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James Whitcomb Riley High School

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Next year: If you skip you fail

New policy to put an end to extreme absences

MELISSA LODOEN
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

Skippping will soon be a thing of the past under the new policy: If you skip you fail.

This 'attendance redemption' policy will be put into effect at the beginning of next year.

"We have a number of students who miss school too much under the old attendance policy, because the consequences were not great enough. We believe that this new program will encourage the students to come to school at least 90 percent of the time and get at least a 60 percent on all of their work," said George McCullough, principal.

"Our students' attendance is out of control and it has been for years that is why a committee of teachers and administrators put this together," said Sandy Hojnacki, member of the committee.

Making sure that a student is in school is what this program is designed to do. Each student is allowed to accumulate nine absences per class per semester. Any

absence after that will have to be made up after school.

"We have teachers who have volunteered to stay after school from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. with the student so they can make up their work," said McCullough.

If classes aren't made up, then the students will receive an "N" for the semester.

"We hope that this will eliminate much of our absences," said McCullough.

There will be no more students assigned to CORE (in school suspension) for truancy but there will still be CORE for behavior problems. If you are placed in CORE for behavior, then that counts as an absence.

Credit redemption is done through the teachers. The only excused absences are school-sponsored activities and religious holidays, hospital stays, and prearranged absences. In these cases the students need to get the assignments beforehand.

Non-school sponsored activities such as illnesses, funerals, truancies, lookouts, court appearances, will still count as an absence that will need to be made up.

"The teacher of the class that the student has missed more than nine times has the option of sending them to make up the time after school. The teacher can just give them the homework missed and not send them to the after school make up time," said McCullough.

Attendance redemption will start the third full week of school each semester and will continue, through finals.

Students will be able to come make up the time after school Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays.

"Students have until the end each semester to make up their missed days," said McCullough.

A committee of faculty and staff has been working on this policy for three years and the absence procedure has been finalized.

The attendance procedure also gets the parents involved in their students' absences.

Once a student reaches the fifth absence, the parent/guardian will be informed of the student's status. The teacher will notify the parents by mail and attempt to notify them over the phone. When the student has his or her tenth absence the parents will be notified again.

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Sandy Hojnacki / Teacher

to school. But if they are not coming to school we feel that their parents should know that they weren't there. We know that parents really can't do anything at this age with teenagers, because even if they take them to school the student can still find away to leave school," said Hojnacki.

There is a waiver committee set up to deal with those extraordinary circumstances of missing class.

"The waiver committee is designed to listen to the cases of the students who feel that they had a legitimate reason for missing class that tenth time. It doesn't matter what the

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Legitimate Excuses

- Field Trips
- Extra and Co-curricular sponsored activities
- Hospitalization
- Religious Holidays
- CORE

(CORE is in this category because students are assigned to CORE for behavior violations)

Plan on after school

- Illness
- Funerals (with exceptions)
- Truancies
- Lockouts
- Court Appearances

Students is referred to the Attendance Redemption Program that will be in place after school. Teachers have the option to handle attendance redemption for their own students.

CLOSED LUNCH UPDATE

Area businesses consider serving

MARCIA FURRY
STAFF REPORTER

Changing the environment and increasing security could make closed lunches better for the students.

According to George McCullough, principal, changing the environment is the best thing that can be done.

"I want to make our lunch room look more like *Steak-N-Shake*. If it looked like a restaurant, *Taco Bell* said that they would definitely serve at Riley, because not only are closed lunches going to hurt the students, but it is also going to hurt the food chains," he said.

"We are definitely going to have a loss," said Dunn. "It'll probably be somewhere between 20 to 25 percent of our earning everyday."

The cost of closing lunches, according to Jan Putz,

director of curriculum, will be around \$30,000, this cost includes equipment for cooking and renovations.

Security is another concern among the students. From now until the time in which school lunches will be closed (fall of 1996) more lunchroom attendants will be hired, video cameras may be installed to keep an eye on many doorways and halls that are hidden, and everything else that will insure that every single student at Riley is safe.

"If we hire the right people who know how to deal with today's teenagers, then I don't think we will have any problems at all. Many adults just need to listen to teenagers and parents

today," said McCullough.

"I don't think that we need to install any more security until problems start to arise," said McCullough. "When I walk down the halls every day, I see many students who act like young adults. That kind of behavior makes me very proud to be principal at Riley High School."

McCullough's solution



to the problem is: prevent it before it starts.

"All I think we need to do to stop and prevent the problems in the cafeteria is to just sit down with teachers, faculty, students and new staff, and discuss our expectations," said McCullough. "All we need is a little organization to bring everyone and everything together."

"If everyone would take time to get input from student, parents, and staff," said Putz. "We wouldn't have to worry about everything so much. When everyone works together more things come out better."

Already there is a problem with the slow movement within the lunch lines and too many people. What will it be like when lunches become closed for good?

"The lunch room is too small and it takes

CONTINUED LUNCHES P8/FLIP

City steps into attendance problems

MELISSA HEDMAN
GUEST REPORTER

The problem of truancy in elementary and middle schools may soon be a thing of the past.

Judge Peter Nemeth has a new policy in his court. From now on, if a student ends up in court for truancy, he or she will have two choices: go to school—or go to *Parkview Detention Center*.

Nemeth is installing this new policy in his courtroom in hopes that kids will decide to attend school instead of going to *Parkview*.

The South Bend Community School Corporation's truancy policy for high schools will remain unchanged. If a student skips school, or has an unexcused absence, then he or she will spend time in *CORE (Continuing Opportunity to Revitalize Education)*, which is also known as in-school suspension.

According to Todd Kelly, social worker for the SBCSC, anytime that a student is suspected of being truant, the school determines the reason for absence.

"If it occurs repeatedly, a report is filed with *Parkview*," he said.

After the report has been reviewed, it is usually sent to the court system. The student may then be called in to the court for sentencing.

A compliant student may return to school with little problem, but if the student refuses to return to school, he or she will be sent to *Parkview*.

Riley will continue to function under its current policy,

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check it out

✓ HONORS SCHOLARSHIP

If your SAT score is above 1300 or your ACT score is 30 or above you may be eligible for a \$1,500 renewable scholarship. To find out more information contact your guidance counselor.

✓ SCHOLARSHIP GRANT

Donovan scholarships for adopted students offers \$500 grants for college, tech school tuition assistance. See your counselor for an application and qualification rules. Deadline to apply is March 30, 1995.

✓ MINORITY PROGRAM

If you are an African-American or Hispanic student and wish to become a teacher or want to pursue a special education teaching or occupational physical therapy certification, you may be eligible for a: minority teacher and special education services scholarship program.

For more information call (317) 232-2350 or write to State Student Assistance Commission of Indiana, 150 W. Market Street, Suite 500, Indianapolis, IN.

✓ NURSING PROGRAM

If you are interested in pursuing a degree in nursing then you can pick up a scholarship application from your counselor.

✓ EXCHANGE STUDENTS

Host an exchange student or become one. Discover amazing things about other people of the world. Find out how close the other side really is. Contact your guidance counselor for information.

✓ CAMP MILLHOUSE

Join the Counselors-In-Training Program, a summer camp in South Bend for disabled children and adults. June 12-16 is the orientation; June 18-August 12 is the camp. One week sessions with free room, board, t-shirts, and insurance are available. Lodging is in cabins, Olympic-size swimming pool. Assist counselors with camper's activities and daily needs. Contact: Camp Millhouse, Inc. office at (219) 233-2202, 3702 West Sample, S.B., IN 46619.

✓ MANCHESTER COLLEGE

Saturday April 22, 1995, is the next chance to visit Manchester College. Space is limited, so call 1-800-852-3648 to reserve your place.

✓ WORKFORCE

Workforce development would like to announce the opportunity for students to earn extra money. TEEN: 2000 the Summer Youth Program is now accepting applications for summer jobs. Join for the extra cash you want and to learn new skills employers want you to have. For more information please pick up a flyer located at the guidance office counter.

