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*“For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him might not perish but might have eternal life.” (John 3:16)*

This was the verse before the Gospel at the evening Mass, which I celebrated with the students on Thursday, March 15<sup>th</sup>, during the Fourth Week of Lent. It reminds us of God’s love for all humanity, and puts forth a case for believing in Jesus Christ, God’s only-begotten Son.

This passage is situated within the narrative of Jesus’ encounter with the Pharisee named Nicodemus. When he met with Jesus, in chapter 3, verse 16, of John’s Gospel, he was perplexed. Nicodemus was a righteous man and one of the respected members of the Jewish council called, the Sanhedrin. Yet, like many of those who saw and heard Jesus, Nicodemus also believe that Jesus might be the one sent forth by God, because no one could perform those wonders unless God is with him. Nicodemus believed because of the signs he saw in Jesus.

That was the starting point of my reflection at the Mass. I asked the students what signs would make them believe in a person—what makes a person credible. One student said possessing some kind of knowledge, another mentioned having followers, and still another shared about the ability to perform extraordinary things. I acknowledged their responses. I told them those were good answers, but I was looking for something

By: Fr. Zoy Garibay



even better. So, I directed their attention to the large crucifix hanging on the south wall of the room. I asked the question again. After a brief moment of silence, one student raised his hand and said, “When a person makes great sacrifices for others—when he lays down his life for them.” I said, “Bingo!”

There are many reasons why we believe in Jesus. For me, the most compelling sign is Jesus’ willingness to humble himself and empty himself—even to lay down his life on the cross. Saint Paul spoke so eloquently about this in his letter to the Philippians. Jesus made great sacrifices for the love of God. He went above and beyond what was expected of him in order to do the will of the Father in heaven. This is what makes him credible. “Because of this God greatly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name.” (Philippians 2:9) This is why I believe in Jesus.

As Christians, we are all called follow Jesus, our Lord. As we have completed our journey through the final weeks of the Lenten Season, I hope you reflect on your willingness to go above and beyond what is expected of you, in all aspects of your life, in pursuit of God’s will and in building up His Kingdom. That in so doing, we become more and more like Christ—credible persons worthy of being called his disciples. **T**

How was Your Lenten Journey?

By: Adrian Gonzalez

Wednesday, February 14<sup>th</sup>, otherwise known as Valentine’s Day, was also Ash Wednesday. SLS observed the first day of the Lenten season with the traditional marking of ashes on foreheads during Mass. This welcomed the season of sacrifice and prayer. This year Mr. Anthony Van Asten gave a reflection which emphasized the goal of becoming closer to God. He explained that Catholics are called to be ambassadors of Christ and to renew one’s relationship with him through small and big actions.

In almost no time at all, Palm Sunday arrived and with it began the Holy Week rituals. To mark Palm Sunday, students and staff processed into the chapel while holding palms in celebration of Jesus’s entrance into Jerusalem. The students also performed a reenactment of the Passion of Jesus Christ. Soon after came the celebration of Holy Thursday, where SLS students



enjoyed a banquet to commemorate the Last Supper, and during Mass that evening was a service of washing of the feet, which mimicked Jesus’s actions for His disciples at the Last Supper.



Good Friday was a mournful day of the memorialization of Christ’s sacrifice on the cross. This day served as the end of the Lenten journey and a reminder of the sinful betrayal of Christ by His people.

Lent once again called all Catholics to reflection and sacrifice, just as Jesus lived and was tempted in the desert for forty days and forty nights. Often Lent is seen as a do-over of New Year’s resolutions; however, in the truest sense, the purpose is not only to give up something but to replace it with a way to become closer to God. No matter how big or small one’s actions, they served as a reminder of what Lent means and the sacrifice Christ made for all. **T**

Celebrate CommUnity

By: Nicholas Rodriguez

On Saturday, February 17<sup>th</sup>, Br. Mitch Frantz and Br. Mark Romanowski, along with a group of SLS students, traveled to the Fond du Lac County Fairgrounds to attend an event called Celebrate CommUnity. The event was a celebration of different cultures and faith, in addition to celebrating diversity. The event began with groups of people from different countries, religions, and cultures walking with flags and playing music that represented their ethnic heritage. Throughout the course of the day, the students stopped by different booths and learned about many religions and cultures they had not known before and some they had already experienced. There were many booths—representing over 50 different countries, cultures and religions. The students got a chance to meet people from different countries, learn about the traditions, music, and food, and participate in many activities. The different booths also handed out items to visitors as a way to promote their heritage.

