

BULLDOG SPIRIT



Happy Thanksgiving

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Youth Minister Answers Call

By Holly Detten & Georgia Dayer



Hannah Zinno

Our new church Youth Minister recently spoke with us.

Bulldog Spirit: Why did you feel called to apply for this job?

Ms. Zinno: I was listening to a talk the other day, and the priest said that often times we are only moved to take action when we have our hearts broken. By that he meant, when we see extreme need or poverty and it moves us interiorly to respond outwardly. That's the best way I can explain why I applied. I've seen firsthand the power and impact youth can have on the world when they're on fire with the love of Christ. To see so many youth losing the faith these days broke my heart, and I wasn't able to stand on the sidelines anymore.

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Honors Project Succeeds by Elizabeth Whitley



(kneeling, left to right) Olivia Pruett, Caroline Hambuchen, Anna Claire Bailey, Audrey Ferrari and Julia Hambuchen. (standing) Abby McKenna, Parker Trussell, Michael Frost, Marley Spradlin, Brent Yrle, Ian Martin, Breanna Wells and Lauren Holbrook.

The 11th grade Honors English classes has a project each year which revolves around a famous drama. They begin by reading the play "Our Town" by Thornton Wilder. Then they're asked to either plan a wedding or a funeral since both are dramatized in the play. Most students choose the wedding since it's a happier event.

The students are broken into groups. Ms. Yrle sets a faux budget of \$20,000 which the groups draw from. They then make inquiries about what various items might cost. For example, Brent Yrle and Audrey Ferrari's group worked on picking out wedding cakes. They called bakeries for cost estimates on certain types of cakes. Other contacts made were related to church availability, the rental or purchase of tuxedos and wedding gowns, flowers and decorations, wedding ring selection, reception hall locations, hiring a wedding photographer or a disc jockey, etc.

If one of the groups came in under budget, they were allowed to share the excess with another group that needed it. At the end of the project Ms. Yrle asked her students for feedback. "I had no idea how much work went into wedding planning," Audrey said. "There are so many small details that go into it." Parker Trussell discovered something else. "I learned that women are expensive," he said. Ms. Yrle concluded that all of the students did an outstanding job of working together.

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History Class Relives Holocaust



Actress Alexander Geller as Anne Frank



While visiting the Clinton Library, these students posed in a life-sized replica of the White House's Oval Office.

Judge Pleads Case Against Drugs



Supreme Court Associate Justice Rhonda K Wood

The Honorable Rhonda K. Wood., Associate Justice of the Arkansas Supreme Court, was a guest speaker at St. Joseph High School on October 24. She appeared in conjunction with the

school's observance of Red Ribbon Week which is a national campaign geared toward drug prevention and education. Justice Wood, who dealt with many issues involving juveniles in her previous judicial roles, told the students there are at least three reasons not to abuse drugs or alcohol. To do so, she said, can either close doors to career opportunities, increase the chances of sexual assault, or cause death. Several cases were cited to support her thesis.

The judge also spoke in a cautionary way regarding ballot measures on legalizing medical marijuana. She said marijuana contains two elements; the cannabis that can relieve pain and the tetrahydrocannabinol or THC, which is the mind-altering ingredient. Justice Wood said the type of marijuana being grown today has a much higher THC content which needs to be considered when touting the drug's medical benefits.

U.S. History students from our junior class attended a performance of "Conversations With Anne" at the Clinton Presidential Library in Little Rock on October 6. It was a one-act show with actress Alexandra Geller. Her words were taken directly from the diary of the teen-aged Jewish refugee, Anne Frank, which was written during World War II. The play gave the students an interactive look at Anne's experience during her time in hiding before she and her family were forced into a Nazi concentration camp.

"Conversations With Anne" is intended to educate young people about the dangers of intolerance, anti-Semitism, racism and discrimination. It also attempts to build a world based on equal rights and mutual respect. It's produced by the Anne Frank Center for Mutual Respect in New Hork. Steven Goldstein, the Center's Executive Director, introduced the play and summed it up afterwards. Ms. Geller then took questions from the audience while remaining in character as Anne.





