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Car Wash Funds Booster Club



Students, teachers, and parents spend much of the day washing cars.

The St. Joseph Athletic Booster Club sponsored a carwash on August 27 to raise funds in support of its activities. Each vehicle was washed and detailed for \$20.

The effort began at 8:30 a.m. and continued until 3:30 p.m. during which 208 cars were serviced. More than \$4,000 was collected as a result. (more pictures on page 8)



2016 Beauty Oueen



Patricia Lambe

Morning Greetings Energize Principal

By: Georgia Dayer and Holly Detten



Bulldog Spirit: What brought you to St. Joseph?

Dr. Diane Wolfe: I've been teaching at UCA. I've been working on my PHD. The superintendent of Catholic schools called me and let me know there was this principal's job coming open. I am very familiar with St. Joseph. It has a great reputation. I was wanting to get back in a Catholic school.

Bulldog Spirit: What do you think of St. Joseph so far and its students?

Dr. Wolfe: It's great. It's really great. You students are so cool. Polite, compliant, smart. I've been going through all your previous test scores through the years. It's just an excellent school. It's a well-greased machine.

Bulldog Spirit: What's the most enjoyable part of working here?

Dr. Wolfe: So far, the most enjoyable part is standing out front in the morning and greeting all the students.

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Senior Banner Presented



The St. Joseph High School senior class presented its banner for the first time at church services on September 14. Senior Class President Madison Beck explained its significance to the student body while Vice-President Patricia Lambe and Secretary Rachel Prall stood by.

The tradition of creating senior banners at St. Joseph goes back to 2002. This one centers on the seniors' life journeys to date and where they'll ultimately lead. The students all share the goal of having God at the center of their lives and being with Him in Heaven. A quote from the singer-songwriter Aubrey Graham sums up the classes' feelings: "Sometimes it is the journey that teaches you a lot about the destination." Each senior sketched out their journey thus far and what the future may hold. Their guide is the Holy Spirit, as represented by the dove. Thorough the year, the banner will be held as the priest processes

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Leadership Skills Developed

By Gretchen Carden



Three St. Joseph students were among the 55 who attended the Hugh O' Brian Youth Leadership Conference (HOBY) at Southern Arkansas University in Magnolia, Arkansas, over the summer. HOBY was founded in 1958 by actor Hugh O' Brian to motivate and empower youth to make a difference within society through understanding and action based on effective leadership. O'Brian recently died at age 91.

Audrey Ferrari, Ian Martin, and Spencer Pope were named HOBY Ambassadors by our teachers and Counselor Teri Breeding to attend the conference. The students gave 150 hours of community service during their stay.

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Volleyball Girls Reaching For New Heights

By Caleb Strack



The team is feeling good after winning its opener against Union Christian.

Bulldog Spirit: How does your team look talent wise compared to recent years?

Coach Luke Davis: Talent wise, this is probably the biggest team I've had as far as height. But we are also very slow, so we're going to have to find a way to use our talents to our advantage and make up for our speed.

Bulldog Spirit: Are there certain players on this team who you're depending on? Coach Davis: All of them. We have 14 girls and one manager I'm really depending on the most. She's a very pivotal part of our team. Riley Joe Hoyt is kind of our glue. She does everything for us.

Bulldog Spirit: What does your competition look like?

Coach Davis: They're all going to be good. All the teams we play this year are good. We have a new conference, a combined conference, so we're playing several 4-A schools, and all the teams are going to be very good this year.

Bulldog Spirit: What are your goals for this season and your team?

Coach Davis: My team's goals are for us to get better every day and better every game. We want to make the State

Tournament. We did not do that last year. We want to make the State Tournament and have a chance to win the whole thing. **Update**: It's been a few weeks since this interview was done. "We're playing better than a couple of weeks ago," Coach Davis said on Sept 15. "We just need to find a way to finish games."

Senior Banner (From page 1)

in and out of the church sanctuary on school Mass days.



