# The Cajetan Chronicle

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#### The One, The Only, Mrs. Carey!

By: Mackenzie Zions & Annie Stinites

Q: Which 4<sup>th</sup> grade class did you like better, our class (current 5<sup>th</sup> grade), or your class from last year?

A: I like both of them equally.

Q: What's the best thing that has ever happened to you at St. Cajetan?

A: One of my favorite memories is when I won the teacher turkey contest.

Q: How long have you been teaching at St. Cajetan?

A: I have been teaching here at St. Cajetan for 16 years.

Q: What is your favorite project that you assign for your students?

A: The Wax Museum is always my favorite.

Q: How much longer do you think you'll teach at St. Cajetan?

A: I'm going to stay until they kick me out!

Q: Do you have any kids? If so, how many do you have?

A: I have 2 boys.

Q: How old are they?

A: My sons are 26 and 28 years old.

Q: Do you live close to St. Cajetan?

A: Yes, I live near St. John Fisher.

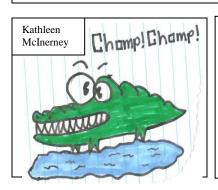
Q: How has it been since Ms. Cummings left?

A: I was sad because Ms. Cummings was a very good friend, but I am excited to teach with a new partner.

Q: How is Ms. Harrigan doing at her job?

A: Ms. Harrigan is very good at her job.

We thanked Mrs. Carey for her time. She is a great teacher!







# **Interview with Ms. Hughes**

by: Nora Doyle

Ms. Hughes wanted to be a teacher ever since she was little. "I love languages and I think Spanish is a fun language to learn", says Ms. Hughes.

As a Wisconsin native, Ms. Hughes went to Horizon Middle School.

Then she went to Spain to study abroad.

Senorita, as we call her, teaches at St. Walter's on Monday, IJP on Tuesdays and Thursdays, and here at St. Cajetan on Friday. If Senorita could have another job, it would be a guidance counselor.

Ms. Hughes's favorite color is pink. Her favorite number is 12. She likes hip-hop better than country music. Ms. Hughes also likes Adele better than Lady Gaga. Aside from Spanish, her favorite subject is math. She loves the Twilight series. Senorita would love to meet Robert Patterson. She likes the Dave Matthews Band. She would rather have no school than have a pajama day. She has a dog, but she would like to have a cat.

Ms. Hughes teaches 6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> grade here.



#### The Chicago Blackhawks

By: Leo Staudacher and Patrick McGann

You may remember when the Blackhawks went to the Stanley Cup Finals. We saw players like Byfluglien, Versteeg, and Niemi, but when you watch a game now, you wonder, "Where did those guys go?" Here's your guide to all the new Blackhawks. First, there is a tough guy: Dan Carcillo. You may remember him from when the Hawks were in the finals. He crashed into his own teammate. He wears number 13. Next is goalie Ray Emery. You may have heard of his "tough guy" reputation, but this hear he seems to have calmed down. He wears number 30.

Next is young guy Ben Smith. He will be up and down from the Rockford Icehogs all season, but you may remember him sending the Hawks and Canucks into a game seven with his heroic over time goal. He wears number 28.

Our next new player is a young guy you will see coming up and down. His name is Andrew Shaw. You will hear about his big goals. He is number 65. Next is Jimmy Hayes. You will hear him coming up and down as well. You will also hear him compared to Dustin Byfuglien. He is number 39.

The goalie situation is uncertain as usual, but Crawford has been getting more starts recently. In other news, captain Jonathan Toews was involved in a minor car crash when he crashed his car into an EL line pole. HE was not hurt but his car was damaged.

Playoff-wise, the Hawks are in the mix of things. So until the next time, Go HAWKS!!!



# Fun Fair Recap

by: Nora Doyle and Bridget O'Malley

The Fun Fair presented many opportunities to enjoy yourself for about 30 minutes. You could win a fish like we did, you could win cupcakes in the game "Cupcake Walk", you could play musical chairs, lacrosse, hockey, mini-golf, knock-o-can, basketball, dress up, face paints, you could get your fortune read, and you could even place paper lips on a picture of Justin Beiber! If we had to rate this year's fair, we would give it a 4-and-a-half out of 5 stars. It was really fun, but we wish it had more games. Other than that, we had a blast! Thank you, 8<sup>th</sup>, graders, and great job!!! We will miss you next year!