The students and staff members viewed the trip as a nice way to learn about new cultures and religions they had not known before. The event also helped to clarify many incorrect stereotypes and misconceptions about specific cultures. The students enjoyed eating authentic foods from the different cultures and were astonished by how good some of the food was. Senior, Matthew Mortell said, “The trip was amazing. Not only did I learn about new cultures and more about old ones, but I also got to eat a lot of good food I had never had before.” Overall, the students enjoyed the opportunity to get off the Hill and experience the Celebrate CommUnity event. **T**



Senior Jeffrey Diaz Leal participates in a Polish dance.



SLS students pose with one of the participants.



# Exchange of Experiences

By: Wilson Burge

On Thursday, March 1<sup>st</sup>, 14 students and 2 staff members embarked on an 11-day journey to Ostbevern, Germany, to take part in a 29-year-old exchange program between Saint Lawrence and Die Schloss Loburg school in Ostbevern. The student visitors were accompanied on the first leg of their trip by Mr. Chad Dowland, teacher and athletic director, and Mrs. Alex Auch, Spanish teacher. After fulfilling obligations at home, SLS Dean of Students and German teacher Mr. Kevin Buelow met the students and the other chaperones in Germany several days later.

Prior to the trip, senior SLS exchange student Joshua Tran said, "I've been looking forward to this opportunity to experience a foreign country with my classmates for a long time. I am really nervous, but I'm also excited for what Germany has to offer." After a long drive from SLS to O'Hare International Airport in Chicago and another long wait there, the students were on their way to the journey of a lifetime. However, the journey wasn't over yet—they had a seven-hour flight which landed them in Amsterdam followed by a three-hour train ride to Ostbevern. Finally, the group met up with their German friends, some of whom they hadn't seen since last spring when they came to SLS, who would be their hosts for the weeks to come.

The students spent the first weekend with the hosts and their families to become acquainted to the German style of living and eating. Mr. Buelow said, "That's the purpose of the exchange: to give our students the opportunity not only to practice the German they've been learning, but also to immerse themselves into the unique German culture." During the week, the students shadowed

their sponsors for various days in classes at Die Loburg. Because the Loburg runs on a block schedule more like college, the SLS exchangees were very happy to be able to wake up much later than 6:20 in the morning.

Outside of their time at the school, the SLS students toured popular attractions of Germany, such as churches and museums. When asked about the Anne Frank Museum that the students toured at the end of the trip, junior Sullivan Stier said, "This tour was among one of my favorite parts of the trip because it is one thing to have read her diaries, but to be there is something very different and special." Finally, one of the most eagerly awaited parts of the trip was the food. Germany is known for its sausages and other meats, cheeses, cakes, and beer. When asked about his favorite thing he tried while on the trip, Mr. Dowland responded, "My favorite food was a steak I had. I've had some pretty good steaks, but this one was special." "I had a very good potato soup which I wish I could have brought home," said Mrs. Auch. When asked what he would miss the most, senior Dylan Lobo responded, "The many people we met and the friendships we made. The food and culture was great, but the people and relationships are things I will never forget."

Every year, experiences like those that occurred between Saint Lawrence and Die Schloss Loburg students and staff, as they have for years, helped the participants to know and appreciate the cultures all the way across the world. It's experiences like these that help students value this special opportunity and encourages them not to pass up future opportunities. **T**



# Display of Voices and Hands

By: Joseph Hable

On Saturday, February 24<sup>th</sup>, students from Saint Lawrence Seminary traveled to Manitowoc Lutheran High School for the annual Solo and Ensemble Festival. This festival is a competition where students in the area show off their musical skills. There were 8 different schools present at the event, with Saint Lawrence having a strong representation of 25 different entries performing during the course of the day. What is so impressive about the SLS musicians is that there is a large number of them who had only started playing their instruments or singing in the choir during their Saint Lawrence career.