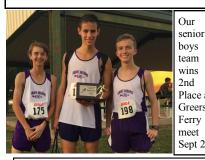
HOBY (from page 2)

"We did volunteering projects that included painting the new teen room at the local library," Audrey said. "We also did a bunch of team building exercises that kept us busy. We didn't sleep a lot."

Ian offered more perspective. "A bunch of leaders got together and we learned how to advance our communities through leadership projects," he added.

At the end of the seminars the HOBY Ambassadors were challenged to give back by serving 100 volunteer hours in their communities.

Runners Getting Up To Speed



boys team wins 2nd Place at Greers Ferry meet Sept 20.

St. Joseph's Cross Country Team will start its second season on September 13th at the Josh Park Memorial Run in Heber Springs. Coach Brent Bruich recently talked about his expectations.

Bulldog Spirit: Who's on the Cross Country team?

Coach Bruich: The junior high team is comprised of 8th graders. This is our first year to have a junior high team, and it is comprised of 8th grade girls and boys. There are 12 eighth grade boys on the junior boys team, and five 8th grade girls on the junior girls team. The senior high team is comprised of 9th, 10th, 11th, and 12th graders. There are four girls running, one senior, two sophomores, and one freshman. The senior boys consist of one senior, Simone Leverone, coming in from Italy, Ian Martin, who ran last year, and three freshman running to make the senior high team.

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Popcorn Experiment Conducted

By Wyatt Davis



Marley Spradlin holds a flask over a flame to get some kernels to pop.

Mr. Jim Belote and his chemistry students conducted a lab experiment on August 26th. They were asked to calculate how much water was in a popcorn kernel and how much of that water was lost when it was introduced to extreme heat. The water turned to a gas and caused the kernel to expand rapidly, thus forming the popcorn.

In this experiment, students took an Erlenmeyer flask and put five to 10 kernels into it with just enough vegetable oil with the kernels to coat the bottom of the flask. The students then used an electronic balance scale to calculate the weight of the kernels without being popped.

Once weighed, the students held the flask over a flame and watched the kernels pop. They then weighed the flask again, subtracted the new weight from the original weight, and the difference between the two was how much water was lost when the kernels popped.



Pokemon Go: The infamous cell phone app is drawing people out of their homes and onto the streets in search of pokemon, but it isn't all fun and games.

As I'm sure you know, when the game came out there were many instances of people walking into busy streets, getting mugged, and otherwise experiencing misfortune, all because they were too engrossed by playing Pokemon Go. Very rarely does a game have this much success, but does that mean that it is necessarily a good game?

The gameplay of the game is rather simple, walking around an urban area flicking pokeballs at CG pokemon transposed onto your phone camera. Not much substance, in my opinion. The real reason this game is so popular is the concept and scale of it. Anyone with even a passing interest in Pokemon would want to play this, and it spreads exponentially, of course, because who wouldn't want to hunt pokemon with their friends?

Recent updates to the game have increased the difficulty of finding uncommon pokemon tremendously, but future updates promise more features to balance out the sudden difficulty increase.

If this seems like the kind of game you would want to play, the three best places in Conway to find pokemon are Hendrix, UCA, and Laurel Park. Happy hunting, and be safe!



Friendships Renewed On Foreign Tour by Will Zinno



The city of Oia, Greece



The Santiago Bernabeu stadium in Madrid, Spain



The Trevi Fountain in Rome, Italy



(left to right) Manel Oom, Me, My mom, Wyatt, and my sister Olivia at the Coliseum in Rome, Italy



The Palacio Nacional de Pena in Lisbon, Portugal



The view of the Mediterranean Sea from Monterosso, Italy

This summer, my family and I went to Europe for six weeks. We traveled to Portugal, Spain, Italy, and Greece throughout the months of May, June, and July. We started our trip with a 24 hour drive to Boston to catch our seven hour flight to Lisbon, Portugal.