DAN'S GAMES



By Daniel Emerick



“No Man’s Sky” was touted as the best space exploration game ever made before it was released, but nothing could be further from the truth. The release of this game was surrounded by many claims, most of which were claiming “infinite gameplay.” While it does contain over one trillion planets to explore, they are not unique to each other. You see, the only way there currently is to achieve a game of this scale is through a method called procedural generation. The problem with procedural generation is that there is only a limited pool of assets and possibilities to choose from. In “No Man’s Sky”, this pool dries up fast.

For example, in space you’d expect there to be many different types of stars, as there are many differences between stars in real life, but in the game there are only four different types of stars. These same limited randomizations appear throughout the game, so just playing the game for a little while will give you a pretty good idea of what to expect throughout the rest of the game. These types of games are incredibly repetitive, yet nobody seems to stop getting excited for them (there was an immense amount of hype regarding this game, even when you discount the times the lead developer lied about it.)

The game itself consists of discovering planets, gathering resources, trading with non-player characters (NPC’s) and fighting in the occasional space battle, which are also with NPC’s. It is impossible to encounter other human players in this game, unlike what the developer was claiming previously. I was excited for this game initially, but the release of it proved once again that modern game developers are dishonest and only in it for the money.

Internet Safety Promoted

St. Joseph High School students heard a presentation on internet safety and cyber space awareness from a representative of Arkansas Attorney General Leslie Rutledge’s office on October 13. Kristina Godfrey is a Community Educator who provides information and training for students and adults relating to issues facing our state.

In this instance, Ms. Godfrey (continued on page 4)



ANDROID VS. APPLE

By. Evan Pollock



Phones are a wonderful invention that benefit us by allowing us to talk to others across the globe making it easier to share information. There are many different phone companies that compete to have a better phone than their competitor. Two of the most important ones are Samsung and Apple. These two have made the two best phones on the market, the iPhone and the Android phone. I am going to compare the two phones and let you decide.

The Android phones offer amazing customizability, unique apps, and the ability to become like a desktop computer with Airdrop and Tasker. These two apps allow for file management and a keyboard to be used with your phone. What android lacks is being able to back-up all the files on your phone easily. There are ways to do it, but it takes time to set it up.

The iPhone, Apple updates iOS frequently which helps out their older phones a lot. iPhones also have better app availability meaning the apps tend to look better which makes you want to use them more. Finally, the iPhone has iCloud which allows for it to essentially backup the entire phone. Android phones only backup stuff like contacts and apps we have.

Where iPhones lose out is in storage as androids have extra slots for memory cards, although it has a micro SD card slot. That does not beat being able to put in another memory card. In the long term, the Android wins it for me due to more customizability and the ability to increase storage. It’s up to your preferences in deciding which one to buy.

Exchange Student Adapting Well

By: Will Zinno



Senior, David Lopez



Internet Safety (from page 3)

talked about dangers of revealing personal information online, the harm that has come from internet predators and scam artists, and the legal consequences of posting inappropriate photos and taunts.

“Living Legend” Passes Through



The last steam locomotive built for Union Pacific Railroad rolled by our school on Oct. 25 as the company’s ambassador of goodwill. Engine # 844 was delivered to UP in 1944, and it became a high-speed passenger train. It pulled such lines at the Overland & Los Angeles Limited.

Youth Minister (from page 1)

Bulldog Spirit: Why do you think we need a Youth Ministry?

Ms. Zinno: Being a disciple of Christ is no easy task. Especially for youth who are bombarded with pressures from our secular culture. The goal of the Youth Ministry is to walk alongside youth and to help them grow in their personal relationship with Christ. When they do confront the daily challenges of life they’re able to respond as Christ would.

Bulldog Spirit: What do you think the youth want from the Youth Ministry?

Ms. Zinno: If anything, I believe the youth want to be part of the conversation. Youth Ministry is for them, and I want them to feel empowered to take ownership of the ministry and help direct its course.

Bulldog Spirit: What changes are taking place in Youth Ministry going forward?

