



GAZETTE

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HAMMER TIME BY SHARON HAMMERSCHMIDT



As the days grow shorter and the leaves are beginning to fall off the trees, we enter the month of November and I find myself reflecting on what is really important to me—to us, and what we have to be thankful for.

How thankful I am for our good and gracious God who guides every step that I take and every word that I speak. I am blessed by a wonderful family and a circle of great friends who help keep me grounded. I am thankful for the amazing faculty and staff here at Guardian Angels Catholic School—their dedication and commitment to your children goes beyond anything I could imagine. And then there are our kids...

I am thankful

- ...for their smiles every morning as they walk in the door
- ...for the 7th grade boys who hold the doors open every morning
- ...for the children's choir

- whose voices are heard ...for the 4 young ladies who are singing in the Academy chorus
- ...for the Academy students who worked the luncheon for our 85 and older guests
- ...for the students who move the cones every lunch hour
- ...for the students who just completed their football, volleyball and cheerleading season and for those who will begin basketball
- ...for the safeties who are outside every morning opening the car doors
- ...for those 2nd graders who help with the morning announcements

There are wonderful things that are happening here at Guardian Angels and I want to say "Thank YOU!" to the parents and guardians of every child. I am thankful for you, for the sacrifices that you make to send your child to our school, for the support of our parish community and all the programs that go on here.

We would not be enjoying these blessings if it wasn't for your commitment and belief in Catholic Education.

Reminder: Parents please check your child's lunch bag when they bring it home. Our lunch parents encourage your child to eat but they do not force them. Are you packing too much food in your child's lunch bag?

Parent/ teacher conferences will be held on Thursday. By now, you should have signed up for a conference time if you have children in Kindergarten – fifth grade. Academy conferences are done a first come, first serve basis. The hours of the conference are 8:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m., 11:50 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. and 5:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. There is no school on Friday, November 7th.

BFC *Caribou Coffee House Night*

(corner of 14 Mile & Campbell)
Friday, November 7th 7 – 9 p.m.
BFC Singers and Musicians entertaining with donations directed to the BFC Fine Arts Scholarship Program

Euchre Party November 15th All are welcome...

3rd Saturday evening of each month
Field House \$10 7 p.m.

BFC Fall Play... "AX of Murder" A Mystery

Friday, November 21st 7:30 p.m. Café
Saturday, November 22nd 7:30 p.m. Café
Dinner Theater Saturday 6 p.m. Reservations Call: 248-585-1210 x131
Dinner Tickets \$20 including play Tickets: \$8 adults/\$5 students

St. Nicholas Cookie Walk

Saturday, December 6th
9:30 a.m. – 1 p.m.
Dozens and dozens of homemade cookies to enjoy or give as gifts...

BRZEZINSKI'S BOUQUET



During the GAP meeting, I heard that many parents do not know where to get information about current events happening at the school. Our school has many great programs to fit the needs of just about anyone. Here is where you can find information if it doesn't make it in your

child's backpack. Our Herald is put on the website and changed weekly by Mrs. Provost. This is absolutely the most current information. The paper copy of the Herald, written by Mrs. Kriza, goes home each week on Thursdays. The Gazettes, monthly newsletters, are located on

the right hand side of the website under Guardian Angels GAZETTES. The paper copy goes home at the beginning of each month in an envelope that needs to be signed and returned to school. The GAP meeting minutes are located on the website under More Info... on the left hand

side. Then you would click the GAP page, then click Minutes from previous GAP meetings. Now we have GAP highlights written by Mr. Kowal that I will e-mail to all parents with an e-mail address. If you didn't receive it, please let me know and I will add your e-mail address. We try our best to communicate to parents using every avenue possible.

OCTOBER STUDENT OF THE MONTH AWARDS

6th Grade– Mickey Davey
Ryan May-Dismuke

7th Grade– Alison Kimmel
Jessica Klimushyn


8th Grade– Bethany Brown
Melissa Clendennin




NEWS FROM THE ART ROOM



Mrs. Hammell's 4th graders spent their day in the art room (an auction item won by the Gonek family) on Oct. 24th. They made a Catholic symbol peace pole to celebrate our 60th Birthday (now on display in the main school hallway). They also made heart-shaped clay G.A. Birthday pins to sell at the parent/teacher conferences. The pins are made to raise money for the Detroit Rescue Mission and feed the hungry this Thanksgiving.

