

# La Stompa



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## Chicago Trip Takes 8th Graders On Lake Cruise, Blue Man Group & Wrigley Field



Next the students traveled to Briar Street Theatre where they saw *Blue Man Group* perform. This entertaining performance is described as a “comic musical & artistic show featuring lots of audience interaction with the blue-painted cast.” The 8th graders enjoyed the show from the front row and especially loved the part where giant colored balls bounced around the stage and seating area to end the show.

After this exciting performance, the students traveled to Wrigley Field, home of the Chicago Cubs. Here, the 8th graders received a tour and learned about some of the history behind the field including three historic landmarks: the bleachers, scoreboard, and marquee sign. The group especially loved the visit to the press box, where they could see an excellent view of the field, and the city.

The 8th graders ended the day with dinner at Giordano’s, which has been serving Chicago’s famous deep dish pizza since 1974 and has been acclaimed “Chicago’s Best Pizza” by NBC, CBS Chicago, New York Times, Chicago Magazine and the Chicago Tribune. The students could choose to enjoy a few variations of the famous pizza including regular cheese, sausage, and pepperoni, as well as salad.

The 8th graders are excited to have spent one of their last few days as Frassati students in the wonderful city of Chicago and couldn’t have asked for a better day! We thank all the volunteers (and all the fundraising) that made this day possible and wish our 8th graders good luck in the next 4 years and beyond!

*The 8th Grade class on the deck of their cruise boat during the Chicago Trip on May 24.*

By Emma Roberts

On May 24th, 2018, the almost graduated 8th grade students took on the annual trip to Chicago. This fun-filled day was created to celebrate the all the hard work put in by these students over the past 3 years as well to create a good memory the 8th graders will carry on to high school.

The day began for the 8th graders and their teacher chaperones, Mrs. Kolozsy and Mr. Driscoll, at 7:30 am when they arrived and hopped on the bus. The bus ride was

filled with song-singing, laughing, and even dancing!

At 10:30, the 8th graders began their first activity; lunch, games, and dancing on a Chicago cruise boat. The students were invited to fill their plates with food from a taco bar while the boat took off. After eating, the students could choose to either go outside on the deck where they could take pictures, play games, or simply relax in the 80 degree weather, or stay inside and enjoy the dance floor. Wherever they were, all students had a great time.

### Upcoming Events and Volunteer Opportunities

<b>Fri, June 1</b> 8th Grade Graduation @ Mundelein Seminary  FIELD DAY	<b>Mon, June 4</b> Mundelein Campus Preschool & Kindergarten Celebrations	<b>Tue, June 5</b> Wauconda Campus Preschool & Kindergarten Celebrations	<b>Wed, June 6</b> LAST DAY OF SCHOOL/Picnic	<b>June 7-Aug 19</b> SUMMER BREAK		
<b>Sun, July 1</b> Mundelein Parade				<b>Sun, Aug 5</b> Country Fest @ St. Mary’s	<b>Wed, Aug 8</b> FFA Meeting	<b>Mon, Aug 20</b> 2018-2019 School Year Begins

**Santa Maria Confirms “Final Four” Frassati 8th Graders**

By Juliana Soto

On May 26, four Frassati students, Christopher Badowski, Edward Ferrer, Maddy Ledesma, and Juliana Soto, received the Holy Spirit through the Sacrament of Confirmation. The mass was celebrated by Bishop Rojas and Father Miguel at Santa Maria del Popolo Church in Mundelein. This was Frassati’s final set of 8th graders to be confirmed this year.

During the Homily, Bishop Rojas explained to the Confirmadi that they are Children of God and should act like it with the guidance of the Holy Spirit. Confir-



*Chris Badowski, Maddy Ledesma, Juliana Soto and Edward Ferrer are among the Santa Maria Confirmation candidates with Bishop Rojas at their Confirmation mass on May 26th.*

mandi renewed their faith in front of the congregation and Christ.

Afterwards, they were presented to the Bishop by their sponsor and anointed with Sacred Oil. This was an exciting and sanctifying event as the students were able to renew their Faith on their own as full Members of the Church.

**Assistant Principal Chorazy Embarks on New Adventure**

By Emma Roberts

On May 15th, Frassati students and family learned that the Chorazy family will not be coming back next school year. Assistant principal Mrs. Becki Chorazy, along with her 3 children Isabella (6th grade), Paige (2nd), and Parker (2nd) will be returning to St. Patrick’s school due to Mrs. Chorazy accepting a teaching position there to be closer to their home in Wisconsin. St. Patrick’s is in Wadsworth, IL.

Mrs. Chorazy shared what she will miss most about the Frassati community saying, “I will miss the people the most. I have had a wonderful time getting to know all the students, parents and staff and I will miss them.”

Mrs. Chorazy also shared that some of

The La Stompa Staff would like to wish Wauconda Campus School Secretary, **Mrs. Chris Brannan**, a Very Happy Retirement!

We also wish Mundelein Campus 5th Grade teacher, **Miss Margaret Williamson**, well as she moves on to spend time with family!

**“Living” Rosary To Take Place On Friday**

On Friday May 31st the 6th and 7th graders will participate in the ‘living’ rosary. The students will stand in a circle around the church like a rosary. The students will each say a Hail Mary. This rosary will take the place of mass.



*Mrs. Chorazy with Ms. Kleckner at the last school dance on April 20.*

her favorite memories would be “coaching basketball, praying the balloon rosary, spending time with the students out at recess and helping with all of our masses.”

6th grader Isabella Chorazy also shared, “I will miss my friends and teachers. I will also miss the clubs and fun activities like the track a thon.”

The presence of such a big part of our Frassati community will be greatly missed by all, but we wish the best of luck to the Chorazy family as they transition to a new school and new opportunities.

*Pier Giorgio Frassati Fun Facts*  
by Emma Roberts

Did you know...?

