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THE PAW

**Fun Facts of the Month:****The tallest man was 8 ft. 11 in.****Porcupines can float.**

NOTE FROM THE EDITORS...

The school year is really winding down. Current sixth and seventh graders should be thinking about maybe becoming an editor next year as we will be in high school! We have two more issues planned for the year.

- Elise and Patrick, your eighth grade Editors

Luminaria by Alexandra Medellin

On March 15, there was an inaugural ceremony all day and evening festival known as Luminaria. The streets were decorated with stages where performers showed unique performances in both music and dance. Audrey Billups one of our own St. Luke's students who participated in this with the Ballet Conservatory of South Texas. Along the streets downtown were also many art galleries with painting, site-specific sculpture, and even multi-media. This exhibit gave the people of San Antonio a chance to experience the city's diverse cultures by observing and participating in our artistic heritage.

Welcome Senator Cornyn! by Claire

We were very pleased to host one of the two United States Senators about two weeks ago. He is from San Antonio, a graduate of Trinity University and Saint Mary's law school. Senator Cornyn practiced law for seven years prior to his first race for elective office. Senator Cornyn began his career in public service in 1984 when he was elected a state district judge in San Antonio. After serving two terms he served in many other offices such as a Justice on the Texas Supreme Court in Austin. Thank you Senator Cornyn for your visit and teaching us about your job.

SPORTS

Take Me Out to The Ballgame! by Rusty

Baseball and softball seasons are coming up, and you better get ready and have some fun! AHLL(Alamo Heights Little League) baseball and softball has been a great thing for our community since 1949. When the season starts, there are going to be games to watch whether you are in minors, majors, even juniors or ponies. This fun and long sport will start in March and end all the way into June (If you make it to the playoffs). Did you know that there are some players that go to St. Luke's that play baseball and softball? Well, they are Jessica, Liz, Brynn M, Rusty, Claudia, David, Drew, and Reagan G.

NCAA Final Four 2008 Overview By Maitland

One of the hottest sports topics right now has to be the 2008 Final Four, which was played here in San Antonio, TX. All games took place at the Alamodome. April 5th, the final four part of the tournament came to a close; four lucky college basketball teams had a chance to go to San Antonio to determine the 2008 national champion. The four remaining teams in the Final Four were North Carolina, Kansas, Memphis, and UCLA.

Here are the following results from each game of the final four:

April 5:

UCLA vs. Memphis	63-78
North Carolina vs. Kansas	66-84

April 7: National Championship!

Kansas vs. Memphis	68-75 (OT)
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Out of four teams Kansas was unstoppable as they defeated top ranked North Carolina 66-84 and a great Memphis basketball team 68-75 in overtime. For Kansas, Darrell Arthur led the way with 20 points, 10 rebounds, one assist, and

one steal. For Memphis they were led by Derrick Rose, who had 18 points, 6 rebounds, 8 assists, and 2 steals. Kansas was 29-55 (52.7%) and Memphis was 25-62 (40.3%) in field goals. Kansas was 3-12 (25%) and Memphis was 6-22 (27.3%) in 3-PT field goals. Kansas was 14-15 (93.3%) and Memphis was 12-19 (63.2%) in free throws. Kansas had 39 rebounds and Memphis had 28 rebounds. Kansas had 17 turnovers and Memphis had 13 turnovers. Congratulations to Kansas, 2008 NCAA Men's Basketball National Champions!

CJ's Investigative Report **The School Organ** **by CJ**

Have you ever been up to the organ loft? Well, this month we investigated it. We felt extremely special in the exclusive, cold loft. The organ has four keyboards for hands and one for feet. This is so the organ player is able to play as many sounds as you want. The pipes above each have a different sound according to its size and materials.

It takes about 100 years to make one of these extraordinary instruments! St. Luke's is very fortunate to have one. The next time you are in the Chapel look up and see brass pipes reaching up to the mile high ceilings.

One Act Play 101 **by Elise Anderson**

Well, after thousands of rehearsals, costume fittings, and late night practices we've finally made it! The cast of "Blind Date" will be performing on Saturday, April 20 at Seguin High School. However, we would be nothing without our wonderful crew: Emily Scott- mistress of makeup and hair, Lucy Stevens- lights, and Emily Arnim- sound effects. Hopefully, you laughed yesterday at our performance for the school! However, with the lights, sound, and professional theatre, it will seem like a whole different show in Seguin. Since our cast has only four people, we've become a unit. In the beginning, it felt like we would never pull this thing together. Only in the last week has it really started to seem like a show. Anyone who would like to come and cheer us on would be greatly appreciated! We are performing at 10:00 AM at Seguin High School in Seguin, Texas. If we make it to state, we will be performing at Saint Mary's Hall on May 10. Wish us luck!

