I WAS 17... PAULA MUNRO

• What year did you turn 17?
1966 (Get ready for a mid-century history lesson.)

• What was your favorite movie?
My favorite film of that year was *Georgy Girl* because I loved Alan Bates, but the Beatle's *Hard Day's Night* (1964) and *Help* (1965) were still my real favorites.

• If you had a car, what kind of car was it / what year?
I didn't have my own car. I drove my parents' red and white Chevy station wagon.

• What was your favorite subject in school?
Spanish

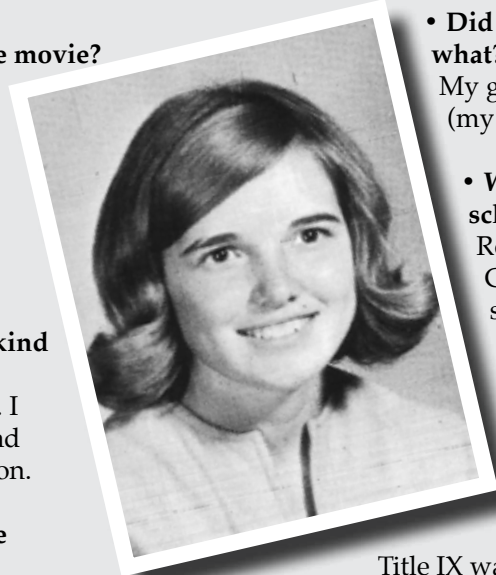
• How many siblings did you have? Names?
One older sister, Lynn.

• Who was your role model?
My mom, Dorothy.

• Did you have nickname? If so, what?
My grandmother called me Paudie (my first name is Paula)

• Where did you attend high school?
Roy Miller High School, Corpus Christi, Texas. It was an inner city school with about 3000 students. The student population was about 80% Latino and 10% African American.

• Name any activities/ sports / clubs you participated in.
I was in choir. This was before Title IX was passed in 1972 giving women the right to equal access and support in athletic programs. Before that, only 1 in 27 girls played varsity high school sports, and women weren't awarded athletic scholarships. If there had been one, I would have been on the swim team.



10 QUESTIONS WITH T.J. KROH

By: Matt Stanley
staff writer

Q: What is your greatest inspiration?
A: My father, he taught me to love history and how to act.

Q: What do you do in your spare time?
A: I enjoy reading, hanging out with friends, and playing video games, most of them being shooters.

Q: What's it like driving to school every day from so far away?
A: Very long, it takes about half an hour because I live out by KCI. It's fun though because

there is always a bad driver that I need to avoid.

Q: What is your favorite type of food?
A: Italian, it tastes good, and I like eating it.

Q: What's your favorite holiday?
A: Thanksgiving, because I get to see all my family and eat lots of wonderful food.

Q: What are your plans for college?
A: I plan on either attending St. Louis University or Marquette.

Q: What are your plans for after college?
A: Get my doctorate, and teach as a history professor at a college, I'm not sure which one though.

Q: What's on your bucket list?
A: I don't have one.

Q: What's your favorite subject in school and why?
A: History because I really enjoy reading.

Q: Why do you dislike Abraham Lincoln?
A: He was unconstitutional, racist, and he promoted people who didn't deserve positions of power because he was friends with them.



THE COMEDIAN KNOWN AS AARON BRANCH

By: Jackson Griffin
staff writer

After one conversation with senior Aaron Branch, you would know that he is one of the funniest Miegians. Unfortunately, by the time his four years here are up, still not everyone will have been able to experience the bubbly creativity that Aaron exudes at all times. Luckily for our readers, *The Miegian* sat down with the budding star to find out what makes him so funny.

JG: First off, who are you?
AB: My name is Aaron Branch. Actor, comedian, writer, rapper *laugh*

JG: Tell me about your family.
AB: My family is very close. I can talk to any family member about anything. They are also all very creative.

JG: How are they creative?
AB: Hmm.. Mostly when it comes to family gatherings. My aunts can always come up with a great way to entertain everyone. This is my mom's side. My dad's side is a lot smaller. Both my dad and his father were in the military. My grandpa's wife on my dad's side (my grandmother) was related to Coretta Scott King - Martin Luther King Jr's wife.

JG: You're really close to your mom right?
AB: Yes, sir.

JG: How has she helped with your career?
AB: She's always given me words of encouragement and has taught me to never give up. She also has a crazy work ethic. It makes me jealous sometimes... so I strive to work as hard as her.

JG: What were you like as a kid?
AB: Loud (laughs), hyper. I lied a lot.

JG: When did you first discover your creative side?
AB: When I was in the 5th grade I wrote a song called "Girl, Just Go Away."

JG: Was it any good?
AB: Horrible lyrics, but catchy. I still sing it when I have writer's block.

JG: Take me through 5th-8th grade, career-related wise, acting, etc.

AB: Well, I have always been acting...I had a huge stuttering problem and around the 5th grade was when I started to overcome that. I started looking for auditions in the 6th grade. My mom and I were walking around Crown Center and stopped by the Coterie Theater. I asked the lady at the box office if they had any auditions coming up, and she told me they had one that weekend. I had to find a monologue, I had to memorize it, and then I went to my first professional audition in the 6th grade...I ended up getting the part, too.



JG: What was the part?
AB: I was Bernard Washington in *A Star Ain't Nothin But a Hole in Heaven*.

JG: So what were the notable events to you after that?
AB: Umm...I went to LA the summer before 8th grade year and caught the attention of the singer



Aaron regularly performs at open-mic nights. Follow him on Twitter @AaronBranchWrld for updates and showtimes. Photos courtesy of Aaron Branch

Brandy Norwood. We were playing a game at my cousin's friend's birthday party, and she happened to stop by. After the game she grabbed my face and told me, "You need to be on TV!" Nothing ever came from that, but that's definitely a big moment in my life.

JG: What was freshman year in high school like?
AB: Freshman year was a lot of fun, I ended up doing my second Coterie performance that April-May. I played Howie in the play *Frindle*.

