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Second is Best: Sophomore Class Close-up

By Abby Austin

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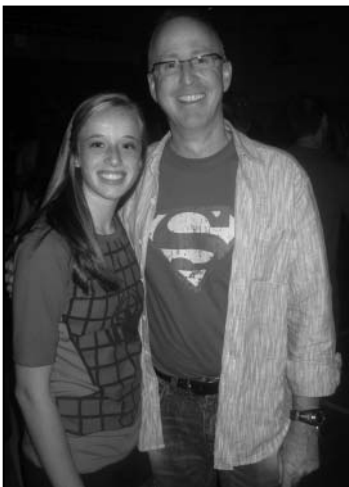
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Driver's License. Lower bleachers. The Homecoming Dance. All of these milestones encompass sophomore year. As good as these are, though, sophomore year is so much more. "Being a sophomore means not being a freshman and not being at the bottom anymore" said Ally Moyer. Being a sophomore also means greater responsibility. Sophomores are, as Sammie Bretl notes, "role models for the freshman."

Sophomores get to sit in the lower bleachers instead of the top floor bleachers during all school assemblies and Mass. Sophomores also get to sit or stand closer to the football field at games. Another event that sophomores look forward to is the Homecoming Dance. Sophomores are permitted to go to the dance because for their first time since coming to Boylan, they are returning "home" from their summer break.

Along with all of the fun, sophomores also have more work and responsibility. Sophomore year is filled with more homework, tests, and quizzes than freshman year. Still, sophomores are given more respect and are more trusted during their second year of high school. The one thing sophomores most look forward to is getting his or her driver's license. Slowly, more students join their upperclassmen by parking in the student parking lot and driving themselves home.

Sophomore year is a special year because the students know more people in their class and they have developed class unity. With the experience gained from the previous year, sophomores know how to build a chariot, win at tug of war, and create an effigy. Sophomore year is a fun and exciting year in high school.



Left: Molly Murray and her dad pose for a picture at the Father-Daughter Dance. (Photo By Jill Deutsch) For more about the dance, see page 5.

Middle: A golfer takes a swing at a match in September. (Photo by Justin Frisch) For more about Boys' Golf, see page 9.

Right: Father McMorrow prays over the wine at the September 9 All School Mass (Photo By Ellen Bauch) For more about the Mass, see page 3.



Far Left: Mr. Jeff Phad works on edits for his Multimedia Productions class on one of the new Mac computers.

Left: Danny Kagan works on one of the new Macs for class.

Photos by Nick Sentovich

Give A Teacher An Apple: New Mac Lab

“I have been asking for this for a long time,” said Assistant Technology Coordinator Mr. Joshua Anderson about Boylan’s first Mac Lab.

The new lab is located in the annex and takes up half of the space that used to be the study hall. The study hall space was cut in half and one of those halves now houses the Mac Lab, complete with

37 Apple iMac computers as well as Mr. Anderson’s office and work space. The other half of the space is still a study hall.

The Mac Lab is home to the following classes: Intro to Photoshop, Advanced Photoshop, Intro to Web Design, and Advanced Web/Intro to Operating Systems (full year). All of those classes are taught by Mr. Anderson, but other new courses

utilizing the Mac Lab are Multimedia Broadcasting, taught by Mr. Jeff Phad, and Freshman Technology Connections, taught by Mrs. Ingrid Jansen. It is possible that in the future, there may even be an art design class held in the lab. The lab is a nice addition to our school and will certainly benefit countless people.

By Nick Sentovich

Titan Talk: Student Features

By Abby Austin, Kat Potaczek, Michael Koscak

Matt Bacino, Sophomore

Q: What was your best summer experience?

A: My best experience of the summer was going to the Dells with family and friends.

Q: What is your favorite food/restaurant?

A: My favorite food is pizza and pasta at Lino’s.

Q: What is your favorite season of the year?

A: Winter because I like the cold.

Q: What is your favorite professional sports team?

A: St. Louis Cardinals because my dad

and great grandpa liked them, so I like them.



Anton Anderson, Junior

Q: What was your best summer experience?

A: Spending time at my lake house with my friends.

Q: What is your favorite food/restaurant?

A: It would have to be JMK Nippon.