TREES participates in Earth Day '95

AUBREY EVANS
ADVANCED REPORTER

*"The Time has come to love our earth
She is our home
She gave us birth..."*

The Time has Come, is the theme of this year's 25th Earth Day, on April 22. It was created to educate people on the importance of the environment.

Riley has its own way of contributing. TREES, Riley's Environmental Education Society will be participating at the Earth Day festival this year. Their display will be at Howard Park along with many other things to do and see. This event will take place on April 22, from 10 a.m.-5 p.m.

Lisa Hintz, senior and active member of TREES, said "We are going to have displays set up for children. It is important to start educating children, so they can learn at early age how important our earth is."

At the TREES display Riley students will be teaching visitors how to make sundials out of everyday items you have around the house.

At the Earth Fest there will be many things to do and to see. The Audobon Bird Society will be there, local bands, wood sculptors, and more this will take place. For more information contact Diana Mendelson at 233-3200.

20 million people celebrated the first Earth Day in 1970, and this year 200 million people are celebrating it's 25th anniversary.

Because of the awareness created by Earth Day, the environmental protection Agency (EPA) was founded, and so was the Clean Air and Water Act.

Earth Day

April 15

Scottsdale Mall
Earth Fest
10-5 p.m.
No Admission

April 24

Coveleski Stadium
Earth Night
Free Tickets
at Earth Fest

April 20

Stephan Center
Earth Concert
3 p.m.
3.00 Admission

April 28

Potawatomi Zoo
Pennies for Penguins
10 a.m.
1.50 Admission



April 22 is Earth Day!

Howard Park 10-5p.m. No Admission
Recycling Center, Tree Planting, River Clean-Up

WHERE TO GO/ These are the sites where you can go to during the days around Earth Day. There were many days planned around Earth Day so that if you can not make it for the official Earth Day on April 22 there are other ways that you can show your concern for Earth.

Carr, an environmentalist that cares



NICK CHAMBERLAIN

TAKE OUT THE TRASH/ senior Derek Carr takes the empty trash cans back to their spots in the hall ways. He and the other members of TREES have just emptied and cleaned the cans out of these trash cans.

MARIAH COVEY
GUEST REPORTER

Environmentalists are born not just made. Senior Derek Carr fits the example.

Carr, president of the Riley Environmental Education Society (TREES), always has shown a love for nature.

"He loves to look at the stars, sometimes we will just sit outside and look at the stars

and make up the constellations. Also he likes to go camping and take walks in the woods. When he walks in the woods he gives a lot of attention to the trees," said Keith Aichele, senior.

However, he stumbled upon the club and never dreamed he could become president.

"I was getting ready to leave and Jennifer Nelson seniorsaid, 'Whydon't you just come with me - your walking home anyway.' Because I am interested in the environment, I went," said Carr. He went and he was hooked, on to being in TREES.

The members feel that leadership is

his strength.

"He's a leader. He's easy to get along with like all good leaders need to be. He also has goals and plans that he always follows through with," said Matt Andrysiak, senior.

He also has a great sense of humor. "We have to listen to him or he will threaten to sing to us (the TREES members). One time at a meeting he threatened us with this and we all listened to him," said

Nick Chamberlain, junior TREES member.

Being president of TREES has improved his public speaking and his confidence.

He describes himself as a "great guy but getting better" and many people who know him are impressed with his intelligence and academic ability.

According to John Wibbens, TREES sponsor, Carr has a vocabulary which can 'intimidate' others.

Carr gets very good grades and contributes to the class and he is always attentive. He is a superior, studious, and a topnotch student," said Wibbens.

"He knows all the answers," said Jamiison Clark, junior.

Unlike his study habits, Carr's personality is anything but serious. According to Andrysiak, he is even tempered, bizarre, and dynamic.

Carr has been known to do some strange things. His friends, junior; Jameson Clark and Andrysiak, feel that the craziest or strangest thing he has ever done was to stand up in the cafeteria and yelled, "They all have noses!"

"Carr's most annoying habit is the way he's always making noise with his hands, snapping his fingers. The thing that people like best about him is he is an extremely nice guy. It is very difficult not to get along with him," said Andrysiak.

The thing he likes best about Riley is the spirit, and history.

"I am not just talking about school pride. Whenever you smell the must or see a cockroach, you feel the history of the building," said Carr.

And that is spoken like a true environmentalist.

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Come and pray with us

ELIZABETH KEIM
GUEST REPORTER

Students can pray, reflect, and worship by joining the school's prayer group, or the newly formed bible study group.

The focus of the groups is different, prayer group members join in one circle. The floor is opened for prayer request, and many pray out loud.

A typical prayer group usually begins immediately after school when students filter in to the room to socialize. The group then joins together in one circle. The floor is then opened up for prayer request and anyone who wishes to pray out loud does.

Next the group breaks into smaller groups of four or five people each to pray for individual needs. The group ends each meeting with prayer.

Bible meetings begin the same way as prayer meetings.

"I usually start by asking social questions such as 'how was your school day?' and so on," said Jonathan Williams, student leader.

The bible group reads and studies from a book, called *Book of Hope* that is a combination of the four gospels of the Bible: *Matthew, Mark, Luke, John*. Each student is given a free book. Worksheets that correspond to the book are also used.

"We stop and discuss how it applies to our life and how it deals with school directly," said Williams.

"I'm not sure of the exact number, but the last two years' numbers were low and

meetings were few," said Ed Faulhaber, math teacher, who holds meetings in his classroom.

"I just monitor the meetings. It's their prayer group. They determine what the group does," said Faulhaber.

"Last year I attended the prayer group, but it was not very big nor very organized," said Angie Jones, sophomore.

Many of those who attend are involved in activities at their church, such as choir and youth leadership.

Both groups are open to people of all religions.

"There is no special membership for our group. Everyone is welcome," said Williams.

Many feel these groups are a great idea.

"I think that both these groups are a good idea. Everybody needs prayer and I support it 100 percent," said George McCullough, principal.

"The group is stressing principles which are definitely needed in teen's lives. Students can feel comfortable talking

about *Jesus* with people their own age," said Williams.

"Overall, everyone is helped. They see that people their own age aren't afraid to stand up for their beliefs,"

"I feel that we need to bring the word of *God* into our school because that's what gets us through our daily life."

Michelle Yates / Senior

he said.

Is it legal to have prayer in school?

"It is completely legal to have prayer group before or after school. However, it may not take place during instructional time," said McCullough, principal.

"I feel that we need to bring the word of *God* into our schools because that's what we are based on and that's what gets us



ERICA COSTELLO

I WANNA HOLD YOUR HAND/ Prayer group members, (left to right) sophomore; Grace Roach, juniors; Jennifer Negron, Jennifer Zeak, senior; Sarah Martinbow heads, hold hands and pray for each other.

through our daily life," said Michelle Yates, senior.

These groups are also a great way to meet new people.

"I love being in this group because I have found so many good *Christian*

friends that will help me in my daily walk with *Jesus*," said Jones.

Both groups also has a respect for confidentiality.

"When we continue to share about each other we become close friends. Through friendship there comes confidentiality and trust. A lot of times people don't go into detail about their problems. *God* knows their problem. We don't necessarily need to know it," said Jennifer Hicks, junior.

"I feel that I can talk to pretty much anybody and know it will be kept confidential," said Yates.

Nick Kovach, freshman, said that he likes this group because it's fun to have fellowship with other people.

"I feel it's the only time during school when I can rely on my close *Christian* friends who know what I struggle with," said Yates.

The group is now at a steady number of about 15 and is open to all students. Faulhaber expects this group to grow to about 30 through word of mouth.

The Bible study meets Tuesday after school, and the prayer group meets on Fridays in Faulhaber's room 213.

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George McCullough / Principal

OPINION

"My life as a Trekkie"

NICK CHAMBERLAIN
STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER



"Get a life you dork!" That is the usual response I get when someone finds out I like *Star Trek*.