Ms. Zinno: Youth nights will no longer be required for sacramental preparation. Such requirements work against the goal of the Youth Ministry which is to excite and inspire youth to find & live the beauty of their faith. When we burden youth with more requirements, we increase the misconception that our church is only one of rules. Instead, we want youth to discover the richness of the Catechism and how obedience to Christ and His church is the only way to find true freedom

Bulldog Spirit: One often hears the Protestant youth groups have more participation than Catholics do. Is there anything to that and if so, why?

Ms. Zinno: Churches like New Life do a great job with their youth mainly because of the culture they promote. Families come together on Wednesday nights and parents and youth are both being ministered to at the same time. It’s hard to encourage youth to come and get involved if their parents are not setting the example by being involved in a ministry as well.



Influence

Produced by Jacob Welter and Dawson Schrekenhofer

Chorus:

I wanna join in hands in prayer before were all fed
Forgive all of the things that have been said
I wanna be on the cover of Catholic weekly
Smiling by the Pope in the city

Oh every time I close my eyes
I picture Jesus by my side, yeah
A better christian over night, oh I
I swear God just wants to share
So join your hands in prayer

Verse 1:

Love, with a passion,
Something's bothering you don't mind asking, why?
Take a breath and take control and don't cry.
And Just move forward 'cuz there is no offside
and be brave like Tim Tebow on the line
Prove you wanna' shine even if it takes some time
Tebow once said God was watching from the side
He's the one who proved that it's faith over mind
He did it all for Christ and he showed it at the end
When he got down and he thanked him for the win
Yeah, I won't lie he did lose some of his friends
But they don't come close to the Lord and his plan
God is always there even when you feel lost
Even in the game when you feel so tossed
Struggling for air suffering from exhaust
So do it all for him no matter what the cost

Chorus:

Oh every time I close my eyes
I picture Jesus by my side, yeah
A better Christian over night, oh I
I swear God just wants to share
So join your hands in prayer

Verse 2:

Michael Oher grew up poor with some pain
In the hood he ran away from the gangs
It took everything for him to stay the same
Don't cheat don't fight don't change
But then his momma got taken away
And he was left to wander in the streets like a stray
Yeah, There is no explaining all the trouble that he's
faced
But then this family took him in and made him feel
safe
Got him back on track and they taught him how to
play
And with the love of God not forgetting how to pray
They offered everything he was doing so well
Even got someone to make sure he doesn't fail
This was God's plan to make sure that he prevails
And now that worked out 'cuz he's in the NFL
The moral of the story is you gotta' stay true
And God will show his grace with his glorious view

Seniors Are Budding Songwriters



Dawson and Jacob rapping and performing with friends.

Mr. Kyle Zinno's senior religion students are assigned a project for each quarter. They can choose between doing a research paper, creating a work of fine art, making a video, etc. Dawson Schrekenhofer and Jacob Welter took a musical approach. "Dawson and I, being musically gifted, decided we'd create a song for our project." They collaborated on a Christian hip hop/rap they entitled "Influence."

"We needed a beat, so the tune came first," Jacob said. "We went to YouTube and found the instrumental for the "Billionaire." Early on, the boys knew they wanted to do something about "Blindside" star Michael Oher and former quarterback turned baseball player Tim Tebow. With those two in mind, lyrics were written around them. "It took us about two hours," Dawson said.

"I thought they did an excellent job," Mr. Zinno said. "It was very well researched. They did a good job performing it as well. I could tell they put a lot of effort into it. I was proud of them." As to what the future may hold for these aspiring songwriters, Mr. Zinno was encouraging. "I think they could definitely be famous around Conway, at least."

Retreat Refreshes Students' Spirits by Ms. Caryn Hoyt



The Confirmation Retreat offered religious revitalization and physical recreation.

Spiritual experiences were measured by filling jars with colored sand. Canoeing was one of several outdoor Activities offered.