Pier Giorgio had one sibling, his sister Luciana, whom was born shortly after him in 1902.

After over 50 years, Pier Giorgio’s mortal body was found completely intact, or untouched. He was transferred from the cemetery in Pol-lone, like our library, where he was originally buried, to a cathedral in his hometown in Turin.

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## This Issue's "Great Debate" Looks Ahead to Summer Food Preferences

Hot Dogs and Pizza are two favorite summer foods. But not everyone likes them the same way.

### La Stompa Staff Weighs In

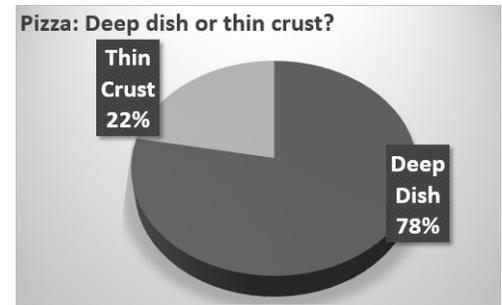
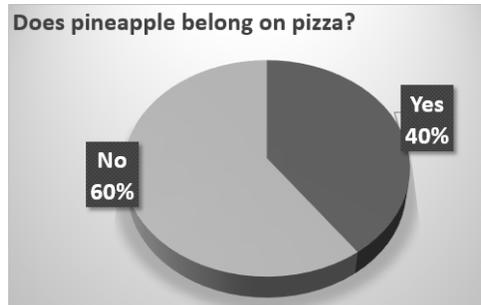
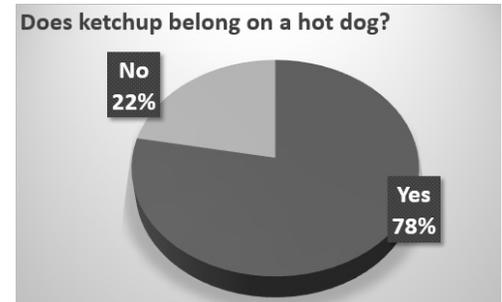
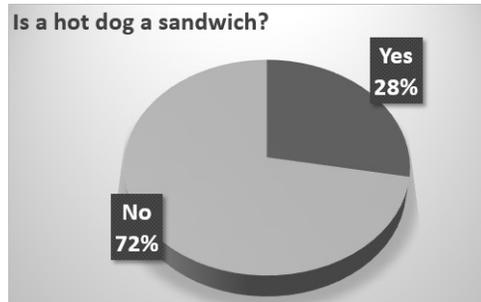
"To settle the food debates, pineapples BELONG on pizza, in Chicago, don't even think about putting ketchup on a hot dog (but outside the city, you're fine), hot dogs ARE NOT sandwiches, and I am a Chicago-style girl, so I think deep dish pizza is the best. Pineapples are the best topping on pizza, hence me saying that pineapple belongs on pizza. Ketchup on hot dogs though, personally, I don't like the condiment on hot dogs. Also, do not ask for ketchup for your hot dog downtown, most likely, the person who is selling the hot dog to you will maybe look at you weirdly. And hot dogs are not sandwiches!!! Hot dogs are hot dogs!!

- Stephanie Aquino

"No for pineapple on pizza, yes ketchup on a hot dog, confusion of the hot dog sandwich, regular for pizza and I like apples with ketchup. I also like cookies. And ice cream."

- Joaquin Cardenas

"I have never tried pineapple on pizza, but I am with the general group of people that believe that it is strange to put pineap-



Looking ahead to summer, we polled middle school students about preferences for hot dogs and pizza and got some interesting answers along with some strong opinions.

ple on pizza, (says the person who puts Skittles on pizza). I also don't really like hot dogs, but I think it would be strange to not put ketchup on hot dogs. And NO, hot dogs aren't sandwiches, because a sandwich is 'two or more slices of bread having a filling in between'. I rest my case seeing that a hot dog bun is ONE roll of bread sliced in half. I also prefer deep dish pizza, because well, it is just really, really good."

- Abby Tekampe

### Chromebook Tips

by Stephanie Aquino

- ◆ Press the arrows on the top of the keyboard to go to the page before (and vice versa for the page after)
- ◆ And you can also use alt+arrows on the bottom to go to the page before/after
- ◆ For Keyboard shortcuts press ctrl+alt+?

## Robotics Club Ends Year With In School Showcase for Fellow Students

By Marisa Spada, Marisa Abt & Michelle Van Wiltenburg

The robotics school showcase took place on Thursday, May 17 in the PLC gym. In the showcase the different robotics teams showed off their robots that they competed with at the 4-H Showcase in April. The purpose of this was to show off all the hard work they put into to their robots throughout the year. One of the teams, "7 from Heaven" won two awards at the Showcase competition. Wauconda campus grades 4th-8th all came to watch along with some parents.

It was their second "show" in front of the other grades at school. It was held for the students at school who would like to see the robots and learn more about what they do in robotics. The robotics team members

showed off their robots and their robot courses. This was different than the robotics teams racing each other like they did in December.

When asked their opinion on the showcase, students had mixed responses. First Angela VanWiltenburg, a member of robotics club said, "It was fun and I got to spend time with my friends."

Paulina Sroka added, "It was fun, and I think the other kids liked it, perhaps they may want to join next year."

Then, I asked Ariane Rajcevich and she said, "It was good." While there were many good comments there were also some people who had different opinions.

Angelica Puga, a robotics club member stated, "It was boring because we did the same thing over and over again."

