

News from the Nest

Who's Wearing Purple?

By: Lauren Van Atter

As part of our student life section, we will be highlighting one student and one teacher in each edition of the newsletter. Katie Barrett, the last student featured in "Who's Wearing Purple," selected Mrs. Horn to be the next teacher to be highlighted.

Introducing: Mrs. Shelley Horn

Tell us about yourself.

I am married to Jeff Horn. I have three beautiful children: Ryan (a senior at Guerin), Ava, and Aidan. I grew up in Fortville, Indiana and graduated from Mt. Vernon High School and Ball State University. I spent the first 9 years out of college teaching English at Eastbrook High School in Van Buren, Indiana (Corporate Headquarters of Weaver Popcorn) and then Daleville Junior-Senior High School. I worked as an assistant VP/banking center manager and corporate trainer at Old National Bank for seven years before I realized that God was calling me back into education.... I was pretty stubborn and didn't believe I would ever re-enter the classroom again when I left in 1997. I taught at Monroe Junior-Senior High School in Parker City, IN before I was hired to teach at Guerin Catholic. I can honestly say that my work here at Guerin is "heaven." Pun intended!!! This community is so blessed and we have so many awesome and awe-inspiring opportunities EVERY day. I love my students and pray that they are better prepared to serve Christ as a result of their education at Guerin



Why did you choose Larragem?

I chose Larragem for the fact that even

though she is reserved (at least in the classroom setting most times) she is such an auspicious role model for all of our Guerin students, not just the peers in her junior class.

What sets Larragem apart from other juniors you have in class?

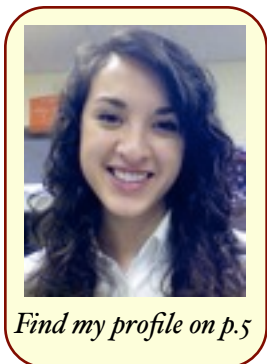
Larragem has a presence about her. She has a firm faith foundation, always is cheerful, is diligent in reminding others of the precious gift of life, and when she knows it is necessary, will speak her mind or at least point out the "other side" to consider in a situation/discussion. In my opinion, she reminds us of the accountability we have to Christ and to our "brothers and sisters."

Do you remember any one moment when you thought Larragem was different than the rest?

This year in IB English she had an opportunity to work with a group creating an iMovie. I remember smiling when I saw Larragem and the rest of her group in their "true" selves on the screen. This group of relatively quiet young ladies brought such a presence in their movie. I would suspect that Larragem was the leader bringing these characteristics out in her friends' acting.

Anything else people should know about this person?

Larragem may be a quiet girl on the outside, BUT there is a very curious and ornery young lady just waiting to show herself!



Find my profile on p.5

What is something no one else knows about you?

Well, if I answer this question, then everyone will know, won't they????? Not answering this question, but one fact that a few of my students and staff know about me is that my "fantasy" job would be to drive a race-car!!!!

Who is one junior you feel should be featured in this first newsletter?

Larragem Parsley

WHAT'S NEW IN CAMPUS MINISTRY?

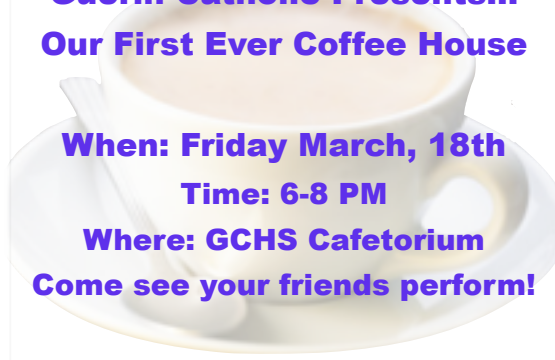
**Guerin Catholic Presents...
Our First Ever Coffee House**

When: Friday March, 18th

Time: 6-8 PM

Where: GCHS Cafetorium

Come see your friends perform!



Blood Drive is Friday, March 11th!
Student sign-ups will be Feb. 28th to
Mar. 4th during lunch.

