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Between good shooting and a little help from the weather the Mule-Skinner Rifle Team pulled off their 7th win of the season; remaining undefeated and bagging the North Central Kansas Gallery League Championship at the same time!

This being the most important match of the season, the team needed to put together an impressive score. The final score was St. John's 1068 Manhattan 1035. The top four shooters for the Mule-Skinners were Coach Blair with a 276, Stephen Ritter and Joshua Batchelor with 270 each, and James Curry with a 252 which just edged Alexander Hamm's 242. The other Mule-Skinner shooters that are league champions are Quenton Schur, Hunter Nicodemus, Richard Wik, and SSG Micha Stahl, Military Advisor.

Tony Blair

2 Rifle Team Wins League



SJMS Parents Association

It's been a busy year for the cadets, faculty, staff and SJMS Parents Association board members.

Cadets whose parents are SJMSPA members recently enjoyed a pizza party at Ci Ci's Pizza. This party gave the boys a break from their routine.

We hope you enjoyed Winter Parents Weekend. We received positive feedback about our motivational speaker, former United States

Army Special Forces Demolition/ Engineering Sergeant Jason Dorn. Jason shared his inspiring story of challenges, courage, perseverance, achievement and fulfillment. He was truly an inspiration to the cadets and the parent members.



Our second class in our "Life 101" series was again a HUGE success. The class, entitled "Consequences," examined the various ramifications of teens breaking the law and covered such topics as fake IDs, driving while under the influence, minor in possession, theft, etc. Fifty-one cadets attended. The boys learned a lot, especially during

the 25-minute-long interactive discussion about using marijuana. The cadets said the class helped them understand the impact of making poor choices.

"Life after SJMS," our next and final class for this school year will be held in March or early April. This class examines the link between education and income potential, and teaches the cadets budgeting skills and how to make good life decisions after leaving SJMS. In this interactive, task-oriented session, the boys will learn about money. It is interesting to see the cadets as they are introduced to the reality of paying taxes!

Our final activity this school year will be presenting the juniors whose parents are Lifetime Members with their class rings during Commencement Weekend.



The SJMS Parent's Association is offering a unique keepsake to cadets and their families. A SJMS Memory Box is a wonderful way to commemorate your cadets' journey and honor his hard work while at St. John's. These memory boxes are beautifully handcrafted and include the brass uniform items every cadet is issued upon joining the ranks at St. John's: Brass Cap Crest, Torch, S.J. and "Old Boy" shield pins, as well as the Alpha jacket arm patch. All of these items are mounted inside the memory box, allowing you to enjoy your display for years to come. In addition, pewter accent pieces, quotes and other beautiful details are included to enhance the exceptional quality of these fine keepsakes. Pre-ordered memory boxes will be delivered to the school during Commencement Weekend, so make sure to place your order by April 30. The memory boxes are an impressive 12" x 16" and are offered to families of SJMS at \$150. Your memory box purchase will help support the SJMSPA and will forever be a cherished memento of your son's pride and achievements while at St. John's. To place your order, please contact Janna Harris at 720-217-1174 or jannaharris@live.com

Order Your Cadet's SJMS Memory Box Today!

SJMSPA Volunteers Needed

The SJMSPA provides a forum for parents, teachers and staff to share information about activities and other aspects of the school. We plan, sponsor and conduct activities while providing support and benefits beyond the scope and charter of the school. SJMSPA board members do a lot of things behind the scenes to help ensure successful Parents Association events.

**We need your help...
to keep these events going.**

To volunteer your time or services to the SJMSPA, please contact one of the board members:

- Colleen Wunderlich – President
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Traveling A Similar Path.....



NORWICH UNIVERSITY




C/MAJ Stephen Ritter

Stephen Ritter and Enoch Lau met just two short years ago when Ritter joined the 122nd Corps of Cadets as a "New Boy," and Lau commanded Headquarters Company. Ritter quickly became known as a young man of many talents and abilities, while Lau's reputation for excellence in all things had already been established. Both displayed mental acuity, earning high academic honors and both pursued the study of music; Lau as a violinist and pianist and Ritter as a pianist and vocalist. Each was a member of a state honor musical group prior to arriving at St. John's. Academic pursuits allowed for study in Honors English and other advanced courses. Additionally both considered physical training to be important

to the development of a well rounded person. Their membership in the St. John's AMS (Advanced Military Skills) team designated by the black uniform, is a testament to their physical strength and stamina.

Serving together this year as officers on the Battalion Staff, Lau as Battalion Commander, and Ritter as Executive Officer, has given the two a chance to further cement their friendship. When searching for college career paths their goals were also very similar.

C/MAJ Ritter learned November 28, 2010 that he was accepted to Norwich University, the oldest of six Senior Military Colleges, recognized by the United States Department of Defense as

A young man in a dark military uniform stands in the foreground on the left, looking towards the camera. Behind him is a large, multi-story building with many windows, likely a part of the United States Military Academy at West Point. The background is slightly blurred.

to serving their country!

C/LTC Enoch Lau



UNITED STATES ACADEMY AT WEST POINT

the birthplace of ROTC (Reserve Officers Training Corps). Accepted on full scholarship, Ritter is sure to bring great honor to St. John's while bringing to the Regiment at Norwich a *Recruit* determined to make the most of his opportunity and earn his commission as a Second Lieutenant in the United States Army.

C/LTC Lau received his letter of appointment to The United States Military Academy at West Point December 15, 2010. When Lau enters West Point as a *plebe*, he will be a mere seventeen years of age, likely to be among the youngest members of the brigade. With his appointment to West Point, Lau earns a fully funded four-year college education which requires him to serve in the US

Army for a minimum of five years. The St. John's staff expects Lau to bring honor to his legacy as a SJMS Cadet by upholding military traditions and excelling at all levels at West Point.