JG: How did you start stand up?
AB: Writing jokes in the back of Mr. Esh's class with Alex Dennis.

JG: What was your first stand up like?
AB: So so so so so so so so so scary. I had no idea what to expect.

JG: Walk me through it.
AB: Well, before I went on stage I was sitting on the side of the stage with my hoodie on and my eyes closed. I was saying my set to myself over and over again. One of the comedians came up to me and said, "Calm down, Slim Shady." That made me laugh. Pretty soon it was my turn. I went on stage and just started saying jokes and people were LAUGHING! Three minutes passed... and it was over. I just wanted to keep saying more and more jokes.

JG: What is your style on stage? What comedians inspire you?
AB: My style is self-deprecating humor. I like making fun of myself and talking about my insecurities, because well... it's funny. I'm inspired by Louie CK, Dave Chappelle and Eddie Murphy.

JG: I know you got an award a while back.
AB: Yes sir! When I was 16, I won Best Comedian in Kansas City in 2011.

JG: Who gave the award, how was it decided?
AB: Stanford and Sons in the Legends. It was decided by a panel of judges they bring in.

JG: What does the future hold for Aaron B?
AB: I'm currently working on establishing my rap alter ego Addison Floyd. I've been in the studio recently working on his EP Laundry Day.

JG: College?
AB: Not fully decided. I'm looking at all my options, but I hope to end up in a big city, because there are more opportunities.

JG: What do you feel when the crowd is enjoying your performance?
AB: I feel happy. Not to sound weird, but that's just the best way to describe it.

JG: Tell me your best moment as a performer?
AB: It hasn't happened yet...but I'll keep you posted (laughs).

iQUE VIVA MARY PERRINI!



By: Catherine **Strayhall**

Editor in Chief

"I remember her talking on 8th grade day and wondering how one lady could do all of the things she did," said senior Natalie Gonzales.

"I was a freshman in theology class, and I was so impressed because she came into the room and memorized every kid's name!" senior Sara Lauterwasser recollected.

"I knew she would be a tremendous asset to the school," said Miego president Dr. Joe Passantino. Passantino taught Mrs. Perrini and her siblings in high school and knew her parents and family well. He wanted her at Miego, and made sure to hire her in his

Honored for her outstanding service to Miego and the community, a service award was named after her in 2010. Photo by Bridget McBee

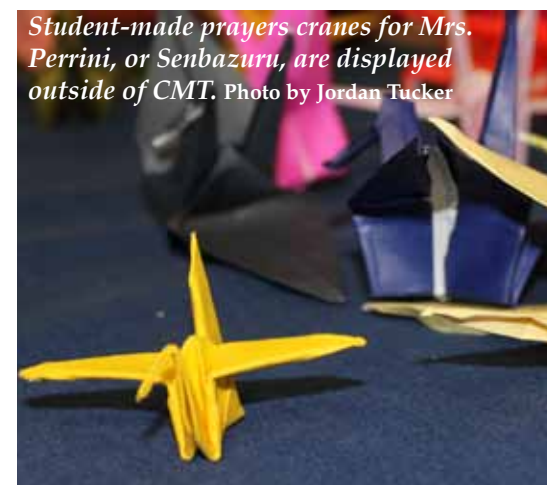


Mrs. Perrini, Mr. Creach, Mr. Bohaty, and Mr. Steinberg celebrated 25 years of teaching at Miego earlier this fall. Photo by Abby Markus



second year at the school.

As soon as the SchoolReach phonecall about her death came, word spread on social media. Students paid tribute to Mrs.



Student-made prayers cranes for Mrs. Perrini, or Senbazuru, are displayed outside of CMT. Photo by Jordan Tucker

Perrini in statuses and tweets, thanking her for all she'd done for them. On twitter, the idea for boys to wear ties the next day out of respect for Mrs. Perrini took root, with a noticeable number wearing them the next day in the subdued halls.

A prayer service was held, and Mr. Bohaty lead a rosary. Seniors were permitted to stay behind and sign banners for Mrs. Perrini that now hang in the theology hallway. On blank scrapbook pages, all students were allowed to leave messages of support for the Perrini family, who were later gifted with the album. Tables holding the album, framed pictures of Mrs. Perrini, and flowers served as a memorial outside CMT, with sets of 1000 paper cranes, or Senbazuru, hanging nearby.

She probably didn't even realize it, but just by working as campus minister and leading service projects she was teaching all around her how to live right and how to follow God, no matter your beliefs or situation. Fr. Kent O'Connor, who served as chaplain at Miego for four years and who officiated her funeral mass at Mrs. Perrini's request, explained some of what she taught him. "1) Everybody has a story. 2) Everyone needs to be heard."

Gonzales, a 4-year CMT veteran and a leader involved with liturgy team, retreat team, S.M.I.L.E., and Miegians for Life, said that "Mrs. P taught me to have a friendship with God, and to show that friendship by showing that everyone deserves love and a listener."

Ms. Fran Tucker, attendance office receptionist, stated "she reinforced every day that respecting each other for our differences is what makes our world such a great place

to live."

Even after she was diagnosed with stage IV colon cancer in April 2010 during my freshman year, Mrs. Perrini came to work whenever she could and continued to dedicate herself to others, despite her own struggles. "She taught me that no matter what challenges God gives you in life, you must give them up to Him and face them with courage," said senior Becky Cazares, a TA for CMT as well as a liturgy planner and CMT leader involved with S.M.I.L.E.

Mrs. Perrini interacted with many



Mrs. Perrini reviews the Mass slideshow during liturgy set-up. Photo by Elaina Cochran



Always the positive influence, Mrs. Perrini encourages students as they complete Stag Strut in 2006. Photo by Brienna Bustamante

students, staff, and people throughout her life, in Miego, in Kansas City, and across the country, and even the continent. Everyone had different experiences with her and will miss different things about her. Lauterwasser has been involved with CMT since freshman year and currently is a leader who participates in Miegians for Life and S.M.I.L.E. She said, "She always made me feel better when I was having a bad day."

Cazares simply said, "Her laugh. She made me smile every time I heard her laugh."