What YOU Can Do For Your Community

By: Angela Smith

Want to give back to the community in a way that will truly embrace the corporal works of mercy? Feed the hungry, give drink to the thirsty, and clothe the naked? Need some more service hours for this year? Guerin Catholic, as a school community, will be giving of our time, talent and treasures from our closets! We will be participating in three different services during the Lenten Season: the Water Project, the Lord's Pantry, and Give It Away.

In the **Water Project**, we will be giving up all of our sodas, sports drinks, and Starbucks to donate the money we use for those extra drinks that aren't a necessity to our daily diet in order to help those in Africa who do not have the essential clean water every day. For the **Lord's Pantry**, we will be traveling every Saturday to downtown Indianapolis to help those who cannot financially pay for their own meals. Individuals are asked to bring a bag of groceries with them. Finally, **Give It Away** will be a KAIROS contest to see who can bring the most clothing items in to donate to the St. Vincent DePaul Society. Our goal as a school will be 30,000 lbs. of donated clothes. We are inviting all individuals (students, faculty, family, friends) of our community to get involved!

"For I was hungry, and you gave Me *something* to eat; I was thirsty, and you gave Me *something* to drink; naked, and you clothed Me..."
-Matthew 35:36

MUSIC SPOTLIGHT: LAST WORD

By: Chris Kosiak

Last Word is a band of Guerin students that chose to start with the basics. Mitch Volpe states, "The plan goes like this: write music, play at as many venues as we can, and have fun while doing it. Go Team." Mitch plays guitar and sings lead vocals in Last Word along with guitarist Alex Carite, Cole Thomson on percussion, Cooper Thompson on keyboard, and Nick Macke on bass. Last Word's members are all freshmen here at Guerin looking to make their way into the local music scene in Hamilton County. Be on the lookout for more news about Last Word and be sure to come support them at their next show!



STUDENT POETRY

My Heart - Ben Billand

My heart is like a bird
Longing for a flight
It dreams of better things
Like flowers dream for light

My heart is like a lake
Placid, calm, and true
Flowing back and forth
People see right through

My heart is like a fire
Burning up my life
Raging and destroying
Causing all my strife

My heart is like thin glass
Fragile, clear, and hard
It will break with ease
If dropped from very far

My heart is like a void
Seeking to be whole
But to get what we want
We have to pay a toll



If you have any poems you would like to submit to *News from the Nest*, feel free to submit them to Miss Sullivan at any time.

THROWBACKS WITH BEN BY: BEN BILLAND

Back to the...Past?

If I may, I'd like to take you all on a wondrous journey through time to a place where all was well. Come along then; prepare for nostalgia. Take a brief moment of silence and let the faint memories of your childhood overwhelm your senses; it's ok if you cry.

My dearest readers, I am sure you must remember the television of your childhood. Whenever there was

a time of distress on the TV, you could count on the one and only polychromatic POWER RANGERS! Out of nowhere, these masked heroes would jump in and save the day. Whether they used swords, guns, knives, ropes, nun chucks, fists, robots, ninja stars, lassos, or kittens, they knew how to defeat evil. They were great role models for all younglings during the 90s. Which one was your favorite?

Here's one for all the retro music lovers: cassette tapes! These things were a radio's best friends before CDs became popular. You could record, rewind, stop, fast-forward, and still listen to your favorite songs. Tell me you didn't love these things. They were also indescribably cute and rectangular. I loved them with interminable passion.

Let's see if you can guess this next one. You are on the dusty sidewalk, preparing to J walk and you see an opening in the cars passing in front of you. You quickly bounce onto the street. Sprinting to your left, you just barely dodge a car. Almost immediately you spring forward. Then you get run over. Did you get it? Frogger!! Yes, the lovely, law-breaking toad that distracts drivers and feeds alligators. Oh what a darling he was, indeed.



Thank you for coming along with me down memory lane. I hope you enjoyed the fond thoughts of your seemingly distant youth. Even though we look back on our earlier years feeling as though it was ages ago, these little things can always bring it back to our fingertips.