Upon graduation, each will choose a specialty area in which to serve. Both hope to serve together possibly in the Special Forces (infantry). **Ritter says,** *"I await the day we can sit together and reminisce about our service and the many memories we created while serving together in the Army."* Lau *"is excited for the many adventures and challenges we will have together, with little sleep and plenty of P.T."*

Wendy Stein

FEBRUARY 17, 18, 19, 20

Parents' Weekend



President, E. Andrew England presents the MacArthur Award to Battalion Commander, Enoch Lau.



The Rev. Brian Viel blesses the hosts for Communion at church on Sunday.



SJMSPA Pancake Eating Contest winner Ryan Lynch and runner-up Andrew White





1. Richard Wik receives another stripe. 2. Dakota Smith moves up in rank. 3. Sean Ziegenbein becomes a PFC! 4. James Mc Caffrey is congratulated by President England for achieving the rank of Life Scout, the last rank before Eagle Scout. His mother, Celia Mc Caffrey, Alexandria, VA explained that James is from a long line of Eagle Scouts and he aspires to someday take his place as an Eagle Scout! 5. Samuel Hetherington straps on a rope tension drum to play the cadence as the Corps enters Banes Gymnasium for the promotion ceremony. 6. The Color Guard presents the colors while the band prepares to play the National Anthem. 7. The drum line performs at half-time of the basketball game. 8. Senior, Zakary Anderson, wrote and organized the drum line performance. 9. The middle school drill team, under the command of Jake Whitting, performed for the crowd. 10. The Black Knights Drill Team, commanded by Steven Juszczuk, also presented a performance during the weekend!

A whirlwind of activities over four days gave the Cadets a chance to share with their families the St. John's experience!

Notes from Liz!



The Hardy Saber, symbol of command, will be passed at Commencement from this year's Battalion Commander to the Cadet named to be the Commander of the next Corps to be formed in the fall.

The elaborate ceremonial Saber was given in memory to Lt. Col. Aaron Young Hardy (U.S. Army-Ret) by George S. Bartley jr., Class of 1963, and his mother and grandmother during Commencement activities in 1963. We have no current address for Bartley but we did know that he served in the military during the Vietnam conflict.

Hardy, a Mormon, was a grandson of the famed Mormon leader Brigham Young. Hardy's mother was one of Young's 40 children.

It was unusual for Mormons to have active military careers. He had served in the Army Cavalry and I have his riding crop and stirrups.

Hardy came to SJMS in 1951. He had been associated with a military school in Colorado that had closed. He served as professor of military science, recruited boys for the School, coached the rifle team, acted as a substitute teacher and spent many hours counseling boys. His wife, Ann, worked at the school as English teacher.

Many Cadets credit her with their skills in English grammar and literature.

Hardy had heart disease and would go home after lunch each day for a nap. When he did not return as usual, Ann found him dead in the "General's cottage" on the west side of the drive across from the house now known as the Commandant's quarters. But the Duckers family built the house and lived there for ten years.



Both of the Hardys were dear friends. They even drove to Atchison, KS, to attend our wedding reception. The night before placing the casket on the Portland Rose train at 5 a.m., Ann spent the night with us.

Keith took her to the depot trying to shield her from viewing the casket being loaded on the baggage car on a very cold December morning.

Another tribute to the late Colonel was the presentation of the Hardy Rifleman trophy by Cadet John E. Dawson, Class of 1961. The trophy is not given now but the Hardy Medal is given to the Rifle team member with the highest academic record according to the current coach Tony Blair. We believe Dawson lives in Wichita.

Mrs. Hardy returned to Salina to continue teaching for several years until she retired because of failing health. She was active in sponsoring the National Honor Society with meetings on Monday nights at her home. Donuts and hot chocolate were served. Cousins came to Salina to move her to Colorado after

Commencement in the late 1960s. I was left with the job of closing out the house of items she did not want.

The two left a legacy to the School that will not be forgotten. They were two people who loved the Cadets they taught and counseled.

contact Liz at: lizduckers@att.net



Battalion Commander of the 123rd Corps of Cadets, Enoch Lau, holds the Hardy Saber.

OBA Forward... MARCH!

Calling all Old Boys!

The 123rd Corps of Cadets is celebrating Commencement May 12 - 14, and we want you to join us!

"Commencement is a very special time for the Cadets. The "Old Boys" returning, are coming home."

Terry Plumberg, Alumni Director, states, "Last year was the largest "F" troop to participate in the Friday morning teardrop Pass and Review. This year we expect to grow even larger!"

Special recognition is anticipated for the following years - 1991, 1986, and 1961. Please contact your class leader.

1991 Class Leader
Darren Johnson, class of 1991,
celebrating its 20th year.
Contact Darren at
dajohnson4374@gmail.com

Jeff Baker and Neal Therrien, are asking
members of the 98th Corps (1986) to
join in celebrating its 25th year.
Contact Jeff and Neil at
Jeffersonbaker8150@yahoo.com or
neal.therrien@elmendorf.af.mil

H. Martin Griffin, class of 1961
is spearheading his class to help
celebrate its 50th year.
Contact Griff at
griffin001@att.net

"SJMS Old Boy" MSG Travis Main USAF

**Graduated in 1995 as
the Command Sergeant
Major of the 107th
Corps of Cadets**

Major Decorations include:

- One Achievement Medal
- Five Commendation medals.

Major Awards include:

- Two Lt General Leo Marquez
- Outstanding Munitions/ Missile Technician of the Year awards. 1999 and 2001
- Airman Leadership School
- John Levitow Award winner. (The John Levitow Award is the highest honor presented to a graduate of Air Force Enlisted Professional Military Education.) Luke AFB, AZ 2002
- Distinguished Graduate, Non-commissioned Officer Academy Lackland AFB, Texas 2008
- Tuskegee Airman Military Award. (This Award goes to a noncommissioned officer that exhibits outstanding performance in both professional and community service.) Davis-Monthan AFB, 2009
- Maintenance Professional of the Year, Davis-Monthan AFB 2010.



