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From The Editors...

Well, folks. I'll keep this editorial short since I'm in a hurry and you probably won't read it anyway. We had our business slightly more organized here at the Flash this issue. Some noteworthy contributions include the latest PDA installment, a blanket fort, and some half-decent Senior Spotlights. The play is coming up, as well as basketball season. I'm sure they will both be very entertaining, hopefully in all the intentional ways. If any of you are feeling the third quarter stress/angst early, as I am, here are some suggestions: see how many chips you can eat in one study hall, look at pictures of sad bloodhound puppies, and walk a lot. Walking is good for you. Okay, well, this has gone downhill pretty quick. Thanks to all of our contributors as well as our readers. Our real readers, who read. No thanks to you chumps who skim through random facts and call it good. Enjoy.

Sincerely as ever,
Editor Joci Gamble

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Have PDA rules gone too far?

A Response by Jon Gamble

This seems to be a somewhat common question among ILC students. As we Flash members occasionally forget, our student newspaper exists to report on relevant topics, as well as random facts and such fluff. Now, the conflict with this is that sometimes such reporting is not done respectfully. What we attempt to do in the foreseeable future, is maturely discuss the PDA system, hopefully switching off between male and female perspectives, with the articles responding to the one in the previous edition. If any of you non-Flash members have had consequential experiences with PDA, or just have a strong desire to speak your mind, feel free to talk to me about contributing.

Thanks,

Editor: Joci Gamble

PDA. We are told at this school that it is wrong to show our affection in a “physical” manner. Yet I don’t believe anybody would argue that giving someone a pat on the back after a rough day would be wrong, whether you’re dating the person or not. I hug my relatives and friends without restriction on and off campus. This is showing affection in a physical manner, is it not? So, is this wrong? If not, why can I not hug my girlfriend? It is true that in a few cases, casual friends have been given marks for physical contact, but it all seems a little overboard to me.

PDA (physical display of affection) is the term used to describe what we’re not to do, and I believe it’s partially accurate and fair. No one would argue that it should be allowed for students to kiss or do more than that. Actions such as these would cause lustful thoughts in most cases, I am sure. But, I’d argue that a hug and a kiss are hugely different actions. I wouldn’t think twice about hugging my mother, sister, or friend, guy or girl. But if I were to see someone kissing their mother, sister, or friend I would definitely think that it was strange and/or wrong. I would consider kissing to be a sexual display of affection. This would fall under physical, yes, but it is much stronger than just that. There’s nothing sexual about physical contact in a hug. You may get a warm feeling, but it’s one of love, not of lust. A hug is not a sexual action, and I honestly believe that no guy actually thinks that it is. I agree wholeheartedly with Faith, that hugs are actions of affection and caring, and that a hug can communicate these feelings in many cases better than words can (especially a guy’s words). I would not argue that guys aren’t “chemically different” than girls; God created us to be different. However, I don’t think this is basis enough to believe that a hug means anything different to a guy than it does to a girl. Guys are humans, with emotions just the same as girls, even if they often don’t show them as much. A hug is not a sexual action, and it means the same thing to a guy as it does to a girl. I personally do not believe that there is a lust that comes with hugging; the bigger temptation is the urge to go against the current PDA rules and show our affection with an “illegal” hug. Despite this belief, I do know that the devil can work with almost anything, and that lustful thoughts could possibly spring into one’s mind after a hug. The rules try to help us avoid these thoughts. However, although avoiding temptation is, no doubt, important, learning to fight it is important as well. We are responsible for our own sins, and it is our responsibility to fight against the temptation to sin. Temptations (like lust) cannot be stopped from being presented to us. Satan will find ways to present them to us no matter how hard we try to avoid them. The battle will come to us; therefore, we should prepare and learn to fight the enemy.

