

# Issue

## From The Editors...

Greetings, all....(possibly just Jaqi). Well, since you're taking the time to read my editorial, I'll try to make it worthwhile. Our March edition of the Flash contains the usual Senior Spotlights and Random Facts, as well as a history of the boys dorm tradition, Donuts and Dew, and also a recap of the school year thus far, so all of our CLC Youth Tournaments guests can be "in the know". As far as the usual editorial babble goes... the weather has been wonderful, which is a noted blessing.... The musical is in the works.... And spring break is finally here. Tour choir is about to embark on their annual expedition.. We probably should have had an article about that... so, we'll get to it next time. I'd like to thank all of our talented writers and patient lay-out specialists, as well as you readers. Most importantly, I'd like to thank my partner-in-crime, Jagi Gerbitz for creating an actual, paper Flash out of the hodgepodge of articles we received this week.

-Editor Joci Gamble

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## The Year in Review

## Jonathan G.

Ahh, nothing like Immanuel in springtime. As we welcome visitors from places far and wide to the gorgeous campus we have here at Immanuel, I'd like to give a quick run-through of many notable things that have occurred here while autumn's leaves were falling and that other dreaded season had a grip on us (only about three months this year!). I'm also going to introduce each section with lyrics from songs played by our terrific pep band. Here goes.

### "Good-ness grac-ious Great Balls of Fire"

The school year of 2015-2016 came in like a lion as crowds roared and rocked in the "little gym that could." The volleyball team, led by a dominant senior class, had a terrific year, a-bumpin' and a-spikin' and a-fallin' all over the floor. They came this close to a conference title, but never fear, as they took out the frustration of not winning the conference on their opponents in the regional playoffs, and took the title in an exhilarating match against the dreaded McDonell Catholic. While this was taking place, the soccer club was having a record year, the Conference Champion boys' cross country team sent Dan Lau and Austin Karow to the state meet, and intramural flag football was keeping the other boys occupied. The wonderful work of the Activities Committee also brought a dodgeball tournament into fruition in the colorful month of September.

That same Activities Committee also got us rollin', runnin', and rollickin' outside in the crisp month of October as we enjoyed both a Corn Maze and a Hay Ride (as well as a spooky fall party) under the bright October moon.

### "Good times never seemed so good"

September turned to October and October to November, and as the fall balls rolled away. In came basketball to take its place. The girls' team had a bit of a down year, but with the young and exciting talent they had on the team, the future is bright. Yes it is. The guys' team recovered from a tough year last year to have a very good year this year, two overtime losses away from the conference title. They enjoyed the support of a terrific home crowd, as I'd never seen that beloved little gym shake as much as it did during some exciting games it hosted this year.

In November we were treated to a western rendition of Romeo and Juliet in the form of Ramona and Joel, the school play. In December we got in the holiday spirit as all of the dorm students were treated to a terrific party planned by the new girls' dorm supervisor, Beth Sandeen, and her exuberant friend from out east. Later in that month, the Activities Committee once again came in the clutch, putting on a wonderful party to celebrate the birth of our Savior. Afterwards, we were all treated to that sweet, sweet tradition of Christmas readings and candle-lighting.

### "Risin' up, back on the streets"

We had all survived the first semester, enjoyed a long, long long break for Christmas, and came back to a campus transformed by some awful white powder. Basketball came back right away (though the quality of play did not), but not much else went on in the month of January. As January crawled away and February seeped in, mini-classes came to resuscit-, what, I mean, spell the students from the hard work and unbreakable focus we'd been putting into our school work! Mini-classes were a big hit (as always) as students curled (like, with brooms), welded, cooked, yoga-ed(?), and more. After this, basketball wound down, and by the time you, the reader, reads this (if you made it this far, I congratulate you), basketball will have been played by the students (and faculty!) while said students (and faculty!) are riding on donkeys.

### "Twist and Shout"

With your arrival, spring break has finally come. Shout it from the rooftops! Rejoice! When (if?) we return, baseball and softball and track and the joys of the homestretch of the school year will be here!