Main stopped by campus before Christmas furlough. His face was immediately familiar! We reminisced about the faculty and staff no longer at St. John's and those that remain! "Old Boys," visiting campus hold dear memories of the people who made a difference in their lives and the many friends they made among their brothers in the Corps of Cadets. MSG Main is currently stationed at Langley AFB, Hampton, VA as a Command Aircraft Weapons Inspector. He travels to active duty and Air National Guard bases to evaluate aircraft on operational readiness and regulation compliance.

MSG Main: I really enjoyed my time at St. Johns and am grateful for it. It served as a foundation to give me the ability to figure out what was next. I met some great people many whom I still talk today, including my best friend. Thank you to the school and my parents for making the tough decision.

Advice to the 123rd Corps of Cadets

"As a kid, we have the tendency to not worry about our future. However, the decisions you make now are important as they may affect the rest of your life. Think about that. You're at St. Johns. It doesn't matter how you got here, you are here now. Look around. What now? Are you going to spend all your time and energy being negative opposing what is being offered or are you going to embrace it, learn something and turn it into something positive for your life."

.....The decision is yours.



Commencement Events

- *An Old Boy reception will be held on Thursday, May 12 at La Quinta Inn (201 E. Diamond, just north of SJMS) A huge supply of Cozy's will be waiting for you.
- *On Friday, our day starts early with the Final Roll Call, followed by the installation of our Wall of Fame recipients. That evening a social/dinner will be at Martinelli's (158 S Santa Fe).
- *Saturday, May 14 the "Old Boys" host a breakfast for the seniors. This is a wonderful time to mingle with our new Graduates. Following Commencement, a BBQ is planned, hosted by President & Mrs. England.

Please let Terry know when you are attending so that name badges, reservations and food orders can be taken into consideration.

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SJMS Forever!

Blue Beret High School



Haozong Huang Christopher Gerdes Merit Davey

Dean's Honor Roll



Matthew O'Donnell Vernon Chan Wie Feng Levi Harmon Ian Brands Derek Bartholomay



Bretton Hibler Andrew White Eli Harmon Aaron Wegert Steven McPherson Abraham Quraishi

Honor Roll



Patrick Harden Nihal Gautam Xavier Ryan Daohan Sun Nathan Erlechan Steven Bartholomew Joshua Batchelor Yechi Ma Alexander Bresse



Craig Roukema Victor Fontana Nuoya Wu Jesse Campbell Evan Wiesner Enoch Lau John Watkins Quenton Schur Brandon Becker



Braxton Bottorff Jared Bressman Alexander Gorring Zachary Porter Stephen Ritter Juan Gonzalez Darius Bridgeman Shawn Russell Klaus Mullens



Mitchell Wagner Luke Whitting Levi Gottsponer Brian Strong Justin Baack Adam Guzman Aaron Marlow Garrett Schupp

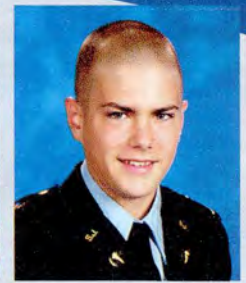
Blue Beret Middle School



John Sun



Bryan Ingram-Dubois



Matthew Giachetto

Honor Roll



Brock Contello



Richard Reynolds



Jake Whitting



Richard Wik



Wesley Dishron



Kole Stoltz



Reece Turner



Gunnar Hatton



Nathan Pitts



Demetrios Kyriazakos

NHS Induction



Anton Ryan recites the NHS oath during the induction ceremony Parents' Weekend



From left: Members of the National Honor Society 2010-2011- Nuoya Wu, Haozong Huang, Greg Saville, Enoch Lau, Jason Czerwinski, Steven Mc Pherson, Joshua Batchelor, Anton Ryan

LOGOMOTION



"FIRST" (for inspiration and recognition of science and technology) a program that pairs high school students with mentors (mainly engineers and teachers) to design and build robots that compete against one another in a high energy sport for the mind!

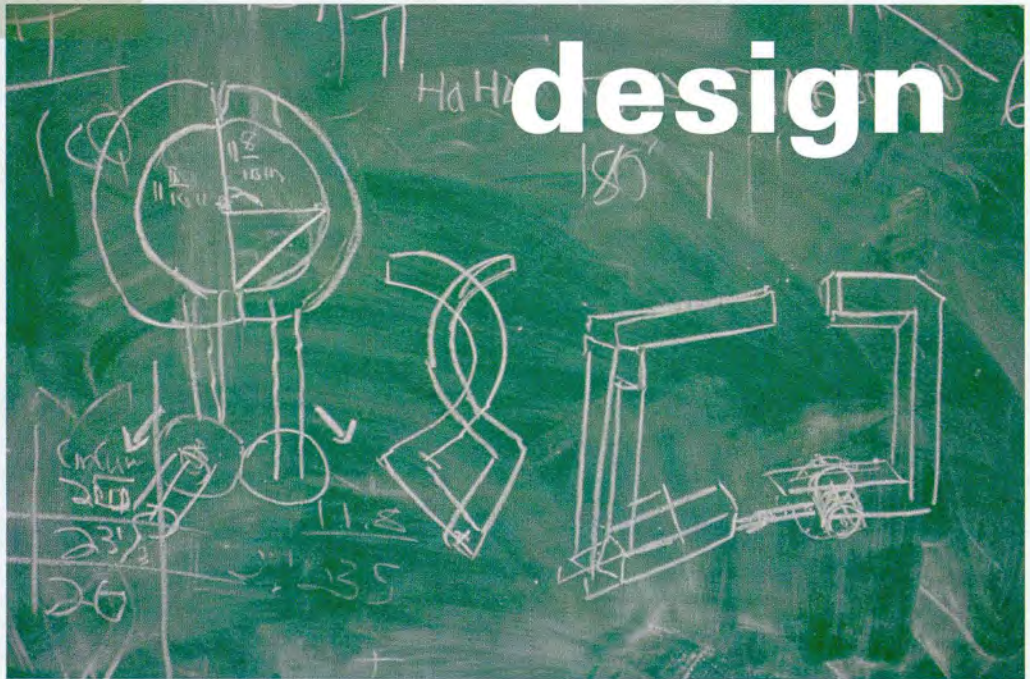
"The "FIRST" program has influenced our participants very strongly. Many Cadets have shown enthusiasm and displayed a proactive attitude. For example, at the beginning of the season if someone were to ask us what we did as part of "FIRST," most Cadets would have said we are simply building a robot. We have come to learn the importance of teamwork and also how science and technology helps with brainstorming, design, building and programming of the robot."