The robotics showcase for the most

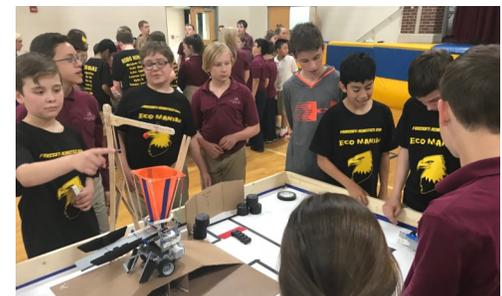


photo by Juliana Soto

The Robotics Club Eco Maniax team shows off their course and robot at the School Showcase.

part was very interesting and fascinating. Hopefully this opened the eyes to more middle schoolers and current 5th graders.

The Robotics Club will start up again in the fall for 6th graders and up. If you will be in 6th grade next year there is always room for more robotics members!

**Best Wishes to All Frassati Students & Faculty Celebrating Birthdays this Summer!**

				<b>May 31</b> Emily Golemba	<b>June 1</b> Cecilia James	<b>June 2</b> Noah LaMora
<b>June 3</b> <i>Emily Bott</i>	<b>June 4</b> Tom Gannon Julian Rubio Sahasra Munugoti	<b>June 5</b> Charlie Dawkins Kyle Snyder		<b>June 7</b> Grace Harvey Rachael Russell Mrs. Ortiz		<b>June 9</b> Meagan Friese
	<b>June 11</b> Armani Clement		<b>June 13</b> Eric Rothmann Arianna Conzelman	<b>June 14</b> Sean Sanderson Paulina Sroka	<b>June 15</b> Michael D'Incognito	
	<b>June 18</b> Lloyd Lazaro Cynthia Quito		<b>June 20</b> Ian Kerr Josh Puga <i>Mrs. Herchenbach</i>	<b>June 21</b> Marcus Aragon Preston Steckler	<b>June 22</b> Gabe Campos	<b>June 23</b> Anthony Bart Brian Braun
		<b>June 26</b> Braydon Wright	<b>June 27</b> Noah Kovarik			<b>June 30</b> Julio Soto
<b>July 1</b>		<b>July 3</b> Emiliano Puga	<b>July 4</b> Daniel Desrosiers	<b>July 5</b> Alex Castanedo	<b>July 6</b> Mackenzie Spratt	<b>July 7</b> Marco Gonzalez
		<b>July 10</b> Alex Ferrer		<b>July 12</b> Keira Ackerson		<b>July 14</b> Maggie & James Nickles
			<b>July 18</b> Clare Gannon Sarah McQuillan	<b>July 19</b> <i>Lucy Strain</i>		<b>July 21</b> Colton Miglans
		<b>July 24</b> Aiden Charles		<b>July 26</b> Monsty Williams Owen Potempa		
<b>July 29</b> Bruni Huntemann Marisa Spada	<b>July 30</b> Jack Glasnovich		<b>Aug 1</b> Ava Potempa		<b>Aug 3</b> Maddie Zubert	

**Frassati First Communicant, AJ Dye, Goes Above & Beyond With Service Project for PADS**

By Abby Tekampe

Over this past month many children from Transfiguration, Santa Maria and Saint Mary’s parishes received their 1st Communion and became closer to the Lord. In preparation for this event the 2nd graders at the Mundelein Campus put together a Service Project to help their community.

As Mrs. Marciniak put it, “a student in

my class, AJ Dye, has gone above and beyond on his First Communion Service Project.”

What did he do? He spoke with 12 families and raised \$300. With these \$300 he purchased sheets for PADS from Medline, which is where his dad works. Why did he do this? He saw a problem. The sheets they use for PADS are mismatched, and don’t fit on the mats, so he wanted to

do something about it. By buying these sheets it decreases the time it takes to set up for PADS .

Be sure to sat thank you to AJ for his amazing contribution to the homeless in our community.

**Missions Elects New Officers**

By Kristina Spada

The missions leaders picked new officers recently. The new president is Meagan Friese and vice president is Felix Castillo. The secretary is Abby Tekampe and the publicity manager is Michelle Van Wiltenburg.

The last missions mission they did was going around the school and picking up trash. This happened after school from 3:20 to about 4:00. For the last mission they will go around the church praying the rosary. The missions participants will be in a circle inside the church.

**Frassati 6th & 7th Graders Experience “Carmelfest”**

By Kate Roberts

On May 12, many of the 6th and 7th graders at Frassati Catholic Academy middle school joined other students from different schools from around the area for an event called “Carmelfest” which took place at Carmel Catholic High School in Mundelein. There was a lot to do at this event. There were bounce houses and bounce obstacle courses for the students to play on.

There was a mechanical bull and much more to do.

Carmel gave out the popcorn, water, and ice cream sundaes to the kids to enjoy and the music was playing the whole time. This event was to help get the 6th and 7th graders more involved and informed about Carmel Catholic High School.

Overall this event was fun and a good way to get students more informed about Carmel..

# Elementary Music Concerts Feature Much More Than Just Singing

## **Mundelein Campus Concert-May 17th** By Abby Tekampe

On Thursday May 17, the Mundelein campus had their annual Spring Music Concert organized by Mr. Velez. To begin the concert the band students, directed by Mr. Slater played "Let's Go Band". Following that performance Kindergarten, 1st grade, and 2nd grade walked onto the stage and performed Love the Lord and Pentatonic Partners. Then Kindergarten and 1st grade walked off stage. As they walked off stage 3rd, 4th, and 5th grade joined 2nd grade on stage.

The 3rd graders played Hot Cross Buns, Gently Sleep, and Merrily We Roll Along on their recorders. Following 3rd grade's performance, the 4th graders played 3 tunes: Morning Bells, Alleluia to Our God, and Let it Rain. They were accompa-

nied by the 2nd and 3rd graders singing along. Then the 2nd-5th graders sang I Can Only Imagine and remained on stage for the 5th grader's iPad Music Projects done on the app Figure.

After the 5th grade's songs all the students stood on stage and sang Shalom Aleichem, Praise God with Sounding Trumpet, What a Beautiful Name and closed out the concert with Sing and Shout.