Dr. Passantino talked about how she showed us how to be unselfish and what an impact one can have when giving themselves up for others. "The difference one person can make in people's lives... We always say, oh, we can't make a difference... but you saw." Whether we saw from a visit to CMT, a kind word or her asking how you were doing in the hallway, or by the turnout of hundreds at the visitation and funeral, we saw.

The spirit of Mrs. Mary Perrini will live on in Miego. It will live on "In every person she touched," said Gonzales. "In Ms. Salazar. In everything she did in CMT. She made Miego a family and that will live on." In her eulogy, Ms. Sonya Salazar spoke of Mrs. Perrini's desire "to meet them (students) where they are." "This meant going out to serve our young people and meeting the needs of our students physically, emotionally, and spiritually. Whether that meant going into classrooms, cheering at games, going on trips, offering one-on-one counseling or simply listening with her heart, Mary was with the kids. She worked tirelessly making the Campus Ministry Office a safe place for students to just be, no masks, no fronts, a place just to be real."

Also in her eulogy, Ms. Salazar mentioned Mrs. Perrini's relationship with her coworkers. "...So many faculty members sought her out for advice, a listening heart, or a hug... She hung tough with the men, talking sports and fishing, and cherished a strong sisterhood among the women." Fr. Kent remembers his time working alongside Mrs. Perrini as they led the spiritual heart of Miego together, "Mary Perrini was an extremely hard worker, but wasn't necessarily the best delegator. When I came, I looked for things that I could do and contribute to help her out. I think that she, Sara Brinkman (then the CMT secretary), and I made a good team. Our weaknesses and our strengths seemed to align pretty well." Dr. Passantino remembers that she was always ready to

participate in events like faculty dodgeball or volleyball.

Both Ms. Tucker, who worked as Mrs. Perrini's assistant for three years in CMT, and Fr. Kent mentioned loving the time they were able to spend with Mrs. Perrini on Kairos. "Her story touched my heart and made us friends for life," said Ms. Tucker. "I miss her every day."

Sara Lauterwasser received a call a few days before the funeral asking if she would read some of the petitions at the funeral. "I was honored to read a few petitions," she said, mentioning how she realized that Mrs. Perrini never wanted attention for herself, but for others instead who, as Mrs. Perrini always said, "needed the prayers more." "So, as I was reading and leading others in prayer, I could feel her presence, and I knew that she was right there joining us in prayer."

Immediately before her death, and

"She taught me that no matter what challenges God gives you in life, you must give them up to Him and face them with courage." Becky Cazares

in the days following, the Miego Concert Chorale practiced a song that for many years was sung annually at graduation, "River in Judea," which they sang at the funeral after communion at Mrs. Perrini's request. Becky Cazares, a member of concert chorale, remembers what singing with fellow students and alumni that day was like. "It was really hard to sing at the funeral. Right after, tears wouldn't stop. But not sad tears — happy, because the song helped me realize Mrs. Perrini is in a better place waiting for us and helping us from heaven." The day following Mrs. Perrini's death, the song echoed out from the choir room many times, with occasional students and teachers drifting in for a brief reprieve and to feel the support of the Miego community even while the school grieved.

Fr. Kent, who delivered a moving homily at the funeral, said he started over on it at roughly 10:30 p.m. the night before, trying to make the words less rambling and more direct. "It was one of the toughest homilies I have ever tried to write. I spent a lot of time thinking about it and praying over it." The homily spoke not only of

grief, but of hope, and even offered a few teary laughs. "I generally don't write out my homilies word-for-word anymore, but since I didn't know exactly what my emotions would be on that day, I decided that I needed to have my full script in front of me."

One of the subjects Fr. Kent brought up in his homily was the idea of canonizing Mrs. Perrini. "People seemed to like the idea after the funeral, and so I thought I might as well get something started immediately." He created a Facebook page called "Cause for the Canonization of Mary Perrini," as an informative page for anyone interested. "So far, there has been an amazing response to the idea. At the moment, it is just an idea... If the 'Cause' just kinda dies off, then perhaps it wasn't meant to be. But if it continues to snowball and people still have the interest in five years, then we will start seriously looking at the process," he explained, referring to the five years' time that must pass before a candidate's cause can officially begin "...to let the emotion settle and back up for a better perspective," as he said in his homily.

It's Fr. Kent's hope that the page will "be a place of spiritual encouragement as well as education about how the canonization process actually works." He and Ms. Renee Shultz (class of '07) have been gathering some of Mrs. Perrini's writings, and Fr. Kent says he plans to post Mrs. Perrini's words often. "I would like it to be a place where we also continue to have postings of testimonials of her life and ministry." The page, started six days after Mrs. Perrini's death, has more than 1600 likes and already contains stories and pictures of Mrs. Perrini people have shared.

I think Fr. Kent summed my feelings up best in his homily when he explained how Mrs. Perrini was upset after she lost the job she had at a school prior to her coming to Miego. "I am, in a way, grateful that she was let go," he said. "Because she was let go, she came to Miego, and I am a better person because of it. Selfish? Maybe. But I think some of you think it too. But she had to go through that terrible time to get to the place that she really, I believe, belonged."

We move forward. That's just how life is. But if we keep the lessons and love that Mrs. Perrini always readily gave close to us, we can make it through the hard times, no matter how dark it becomes.

MRS. P BY THE NUMBERS

25 years at Miego

18 years as a Campus Ministry Director

18,750+ students

1,500,000+ student service hours

50+ mission trips

13 National Catholic Youth Conferences

70+ charity organizations worked with

5 children who graduated from Miego



OPINION



AWKWARD MOMENTS REALLY GRIND MY GEARS



By: **Matt Stanley**

staff writer

You know what really grinds my gears? Awkward moments. Whether they are subtle and almost unnoticed, or loud and very obvious, awkward moments are very common through everyday life. Nothing is worse than making people uncomfortable by accident.

