

# The Cajetan Chronicle

## St. Cajetan Soccer: Do or Die!

By: Bridget O'Malley and Nora Doyle

Black versus Gold! All our friends are up but only one team will win. A mix of players make up these teams: first, second, third, and fourth graders. Game on... the ball goes back and forth. There are many close shots. Matt Dunleavy makes a shot from midfield, and it just tips the goalie, Liam Walsh's hands before it goes in.

During half-time, we interviewed some fans. Mrs. Coghlan, mother of Black teammates Kara and Quinn, said, "They have been doing good. They have only lost two games and have only one more to reach the championships."

Zach Fehsel, a fifth-grader and brother of Miranda, said, "The Black Team is a hard-working team and always does their best in every game."

Mrs. Dunleavy has been coaching soccer for thirteen years and this will be her last. She said that she has never won a championship yet, but is proud of the defense and thinks they might have a shot this year. Gold Team fan and parent of Sadie Reese, Mrs. Reese feels the Black and Gold Teams are both doing very well and have great defense.

Gold Team Coach, Mr. Dwyer, grandfather of Matthew Dwyer, said, "We all have great respect for each other and it was great playing the other team."

The Black Team beat the Gold 2-1 on Friday, October 22<sup>nd</sup>. On Saturday, October 23<sup>rd</sup>, the Black Team faced Keller School. The winner would go on to the championship. Unfortunately, Keller won 2-1. The Black and Gold Teams played very hard, but couldn't go all the way. Saint Cajetan is very proud of these young players. Good job!



## The Chicago Blackhawks

By: Leo Staudacher

The Blackhawks are third in the Central Division, 9<sup>th</sup> in the Western Conference, and 17<sup>th</sup> in the NHL. Compared to the past two seasons, they are not doing well. If the All Star game was today, Duncan Keith would be starting because of fan votes. In more All Star news, Jonathan Toews is second in voting for his position, which is center. There have been rumors that Corey Crawford, who is still considered a rookie, is the starting goalie. When Head Coach, Joel Quenneville was asked about it, he said that neither Crawford nor veteran Marty Turco is the starter. Also, Left wing Patrick Sharp is tied for 4<sup>th</sup> in the league for goals.

There have also been a few injuries holding the Hawks back this year. As of now, right wing Fernando Pisani is day-to-day with an upper body injury. Right wing and fan favorite Marian Hossa is out for about 2-3 weeks with a lower body injury. Injuries might have an effect on whether or not Kane and Hossa make All Stars. Hopefully, things will get better. Until then, Merry Christmas and GO HAWKS!!!

## Favorite Candy

By: Erin Hohl

We asked 193

students to choose their favorite candy. The choices were Swedish Fish, Reese's, Dots, a chocolate bar, a Baby Ruth, a Kit Kat, or other. In first place was Reese's with 48 votes. Kit Kats came in second place with 44 votes. In third place, we had "other" with 41 votes. Chocolate bars came in fourth place with 30 votes. Dots received six votes, and in last place was Baby Ruth with 4 votes. Thank you to all who voted.



## Interview with Ms. Galvin by: Emma Temple and Nora Burke

We walked into room 12, Ms. Galvin's room. We first asked, "If you could choose to teach another grade, which grade would it be?" Ms. Galvin said she would choose first grade, because it is close to kindergarten. We asked her about her favorite color, and Ms Galvin told us that it is blue. We asked her how many students she has, and she told us that she has 14. There are 8 boys and 6 girls in her room.

Miss Galvin went to Colmar Elementary School, Richard's High School, and St. Xavier University. Before coming to St. Cajetan, she taught at Colmar.

Miss Galvin grew up in Oak Lawn and still lives there. She has one dog named Molly, and drives 10 minutes to get to St. Cajetan's every day.

by: Megan Alagna



### **Favorite Movies:**

We asked the 5<sup>th</sup> grade students about their favorite movie of 2010. Here is what they said: 57% of students chose *Toy Story 3*. 9% chose *Avatar*. Other favorites included *Zombieland* and *Shrek: The Final Chapter*, which both got 6% of the vote. Sadly, the following movies only received one vote: *Twilight*, *How to Train your Dragon*, *Karate Kid*, *Easy A*, *Letters to Juliet*, *Despicable Me*, and *Ramona and Beezus*.



-Alex Lawler

### **Baseball Season Wrap-up**

by: Michael and Patrick Hollander



The baseball season has come to an end, but the World Series was definitely something to see. Representing the American League were the Texas Rangers, who won their trip to the World Series by beating the New York Yankees in six games.

The Texas Rangers then faced the San Francisco Giants, who beat the Philadelphia Phillies in six games during the NL Championship. Both teams played very well in the regular and postseason.

The Texas Rangers had never been to the World Series, but the Giants had been there and won five times already. The last time the Giants had won was in 1954.