The weekend of October 22-23rd, 72 Confirmation candidates (mostly 8th graders) participated in a retreat at Ferncliff Retreat Center in Little Rock, AR. They joined teens from two other Little Rock parishes, Good Counsel and Holy Souls. The retreat was organized and supported by staff and volunteers from all three parishes. The theme of the retreat was "Set the World on Fire" based on the words of Jesus, "I have come to set the world on fire, how I wish it were already blazing." (go to pg. 11)



High School Profiles

By Daniel Kordsmeier and Dawson Schreckenhofer



Clayton Heathscott

Clayton-

1. Iguanas
2. Thanksgiving, because all I like to do is eat.
3. I love clowns.
4. Hillary all the way... just kidding.

Jacob-

1. Definitely clowns
2. Thanksgiving, because I don't do anything on Halloween.
3. No
4. Indifferent



Jacob Luyet

1. What are you most scared of?
2. Halloween or Thanksgiving and why?
3. What are your thoughts on the clowns?
4. Hillary or Trump?

Noah-

1. Probably snakes
2. Thanksgiving, because it's my mom's birthday.
3. They are horrifying beasts.
4. Not with either.



Erika Gonzalez

Erika-

1. Clowns
2. Halloween, because of the parties.
3. They are really creepy.
4. I don't know, neither.



Noah Decker



High School Profiles

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Holly Detten

Holly-

1. Swimming
2. Thanksgiving, because it's a time for thanks and giving.
3. They aren't real.
4. Trump

Will-

1. I forgot.
2. Christmas, because it's the best time of the year.
3. Yeah
4. I'm just here so I don't get fined.



Will Zinno

Mattie-

1. The clowns in the woods.
2. Thanksgiving, because we get out of school.
3. They are scary and weird.
4. Trump, because Make America Great Again!

Mason-

1. Hillary as President
2. Thanksgiving, because I like to eat food.
3. I'm secretly one of them.
4. Trump, build that wall!



Mason Elsinger



Mattie Elsinger

Art Project Reflects Conway Connections

By: Peter Woodson



Sophomores in Ms. Penny Bassham's art class created special collages for the 2016 Conway ArtsFest. It was a week long celebration of the arts that took place at various locations around town from September 23rd through October 1st. The St. Joseph display was at the Conway Police Department.

To create the project each student took 10 photos a week for a four week period. The first week's pictures were taken all around Conway. Most of the students took pictures of places they like to go such as Target, Sonic, and Cinemark Theater.

During the second week of their assignment the students photographed things that showed their family connections to Conway. These included local business and street signs. If their families didn't have deep roots here, they photographed places that were interesting or unique to the city.

The third week's theme was "It's All About You." Photos were taken of things the students thought interesting or important to them. They were also asked to include a selfie.

Artistic photos were required for the fourth week of the assignment. These included optical illusions, reflections in mirrors or water and unusual view points.

After all the photos were taken, the students used their selfies to create linear drawings of their faces on a transparencies. When the collages were finished the self-portraits were attached.



Cool Karz

By Wyatt Davis



Spencer Pope's 2004 Toyota Sequoia



TOYOTA

Bulldog Spirit: How fast can this ol' girl go?

Spencer: Had her doing 85 myself.

Bulldog Spirit: How many girls can she hold.

Spencer: 8 but Elizabeth is the only one I'll allow

Bulldog Spirit: What extras does she have?

Spencer: It's got a .70 mm turbo under the hood. Just had it lifted. 2wd doesn't stop it. If it doesn't get stuck, then its not fun to take it out

Stats

Year/Make/Model: 2004 Toyota Sequoia

Engine: V8 4.7L

Drivetrain: 2WD

HP/Torque: 240 Hp/ 315 ft-lbs

0 to 60: 10 Seconds

0 to 100: N/A



Leadership Institute Studies Agriculture

By: Andrew Marks



Frederic Simon demonstrates the milking machines.



Olivia Huett outside the milking pens.

The Faulkner County Youth Leadership Institute looked at agriculture during one of its monthly sessions on October 15.