Overall, Saint Lawrence did very well at the festival. Of the 25 entries, 7 qualified for the state competition. Senior Joseph Hable qualified in four different entries, senior Max Eliason qualified in two different entries, and seniors Dylan Lobo and Bryant Nguyen, junior Anthony Le, sophomore John Yoo, and freshman Russel Killian each qualified for one. The attitude of those who participated was generally positive. This year's contest was a success and, as Music Director Mr. John Ahlstrom remarked afterwards, "The dedication of those playing made this year more fun for me than years in the past." Junior Anthony Le, after finding out he was going on to state, said, "I was really glad that all my hard work paid off and I was able to make it to state again this year." The State Solo and Ensemble event will be held on Saturday, April 28<sup>th</sup> at UW-Oshkosh. Good luck to all! **T**



Senior Joseph Hable plays a guitar solo at the festival.



Senior Matthew Mortell sings "Who is Silvia" at the festival.

# Playing from Within

By: Joseph Hable

The Saint Lawrence jazz band was back in action for 2018 with 17 members playing different jazz instruments under the direction of Mr. John Ahlstrom. The jazz band has a rather short history; it only resumed last year, as after the St. Joe's fire they didn't have anywhere to practice during reconstruction. The revived jazz band worked out very well, though. After a few months of practice, the band performed a clinical before a judge and the reviews were positive. At the end of last year, the band participated in the Field Day Performing Arts Showcase playing a couple of swing ensembles. This year the jazz band continued, and those who returned had improved since their starts. The band was not only larger than last year, but also full of talent.

This year, with an expanded saxophone section, the band played

"New York, New York" and "Can't Help Falling in Love," both well-known songs by famous musicians. The band members really liked playing these songs. As senior Karl Bloker, a two-year member, remarked, "I really liked 'New York, New York.' It was a fun, catchy, and well-known tune." Senior Ben Quiroz, who started in the jazz band this year, said, "I really loved playing 'New York' because I got two different tenor sax solos in the song. It allowed me to show off my musical skills." On Wednesday, February 28<sup>th</sup>, the band performed the two selections they had been practicing for a judge who was present to evaluate the band, with the hope that the results were as positive as last year. Jazz band is another excellent way that SLS's student musicians can demonstrate their talents and show off their skills. **T**





# St. Lawrence Seminary Abroad

By: Peter Hall



One of the unique aspects about attending SLS is the understanding and appreciation that students are able to receive about the practices of other cultures. This learning experience is enhanced not only through the diversity of the student body, but also through the different activities that are part of life at SLS. Some of these activities include the Cultural Heritage Festival, the celebrations of Tét and the feast day of Our Lady of Guadalupe, and through foreign exchange collaborations with a school from Germany, and now one in Peru. The brand new exchange program with Peru officially began this past February when students from Colegio Santa Ana in Lima, Peru, traveled to St. Lawrence Seminary in the northern reaches of (what some call) the middle-of-nowhere Wisconsin. While here, the Peruvian students had the opportunity to experience a taste of what it's like to be a high school student in America.

The exchange program that we have with Colegio Santa Ana came to fruition only through careful planning and a lot of hard work from administrators and staff from both schools. For many years, there had been talk of creating an exchange program with another school in a Spanish-speaking country. Finally, at the end of last school year, serious talks began between Mr. Dave Bartel, the Academic Dean, and Mrs. Alexandria Auch, one of SLS's Spanish teachers, about finding a school that would be willing to collaborate with SLS. Mrs. Auch worked during the summer, making several connections through Facebook groups to Spanish teachers from across the country. One particular teacher from Vermont shared information about a school in Peru that was looking to start an exchange program in the United States.

Mrs. Auch was then able to connect with Mrs. Vidal, an English language teacher from Colegio Santa Ana. Mrs. Vidal began to discuss her goals of creating an exchange program with SLS, and, to that end, she visited SLS's campus in person in October. Following that visit, SLS sent their own delegation consisting of Mrs. Auch, Fr. Zoy Garibay, SLS's Rector, and Mr. Kevin Buelow, Dean of Students and German teacher, to Lima, Peru, to visit the potential exchange partners. "Colegio Santa Ana is run by the sisters of Saint Anne, and the nuns have a convent attached to the school, similar to the friary here at SLS," explained Mrs. Auch, "making it a great fit for an exchange." Indeed, the visit was highly successful, as both schools set dates and worked more closely toward making the once intangible visit a reality.