The SJMS Ranger Robotics Team number 3798 consisted of: Alexander Bresse, Vernon Chan, Sergio Cois, Merit Davey, Christopher Gerdes, Eli Harmon, Levi Harmon, Brett Hibler, Tyrell Judy, Klaus Mullens, Hunter Nicodemus, John O'Neill, Aaron Poulin, Abrahan Qurashi, and

Arman Singh. The team mentors were Mrs. Pam Kraus, Ms. Anna Robles, Mr. John Deters, Mrs. Mary Cerny, Mr. Kim Brown and MAJ Marc Polzella. The Team logged over 1,200 hours after school, during evening hours and on Saturdays to accomplish its goal.



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"Our main characteristic that separates us from other teams is we do not have any parent mentors guiding us since we are a military boarding school. In fact, Team 3798 only has six adult mentors. With limited help, we cadets have learned to solve problems by ourselves through research and trial-and-error. We think this is an important characteristic because it has increased our problem-solving skills and has increased our knowledge of the First program."

**"This year was critical because "we are laying the foundation for years to come."
The Ranger Team**

Taken from a report submitted to the competition committee.

The SJMS Ranger Team spent three days and two nights in Kansas City at regionals, competing against other robotics teams from five other states. The first day was spent testing and fine tuning "Old IronHyde," with the rest of the time spent on qualifying rounds and competition matches. Each of the competing teams were grouped into alliances giving the 'rookie' teams like St. John's a chance to contribute to the cause. Each match required that the robot pick up three tubes, red, white and blue and place those tubes on a stand of varying heights. In addition to completing the required task, the students controlling the robots were also trying to block out their competitors from accomplishing the mission. Watching the live feed broadcast during the competition, the SJMS family was able to witness the Ranger Team's successes and failures. After the last match of the day, Anna Robles reported "we were ranked 29th out of 56 teams which is not bad for a rookie team at all."

From top left: Arman Singh connects the components of the base of the robot. Arman Sing, Tyrell Judy, and Aaron Poulin work on the base in the shop. Anna Robles adjusts the arm of "Old IronHyde" during the demonstration event at the mall a few weeks before the competition.



Congratulations Ranger Team and Mentors
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ST. JOHN'S MILITARY SCHOOL

From left: Ranger Team members, Christopher Gerdes, Abraham Qurashi, Arman Singh watch "Old IronHyde" maneuver through the course while Tyrell Judy is at the controls. Anna Robles, Tyrell Judy and Kim Brown assess the situation and make adjustments to the robot. The competition area is set up and waiting for the participants to start the competition.

CIVIL AIR PATROL



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IN THE LATE 1930S, MORE THAN 150,000 VOLUNTEERS WITH A LOVE FOR AVIATION ARGUED FOR AN ORGANIZATION TO PUT THEIR PLANES AND FLYING SKILLS TO USE IN DEFENSE OF THEIR COUNTRY. AS A RESULT, THE CIVIL AIR PATROL WAS BORN ONE WEEK PRIOR TO THE JAPANESE ATTACK ON PEARL HARBOR.

Fast forward to 2011 and the Civil Air Patrol continues to go strong. The Howard Williams Composite Squadron, based in Salina, has strong and continuing ties to St. John's. For many years, St. John's was a CAP school where the Cadets dressed in blue and CAP patches adorned their uniforms instead of the current Army Junior ROTC.

SFC Danny Phillips, a military advisor for Headquarters Company, is also known as Major Phillips, CAP, and commander of the local Squadron. Douglas Dutton, SJMS Chief Financial Officer, and SFC Thompson of Charlie Company are CAP Captains and Squadron pilots. SJMS Nurse, Cathy Mages, is a CAP Major and Deputy Commander. But more importantly, many of our St. John's Cadets are active CAP Cadets.

The Civil Air Patrol is recognized by Congress as the official auxiliary of the United States Air Force, and as such they wear Air Force style uniforms, maintain the Air Force rank structure, and practice Air Force customs and courtesies. CAP is tasked with three distinct missions: Emergency Services, Aerospace Education, and Cadet Programs.

Emergency Services is a wide reaching mission that includes

domestic search and rescue activities, both in the air and on the ground, disaster relief, counterdrug, homeland security, and drug demand reduction. They also fly a multitude of noncombat missions for the Air Force such as route surveys, training, and transportation.

Aerospace Education encompasses both internal and external tasks. The internal task consists of training the members in numerous areas relating to aerospace and emergency services. The external task includes providing information to schools and demonstrations and exhibits to the general public.