When we arrived in Portugal, we were greeted by Manel Oom, a former exchange student here who stayed with us during the 2014-2015 school year. The Ooms gave us a personal and exclusive tour of Lisbon. After two days in Portugal we flew to Madrid, Spain where we spent two days touring. I saw the Real Madrid soccer stadium, and even got to go in the locker room where Cristiano Ronaldo warms up and gets ready in! Both Manel and I think he's the best soccer player in the world. We were also allowed onto the field and sat on the bench where all the players sit. It was one of my favorite parts of the trip!

After Madrid we got on a train to Toledo, not to be confused with the Ohio city of the same name. We spent three nights there exploring the very confusing and small streets. We were in an apartment there which was one of the best places we stayed. Despite the nice quarters, our food in Toledo wasn't. We ate at a bar that didn't even have clean plates or silverware. Nobody enjoyed their meal that night.

Seville and Cordoba were our next stops. We spent four nights seeing everything from bridges to museums, one of which is known as an "alcazar" where remnants of war are displayed. Next came Barcelona where we stayed in a very nice apartment. It was amazing seeing the work of the famous architect, Gaudi, much of which is curved with no straight lines. We also saw the Harmony of The Seas , one of the world's largest cruise ships. The craziest experience we had in Spain was in Madrid. Someone tried to sneak up on us and steal one of my mother's handbags. It only had some trash and a few water bottles in it, but it was still very scary for us.

Will's Trip (from page 4)

After Barcelona, we flew to Rome, where we met up with Manel. We went to The Vatican, Trevi Fountain, Circus Maximus, the Pantheon and many of the piazzas as well. We spent five nights in Rome and everything was amazing, from the food to the sights, to the friendly people. It was great! I had gelato (ice cream) about three times a day, which made it a little hard to walk the 15 miles we did each day. When we left Rome, we took a plane to Santorini, a Greek island you may have seen pictures of. It's a beautiful place, especially at sunset when the streets are filled with people. After the first day, we walked all the way down the mountain to the water and swam. We could see the bottom of the sea, even when it was nearly 100 feet deep. After Santorini, we took a boat over to Naxos. It was family's favorite place on the trip. We met a man named Niko who owned a restaurant. He was very friendly and told us stories about his life and what it was like to live and own a business in Greece during the economic crisis. Mykonos was the next place we visited for only one night. It was a party island for sure. There were lots of college students and people around of that age.

We flew back to Pisa, Italy, for a day trip to see the Leaning Tower there which my brother, Wyatt, calls "The Leaning Tower of Pizza." After Pisa, we took a train to Monterosso. Italy, where we met up with Simone and his family for dinner. He's an exchange student whom we're are hosting this year. In Monterosso we walked through the streets and explored northwestern Italy. It's very beautiful. We flew back to Portugal and stayed in Manel's home for five days. We met just about everyone in his family. On the third day we had a huge soccer match between Manel's family and ours. We won, of course! The next couple days were spent mainly resting and getting to know Manel's family, especially his brother Pedro and his parents Goncalo and Ines. After that, we flew back to the United States and made the 24 hour drive back home to Arkansas!

Student Sightseers Travel Europe By Caleb Strack and Joseph Murphy







Mt. Titlis in the Swiss Alps.

Venice, Italy

Rome's Trevi fountain.





The Roman Coliseum

The city of Nice, France

Seniors Madison Beck, Holly Detten and Sophomore Natalie Ross, along with graduate Mollie Angel, were among those who toured parts of Europe this summer. They visited Switzerland, Italy, France and Monaco during their ten days overseas. Social Studies teacher Karen Davis coordinated the trip through EF Educational Tours.

"It was all so pretty," Madison said. "It looked like a Disney movie." Parts of the terrain impressed Holly. "I've never seen mountains like the ones in Switzerland," she said. "It really had pretty views," Natalie agreed, Holly enjoyed the goats and cows she encountered. "They had bells on them so all you would hear throughout the night was bells dinging."