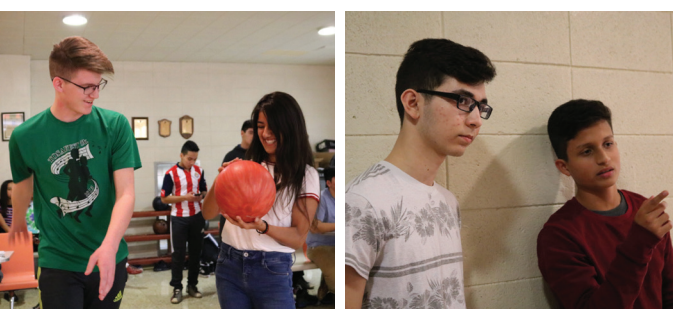


The 14 sophomore, junior, and senior level visitors arrived at SLS on Thursday, February 22<sup>nd</sup>. While at SLS, the visitors attended classes with the students. "It was fun to move around from class to class during the day, although I did get lost a few times," laughed visitor Flavia Bravo. In some classes, students were even able to prepare presentations or complete the daily work students were learning. In addition to attending class, the visitors went on multiple outings that included taking in the campus of Cardinal Stritch University in Milwaukee, discovering the Milwaukee Public Museum, exploring Ledgeview County Park through a hike, being awed by historic Lambeau Field, and shopping at the Fox River Mall. Cultural Heritage Night also happened to fall in the time while the visitors were here, so they were able to experience that event as well. In addition to tasting foods from different cultures, the Peruvian students shared some of their own culture with SLS through a cultural dance performed during the night's festivities. The Peruvians performed multiple different dances, each pertaining to a different aspect of their culture.

On Friday, March 2<sup>nd</sup>, the SLS students headed home for their winter break, and several of them from Milwaukee and Chicago acted as host families to the visitors. The Peruvians were able to spend time in American homes and enjoy touring a major city. To conclude their trip to the U.S., the visitors regrouped on March 6<sup>th</sup> in Chicago and flew back home on March 7<sup>th</sup>.

The first-ever Peruvian exchange visit was undoubtedly successful as the visitors felt very welcomed and had a good time and the students of SLS enjoyed getting to know kids from another culture. The future looks bright for a continuing relationship between Colegio Santa Ana and St. Lawrence Seminary. Next year, Spanish scholars from SLS are slated to travel to Peru as the exchange with the new partner school continues. This partnership looks to be a strong one that will prove beneficial to both schools—opening new gateways for exciting cultural opportunities and experiences. T

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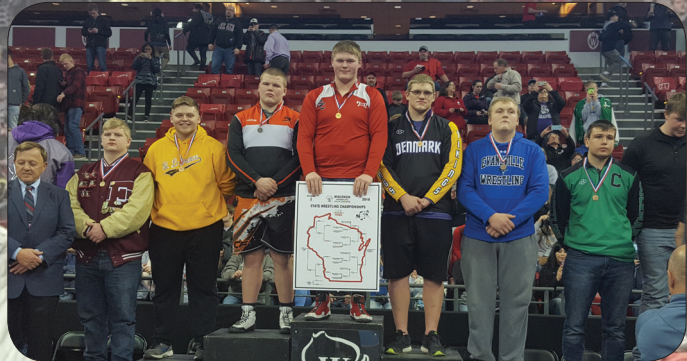


# Paulsen Pins History for SLS

By: Yann Memiaghe

Kelly Paulsen, one of this year's captains of the wrestling team, made an impressive run to the WIAA State Wrestling Tournament, where he went on to earn 4<sup>th</sup> place. Kelly started his wrestling career as a freshman, when he began wrestling varsity to fill the heavyweight class. His freshmen year was "the hardest year of my life," he said. That season his record wins-to-losses was 8-8, which allowed him to letter as a freshman. The next three years he spent hours training, learning and preparing for each season with the now-head coach Mr. Phil McCabe. They had been sparring partners and competitors for four years, and both had the goal of qualifying Kelly for state.