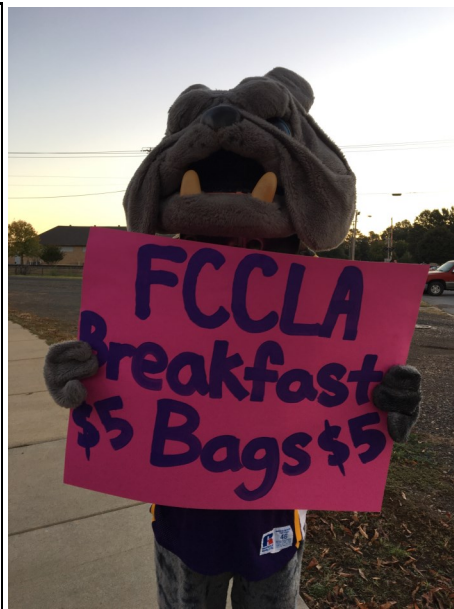
St. Joseph representatives Madison Beck, Mary K. Hartman, Lauren Holbrook, Olivia Huett and Ian Martin spent the day at the Simon Dairy Farm, the Conway Sanitation Department's Recycling Center and Landfill, the Conway Animal Shelter and the Corn Maze at Lollie.

"We learned about the dairy cows and saw where they're milked," Olivia said. At the Sanitation Department, the students were told about efforts to make the landfill last longer. "We heard that the Recycling Center has extended the life of the landfill by 50 years," Ian said.

The Animal Shelter is nearby. The students were surprised that it wasn't overrun with pets. "They didn't have a lot of animals," Olivia said. "There were mostly dogs and few cats."

While at the corn maze, everyone went on a hay ride and picked pumpkins. They heard a talk on agri-business from Mr. Cody Bassham and Grandma Schaefer spoke about the importance of the Fall season to their business. She also explained how the corn maze is designed each year.

The next FCYLI sessions in early November. "They're usually very long days and we're always on the go," Ian said.



Jacob Williams as "Wrinkles"



Nick & Ella prepare bags

BREAKFAST

Breakfast Bags Sell Well

By Natalie Hambuchen

Bulldog Spirit: How many breakfast bags were sold?

Coach Jessie Ross: We sold over 500 this year.

Bulldog Spirit: How will the money be used?

Coach Ross: To support our FCCLA and FACS programs.

Bulldog Spirit: How much preparation went into the project?

Coach Ross: Abigail Covington did a lot of work beforehand. She's the FCCLA president. There was lots of organizing, ordering food, and getting workers signed up.

Bulldog Spirit: Would you deem the effort a success?

Coach Ross: It was definitely a success. We have some amazing kids who step up and do all the work to make all these fundraisers possible.



Riley Hoyt serves Ms. Chamoun



Breanna, Emily, & Abigail make biscuits



Rachel, & Joanie with hot drinks.



Faculty Funnies

By Gabby Hathaway



Eighth Grade Gets Valuable History Lesson by Caleb Strack



Emma Gastineau does a tombstone rubbing.



Caleb Mallett and Gabriel Stobaugh in front of an exhibit.

Eighth grade Arkansas History students went to the Japanese-American Internment Camp Museum and nearby cemetery at McGehee, AR on Nov. 3. More than 16,000 Americans of Japanese descent were evicted from their homes during World War II and forcibly moved to relocation camps in Jerome and Rohwer, Arkansas.

The Museum explains the prisoners' plight, and the cemetery memorializes Japanese-Americans who died for us.



Michael Shofner finds a dog's grave marker that died in the camp.



Amy Lambe examines a photo of the cramped quarters the families lived in.



Adam Leicht beside a monument to fallen Nisei Battalion soldiers.

Retreat (continued from page 5)

The purpose of the retreat was two-fold: to explore the gift of the Holy Spirit received in Confirmation and to give the teens an opportunity to experience the love and presence of Jesus through adoration, praise, and reconciliation in a way they may never have before. It was important to all leaders that his experience of "retreat" for these teens be a good one because for most it was their first.

The idea of "retreating" away from the world for a time to give your attention to God, is a cornerstone of the spiritual life. The more time we give, the more we disconnect from the world, the more we can open up to and be blessed by God. This is what we wanted for the kids. Between talks and discussions, small groups got to participate in a variety of activities including sand volleyball, canoeing, an 150 ft enclosed dslide and hiking. St. Joseph candidates concluded the retreat by attending the 10:30 Mass together.



Drew Dayer at Adoration.



Small groups talked about the Holy Spirit.



Nate Perry prepares to erupt his volcano with elephant toothpaste for lava.



The lava flows.

Volcanoes Erupt In Science Class by Joseph Murphy



Luke Pope ignites a volcano.