Q: What is your favorite season?

A: Summer because there’s no school and it’s time to relax.

Q: What is your favorite professional sports team?

A: The Chicago Bears.



Kiley Beck, Senior

Q: What was your best summer experience?

A: Hanging with my bros at the “Love Shack” (Austin Love’s House)

Q: What is your favorite restaurant in Rockford?

A: Pizza from Lino’s or Taylor Street

Q: What is your favorite season?

A: fall, winter, summer, spring

Q: What is your favorite professional sports team?

A: Green Bay Packers



Health Teacher, Coach Takes New Position: Mr. Chris Lindstedt

By Ben Belford



Mention the name Mr. Lindstedt to most upperclassmen and they will probably smile at memories of their freshman year health class

and name the former health instructor as one of their favorite teachers. Mention almost any student to Mr. Chris Lindstedt and he will know them by name.

Many are unaware, however, that Mr. Lindstedt has changed roles: he is now the Director of Alumni Relations for the Advancement Office. Before acquiring this new position, he was a health teacher for more than 12 years. In addition, he coached freshman football and boys' tennis.

In his new role, Mr. Lindstedt works with alumni in the newly renovated portion of the swim complex, known as the Alumni Center. According to Mr. Lindstedt the duties of his new position are to "maintain relationships with all Boylan alumni and the heritage schools of Muldoon and St. Thomas." The former coach adds, "I am also responsible for helping to grow the annual fund, which is used to assist families who are in need of financial support, pay teachers' salaries, and maintain the building and grounds of the school."

Many are curious as to why Mr. Lindstedt left his beloved classroom for this new position. He explains, "I completed my master's degree in school administration and I was looking for change, but [I also wanted] to do more for the students of Boylan." The former teacher and coach misses teaching, but enjoys his new position. He loves "the opportunity to enhance the Boylan students' daily activities, but also to work with individuals who believe in the mission of Boylan Catholic High School."

Celebrating 50 Years of All-School Mass: September 9, 2010

Photos by Ellen Bauch



Principal Father Paul Lipinski shared his thoughts about the celebratory Mass...

"Mrs. Lynn McConville was the principal organizer of the Mass and brunch. Father Matthew Mc-Morrow also helped considerably."

Father reflected, "It was truly a delight and emotionally moving to see animated pages of Boylan's history in attendance. Needless to say there was a flood of memories when you glanced around the room to recognize so many faces and then [had] to guess at others."

Father concluded, "The Eucharist is the pulsating heart of Boylan Catholic High School. In it believers find our Christ centered tradition most alive because of what Jesus Christ has sacrificed for us and how he continues to make himself present. The Eucharist also houses the motivating spirit stirring the heart and mind to make decisions that will bring Christian virtues to our society and the world. Best of all, it invites us to one day live forever together in the Kingdom of Heaven."

National Day of Writing Preview: Why "its' important to right good"

By Grace Heim

On October 20, 2010 the second annual National Day of Writing will take place across the country with the purpose of drawing attention to the importance of this often overlooked skill. Due to the quarter exam schedule, Boylan students will write on October 26. Everyone will write a piece in response to a prompt given to them by their English teachers.

Boylan will be celebrating writing on the 26th, as well as the continuation of the Titan Gallery on the National Gallery of Writing's website, which will feature Boylan students' writings. In addition to the Titan Gallery, there are almost 2,300 galleries created by teachers around the world to share the writing of their students. Boylan's gallery was created last year in commemoration of

Boylan's 50th anniversary and was coordinated by Mrs. Carol Davies and Mrs. Tricia Rozanski. The Titan Gallery currently contains a few pieces composed by Boylan students and will be accepting more submissions after the 26th. A wide variety of pieces can be submitted, including poems, stories and even blogs. Upon submission the piece will be viewed by Mrs. Davies or Mrs. Rozanski and, if accepted, will appear in the Titan Gallery. All current students and faculty members are encouraged to submit their writing done in class on the 26th for display in the Titan Gallery for people from all parts of the world to read and enjoy.

To read a student poem that was published in the National Gallery of Writing gallery last year, see page 10.

New Teachers for 2010-2011

Miss Lindsay Tuegel

By Alyssa McHugh

Ms. Lindsay Tuegel is one of two new members of the Social Science department.