The people they met were friendly with some exceptions. "The Italians were nice and personable," Holly said. "I loved the Italian food too. They make the best ice cream called 'gelato'. I probably gained five pounds eating it." Natalie also enjoyed the food. "It was amazing. It didn't matter if we were eating at a fancy restaurant or a gas station. It was all great." The French people were a different story. "They were kind of rude," Holly said. Madison didn't much care for the French cuisine either. "Their beef was raw and gross," Holly added. The food elsewhere pleased Natalie. "They served us two course meals at every dinner," she said.

One of the highlights of the trip was going to the Vatican. "I got a bracelet and a rosary there that were blessed by the Pope!" Holly exclaimed. There were some downsides to the travel. "I hated that all through Europe you had to pay to use the bathroom," Holly said. "It was really inconvenient." It also rained a lot and the girls' schedules were so packed that they didn't have much time to "explore."

Holly summed things up for the group. "Overall, it was a great trip, and I wish I could relive it," she said. "I hope to go again someday because it was awesome.



High School Profiles

By Joseph Murphy and Caleb Strack





Kinley-

- 1. They are okay.
- 2. The basketball season.
- 3. Go to the beach
- 4. Yes, basketball and cross country.
 They're fun.



Kinley Thessing

Christian Skinner

Christian-

- 1. They are alright.
- 2. Basketball
- 3. Sleep in
- 4. Yes, basketball. It's fun.

1. How do you like the new uniform changes?

- 2. What are you looking forward to this year?
- 3. What was the most fun thing you did over the summer?
- 4. Are you playing a sport? If so which, and why do you like that sport?

Gage-

- 1. I don't like them.
- 2. Definitely not the uniform changes.
- 3. Not go to school.
- 4. Yes, basketball and golf. Coach Jessie makes golf very fun.



Lauren Holbrook

Lauren-

- 1. I like them.
- 2. Hanging out with friends.
- 3. I went to the beach
- 4. Yes, softball. It's awesome.



Gage Berger



High School Profiles

By Caleb Strack and Joseph Murphy





Jack-

- 1. The different shirts.
- 2. Playing basketball.
- 3. Went to Branson
- 4. Yes, basketball and baseball. Basketball is fast-paced and in baseball you can hit dingers.



Jack Briggler

Collin Coney

Collin-

- 1. I like them because you can wear different color shirts.
- 2. Play basketball
- 3. Play golf
- 4. Yes, basketball. It's fun and active.

- 1. How do you like the new uniform changes?
- 2. What are you looking forward to this year?
- 3. What was the most fun thing you did over the summer?
- 4. Are you playing a sport? If so which, and why do you like that sport?

John-

- 1. They're pretty nifty.
- 2. Seeing my friends.
- 3. Played a lot of basket-ball.
- 4. Yes, basketball. It's fun because of all the activity.



Chloe Detten

Chloe-

- 1. I am okay with the changes.
- 2. Having a different teachers and doing new things.
- 3. Went to see Justin Bieber, of course.
- 4. I'm playing volleyball, and I like it because I have played it since I was five.



John McKenna

Bulldog Spirit



Abigail Covington flags down drivers.



Coach "B" scrubs cars roof.



Keith Briggler cooks burgers.



Zach Royal blows dries car.



Mr. "Lum" herds the crew.



Erin Sterka put in a day of washing



Matthew McWilliams' 1993 Ford F150



Bulldog Spirit: How fast can this ol'

girl go?

Matthew: Speedometer goes to 80

mph.

Bulldog Spirit: How many girls can

she hold.

Matthew: Five!!

Bulldog Spirit: What extras does she

have?

Matthew: She's got a 351 Windzer with two kits of Nitrous. True dual exhaust system with glass packs. It's also got a Bully Dog programmer for

the heavy loads.

Cool Karz

By Wyatt Davis



Year/Make/Model: 1993 Ford F150

Engine: 5.8L V8 Drivetrain: 2WD

HP/Torque: 205 HP/ 325 ft/lb

0 to 60: 12.5 Seconds





Cross Country (from page 3)

Bulldog Spirit: What are you doing to prepare for the upcoming season? Coach Bruich: We have been running in senior high since July. The things we are doing to prepare for the season are long runs. We run about everyday or five of the seven days. Our long runs consist of senior high running about five miles, and junior high three. We also run sprints, 100-400 meter sprints. We have a day where we have timed runs, senior high will run 35 minutes, and junior high 25 minutes. There is a day where we run hills, up and down and around the subdivision. Lastly, we have a day where they will run what they would run in a race.