The road to state was long and hard. Coming off of a loss in his junior year to his archrival Jon Roll of Elkhart Lake in the sectional tournament, that loss kept him from qualifying for state, a big letdown for Kelly and the team. Thinking back, Kelly said, "It was a hard loss, but I feel like it was a necessary one. It made me even more grateful for qualifying for state my senior year, and getting on that podium in 4<sup>th</sup> place was a real dream come true." He said that he was very pleased that he could compete with the best in the state and was very relieved that he could finally complete his goal of being only the third state qualifier from SLS. Kelly said he is looking to potentially wrestle in college next year but has not yet decided, though he is very excited to start the next stage of his life, hopefully including more time out on the mat. **T**



Senior Kelly Paulsen wins 4<sup>th</sup> place in WIAA State wrestling.



Kelly celebrates his victory with his family.

# JAE'S Spark in Art

By: Yann Memiaghe



Senior Jae-Suk Lee

Last year, one of SLS's very own seniors Jae-Suk Lee exhibited his art skills to the world by submitting his work to the Scholastic Art Awards competition. With the freedom to create and submit almost anything and everything deemed original artwork, Jae snagged a silver key (a second place award) with his creation in mixed media. Fast forward to this year and he submitted five original works, winning five keys, two of which were gold keys (first place awards) in the two categories of Mixed Media and Drawing & Illustration. Just weeks ago he was invited to an artists' celebration at the Milwaukee Art Museum to be honored for his accomplishments and to see his work on display. Jae described the moment as the best feeling in the world, "I love art. It is my passion. So to see my work being acknowledged at this level is crazy."

Jae's awarded works included an art portfolio, which won him a silver key. He also received an Honorable Mention in two categories: Industrial Design and Drawing & Illustration. His work has recently been taken to New York to be judged on a national level. If he wins at the national level, he will travel to an award ceremony in New York City and his artwork will be displayed at Carnegie Hall, a concert venue and a huge platform for art in New York City. With a drive that refuses to settle, Jae plans to continue to grow as a creator and bring his work to the highest level. **T**



One of Jae's Gold Key winners.



# Exceeding Expectations

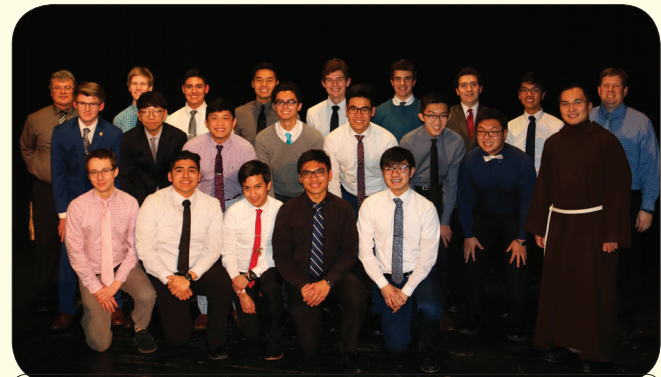
By: Alejandro Reyes

In an annual ceremony and celebration, the St. Lawrence community recognized new inductees to the National Honor Society on Friday, February 16<sup>th</sup>. More than just an honor roll, the National Honor Society serves to recognize those students who have demonstrated excellence in the areas of scholarship, service, leadership, and character.

A senior member of the society and MC of the ceremony, Bryant Nguyen, opened with a prayer and called on current members of the society to recite the values of the NHS: Scholarship, Service, Leadership, and Character. The definitions were read and commemorated with the lighting of a candle by current members of the NHS.

This year the NHS welcomed juniors Peter Hall, Anthony Le, Isaac Villegas, Anthony Ho, Alex Thao, and seniors Joseph Hable, Mico Macaraeg, and Davee Vang. They joined the current members of the society in practice of the areas of focus and value, in activities such as tutoring or even supervision of the Breakfast Club.

"You're asked to use your skills for the betterment of those around you," said Dean of Students Mr. Kevin Buelow to the new inductees. He spoke with hope that the new members will carry on the same values of those who came before them—as active members of the SLS community, striving for excellence and merit, serving as an example for others. **T**



The new National Honor Society of SLS poses after induction.