The class watches it erupt.



Olivia Pasierb and Maggie Mooney display their edible volcano.



Dry ice provides the volcano's smoke and the cake was feasted on later.

Coach Luke Davis's 7th grade science classes were assigned to construct and fire off three types of volcanoes; a composite, a cinder cone or a shield. The students had about two weeks to complete their project.

Different methods were also used to make the volcanoes erupt. Some students put Mentos mints into Diet-Coke. Others made lava with "elephant toothpaste" by mixing hydrogen peroxide, yeast, dishwashing soap and food coloring. There were also some who made an edible volcano by making a cake and using dry ice for effect.

Duo Achieving Aerial Prowess by Cory Strack



The Catholic church has long taught harmony between faith and reason. Common ground has also been reached with Father Tony Robbins and science teacher Jim Belote because they're both taking off from it at the Conway Municipal Airport.

Both men are learning to fly there. Father Tony is training in a four-seat Cessna 172, and Mr. Belote is practicing in the lighter Cessna 162 sport aircraft. "I think my interest in flying started when I was a little boy," Father Tony said. "My dad would pick me up and fly me around the room." Sixteen years ago, his uncle took him up in a small plane and suddenly said "Alright, you want to fly?" After getting over the initial shock, Father Tony took the wheel and kept his altitude. "There was just something about it that was pretty neat," he said. His flight instructor these days is 22 year-old Blake Eremea with Fly Now Aviation who began flying right out of high school.

Mr. Belote had a career in the U.S. Air Force but as much as he wanted to be a pilot he couldn't fly because of an eye issue. Yet that dream stayed in the back of his mind. Twenty years ago, a friend and certified instructor named David Jones with Sparrow Flying Club

took Mr. Belote up. His desire to learn was still there, but he continued to set it aside. It wasn't until this summer that he finally decided it was time. "I called David, and he had a plane available so we got started," he said.

Father Tony is currently going for a student pilot's license but wants to work towards a private pilot's license that would allow him to carry passengers. He couldn't charge them unless he had a commercial pilot's license. "I could accept donations, so that might help for the school or church," he said. "I'm still kind of discovering what kind of plane I'd like to fly."

Setting his sights a little lower, Mr. Belote wants to earn a sport pilot's license. He would only be able to fly a very small plane and only go up to 10,000 feet. He'd also be limited to flying just before sunrise to just after sunset. "I could only carry one passenger," he said. "It's sort of an introductory thing, but if I want to continue all of the training I'm doing will apply towards the next level which is what Father Tony is doing."



DK Sports By: Daniel Kordsmeier



The football Hogs had a very roller coaster month in October. They started off strong beating Alcorn State but then lost to #1 ranked Alabama at home. After an impressive victory against Ole Miss, the team took an embarrassing "L" to Auburn.

Thankfully, the Razorbacks had a bye week to recuperate. They needed to fix their offensive line and run-defense problems before going against Florida. The Hogs were in for a tough matchup against the top-15 ranked Gators. With the game being at home, it gave the Razorbacks a well-needed boost. On the first series of downs in the game, the Gators threw an interception that the Hogs took back for a touchdown. After that, they never looked back going on to a 31-10 win. This weekend, Arkansas will host LSU at home at 6:00pm. The Hogs could have a tough task ahead against the Tigers' talented running back, Leonard Fournette. He was shut down by Alabama, but the Razorbacks don't have a very good run defense. Our guys will be looking to make it three wins in a row against LSU in the past three years.

1908 was the last time the Chicago Cubs won a World Series. The Curse of the Goat has finally ended. The Cubbies defeated the Cleveland Indians in seven games. It was one of the most exhilarating game sevens. I believe it was destined for the Cubs to win after the first batter of the game hit a home run. The Cubs had momentum for most of the game besides a two-run home run by the Indians in bottom of the 8th to force it into extra innings. After a 30-minute rain delay, the Cubs scored two runs in the 10th to get the victory.

To put it in perspective, the last time the Cubs won TV and radio hadn't been invented yet. This is also the first time since two teams in 50+ year droughts of the title have paired up to face each other in a World Series. It was an instant classic that made for a great end to the 2015-16 MLB season.