 **8th Graders Attention:**
BFC is offering the High School Placement Tests
Saturday, Nov. 15th 7:30 a.m.
Cost \$24 Bring 2 #2 Pencils
No Calculators
No Registration

Saturday, Dec. 6th 7:30 a.m.
Cost: \$26 Bring 2 #2 Pencils
No Calculators
Registration required
248-585-1210


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THE MARVELOUS SENIOR CITIZEN LUNCHEON
BY: JOSEPH PHAM

On October 22, we had a wonderful lunch for parishioners 85 years and older in which the students got to participate in a very special way. We got to meet many new people, and they were all very kind. They all enjoyed the luncheon immensely, and we did, too.

When I first walked into the school, I had no idea that I was picked to help out at the lunch. When I got into my classroom, one of my friends

briefly informed me that we were going to "help the elderly at 10:45." I was kind of discouraged at first, but when we arrived it was a lot of fun. Right after we got there, people were already pouring into the gymnasium, which was by then converted into a quaint dining hall, and we were assigned to our "welcoming posts". I was assigned to greet people in front of the church along with two of my other classmates. We escorted our guests to the

gym. After a freezing 1/2 hour, we finally got to have a nice warm lunch break when everyone arrived. After lunch, a few others and I returned to now be waiters and waitresses. It was a nice break from holding doors open, and it was nice to see our guest's smiling faces when we catered to them. Even better yet, we got to dine on the leftover cake, punch and pie all the while listening to the songs of the

younger students. Afterwards, my friends and I held the doors open for a second time, but luckily I was prepared with a nice, warm coat and a steaming hot drink. In the end, we all had fun, and I would gladly volunteer for an event similar to this any day. I hope that everyone who participated in this event had as much fun as I did, and that the senior citizens did as well. This day was great, and I hope that we can look forward to this event again.

WALK-A-THON WINNERS



Congratulations to the winners of the Walk-A-Thon:
1st- Brent Buttrey- Kodak 8.2 Mega Pixel Digital Camera with 1 GB memory card
2nd-5th place- MP3 player- Alexandria Farhat, Christopher Motowski, Joe Coyne, and Derek Hackert

All students who brought in a donation of \$60 or more were eligible for the drawing of the prizes.



GAP NEWS

October flew by! The Entertainment Book sale closed with a great profit of \$3470.00! Thank you Susan Galbenski, Lori Johnson, all involved, and to all those families who sold and/or purchased the book. The Walk-a-thon was another success story, raising over \$4000.00! Thank you to Bruce and Juliann Kowal, and to everyone who participated.

The October GAP meeting was held on the 7th. These meetings really are full of information, not to mention the fun and excitement, so please try to make it to the next GAP meeting on November 11, at 7:00.

Our Sally Foster sale ended on October 23rd. Thank you again to Susan Galbenski, Lori Johnson, and all who helped and participated in the sale. The invoice is on the

way, so you will know the profit soon. Market Day sold to 67 customers in October, with a profit of \$393.47. Thank you Charlene Sharpe, Diana Palmeri, and to those who volunteered and purchased.

The first Auction meeting was held on October 1st. We would love your help with the auction. Please contact Sharon Altman or Nichol Childs if you are interested. The next meeting will be on November 5 at 7:00pm in the library - hope to see you there! Gap Family Bingo Night was on 24 October. Thank you Cathy Rowe for another great bingo night! Speaking of Cathy Rowe - she has offered to take receipts to Oakland Mall if you need her to. Whenever you shop at Oakland Mall from September 31 to December 31, please take your receipts to the kiosk near

J C Penney and inform them you would like them scanned for Guardian Angels. We receive one point for every dollar spent anywhere in the mall. The school with the most points will win \$5000. We are one out of fifteen schools chosen to be in this contest.

Looking at November. Market Day orders are due into the school by November 5. There are plenty of tasty treats available to purchase for the Thanksgiving holiday.

The Santa Secret Shop will be open November 18-21. Please look for the info coming home during the first week of the month. Please call me at 248.541.1419, if you would be interested in taking on a Chair or Co-Chair position for next year. Perhaps you could work with me this year, making next year much easier for you.

