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As a student operated and edited publication, The Weekly Report brings current events from Fairfield Prep to students, faculty, alumni, and more.

Campus Life



Orientation, athletic tryouts, the mixer...ahh, the Freshman Experience! In case you missed your September 6th email from Mr. Dennis, Director of Student Activities and Intramurals, Prep offers 42 clubs plus intramurals!

Upperclassmen Words of Wisdom:

"Get involved in as many things as you can. Prep offers so much and as freshmen the earlier you understand that, the more you can get out of it. Give yourself the chance to fail, put yourself out there. It is in failure that you grow as men."

Senior Matt Guinee, as reported by John Godino

Club of the Week:

Creative Writing

The Fairfield Prep
Creative Writing

Club has begun work on the 75th Edition of the *Bellarmino Review*, Fairfield Prep's student-run literary magazine and the oldest Fairfield Prep publication still in circulation.

Mr. Sather moderates the *Creative Writing Club*, which meets every Wednesday in B204. Mr. Sather was a member of the club and wrote for the *Bellarmino Review* when he was a student at Prep. "I was involved primarily in sports," Mr. Sather reminisced. "And when I met totally different people I was really opened up to what Fairfield Prep really could be."

Members can expect to refine their writing skills. All students are welcome to read their work to the group and receive feedback on their writing. Members also organize the *Bellarmino Review* which has been published every spring since 1943.

According to Mr. Sather non-writers are welcome to join the club. "There are ample opportunities, even for non-writers, to lead and partake in a very important Fairfield Prep tradition." By joining the *Creative Writing Club*, students can not only receive feedback on their writing, but also contribute to something bigger than themselves.

As last year's Vice President of the *Creative Writing Club*, I recommend and encourage all Fairfield Prep students to consider taking part in such a significant Prep tradition.

By George Seyfried

SPORTS

Varsity Football 9/16
Fairfield Prep 21 Wilbur Cross 6

Varsity Soccer 9/16
Fairfield Prep 3 North Haven 1

Junior Varsity Soccer 9/17
Fairfield Prep 10 North Haven 1

Freshman Soccer 9/14
Fairfield Prep 0 Cheshire 0

Highlights of the week:

- Drew McAvey hauled in a 38 yard touchdown pass from Patrick Conte.
- Conte had 3 touchdown passes on the day.
- Henry Boot scored 3 goals against North Haven on JV Soccer as they cruised to a 10:1 victory.

Upcoming Home Games:

Fri, 9/23, 6:00 pm
Varsity Football v. Hillhouse

Mon, 9/26, 4:00 pm
Freshman Soccer v. D. Hand

Tues, 9/27, 4:00 pm
Varsity XC v. Guilford

Wed, 9/28, 3:45 pm
JV Soccer v. Xavier

Upcoming Away Games:

9/22 Freshman Football v. Hillhouse

9/22 JV/Varsity Soccer v. D.Hand

9/23 JV Soccer v. West Haven

Study Tips

One of the many great resources Fairfield Prep has is the peer tutor program. Numerous peer tutors are available to meet with any student who needs assistance with learning the material in the student's classes. These Peer tutors are seniors who are part of the National Honor Society and have mastered their courses throughout their years at Prep. They have taken some of the same courses and know the best possible way to succeed.

In addition, there are Fairfield University interns who are also available to meet with students to further their learning in all Prep's course offerings. The interns can meet in the academic center on the following days and times:

Cailin Jandora
 Monday- 8-1 pm
 Tuesday- 8-1 pm

Samantha Silva
 Tuesday- 9:30-2:30 pm
 Thursday-9:30-2:30 pm
 Friday- 8:30-10:30 am

Melissa Bianco
 Tuesday- 9:30-2:30 pm
 Thursday-9:30-2:30 pm

Another way to study in quiet is at the Rev. Michael G. Boughton, SJ Academic Center. It is open daily from 8 am until 4 pm and is a quiet place to read, study, or to do some homework.

Jozef Tremblay
Foreign Language


Q: What classes do you teach?

A: Spanish 2 & 3

Q: What is your education background? Where did you go to school? What did you study?

A: I attended the University of Rhode Island, where I double majored in Political Science and Spanish.

Q: What made you want to teach Spanish?

A: Firstly, I love the language. Secondly, I love the culture and I wanted to be able to share that. And thirdly, I like working with students.

Q: Why did you choose to teach at a Jesuit/Catholic institution?

A: I chose to teach at this institution because of the principles the Jesuit have. For example, I like *Cura Personalis*, I enjoy the mission work and how they're centralized on teaching the student the right way.

Q: Can you describe a course/teacher that inspired you at any time in your academic career?

A: Yes, I can actually. I took one masters' degree course on Latin American Politics. My teacher's name was Rosemary Peguros and she not only taught the topic of Latin American history, but she lived it herself and was part of the revolution in El Salvador when she was younger. She was a child when men were banging on her door and she could hear gunshots outside her window. She was a huge influence on me and inspired me to pursue what I wanted to do.

Q: What are your immediate impressions about the Fairfield Prep community?

A: I would say that it's a family. It's very solid and we work together to solve problems and I can already tell that the Prep Brotherhood is something that will last forever. It's contagious and it's something I've caught onto very quickly. I am very happy to be here.

By Cole Simons

Ignatian Corner

By Evan Bean



The Arts



Mass of the Holy Spirit, Friday, Sept. 16

After receiving a welcoming applause, Mrs. Clark approached the podium to accept The Ignatian Educator Award, a prestigious honor given to teachers that show religious and intellectual fortitude. Mrs. Clark gave a moving speech about her experience with God, saying, "In His loving protection over me, He brought me and my family to Prep." Mrs. Clark, not only has God brought your family to Prep, He has also made you part of ours.

Student Athletic Chaplains

Team chaplains are student leaders who work with coaches and the athletic director. Chaplains help provide a healthy and balanced spiritual life to the team, setting our Ignatian hearts on fire.

They can be members of the team or simply a fan of the sport. All interested should see Fr. Stockdale to apply.

Urban Plunge, Thurs. Sept. 22 – Sat., Sept. 24

Junior volunteers will spend Thursday through Saturday being men for others on the East-side of Bridgeport. The retreat immerses our selfless brothers into inner-city elementary schools where they assist in teaching. Group activities and exercises help them to understand the economic challenges that many face in our world.

Jazz Ensembles

Preparing for the winter concert, both of our jazz ensembles are working hard to start the year on a good note.

Winter concert selections for *Encords*, our vocal jazz ensemble, include *Gonna Get Over You*, *Linus Lucy*, *Winter Song*, and *Irish Blessing*.

Spain, a Latin American classic, provides a plethora of styles for Prep's jazz band, the *Jazzuits*, while keeping its listeners at the edge of their seats. And *Day Tripper*, a Beatles hit, will be performed by a little big band in jazz format...an interesting take on a piece of Americana! Also, we have heard rumor that this year, the *Jazzuits* will be performing improvisational jazz, showcasing many soloists.

Fall Play - An Outsider's Take on *Story Pirates*

Prep Players are preparing a student written, produced and performed play, which will showcase the many talents of our student body. The plot is being derived from stories written by 3rd grade students at Cathedral Academy, the school that participates in the Freshmen Retreat Field Day. We will provide further updates as the plot unfolds.

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