She grew up with her parents, her younger sister, and her dog, Piper, in Palatine, Illinois. Her previous teaching experience include student teaching in Bloomington, Illinois. This year she will be teaching psychology and geography. Ms. Tuegel has a creative teaching style and is obsessed with the color orange!

Mrs. Sandy Blevins

By George St. John

1988 alum Mrs. Sandy Blevins is no stranger to the Boylan community; she is returning for the second



time as a religion teacher. She has a master's degree in theology, and has taught religion for many years in the state line area. She first taught for two years at the former St. Patrick School on the west side of Rockford. She then came back to Boylan, teaching Religion from 1995-99. She became the Director of Faith Formation at Our Lady of Assumption Church in Beloit, Wisconsin, from 2002-10, and has now returned to Boylan for the third time overall. She is teaching three sophomore classes and two senior classes this year. She is married and has two sons named Nathan and Nolan, and a pet hamster named Rosie.

Mr. Andrew Venstrom

By Miranda Lindvall

Meet Mr. Andrew Venstrom, the new world history teacher at Boylan. After student teaching



at Boone Grove High School in Valparaiso, Indiana, Mr. Venstrom returned to his hometown of Rockford and came to Boylan for his first teaching job. His father is a retired pharmaceutical representative. His mother is a third grade teacher at Carlson Elementary School. His older brother is currently getting his doctorate at the University of Minnesota in Mechanical Engineering. For fun, Mr. Venstrom enjoys playing Vintage Baseball (following 1858 rules) with his traveling team, the *Chicago Salmon*.

Mr. Matt Myers

By Joanna Moskalis

Mr. Matthew Myers is the new choral music director. This teaching



position became available when Miss Melissa Mecadon, the previous chorus teacher, became the band director this year. Mr. Myers was born in Sioux Falls, South Dakota and has three older sisters. He went to Luther College in Iowa and began his teaching career as a substitute teacher. Mr. Myers was also part of the American International School of Music in the Middle East. To describe himself, Mr. Myers said, "I'm stuck in the 90's. I would bring it back if only I had some followers!"

Mr. Mark Jacobs

By Nick Sentovich

Mr. Mark Jacobs, the newest member of the math department, grew up in Woodstock,



where he still lives today. He graduated from Marian Central Catholic High School. Mr. Jacobs never imagined that he would work for Father Paul when he had him for junior religion at Marian. He graduated from Marquette University in 2005 and received his teaching degree from National Louis University. Boylan is his second teaching job; for four years he taught at his alma mater.

Fr. Bernie Sehr

By Erin Konicek

Father Bernard J. Sehr's hometown is Roscoe. He has three brothers and two sisters; Father Sehr



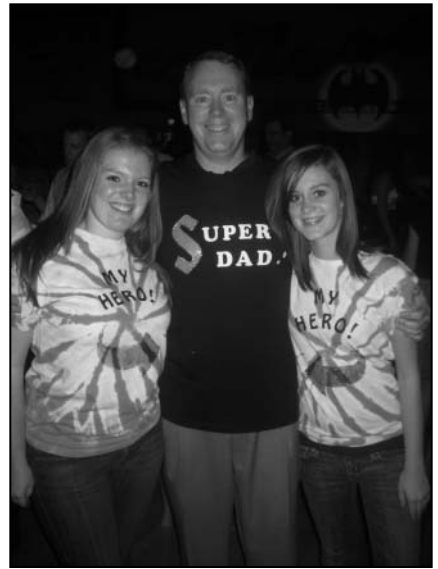
attended public school until fourth grade when he was switched to home schooling for fifth through twelfth grade. He received a bachelor's degree in philosophy at St. Gregory the Great College Seminary. Fr. Sehr then attended the University of St. Mary of the Lake Seminary for four years, receiving a master's degree in divinity. At Boylan, Fr. Sehr teaches two junior classes of honors morality. Throughout his time as a priest, Fr. Sehr has served Mass for more than 9 bishops in 16 dioceses.

A Night With Your Superhero

Photos by Jill Deusch



Dads and daughters dressed like Batman, Superman, and Spiderman filled the gymnasium. The theme of the Father-Daughter Dance was 'Spend The Night With Your Superhero'. The decorations in the gym also reflected the theme.