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MARKET DAY

November is a time for Thanksgiving traditions and making the most of your time with family and friends. If you haven't already discovered the convenience of Market Day foods, be sure to check out this month's flier for an array of delicious choices, especially the 13 delectable, mouth-watering desserts that will have your family and holiday guests asking for your secret recipe! During "Dessert Bonus Days" in November, Guardian

Angels Catholic School will receive additional profit from each dessert purchased! Do you perhaps need a pumpkin pie for Thanksgiving, a cheesecake for a birthday, or a carrot cake for a potluck at work? Let Market Day make it easy for you! Stock up now on a few favorites for the Holidays!

We'll also be at Parent-Teacher conferences on November 6th during various times with dessert samples.



Be sure to stop by for a tasty treat!

Orders are due into the school by Wednesday, November 5th and online orders are due by noon Saturday, November 8th. As always you can call to place an order with Charlene Sharpe @248-740-0290 or Diana Palmeri@ 586-795-4282.



MINISTRY MINUTE

Introducing our new Campus Ministry Team!



Back: Cyndi Claucherty, Tiffani Haight, Adele Jamil, Isabel Marcelletti, Joe Pham. Front: Samantha Casadonte, Miriam Hanna, Marissa Medici, Adriana Tatuch, Greg McMurtry.



Our initial focus will be planning prayers for mornings and school liturgies through drama and skits. Pray for us as we begin a new dimension to our Catholic identity in the ways we pray for and with

Erin Whitman celebrated her birthday on Oct. 31- it was not printed on the last Gazette! Happy Belated Birthday Erin!

GAP NEWS CONTINUED...

On November 17, the Achatz Handmade Pie Co fundraiser begins. Achatz pies and desserts are all natural, handmade, and will be delivered right on time to bake for your Christmas dinner. The delivery date is December 18. 40% profit stays at GA. Achatz uses Michigan's locally grown produce and the dairy products even come from a local Michigan dairy. Look for all the great details on the back of the order form coming home on Monday, November 17. They even offer handmade soup! If you can help out with this fundraiser, please call me (248.541.1419).

Please continue to turn in your Hollywood Market receipts to the school or parish office. Also, please continue to stuff the soup labels and box tops in the containers or turn them into the office as well. Nov. 25 - Pizza lunch provided by GAP

Everything you do, small things or huge, makes a difference. A wide variety of fundraisers are chosen to try to help you find something you will enjoy. Thank you all so much for patience while considering some - just recycle the rest. Volunteering is invaluable. Thank you for all you

MCCU's Angel Savers Club

November's here and that means the holidays are just around the corner. Look for us at Guardian Angels on the following Wednesdays at 11:30 am outside the library: **November 5th and 19th**

Angel Savers Club in November

We want to celebrate our Angel Savers at Guardian Angels and show them how much we appreciate them! On one of the November Angel Savers Club dates, any Angel Saver who visits us will get CIDER AND DONUTS.

See you there!



Kriza's Korner



I can't believe that here I am writing the November article for this publication! Time just seems to be flying by so rapidly!! We are talking Thanksgiving already. With all the problems facing each one of us in these tough times I ran across an article that I think helps put things in perspective to really appreciate all the gifts that we are blessed with. One day the Rev. John Newton called upon a Christian family who had suffered the loss of all they possessed in a devastating fire. He greeted the wife and mother of the family by

saying, "I give you joy". The woman seemed surprised at his words-almost offended-and replied, "What! Joy that all my property is consumed?" "Oh, No," Newton answered, "but joy that you have so much property that fire cannot touch." His words reminded her of the true riches of her life, those things that she valued beyond measure: Her husband, whom she loved very much; her children, the light of her life; the good health that they all possessed; their joy in each other and their faith in God; and the

love of an extended family and friends. None of these riches can be bought, bargained, or appraised. They come from within the heart, and in the joy and peace of mind that comes from our belief in Jesus Christ. Enjoy your holiday with your families while you Gather..., Savor... and Give Thanks!