Interviews **by Catherine and** **Alexandra**

Full name: Kevin Thomas Harari

Favorite subject: Math

Sports: lacrosse

Favorite SLES Memory: should be coming soon!

Favorite Movie: Anger Management

Favorite Music Genre: third eye blind

Random Thought of the Day: don't know...

Pet Peeve: Hunter

Embarrassing Moment: In 6th grade when someone asked me if I had my first kiss and I sadly said "no"

Full name: Morgan Rebecca Terk Murphy

Favorite subject: Science

Sports: Track, Soccer, Tennis

Favorite SLES Memory: The outdoor school attempted prank

Favorite Movie: Moulin Rouge

Favorite Music Genre: anything

Random Thought of the Day: bananas and apples and bananas!

Favorite Clothing Item in Closet: a shirt

Pet Peeve: When you are talking to someone and when they are about to tell you something huge but they just cut off and say "never mind"

Embarrassing Moment: At the Fire Bowl café when this random guy asked me for my number

TIGER TICKLERS

By: Augusta & Liz

Q: Why can't you borrow money from a leprechaun?

A: Because they're always a little short.

Knock, knock!

Who's there?

Warren.

Warren who?

Warren anything green today?

Knock, knock!

Who's there?

Irish.

Irish who?

Irish you a happy St. Patrick's Day!

Q. What baseball position do leprechauns usually play?

A. Shortstop!

Q. What did the leprechaun say to the elf?

A. "How's the weather up there?"

Q. What's big and purple and lies next to Ireland?

A. Grape Britain!

What can you catch, but not throw?

A cold.

What's black and white and red all over?

A zebra painted red.

The man who invented it doesn't want it.

The man who bought it doesn't need it. The man who needs it doesn't know it. What is it?

A coffin.

A CEO throwing a party takes his executives on a tour of his opulent mansion. In the back of the property, the CEO has the largest swimming pool any of them has ever seen. The huge pool, however, is filled with hungry alligators. The CEO says to his executives "I think an executive should be measured by courage. Courage is what made me CEO. So this is my challenge to

each of you: if anyone has enough courage to dive into the pool, swim through those alligators, and make it to the other side, I will give that person anything they desire. My job, my money, my house, anything!"

Everyone laughs at the outrageous offer and proceeds to follow the CEO on the tour of the estate. Suddenly, they hear a loud splash. Everyone turns around and sees the CFO (Chief Financial Officer) in the pool, swimming for his life. He dodges the alligators left and right and makes it to the edge of the pool with seconds to spare. He pulls himself out just as a huge alligator snaps at his shoes.

The flabbergasted CEO approaches the CFO and says, "You are amazing. I've never seen anything like it in my life. You are brave beyond measure and anything I own is yours. Tell me what I can do for you."

The CFO, panting for breath, looks up and says, "You can tell me who pushed me in the pool!"

Upcoming Trade Fair

by Catherine and Ana

Fourth to Seventh graders (and some eighth graders) are getting ready for all the fun and excitement of Trade Fair. Many of us have been rushing to turn in forms and business plans and are ready for this day full of fun! May 2nd is fast approaching! Trade Fair is a good chance for students to learn about the business skills, as well as math skills, needed to own a store. On April 8th, students were privileged to hear Carroll Dorsey Walker, owner of Bejewel jewelry speak about owning and maintaining her own business. We learned that if you make a plan ahead of time, you can avoid problems in your business. Thank you for speaking to us, and good luck to everyone with their Trade Fair!

The State Latin Convention**by Catherine Zachry**

Last week, the Latin team competed at state in Houston, Texas. Everybody did very well and came

away with a second and third place trophy.

They arrived back in San Antonio at 1:30 in the morning. They have some interesting stories to tell.

First, a guy went up to Marguerite and said, "I seemed to have lost my number, can I have yours?" and she nicely responded, "No, thank you."

Second, there was the scandal of the Burberry purse. While sitting at a table, an upper classman girl approached Reid, Kevin, and Maggie. She asked Reid if she had a dog or cat and then she started ranting about her Burberry slaughtered animals. Reid apologized and the girl left, but she later followed them with her groupie, bugging Reid about the purse. Luckily, they were able to escape them.

There are plenty of other stories from the Latin Convention, just ask around. Someone is bound to tell you something hilarious.

Alamo Heights Night**by Douglas S.**

Alamo Heights Night is a family orientated block party. It is held every year to celebrate Fiesta! Alamo Heights Night involves 12,000 neighbors, provides fellowship opportunities, raises money for charities, and gives people an event where they can have a blast! It is one of the most respected and most popular Fiesta events in San Antonio. Alamo Heights Night is outdoors, usually next to the Alamo Heights Swimming Pool. It starts at 5:30 PM and ends at 11:30 PM. This year it is held on Friday, April 18. It is always held in late April, normally on the first Friday of Fiesta. Everyone should consider attending this fun-filled event. Hope to see you there!

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