I understand that the faculty here has a duty to train us and help us to stay strong in our Christian faith. But ready or not, we the students are going to be on our own in the real world before long. I believe that the faculty should give us a little longer leash on certain issues such as this, because we are Christians and we are growing up. If we were given a little freedom, it would give us more opportunity to take charge of our own faith.

Stressed Out?

Sam Lisak

Stress is something that affects everyone, and everyone handles it differently (don't pretend to know my pain). Common signs are crying to techno songs, extremely literal tweets, general anger, and continuous frustration. Throughout the school year there are stressful times. People complain about so-called stressful things like the pressure of sports, massive amounts of homework, losing your driving moccasins, the play (yawn), what to wear in the morning (not necessarily me), the musical, the ACT, when the Wi-Fi's down, getting sick, youths, or any other number of things. But how should you deal with this? Let's ask the experts - Google. I'm going off of Web Md. 1) Ask yourself what you can do about the sources of stress. Pros and cons. This is dumb. Don't do this. You can never find the source of stress which will make you stress more. 2) Keep a positive and realistic attitude. Don't do this because it's been scientifically proven the more positive you are, the more bad things will happen to you. 6) Eat healthy. Do not. Think about what makes you happier: Broccoli or a Milky Way. I don't know about you, but I'm taking the Milky Way... ALL DAY. 12) Spend time with people you love. Fact: Loved ones take away stress. Fact: Loved ones create more stress than they take away. Myth busted. Overall, don't listen to WebMd on stress. Listen to Sam who says to pick yourself up, dust yourself off, do some hardcore parkour, and keep on trucking. God will not give you more than you can handle, so just persevere.

WORD ASSOCIATION

CAITLYN AND LEAH

Paranormal:



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horror
leprechaun
St. Patty's Day
4 leaf clover
kiss me I'm Irish
I'm Scottish
Dutch
boom
bomb
away
distant
Arizona
red
blood
fall
down
boots
Money
riches
luxurious
cars

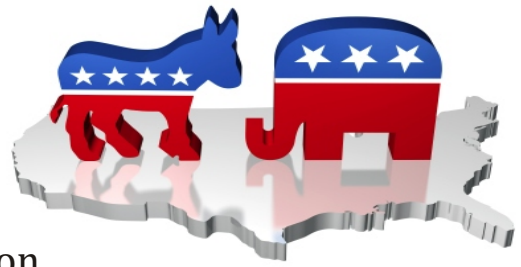
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Matt W



Politics

Sam & Jon



There's gonna be a new sheriff in town soon. Around this time next year, we'll say bye-bye to Barack and hello to Hillary (or any other presidential candidate). For those of you who have been in a coma the past six months, the Democratic nomination isn't very heated. It's the Republican nomination where the drama is happening. The current poll leader is global tycoon Donald Trump, raking in the most votes. However, a challenger is not far behind. As brain surgeon (and Christian) Ben Carson is hot in pursuit. The Republican party currently has fifteen candidates seeking the nomination, with most following in Trump's trampling trail towards triumph. Trump's success has been somewhat of a surprise to most, as many did not take him to be a serious candidate. He has made a habit of saying very controversial things (such as building a wall around Mexico, his hatred of illegals, and anything he ever says about any other candidate), but remains at the top of the polls despite these slips. As for the Democratic nomination, that's not as close. Hillary is leading, with Bernie Sanders trailing by quite a bit. Joe Biden has decided not to run. I'd like to declare myself manager for the write-in campaign of Bill Murray. With Murray leading us, there's nothing we can't accomplish. 'Mur(ray)ica. Well, those are just the facts. As for who you should vote for, we have no clue. Flip a coin, sell your vote to someone else (if it's legal), get in favor with your grandma by voting with her, but mostly just vote Bill. Bill is right.

Fall Blends and Ballads

Faith & Rose

Fall is upon us, the season of warm colors, sweatshirts, and apple cider. This cozy atmosphere means we're finally allowed to unleash our acoustic wrath. On this playlist, we've bundled up ten songs on the softer side. Hopefully this will tide you over until you allow yourself to listen to Christmas music (but if we're being honest, I've already started. . .). This playlist, along with all the songs from past issues, can be found on Spotify under the username **flashplaylists**. Happy listening!