Meghan and Sarah Morrissey stop dancing to pose for a picture with their dad.

Miss Danielle Turner

Miss Danielle Turner grew up only a short distance from Rockford, in Belvidere. She taught and subbed in



many of the schools in the Belvidere area before coming to Boylan. Other student-related experiences include the eleven years that she mentored three through seventeen year olds through activities at the Belvidere Park District. This year Miss Turner is teaching freshman health education. Miss Turner describes herself as a country girl at heart saying, "I grew up on my grandparents' farm raising ponies with my family. We show them at the Boone county fair and drive them in parades of all sorts, and give sleigh rides in the winter."



Top Left: Ali Gorman and her dad compete in the polka dance competition. **Top:** Brittney Busch and her father sport matching 'My Hero' T-Shirts. **Above:** Mr. Walls and his daughter, Kim, wear Batman costumes as they dance. **Left:** Michaela Weickert and her dad dance the waltz.

Football

By Kat Potaczek; Photos by Ellen Bauch

Coaches: Mr. Dan Appino, Mr. Josh Fagan, Mr. Matt Renfro, Mr. Bill Flodin, Mr. Mike Grady

Captains: Aaron Einhorn, Nick Rader

Interviews with Aaron Einhorn, Nick Rader & Coach Appino

Q: Over the past four years, how has team chemistry been built?

Aaron Einhorn: “Playing with our senior class for four years has made us all pretty close. We have a brotherhood. We trust each other and are confident in each other’s abilities. I feel like this year has been special because the juniors who are on the team have joined the brotherhood right away. We have the same confidence in them that we have in our seniors who we’ve played with for years.”

Nick Rader: “Working out with each other offseason and during Iron Titans really helped bring the team together.”

Coach Appino: “The team chemistry is good so far. Their best strength is putting their egos aside and just playing the game.”

Q: Does every practice consist of the same routine? What is your favorite thing about practices?

Einhorn: “Not every practice is identical. They’re similar but have some differences depending on the team we’re going to play. My favorite thing about practice is that I don’t have to worry about anything but football. It’s a few hours a day where I get to be with my friends and just have fun.”

Rader: “Each week is different because we have to adjust our schemes to each opponent. Our drills are tailored to suit the type of team we’re playing that week. My favorite thing about practice is that I am able to go out for three hours a day and be with my friends to just run around and hit people.”

Appino: “Each practice is the same routine, but tailored for the next opponent. We also look into the future to prepare for those games so we have more than a three day practice.”

Q: Who is the hardest competition each year, and how do you prepare to play them?

Einhorn: “I feel like Hononegah has consistently been one of the biggest games of the year. They’ve always been near the top of the conference with us. We prepare for the game the same way, but knowing how big of a game it is makes the guys pick up the intensity a little.”



Rader: “Our closest game each year is Belvidere North. They seem to match us well and are a well-coached team. We expect a tough game when we play them and pick up the intensity during practice to ensure that everyone is prepared.”

Coach Appino: “So far this year, Harlem has been our biggest competitor.”

Girls' Cross Country

By Noelle Fey

Interview with seniors Rebekah Hilby and Kasia Romanowski

Q: How do you feel about team chemistry and teamwork with the girls this year?

A: "It's going [well]. We all try to encourage each other no matter what."

Q: When, what time, and where do practices take place?

A: "At the track, and around Rockford. Monday, Tuesday and Thursday we have practices in the morning and after school. Otherwise, we practice Monday through Friday. Saturdays we normally have a meet; otherwise, we just practice."

Q: How have you done in competitions so far in the



year, and what are you expecting in the upcoming ones?

A: "Really well [so far]! A lot of our times are under 21, which is good, and we are down from last year's times. As far as later competitions, we are expecting conference to be hard. There is a lot of competition this year. As always, we are hoping for state and so far it's looking good."

Girls' Golf

By Nick Check and Jill Deutsch



Coach: Mrs. Debbie VanSistine

Captain: Kahla Kazmerski

Interview with junior golfer, Ali Gorman.

Q: Describe your team's chemistry.