This concert wouldn't have been possible without the Masters of Ceremony: Megan Brunk, Logan Zupancic, and Charles Fisher; along with the the Technical staff: Derek Bishop, Ronan Gardner, and Charlie Potempa.

## **Wauconda Campus Concert-May 17th** By Lauren Zomchek

On May 23rd the Wauconda Campus Spring Music Concert took place from 7 to

8 pm in the Wauconda Campus PLC. Kindergarten through 5th grade performed.

Aiden Werner said a prayer before the concert and Kayla Finnerty and Caroline Dawson were the Masters of Ceremony. The Technical Staff included Corrigan Huner and Shawn Stonis.

First up was the band including a few middle school students helping out. Second, Kindergarten through 2nd performed Love the Lord and Pentatonic Partners conducted by Isabella Chamberlin and Taylor Lockhart. Then, 3rd Grade played Hot Cross Buns, Gently Sleep, and Merrily We Roll Along on recorders.

After that 4th grade played recorder and 2nd and 3rd grades sang Morning Bells, Alleluia to Our God, and Let it Rain. Next, 2nd through 5th sang I Can Only Imagine. The Soloists were Maggie Nickles and Addison Dempsey, conducted by Sean Zomchek. After that, 5th grade played the boomwhackers, hollow tubes that played different notes.

Next, all grades sang "Shalom Aleichem" with leading voices by Violet Camargo and John Munoz, conducted by Andrea Lazaro. This was followed by "Praise God with Sounding Trumpet", conducted by Sam Glasnovich, Michael D'Incognito, and Olivia Sroka, and "What a Beautiful Name" with solos by Kasey Kruger and Dylan Johnson.

The final song was "Sing and Shout", which had Fiona Ackerson and Sofie Panaitescu as the leading voices and Amy Keane conducting. Everyone was outstanding, and we will definitely miss the 5th graders wonderful performances next year. Congratulations to all who performed!

# Band Students End Year with Performances & Parties

By Stephanie Aquino

On Monday, May 14th, Frassati's school band students had their last concert. After the successful concert, students rushed downstairs to get refreshments.

On the 19th of May, some students got to play the national anthem for the NICC Championship Track Meet (many wearing their track uniforms). Meanwhile, last week on Tuesday (the 22nd) some of our school's band students went to the annual band bowling party at Lakeside Lanes. Students bowled from 4:30 to 5:30. Fortunately, some groups got to bowl more than once!

Unfortunately, we have to say our farewell to the 8th grade musicians. The 8th graders are Kathleen Asmussen, Owen Be-dell, Tony Bishop, Jeremy Bobber, Brianna



*Some of Frassati's Advanced Band woodwinds before their final band concert of the year on May 14th.*

Huner, Maddy Ledesma, Connor Manning, Juliana Soto and Marisa Spada,

La Stompa's staff hope that the 8th graders that are graduating this year have a successful and happy future in their musical careers in high school and beyond. And to always have fun playing their musical instruments!

# Bible Study Group Looking Forward to Next Year

By Lauren Zomchek

Tuesday, May 22, Bible Studies came to a close. This club was open to 6th, 7th, and 8th grade students and quite a few people came every week. The group met every other Tuesday in the Pollone Library. Mrs. Roberts and Mrs. Bobber were in charge. At the meetings, they read the Bible Passage from the upcoming Sunday Mass, and

discussed any questions they came up with.

The group had some very insightful questions and sometimes the helpers didn't even know how to answer! Bella Chorazy said, "I liked Bible Studies, and I think they should do it again next year."

We are hoping that many current 5th graders will join Bible Studies next year. This club had some very good times, and we look forward to another year!

## **CORRECTIONS**

Our apologies go out to all of the folks whose May birthdays we forgot to include in our previous issue. Happy belated birthday goes out to:

- Anthony Konkolewski (May 4)
- Brady Harper (May 11)
- Emily Karda (May 13)
- Mason McMurray (May 15)
- Gabriella Atia (May 16)
- Cara Morgan (May 21)
- Patrick Lloyd (May 22)

**CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL OUR GRADUATING 8th GRADERS!**



*Marcus Aragon is going to Carmel Catholic High School*

*Jeremy Bobber is going to Carmel Catholic High School*



*Darren Gorman is going to Carmel Catholic High School*

*Kathleen Asmussen is going to Mundelein High School*



*Savannah Campos is going to Carmel Catholic High School*

*Grace Harvey is going to Carmel Catholic High School*



*Christopher Badowski is going to Mundelein High School*

*Ella Cappelle is going to Carmel Catholic High School*



*Clare Keane is going to Carmel Catholic High School*

*Owen Bedell is going to Mundelein High School*



*John Clarizio is going to Carmel Catholic High School*

*Brianna Huner is going to Carmel Catholic High School*



*Tony Bishop is going to Mundelein High School*

*Edward Ferrer is going to Carmel Catholic High School*



*Nina Kropiwiec is going to Carmel Catholic High School*

***Frassati Catholic Academy Class of 2018***

**HAVE A GREAT SUMMER AND GOOD LUCK IN HIGH SCHOOL!**

*Ben LaMora  
is going to  
Carmel  
Catholic High  
School*



*Matthew  
Molsen  
is going to  
Carmel  
Catholic High  
School*

*Kyle Snyder  
is going to  
Carmel  
Catholic High  
School*



*Maddy  
Ledesma  
is going to  
Carmel  
Catholic High  
School*

*Isabella  
Niemotha  
is going to  
Carmel  
Catholic High  
School*



*Marisa Spada  
is going to  
Mundelein  
High School*

*Connor  
Manning  
is going to  
Carmel  
Catholic High  
School*



*Shane Porten  
is going to  
Carmel  
Catholic High  
School*

*Juliana Soto  
is going to  
Carmel  
Catholic High  
School*



*Luke McEwen  
is going to  
Carmel  
Catholic High  
School*

*Angelica  
Puga  
is going to  
Wauconda  
High School*



*Angela Van  
Wiltenburg  
is going to  
Carmel  
Catholic High  
School*

*Kathryn  
Minard  
is going to  
Carmel  
Catholic High  
School*



*Emma  
Roberts  
is going to  
Carmel  
Catholic High  
School*



***Frassati Catholic Academy Class of 2018***

## **A Day at Camp Duncan Provides Fun, Team Building for Middle Schoolers**

By Kate Roberts & Ariane Rajcevich

On Tuesday, May 29, just two days ago, the students of Frassati Catholic Academy middle school went to Camp Duncan for an end of the year field trip.