## Indie Gity Faith & Rose

Have you ever listened to Echosmith and wished you could be like the cool kids? Maybe you should start by not listening to Echosmith. In this issue we've pulled together a list of our favorite hipster trash, jams for fedora-clad teens who love pointing out that they knew that band before it was popular. The indie genre is made up of artists who haven't been signed to a major record label—by my definition, it's just music that's a little bit too annoying to be pop. But don't be scared off. Indie can be really upbeat and fun, and Rose and I enjoy it more than we'd care to admit. So grab a bearded friend, put on your black-framed glasses, and bike over to your favorite coffee shop. We have your soundtrack covered. Sadly, we couldn't think of anything that would classify as old indie, so in true hipster fashion, we've broken the norm by forming an all-modern playlist this time. If you need a dose of oldies, catch up with our compilation playlist on Spotify. Everything can be found under the username **flashplaylists**. Happy listening!

- 1) Coffee by Sylvan Esso
- 2) Come back to Me by Urban Cone
- 3) Silhouettes Colony House
- 4) Holiday by Vampire Weekend
- 5) Killer Whales by Smallpool
- 6) Fireshrine by Purity Ring
- 7) Always Like This by Bombay Bicycle Club
- 8) Too Much Time Together by San Cisco
- 9) Dancing on Glass by St. Lucia
- 10) Cold Cold Man by Saint Motel





To this day, there are three golf balls on the moon.

Only about 55% of Americans know that the sun is a star.

Giraffes are the only animals in the world that don't yawn.

You can turn Kool-Aid into Gatorade with some salt.

Three out of four tornadoes occur in the United States.

Your body is weakest during 3-4 a.m. This is the time when most people die in their sleep.

When you look up at the blue sky and see white dots flying around, you're actually seeing your own white blood cells.

If you brush your teeth by using the wrong hand, then you force your brain to work differently and your self-control level will increase.

April 2nd is celebrated as national peanut butter and jelly day.









## The Tale of Doughnuts and Dew

## James Schaser

Hear ye, Hear ye. It is with great honor that I present to all subjects this tale of a blessed establishment known to all as Doughnuts and Dew.

Many years ago (2005), in the Kingdom of North Hall lived a collegian, known as PC Nolting. He was a man with a genius idea that would forever change the guys dorm. One Wednesday night, PC came up with a brilliant idea to have all the upperclassmen dormies to his room so that they could watch the television shows whilst eating the fine delicacy of doughnuts, and washing it down with the glorious Dew from Mount Pepsi. The price for a gathering this tremendous was not a penny, and one only had to pay fifty cents per doughnut or dew. The bedtime for those upperclassmen was so that but only two episodes could be watched in a night. After the festivities had ended, all went to bed with sugar coursing through their veins and jokes going through their minds. "The Office" was soon chosen as the show to watch, and throughout the opening credits, a beautiful sound could be heard in all the nooks and all the crannies of the dorm, a sound of many men signing "Dooooooooooooughnuts annnnnnnd Deeew, Doughnuts anddd deeeeeeeuuuuuww" to the melody of the credits. From then on, every year, one senior, chosen out of many, recieves the ever so prestigious role of buying the delicacies and hosting the festivities. Nowadays, the role has been gifted to Clay "The Magnificent," who provides the finest doughnuts combined with the sugariest dew. There is no sign in stopping this tradition, and it is the hopes of all that have ever participated in this wonderful gathering, that this tradition lives on for many, many years. Here ends the tale of Doughnuts and

## THE HISTORY OF THE EASTER BUNNY CAITY SANDEEN

The exact origin of the tradition is unknown. Most think that it comes from German immigrants in the 1800s. They told tales of an egg laying hare called "Osterhase." The hare would go around and give all the well-behaved children decorated eggs. The children would make nests for the hare to lay its eggs. It became widely used in the U.S. The decorated eggs expanded to chocolates and other candies, and the nests were replaced with decorated baskets. Decorating eggs dates back to the 13th century. Today the eggs represent to some Christians Jesus' emergence from the tomb. Eggs were also forbidden during the Lenten season so people would decorate them to mark the end of the period. Easter parades date back to the mid-1800s when the wealthy would attend church services and afterward would stroll outside to show off their new outfits and hats.

#### DID YOU KNOW?

The largest easter egg ever made was over 25 feet high and weighed over 8,000 lbs. It was built out of chocolate and marshmallow supported by an internal steel frame.

Americans spend \$1.9 billion on Easter candy. That is the second biggest candy holiday, after Halloween.

76% of Americans believe that the ears of a chocolate bunny should be the first to be eaten.

The first story of a rabbit hiding eggs in a garden was published in 1860.