During the school day, the passing period is a breeding ground for awkward moments. Imagine putting something in your locker, and then noticing that someone is waving at you from across the hallway. Feeling joy and excitement that someone is acknowledging you, you wave back. It is then when you feel a cool chill crawl up your spine, and you realize that you are standing in front of the person who actually was being waved

at, and you were never meant to be recognized. Instead of leaving with happy thoughts, you end up making all three people uncomfortable.

This event is always terrible, but there are yet other things that occur in the hallways of Miego. Having a conversation with someone, ending the conversation, and then walking the same direction side by side is always awkward. You are traveling with said person, but you've already said goodbye.

What's worse is arriving at your locker to grab your books, only to realize that the locker does not belong to you. Basically you have been standing at someone else's locker for like 5 minutes attempting to open it with the wrong combination.

Awkward moments are very prominent during the school day, but the early morning is always yearning for someone to make an awkward mistake. Waking up late, you rush to be ready,

forgetting things like brushing your teeth and eating breakfast.

Upon arriving to school, being tired and inattentive, you accidentally press the panic button on your car keys instead of the lock button. In your classroom, no one wants to sit by you because your breath smells, and in the middle of class, you stomach decides to show how angry it is that it was not fed that morning. A loud grumbling begins to emit from your chair, and everyone's eyes are focused on you and your unhappy stomach.

Awkward moments never end well. Whenever they occur, they not only make you uncomfortable, they make everyone around you uncomfortable, and no one wins. Maybe in the future we will learn to either deal with or accept awkward moments better, but until then, it looks like awkward moments will continue to grind my gears.

CULTURE CHANGE IS NEEDED TO STOP TEENAGE DRUG USE

By: **Sam Jezak**

Editor in Chief



With Rockhurst High School's recent announcement of a school-wide drug testing program to begin this fall, the issue of drug and alcohol testing in high school has come back to the forefront of local public discussion.

Completely random testing in public schools isn't allowed, due to 4th Amendment protections against illegal search and seizure. But students who participate in extra-curricular activities are subject to random tests. Private schools are a completely different matter entirely. Much like businesses have the right to test employees for substances, private schools have free rein as well.

Substance abuse happens in high school. It comes with the territory. The aim of many drug testing programs in high school is to change the culture of the school. In theory, the testing would give students a reason to stay away from illegal substances and an excuse to stand up to peer pressure at parties. In reality though, programs like the one at Rockhurst do little to change student behavior.

According to a nationwide 2010 study by the National Center for Education Evaluation, 34% of students who attended schools that participated in a school-wide random testing program reported that they "definitely will" or "probably will" use illegal substances in the next twelve months, as opposed to 33% of students in schools without a testing program.

The entire purpose of drug prevention programs

is to change the mindset of students against using illegal substances. If virtually the same percentage of students plans to use drugs in the future, regardless of whether threatened by a random drug test or not, no culture change has occurred.

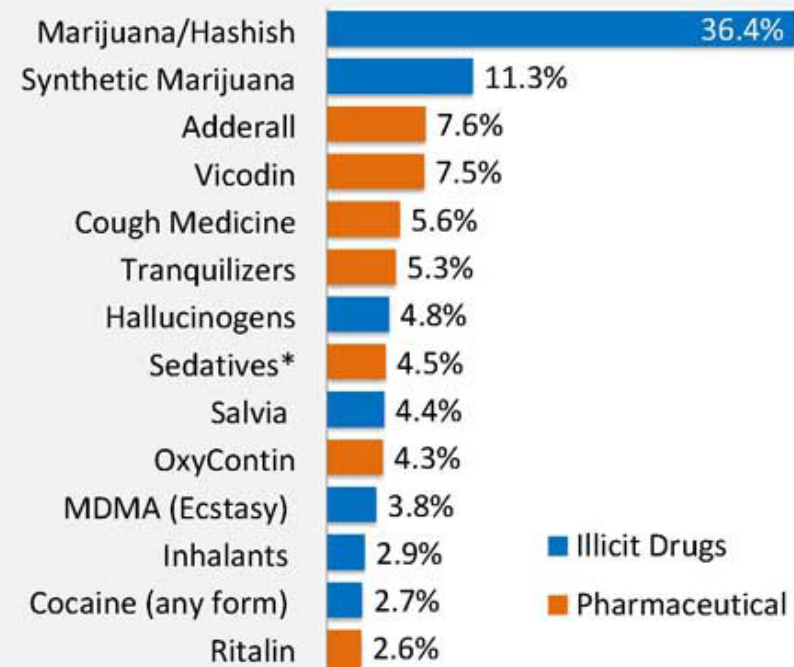
The psychology of teenagers using illegal substances is something not taken into account when these programs are implemented. Coming down even harder on an illegal activity, if not done in the right way, will only play to the rebellious streak in teenagers, and they will gain even more pleasure from their pre-existing vices. The only way to truly turn students away from substance

abuse is to guide them in a direction where they will make the decision to stop on their own.

Even if random drug testing had some effect in schools, other problems would arise as a result of it. The additional cost of the drug testing, which at Rockhurst will be added to student fees, only adds to the already exorbitant cost of private high schools. Some parents struggling to pay for the existing tuition may decide enough is enough and switch to a more affordable option.

Random drug testing has been shown to do little to change the culture of drug use in a high school setting. Along with ineffectiveness, additional factors like extra cost and the psychology of teenagers makes testing a poor option for high schools.

Past-Year Use of Illicit Drugs and Pharmaceuticals among 12th Graders



SOURCE: University of Michigan, 2012 Monitoring the Future Study

Monitoring the Future is an annual national survey of more than 50,000 8th, 10th, and 12th graders. It is conducted by the University of Michigan and funded by several groups, including the Nat'l Institutes of Health.

STAGGERING THOUGHTS

What is your favorite memory of the school year so far?