To start the day, the middle schoolers hopped on a bus in the morning and rode all the way to Camp Duncan. Camp Duncan is a YMCA facility located on Fish Lake, which is near Volo, IL about 15 minutes from the Frassati Wauconda campus.

There were four activities the students could do which included archery, boating and fishing, rock climbing and team building. The classes were also split into four teams. The groups were called Aspen, Birch, Cedar, and Dogwood. Also the groups included an intersperse of 6th, 7th, and 8th graders. The four teams were set up with teachers as leaders.

Each group participated in rock climbing. There were 2 walls to climb, a wall with bumps and another was a flat wall with rocks that move. Here you could also practice knot tying.

Another activity was boating and fishing. The groups split up into pairs and then started to kayak around the lake. While some people were doing that others were



photo by Mrs. Ziegler

**Savannah Campos and Bella Niemotka stop paddling to pose for a photo while Josh Puga and Logan Dennis sneak up behind them on the lake at Camp Duncan.**

fishing with the help of Mr. Van Wiltenburg and Mr. Gardner, two Frassati dads.

The next activity was team building. This activity focused on team building and building friendships in the groups. They participated in games that included trust falls and squeezing into a small box.

The last activity was archery. This is where the students got to learn and practice their archery skills, with help from the Camp Duncan staff.

The day was filled lots of activities. Here are what the students thought of this field trip. Sixth grader Stephanie Aquino said, "Camp Duncan was fun and I liked the boating, although there were a lot of mosquitoes."

"It was a lot of fun and I enjoyed it accept for the bugs" says Abby Tekampe, 7th grader here at Frassati.

Overall the field trip was filled lots of fun and many activities. Even though the bugs were very annoying, it was very good experience. Many students thought the field trip was fun. The day was also a very nice day to go because the weather was gorgeous.

## **6th Graders Learn Physics While At the Skating Rink**



**6th Grade girls take a break during the skating field trip.**

By Ariane Rajcevich

On May 23, the 6th grade students went to Skate on Grand in Fox Lake, IL for a field trip. Kids were able to bring their own roller skates and rollerblades.

Mr. Driscoll and Mrs. Ziegler also came with the sixth graders on the field trip. The students were able to come out of uniform on this day.

The day was also not just for roller

skating. It was also a learning day. The teachers showed the students what the law of Newton had to do with roller skating and rollerblading.

Many of the students thought that the field trip was fun.



**Michael Van Wiltenburg & Joaquin Cardenas skating (or not) during the skating field trip.**



**Mr. Mike Van Wiltenburg helps Alex Castillo retrieve the fish he caught at Camp Duncan.**

**Bulldogs Restaurant Has Eclectic Décor But Delicious Burgers & “Milkshaky” Goodness**

**Restaurant Review**  
By Abby Tekampe



On Friday May 11, some of the 7th graders headed to Bulldogs after the school day had come and gone. Bulldogs is a restaurant on Main Street in Wauconda. It is a brilliant hodgepodge of an 80s diner, Wauconda sports teams, old movie posters and actors’ photos. They sell burgers, fries, drinks, and more.

They also have a challenge, called the Bluto Burger Challenge, in which you have 30 minutes to down four ½ pound patties stuffed with grilled onions and pepper jack

cheese smothered in apple BBQ sauce and 12 pieces of bacon then topped with jalapeno cheese and big slab of onion rings. But wait... there’s more, you also have to eat a pound of their french fries smothered in cheese and chili. No one took the challenge on Friday, but they did order some good food.

Meagan Friese ordered 2 mini burgers and a cookies and cream shake. Elizabeth Strelecki ordered a bacon cheeseburger and a water. Micaela Ackerson ordered a chocolate milkshake while Andy Sierra ordered a cookies and cream milkshake. Estefania Quinones ordered cheese fries and a chocolate milkshake. I ordered a cheeseburger, fries, and mint chocolate chip shake. After ordering the food took a while

to come out because we almost all ordered milkshakes which take a long time to make because they only have 1 or 2 machines to make them, but everything came out together so everyone began eating at the same time.

After we got our food we indulged ourselves in burger, french fry and “milkshaky” goodness. Andy Sierra said that, “It was good.” Meagan Friese thought that, “I thought that it was very delicious.”

**A Quiet Place Scares in Silence**

**Cinema Review**  
By Angelica Puga



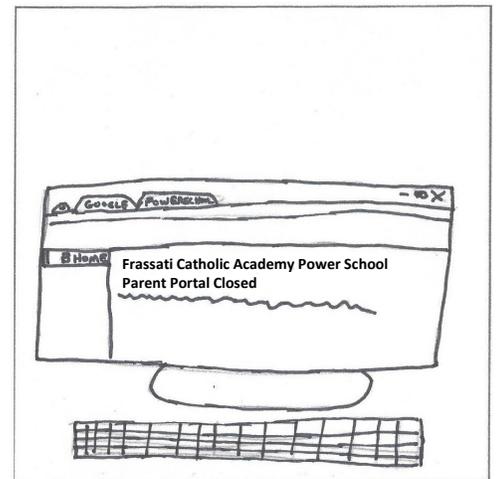
“That was the scariest movie I ever watch,” said Mr. L. He was talking about A Quiet Place, a horror movie released on April 6th and still in cinemas.