The World Series was definitely one to watch. The San Francisco Giants beat the Texas Rangers 4 games to 1.

### **Just Jokin'**

by: Ethan Wilson and Bridget O'Malley

1. When does a mother have boys?
2. What do you carve on a robot's tombstone?
3. What did the big clock say to his shy son?
4. What kind of insects are the best builders?
5. What kind of insects are always polite?
6. Where do nuns go on vacation?



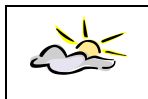
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### **Poetry Corner**

Loving Memories

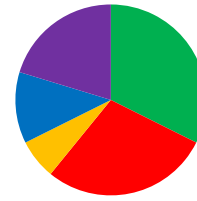
by: Erin Hohl

Today is a day  
Where things fly away  
Fly above the sky in clouds  
And space they would seek  
And in loving memories they would be.



### **Favorite Type of**

### **Music**



- Pop
- Rock
- Jazz
- Hip Hop
- Country

This pie chart represents the favorite type of music of the 4<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> graders. Pop was on top with 67 votes and rock closely following with 59 votes. An unexpected favorite was country with 42 votes. Hip Hop comes away with 25 votes and Jazz is in last with only 14 votes. Did your favorite win or did your voting come a little short.

Poll conducted and article written By: Michael Hollander



### **The Lost Hero**

Review by: Thomas Swenson and Ethan Wilson

The Lost Hero, a book by Rick Riordan, is a compelling and epic tale continuing the best-selling Percy Jackson series. It depicts the story of present day Greek gods with half mortal children known as demigods. The story also has monsters such as the centaurs and evil Cyclopes. In this series, the book has many characters reintroduced from the old books. The three main characters are Leo, son of Hephaestus, Jason, son of Zeus, and Piper, daughter of Aphrodite they embark on a quest to recover a lost God. The story starts with Piper, Leo and their teacher, Coach Hedge on a bus to the Grand Canyon. Jayson wakes up on the bus and has a big problem; he doesn't know who he is, who his friends are or why he's on the field trip.

I would recommend this book to anyone interested in Greek mythology and who read the first series. Another reason is because the some of the story takes place in our hometown, Chicago. Our final rating for this book is 5/5, for the great battle scenes and details.

### **Meet Coach Weber**

by: Patrick Hollander

I interviewed my football coach, Mr. Weber. I asked him some questions about his life in football.

Q. Where did you go to grammar school and did you play football?

A. I went to St. Daniel. I played for the Oak Forest Raiders.

Q. What position did you play?

A. I played middle linebacker.

Q. Which did you prefer, offense or defense?

A. I preferred defense.

Q. Did you win any championships?

A. Yes.

Q. How many years have you coached?

A. I've coached for 10 Years.

Q. Do you like to coach offense or defense?

A. I like to coach offense.

Q. What do you expect your players to learn?

A. To work together & to give everything you've got.

Q. Do you coach any other sports?

A. I also coach baseball.

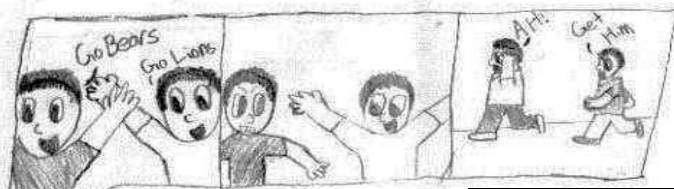
Q. Which do you like to coach better?

A. I like to coach football better.

Q. What do you think makes a good coach?

A. To give the time to teach and know the game.

I appreciated Mr. Weber's time.



by: Seamus Tolley



### Ask Alice...

Q:

Dear Alice,

I feel like I have to be in hours before my friends and I can't cross the busy street by myself. My friends don't want to hang out with me

because of this. What should I do?

A:

Well, I think you should ask permission to cross the busy street. Explain that you know the safety rules. You have to be responsible though. If your parents say "no", you should respect it. They're just trying to keep you safe. If your friends won't call you anymore, they were never true friends. Good Luck!

~Alice

Q:

Dear Alice,

My friends are acting like I'm invisible. What should I do?

A:

Well, have you tried speaking up? Maybe you could try calling them over sometimes. If this doesn't work, you need to tell them how you feel. Make sure you say it nicely. You could say something like this: "Guys, you're kind of ignoring me and leaving me out. If I did something wrong, please just tell me."

Whatever you end up saying, think to yourself, "Would I like it if someone was saying this to me?"

Hope everything works out,  
Alice

Q:

Dear Alice,

It seems like my friend doesn't like me anymore. It makes me feel horrible. What should I do, Alice?

A:

If it helps, ask an adult you trust to talk it out with you. If you're not hanging out or he or she isn't calling you over as much as they used to, try calling him or her over to your house. If your friend is running away or not sitting with you at lunch, you may have done something to upset her/him. Just ask!