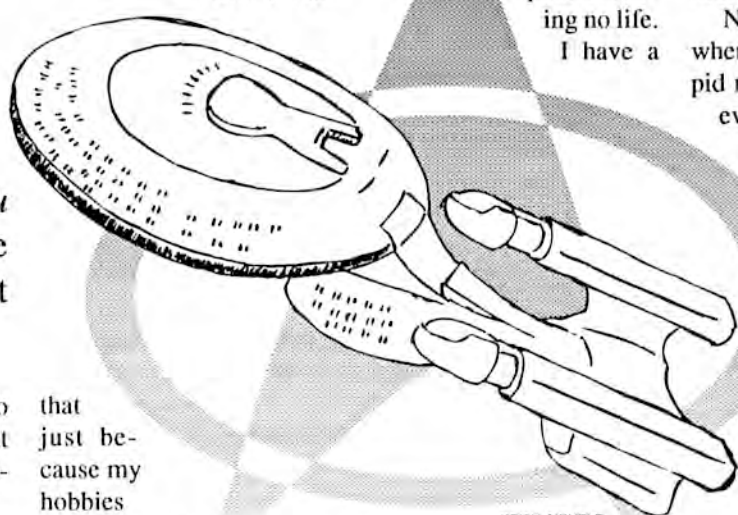
Listen up, I decided to write to tell everybody that us Trekkies, are tired of being stereotyped!

What I like is my own business. I don't need anybody reminding me that I'm different from everybody

else. Every person on this world has their own personality. Every person has his or her likes and dislikes. I don't feel

should have to be criticized.

Then there is the point of having no life. I have a



job, a car, and yes, even a girlfriend. That sounds like a life to me. Just be-

cause I and a few other people like to enjoy a man's hopeful vision of the future doesn't mean we have no life!

Nobody criticizes you when you listen to that stupid music where you can't even understand the words. I figure this, if more people actually watch *Star Trek*, they actually might like it. A few of the reasons I hear people don't like it is because they think it is nerdy, stupid or hard to understand.

Maybe if people learned more about it, they'd understand why so many people like it.

Back in 1966, a man named Gene Roddenberry saw a world where people were afraid of the future.

People were scared of nuclear weapons and chemical warfare. Americans needed a hopeful and promising future to look forward to. Thus, *Star Trek* was born. Seven movies and four series later, it is one of the most popular phenomena the world has ever known.

Trek is not just a show where people hop around blowing up things and saving the galaxy. If you watch it, you'd notice there is no racial issues, no poverty, and

no discrimination. Isn't that a world you'd like to be in?

A comedian once said the human race is cruel. That is

"I don't feel that just because my hobbies are different from everybody else's, I should have to be criticized"

Nick Chamberlain / Junior

the truth if I ever heard it. I don't care if people know who I am. All I want is for people to get to know me (or the things I like) before they start mocking me for what I like, read, or do.

TOUGH LIFE TURNS TEEN AROUND

Jail time teaches teen

COLLEEN JURKAITES
STAFF REPORTER

Lamar Taylor may look like a typical 16 year old Riley sophomore, but he has probably experienced more than most people will in their entire lives. A dramatic chain of events occurred to Taylor when as a freshman: Taylor brought a gun to school.

Taylor was expelled from school following this incident and sent to *Parkview Juvenile Detention Center* in South Bend, where he was locked up for about two weeks. He said the living conditions at *Parkview* were less than ideal.

"Due to the overcrowding at *Parkview* I had to sleep on the cold floor. The food was bad; there was always something wrong with it. In the mornings the food was especially bad because it was cold," said Taylor.

Also while at *Parkview* Taylor said he was not involved in any of

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Lamar Taylor / Sophomore

the inhouse programs, but he attended the *Center's* school. He was also assigned to a probation officer, Connie Zimmerman.

After Taylor served his time at *Parkview* he was released and put on house arrest (an electronic monitoring system). Taylor broke house arrest six times. Following the first five violations he would be sent back to *Parkview* for a few days of punishment.

The sixth violation, however, landed Taylor in Plainsfield, Indiana at the *Boys' School* there. Taylor attended a two week orientation at Plainsfield. At the end of the orientation he was transferred to *Cass County Maximum Security* for a time period of about three months and two weeks. According to Taylor, *Cass County* was one of the worst places he had ever been to.

"*Cass County* was a very violent place. There were fights every few minutes," said Taylor.

After *Cass County*, Taylor was sent to a decreased security center for three weeks in Laporte, which has now been turned into a boot camp.

Then Taylor was transferred to another *Juvenile Center* in South Bend for three months. This facility was of very low security and allowed Taylor to attend LaSalle High School and also to get an after school job.

Finally after spending all this time at different facilities around the state of Indiana, Taylor was allowed to return to his home, but he is still on parole. Every day for the next few weeks after attending classes. Taylor goes to a *Juvenile Center* in Roseland from about 3:20 p.m. or 3:30 p.m. until about 9:00 p.m.

While there he can participate in family meetings, community activities, or study time. Taylor says he will probably try and find a job around his home.

According to Taylor the adjustment back to Riley was a big change.

"It was a big adjustment. The teachers are trying to help me out. They

aren't against me.

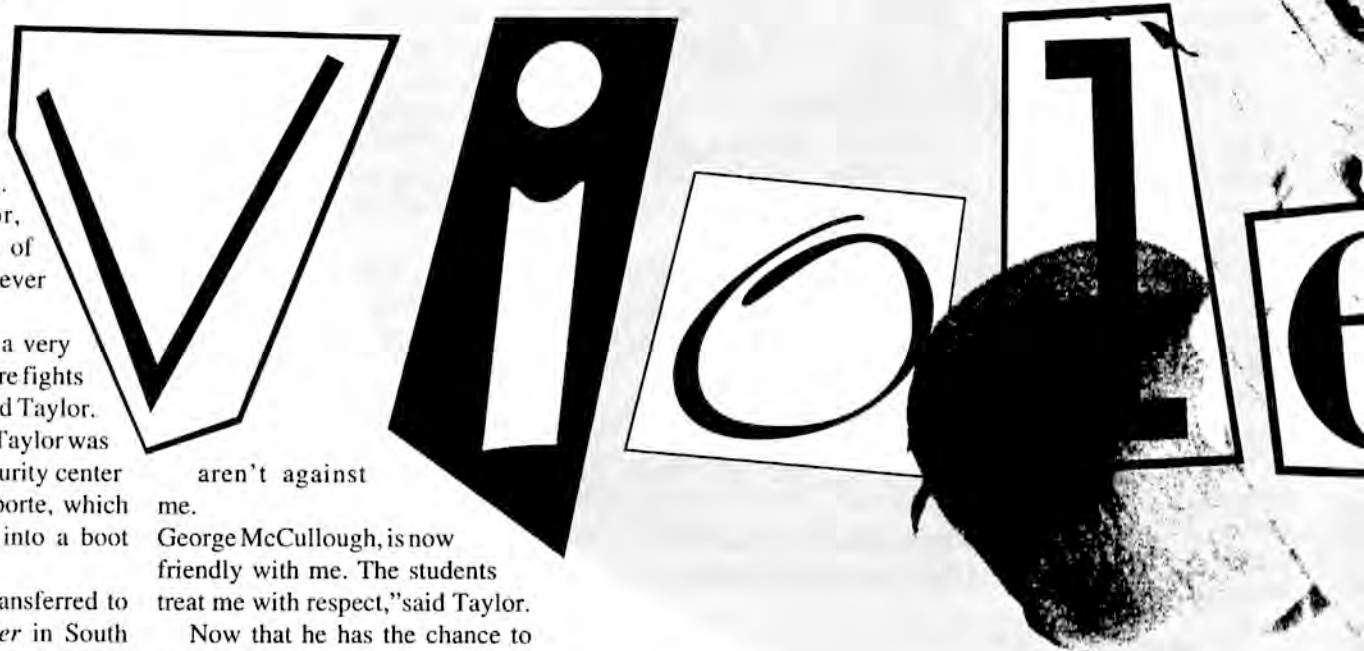
George McCullough, is now friendly with me. The students treat me with respect," said Taylor.

Now that he has the chance to attend Riley again Taylor says he takes his school career seriously.