"The first pep assembly, because it was the first football game that day, and I was really excited."
- Joey Shondell, freshman



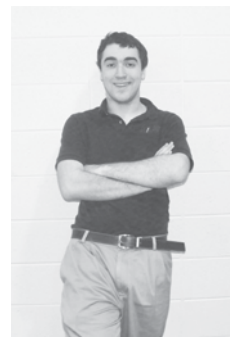
"Getting grounded for two months."
- Maddy Stroder, sophomore



"Watching the soccer team win State."
- Alex Vega, Anakarín Valdiviezo, Audrey Crosby, seniors



"My second son, Griffin, was born. Two kids is a game changer. It's crazy at the house."
- Mr. Dan Schaeffer



"When Mrs. Christie ran up the bleachers at a pep assembly dressed as a cheerleader."
- Hannah Ewing, junior

"New Years!"
- Cameron O'Toole, sophomore



"Being locker buddies."
- Brenna Albritton and Kristen Agar, juniors

"During a fall musical practice, Mr. Steinberg was collecting money for the tee shirts, and I reached into my back pocket to grab my wallet. The button was still clasped, and my pants ripped totally in half."
- Grant Whitaker, senior



"Falling out of a tree."
- Cerra Cambric, freshman

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BOYS' BASKETBALL FINDING GROOVE

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Coming in to this season, boys' basketball was a question mark. After the enormous success of the fall sports giants, no one knew what to expect from the senior-heavy team. With a new head coach and a different team dynamic after losing two starters, the Stags definitely had their work cut out for them.

The team stumbled out of the starting gates last month and lost big to Blue Valley Northwest and the next two games at Leavenworth and Gardner.

Sitting at 0-3, the Stags needed a spark to put them back on track. That spark came when the Stags were considered underdogs in a game against Hogan Prep. The boys demolished Hogan by 27 points and looked like the Miege of old. However, that spark did not last as the Stags narrowly lost the two succeeding games to St. James and Blue Valley North. In fact every loss except BV Northwest has been by only single digits. The boys defeated Blue Valley then to improve their record to 2-5 before the Aquinas game.

Coming into the game on Jan. 11, Aquinas was 5-2 and the Stags had a tall task ahead of them. In front of a packed house, Miege played neck and neck with the Saints all game. McKinley Johnson drained a big three at the halftime buzzer to give the Stags some momentum going into the second half. The game went down to the wire, and it ended with Aquinas missing a game-winning bucket. The Stags walked away with



Montell commands the floor in front of a home crowd.
Photo by Jordan Tucker

a narrow 47-46 win with Montell Cozart scoring 21 points.

With Miege on a roll, the Aquinas tournament last week was looking optimistic. They came out strong and won the first two games 36-34 and 54-47. To polish



RIGHT Sophomore gaurd Reggie Byers cuts to the right against St. James. Photo by Jordan Tucker

off a perfect tournament the Stags trumped Aquinas for the second straight matchup.

With basketball back on track all Miege has to worry about is their EKL record which still only stands at 2-5. The boys team will have many oppurtunitys to strengthen their Ekl record because Miege's next nine games are all conference opponents.

SWIMMERS SHINE IN ALL TIME SEASON

By: Ben **Hire**

staff writer

It is the middle of the boys' swim season and the swimmers are right where they want to be. Their season began with the best start that Coach Dennis Mueller can remember in 17 years. Three relay teams have qualified for State along with John Pawlewicz, Ben Rucker, and Jack Wirtz in individual events.

The Blue Valley Southwest Tri on Jan. 8 was an excellent result for Miege. They took first place in the meet behind strong senior leadership.



Miege sophomore swimmer Louie Carter shows his best butterfly stroke during the BV Southwest meet.
Photo by Aubrey Rumore

Mr. Mueller's early season prediction that Ben Rucker and Jack Wirtz would have a strong chance to make the All- American team appears to be a strong possibility. Obviously, becoming an All-American is no easy task. The fastest 100 athletes as determined by time in their respective events will be named All- Americans.

To add to the already experienced Stag swimmers, many younger swimmers that Mr. Mueller believes have an abundance of potential have also joined the team this year. These swimmers include Joe Amigoni, Nate Intfen, and Jeffrey Martin. Their next competition is a JV meet at Washington.

LADY STAGS TRAMPLING EKL

By: Luke **Wheeler**

staff writer

Head coach Terry English and his Lady Stag basketball team were off to a red hot start in December. The girls ripped three straight wins by very comfortable margins to begin the year, two of which came against EKL opponents, BV Northwest and Gardner Edgerton.

After falling to a tough Truman squad at the Hyvee shootout and having a little bit of a wake up call against the Mustangs of Blue Valley North, the girls were back on track in a physical and thrilling 53-46 win over Blue Valley in overtime.

On Jan 11, St. Thomas Aquinas rolled into town for what would prove to be a very controversial game. Toward the end of the 4th quarter, the Stags had an Aquinas guard trapped in the backcourt for well over ten seconds and right as one referee was about to make his ten seconds,

a whistle was blown to signal what seemed to be a phantom foul. As the referees fumbled over what to call, the crowd began to stir. The final verdict was a "timeout" called by Aquinas. After this critical juncture, Aquinas converted on almost all of their free

dismantled St. James 51-32 on the road. Last Friday the girls suffered an overtime loss against BV Southwest.

English is no stranger to success. Coming into the 2012-2013 campaign, English was working with an astronomical .825 win percentage, going 709-150 in his tenure. Over his 37 years at the helm, Miege has won sixteen state titles, including five in the new millennium, with their most recent coming in 2009. Assistant coaches for this season include Linda Ernst, Kevin Mulvany, Jeff, English, Chris Thayer, and Kelly Scott.



Shelbe Piggie attempts to blow by a defender at home.
Photo by Jordan Tucker

throws, winning 44-36. English and his team were not phased by the loss, after a quick turnaround, the Stags

Four seniors returned to the court this season including Lexi Hughes, a Missouri State commit, Brianna Rocker, Iland Shurn, and Sydney Vaughn. Vaughn and Hughes have

seen significant varsity minutes in their careers as Stags, and will be relied upon for their leadership and scoring ability.

Rocker will be out due to an injured ankle suffered in practice, but hopes to be back before tournament time. Shurn is a blossoming force in the paint and gives the Stags support with her excellent rebounding ability. After a serious ACL injury kept her out for almost all of last season, junior Lexie Villegas is back and ready to contribute on both ends of the floor.