Sincerely,  
Alice

Q:

Dear Alice,

What do you do when your friend talks about you to one of your best friends and your best friend tells you?

If your best friends are talking about you behind your back, they are not your real friends. A friend should be honest and loyal and if you are having trouble with your friends talk to them and try to work things out.

Sincerely,  
Alice

Q:

Dear Alice,

How can you get good grades but still do sports?

A:

If you want better grades, then the day you find out you have a test and or quiz, bring your book home and study. You should study every night until the test. Then you will be prepared for the quiz or test. It is also good to bring home your book for homework, especially if you are having trouble. If you want to do sports, sign up and try. If you have a game the day before a test, study before the game and after. Also, you might want to have members of your family quiz on the subject of the test.

Hope this helps,  
Alice

### Learn About Father Frank...

by: Nora Doyle and Bridget Connelly



Father Frank has been a priest here at St. Cajetan for 5 years now, but before this, he was a priest at St. Alexander Parish. He left St. Alexander's and spent a few months at St. Julie Billiart.

Before becoming a priest, Fr. Frank worked as a Certified Public Accountant at Ernst and Young. He went to college at the University of Illinois in Champaign. Father attended Mt. Carmel High School and St. Salomea and St. Victor Elementary School. He was not an altar server when he was in school.

When he was a kid, Fr. Frank had a Labrador Retriever named Reggie. His birthday is March 18<sup>th</sup>, the day after St. Patrick's Day. When we asked Father why he became priest, he explained that God asked him and he said "yes".

The hardest part of his job is finding enough time to finish everything he needs to do and always having to rearrange his schedule. The easiest part is that each day is different and nothing is boring. Father said that being a priest is the greatest job in the world, because he is able to help people get through sad times and celebrate joyful times.



### Meet Miss Cummings

by: Maggie Sullivan and Samantha Butler

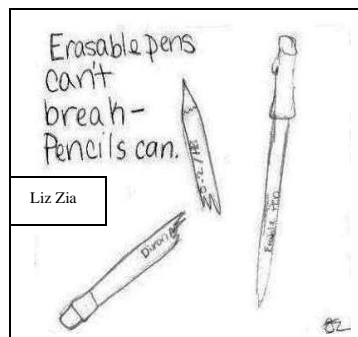
We met with Ms. Cummings in her classroom. She welcomed us with a smile and some candy. We sat down and began the interview.

Ms. Cummings went to St. Cajetan for grammar school. For high school, she went to Marist, and she went to Illinois State University for college.

While she was here at St. Cajetan, she had Mrs. Durkin in 5<sup>th</sup> grade, and Mrs. Carey in 4<sup>th</sup>. She played volleyball and basketball here too, and her favorite was volleyball. Miss Cummings was in charge of religious affairs on the student council. Her favorite thing about teaching here at St. Cajetan is being able to teach with some of the same women she had as teachers. She teaches 4<sup>th</sup> grade English and science.

In her free time, Ms. Cummings enjoys playing volleyball and reading. She said that she doesn't have as much free time as she used to. Her favorite type of music is country. She has one dog named Sandy, and 2 frogs in her classroom.

Her favorite book is The Lightning Thief, and her favorite author is Jodi Picoult. Ms. Cummings's favorite movie is "Remember the Titans". When we asked Ms. Cummings if she liked the Sox or Cubs, she gave the correct answer: The Chicago White Sox!!!



### Just Jokin'

Answers:

1. "Son"days
2. Rust in Peace
3. "Take your hands off your face!"
4. Carpenter Ants
5. Ladybugs
6. "Mass"achussetts



### Meet Ms. Kirscher

by: Leah Sheerin and Emily LePretre



We met with Ms. Kirscher to learn more about her. She is the oldest in her family and has one sibling. She went to Chippewa for grammar school.

Ms. Kirscher plays the flute, and in her free time, she gives flute lessons. She is not in any musical groups or concerts right now. Ms. Kirscher took an interest in music when she was nine years old.

Ms. Kirscher's favorite part about teaching here at St. Cajetan is seeing her students getting into music. Her goal is to save up enough money to buy a house with a music room in it. When she is not teaching, Ms. Kirscher enjoys going to White Sox games.



### Movie Review: Toy Story 2

By: Maeve Tracy, Alex Lawler and Mary Kate McKendry  
Lights, camera, toys? The toys are back and ready for action!

In this movie there are plenty of new characters including Jessie the cowgirl, Pete the prospector, and Bullseye the horse. These are all of the characters of Woody's Round Up Gang.