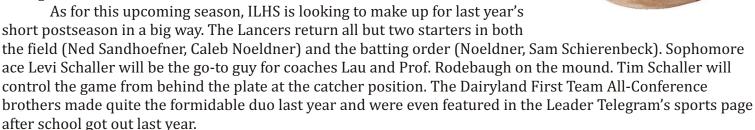
16 billion jelly beans are made for Easter (that's enough to completely fill an 89 feet high and 60 feet wide plastic Easter egg – about the height of a nine-story office building!)

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## Gunny's Report Lancer Baseball Gunnard Sippert

Spring has seemingly arrived here in Eau Claire. While that might not ring true throughout the month of March, our baseball, softball, and track and field teams will be working, rain or shine. I'll be featuring each of these three sports in separate articles for the Flash to finish up the year. Up first, I'll be giving Flash readers a detailed look at our Varsity baseball team.

Coach Prof. Lau's team enters the year off a disappointing first round exit in the State tournament to the Greenwood by a score of 5-4. The rainy weather proved to be a detractor from the Lancers' game, and the Indians pulled out the upset by scoring the winning run in the top of the seventh inning.



Going around the infield, we move to first base where second-year starter Jonah Albrecht returns after a successful season (.950 fielding %) at the 3 spot last year.

The Schallers were joined on the Dairyland All-Conference First Team by senior Bryan Sydow who played second base for Immanuel for the last two years. The Lancers' final All-Conference selections from 2015 were seniors Riley Sotnyk and Sam Lisak. Both pitched and played on the left side of the infield last year. Sotnyk really came on as the team's solid second starting pitcher and played a solid 3rd base. Lisak will join Levi and Sotnyk in the team's trio of starting pitchers. Sam usually played shortstop last year when not pitching but it remains to be seen how the infield (with the exceptions of Tim and Albrecht) will shake out.

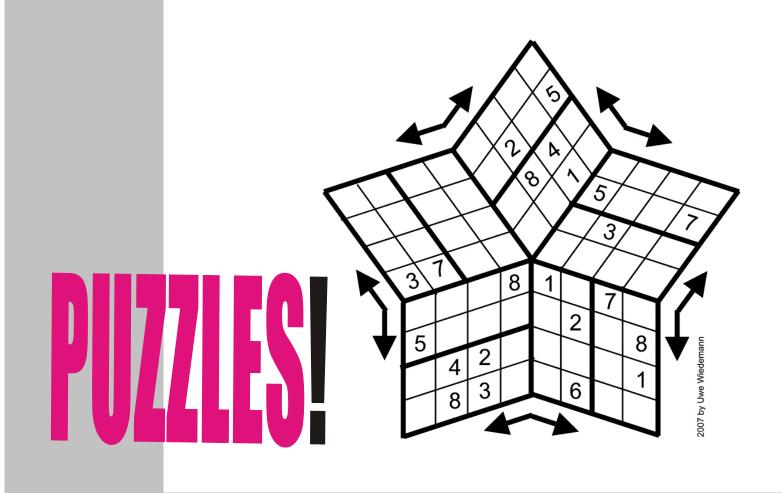
Sam Buck returns to Varsity this year after his famous home run at Spring Valley last season. Buck typically plays in the infield, which causes Coach Lau to have to make a decision as to whom to put in the third outfield position.

Junior Jonathan Gamble is the only returning starting outfielder from last year's club and figures to move to centerfield from right this year. He will be joined by David Hein in either left or right and whomever is chosen to play the final remaining spot in the outfield.

In the Dairyland, the Lancers have plenty of competition. Reigning conference champion Cochrane-Fountain City is expected to be as good as always. If Immanuel wants to win the conference, they'll have to go through the Pirates. Augusta and Whitehall will be very competitive as well and are not going to be teams that ILHS can look past. Independence/Gilmanton is an up-and-coming younger team that could surprise some people this year.

Immanuel has high expectations for this year. They're a talented team who has been ranked 6th out of 98 Division 4 teams in the Baseball Wisconsin Preseason Rankings. The amount of experienced players returning and promising call-ups from last year's JV team will cause the Lancers to be a force to be reckoned with.