Mr. Dave Bartel recognizes the new NHS members.

# It's All Downhill from Here

By: Dominic Soto

On Sunday, February 18<sup>th</sup>, 20 students had the opportunity to go downhill skiing and snowboarding at Sunburst Ski Hill in Kewaskum. The hill was huge, and it had puffy white snow covering it, which was abnormal for much of the rest of the state with continued fluctuating temperatures.

When the group arrived, they had the choice of skiing or snowboarding. Most of the students selected snowboarding and enjoyed a full day of playing in the snow. "It was pretty hard at first," said sophomore Long Do, "but it was also extremely fun." Students took a few practice runs, and then several of them decided to race. They thought that they could test each other's skill and see who would win. Most thought it was the highlight of the trip.

"The hill was HUGE!" said junior Anthony Ho, "Some of the guys wiped out trying to snowboard, so I had to teach them." For some students, it was their first time ever trying to snowboard or ski. Luckily, like Long Do, most of them learned very quickly. But it wasn't just the students who had fun; Mr. Hub Bradley, sophomore dorm supervisor, chaperoned the trip and also had fun. "I thoroughly enjoyed myself," Mr. Bradley said, "the only thing was that I didn't like going up the hill." The ski trip was a great way for students to get off the Hill and enjoy some fun in the snow, especially since there wasn't always much of it this winter. **T**



SLS students take time off the Hill to ski.



Junior Joseph Tran enjoys his time during the ski trip.



# Honoring Our Heritage

By: Eric Howard

With students from all over the globe, St. Lawrence welcomes individuals with various cultures and customs. Thus, in order to celebrate the students of many different nationalities, SLS hosts a Cultural Heritage Festival. This event consists of several groups that represent a country and the group makes a dish or two that is unique to that country. In addition to the food that the groups serve, they also add some flavor to their station by garnishing it with the flag of their country and some interesting facts.

This year, Cultural Heritage took place on Saturday, February 25<sup>th</sup>. Mrs. Margie Buelow and the student council set the scene by decorating the refectory with lots of flags and streamers. Then, when everything was ready to go, the students came into the refectory and received 10 tickets and a soda. Each item that a country served was worth a certain number of tickets varying from one ticket all the way up to three tickets. Once a person used their tickets, they then picked a seat and conversed with others about the night and the unique types of food they tried. Junior Paohow Lor was very thankful for the opportunity to try new dishes saying, “The Cultural Heritage Night at SLS is special because not only am I able to try food that I have never heard of before, but I am also able to dig deeper into the cultures of my other classmates.” Following the taste testing of the several dishes was the drawing for prizes.

This year each student had three tickets placed into a lottery, and each student prayed, hoping to get one of the coveted prizes. Some of the prizes this year included an assortment of candy and snacks, card games, and coupons for the canteen. Senior Wilson Burge, one of the few fortunate winners, commented on receiving a water bottle with snacks saying, “I guess it was my lucky day.” Then, after the lucky students had received the prizes, there was a cultural dance performed by the Peruvian visitors. Sophomore Long Do enjoyed the performance, stating, “The dance that our Peruvian visitors presented complemented the Cultural Heritage Night very well. I think it showed us that our diversity only adds richness to our community.”



Philippines



Korea



El Salvador



India

## Food for Thought



13

The number of cultures represented by different groups this year.



240

The approximate number of people who attended this year's Cultural Heritage Festival.



20

The number of years that the Cultural Heritage Festival has been celebrated at SLS.



# Showcase of Talents

By: Eric Howard

On the Hill of Happiness, St. Lawrence hosts a student body filled with many individuals who possess a wide variety of skills. In order to highlight its extensive range of talent, St. Lawrence arranges a talent show every year in the spring. This year, the Talent Show was on Saturday, March 24<sup>th</sup>. Organizing an event like the talent show requires a lot of hard work, just ask Mrs. Margie Buelow, whom after 20-plus years of experience of putting together and performing productions knows how to exhibit good stage presence. She said, “The talent show is a lot work, but in the end it is all worth it.”