The movie, starring John Krasinski and Emily Blunt, expresses emotions without the need for words. There is a family of 5. Something happens to 2 people in the family. What I think is that when you see the movie, you can feel the characters feelings along with them.

Rotten Tomatoes critics score the movie at 95%. 84% of audiences like the film. It’s sold \$50 million in tickets during it’s opening weekend. The budget of the movie was \$17-21 million and total box office so far is \$314.2 million worldwide.

**Can’t See Your Grades**

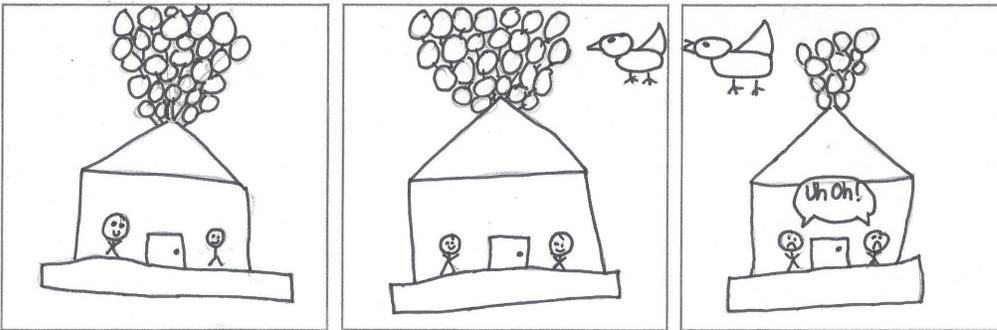
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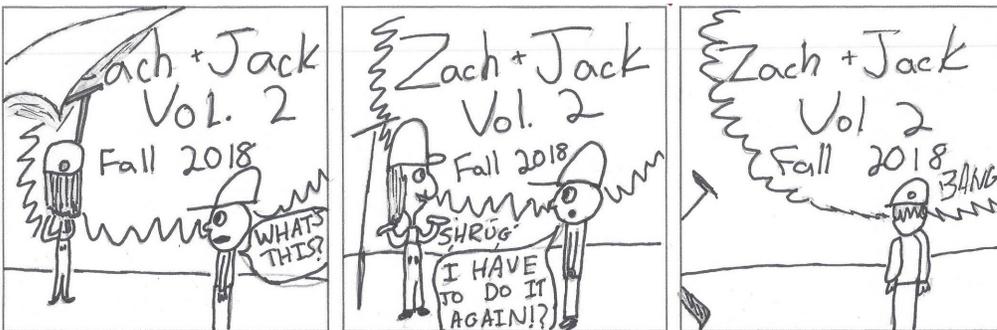
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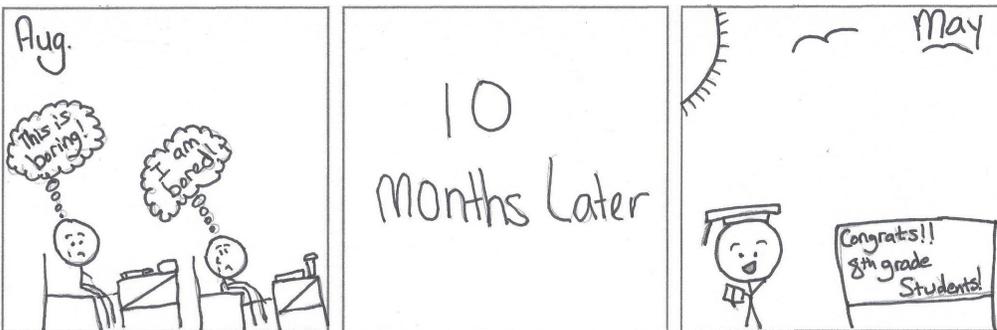
**Up, Up and Down** by Lauren Zomchek & Bella Chorazy



**Zach & Jack = Again** by Kyle Steckenrider



**8th Grade School Year Aug-May** by Angelica Puga



## Golden Apple Gala Raises Money With Unique Item Auctions

By Kyle Snyder

On Friday, May 11, Frassati Catholic Academy held its annual Golden Apple Gala. The Gala is one of the school's primary fundraisers. This event took place at the Doubletree hotel in Mundelein where guests enjoyed dinner and dancing along with a chance to score some great prizes.

The theme for this year's Gala was "A Night at the Academy Awards." There were a ton of prizes that Frassati parents, family or other guests could win. There was both a live auction and a silent auction. A silent auction is when you bid, but no one knows who is bidding for it and a live auction is when everyone shouts out their bids.

Along with items like sports memorabilia and tickets to major sporting events, a grill, and stays at a couple different Florida beach condos, there were also some school specific things that families could bid on. One was a trip to Bulldogs with Ms. Koloszy, Mr. Driscoll, and Mr. L. There were also chances for a student to be Principal for the day or School Secretary for the day.



*Ms. Kleckner & Mrs. Chorazy with their Principal & Asst. Principal for the day (Wed, May 30), 4th grader Michael D'Incognito and 2nd grader Aiden Werner. Michael's & Aiden's parents won the day at the Golden Apple Gala.*

Mrs. Ziegler, Sra. Rywelski, and Mr. Reisenbuechler donated an Amazon Echo Dot and the elementary teachers donated a whole bunch of items. There was also a raffle with \$5 tickets that had prizes like dinner at Culvers or Chicago Wolves tickets.