Cadet Programs are designed to foster leadership and good citizenship in our youth using aerospace education. Cadets participate in a variety of activities, earn rank, and learn to become better leaders. The best part of the cadet programs are the orientation flights, where the cadets get to spend time actually flying the airplane, and the encampments, where the cadets have the opportunity to attend nationwide air shows, learn to fly gliders, compete in computer security contests, and even obtain their pilot license.

Doug Dutton, SJMS CFO

1. Airman Hibler preparing to taxi out for an orientation ride. 2. Promotion ceremony for SSG Batchelor, with MAJ Phillips and C/ COL Edwards. 3. CPT Dutton preflighting the Squadron's aircraft. 4. Moving the Squadron Aircraft out of the hangar.

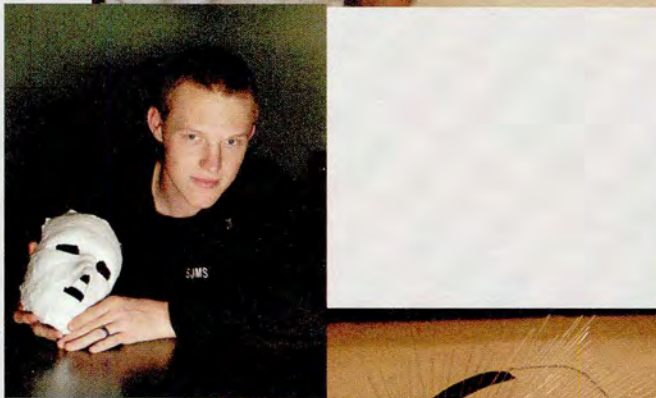
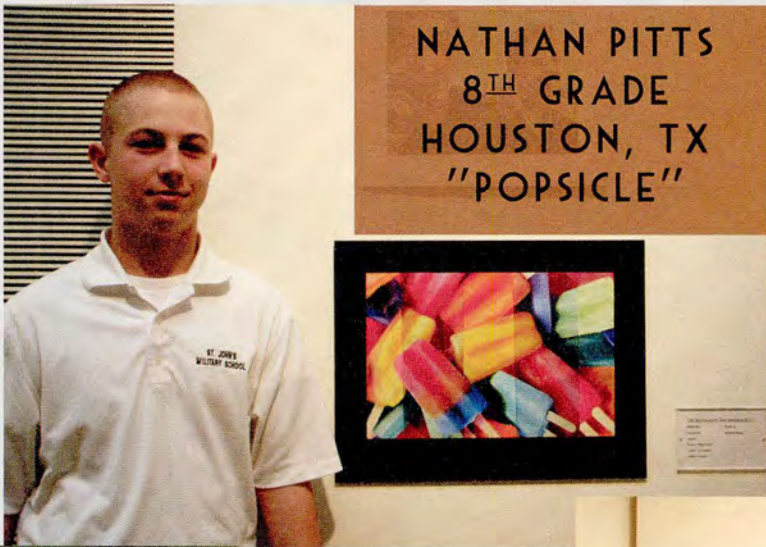
- 31 CADETS ARE PRESENTLY ON THE CAP NATIONAL ROSTER
- EIGHT HOLD THE RANK OF CADET AIRMAN - 1ST STRIPE
- JARED BRESSMAN, CHANDLER CLARK, JUSTIN FERRARO, ELI HARMON, LEVI HARMON, BRETTON HIBLER, DEVON JEMMETT, JOHN O'NEIL
- ONE HOLDS THE RANK OF CADET AIRMAN FIRST CLASS - 2ND STRIPE
- RYAN HARRIS
- ONE HOLDS THE RANK OF CADET STAFF SERGEANT - 4TH STRIPE
- JOSHUA BATCHELOR
- *****
- Active Cadets have the opportunity to attend numerous summer academies and activities, based on age and rank.
- *****

ART CONTEST



“Every year we start the art show season with the top dog of them all, the Scholastic Art and Writing Awards, a national competition held annually for more than 80 years. This past December, more than 1700 artworks were submitted to the Regional Art Awards held in Wichita. This year works by Nathan Pitts, Stephen Ritter, and Macio Palacio were selected for the show. Nathan’s work, “Popsicle” is a color pencil/photo mixed media project, Steve’s, “Isaiah 40:26,” is a ceramic lamp project, and Macio’s, “Day of the Dead, 2010” is a pencil drawing.”