1. "Only Love" by Ben Howard
2. "Anything" by Rusty Clanton
3. "Ragged Wood" by Fleet Foxes
4. "Pulaski at Night" by Andrew Bird
5. "The Girl" by City and Colour
6. "Dream Lover" by Dion
7. "Mrs. Robinson" by Simon and Garfunkel
7. "Mrs. Robinson" by Simon and Garfunkel
8. "You Can't Always Get What You Want" by The Rolling Stones
9. "More Than Words" by Extreme
10. "Dream A Little Dream of Me" by Ella Fitzgerald





Prof. Rodebaugh - "He will go around the country and tell great exploits about his baseball career."

David H. - "Travel the World"

Lainy D.- "He will attend as many sporting events at Immanuel as possible (when he's not traveling the world), but only after his morning sudoku."

Jon G. - "He will move to Saudi Arabia after becoming rich off the stock market."

Prof. Roehl - "He's a sports junky, so he will attend a lot of sporting events. He will also finally learn how to program his cell phone."

Ben N. - "He will shoot some squirrel, go boating on his lake, and do some algebra equations."

Chara M.- "He will take an African safari and travel the world. He will just lay back and relax."

Ned S. - "When he retires from officiating he's gonna travel to other games in Eau Claire, watch them, and yell at the officials for being bad and laugh afterward."

Chara - "He already does that," Ned - "That's true. He's already retired."

Steve Sydow - "He'll enter lawn competitions and make annual pilgrimages to Cooperstown in between coaching the MN Lynx (WNBA team). He will also raise pet squirrels. "

Krystal S. - "They will go on many vacations around the country."

Jim actually plans on spending time with his grandkids, doing things with them and watching them do whatever they do. Definitely travel, in the US and other countries. Home improvements and landscape projects Which he loves to do. Connecting with relatives. He will go near and far to watch sporting events. He plans on some volunteer projects, mostly around immanuel.

Why do You Go to Church?

Faith Lillo



When socializing with friends from outside our CLC circles, certain religious questions always come up sooner or later. This kind of situation can either lead you to hide your faith or let it shine through, all depending on your response. The question I've been considering lately can be hard to answer: "Why do you go to church?"

I'll admit that my mind automatically jumps to a reply like, "Because I have to." It's in our nature to dread church to a certain extent. If you were to make a list of things to do on a Saturday night, sitting in a pew and trying to force yourself to pay attention to a sermon for an hour probably wouldn't be at the top. I'm sure we're all guilty of dozing off, letting our thoughts wander, or getting relieved when the service is ending. So why do you go? Is it because your family always goes and you have to tag along, or maybe because you'll get marks if you don't show up? Replying with something along those lines and then changing the subject is often the easiest way to respond. It's only natural to be afraid that your friend might peg you as straight-laced and boring if you're open about your faith.