## ELA Classes Try New Approach With Poem Books & Lit Circles

*Academic Beat*

By Kate Hill & Lauren Zomchek

For the past month, 6th, 7th, and 8th grades worked on Poem books and Literature Circles in ELA. Mrs. Ziegler and Mrs. Koloszy wanted to try a different method on how to study with groups between 3 and 15 people in each group. They would do their jobs for each group and journals, too. They would also make questions for each quiz or test that were in each of their groups.

There were poem books with 13 poems that the students had to make (12 for 6th grade). The types of poems included Two Word, Haikus, and Limericks. Students also had to have a poem from a famous poet, and a short biography about them.

There were a total of 15 poems (14 for 6th grade). The poem book was out of 100 points and this was also supposed to be on your creativity.

Stephanie Aquino said, "My favorite poem to write was the Two Word poem, because you could be very creative with them."

Keira Ackerson said, "We should do

them again next year."

Literature Circles included being in groups to read books with others who were interested. There was many books to choose from, and most of them seemed very interesting. Alex Castillo, who read the book Hatchet says, "Overall, it was good, although there was a lot of people off task and socializing. But somehow we made it through."

Many students thought the poem books and literature circles was really exciting and fun. It seems that both Poem Books and Literature Circles were a success.

## Students Get In Gala Spirit With Celebrity Dress Up Day

By Emma Roberts

In celebration of the 2018 Golden Apple Gala, The Academy Awards, the students of Frassati Catholic Academy showed their creativity by having a casual day on May 11th, the same day as the gala. Because the theme of the gala was The Academy Awards, students, K-8, were asked to dress up as their favorite celebrity, or just dress as if they were heading to a celebrity

## Songwriting Elective Has Options

*Academic Beat*

By Diego Prado

One of the electives that students were able to take this trimester was Songwriting. In the class of songwriting students learn the fundamental necessities for making a song such as choruses, bridges, verses and melodies.

The students are also given the option to bring their instruments to class to try and create their own melody for a song they will be creating with their group during the course of the elective. Instruments in the class currently range from Pianos to Drums to Violins and Saxophones.

Mr. Maday teaches the songwriting elective. I have so far enjoyed the elective and feel I have learned a lot of interesting facts I would not have learned had I not decided to take the class.

## Science Class Dissections Allow Look Inside Frogs

*Academic Beat*

By Brianna Huner

On Tuesday, May 15th, and Wednesday, May 16th, our Frassati 8th graders have been doing something a little outside of regular science class. They've been "dissecting" frogs. For weeks, the 8th graders have been preparing to open up frogs that Mr. Driscoll ordered.

In class our students identified different organs inside frogs. They also had extra time for their own curiosity. GROSS OUT ALERT: the 8th graders spent their extra time either looking for a brain or dissecting the legs and arms.

In other news, the 8th graders aren't the only one's to be dissecting things. The 7th graders have been dissecting sheep

event, or award show.

A few of our students especially stood out. 6th grader Ariane Rajcevic dressed up as Justin Bieber complete with his signature hair. 8th grader Bella Niemotka dressed in dark clothes and wore a hat and glasses, dressing like she was hiding from the paparazzi!

Frassati students love these fun themed casual days, and this is no exception! We hope celebrity day becomes a new tradition!

## Eagles Sports Corner Extra

# Athletic Banquet Recognizes This Year's Frassati Sports Figures

By Emma Roberts

Frassati Catholic Academy's outstanding athletes were recognized on Monday, May 21st at the annual Athletic Banquet. This event was created to celebrate the hard work put in by all students who participated in any of Frassati's sports programs including cross-country, volleyball, basketball, track and field or soccer. Many students took part in multiple sports.

The night began at 6:00, when all student athletes, parents, coaches, and our athletic board gathered in the PLC. Coach Suhling said a few words and recognized a few of our hard working volunteers including Athletic Board president Mike, Keane and Coach Huner who not only coaches Cross Country and Track, but also serves as the NICC conference director for both of those sports. He also recognized the athletic parent board members who are "retiring" (their youngest students are in 8th grade) this year including Mr. Snyder, Mrs. Harvey and Mr. McEwen.

Afterwards, the athletes were acknowledged, starting with the 3rd-5th graders.

Unlike in previous years, the student-athletes were given a Frassati branded lanyards and for each sport they played, they received a pin correlating with that sport. The lanyards and pins were the brainchild of Mrs. Carolyn Huner, whom Coach Suhling credited before the procession of athletes across the stage. The pins were given to the athletes by their coaches.

Before dinner, a very special award, the Pier Giorgio Frassati Athletic Achievement Award, was given to two 8th graders, one boy and one girl. The students that receive this award demonstrate good sportsmanship, a positive attitude, leadership skills, and strive to better themselves, on the field and off. The Pier Giorgio Frassati Award was deservedly given to Kyle Snyder and Grace Harvey.

Next, dinner was served and consisted of pasta, pizza, salad, and a variety of dessert. The meal was enjoyed by all and fellowship continued throughout the night.

We congratulate all our athletes as well the dedicated parents, coaches, and athletic board. Thank you for making us all proud and bringing your talents to the team!



Photo by Stephanie Aquino

*Grace Harvey & Kyle Snyder were this year's winners of the Pier Giorgio Frassati Athletic Achievement Award*

# Frassati Track Teams Run 3 Meets in 10 Days to Wrap Regular Season



*Owen Bedell receives a handoff from Josh Puga during the 4x200 relay race on May 15th.*

By Angela Van Wiltenburg

On Thursday, May 10th, the JV track team ran in their 2nd meet of the season. They set many new personal records including Derek Bishop for high jump with 3' 10" softball throw with 172' 00", finishing first in both events. His Softball Throw also set a **new school record**.

Michael Van Wiltenburg set a new personal record in the 1600 M (one mile) with a time of 6:18.67 coming in second



*Kyle Snyder leads the pack (and never looks back) in the 800 M Run at the Varsity Meet on May 15th.*

overall. His time was 12 seconds short of the school record. When asked if he thought he may beat the school record, Michael said "yeah." He said that he would be happy if he did beat it.