## What American Riley Sotnyk

- Q: I eat, I live, I breathe, I live, I drink, I die. What am I?
- Q: I am good at concealing what's real and hide what's true. Sometime, I bring out the courage in you! What am I?
- Q: I must be broken before you can use me. What am I?
- Q: In the sun I like to play; in the rain I goes away; walk or run I always follow; in the mud I always wallow. What am I?
- Q: Break me and I am better, immediately set and harder to be broken again. What am I?
- Q: I go through a door but never go in, and never come out. What am I?
- Q: I dig out tiny caves, and store gold and silver in them. I also build bridges of silver and make crowns of gold. They are the smallest you could imagine. Sooner or later everybody needs my help, yet many people are afraid to let me help them. What am I?
- Q: I shoot but never kill. What am I?
- Q: I am the only word that looks the same when spelled upside down. What am I?



Answers: Fire, Make up, Egg, Shadow, Record, Keyhole, Dentist, Camera, Swims



O:What was it like to be a cheerleader? A: Oh my goodness.. um I got kicked out for certain reasons... I was being too loud in practice and I was moving my hips too much on the stage.

Q: When and where?

A: July 3,1998, in Berrien Springs, MI

Q: Piece of advice for the youngsters?

A: We'll have to come back to that... (as she looks it up on her phone).. if you're a Yankees fan, keep it to yourself.

Q: On a deserted Island what would you take

A: Willie, cuz he's resourceful, suntan lotion, towel. Pretty much Willie is gonna do all the work.

Q: Is Bryan your favorite person to play Resistance with?

A: Oh, my goodness, Bryan is the worst person to play Resistance with. Never play with him.

Q: Describe yourself in three words that rhyme.

A: Beth's suggestions: bling fling thing. She should not describe me as a fling. Classy, sassy... witty. (not original, it took Olivia, Jaqi, Emma M.,

and myself to get this done.)

Q: What is at the top of your bucket list? A: Finishing one of those burger challenge things at Milwaukee Burger.

## Leah Christine Mackensen Caity Sandeen

### **Favorites**

**Prof:** Kranz

**Food:** Baby back ribs (says nick)

**Color:** 1) black 2) sparkly black 3) dark grey 4)

**Bible Passage:** Colossians 3:16

**Sport:** Volleyball

Holiday: Hanukkah jk Christmas

**Memory:** KB's Birthday

Class: Physics

### In 10 Years...

**Olivia:** She is dating a pro baseball player, has three children, and works at a store of her creation called "All Things Gold Glitter."

**Mattie:** The editor of a Vogue magazine with two model

kids and a mansion house.

**Beth:** She is married 2 kids, 1 boy 1 girl, and she is a

party planner and leader of the PTA.

## Either/Or

MCR or FOB? FOB

**Grey's Anatomy or The Office?** Grey's Anatomy

**Harry Potter or LOTR?** LOTR

**COFFEE or TEA?** COFFEE

**FLY or Invisibility?** teleport

Vanilla or chocolate? Vanilla

**Snapchat or facebook?** Snapchat

**Books or Movies?** Movies

Pepsi or Coke? Coke

Chinese or Italian? Indian

Cake or Pie? Pie... Please.

**Boots or sandals?** Boots

Freckles or Dimples? Dimples

Baseball or basketball? Think about the pants.

Baseball.

## Nicolai Joci Gamble

JG: Sorry, we have to do it. When and where? PR: May 28, 1998 in...here...this very spot, actually. (Eau Claire, WI)

JG: What are you up to these days, and why are you hiding from us?

PR: There's not much to tell. I'm pretty much done, well, completely done with high school. I don't even get credit for the classes I still go to. I average 1-2 hours a day in the art room. That's pretty much the highlight. Then there's my Greek classes, my violin, and I am almost done with Season 5 of Lost. JG: If you could bring 3 things to a deserted island, what would they be?

PR: I would bring a lifetime supply of candied ginger (it's like human catnip), my graphing calculator (because using it makes me feel smart), and the art room, for entertainment.

JG: Any thoughts on the presidential candidates? PR: I'm gonna say.. I think Trump is amusing during the debates. I didn't really pay attention to anyone else, I just assumed they were better. JG: Do you have plans for next year?

PR: Oh. Um. No. I know I want to go to college for free and not here (Eau Claire).

## Favorites

**Prof:** Ummmmmm I guess Reim's alright. **Travel destination:** Depending on the season, probably Hawaii in spring and fall, California in winter, and Europe in the summer.

**Interviewer:** Picking from the very long list of people who have interviewed me

**Composer:** A toss-up between Bach and Juanes



## In 10 years...

**Jon Gamble:** In a suit and monocle, playing chess against an Arabian prince, in his library that overlooks the English Channel.