What's Up With Guerin Music?

By: Patrick McAlexander

Golden Voice: Learning new choral music: "Magnificat" and "Song of Triumph"

Sounds of Providence: Improving past pieces and working on jazz and choral pieces: "Danny Boy," "Amazing Grace," and "Embraceable You"

The Guerin Catholic Gentlemen's Choral Group (GCGCG): 3 new songs in its arsenal: "Your Love is My Drug" by Ke\$ha, "In the Still of the Nite," by Boyz II Men, and "Silver Bells." Also working on a medley of two songs by Fleet Foxes - "Sun Giant" and "White Winter Hymnal," and a doo-wop standard, "Come Go with Me."

General News:

The Barnes & Noble event on MLK Day was a huge success. Entertainment included GCGCG, John McLean, the clarinet stylings of Adam Bullock, an impromptu singing group called *Theodore's Angels*, and the 4-piece jazz combo *3 Guys and a Dog*.

Join the Guerin Catholic band for the "Toot, Plunk, 'n' Boom" Festival on February 26th with the Carmel Deanery Catholic School. Following the festival, enjoy a concert in the Guerin gym.



WOMEN'S BASKETBALL: SENIORS

By: Sarah Witt

This season's women's basketball team included a roster with three outstanding seniors: Sam Ganser, Vanetta Poppas, and Hannah Roth. All three athletes worked very hard in their season by giving their best efforts with their best attitudes. One senior who really stood out was Sam Ganser. Sam has played basketball here since her freshmen year. With all of the hours she has put into the sport, her favorite memory has been "getting to know the girls on my team really well and spending time with them outside of basketball. We've had so much fun together on and off the court; they're hilarious and I'm going to miss playing with them so much!!" She would like to give a shout out to some teammates: Colleen Frost, Paige Weber, and Chelsea Pratt!



One other time Sam loved this season was senior night. She says she will always remember the great crowd and their cheering as she played one of the most exciting games in her life. However, it is not just basketball skills that Sam will remember, but also the many life lessons she learned as well. "My coach constantly stresses to us how basketball can teach us skills on the court that will then transfer over and be applicable in real life situations. Working hard at all times, being a leader, showing respect for others, and practicing great communication are some of the most important aspects that he wants us all to develop and grow in so as to allow our team to reach its full potential," said Sam. She has really enjoyed her time on the basketball court and will not forget these memories for the rest of her life. Great job this season seniors!

Chris Kosiak's Track Attack
Songs to add to your playlist

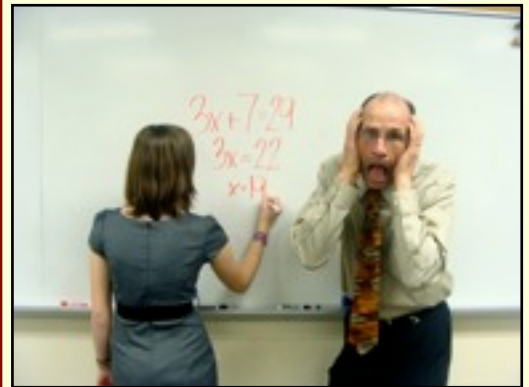


1. **Quite an Impressive Noise** - Andy Hull
2. **Wide Eyes** - Local Natives
3. **Quiet Little Voices** - We Were Promised Jetpacks
4. **The Cave** - Mumford & Sons
5. **Haiti** - Arcade Fire
6. **Mary** - Kings of Leon
7. **Sunset Soon Forgotten** - Iron & Wine
8. **Replicants** - Millionyoung
9. **Shoreline** - Deas Vail
10. **The Giant of Illinois** - Andrew Bird

Mr. Lustig's Joke Tuesday

An infamous face at Guerin Catholic, Mr. Lustig spoils his classes with his cunning wit and unique sense of humor. He gracefully shared a bit of his golden material with us.