Bulldog Spirit: What is your outlook for this year and how much improvement has been made or is being made?

Coach Bruich: The junior high has been practicing since the end of July. and we have made a lot of improvement since we started in July with both squads. Hopefully we will break some school records. The junior high will set a school record this year, because we have no previous run times. However, we are hoping we will have some junior high boys break under 20, and break our school record there. We hope to earn some medals later on in the season. Our first meet is Tuesday, September 13th, and we're running at Heber Springs. In most of our meets, we're running against a 7A competition. There will be a meet in October. In our District Meet, we will run just against a 2A competition. That goes for our State Meet as well. There'll be a meet in Conway on October 15th at Lake Beaverfork. We hope fans will come out there. Most of the other meets are about an hour away. **Update:** The team had its opening meet at Heber Springs on Sept 13. Lilly Hill finished in the Top 20 out of 150 runners. We went to Heber Springs Sept.20 and did well there too. "I'm proud of how our runners are doing," Coach Bruich says.

Alumni Visit Campus

Three graduates from the Class of 2015 recently dropped by our campus to visit with some of their former teachers.

Erin Frost, Anna Nabholz and former exchange student Siyang Liu talked with Ms. Betsy Beacham and Penny Bassham. Siyang attends Denison University in Granville Ohio. Anna is at UACCM in Morrilton and Erin is studying at UCA.

Sivang left some candy from her native China for the teachers to eat. She called it "cow skin" candy, but we're unsure of what it's actually made from. There are some gelatinous confections that rely on connective tissue from cowhide to create the gelatin (such as in Jell-O). All that can be said for sure is that the candy is rolled in sesame seed and is very chewy.

Ms. Beacham says Siyang would love to hear from students who remember her. You can email her at is:liu si@denison.edu.

Olga Yarian, a registered nurse and 1998 graduate of St. Joseph High School, recently spoke to a group of more than a dozen juniors and seniors about the nursing profession. She also provided tips on pursuing a nursing degree. The group met in the Cyber Cafe. The meeting is one of several career talks scheduled by Academic Dean Teri Breeding. Yarian earned her degree from the University of Central Arkansas. She now works for Mease Countryside Hospital in Safety Harbor, Florida.

Pope's Encyclical **Inspires Videos**



Kinley Thessing films Christian Skinner and John Smith.

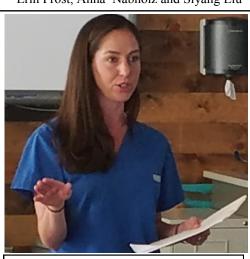
Mr. Kyle Zinno's 8th grade religion class has been examining Pope Francis' "Laudato Si" encyclical regarding Caring for God's Creation.

Using research on summaries of this document, the students have been developing video scripts to show their understanding of the encyclical.

At press time, Mr. Zinno hadn't evaluated the videos. "From what I've seen so far, many of the students have risen to the occasion and have begun to grasp some complex concepts," he said.



Erin Frost, Anna Nabholz and Siyang Liu



Olga Yarian



Golfers Swing Into Action

By Caleb Strack



Senior Gage Berger tees off.

New golf and girls basketball coach Jess Ross is a 2005 graduate of SJS and was a star athlete here. She also teaches FACS.

Bulldog Spirit: How is this year's golf season going?

Coach Ross: So far we have done well. We have probably

finished 2nd in every golfing match so far. We have three matches left for the normal season, and then we go on to District.

Bulldog Spirit: What are your expectations for your players?

Coach Ross: I really would like for us to make it to State as a team. They haven't done that in a few years, so I think that should be our goal for this year.

Bulldog Spirit: Are there any players that you are especially depending on this season?