**Sam Lisak:** A world-renowned cardboard sculptor with a New York Times bestseller, but he struggles with his inability to ever win another Boggle match.

Jordan Quam: Virtuoso violinist touring

throughout Asia, and making assorted panini in the panini maker he'll have patented. Also, he knows everything there is to know about anything.

# Luke Martin Mayhew Sam Lisak

SL: Where, When? LM Eau Claire, Wisconsin on March

**SL:** Do you hate me yet? **LM** Haha no, of course not SL: What is light? LM Light's a wave of energy

SL:Thoughts on new Star Wars movie? LM It was a good movie, but it was not Star Wars.

**SL:** When did you first learn to play guitar? **LM** Between freshman and sophomore year (slow clap for Luke)

**SL:** If you could spend a day with any fictional character, who would you choose and why? **LM** Either Episode VI Luke Skywalker because he's a wise person, or Ike from Fire Emblem.

**SL:** Describe your ideal day, weather wise? **LM** Chilly, upper 50s so you need to wear a sweater

SL: Desert Island, 3 things? LM My guitar, the Bible, and a Pikachu, but if not a Pikachu, then Ethan because he's the next best thing.

SL: If you could have any one skill, what would it be? LM Ability to sing 2 notes at once

SL: Plans for after high school? LM Back to ILC for teaching

SL: Any Quality advice to pass on? LM Don't be idle, be active, get people to do stuff. Pursue.

## In 10 Years...

Riley: Teaching and playing video games with his children.

Ethan: Running for President after Donald Trump eliminates age requirement for President.

Calvin: Performing to a sold out Madison Square Garden, just him and his guitar.

## Favorites

Prof: Gullerud Food: Lasagna Class: English 11

Bible passage: Proverbs 3:5-6

Time: 5:55 PM Cereal: Reese's Puffs

Game: Star Wars Living Card Game

Color: White Country: Hushido

Smash Bros Character: Lucina

Method of transportation: the mind (chew

on that)





Aka Opee, aka Dartboy, aka Mr. Smoothies, aka common Arby's worker, aka cool kid



SL: Where, When? EG:Here now, jk, Eau Claire Wisconsin on January 17, 1998

**SL:** Would you like to elaborate on Opee? **EG:** No (He's written a very powerful and moving memoir about the story; you can ask to borrow it. I just offered you an Opee ice breaker, run with it)

SL: What is the hardest part about dunking? EG: The landing

**SL:** Plans after high school? **EG:** College (he wants you to ask him personally)

SL: What actor would play you in your life movie? EG: James Franco

SL: Desert Island, 3 things? EG: James Franco, a Flygon, and a lightsaber

**SL:** How do you come across the many weird video games you play? (Happy Wheels, Gang Beasts, and Rocket League to name a few) **EG:** Mostly Youtube, (contemplates life for a brief second) uh, yeah, Youtube. (It was hard for him to concentrate while Riley was yelling at all the lines his graphing calculator was making.)

**SL:** Will you ever wear jeans? **EG:** I plead the fifth. (an admirable, yet annoying move) **SL:** Why? He finally answered with, "They're uncomfortable."

**SL:** Any Arby's secrets to pass on? **EG:** We don't have any secrets; we're kind of an open book.

**SL:** What's a skill you really wish you had? **EG:**Superpowers

**SL:** On a scale of James Harden's defense (tragic) to Matthew Dellavedova's defense (cheap, but inspiringly passionate) how much do you care? **EG:** (He thinks) Andre Drummond's defense (fairly low, but not too shabby, think selective moments of caring)

**SL:** Any advice to pass on? **EG:** Just because you're allowed to do something, doesn't mean you should.

### **Favorites**

Matt: A regional manager at Arby's, while playing the WiiU7 in his mom's basement.

Luke: Living on a special farm where he teaches the weirdest animals tricks.

Joci: Married to me, and half the girls in our class, living in Saudi Arabia, and wildly rich (which is exactly why we married him).

## In 10 Years...

Prof: Rodebaugh

Food: Red sour patch kids

Color: the cool ones (blue, purple)

Bible passage: Psalm 38:7

Game: Skyrim

Sweatshirt: I treat all 3 as equals

State: 4 way tie between Michigan, Ohio, California, and

Nevada

TV Show: The Flash

Super Smash Bros Character: Greninja Actor: James Franco (Emma Stone)

Chain Store: Walmart Animal: Red-eye tree frog