My wife drove up to see her mother couple days ago and called me when she got there. "I've great news!" she told me. "I passed three cops on the way here." I said, "Okay but why is that good news?" She said, "Because two of them didn't give me a ticket!"



Jokes By Lustig Wannabes
Nick Jakupco and Libby Gonzalez

- Q: How do you get a kleenex to dance?
- Q: Why did the chicken cross the playground?
- Q: Where does a general put his armies?

Answers on p. 5

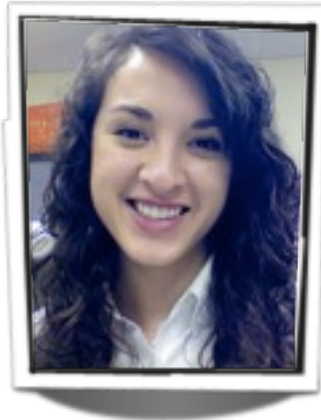
CONTINUED: WHO'S WEARING PURPLE?

By: Lauren Van Atter

Introducing: Junior Larragem Parsley

Tell us about yourself.

I am a junior here at Guerin. I am involved in Golden Voice, Sounds of Providence, SADD Club, Book Club, Spanish Club, Marian club, and Youth Group at OLMC. Some things that people don't know is that I dance, play the violin, and I can touch my tongue with my nose.



What is your favorite thing about Mrs. Horn?

My favorite thing about Mrs. Horn is her dedication and faith in God. Everyday that I see Mrs. Horn, it seems as if she has the will and desire to grow more and more in love with Jesus. She shows this by being a humble and loving servant of Christ. Through this she has inspired me to also seek Jesus through everything that I set out to do and to live my life ultimately for Him.

What was your first impression of her?

I had never met Mrs. Horn before my junior year. I knew little things about her such as that she attends the same church that I do. I remember seeing her in the hallways and thinking that she was going to be a tough teacher. She just gave off the impression that I would have to work really hard to even receive an A by the end of the trimester. I remember the upper classmen complaining about the vocab quizzes that she gave and stuff like that. When I actually met her though she was one of the nicest teachers I have ever met in my life. She actually seemed human which is a rarity amongst some IB teachers. She was so warm and welcoming when I first entered her classroom and she just gave off a good vibe.

Do you enjoy her class and if so, why?

I enjoy Mrs. Horn's class for many reasons. I like the fact that she really takes time to pray before class begins everyday. She prays and remembers everyone's intentions and it really shows that she cares about everyone's requests. I enjoy that she takes time to involve some stress free time within our class schedule by providing us with SSR. She also manages to go beyond the curriculum and teaches us many day to day life lessons

What makes Mrs. Horn such a good teacher?

The thing that makes Mrs. Horn a great teacher is the fact that she is an understanding person. She really puts herself in the other person's shoes and tries to help students in any way that she possibly can, whether it be giving advice or helping with lowering stress.

Any other random things people should know about him/her or you find fascinating?

When Mrs. Horn is really engaged in a book such as Harry Potter, she can get really frustrated... and she lets everyone know it.

DID YOU KNOW?

109 Random Facts You Should Know

- Ketchup was sold in the 1830's as a medicine.
- Marilyn Monroe had six toes on one foot.
- Yo-Yos were once used as weapons in the Philippines.



Top Right: Zach Ashton and Tyler Smitson Top Left: Danny Town Bottom Left: Andrew Godfrey Bottom Right: Jasen Schneider

Boys Basketball Highlights

COACH'S CORNER

- Current record is 11-8
- Currently have a 3-game winning streak
- We beat Ritter on senior night 58-54
- We honored our seniors; Wilson Denari, Danny Town, Andrew Godfrey, Jasen Schneider, Zach Ashton, Tyler Smitson, Keith Nowicki, AJ Gorsage, and Matt Marske
- The JV teams record is 15-2
- The JV team won the Valentine's Tournament hosted by Covenant Christian
- Sectionals begin on **Tuesday, March 1st at Taylor**

Joke Answers:

1. Put a little boogie in it
2. To get to the other slide
3. In his sleeves

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