At this point in the season, coach English knows what he needs the ladies to do. The Stags are not exactly in trouble, but have not performed up to expectations. "We have a good group of kids that work hard for the most part," said English. "We have to put ourselves in better position to beat good teams." After returning from the Newton tournament, the girls will face their home stretch. The girls avenged an earlier loss against BV North this past Wednesday.

WRESTLING WORKING TOWARDS IMPROVEMENT

By: Andrew **Carlsen**

staff writer

"Our expectations are that we improve and we get better each day. We are looking good, and we want to see how many we can qualify for State," said Coach Dave Eller about what he was looking forward to in goals for this season. Wrestling so far has been an uphill battle, but they are improving step by step. Returning varsity wrestlers such as Adam Brown, Sal Grado, and Harrison Tournquist should lead the way for the Stags. Leading the junior varsity, there is Hunter Friesen, Dakota Grigsby, and Mark Muraski.

At the Bonner Springs meet Jan. 5, no one placed except Ryan Madrigal who earned third in the 182 lbs class. Before Christmas, the Bishop Miege Invitational was where the

wrestlers really picked up their steam. They placed fifth overall out of 14 teams and had many placings in the top 5.

For 106 lb weight class, Edgar Flores placed fourth. In the 120 lb weight class, Chance Friesen gained second place while Harrison Tournquist was in fourth. The 126 lb class came up with Matt Bialek in second place. The 132 lb class had Adam Brown in it for third place, while Vernon White was fourth in the 138 lb weight class. The 170 lb, 182 lb, and 195 lb weight classes featured one Miege wrestler in each respectively. Sal Grado took fourth in the 170, Sean Maxwell third for 182, and Allan Bortolotti third for 195 lb.

The wrestlers have a good number of meets and invitationals to go before they have to worry about State Feb. 23.

BOWLING, OFF AND ROLLING

By: Louie **LaFeve**

staff writer

Bishop Miege bowling is entering its ninth season, and by all accounts it is looking like a strong one. The team this year is a combination of old pros and newcomers. Junior Andrew Hovis, who was accepted onto the team for his first year after bowling a score of 99 at tryouts, had a lot to say about his upcoming season.

"My goals this season are to do the best I can, and to be as close to Walter Sobchak as I can be," referencing the bowler extraordinaire from the film *The Big Lebowski*. "It seemed like a lot of fun to me. Getting to bowl with friends on a team seemed awesome."

Remi McDonald, also a junior, had much more competitive reasons for returning this season. "I enjoy bowling, and I think I'm somewhat good at it," she said. "And I want to win State. I want us to shoot as high as possible."

When asked to run through an

average day's practice, both Andrew and Remi went into detail about the grueling sessions the team undergoes three times a week at Mission Bowl. "We all try to get to Mission Bowl around 3:15, and we always bowl three games," Andrew said. "Then we work on our form until around 5:30."

In the words of Remi, "There are usually three practices and about two meets every week." When asked what the toughest aspect is, she said it was "thinking too much, and being a self-conscious bowler. It's all mental. That's a lot of people's problem."

But it's not all serious. It's a little bit more laid back than most sports," Remi said. Andrew opined that "The best song to listen to before a meet is without a doubt '1000 Miles' by Vanessa Carlton."

The team had their first meet on Wednesday, Jan. 9, against Shawnee Mission South and Turner. The boys came in second, but the girls took first overall. On Jan. 15, they were beaten by Turner but trumped Maranatha.

MIEGE ATHLETES ARE RECOGNIZED FOR FALL SEASON PERFORMANCES

By: Jennie Littleton

staff writer

Fall sports gave many individuals a chance to show off their skills, leading to numerous high honors. Soccer, football and volleyball all had multiple players win multiple awards. So many players were awarded, in fact, that they could not all fit into the story.

Football ended the season with a second place State finish against an undefeated Bishop Carroll, but held down school rival St. Thomas Aquinas for a victory on the way there, showing how improved their defense was since the start of the season. Miege's varsity team had five players on this year's 1st Team All-EKL: Brad Ivey—defense; Mitch Wille—offense; Collin Carter—kicker; Russell Gray—punter; and McKinley Johnson—offense, who was also chosen to be on the 2nd Team All-EKL-defense.

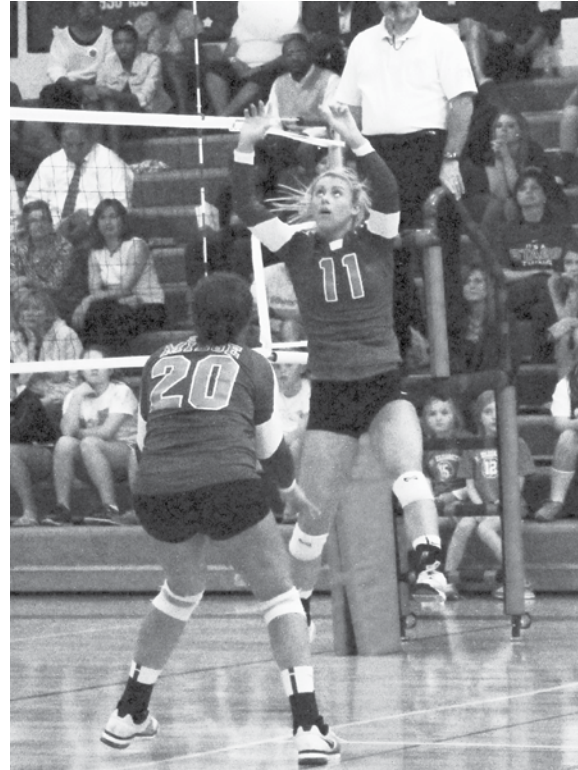
Brad Ivey, the junior who was named to the KC Star 1st Team All Metro-Defense, started varsity as a middle linebacker at the end of his freshman year season. Reflecting on what these honors mean to him, Brad said, "The honors prove to me that hard work really does pay off and that if you want something, it's up to you to go get it."