"I plan to graduate high school and then go on to college (maybe Ball State or Indiana University) I want to play either football or basketball in college and then maybe go on to the pro's. If that doesn't work out I'd like to get a job dealing with computers," said Taylor.

As for how his experiences at juvenile detention centers have changed him, Taylor said that being locked up kept him out of trouble,

For teens who've been locked up, there is a solution to . . .



but it also angered him.

"I went to anger management groups which helped me, too. My experiences taught me to no longer let my friends influence me," said Taylor.

His time locked up changed his viewpoints on carrying a gun in school. According to Taylor, he would never carry another weapon to school, but (if he had a license) would carry a weapon out of school

for self defense.

"Stay out of trouble. Listen to your parents. They are older and know more than you. Also staying in school and keeping busy will help to keep you out of trouble," said Taylor.

Here's what it's like to be locked

COLLEEN JURKAITES
WRITERS TITLE

An eye for an eye, a tooth for a tooth. If you do the crime you pay the time. Either of these sayings could be used to describe the way in which the young adults at *Parkview Juvenile Detention Center* are having to face up to their wrongdoings.

"*Parkview* serves as a short term holding facility and in some instances as a long term residency for young adults. The longest residency is usually 120 days as a punishment for a variety of crimes which could include theft offenses. In the case of a more serious crime, such as murder, there is a possibility the case could be waived to an adult court," said Jeff Gensinger at *Parkview*.

According to Gensinger, the teens seen at the center are of all ages, but the majority of the boys and girls are between the ages of fourteen to sixteen. Teens over the age of eighteen, who have committed offenses, can be tried in an adult court.

For teens to become involved with one of three things must happen.

"The first way is for the police to apprehend the teen in conjunction with some offense the authorities have probable cause to believe he or she took part in committing (probable cause in this situation is information that would lead a reasonable person to believe that the teen could be involved with a crime.)

A police officer will bring the teen in and they will be locked up temporarily awaiting a court investigation. Locked up is a term referring to the teens who have to spend 24 hours a day at *Parkview*. There is no bond or bail, so kids in *Parkview* have to stay there, even if it's against their will.)

The second way is for a police officer to take a report on an offense. The teen will not need to be locked up, but the report will be passed on to a *Parkview* probation officer, who will then meet with the teen and his/her parent. There is a possibility the case will then go on to court. The third way for teens to become involved with *Parkview* is for them to be referred here by a juvenile court judge as a form of punishment," said Gensinger.

Gensinger said *Parkview* has diff and impact the kids to help them in th can go through educational drug abu other programs to specifically help a

For those who are not "locked up" with *Parkview*, there are various ong used to monitor and educate the kids

Some of the programs are for subst community service, where teens go lend a helping hand. *Parkview* has a also used to reach out to teens. This p as the Big Brothers/Big Sisters Progra programs is named S.T.A.T., which *Teens*. This program encompasses te

Kids from all over St. Joe County, school (including Riley) have ended reasons. These reasons could be anyth home, truancy, and even murder in th

"The majority of kids we see here type of property or drug offense," sai

According to Gensinger for the m locked up at *Parkview* will only be l

"Only a small percentage of the tee up repeatedly," said Gensinger.

The reason for this, according to G being dealt with at *Parkview* are good mistake. Once they are caught they decide not to make the same mistake





Violence can end, here's how

ERIN WIBBENS
STAFF REPORTER

We all know that violence, in some form, does affect Riley. Two of our own students were shot this fall (Damien Newhouse, junior and Aaron Marsh, sophomore) and others are hassled daily by neighborhood gangs and the threat of drugs.

Although the problem should be at the top of our *things to fix* list, the solutions to these problems play an even larger part in our future. There are solutions to the teen violence epidemic and a few of them are in our own back yard.

The counselors and the entire school staff are constantly working toward nonviolence.

"Our counseling staff is one of a kind," said George McCullough, principal.

"They help students decide which

classes to take and are always willing to listen," said McCullough.

The counseling staff is made up of five counselors and a social worker who travels from school to school. Counselors not only fix students' schedules, but are also there to listen. The entire counseling staff is here to improve the students' high school experience. They will go out of their way to help.

Friends, Inc. is a group of students who also offer a helping hand. They are peer counselors trained to listen to student problems. They are experts at suicide awareness and prevention, communication skills, drug and alcohol abuse, and conflict resolution.

"*Friends, Inc.* has definitely been a success at Riley High School," said Denny Kielton, head of the counseling department and *Friends, Inc.* sponsor. The students work hard to make sure that suicide and student violence are rare.

If one person is saved, or one violent situation is solved then we are a success, said Kielton.

"The problem lies in society," said McCullough. "The teens see the violence on T.V. and at the movies but they don't realize that talking their problems out is the way to handle the situation."

We also have a very dedicated security staff. Think about it, when was the last time that you saw a major display of violence here?

What it all comes down to is, yes, teen violence is a problem and there are teens out there who do not care who gets hurt. But before we all start complaining about the problem we need to insist on solving it.

I encourage you to get on the bandwagon and fight against teen violence, instead of passively accepting it.

There are lots of solutions out there. The program that redeems guns for money, the D.A.R.E. (Drug Abuse Resistance Education) program, and various community organizations such as S.A.D.D. (Students Against Drunk Driving) are all working toward a non-violent community. All of these programs encourage teens to steer clear of the violence in life.

First of all, if you witness a crime, act on it! Call Crime Stoppers (288-STOP) to report the crime and criminal.

Second, don't *hang* with kids who tend to get into trouble. It will only encourage them and may get you into some trouble.

Finally, lend an ear or hand to a troubled friend or classmate. A lot of times teens only need an encouraging word or a friend. Take the time to listen to a friend and give positive solutions.

There are many people out there who non violently fight against the teens with the guns, knives, and drugs to help you survive. There are peaceful solutions to our problems. Together, we can make a difference. ■

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viewpoints

James Whitcomb Riley High School

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editorial

Students don't have any respect

Students who boo at pep assemblies are being disrespectful and immature. At the last pep assembly that we had, we had many guests there to congratulate our basketball team as sectional champs.

We were fortunate to have guests like mayor Joe Kernan, Charlie Adams, local sports broadcaster, superintendent of the South Bend Community School Corporation, Virginia Calvin, captain Ed Friend and many other prestigious guests.

When our guests were announced and came out on to the gym floor, we were disappointed to hear many of our peers boo them. Maybe they felt that they should be booed at, but we don't see why. They all took time out of their very busy schedules to come and congratulate our basketball team for a job well done.

Where did some of the students here learn their manners? What was the impression that our guests had about our students? These students were being disrespectful and setting a poor example for our school.

We were all disgusted, and embarrassed with the immature and insensitive behavior displayed by some of the less intelligent students. We are in high school and we have students here who still believe that we are in middle or even elementary school.

Please try to show maturity. Should we have to be reminded of that constantly? We think that there should be a *Proper Etiquette 101*, offered next year along with *Foods and Clothing and Textiles* next year for those students who can't remember how to act when we have guests at our school.

We all need to remember that we almost got our pep assemblies taken away and for a whole year we could not do *Class Call* because of booing at other classes. I guess we will never learn. It seems that a few students underestimate the long term consequences of their actions.

Please send your letters to Letters to the Editor if you have comments about us or anything you would like to express.

Letters to the editor

Multi-cultural program great!

Dear Editor,

This may be a little late but there are a few unrecognized people that need to be thanked.

First and foremost I would like to thank Eric Collins, George McCullough, and John Berta... they all worked out a few problems with the scheduling of the Black History Month Program and the pep assembly. The changing of the scheduled times was greatly appreciated by many.

I would especially like to thank Mr. Collins, our sponsor. Without him we wouldn't have had much of a program or a Multi-Cultural Society this year. Mr. Collins was after school working on last minute details and critical decisions. Again we greatly appreciate it and him.

Now I would like to thank all who participated; the Riley and Adams High School Gospel choirs combined, the recitings of the poems and skits done by Riley and Adams students, the IUSB dancers, the speaker and the Multi-Cultural Society students who helped out. We greatly appreciate it.