Jorge Camargo set a new personal record in the 100 M dash with 00:15.90, coming in sixth place. The JV track team did well in Thursday's meet coming in 3rd place overall.

On Tuesday, May 15th, the Varsity track team ran their final regular season

meet. Many varsity runners also set new personal records. Kyle Snyder came in first place in both the 800 M (½ mile) and the 1600 M (one mile) races. His time of 2:37.84 in the 800 and 5:39.47 in the 1600 were *both* new PRs. Kyle also came in third for high jump with a height of 4' 5".

Another 8th grader, Ben LaMora, came in 10th place in the 100 meter dash with a new PR time of 00:13.87. Ben also came in 2nd place in the 400 meter dash with a time of 1:09.98.

Kathleen Asmussen came in first place in shot put with a distance of 23' 11" (a new PR). The Varsity track team finished 5th place overall in Tuesday's meet.

The JV Team had one final meet of the season on Friday, May 19th, the day before the Championship Meet. They finished in 3rd place overall and the 4x200 girls relay team of Keira Ackerson, Kate Hill, Barbie Soudan & Michelle Van Wiltenburg set a **new school record** with a time of 2:22.18!

*Eagles Sports Corner*

**Track Team Ends Season with Championship Meet & Awards**

By Angela Van Wiltenburg

On Saturday, May 19, 2018 the Frassati track team had their final meet, the NICC Championship Meet. The meet was at Carmel Catholic High School's track. Runners from both the JV and Varsity teams competed for the championship. The JV team ended up in 8th place and the Varsity team took 5th in a very close contest.

At this meet, many runners earned ribbons and set new personal records. Frassati won two 1st place ribbons at the meet. Kathleen Asmussen came in 1st in the shot put with a new PR distance of 24'7". Derek Bishop also took 1st in the softball throw with a distance of 167'10".

2nd place ribbons were won by Ben LaMora in the 400 M dash with a new PR of 1:05.78, along with Marco Gonzalez (new PR of 14'1 3/4") in the Long Jump. Paulina Sroka threw the shot put 24'5" (another new PR) just behind Kathleen for a 2nd place ribbon. Caitie Brunk & Nicholas Ori also earned 2nd place ribbons in the Long Jump and Softball Throw respectively.

The team earned three individual 3rd place ribbons, one 4th place ribbon, seven 5th place ribbons and four 6th place ribbons. The relay teams scored a 3rd place, a 4th place, two 5th places and three 6th places.

Several athletes just missed earning a ribbon, many also setting new PRs in the process. This includes Angela Van Wiltenburg, who set a new personal record in long jump with a distance of 12' 1/2" coming in 8th place overall (only 1 1/4" short of 6th) and Kyle Snyder who lost the 6th place



**Track Team PR (Personal Record) Achievement Award Winners Michael Van Wiltenburg, Barbie Soudan, Andy Sierra, Meagan Friese and Kathleen Asmussen. Kate Hill (not pictured) also earned this award.**

tiebreaker in the High Jump and took 7th place in the Long Jump. Shawn Stonis also lost the 6th place tiebreaker in the High Jump. Andy Sierra finished just behind the 6th place finisher by only 0:00.03 in the 400 M. Coach Huner said he was very proud of the whole team!

On Friday, May 26, Coach Huner handed out the Championship ribbons along with other end-of-season awards including PR Achievement Awards and the GOCC (coaches choice) awards. He said it was a great season and is looking forward to next year!

**Soccer Playoff Delayed, but Girls Earn Championship Bid**

By Abby Tekampe

On Monday, May 14th and Tuesday May 15th the girls varsity soccer team participated in the playoffs. Since there are only 3 teams in their conference, including themselves, they play the same teams a few times throughout their short soccer season.

On Monday the girls began their first game against St. Joseph-Libertyville. In the first half both teams played well and Frassati pulled ahead, with Chloe Byrne scoring 1 goal, but throughout the 1st half the girls could hear thunder in the distance. At half time the coaches called the game, and they agreed to play the 2nd half on the following day, right before the championship game against a team from Lake Forest Country Day school.

On Tuesday the Eagles played St. Joes and won 4-2, and following their win they played Lake Forest Country Day School for the championship. The game began with both teams vying for the ball, then Lake Forest pulled ahead scoring consecutively



*Game & Meet Results*

**Girls Soccer**

**NICC Playoffs:**

5/14-15: Varsity vs St Joe - **W** 4-2  
5/15: Varsity vs LFCDS - **L** 0-5  
FCA takes 2nd place in Conference!

**Track & Field**

5/10: NICC Meet #4 (JV) - 4th (of 6)  
5/15: NICC Meet #5 (Varsity) - 5th (of 9)  
5/19: NICC Meet #6 (JV) - 3rd (of 6)  
5/20: NICC Championship (JV) - 8th place  
5/20: NICC Championship (Var) - 5th place

*Upcoming Games/Meets*

8/18: XC @ St. Viator Invitational

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**Angelica Puga & Caitie Brunk move the ball during the playoff game on May 14th.**

on the Eagles.

After the first half the score was 0-4 with Lake Forest in the lead. At half the Eagles' coaches got all the girls ready to play and asked for a volunteer to play goalie. Grace Harvey stepped up and throughout the second half she blocked every shot Lake Forest took except for one. In the second half the Eagles couldn't manage to score, but Lake Forest only did once, leaving the final score at 0-5 Lake Forest. Frassati earned second place in the conference playoffs!



**The GOCC (Gretchen O'Connor Coaches Choice) Award winners were Angela Van Wiltenburg, Keira Ackerson, Jorge Camargo and Owen Bedell (not pictured).**