After having dislocated his elbow near the end of the season, yet still coming off with impressive statistics, Brad said he hopes to improve by "becoming more strict with myself, in my workouts, my diet, and my mentality of success. Next year, I look forward to furthering my game, in every aspect of play. I look forward to bringing a group of guys together to work for one common goal—success. I plan on making sure everyone is fully committed to the team and that we play as a team and not as an individual."

Soccer finished with a record of 18-2-1, beating Liberal 3-1 in the end to become the State champions. With a majority of the team made up of seniors, the Miege soccer team had age and experience. Of the eleven seniors, midfielder Aidan Kuhls became the first soccer player, boy or girl, in the history of Bishop Miege to be named an NSCAA All-American. He was also named the NSCAA boys high school Kansas player of the year, 5A NEKSCA Regional player of the year, EKL co-midfielder of the year, 1st Team All-Metro-Midfielder, and named to the 1st Team 5A All-State and NSCAA All-Region V team. Aidan has played club soccer for 10 years, spending all 4 years of his high school career on the varsity. For Aidan, the best part about the year was, "winning State with all of my buds."

Senior Stephen Foster was awarded 1st

Team All-State; also named to 1st Team All-EKL and 1st Team All-State was senior Danny Mohler and sophomore Brandon Ramirez. Brandon is coming off with an impressive repertoire after his sophomore season, being the only sophomore in the region chosen for NSCAA All-Region V team. He was named 5A NEKSCA defensive player of the year and the KC Star placed him on the 1st Team All-Metro-Defender.



Even head coach Joe Huppe was presented with the 5A NEKSCA Coach of the year and NSCAA Private/Parochial Kansas State Coach of the Year awards.

Volleyball walked away with a third place finish at State after losing in an excruciatingly-close three games at the semi-finals against Shawnee Heights, but beating Gardner-Edgerton in an easy two games.

Including winning State three years in a row and finishing third her senior year, Jordan Tucker has played volleyball since she could stand, having had a mom who, "taught me how to pass a volleyball before I knew how to catch." This year will be Jordan's 7th year of club volleyball, taking award after award with her to Duke, the D1 school she signed with this fall. Along with being named an Evelyn Gates Nominee and Gatorade Player of the Year Finalist, Jordan earned the title of Kansas 5A Player of the year. She was also placed on the 1st Team All-EKL, the KC Star's 1st Team All-Metro, Kansas 5A 1st Team & State Tournament Team (which won one game out of three against

Missouri's best high school girls), and is a 2nd Team All-American selection.

"These honors are a dream come true for me. I love my sport, and it's really special to be recognized for something you're so passionate about and work so hard at." About going to Duke and what she will miss at Miege, Jordan said, "I'm most excited about the opportunities Duke has to offer me! I'm excited for the next level and look forward to getting better. I'll definitely miss this Miege community and all the unique relationships I have made here. Leaving all this behind will not be easy, but I'm optimistic about the future!"

Not only will Jordan be taking these honors with her, she will also, "take all the lessons Coach Linda Ernst and Gwenn Pike have taught me over the years. Miege volleyball definitely proves that if you work hard enough anything is possible, despite the odds."

Junior Kali Eaken was the other big award winner in volleyball this year, though she does not take all of the credit, "It's an honor when your hard work pays off, but I wouldn't be anywhere without my team and coaches." Kali is, "considered by many the best setter in Kansas City," according to the KC Star. She was placed on the KC Star's 1st Team All-Metro, 1st Team All-EKL, Kansas 5A 1st Team & State Tournament Team, Prep volleyball Class of 2014 top 50 juniors nationally by Nfinity, and the Under Armour AVCA phenom watch list. Kali was a Gatorade Player of the Year Finalist, Max Preps All-American junior class, and the Class 5A assist leader. She has played since she was in third grade and been on varsity all three years here. Kali simply hopes, "When I walk off the court next year at my last game, I want to be able to say 'I did everything I can and left it all on the court in my four years at Miege.'"



Junior kicker Collin Carter was on the 1st Team All-EKL along with Brad Ivey, Mitch Wille, Russell Gray and McKinley Johnson. Photo by Jennifer Gonzalez



THE WORLD OF SPORTS



THE BEST UNKNOWN ATHLETES



By: Jackson Griffin

staff writer

In America's realm of sports, names like Tom Brady, Derek Jeter, and Michael Phelps all evoke an instantly recognizable persona along with memorable moments. However, in the world of sports, there are many competitors whose astounding athletic achievements go unnoticed. These are the best athletes you have never heard of.

Lionel Messi - The magical midfielder/forward for FC Barcelona continued his streak of shattering records in 2012, scoring 91 goals in all competitions. He also won another Ballon d'Or in 2013, the award given to the world's best player, for a record fourth time in a row. Messi has become the best player in the world standing only 5 foot 7 inches tall and weighing 148 pounds. To put that in



perspective, the average height of a professional European soccer player is 5 foot 11 inches according to the International Centre for Sports Studies in Switzerland.

To soccer fans, Messi is a god. To most in America, his achievements have gone unnoticed and compared to his fame worldwide, he is relatively unknown. His explosive speed, balance, and strength make Lionel Messi one of the best athletes you have never heard of.

Rich Froning - CrossFit, a strength and conditioning brand that combines weightlifting, sprinting, and gymnastics is quickly becoming the training choice of athletes across the nation. The best compete in the CrossFit Games. Winning the Games back to back is no simple feat, but one man has managed to do so. Standing

5'9" tall and weighing 195 pounds, Rich Froning from Mt. Clemons, MI, has won the competition which



features intense rounds of Olympic lifting, running, and body weight exercises. The CrossFit Games goal is to find the fittest man and woman on earth, testing every facet of fitness and athletic ability. By winning the toughest fitness competition two times in a row, Rich Froning has proved he is one of the best athletes you have never heard of.

Sonny Bill Williams - Not only does Sonny Bill play rugby for one of the best (and most famous) teams in the world, on the side, he is a professional heavyweight boxer. He is undefeated in boxing, having won 5 of his 5 bouts, 3 by knockout. One could make a case that Sonny Bill (6 foot 4 and 238 pounds) with his pace, agility, toughness, and ball-handling skills could play American football. Being one of the best two-sport athletes in the world makes Williams one of the best athletes you have never heard of.