Ali Gorman: "Our team gets along well and we have fun at overnight trips. We are with each other all the time so that definitely helps!"

Q: Describe a typical practice.

A: "Practices consist of games of chipping and putting. We play for Sharpies [markers]."

Q: Who is your biggest competition this year?

A: "Our biggest competition in the conference is Hononegah because they have a few solid players that can shoot well on any given day."

Boys' Cross Country

By Erin Konicek and Mrs. Tricia Rozanski

Coaches: Mrs. Linda Schmitt, Mr. Andy Rosenbaum, Mrs. Ann Marie Coyle, Mr. Rick Wenger

Interview with Coach Linda Schmitt

Q: Describe a typical practice.

Coach Schmitt: "For practice we warm up, stretch, have a little chat about what is going on, pray, run the main workout, cool down, stretch. We do different types of workouts that vary from long runs, hill work, interval workouts, tempo runs, to sprint work. All are designed to maximize the athletes performance at the Conference Meet."

Q: Describe the team chemistry this year.

A: "This year's team is amazing. They are all working hard and working together so that we can do our best at the Conference Meet."

Q: Who will be your biggest competitors this year?

A: "The boys will be competing against Belvidere North who won state last year and are ranked 4th in the nation. The other top teams are Harlem and Hononegah. The girls will also have competition from Belvidere. North and Hononegah."

Varsity Boys' Soccer

By Danielle Tumilowicz;
Photos by Katie Gonder



Coaches: Mr. Chris Mera, Mr. Mark Couper

Captains: Nick Kind, Stephen Hall

Interviews with Nick Kind & Stephen Hall

Q: How is the team's chemistry?

Nick Kind: "This year we have the closest team we have had in my four years. We play well together, and when one of us is down, we pull each other back up."

Q: What is the outlook for competition this year?

Stephen Hall: "Competition this year is going to be tough as always. Every team is always looking to take their best shot at us. With that said, I know our team is well equipped and ready to handle the pressure."

Q: How have team practices been going?

Kind: "We use our practices for three main components: fitness, tactics, and finishing."



Varsity Volleyball

By Mike Koscak

Coaches: Ms. Amanda Carlson, Mr. Bill McGloughlan, **Tim D**, Mr. Brian Lundeen

Captains: Ise d'Angelo, Molly Bender, Lily Beatty

Interview with Lily Beatty

Q: Describe the team chemistry.

Lily Beatty: "Our team chemistry is like no other team's I've been on, because it is so unique. We have a lot of heart and we're passionate about everything we do."

Q: How has practice been going?

A: "It's been good. We have fun and we work hard."

Q: Who is your biggest competition?

A: "Hononegah is our true competition. A lot of people might say Guilford or Harlem. Still, we try to treat all teams like they're Hononegah by staying positive. We can't underestimate any teams, because then you'll be surprised."



Varsity Tennis

By Ben Belford and Jill Deutsch

Coaches: Mr. Steve Price, Ms. Mary Fuller

Captains: Brianna Markgraf

Q: Describe the team chemistry.

Abbi Fitzgerald: "We are really supportive of each other and always cheer one another on. We are trying to do more bonding activities this year."

Q: How have practices been?

A: "Good! We've been working pretty hard [to prepare for] playing a lot of matches."

Q: Who is your biggest competition this year?

A: "Probably Auburn because they have many talented players. It will be a good match!"

Boys' Golf

Interview and Pictures By Justin Frisch

Coaches: Mr. John Canova, Mr. Tom Herrmann
Captain: Elliot Horst

Q: Describe the team chemistry.

Horst: "We act like we are brothers. We know when we can make fun of something and when to stay away from a teammate if he is doing [poorly]."

Q: Who is your biggest competition in conference this year?

Horst: "Harlem is our biggest competition."

Q: Does the team have opportunities to practice with each other?

Horst: "We try to practice as a team at Aldeen, but individual practice is best for most of us."



Varsity Swim & Dive

Interview and Pictures By Margaret Sentovich



Coaches: Mrs. Christy Kowalski, Mrs. Stephanie McGuire

Captains: Mary-Katherine Kladar, Taylor Molln, Alana Telfer, Rachel Larson, Katherine Nelson

Q: Describe the team's chemistry.