For a moment, let's forget about how you would respond to someone else. Instead, look inward and ask yourself the question: Why do I go to church? A few follow-up questions might make it easier: **Why does going to church matter to me?** Going to church matters for so many reasons, but one that stands out to me is the opportunity for fellowship. Next time you find yourself singing a hymn in church, take a moment to look around. You might see children who barely know how to read trying to follow along; an older member who has the words memorized, singing loud and proud; a couple sharing a hymnal. Seeing all these faces gives me an overwhelming feeling that I'm a part of something bigger—and I am. This is my family; these are my brothers and sisters in Christ. We're all united under one God, and that feeling of fellowship is definitely something special when you stop to appreciate it. **What can I learn from church?** We've heard the same Bible stories over and over since we were little, so why do we need to go hear them again? Of course, there's always more to learn. Hearing the Word explained by a pastor gives us insight that we couldn't get from personal study. Learning new ways to apply our faith helps us grow as Christians. **How does going to church benefit me?** We'd rather be having fun with friends on a Saturday night because that's what will benefit us the most short-term, but we should try to look at the big picture and guide our focus toward what will last. Confessing our faith in church and hearing that we're forgiven gives us the only benefit that won't end: saving grace. **Why do I enjoy church?** This answer will be different for everyone, but for me personally, the Benediction stands out. Hearing that I have peace through God is so calming, especially when everything in my life seems the complete opposite of peaceful. **What would happen if I didn't go?** Having that weekly reminder to pray, read and study the Bible, and strengthen your faith is more important than you'd think. Without it, how motivated would we be to set aside time for individual worship? Nothing can replace that fellowship. It's clear that church can be so much more than just sitting in a pew and trying to stay awake. Some Sundays may seem like that, but it's up to you how much you benefit from church. Worship with a congregation offers fellowship, learning, forgiveness, peace, strength, and so much more. Thinking about all these important blessings makes it a bit easier to answer that original question of why you go to church. Responding to that friend with a simple, "Because it's important to me," can make a big impression. Sometimes, of course, it inwardly doesn't feel important; sinking back into that "because I have to" attitude is all too easy. Every once in awhile, we all get into the habit of just sitting through church because we have no choice. Remember that you can always pray for help changing your mindset.

John Herbert Lau (1926–2015)

The current student body at Immanuel was probably not too familiar with Professor John Lau. Some may have taken note of an elderly white-haired man who occasionally filled in as a morning chapel speaker over the past few years. His message never seemed rushed and the Word was always clearly stated. John Lau recently passed away on October 23 at the age of 89. He was a professor at Immanuel from 1965 to 1997. A well-read man, he taught English, history, Latin, and a variety of other subjects. He taught in the high school, college, and seminary. In addition to teaching, he also served as Dean of Students for a time, and later as ILC President from 1989-1997.

He had a vast knowledge on a variety of topics, he was good at crosswords, and he was known to allow his students to get him off-topic at times. We praise the Lord for the many blessings He gave to Immanuel through this particular servant. We rejoice in the grace that brought him safely home to heaven.

-Prof. Joe Lau

RaNDOM FACTS Julianna Hein

1. There is a species of spider called the Hobo Spider.
2. When hippos are upset, their sweat turns red.
3. May 29th is officially "Put a Pillow on Your Fridge Day."
4. Elephants are the only mammal that cannot jump.
5. The original version of candy corn hasn't changed since it started in 1880.
6. There is a Braille version of Scrabble.
7. The 57 on Heinz ketchup bottles represents the number of varieties of pickles the company once had.
8. When you die, your hair still grows for a couple of months.
9. The kangaroo population is estimated at 40 million in Australia.
10. Charlie Brown's father was a barber.
11. A lion's roar can be heard from 5 miles away.
12. "Goodbye" came from "God bye" which came from "God be with you."



Gunny's Report

FALL SPORTS

Gunnard Sippert



The ILHS Boys' Cross Country team ended their season with mixed feelings. The team ran very well at their Boyceville Sectional but came up just short of making state, placing third and being bested by McDonell Central and Colfax. The season ended for all of the Lancer runners, male and female, with the exception of two. Sophomores Dan Lau and Austin Karow placed 1st and 4th at the sectional race, respectively, earning them each an individual berth to the Division 3 State Championship Race.

The drab, dreary weather of Wisconsin Rapids on October 31 at Ridges Golf Course seemed to cause neither Dan nor Austin much trouble. Karow was in 99th place at the 1-mile marker of the race and managed to pass 21 runners in the last 2.1 miles gaining him a 78th-place finish with a time of 18:20.24. Austin finished 31 places higher than he did at last year's State race and improved upon his time from that race by nearly 40 seconds.