Scott Wiedeman

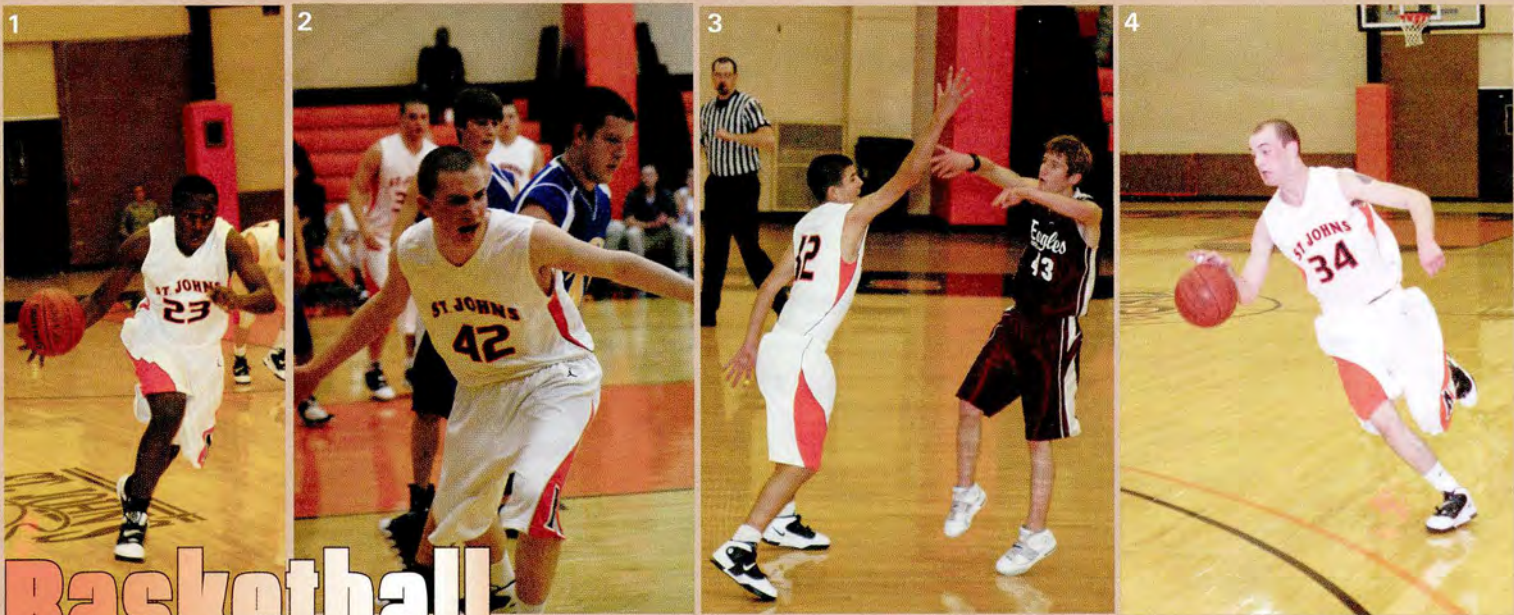


**STEPHEN RITTER
SENIOR
PUEBLE, CO
"ISAIAH 40:26"**



**MACIO PALACIO
SENIOR
LAWRENCE, KS
"DAY OF THE DEAD
2010"**



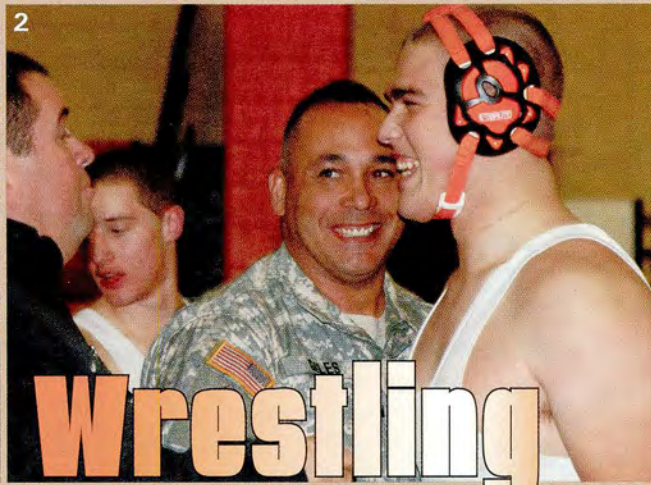
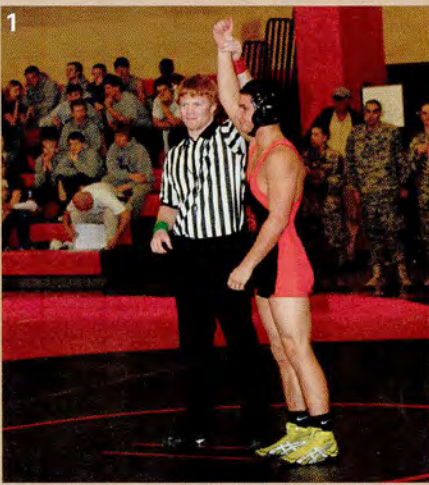


Basketball

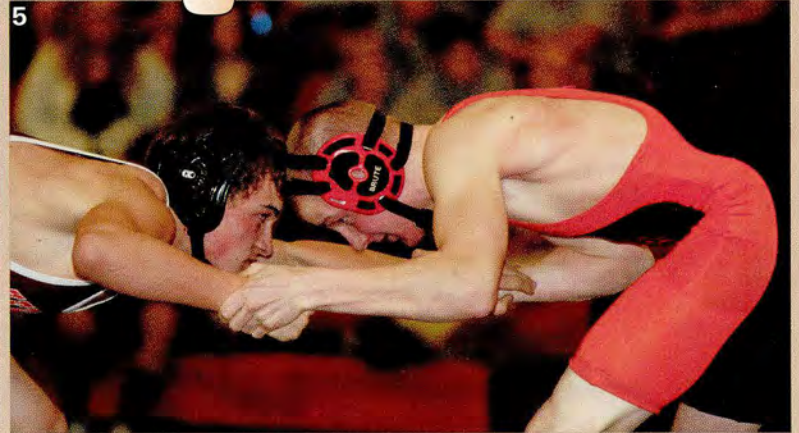
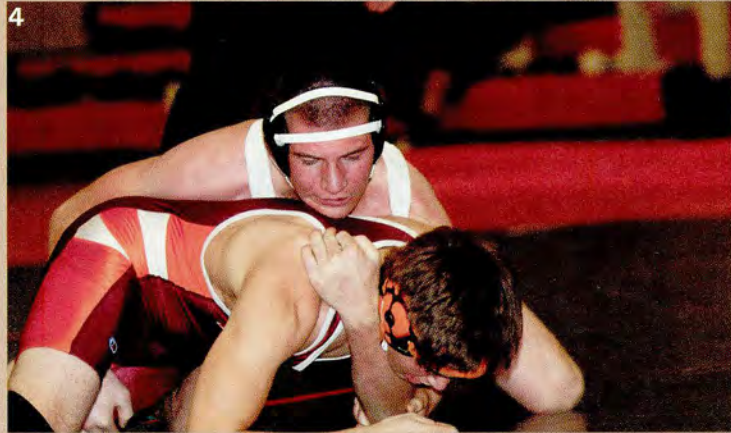
1. Henry Jacinto controls the ball as he sprints down the court. 2. Levi Gottspomer works to get open under the basket. 3. Jared Bresse, hands up; practices in your face "D." 4. High scoring senior, Nicholas Nelson plots his course to the hoop.



row one: Zakayo Lazaro, Ashton McKinney, Nicholas Nelson, Head Coach Roy Lawrence, Alexander Bresse, Henry Jacinto, David Burke row two: Assistant Coach Jeremiah Davis, Luke Whitting, (manager) Zachary Zabala, Levi Gottspomer, Yamil Nasser-Suarez, Darren Gregory, William Meldrum, (manager) Assistant Coach Travis Williams.