Coach McGuire: The girls are invested in working hard this year. They are very excited about this season!

Q: Describe practices.

Coach McGuire: The girls have been given many challenging sets and in many cases have risen above and beyond our expectations.

Q: How have the girls performed in competitions?

Coach McGuire: There have only been four competitions so far, but we have seen a lot of improvement. We have won all of them so far!

Boylan High School IS...

by Stephen Hall

Boylan High School is:
Quiet, Roaring, Calm
Aged, Tile, Brick, Wise

Boylan High School is:
Taste of Love, Pork Chops,
and
Victory through Unity
Touch of Tradition
Smell of Success



Boylan High School IS.

Duck Family Makes Courtyard Home for the Summer



If any of you were wondering why there was a plastic baby pool in the courtyard at the start of the year, it was because this past summer a mother duck and her ducklings appeared, much to the delight of everyone who saw them. Duck families have been residing in the courtyard since the 1980s, but it has been several years since the last batch called Boylan their home. Many members of the BHS community helped to care for them by not only providing a pool for swimming, but also a cookie sheet with food for the ducks. This year the ducks left on their own when they were big enough to fly out of the enclosed courtyard, but in years past Mr. Bill Thumm and Mrs. Karen DalPra helped the ducklings by catching them and then releasing them at the river.

Restaurant Review: Kuma's

By Genevieve Clemens

As I walked through the front doors of Kuma's, an Asian bistro in downtown Rockford, I began to second guess my choice of restaurant. It had a warm and welcoming atmosphere, but there was only one other table occupied. My initial thought was that restaurant was almost empty because the food was too expensive or not good at all. However, my friends and I sat down and our waitress pleasantly took our orders. Most of the menu had very unique dishes that I had never heard of, but Kuma's also offers common Japanese, Chinese, Thai, and Korean cuisine, such as rice, wok stir entrees, and noodle dishes. To my surprise, the food was reasonably priced and the restaurant served large portions of what was ordered.

For an appetizer, I ordered crab rangoon and even though I am not a big fan of seafood, this appetizer was delicious and came with a sweet pineapple sauce that made it even better. For my main course I ate the Dolsot Bibim Bap which cost 12 dollars. This is a Korean dish that consisted of "fresh veggies and marinated beef, chicken, or tofu on top of steamed rice cooked and served in a sizzling stone pot" (wording borrowed from Kuma's menu). This dish was a little sweeter than I expected, but it was very good and like nothing I had ever tried before.

Overall, I had a relaxing dining experience at Kuma's and I felt that there were plenty of savory food choices on the menu. Kuma's Asian Bistro is located at 420 E. State St. Rockford, IL 61104-1015. For more information or reservations, call (815) 490-1000. Next time I go to Kuma's, I am expecting that more than two of the tables will be filled.

A Mind-bending Thriller: Inception

By Alec Heaton

Christopher Nolan strikes gold again with one of the best action packed thrillers that I personally have ever seen. *Inception* producers worked wonders with special effects, action, and powerful narratives. Some of the people may have left the theater confused, but if you pay close attention and listen carefully to the story, you'll want to come back for more.

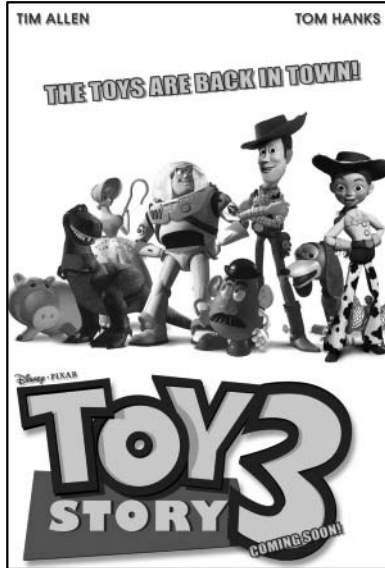


Inception focuses on the story of Tom Cobb (Leonardo DiCaprio), and his team of “dream thieves”. Cobb and his good friend Arthur, played by Joseph Gordon-Levitt, are ready to retire from the world of dreams. However, when they receive a generous offer for the near impossible process of “inception”—planting an idea into another’s mind—the team reluctantly accepts. Throughout the mission, many things go wrong and they start to confuse reality with the dreamscape: this is precisely when the action starts. The plot, in this sense, is a reflection of the twisted blur of the dreamscapes; a sure recipe for a wild ride. The film is easily one of the most innovative and original action movies to come out of Hollywood in a long time. The action works and does not take away from the storytelling. Unfortunately, the characters take a back seat to the complex plot.