Woody and his friends are having loads of fun as usual, but then Andy leaves for cowboy camp! The toys are having a tough time without Andy, and even worse, Woody gets taken away! All of the toys go off on a journey to find Woody. It takes a limited amount of time until they come across various clues. Then they find out Woody is with the other original members of Woody's Round Up Gang. When they get to Woody they beg him to go back with them to Andy's house. Woody has a tuff time making up his mind because the round up gang want woody to stay with them and go on tours with them to different parts of the country, or he can go back with his friends to his caring owner Andy. When he is about to make up his mind the guy who stole Woody takes him, and puts him on a plane. Jessie and Buzz strive to get Woody off the plane, when suddenly... You will have to see the movie to find out what happens next!

We give this movie five stars \* \* \* \* \* and 2 thumbs up!



### Mrs. Carlson

Maddie Kroll, Maeve Tracy, and MaryKate McKendry interviewed Mrs. Carlson, St.Cajetan School's art teacher. We asked her a few questions. Her favorite artist is Pierre Renoir. She likes him because of his beautiful piece of artwork called "Two Sisters", which is one of her favorite pieces of artwork. She also said she taught at a different school before St. Cajetan. She taught at St. Barnabas, but instead of teaching art, she taught 1<sup>st</sup> grade.

by: Maddie Kroll, Maeve Tracy, and Mary Kate McKendry



### Meet Mrs. Dokianos

by: Bridget Reynolds & Charley Niego

Mrs. Dokianos was born in Chicago, IL, but grew up in Evergreen Park. She has two daughters, Gabrielle and Victoria, and a husband named Christopher. She wanted to become a teacher because she loves teaching kids and seeing the "light bulb" come on when they learn something new.

Mrs. Dokianos went to Northeast Elementary for grammar school, and went on to Evergreen Park High School. For college, she went to Lewis University, and majored in Elementary Education.

Being a mother is Mrs. Dokianos's favorite hobby. She has taught at Mokena Elementary school, and has wanted to be a teacher since 3<sup>rd</sup> grade.

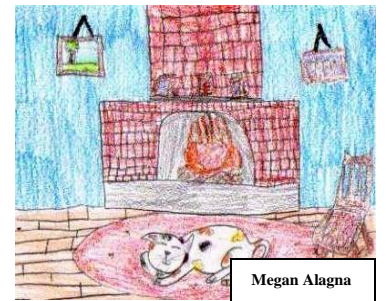
### Cajetan Football Wrap-up by: Aidan Sweeney

The boys' varsity football team ended a good season, but did not make it to the playoffs. The junior varsity team made it to the playoffs, but unfortunately, lost it in the first round. We'll get 'em next year... Go Warriors!



### NFL Report – by: Aidan Sweeney

So far, this has been a great season in the NFL. The teams to beat are the Patriots, Bears, and Eagles. The playoffs are right around the corner, and I predict that the Patriots will take it all in the AFC, and it looks like the Eagles will take it all in the NFC. Other teams that might have a shot include the Chicago Bears, Atlanta Falcons, or New Orleans Saints. I'm a Patriots fan, but Ms. Waterous says, "GO BEARS!!!"



Megan Alagna



### Mrs. Reger

by: Aileen Bahr and Lyra Hernandez-Lyons

We interviewed Mrs. Reger in her office. We began by asking her what students should do if they want to start a new club. Mrs. Reger said that they should come to ask her about it. Then, they can research it and look for volunteers.

We also asked Mrs. Reger about going to the students' games. She said that she will always go if she has been informed or has a schedule. She says that she doesn't always get the schedules, but always goes to the homecoming games.

Mrs. Reger went to St. Thomas Moore for grammar school. Her favorite subject is math. Before she came to St. Cajetan, Mrs. Reger worked at Holmes School, Holy Ghost, and St. Michael.

Mrs. Reger enjoys being a principal. She enjoys working with the students, staff and priests. She loves coming to school every day.

### St. Cajetan Girls' Basketball

By Bridie Carroll, Katie Bradford, and Grace Stinites

The girls had a great basketball season. The 4<sup>th</sup> grade teams faced each other in the championship, and won first and second place. The 5<sup>th</sup> grade black team came in 2<sup>nd</sup> place in their championship. The 5<sup>th</sup> grade gold, 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, and 8<sup>th</sup> grade teams all played well too. We are so proud of all of you!

We had a chance to talk to Mrs. Jahn, the basketball coordinator. She said that she was proud of how well the girls were playing. We also talked to her about the work she does as coordinator. Mrs. Jahn explained that she has to schedule games and practices, find scorekeepers, and order the jerseys. Mrs. Jahn also said that there were 90 girls playing basketball for St. Cajetan.

We had a chance to interview a few 4<sup>th</sup> graders about the sport. Annie Stinites, Abby Svilar, and Clare Graney-Dolan all said that they love basketball and look forward to playing in 5<sup>th</sup> grade. We'll see you next year!!!