First Grade News

First grade has been a lot of fun this fall! We have had a great start to our school year and love to have so many books in our own desks! In our religion classes, we have learned about the Liturgical Seasons of our church, and love to see the green of Ordinary Time. Last week we had the Traveling Chalice in our classrooms and prayed for vocations every day. We have also studied the Good Samaritan and the Great Commandment. In phonics, we breezed through the review of consonant sounds and are now learning about the short vowels. We studied communities in social studies, and solids, liquids and gases in science. Our

math meetings are lots of fun, and we do a lot of counting and story problems. The month of October went quickly, and we enjoyed some special presentations and assemblies in the gym. We made brownies for a "Thank You!" treat for the fire fighters who taught us about Fire Safety. Our trip to Upland Hills Farm was a great day, too! The month of November will bring a lot of excitement, as we will begin to have daily journal writing with our very own journals! We look forward to our annual

Thanksgiving Day Feast, where we cook the turkeys in our classrooms! Happy Thanksgiving, and Happy 60th Birthday Guardian Angels School!



"Make friends with the angels, who though invisible are always with you. Often invoke them, constantly praise them, and make good use of their help in all of your temporal and spiritual affairs."

-Saint Francis de Sales
Patron Saint of Journalists

Moderators: Ms. Laurie Wagner and Mr. Tim Hruszkewycz

Happy Birthday, Guardian Angels!

By Mickey Davey

Guardian Angels had a birthday! Guardian Angels is 85-years-old as a community and 60-years-old as a school. As part of the festivities, Guardian Angels had Cardinal Maida celebrate the 12:00 Mass. It was like a regular Mass but a little longer.

After Mass, there was a party with lots of food. There were brownies, cakes, sandwiches, cookies, crackers, dip, cheese, and punch. Everybody had a feast! There was so much food, the volunteers had to bag it up. The next day, students found the staff offering sandwiches in the cafeteria. **Mrs. Joyce Coyne** said, "It was nice to have a service with Cardinal Maida. The Hospitality Committee also did a great job with the food!"

Thanks to the Hospitality Committee, it was a great celebration. **Ms. Connie**



Mrs. Lisa Kakos and Ms. Lauren Karol spend some time at the GA after-party with Mrs. Kakos's son, Connor.

Eisenhart spent her weekend cutting the crusts off of the sandwiches. Then, at the celebration, she served cake. So if you see her

or anyone else who was in the Committee, please take a moment to thank him or her!

Imagine: 2068

By Noah Groth

Just think! Sixty years have passed since Guardian Angels became a school. Think about how much different school must be now compared to back then! That got me thinking about what might happen in the next sixty years. In about sixty years from now, students in the Academy will be in their seventies! That's a long way away from now, but what do you think will change or happen in that time? I have ideas on what kinds of things we can expect in the near future.

- Global warming is a big problem here on earth. Technology can destroy the earth and it looks like only technology can fix it. Cars that run on CO₂ will help with the massive amounts of carbon dioxide in the air. Car exhaust could be water vapor instead of polluting the air.

- There might be a cure for cancer! Doctors will have some new, state-of-the-art equipment that they will use to treat even the most complicated illnesses.

- On the downside, the economy might get worse. For all we know, countries may become more involved in wars to seize power. People might also end up using all of our natural resources

- There will be some great things too! People will be more educated and they will be able to make things that make life easier. Government officials will look to the people for their say to get out of tough times. There are things that the planet can fix before time runs out so that our children will have the chance to do their part.

- Plus, Guardian Angels will be plenty different. Since technology will be more advanced, students will have different way to learn. Guardian Angels will be bigger and badder.

- Also, since **Ms. Connie Eisenhart** loves her job at Guardian Angels, there is a good chance that she still might be here in sixty years!

So the future can be a bright place if we make it that way. We control the fate of the world at hand. Are you going to answer the call and make the world a better place?



I SPY WITH MY *EAGLE EYE*

By Joshua Raona

Eagle Eye is, without a doubt, an action movie with countless explosions and weapons. The movie has great and exciting moments that have all centered around terrorist attacks, all beginning with the shooting of a man who was thought to be a wanted and dangerous criminal.

While the movie is

very good, there were some problems with the filming. I must say that at the beginning of the huge chase, the camera movements made the action blurry. It was not very helpful when it came to showing the reaction of the main characters.

I have to say, *Eagle Eye* is the best action movie I have seen and highly recommend it.