Lau, while not breaking his P.R. with a time of 17:01.20, did impressively finish in 7th place overall out of 140 runners that participated in the race. He greatly improved upon his time (17:27.21) and his place (40th) from the 2014 State meet. This earned him a spot on the podium at the State awards ceremony and a medal. Dan, only a sophomore, will be aiming to place even higher at next year's state meet and will be assisted by the fact that five of the six runners that were ahead of him were seniors.



After a heartbreaking 5-set loss to Cochrane-Fountain City in the Dairyland Conference Championship match, the Lady Lancers were not wanting to have that feeling of despair again. They dug in their heels and prepared for the WIAA Playoffs. The team earned the #1 seed in its regional and received a bye for the Regional Quarterfinals. In the Regional Semifinal they met the fourth-seeded Gilman Pirates who gave Immanuel a tough 3-set match, despite the Lancers taking it in the long run. This set up a Regional Final match between Immanuel and McDonell Central, a rematch of last year's final in Chippewa Falls. The Macks won rather handily 25-21, 25-16, 25-11. Again, ILHS was not looking to let history repeat itself. The Saturday night contest was another 5-set thriller. This time, the Lancers were not disappointed in any fashion. They won the match 23-25, 25-12, 16-25, 25-20, 15-12 by playing some of their best volleyball against a fantastic young Macks squad. The Regional Championship won by the Lady Lancers was the volleyball program's first since 2009. The team advanced to the Sectional Semifinal, where it would face Clayton.

At a neutral site of Clear Lake High School, Immanuel took to the court against the Clayton Bears and played well all night long. Keeping service proved to be their biggest reason for downfall as they would side out and typically give service back to the Bears on the next point. Clayton ended up taking the match in three very close sets, winning by scores of 25-20, 25-22, 25-23. The ILHS squad improved their play each set as evidenced by the scores, but came up short in the end. The team finished the year with a valiant effort, and the team's nine seniors will be greatly missed come next fall.



Immanuel "FC" only closed out the year with a 3-2 record in their final five games after winning all of their first eight. Both losses came to Coulee Region Christian, their toughest opponent bar none. The first of the two defeats for the Lancers came @CRC in West Salem; the squad lost by a score of 2-5. They were down 0-2 at halftime, quickly tied it up in the second half and were deflated as they gave up three more goals to drop the contest. The team met the Eagles again at Bollinger Fields on the 19th of October and played an even closer match. They took an early lead of 1-0 as a result of a penalty kick earned by Sam Lisak and scored by Adam Fiechtner. The Eagles controlled the middle portion of the game, however, scoring twice before the Lancers could even it up. In the middle of the second half, Sean Lillo knocked home an Immanuel corner kick that went past every player all the way to him sitting on the back post of the goal. Spirits were high as the sophomore had tied up the contest; those were soon taken back down. Almost immediately after the kickoff after Sean's goal, the Eagles gained a free kick at just past midfield and scored off of it taking the 3-2 lead that they would hold on to for the rest of the match. Even though the Lancers didn't achieve their goals of going undefeated or beating CRC, they did manage to accomplish a great deal during the 2015 season. The team finished 11-2, which is the most wins an ILHS soccer team has ever had and debatably the best record the program has ever had (a team in a previous season had a 10-1 record).

Blanket Fort

Lainy Durst



A few weeks ago these well-known boys on the campus of Immanuel built one the the biggest (and might I add impressive) blanket forts I've ever seen on this side of Wisconsin. They were hard at work to keep the blanket



numbers rising and the female participants at zero. Two, however, bribed their way in. Their blanket fort, kingdom, nation, whatever you want to call it, was complete with its own Constitution. They didn't take any business transactions lightly. They were met full on with a member meeting and vote. Apparently, blanket forts are all the rage. Don't be surprised to see a few more around campus. *Reminder: Pajamas Required!*

Elizabeth Ruth Fox

Where and When you were born: Montgomery, Texas. May 25, 98.
(She meant 1998.)

(At this point Mark walked into the room, interrupting our interview.)