Last but not least, I would like to thank all the teachers that took an hour out of their class time to let their students come and be a part of the program, the students that came and watched, and everyone else that came in to be part of our program. Again we appreciate it.

Hopefully next year our program will be successful as was this year's program. Thanks again to all of you.

Jasmine Brown

Jasmine Brown,
Sophomore

Who's running the halls?

Dear Editor,

To me, running in the halls is getting old quick. I'm sick of getting cut off and bumped into on the way to class. Sometimes I am late because of loud, obnoxious people blocking the hallways and doors to classrooms.

This problem seems to go unnoticed by anyone in authority. Nothing is said or done to these runners/trouble makers. For safer halls I think there needs to be some kind of rules and consequences.

Bryan Kahnke

Bryan Kahnke,
Sophomore

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Listen Up



We're not in the Indy 500

AMY KOZLOWSKI
ENTERTAINMENT EDITOR

I'm sure you've all seen it, or even done it yourself: people in the hallways yelling, pushing people, or standing like huge barriers in the halls that no one can get around...

I'm sorry, but this is getting really annoying.

Inconsiderate people should use their passing periods more wisely. Just the other day, there was a giant group of people standing in the middle of the hallway, blocking any sort of traffic that

wanted by.

It was totally pointless to ask them politely to move because they would just stare at you with a blank look that said, "Who do you think you are asking me to move?"

The teachers and security guards stood there with even a greater blank look on their faces, making no attempt to ask them to move.

Maybe they couldn't move. Maybe they were actually super-glued to the hall floor, but I doubt it.

Another offense that really pinches my nerves is when people scream in the hallways. Girls who yell are the worst. They take their ever so whiney voices and project them to flow over everyone in the hallway.

Their piercing voices screech so loud and out of tune that they torment your

eardrums. When people do this, it makes me want to scream myself, and throw a temper tantrum.

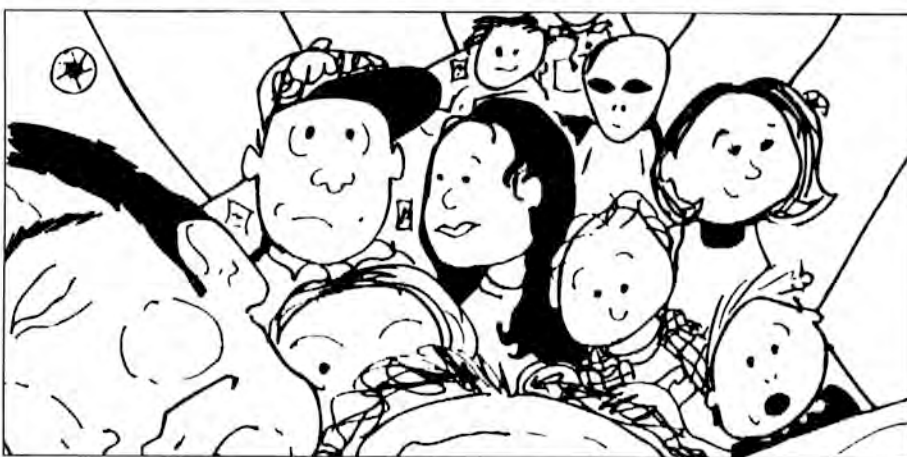
Imagine someone walking toward you in the hallway and they just decide to scream in your face.

They are probably yelling at one of their friends, but can't they wait?

It's the worst when someone screams in your face and you sort of roll your eyes. Then they start yelling at you. "Why are you rolling your eyes at me _ i _ ch?" It must just be an impulse.

I am sorry, but when I am in the hallway I just want to get to class. I promise that you won't die if you cannot talk to your friends in the hallway.

Walk along side of them, or write a note in your free class time. Please people! Calm down and move along quietly!



Hey You



All we want is her r-e-s-p-e-c-t

AUBREY EVANS
ADVANCED REPORTER

Riley's Review was ranked in the top 12 of high school papers in the nation last year. That same year, the journalism class was cut by the school board.

When the journalism class was cut, we very upset staffers went down to protest the proposals at the school board meeting. We waited and waited to speak, but not until 11:45 p.m. did we have our chance to speak.

Superintendent Virginia Calvin didn't listen to our suggestions and arguments.

All the board members acted the same way. All we wanted was for Dr. Calvin to listen to us, but instead we were rushed through our presentations.

Due to the cuts, we now have had a publications class with nearly 60 students in it. You'll never see a calculus class combined with a basic algebra class. It's unheard of.

Because we are in such an extremely cramped environment, many disputes have broken out over almost nothing. It is impossible to get the teacher's help. She really does try, but there are just too many people. Believe it or not, it is impossible to help so many people all at once.

Just recently we invited Superintendent Calvin to our publications class to

show her the effects of the decision to cut the class. We also thought if we got her in a private setting, she would open up a little more and listen to our feelings. We wanted to show her how much we've lost because of this decision. But this time again, she seemed more concerned with about the budget than the quality of our education.

It really hurt our feelings. We were more than polite to her. All we wanted was for her to listen, but the only person who even tried to answer our questions was George McCullough, our principal. We appreciated his help and his trying to understand, but we wanted to talk with Dr. Calvin. Once again we felt that nothing was accomplished.

Dr. Calvin said she would like to come back and visit again, and we do appreciate the fact that she takes time out of her busy schedule for us. But if she does come back, hopefully she will answer our questions and help us to understand why our class was cut and why our education is suffering because of it. ■

cheers and jeers

-To the Wall O' Pop at Arby's.

-To Transformers being re-released in the movies.

-To Now-n-Laters and salt water taffy.

-To Larry Morningstar's jokes, and teachers who brighten days.

-To people getting into NHS because of their mommies.

-To the smoker's corner growing by the day.

-To spandex shorts season. Lycra is not always cool.

-To cancelling nine o'clock days.

FACES IN THE CROWD

What was your best spring break memory?



"I got my wisdom teeth taken out. My cheeks puffed up like a chipmunk."

Matt Andrysiak
Senior

"I interviewed a senator's press secretary at a journalism conference in D.C."

Jennifer Nelson
Senior



"I went to Disneyland, I got to see Mickey Mouse."

Rick Butler
Junior

"I went to the Bahamas, sang at Disneyland and got my hair braided."

Jennifer Hicks
Junior



"I went to Mississippi and played golf a lot with my cousin."

Tim Northern
Sophomore

"I traveled downstairs to the living room and watched T.V."

Tracy Paturalski
Sophomore



"Probably going to Cedar Point, the Demon Drop was cool!"

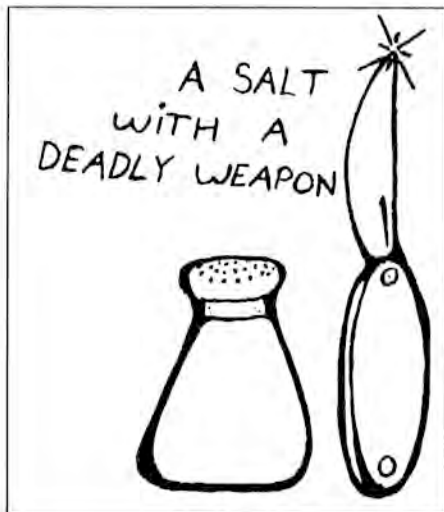
Chris Dobecki
Freshman

"I went to a mall in Quebec, and did all kinds of French stuff."

Carie Talboom
Freshman



LUNCHES/ CONTINUED FROM P1



TODD ROBERTSON

too long for us to even get our food!" said Clarence Wigfall, freshmen.

"I think that when lunches become closed there will be very long lines, more fights and less time to get your food and actually eat it," said Lisa Peters, junior.

"The lines will just get longer when we close lunches, we wanted to have five lunch periods that were 30 minutes a piece, but the school board will only let us have three periods. I don't know how we are going to cram 500 students into the cafeteria," said McCullough.

"We shouldn't have a need for more

security. We just need to train others to look at ways for preventing thing from happening. We need students to work with each other and be responsible. Everyone needs to work together and let the students set the tone. If this happens I don't believe that any fights will break out," said Putz.