ELECTIVES : IN OR OUT?

By Megan Shaya

I went from class to class during study hall to see what the Academy thought about the different electives available to the students this year. The classes available are Math Replay, Science Olympiad, Book Club, Photography, Drama, and Student Publications.

Are you having fun with your elective?

Katie Diamond: "Yes I love student publications! I like being able to get my work published!"

Cooper Gammon: "Yeah! Book Club is cool. I like to read and the books are really good."

Sarah Padrick: "Yes! Drama is hysterical! Everyone is so funny, especially **Brooke [Callawaert]** and **Joey [Fontana]**! Like *gasp*, that's always fun!"

If you could add an elective, what would it be? Who would teach it?

Dale Brown: "Like, you know how we have Spanish? I would want to take Japanese. It would be interesting. I think **Mrs. Diana Raine** would hate teaching it. Maybe **Ms. Amy Kurkiewicz** because she's nice and patient."

Cooper Gammon: "Maybe a woodshop elective. I've never done anything like woodshop so it would be fun. I think **Mrs. Joyce Coyne** would be a good teacher because she's really good at art and really fun to be around."

Sarah Padrick: "I would want a cooking class. I love to cook! Tasting it at the end would be the best! I don't like the stove though. It's scary. I always think I'm going to burn down my house or something. I think **Mrs. Connie Eisenhart** would be really cool as a chef!"



Mr. Rick Walligora takes a moment for himself. Mr. Walligora was responsible for teaching the photography class and could be seen taking pictures with his class at events like the Walk-a-thon and the Windy City Players' production of Aladdin.

What are you doing in your elective right now? (EDITOR'S NOTE: This interview was conducted in late September.)

Denise Carter: "We're reading *The City of Ember* right now. I would definitely recommend it to others. It's really good and exciting."

Justin Bui: "We built these balloon cars and now we're working on a motorized car. It's really fun and interesting! I heard we were going to start marble racing later and I'm excited. It sounds really fun."

Lastly, if you could do anything else during the hour we get for electives, what would it be?

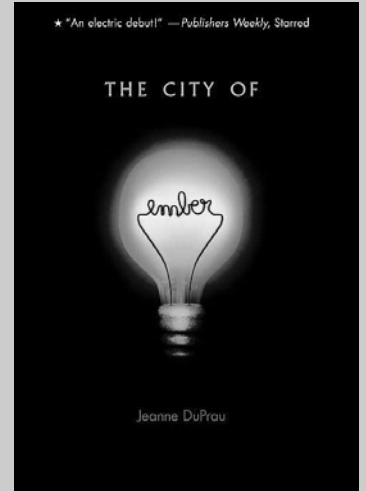
Joe Harden: "Extra free time. Not for homework, but for more stuff like drumming. I don't have time for stuff like that at home."

Rudy Stuglin: "More lunch! You can never eat too much!"

Welcome to the *City of Ember*

By Special Guest Writers Joseph Pham and Nicholas Gracey

The City of Ember is a great book for anyone to read. It has everything a good fantasy book should have and even more. The story is about a mysterious city in a dark, dark world. Their only source of light is produced by a generator which powers light bulbs and the rest of the city. They have no animals or meat, but their world is full of bugs and vegetables. Unfortunately for the citizens, the city is only supposed to last 200 years and is now running out of supplies. Only two children can save the doomed city now. Their names are Lina and Doon and only they know the secret that can maybe save the citizens from impending darkness. This thrilling book by



Jeanne DuPrau is an awesome novel and we would recommend it to anyone!

One Arabian Afternoon

By Marissa Medici and Katie Diamond

On Friday, October 17, students from Guardian Angels School enjoyed the play, *Aladdin*, that was performed by the Windy City Players. Everyone seemed to like it. **Mrs. Joyce Coyne** said, "I thought they did a beautiful job. I really liked the spoiled princess. She was funny." Mrs. Coyne also commented about how she appreciated how the character of Aladdin found true love in his friend instead of the princess and did a good job of following his heart.

Tiffany Haught (8th Grade) also liked the production. She stated, "[My favorite part was] the magic carpet ride! I think the Windy City Players came out ready and prepared. They seemed like kind people! I thought they did a really good job!" Mrs. Coyne and Tiffani weren't the only ones who liked the play. We, the writers, also really enjoyed it! We thought it was really nice! Hopefully, all of GA had a good time!