Coach Ross: I think for our guys team Gage Berger is our main senior who plays. I really hope for him to lead the team and do well.



Senior Mary K Hartman putts the ball.

Update: The District Tournament started Sept. 19. Mary Hartman qualified for State. Our boys team finished 2nd on Sept 20. This advanced them as a team to the State Tournament.

Dr. Wolfe (from page 1)

Dr. Wolfe: Mr. Nielsen kind of clues me in on names, and I try to remember them. That is great fun. I look forward to the mornings!

Bulldog Spirit: Where did you attend college?

Dr. Wolfe: I attended college at UAM. Then my husband went into the Air Force ,so I went to a lot of different colleges. I went to Orange College in California, Brigham Young in Utah. LSU is where i got my undergraduate degree. UCA is where I got my Master's and PHD.

Bulldog Spirit: Tell us about your family.

Dr. Wolfe: I have been married for 42 years. I have three children, but my oldest daughter died of cancer about 10 years ago. I have a 28 year- old daughter and a 23 year -old son.

Bulldog Spirit: Where were you born and raised?

Dr. Wolfe: Huntington Beach, CA. **Bulldog Spirit:** Do you have any hobbies/interests?

Dr. Wolfe: All water sports. I love water. Up until a couple years ago, we had a huge houseboat on Lake Ouachita but when the kids all left we sold it. I am still into boating and wakeboarding. I personally don't wakeboard anymore, but I taught my children to wakeboard.



Faculty Funnies

By Gabby Hathaway







By Holly Detten and Georgia Dayer







Ms. Alexandria McVay

Bulldog Spirit: Did you teach before this or is this your first year teaching? Ms. McVay: This is my first year teaching in high school. I taught at Faulkner County Day Care before this. Going from toddlers to teenagers is a world of a difference.

Bulldog Spirit: How do you like it here at St. Joseph?

Ms. McVay: It's one of the best communities. This is like a dream job. Before I started working here I told people that teaching FACS at St. Joseph is my dream

Bulldog Spirit: What is the most enjoyable part of working here?

Ms. McVay: The students are pretty down to earth. They're almost like little angels most of the time.

Bulldog Spirit: Are you married and do you have any kids?

Ms. McVay: I'm getting married in October so I don't have any kids. Ha Ha! (She's marrying an SJS alumnus)

Bulldog Spirit: Are you from Conway or were you born and raised somewhere else?

Ms. McVay: I was born in Cabot, but my fiancé is a St. Joseph alumnus.

Bulldog Spirit: Do you have any sib-

Ms. McVay: Yes, a one year old brother.

Mr. Kyle Zinno

Bulldog Spirit: Did you teach before this or is this your first year teaching?

Mr. Zinno: Yes, this is my first year teaching.

Bulldog Spirit: How do you like it here at St. Joseph?

Mr. Zinno: I've loved it so far, but I've been a little overwhelmed being a first year teacher.

Bulldog Spirit: What is the most enjoyable part of working here?

Mr. Zinno: Yesterday I was in class and it just kind of hit me how much I enjoy teaching. Probably the best part is just how great the students are here. It makes my job super easy.

Bulldog Spirit: Are you married?

Mr. Zinno: Yes. (His wife, Hannah, is the new Youth Ministry Director)

Bulldog Spirit: Are you from Conway or were you born and raised somewhere else?

Mr. Zinno: Pretty much from Conway, I moved here in 6th grade. Before that we moved around a lot.

Bulldog Spirit: Do you have any siblings? Mr. Zinno: Yes, I have five siblings. Two sisters and three brothers. (all of whom have or will graduate from SJS).

Note: Ms. Jessie Ross is also new to our faculty. Read about her on the page 10 golf story.

Ms. Kristen Piraino

Bulldog Spirit: Did you teach before this or is this your first year teaching? Mrs. Piraino: I have taught before

Bulldog Spirit: How do you like it here at St. Joseph?

Mrs. Piraino: I love it. My kids have gone to school here, so I felt like we have found a family.