Wrestling

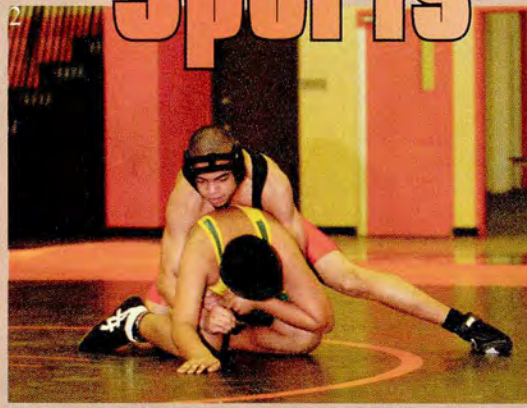


1. Justus Holliday wins his match. 2. Coaches, Mike Reid and Mark Giles, visit with Gregory Saville after a match. Saville's season was cut short due to knee surgery! 3. Matthew O'Donnell gets a win. 4. Brian Strong is in control of his opponent. 5. Derek Bartholomay goes head-to-head with his opponent.



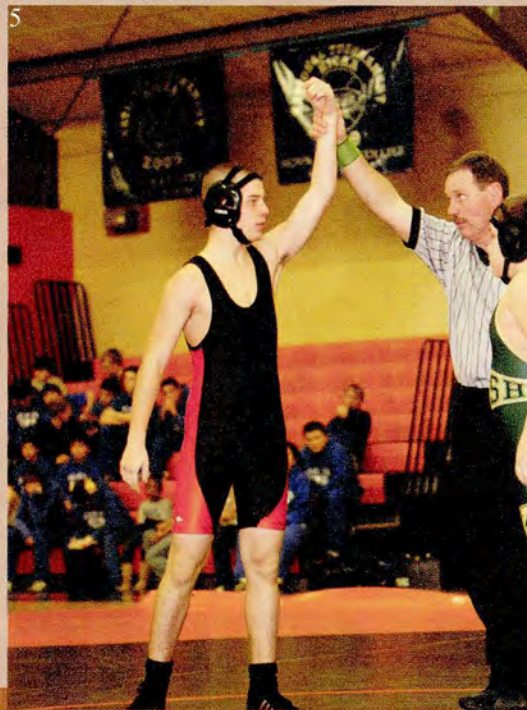
row one: Matthew O'Donnell, Derek Bartholomay, Rafael Vitar, Jared Bressman. Justus Holliday, Corey Lewis. row two: Coach Spencer Popple, Merit Davey, (manager) Brian Strong, Garrett Schupp, (manager) Justin Ferraro, (manager) Coach Hector Serna

Middle School Sports



The Middle School Cadets wrestled Hays and Lyons in a double dual match Feb. 17.

1. Chase Rose's arm is raised in victory.
2. Calvin Guardiola handles his opponent.
3. William Johnson reads his opponents next move.
4. Jacob Nash gets ready for his match.
5. Austin Graham gets a win for the Mule-Skinners.
6. Nathan Pitts takes his opponent to the mat.

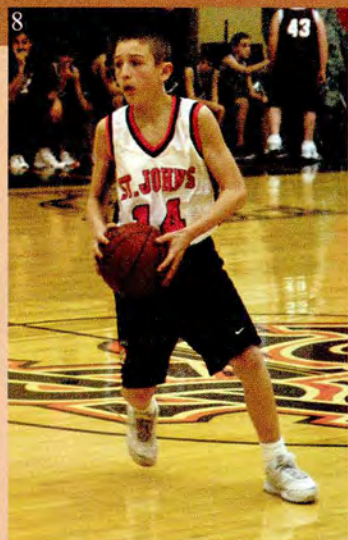


Wrestling Meet Stat Highlights

Jacob Nash 1-1, William Johnson 3-0, Wesley Dishron 1-1, Orson Smith, Elias Gonzales 2-0, Jacob Andrews 1-2, Chase Rose 2-0, Devon Jemmett 1-1, Gunnar Hatton 1-1, Calvin Guardiola 2-0, Austin Graham 1-1, Dylan Yohe 1-1, Alberto Elias-Romero 1-1

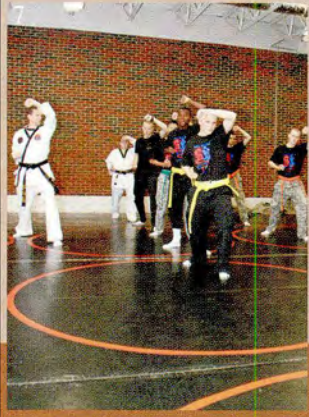
The Middle School Cadets hosted a home game Feb. 18.

7. Devon Jemmett goes for the rebound.
8. Richard Reynolds handles the ball.
9. Richard Wik eyes the basket right before he takes a shot.