Aladdin takes his new fortune to the merchants in the market, portrayed by Guardian Angels Academy students. [Photo provided by Mr. Jim Webster]



BASKETBALL SEASON: THUMBS UP!

By Steven Jacques

The basketball season is starting soon! Practices start up on October 27. All of the basketball players are psyched for the new season. They are hopeful about the new year and are going to work their hardest to make the playoffs. While the junior varsity team may have had a rough year last year, scoring only 2-8, they believe that this year will bring a great enthusiasm to turn their record around.

Coach Curran is leading the junior varsity team this year. Leading the varsity team is **Mr. Brian Perry** and **Mr. John David Kuhar**. The junior varsity and the varsity teams both have some great players. Some of the players on the junior varsity

team are **Mickey Davey (6th Grade)**, **Reggie Golfin (6th Grade)**, and **Cooper Gammon (6th Grade)**. Mickey commented, "I hope we do as good as last year." Reggie returned saying, "I think we're going to do even better than last year. Cooper jumped in, stating, "Hopefully, we will have a winning season."

The varsity team is also very hopeful. Members like **Noah Groth (7th Grade)** and **Chris Oles (7th Grade)** seem to be the most excited. Talking about the upcoming season, Noah said, "Our team will come out energized this year." Chris also said, "I'm looking forward to the season, but I hope we do better than we did last year."

This basketball season might be the best one yet! Everyone seems to have the

drive, the energy, and the need to win! The most important thing is that everyone has fun along the way. All I can say, no matter the situation or what happens this season, is "Go Angels!"

Ryan May (6th Grade) beams while looking over his new basketball schedule.



Dancing the Morning Away!

By Anna Cwiek

On October 31, the Academy is having their first dance of the year! Since it is a half day, the dance will be in the morning from 10:30 am to 12:00 pm. There will not be a DJ, but about 30 songs will be played. As students walk into the gym, there will be many Halloween decorations to surround them. I asked **Cyndi Claucherty (8th Grade)** a few questions about the dance.

Anna Cwiek: What expectations do you have for the dance?

Cyndi Claucherty: I expect it to be as good if not better than last year because music was our main concern. But this year, we are planning more activities.

AC: What do you think about it being in the morning.

CC: In the afternoon, it is something to look forward to. But in the morning, you don't have to wait all day.



Temple Beth El: A Great Experience

By Adriana Tatum

On Saturday, October 18, the sixth grade class went to a Jewish temple named Temple Beth El. This temple is a very nice place. In this temple, there were quite a few sections. The biggest section was the area where they have their religious ceremonies.

The sixth grade also attended a Bar Mitzvah. A boy named Aaron just turned thirteen and had to conduct a part of the ceremony. Near the end of the ceremony, he said how it was such a great experience.

After we left the temple, I asked a few people what they thought. Some said it was a great experience. A lot of people thought that their ceremony was pretty long. However, most everybody had a great time.

The End of the Quarter!

By Christine Busch

*As the quarter ends, feelings change. One thing about quarter changes that pops into everyone's heads: **REPORT CARDS!!!***

Many other things change too! We need more A.R. points. There is also more homework, more studying, and more tests. With the end of the quarter, football season also ends. But there is a light at the end of the tunnel! Basketball season is also beginning!

*The following is my conversation with **Kaitlyn Krygier (7th Grade)** about the end of the quarter.*

Christine Busch: As the first quarter is ending, which subjects do you find the easiest?

Kaitlyn Krygier: Probably science. It just comes easy to me.

CB: Do you think that the quarter went by fast or slow?

KK: Umm...[thinks] It went by very fast.

CB: What subject do you think had the most homework?

KK: I would have to say math.

CB: How many A.R. points do you need (in seventh grade)?

KK: We need to have 20 A.R. points!

CB: So far, do you think seventh grade is easier or harder than sixth grade?

KK: This year is harder because there is more homework, studying, and harder subjects.

CB: Do you have any goals for the upcoming quarter?

KK: I would like to get on the Principal's Honor Roll.

CB: If you could change one thing about second quarter...

KK: Less homework and tests!