### Movie Review: "Miracle"

by Patrick McGann and Leo Staudacher

It was 1980 and the United States and the Soviet Union were in the middle of the Cold War. Nobody thought it would be settled by a hockey game. We reviewed the movie Miracle, which was based on a true story. It stars Kurt Russell as head coach Herb Brooks, Eddie Cahill as goaltender Jim Craig, Patrick O'Brien Dempsey as captain Mike Eruzione, and Michael Mantenuto as defenseman Jack O'Callahan. There are many plots. One is the Americans trying to beat the Soviets, who are the best hockey team in the world.

Another plot is Brooks trying to win a gold medal after he was cut from the 1960 gold medal-winning team. Craig is also trying to fulfill his deceased mother's dream of having her son win a gold medal. The last part of the story is that O'Callahan is trying to recover from a knee injury.

Brooks was a serious coach who would not take it easy on his team. USA wasn't expected to win a medal since their hockey program hadn't been so good in previous years. The real Brooks never saw the finished movie; he lived it.

The movie ends with the young American squd in the gold medal game qualifier, tied with the Soviets. The score is 3-3. Mike Eruzione winds up for a shot. He shoots, he...

Watch the movie to see what happens next!

# 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Girls'Volleyball

By: Jane Pienta, Mackenzie Zions, Abby Svilar, and Annie Stinites On Thursday, February 16<sup>th</sup>, St. Cajetan Black faced St. Cajetan Gold in a hard, suspenseful volleyball game. On the Black team is Kathleen McInerney, Jane Pienta, Jane Mikula, Bridget Ryan, Emma Hennessy, Cecelia Schickel, Annie Stinites, Sadie Reese, Delaney Dorsch, and Abby Svilar. Black lost, but only by 1 and 2 point differences.

The Gold team won. Their members are Elizabeth Carroll, Gina Mayer, Erica Hollander, Moira Staudacher, Clare Graney-Dolan, Mackenzie Zions, Samantha Sullivan, Abigail Joiner, and Gracie Oswald. The Gold team played super tough and won the first game 25-24, and won the second game 25-23. We think both teams did a nice job and we wish both teams good luck!

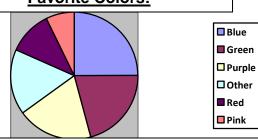
# <u>Poetry Corner</u>

# Volleyball

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A limerick by: Clare Graney-Dolan Volleyball is a fun game to play With hitting, passing, and teamwork all day!

#### **Favorite Colors:**



This pie chart represents the students' favorite colors. Blue was on top with 56 votes. In 2<sup>nd</sup> place, we have green with 46 votes. In third, purple received 43 votes. In 4<sup>th</sup> place, "other" received 37 votes. Red came in 5<sup>th</sup> place with 25 votes, and in last, pink brought in 16 votes.

Poll conducted by: Samantha Sullivan, Sadie Reese, and Delaney Dorsch

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#### **The Hunger Games**

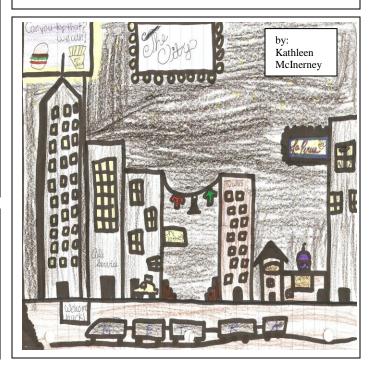
Review by: Moira Staudacher and Bridget Ryan

The Hunger Games, a book by Suzanne Collins, is an epic thriller about a girl named Katniss and a boy named Peeta who have to face each other and 22 other tributes in the Hunger Games. The Hunger Games is a fight to the death in a dangerous arena. It's a book filled with action, adventure, and romance. If we had to rate this book in stars, 5 wouldn't be enough.

#### Just Jokin' by: Bridget O'Malley

- 1. Why did the cat sit on the computer?
- 2. What job does Dracula have on the Transylvanian baseball team?
- 3. Where do football players go to dance?
- 4. What do you say to start a race for dolls?
- 5. Why didn't the dog want to play football? (answers on next page)





#### **Favorite Specials – By: Emma Hennessy**

I conducted a survey on the students' favorite special classes. I included music, art, computers, library, and gym. I asked 3 students from each grade, from kindergarten through 6<sup>th</sup> grade.

The winner was gym, with 13 votes!!! Congratulations to Mrs. Lippert!

#### **Favorite Book Series**

By: Gracie Oswald & Erica Hollander

We asked 4th-8th grade students to choose their favorite book series. Out of 169 votes, Hunger Games came in 1st place with 75 votes. In 2nd place, Others received 34 votes. Harry Potter came in 3rd with 27 votes, Percy Jackson came in at 4th with 15 votes, Twilight took 5th place with 11 votes, and A Series of Unfortunate Events came in 6th place with 7 votes.