All the places you've lived: Montgomery, Texas, two other weirdly named cities in Texas, Chippewa Falls, Wisconsin, and Eau Claire, Wisconsin.

Favorite high school memory: Liz "I don't have one!" Caitlyn "Liz come on...Regionals!!"

Liz "Ok fine, winning regionals in volleyball."

Plans after high school: Going to be studying to become an insurance adjuster at my apartment in Eau Claire

Dream Vacation spot: Holland

Ideal Job: child counseling and psychology

Deserted island. 3 things: Mark, helicopter, and enough fuel to get back to the US

(Mark then inputs, "I just pictured dessert all around the island.")

Hobbies: Playing guitar and piano, cooking, yelling at Mark

Plan to do anything with musical talents? I don't know, maybe...

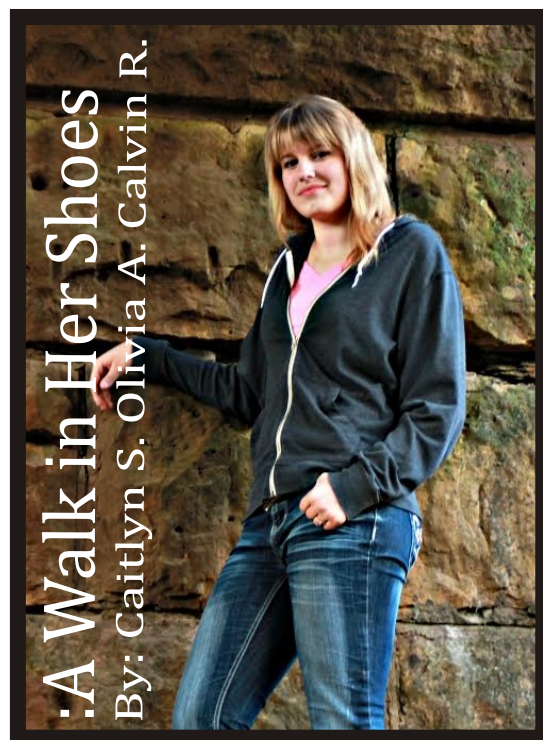
Have you thought about trying out for The Voice? I thought about it. Don't know if it's in my future plans.

If you could be any animal, what would you be? a rat (Caitlyn then exclaims, "A rat?!?! GROSS!!!" to which Liz retaliated with, "They are intelligent.")

What do you and Prof Lau talk about on those long van rides in the front seat? Music, my crazy family, and how Prof Lau got started coaching volleyball. Tell us the story! So basically, right when he started teaching here, he told Prof Buck that he knew enough about volleyball to help coach C-team and Prof Buck was like "OK." Then the next day Prof Buck made him the varsity coach. AND Prof. Schierenbeck was his assistant coach for one year!!!

If you could be any superhero, who would you be and why? Black Widow, because she's cool and other superheroes are lame and cocky.

Advice for future students of ILC: Me? Advice?! Ha! My advice is don't take advice from me.



Favorites

Prof - Schaller, Reim, Lau

Class - Art

Food - mashed potatoes with sour cream

Color - pink

Song - "Leather and Lace" by Stevie Nicks

Movie - A Walk to Remember

Candy - Kit Kat

Shoe Brand - Blowfish

Bible passage - John 14:2

Where do you see Elizabeth in 10 years?

Bryan: Still driving that crusty Subaru wearing Mark's hoodies.

Deb: Four times divorced...haha, just kidding! I see her as some kind of child care provider, living a normal life.