Football Players are Called, but Cheerleaders Perform for All

By Sara Gomez-Perez

What is a prep bowl? Why do people receive awards? Why the Cupid Shuffle? WHAT IS A CUPID SHUFFLE? Practically everyone in

the Academy has been wondering what all this fuss is about when it comes to the Prep Bowl!

On Saturday, October 25 at 10:00 am, all of the Guardian Angels football players

are making a trip to Ford Field for an annual event named the Prep Bowl. At the Prep Bowl, every football player and cheerleading team that is part of the Catholic Youth Organization, or CYO, gathers there to receive awards for their participation with their teams. They are recognized for their talent and sportsmanship.

While the awards ceremony itself may be impressive, the most exciting event, to some, is halftime. Many cheerleading teams perform an original dance routine that

they have created themselves. Last year, the cheerleaders performed to the country version of "Twist and Shout." "Everyone was using popular songs and we wanted to stand out," **Amanda Augustyn (7th Grade)** exclaimed. "It was a fun dance!"

This year, the Guardian Angels cheerleaders are performing a routine to the Cupid Shuffle. It took the group two practices to learn and they all agreed that it was a fairly simple routine. "There will be no stunts," Amanda and

Kaitlyn Krygier (7th Grade) laughed, "but it is a fun dance!"

The Prep Bowl is an extremely popular event and most people who attend agree that the part of the whole experience is performing at Ford Field with all of their friends in front of a huge crowd.

Oh, that, and all the funny stories everyone tells on Monday morning.

[left] The Guardian Angels cheerleaders get silly for the camera at the U of M / MSU pep rally. The following day, the cheerleaders took their enthusiasm, energy, and talent to the Prep Bowl at Ford Field.



The Joy of Snacks

By Megan Shaya

Thanks to **Mrs. Diana Raine**, the students at Guardian Angels get to have snack time after their first locker break of the day. This is the first time the school has done anything like this for the academy and the seventh grade students were happy to answer some questions about it.

So far, do you like having snacks?

Anthony Ortisi: "Yes! I love goldfish [crackers]! It is good to have a snack because people get hungry!"

Serjan Lumani: "I love snack! I get hungry and some people don't get to eat breakfast."

Do you think it should have happened sooner?

Serjan Lumani: "Yes, I do! The older kids didn't get a snack and our lunch is later!"

Brooke Callawaert: "Yes. We should have done something about it, like, four years ago. Four years ago, people got hungry! I don't know! But it is good that we have it now."

Why did the little kids get snack before we got snack?

Anthony Ortisi: "Because they are little and they need food."

Brooke Callawaert: "Cause they're lucky. It's not cool. We should all have had snack!"

Lastly, is there anything you want to shout out to Mrs. Raine?

Brooke Callawaert: "Yeah! Wassup, Mrs. Raine? Thanks for asking the teachers to give us snacks! I love to eat!"

Anthony Ortisi: "Yes! Thank you, Mrs. Raine! I love snack! Especially goldfish! Yum!"

Serjan Lumani: "Thank you for bringing it up! You rock!"

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MEGAN SHAYA INTERVIEWS MR. JOHN McCLAIN

On Friday October 24, 2008, the students of Guardian Angels joined together in a rally for Michigan and Michigan State. Not only did the students show their spirit by wearing their football jersey and flags, the teachers also showed off their spirit. I talked to **Mr. John McClain** who was happy to talk about his football spirit. "I'm a 100% Michigan Fan!" McClain started off with. "I grew up them and always loved them because they won and State always lost. Football and basketball." Even though this 5th grade teacher is a *Die Hard* Michigan fan, he had to admit that he didn't have much confidence in Michigan this year. "State has a lot of talent on their team this year and the coaches are really organized. I don't know what Michigan's going to do." He had to agree that State's season has been overall good. "Michigan is good to but I just thought they'd do better." Mr. McClain is not the only one of his family who's a true Michigan fan. "My wife graduated from the school and my oldest daughter is really into sports. So she's a Michigan fan, I think. Yeah, but my youngest could care less...unless there's a boy. That would get her attention." Even though State is doing better, this teacher will always stay true to his team. "GO BLUE! DON'T BOO!" he even had a shout-out for State. "This could be your year."