Need some advice? Look for the "Ask Amanda" boxes around the upper grade center. Write your question and leave it in the box. Look for the answer to your question in the next newspaper! ©



# **Extremely Loud and Incredibly Close A Movie Review By: Grace Stinites**

This movie is about a boy named Oskar Schell reminiscing about his father's death and finding the lock to a key he found. The movie takes place in New York in 2001 and 2002.

Tom Hanks, who plays Oskar's dad, Thomas Schell, dies in the tragic 9/11 event. 9 year old Oskar finds a key in his dad's closet a year later. The key was in a mysterious envelope with the name "Black" on it. Knowing it could lead to something about his dad, he begins an expedition to find the lock it fits. This also continues a game Oskar and his father played, "Reconnaissance Expedition." In this game Oskar gets a set of clues and has to figure out the puzzle. Have you heard about the 5 boroughs of New York? If you haven't, the definition of a borough is a decision-making area. New York has 5 of these boroughs, Manhattan, The Bronx, Brooklyn, Queens, and Staten Island. There has always been rumored that there was a 6th borough. Oskar was asked "Was there a 6th borough of New York?" As Oskar looks for the answer, he asks everybody in New York with the last name "Black" about the key and if they knew his father. Oskar becomes practically obsessed with finding the lock. Along with those teething troubles he sees a strange man, "The Renter" renting out a room in his grandma's apartment. Oskar soon finds out the man doesn't talk.

This film was based on the 2005 novel "Extremely Loud and Incredibly Close" by Jonathan Safran Foer. This movie is nominated for Best Picture in the Academy Awards this year.

Do you think Oskar will find the lock? Will he find the 6<sup>th</sup> borough? Who is "The Renter?" I give this movie 4 stars and recommend you go see it!

#### Father Phillip... The Real Story

by: Bridget O'Malley and Grace Stinites



We asked Father Phillip a few questions to learn about the real Fr. Phillip. Father Phil went to St. Luke Elementary School, Fenwick High School, and St. Joseph Seminary at Loyola University. He is 6 feet, 1 inch tall and listens to classical music. Father knew that he wanted to be a priest at the age of 20. Before he wanted to be a priest, Father Phillip wanted to be a racecar driver or an architect.

He was first assigned to St. Cajetan before any other school. Fr. Phil says it is fun to be a priest and he feels happy and fulfilled. He is 26 years old and likes the color red. In 10 years, Fr. Phil sees himself as a priest at a different parish. If he could go to any other parish, he would want to go to St. Stanislaus.

Father Phil said that we can improve our parish by going to mass, so go to mass! He also said we are very good at comforting the sorrowful people and teaching people to pray.



#### Meet Mrs. Grella

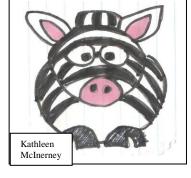
by: Samantha Sullivan, Sadie Reese, & Delaney Dorsch

As you know, Mrs. Grella moved up to third grade this year. We interviewed her. Mrs. Grella likes to teach both grades (1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup>). The best thing that happened to her at St. Cajetan was when she started teaching here. She has been at St. Cajetan for 6 years. She said first grade was easier to teach, but only because she taught it longer, and 3<sup>rd</sup> grade is brand new. We asked her if she taught at any other schools, but she hasn't.

We asked Mrs. Grella about her childhood. She grew up in Mt. Greenwood. She went to St. Christina for grammar school, Mother McAuley for high school, and St. Xavier for college. After St. Xavier, Mrs. Grella went to Governor's State to get her Master's Degree. Mrs. Grella has two brothers.

Mrs. Grella recently had a baby. She named her baby Sara Marie Grella because sheliked the name Sara, and Marie is her mom's middle name. Mrs. Grella also said that she really missed her students while she was out taking care of her new baby.

Mrs. Grella is a great teacher, and many agree that we are lucky to have such a great teacher here!