Bulldog Spirit: What is the most enjoyable part of working here?

Mrs. Piraino: The kids.

Bulldog Spirit: Are you married and

do vou have any kids?

Mrs. Piraino: I have three kids. (Her husband heads a technologies consulting team)

Bulldog Spirit: Are you from Conway or were you born and raised somewhere else?

Mrs. Piraino: I'm originally from Conway, but i went to school in Dardanelle.

Bulldog Spirit: Do you have any sib-

Mrs. Piraino: I have one sister and four brothers.

Good Luck To Our Golfers In the **State Tournament**



New Faces Brighten Spaces by Georgia Dayer and Holly Detten



Elizabeth Williams



Emma Gastineau



Matthew Bowman



Alyssa Roland



Simone Leverone

Bulldog Spirit: Did you move here from somewhere else? Elizabeth: Yes, I moved from Episcopal Collegiate in Little Rock.

Bulldog Spirit: How do you like St. Joseph? Elizabeth: I really like it

Bulldog Spirit: What is your favorite class? **Elizabeth:** Probably FACS.

Bulldog Spirit: Do you play any sports or are you in any clubs? **Elizabeth:** Not here,

no.

Bulldog Spirit: Did you move here from somewhere else? Emma: From Carl Stuart Middle School. Bulldog Spirit: How

do you like St. Joseph?

Emma: It's really awesome.

Bulldog Spirit: What is your favorite class? **Emma:** Probably

English.

Bulldog Spirit: Do you play any sports or are you in any clubs? Emma: I'm in Interact

Emm Club. **Bulldog Spirit:** Did you move here from somewhere else?

Matthew: Ugh. Yeah, from Iowa.

Bulldog Spirit: How do you like St. Joseph? Matthew: I like it really well. I thought it would be worse than it really is, but it's pretty good.

Bulldog Spirit: What is your favorite class? Matthew: Probably English.

Bulldog Spirit: Do you play any sports or are you in any clubs? Matthew: No. **Bulldog Spirit:** Did you move here from somewhere else?

Alyssa: Yes, I came from Conway Christian.

Bulldog Spirit: How do you like St. Joseph?

Alyssa: I like it here. I've been here before. Bulldog Spirit: What is your favorite class? Alyssa: English. Bulldog Spirit: Do you play any sports or are you in any clubs? Alyssa: Cheerleading

and FCCLA.

Bulldog Spirit: Where are you from?

Simone: Italy.

Bulldog Spirit:

How are the schools in America different than from Italy?

Simone: Here in
America, sports are
more important. In
Italy, we can choose
all of our subjects.
The students in Italy
don't move to different classes. The
teachers move
around. We don't
have the same subjects everyday in
Italy. We have more

subjects. **Bulldog Spirit:**How do you like St.

Joseph so far? **Simone:** Yeah, I like it here.

Bulldog Spirit: What's your favorite

class?
Simone: Trigonom-

etry.

Bulldog Spirit: Do you play any sports or are you in any clubs?

Simone: I play soccer, basketball, and cross country.

Leadership Institute Stresses Community Involvement



Ian holds a baby at Conway Cradle Care

Story by Wyatt Davis Six St. Joseph High School students have been selected to participate in the 2016-2017 class of the Faulkner County Youth Leadership Institute (FCYLI).

Madison Beck, Mary Hartman, Lauren Holbrook, Olivia Huett, Patricia Lambe, and Ian Martin were chosen after applying and going through and interview process.

FCYLI is designed to help develop leadership potential within high school juniors and seniors. The Institute addresses the challenges and opportunities of our community and exposes high school age young people to avenues for community involvement and improvement.

"It think it teaches good leadership and responsibilities," Lauren said. "It helps us to be better leaders in our community." Within the next year, the students will be engaged in topics ranging from human services, agriculture and environment, media, government, and the court system.

The first FCYLI tour took place on September 7th, 2016. The stops included Haven House, Faulkner county Day school, The Boy's and Girl's Club, Independent Living Services, and Conway Cradle Care.