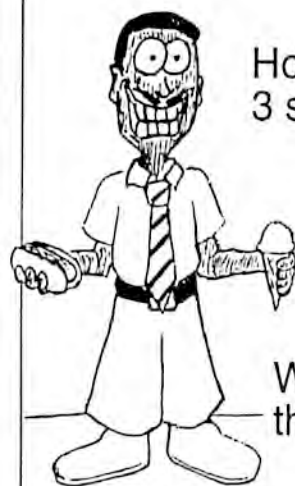
Byron Goodspeed, freshman, said, "I've thought about going out to lunch many times because the cafeteria is too chaotic for me to eat in, but my mom and dad don't like me to go out to eat and I don't have a ride."

Many students feel the same way that Goodspeed does. Out of a poll of 776 randomly served students, 268 strongly believe that they don't have enough time to eat while 238 say that only sometimes they don't have time to eat. The other 270 do not eat in the cafeteria.

"Once lunches become closed there is no way that any of us are going to feel comfortable to even be in the cafeteria to socialize," said Peters.

"I hope that the closed lunch decision will be reversed so we don't even have to worry about all of the problems that we are going to have. I think that Riley students can handle having closed lunches and I don't think there have been any problems that caused this to happen. I do not think that closing lunches is a wise decision," said McCullough.

Questions left unanswered about closed lunch



How to get 500 students through 3 serving lines?

Where the 500 students will eat?

What will the students do once they are done eating?

Info by George McCullough

GRAPHIC BY MONICA MOSS ART BY KEITH AICHELE

NO MORE OPEN LUNCHES/ These are the top three concerns that George McCullough has about the closed lunches. He along with other members of the school board have been working on solutions to these problems. McCullough hopes that we will not have to worry about these questions and the school board will change their minds and lunches will remain open.

TRUANCY/ CONTINUED FROM P1



SAM SHERMAN

until this court policy is formally implemented in the high schools.

"I have not received anything in writing to make me aware of this policy, so therefore, I can not enforce it," said George

McCullough, principal.

Rea Doucet, social worker at Children's Center, said, "At the present time there is no real crack down on high school truancy at Riley or any other high school in the area. We are

looking into a program for high schools right now, and hope to find something that will decrease the number of truants we are having."

Some students may feel this is unnecessary, but according to Nemeth, there are 10 to 15 truancy cases in the courts each week.

As of March 6, two Mishawaka students have been sent to Parkview for truancies. No students from Riley have been considered for Parkview.

According to Anthony Williams, in-school suspension supervisor at Riley, there is an average of 10 to 15 students in in-school suspension each week for truancy alone.

Williams supports the policy and is happy that Judge Nemeth is trying to discourage youth from skipping school.

"I am supportive of Nemeth's policy, and I hope it deters kids from considering skipping school," said Williams.

According to Williams, Riley does not refer their chronic truants to Parkview, but feels it is something to consider.

"We hope that, by trying

"The price for not going school is high, and if you insist on skipping school you will go to Parkview."

Peter Nemeth / Judge

to stop the problem early it will break the problem of truancy when the children are older," said Doucet.

"The price for not going to school is high, and if you insist on skipping school, you will go to Parkview," said Nemeth.

REDEMPTION/ CONTINUED FROM P1

reasons were for the nine times they missed before that," said McCullough.

Hearings for the waivers committee have to be held a week before final exams.

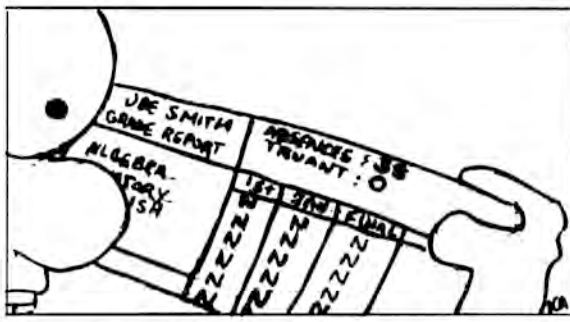
"The reason that they have to present his or her case a week before finals is so that if their waiver is denied they still have time to make up the time," said Hojnacki.

Parents can request waivers in advance of the expected absences. If this is not done then the parents must request a waiver within two days after the student returns to school.

As of now, Hojnacki and McCullough do not see any downfalls to this program.

"I don't believe that there will be any problems with this program as long as the teachers do their part to stay firm. They can not let students get away with missing school. The teachers can not show sympathy for students and let them get away with anything," said Hojnacki.

"The only problem that I see is that people not understand what this program is designed to do. We want to let everyone know that this program is designed to be positive and not a punishment for the students. We are creating an environment that they are being cared for, and we don't want them to fail," said McCullough.



Final Thoughts

Yearbooks

Yearbooks are on sale for \$35, if you want your name in gold foil it is \$2 extra. You can order a yearbook in room 104 before of after school or in the cafeteria during lunches.

Driver's Ed

Sign up for driver's education is April 10 thru May 4. The

cost is \$250. Checks can be made out to Riley and given to the bookstore. An application must also be filled out and can be picked up in Jim Warren or Wally Gartee's room. You must be at least 15 years old to enroll. The first session is June 12 - July 7 and the second session is July 10 - August 4.

Seniors

If you are lacking a required course that may keep you from graduating, Adult Ed has one more opportunity for you. You may take one (or possibly two) classes at Washington High School in a "short session" from March 29 to May 24. See your counselor for information.



THERE IS NO I IN TEAM

Baseball depends on unity for success

MELISSA LODOEN
EDITOR IN CHIEF

The wildcat baseball team hits off its season April 5 against Marian.

They are preparing for this game by practicing a lot.

"We are trying to set up practice in game-like situations so that when we have our first game we won't have first-game mistakes," said Josh Glenn, senior pitcher/first baseman.

Their first game will be followed by their annual spring trip to Anderson, Indiana. This trip gives the team the chance to compete against teams that they may face later if they go far in the IHSAA (Indiana High School Athletic Association) championship.

"The team's goal is to win conference and win the IHSAA championship," said Brian Stultz, junior, shortstop/captain.

The team hopes that their unity, the team's greatest strength, will help them to achieve this goal.



ERICA COSTELLO

CAUGHT THE PITCH/ Junior, Brian Milovich, grabs the perfect pitch in a game of catch at practice.

"Never in my four years have I seen a team get along this well with each other; and with this much talent and positive attitude," said Glenn.

SPORTS ROSTER

- ❖ Marc Baker
- ❖ Josh Chrapliwy
- ❖ Mike Cicchetto
- ❖ Josh Glenn
- ❖ Jeremy Medina
- ❖ Brian Milovich
- ❖ Scott Quinn
- ❖ Maverick Ruiz
- ❖ Kyle Stoner
- ❖ Jeff Stout
- ❖ Brian Stultz
- ❖ Jeremmy Swindle
- ❖ Ryan VanHolsbeke
- ❖ James Webster
- ❖ Phillip Wilder



ERICA COSTELLO

GIVE ME THE BALL/ Junior, James Webster, is late for the out. He waits for the ball as senior, Phillip Wilder, slides safely into third base.

"To stay together and be a family will help to get us far in the season," said John Nadolny, head coach.

According to Marc Baker, junior pitcher, there are no clear cut stars. No one stands out over anyone else.

"The team works well with each other and when one person does well, it feeds the rest of the team to do well. However the opposite also holds true which can become a weakness," said Glenn.

According to John Nadolny, head coach, this year's pitchers are the key to their team.

"We will go as far as they (the pitchers) are willing to take us. They are driving the ship for us and controlling the game.

If they are pitching well from the mound then the players will do well on the field.

However if the pitchers are having a bad game on the mound the rest of the team on the field will also have a bad game," said Nadolny.

"The pitching staff is more mature, and has more

experience. The seniors that we have are taking the initiative to step up and be leaders," said Jeff Stout, junior pitcher.

One of the team's weaknesses is their lack of versatility.

"Some of players have only one dimension and they need to develop more depth," said Glenn.

The team is working on this weakness at practice.