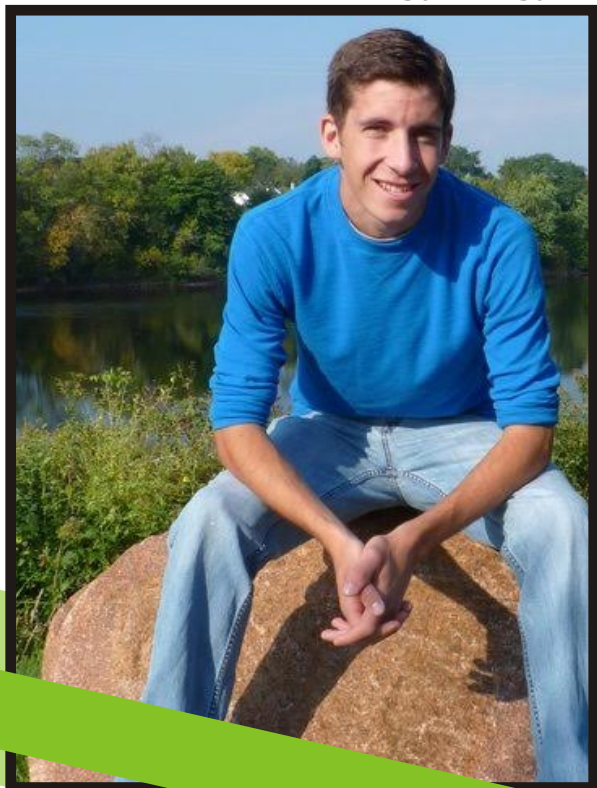
Rebecca: Living in Austria, trying to be an actress, but actually working in a restaurant. She has four guinea pigs...and she's single.

Shannon: Living in Texas with her own insurance firm, baking pies in her spare time.

Mark: In Texas with a family of four, living a regular life.

Jonah Daniel Albrecht

Sam Lisak



This interview was conducted during a highly entertaining and heated game of NCAA Football 14 between Ethan and Jonah, Ethan being Akron and Jonah being UTSA.

When, Where: June 18, 1997, in Sister Lakes, Michigan
What was it like growing up with 5 older brothers? Never a dull moment, had to learn to fend for myself.

Care to explain how you became a Mets fan? I don't even know myself. Nathan wouldn't let me be a Twins fan.

Which play has been your favorite so far? "Here Come the Brides" for sure. Opee: "Oh my Lanta!" he yells as Jonah sacks him for a 12 yard loss.

What movie is your guilty pleasure? (struggles to remember the title) The Notebook

14yd TD pass, 2pt. conv. good, Akron 0 UTSA 8

Desert Island, 3 things? Dwight Schrute, pineapple, WiFi.

What person do you wish you could meet? Chuck Norris

10yd TD pass, 2pt conv. good, 1st 0:39 Akron 0 UTSA 16

Why carrots? They're good for you and choir.

Who puked in the stairwell? Well, it's an ongoing investigation. I believe it's a senior; that's all I can say.

Plans for after high school? Back to ILC for seminary.

Ethan starts to verbally threaten pixels in a virtual world.

Favorite memory? 2k (As Ethan continues to rage)

Any parting advice? Make your friends while you can, do as many things as you can. Put yourself out there.

80yd fumble return, 2pt. conv. failed, 2nd 1:13 Akron 6 UTSA 16 (it's loud at this point)

Favorites

Prof: Sippert or Rodebaugh

Food: carrots

Athlete: Matthew Dellevadova

Color: green

Bible passage: Ask Jonah he never gave me one

Cleaning solution: Suprox D (solid choice, not for faint of heart or skin)

Actor/actress: Jennifer Lawrence

miracle 45yd Hail Mary TD, 2pt. conv. failed, 2nd 0:01 Akron 6 UTSA 22

Flavor of Powerade: orange

Scent: strawberries

Type of sandwich: ham (Ethan and Jonah argued about this for a while)

Facebook game: Marvel Avengers

Bird: partridge

6yd TD run, 2pt. conv. good, 3rd 2:50 Akron 6 UTSA 30

Ethan, where do you see Jonah in 10 years? Well, (As he suppresses intense rage at his inability to effectively do anything in this game) after aliens are discovered on Mars, Jonah is found there preaching to them.

End of game UTSA 57 Akron 12