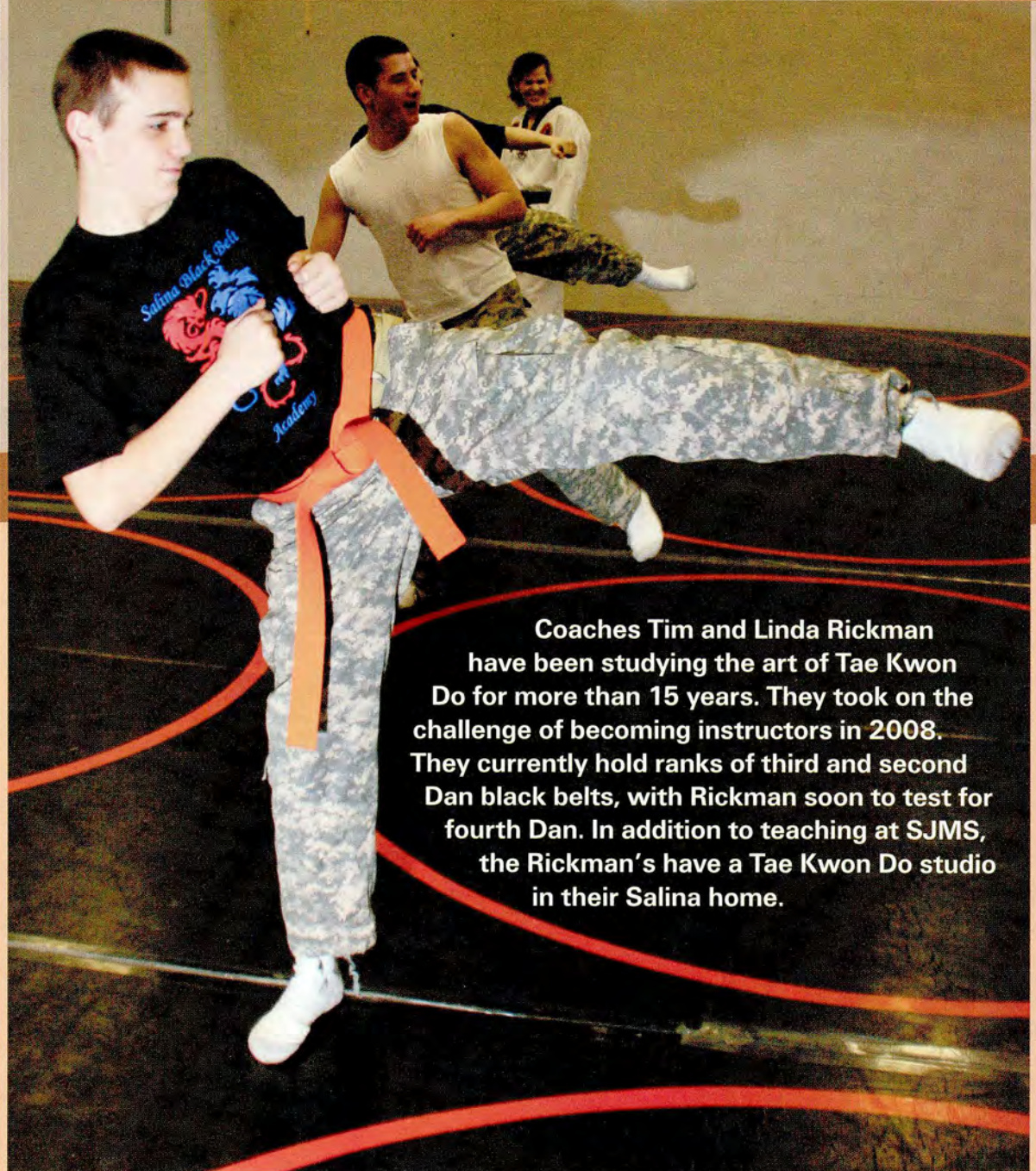
MIDDLE SCHOOL BASKETBALL LETTERMAN

from left: Christian Bockman, Nathan Pitts, Reece Turner, John Sun and Daniel Laws stand with Lance Werber, Middle School Basketball Coach.



6 Tae Kwan Do it's a class!

Five Principles: Courtesy, Integrity, Perseverance, Self-Control and Indomitable Spirit



1. James McCaffrey and Stephen Ritter execute a low round kick. 2. Christopher O'Neil throws a middle punch. 3. David Schmaus displays kicking combinations. 4. Wie Feng demonstrates the high punch. 5. Trevor Hansen practices kicking combinations. 6. David Schmaus and Trevor Hansen practice the side kick while Coach Linda Rickman reacts. 7. Christopher O'Neil, Zakayo Lazaro, Wei Feng, Stephen Ritter, James McCaffery, Craig Roukema and David Schmaus demonstrate the high block while Tim Rickman gives guidance.

Coaches Tim and Linda Rickman have been studying the art of Tae Kwon Do for more than 15 years. They took on the challenge of becoming instructors in 2008. They currently hold ranks of third and second Dan black belts, with Rickman soon to test for fourth Dan. In addition to teaching at SJMS, the Rickman's have a Tae Kwon Do studio in their Salina home.



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Middle School Cadets have the opportunity to find their "inner artist" during art class. Scott Wiedeman, SJMS Art teacher, provides a wide variety of projects meant to both challenge the mind and further develop the imagination. The art is on display in the Vanier Academic building.

Below are three examples of Trompe L'Oeil, the French term literally meaning "to deceive the eye." The viewer is fooled into thinking that actual three-dimensional objects are being displayed rather than a two-dimensional representation of the objects! Can you tell which side of the drawing is which?

Jacob Andrews Jake Whitting Wisely Jean



Jacob Nash



Nathaniel Pearson



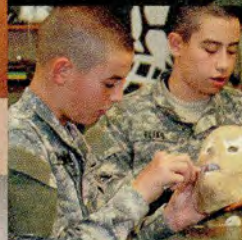
Bryce Weidner



Matthew Giachetto



Alberto Elias -Romero



Above the Cadets use materials to make an impression of their face which they use to create a mask painted and decorated to fit their personality!