"We are not just coming out to practice, but we are coming out and practicing hard," said Glenn.

Another weakness, ac-

cording to Baker, will come mentally.

"We may have a chance to win state if we can keep our minds on the task of winning," he said.

"The players that make up our team combine more talent and ability than any other team we will play, but every one of those players is very capable of making mistakes."

Josh Glenn / Senior

"To stay together and be a family will help to get us far in the season."

John Nadolny / Head Coach

"We are going to win every inning, one inning at a time, and let the rest take care of itself," said Glenn.

April varsity boys baseball schedule

Date	Opponent	Site
April 5	Marian	Jackson
April 12	Clay	Jackson
April 15	Elkhart Central	Rice Field
April 19	Penn	Jackson
April 21	Michigan City Elston	Same

player spotlight



Name:
Marc Baker

Year:
Junior

Strengths: He is an aggressive power pitcher

Weakness: None given



Name:
Josh Chrapliwy

Year:
Junior

Strengths: He throws a good change up and curve ball.

Weakness: None given



Name:
Josh Glenn

Year:
Senior

Strengths: Power hitting and his new attitude. He is becoming a consistent pitcher.

Weakness: None given



Name:
Jeff Stout

Year:
Junior

Strengths: He is a finesse pitcher with great control.

Weakness: None given

ART TEACHER FINISHES TWO MARATHONS

Run Hoover, run

BRIANNE STETHEM
STAFF REPORTER

It's an addiction. Just like drugs. Running is a sport for life. Once you start you can't stop.

Todd Hoover, art and photography teacher, has this addiction.

Six years ago, Hoover joined the craze. He just started running for fitness, never considering a marathon. Hoover was just trying to cope with change.

"I was about 43 when I went through a mid-life crisis. I made some changes. I wanted to do something I never thought I could do," said Hoover.

Then at 47, Hoover needed a greater challenge. Running the 26.2 mile marathon proved to be it.

"One night I was in the Notre Dame Library. I was looking at art magazines when I saw *Runner's World*," said Hoover.

Inside, he found a strict schedule for marathon runners. He xeroxed it off and decided to follow it. At this time, he was running 6.2 miles regularly.

Shane Huffman /
Senior

"He will run until he reaches his personal satisfaction. He'll run until he beats *'The Animal'* Steve Smith," said Shane Huffman, senior and three year student of Hoover's.

Steve Smith is a Riley gym teacher and

an avid runner.

Hoover ran his first marathon in October.

"To prove I could handle a marathon to myself, I ran the *Chicago Marathon*," said



COULD OPRAH KEEP UP/ Todd Hoover pushes himself during the Chicago Marathon.

Hoover. "I was at the 20 mile marker in Chicago when I had decided in my mind to run the *Los Angeles Marathon* in March," explained Hoover.

He finished the marathon in 4 hours, 9 minutes.

To train for the *Los Angeles Marathon*, Hoover followed a simple routine. He began to increase the lengths of his runs. He ran seven miles a day during the week and 12 to 17 miles on Saturday or Sunday.

Hoover runs in his neighborhood, where he has painted mile markers on the street.

When it's cold outside, you may find Hoover running at the Notre Dame Loftus Center.

It was cold and rainy in Los Angeles on March 4 and 5. That wouldn't keep Hoover from doing what needed to be done. At 8:40 a.m. the gun went off. For the next 4 hours, 4 minutes, and 10 seconds, Hoover went all out.

Along with 15,137 people, Hoover ran through good neighborhoods and very bad neighborhoods.

At the 21 mile marker, Hoover began to cramp up. He finished 3,651 out of 15,137.

When Hoover came back Monday, March 7, everyone was curious as to how he did, if he finished, and how he went to the bathroom while running for four

hours.

"Hoover's a maniac. He goes all out on everything. He would have been a great swimmer," said Huffman.

Hoover is living proof that you can do anything if you just put your mind to it. ■

up and coming

❖ Tuesday, April 4, the varsity girls' track team has a meet against Adams at 4:30 p.m. at Riley.

❖ Tuesday, April 11, the varsity girls' softball team has a game against Mishawaka at 4:30 p.m. at Mishawaka.

❖ Wednesday, April 12, the boys' varsity baseball team has a game against Clay at 4:30 p.m. at Jackson Field.

❖ Tuesday, April 18, the girls' varsity tennis team has a match against Clay at 4:30 p.m. at Leeper Park.

❖ Tuesday, April 18, the boys' varsity track team has a meet against Penn at 4:30 p.m. at Penn.

❖ Saturday, April 22, the boys' varsity golf team has a match against Penn and Mishawaka at 11:00 a.m. at Elbel.

Golf team is up to par

BLAKE NICKLE
STAFF REPORTER

Is this the big year for the golfers? According to Leo Kratz, parent and assistant coach, it is.

"We have a heck of a chance to take NIC (Northern Indiana Conference) and to take a tough sectional against five other good teams.

"We have four returning varsity players in Sam Toth (senior), Jim Van Fleit (senior), Alan Kelly (junior), and Kelly Kratz (sophomore); Mike Tulchinsky (sophomore), who played on junior varsity, is also going to help us a lot this year.

"We lost only one senior last year and that was Alan Dockemeyer," added Kratz.

A newcomer to the team this year is senior Trevor Back. The reason Back came out his senior year and no other is because of the soccer season change from spring to fall.

According to the golfers, his senior leadership and competitiveness will help the team which has now three seniors with many years of golfing experience.

"He (Back) will really help us this year and add another dimension to our team," said Kelly.

Kelly

said, "Our goal is to win our sectional and advance as far as we can...maybe state."

"This season looks great," said Kratz. "Right now it looks like the worst we could do is win sectionals and our goal is to make it down to state."

The coach of the team is Ron Lindsey, who is helped by Kratz when Lindsey is unable to be at the practices.

The team practices every day

after school at Erskine. There they work on their strokes and strategies.

The competition will be tough this year in the NIC with teams like Penn, St. Joe, and Clay.

The team's most important matches this year will be against Clay, Penn, and St. Joe.

This year will prove to be one of the toughest in the NIC because all of the tough competition.

The team will also try to better its record from last year while improving their play.

"Our team has to improve its consistency from last year. So far, though, we have no glaring team weaknesses—just minor individual weakness," said Kratz.

Everybody is optimistic for the upcoming season in which Riley will be a competitor.

"We should be a powerful, experienced, and good team, and I hope we make it to state," said Kelly. ■

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Name:
Shannon Mahoney
Position:
Pitcher and
outfielder
Year:
Senior

What are three words that best describe your athletic playing style?

Hard-working and dedicated.

Who is your sports hero? *Jimmy Key and Don Mattingly.*

What is the best part about being an athlete? *Setting goals and achieving them.*

What is the worst part about being an athlete? *Accomplishing my goals but not getting recognized for them.*

If you could watch any athlete perform, who would it be? *Jimmy Key or Don Mattingly.*

What is your proudest moment as an athlete? *Being selected as the NIC conference pitcher my sophomore year.*

What is your most embarrassing moment as an athlete? *When I was eleven years old my glasses were knocked off while I was running between first and second base.*

What is the most memorable thing you heard your coach say? *"We are going to state this year."*



Name:
Josh Glenn
Position:
Pitcher
Year:
Senior

What are three words that best describe your athletic playing style?

Smart, strong, and love of the game.

Who is your sports hero? *Nolan Ryan*

What is the best part about being an athlete? *You receive extra attention.*

What is the worst part about being an athlete? *You are criticized twice as much for something that would only be wrong for someone else.*

If you could watch any athlete perform, who would it be? *Joe Jackson*

What is your proudest moment as an athlete? *Winning All-State and All-State MVP honors for Babe Ruth League when I was fourteen.*

What is the most memorable thing you have heard you coach say? *"You could be great if you let yourself."*

FOR WRESTLER MATT NOWAK

Good things come in small packages

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BUSINESS MANAGER

Imagine 10,000 screaming people, watching you in the spotlight for six minutes as you battle for that last chance to prove yourself and gain the title that you've wanted since the fifth grade.