This year there were a plethora of acts, consisting of poetry pieces, singing, dancing, and much more. Each performance was graded by a panel of judges made up of faculty members and Capuchin supervisors. After each performance, the judges ranked them on a scale of 1 to 6. Then, divided into two categories, ensemble performances and solo acts, the performances were ranked from 1<sup>st</sup> place to 3<sup>rd</sup> place. Some of the acts that were performed this year were “Location” by Khalid sung by freshman Aidan Loop, senior Ben Quiroz’s performance of poetry pieces, and seniors Kevin Nguyen, Matthew Mortell, Jeff Diaz, Pablo George, and Daniel Conlin’s rendition of “I Want it that Way” by the Backstreet Boys, which was a fan favorite. After each act, one could hear the echoing of thunderous applause of the crowd.

Some of that applause was attributed to the MCs, who introduced all of the wonderful performances. This year’s MCs were seniors Dominic Dy and Eric Howard. Their witty and humorous remarks kept the audience engaged as they hosted yet another successful talent show. No matter who won the categories, the many standing ovations throughout the performances were evidence that all of the exertion that was put forth by the performers, Mrs. Buelow, the MCs, and the judges was well worth it.



Seniors perform an African drum quartet.



Sophomore Nhat Phan plays “Waltz” by Chopin.



Sophomore John Yoo sings “If I Leave” by Jo Sumi.

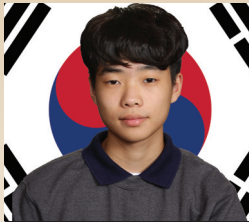


Churchstreet Boys offer a rendition of “I Want It That Way” by the Backstreet Boys.

# Student Spotlight



CHRISTIAN FRANK



RYAN MIN

CHRISTIAN FRANK - 9<sup>TH</sup>

**Hobbies:** Playing video games, Drawing, Reading  
**Special traits:** Friendly, Good at hide and seek, Listening to older music (80's, 90's)  
**Talents:** Good at video games, Playing clarinet, Reading quickly  
**Favorite foods:** Salad, Soup, Tocino  
**What brought you to SLS:** Mr. Hoffman came to my school and told us about SLS  
**Motivational Quote:** “Keep pushing forward”

RYAN MIN- 10<sup>TH</sup>

**Hobbies:** Listening to music, Cooking, Video games  
**Special traits:** Multi-lingual, Loyal, Respectful  
**Talents:** Snowboarding, Baseball, Photography  
**Favorite foods:** Dalk-galbi, Jyo-ni, Bulgogi  
**What brought you to SLS:** My uncle came here  
**Motivational Quote:** “Stay calm”

GERARDO AGUIRRE-11<sup>TH</sup>

**Hobbies:** Basketball, Playing FIFA, Reading  
**Special traits:** Good sense of humor, Kind, Helpful  
**Talents:** Good at three-pointers, Playing FIFA, Speed Reader  
**Favorite foods:** Gummies, Mozzarella sticks, Brownies  
**What brought you to SLS:** Past family members  
**Motivational Quote:** “Make life fun”



GERARDO AGUIRRE

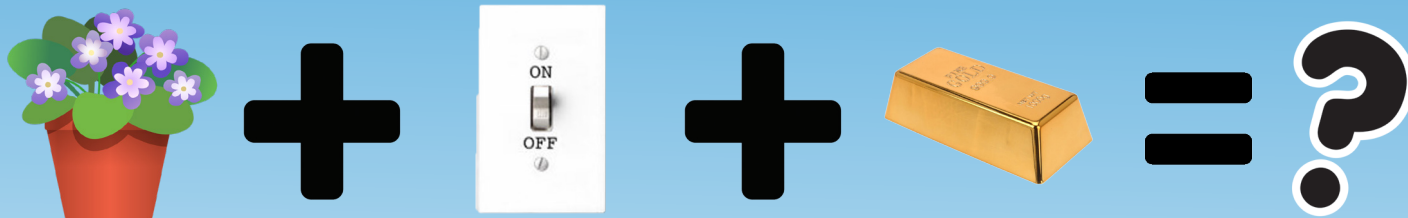


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## HENRY'S PUZZLING PROBLEMS

Henry has been having a hard time trying to figure what all of these pictures mean. Are you able to help Henry solve some of these equations?



Answers: Neighborhood, Lot of Cold, and Meatball-pomper.