Christopher Nolan continues his winning streak with another strong, psychological, and action packed thriller similar to his other films (*Memento*, *The Prestige*, and *The Dark Knight*). *Inception* is not only one of the best films of the summer, but also one of the best of the year.

Farewell to Childhood: Toy Story 3

By Nikki Flores



In 1995, *Toy Story* hit the silver screen. For many of us, *Toy Story* is one of our favorite childhood movies. In 1999, *Toy Story 2* came out with new and fun characters. It has been eleven long years of waiting for the third and final installment of the series, *Toy Story 3*.

It was well worth the wait.

Toy Story 3 opened on June 12th, back when we were still enjoying the first weeks of summer. The plot is simple: The toys accidentally get dropped off at Sunnyside day care when Andy goes to college, and realize that they must escape back home.

Everyone I have talked to who has seen this movie enjoyed it just as much as I did. Junior Erika Crouch said, “I really enjoyed *Toy Story 3* because I loved watching the first two as a little kid. Now that I’m all grown up, seeing Andy all grown up too, is really cool. Plus Spanish Buzz was absolutely hysterical.” Another interesting aspect of the movie is that Boylan alum, Jodi Benson, voiced the character of Tour Guide Barbie. At Benson’s visit last school year, she gave us a little sneak peak of Barbie’s voice. For me personally, *Toy Story 3* evoked both tears and laughter. It was an emotional end to childhood memories.

It’s no longer in theaters, but I would highly recommend renting or buying it on Blu-Ray and DVD! It’s a movie for all ages that everyone is sure to love.

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Summer ended too quickly once again. The season is a time of fun and relaxation and it is hard to let go of. There were plenty of vacations for some people and for others there were mind blowing movies, like *Inception*. The memories made are what make summer amazing.

Despite the end of summer, coming back to school is a good thing. We all are back with our friends everyday and every Friday night our Boylan athletes are back in the thick of things, winning games. We have had the Father Daughter dance, which was fun for everyone who attended.

Academically, all students have a fresh slate. We have freshmen entering the school for the first time. Sophomores have learned

the ropes to high school. Juniors are prepping for their hardest school year. Lastly, we have the seniors who are beginning the end of their high school careers.

This new school year also includes many updates to our school. This year we have seven new teachers who are adding their own special touches to Boylan life. Boylan has also added the brand new Mac Lab by dividing the study hall area.

As the editor-in-chief of *The Boylan Current*, I want to ensure that every occurrence at Boylan is featured. I hope that you all look forward to the upcoming editions of this paper! Thank you and I hope the beginning of your year has been has been great.

Letter from the Moderator: Mrs. Tricia Rozanski

I hope that your first quarter has been enjoyable and successful. By now you have probably had a chance to reconnect with classmates that you didn't see over the summer, make new friends, and begin to get a feel for your teachers and classes. You have probably learned your locker combo (or combos) and have your locker stops between classes figured out. I hope that every day that you spend here is both productive and fun. For me it is a pleasure to spend my days in this Catholic environment doing what I love surrounded by students and adults with whom I truly enjoy spending time.

Within the pages of every issue of the *Boylan Current* you should read stories about these interesting people, including students, staff, and alumni, who contribute their individual parts to make our school the dynamic place that it is. There will also be pictures of our finest athletes, club members, and academicians. Please save your copy of the newspaper and take it home to share with your parents; many of them voiced interest in seeing it when they came to Back to School Night in September. The staff and editors work extremely hard to conduct the interviews, write the stories and take the pictures that appear in every issue of the paper. We also do our best to meet deadlines and put the paper in your hands in a timely manner, but it is a time-consuming and elaborate process. I'd like to thank the entire staff, the editors, and Mrs. Mary Gavan for their dedication, effort, and help producing our first issue. Happy Reading.