Imagine the feeling when that six minutes is finally up, and the crowd is roaring with happiness and tears of joy. And there you are, standing, in that one and only spotlight, with your arm raised in the air, as someone announces that you are now the 1995 112 lb. state champion.

Matt Nowak, senior,

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Matt Nowak / Senior

dreamed this, and it came true.

"The feeling is indescribable," said Nowak. "I still get chills when I think back on that night or watch the tape of my championship match."

Nowak won the title on February 18, at Market Square Arena in Indianapolis.

"Of my four years at Riley, becoming a state champion was the happiest day of my life. It's something that I will never forget," said Nowak. "It was definitely a dream come true!"

Throughout the years, Nowak has had plenty of support from his family and



friends. His father, Tom Nowak, his brother Tony, his Uncle Mike, and Aunt Mel, were Matt's biggest supporters.

"We haven't missed a wrestling meet in the last three years," said Mel Nowak. "The only time we did miss a meet was when we were in Hawaii Matt's freshman year."

While down at Indianapolis for state, not only did

Nowak have support from his family and friends, half of Market Square Arena was on his side. It might have been because he had a Bellmont High School T-shirt on, and they occupied most of the arena.

After Nowak had won his final match, he jumped up off the ground, clapped his hands, ran over to his coach and jumped in his arms. Nowak's father was extremely relieved when the six minutes of Nowak's battle were up.

"I was overjoyed," replied Tom Nowak. "I was so happy for him, yet sad, because his mother wasn't there to see him win his state title."

Nowak's mother passed away his freshman year due to an illness.

Nowak had his strategy set in his mind before he went out to wrestle his final match.

"I told myself to stay on the offense, get an early lead, and attack the whole time that I was out there," said Nowak. "This was my last chance to become a state champion."

Nowak practices seven days a week for at least three and a half hours a day. That includes early morning

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Mark Berta / Senior

weights, after school practice, and then running on his own time. Then after all that exercising he gets to go home and have a great big dinner.....a rice cake!

Nowak started his wrestling career in the fifth grade at Our Lady Of Hungary. His football coach had suggested wrestling because it was a good sport for small kids. Nowak tried it out and ended up very successful in wrestling. He has been wrestling for a total of eight years.

All this hard work and dedication has paid off. He has won a numerous amount of awards for all that he has accomplished in wrestling. (See info box)

Not only is he a state champion in wrestling, he's senior class president and homecoming king.

"I was shocked when I found out I was the homecoming king," said Nowak. "I didn't expect it at all!"

Nowak has accomplished a lot in the last four years at Riley. He's involved in student council, NHS, Friends Inc., Spanish club president, and he has held other class offices in the past years. All of his accomplishments have helped him prepare for college.

Nowak plans on attending college for wrestling at

Nowak describes himself as a five foot one and a half inch, quiet, but outspoken guy. His friends describe him as a outgoing, trustworthy, and honest person.

"Matt is an easy person to get along with. He's always in a good mood," said Brandon Shiflett, senior. "He's also always there when you need him."



SMILING BIG/ Matt Nowak looks thrilled because he won the 1994 Culver Military Invitational in the 112 pound weight class.

either Purdue, North Carolina Greensboro, Columbia, West Point, or Central Michigan. Not only does Matt plan on wrestling in college, he plans on majoring in biology. His brother, Tony Nowak, attends Purdue and has some advice for Matt.

"Study hard, Matt," said Tony. "Because you'll never make it to the WWF!" (world wrestling federation)

"I'm really going to miss him next year," said Mark Berta, senior. "But I'm really happy for what he has accomplished and he deserves the best."

People might know Matt for wrestling, but what is he really like? Well.....he loves to eat and have fun! According to Nowak, he enjoys skiing, golf, rollerblading, wrestling, and like any senior, he loves to party!

"Nowak goes out of his way to help others," said Ryan Van Holsbeke, senior. "He has a great sense of humor and loves to party!"

"Matt is a very responsible, caring, sacrificial, determined person," said Nick Hagan, senior. "You can talk to him about personal things and trust him not to say anything about it to someone else."

"What I like about Nowak the best, is that he's shorter than me and I can still beat the s@%t out of him in wrestling," said Berta. "Also that he makes time for us guys in his busy schedule."

Nowak's advice to children is, "Study a lot, it's important, and set your goals high. You can accomplish anything when you put your mind to it."

SCOREBOARD

RILEY

VISITOR

Varsity Hockey 3

Penn 2

Varsity Boys Basketball 47

Elkhart Central 52

Varsity Boys Track 60

North wood 86

SPRING SPORTS/
Upper Right: Senior, Pat Shelton, leads the team around the track during warm-ups. **Lower Right:** Freshman, Dana Varner and teammates practice their sprinting. **Lower Left:** Kylea Asher, freshman, practices throwing disc.

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Lady cats swing into action

BECKY BANKOFF
 SPORTS EDITOR

Despite a tough schedule, the lady 'Cats expect to place first or second in the NIC (Northern Indiana Conference), and will kick off their first match against Goshen at 4:30 p.m. April 11, at Leeper Park.

But placing so well will be a rather difficult task to accomplish. According to Karon Kirkland, head varsity tennis coach, the girls' varsity tennis team has only posted an over 500 season only once and that was in 1993.

"We always have a grueling schedule. Generally, we play five state ranked teams, Goshen, St. Joe, Culver Military, Elkhart Central, and Penn. It is hard to compete with such high caliber teams," said Kirkland.

The girls feel their biggest rivals are Penn, Marian, Elkhart Central and St. Joe. These teams always provide a challenge.

The varsity team consists of seniors Amy Fried, Allison Waddy, Amanda Dueringer, and Jan Hill; juniors Amy Frederick and Becky Bankoff; and freshman Whitney Dueringer.



COURTNEY RUIZ

GREAT REFLEXES/ Seniors, Amanda Dueringer and Jan Hill, show off their natural tennis ability during afternoon practice at Leeper Park.

The players expect a great season.

"We have many returning varsity players with experience. We should give our opponents some tough competition," said co-captain Waddy.

Co-captain Freid added, "I expect our team to have an over 500 record. I hope to win sectionals, but that is going to require a lot."

Kirkland feels that he can expect a lot from his players and that they will produce.

"The girls have been doing a terrific job. They are working hard and accomplishing everything I ask of them," he explained.

The tennis team's positive outlook can be attributed to their many strengths.

Waddy said, "Our depth and experience are our great-

est assets. We have four returning varsity players from last year."

Although the team has many fine points, they do have some weak spots.

According to Kirkland, the team's main problem is commitment.

"We are a nomadic team, and it is difficult for everyone to always be where they are expected. However, the

girls do their best to make it to Marshall, Leeper, or the *South Bend Racquet Club*."

Waddy also feels that there are problems between the singles and doubles players.

She said, "Because we do not practice on the same courts, it is hard to get complete team togetherness."

Freid added, "One of our main problems is dedication. Not all of the players show up for practice. This caused our season get off to a rough start."

The loss of graduates Kristin Graff, Lindsey Barton, and Erin McNulty from last year's varsity team will be noticed.

Kirkland said, "The loss of last years seniors will be a tough void to fill, but we have very capable replacements to take their places."

Kirkland is not only pleased with the varsity girls, but also the younger players.

"I am happy with the underclassmen's progress so far. They have a few intangibles to learn, but they are improving at every practice."

A new addition to this year's tennis program is assistant coach Johnelle Pates, part-time student at

Notre Dame.

"Pates is a ground strokes expert and he is really here to help the younger players. He will help our team by properly developing marginal players," said Kirkland.

Pates specifically works with the junior varsity players and helps to teach them the fundamentals of the game.

Freid added, "Johnelle is really working the junior varsity hard. They will definitely benefit from his help."

Not only does Kirkland look to Pates for assistance, but also to the co-captains. "I expect a tremendous amount from the captains, and so far they have not let me down. They have successfully executed every aspect of the program that I have implemented," said Kirkland. ■

Note from the editor:

Due to sports being in between seasons, there are no Athletes of the Month in this issue. However, Athletes of the Month will return in April.