Sachin Tendulkar - Sachin is considered the world's greatest living cricket player. The "God of Cricket" hails from India and hit his 100th score of

100 playing or a "ton of tons" in 2012. To Americans, this means little. To put it simply, in cricket you can keep batting as long as you keep scoring. Tendulkar has scored 100 times in one at bat...100 times. He is the only person in history to achieve this feat. Even though he is a national hero to over 1 billion Indians worldwide, Sachin Tendulkar is one of the best athletes you have never heard of.



Anderson Silva - Currently, the UFC Middleweight Champion is considered the best pound for pound

MMA fighter in the world. His record is currently 33-4. What makes Silva so deadly in the octagon is his strike accuracy, which is the best in the UFC at 67.8%. Other records he holds include: Most all-time knockdowns in UFC history (17), Longest all-time UFC win streak (16), Best all-time UFC win percentage (1.000), Most title fight victories (11), Most UFC title defenses (10) and Longest reign by days (2,284). Anderson Silva's well-rounded skills and power make him one of the best athletes you have never heard of.



ANDY REID STEPS IN FOR CHIEFS



By: Louie LaFeve

staff writer

With the Jan. 4 announcement of Andy Reid as the new head coach of the Chiefs, it can be understood that there are big changes taking place around Arrowhead. After the dismal four-year tenure of Scott Pioli at GM, a period in which the Chiefs went 23-41, these changes can be universally agreed upon as seriously overdue. Pioli was recently replaced at GM by John Dorsey.

Andy Reid, who served as the head coach of the Philadelphia Eagles for fourteen seasons, was considered to be one of the top coaches on the market. He won seven division championships, went to the NFC championship four times, and made a Super Bowl appearance in 2004. His offenses have a long history of being some of the most explosive in the league, and produced several future-Hall of Famers. He was released last year after going 4-12 with an injury-plagued team. A change of scenery might be

just what he needs.

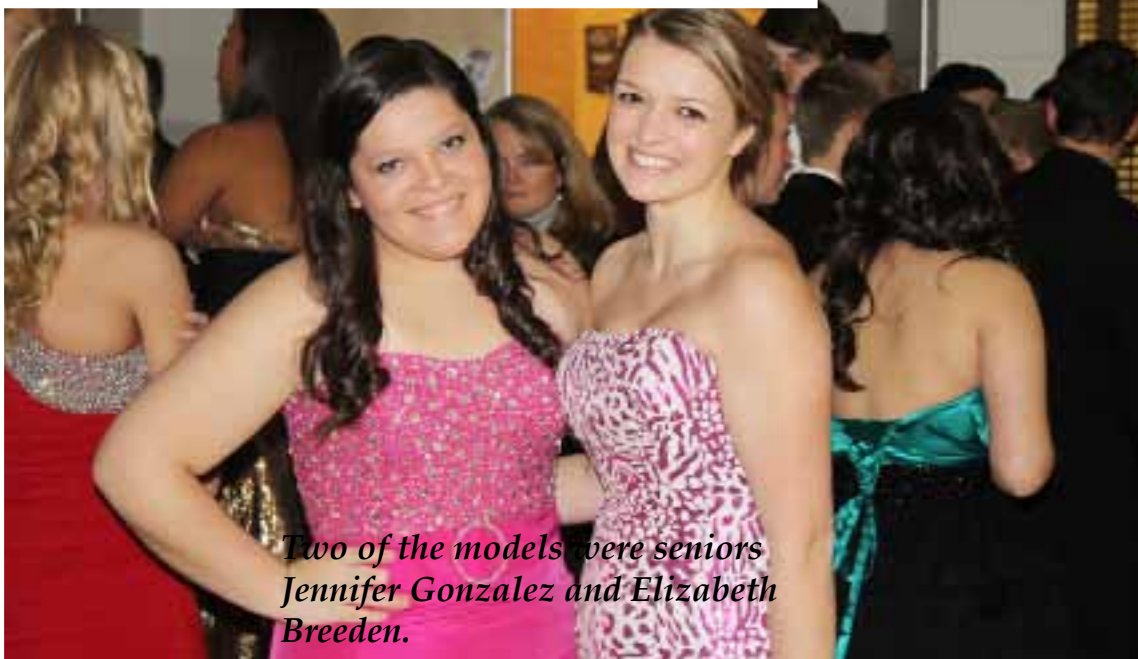
Reid may just be the perfect cure for a Chiefs team that often looked anemic and sluggish over the last several seasons. Last year, they tied an 83-year-old record for number of games played without a lead in regulation. This lack of production, however, does not reflect a lack of talent. The Chiefs sent five players to the Pro Bowl, and two more as reserves. No other team with a record under 6-10 sent any players, let alone the fifth most in the league.

What this team lacked was coaching, being lead by the passive head coach Romeo Crennel and inept offensive coordinator Brian Daboll. Now that they have filled this hole, the only other major problem that needs to be solved is the lack of a quarterback. Last year's starters, Brady Quinn and Matt Cassel, posted a combined passer rating of 66.7, the worst in the league. Thank heaven the man on the team most qualified to make this decision is also probably the most qualified in the league; head coach Andy Reid.

ON THE MIEGE CATWALK AT THE MOTHERS CLUB FASHION SHOW



Senior Abby Parra enjoys herself on the stage with her escort Steven Wirtz.



Two of the models were seniors Jennifer Gonzalez and Elizabeth Breeden.



TIMELINE OF MRS. PERRINI'S LIFE

Born Jan.10, 1957

Graduated from Benedictine- 1981

Leaves St. John's school- Spring 1987

Becomes Campus Ministry Director- 1994

Diagnosed with stage IV colon cancer- April 2010

Graduated from St. Mary's High School in Independence- 1977

Starts at Miega- Fall 1987

Inspire to Serve Award- 2008

Dies Dec. 5, 2012