#### Just Jokin'

#### Answers:

- 1. To keep an eye on the mouse
- 2. Bat boy
- 3. A foot "ball"
- 4. Ready, teddy, go!
- 5. He was a boxer

### Meet Ms. Harrigan



by: Matt Mier and Ethan Oliver



We interviewed the new 4<sup>th</sup> grade teacher, Ms. Harrigan:

- Q: Where did you go to grammar school, high school and college?
- A: St. Linus, Mother McAuley, and St. Abrose
- Q: How do you like St. Cajetan so far?
- A: I love my class and the staff is so nice and helpful.
- Q: What is your favorite color?
- A: Light Blue
- Q: What is your favorite type of music and favorite song?
- A: Adele is my favorite singer & "Someone Like You" is my favorite song.
- Q: What is your favorite food?
- A: Italian
- Q: What is your favorite show?
- A: American Idol
- Q: What is your favorite sport and team?
- A: Basketball is the best sport & the Bulls are the best team!
- Q: What is your favorite type of animal, and do you have a pet?
- A: I like dogs. I have one dog, a boxer named Gracie.
- Q: What are your hobbies?
- A: I like to work out.
- Q: What inspired you to become a teacher?
- A: I loved my teachers at St. Linus. Also, my mom is a teacher. Thanks for the interview, Ms. Harrigan!

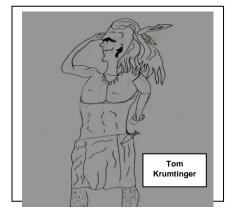
#### Mrs. Meno by: Chris Neary



I interviewed Mrs. Meno:

- Q: Which do you like better, art or library?
- A: I like library.
- Q: Why?
- A: I love reading stories to the little kids and seeing them look at the older kids taking tests.
- Q: Which subject is easier to teach?
- A: Library.
- Q: Why?
- A: There is a lot more to art than drawing.
- Q How long have you been working here?
- A: I have been here at St. Cajetan for 19 years.
- Q: Did you enjoy teaching two classes (library and art)?
- A: Yes, because it was a nice change.
- Q: Do you have any hobbies?
- A: I like shopping and traveling.
- Q: What is your favorite kind of book?
- A: I like mysteries.
- Q: What is your favorite book?
- A: It changes all the time.

Thanks for the interview, Mrs. Meno! ©







#### Movie Review: "The Woman in Black"

Bv: Jane Mikula

This movie is about a man they call Mr. Kipps. He goes through history of previous owners. He goes to a village and goes to this house that people say is haunted. When he is working, he hears mysterious noises upstairs. When he goes upstairs, he sees the woman in black.

When Mr. Kipps goes into town, bad things begin happening. Mr. Kipps then has to work with a man he met on the train. They work together to figure out why the woman in black possesses kids. If you like scary movies, check this one out to find out what happens next.

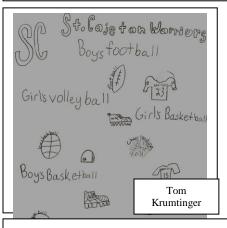
This scary movie makes you feel grateful for the family you have!

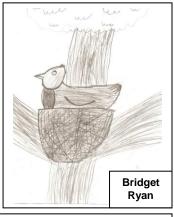
#### 4<sup>th</sup> Grade Boys' Basketball



By: Jake Johnson

Fourth grade boys' basketball recently played in the consolation championship. Unfortunately, they lost to Barnabas by one point. They had a great season, expecially in their game on February 26. It was a tie game, and #32 Sean Corbett made a last-second-buzzer-beater to win the game and move up on the consolation bracket. This year's 4<sup>th</sup> grade boys' basketball team was: Ben Johnson, Brett Panick, Jack Morgan, Liam Schickel, Chris McDevitt, Sean Corbett, Matt Dwyer, Charlie Scanlan, Rory Dennehy, Robert Sheerin, Danny Winstead, Michael Morris, and Shea Kosyla.





#### Meet Mr. Martin!

by: Abby Svilar, Jane Pienta, and Kathleen McInerney Mr. Martin walked into the room with the biggest smile on his face. We said, "Give us all the answers." Here is the inside story of our amazing janitor Mr. Martin!

He grew up in Mexico City, Mexico. He has 13 siblings. His favorite food is Mexican food and Chinese food. Mr. Martin has been working at St. Cajetan for 15 years! He's a friend to everyone in St. Cajetan, from the kids to the teachers. He can speak Spanish and English, but wants to learn how to speak French.

Mr. Martin loves being at St. Cajetan School. Before he came to St. Cajetan, he worked at St. Barnabas. His favorite sport is soccer. Wheel of Fortune and the news are his favorite shows. Every weekend, he goes to his sister's restaurant. His favorite color is blue. He had a Yorkie dog, but someone stole it. He described it as small and fluffy.

In conclusion, Mr. Martin is a great person, has an interesting life story, and good taste in dogs. He is the best janitor any school could have. It was great interviewing him. We hope you now know a little bit more about Mr. Martin. Thank you, Mr. Martin!