

## SEVENTH GRADE RIDES LEHIGH RIVER

### Rafting Trip Recap

by Sam Marsheh

On Friday, August 28, the 7th graders took the challenge of riding down the Lehigh River. The trip to Pennsylvania took about an hour. Once the students arrived, they put on life jackets, bought or rented water guns, and learned about boat safety. Some 7th graders, including a young Nicky Racanelli, bought safari hats. Then, two small school buses carried the students, and other riders, to the river. In the bus, the students decided to sing a song, which went like "100 bottles of milk on the wall, 100 bottles of milk! You take one down, pass it around, 99 bottles of milk on the wall!" and so on.

Once they reached the river, each group got into their as-

signed boat. Then the students set out and started flowing down the river. With every swipe of the water with a paddle, the boat went farther and faster. Numerous times the boats got stuck on rocks, and it was not easy to get off them. Then there were the water guns, oh those water guns. People were splashing each other left and right. There was also an area where you could get out of the boat and swim around.

The next stop was for lunch. There were hot dogs, lemonade, and some macaroni/salad thing. Some people had one hot dog, while others had up to 5! Once everyone was settled and had eaten, the boats got back on the water. More water guns shooting, more

paddling, and more rocks getting in our way. Then, as the boats neared the end, the paddlers started moving the boat to the left so that the boats could dock. Once the boats docked, the riders got out and entered the small school buses again. The riders then left the boat once they pulled to a stop and went to the locker rooms to change. Students bought food, snacks and drinks, and finally got back into the coach buses that brought the students to the river. After about an hour, students got back to Delbarton and reunited with their parents or guardians to get back home.



*Coach Stoll triumphantly guides the 7th graders downstream*

## Delbarton Moving Forward: an Interview with Father Michael

Conducted by Jon Saxon



Earlier this month I had an interview with Father Michael to see how he thinks Delbarton is doing and what plans we have moving forward.

Father Michael believes

that the entire school - faculty, staff, and students - are adapting well. He said that without the effort from the students, the school wouldn't be where it is now. The faculty has also stepped up to the plate very effectively. Because of COVID, they have had to pick up more jobs around campus and the staff has done an incredible job. Going forward we are going to follow the govern-

ment and their regulations but with vaccines, school will someday return to normalcy. I know we all miss hanging out around campus but hopefully the end is near!

I also got very good news on the new commons. Father Michael said, "I hope that we can get this done as soon as possible for the students." The commons are ahead of schedule and will be the best place on campus for the student body to hang out. The furniture in there will be incredibly comfortable and many will have great places to charge any kind of electronic device. It will be a nice library mixed with a hangout center for the students.

Finally, the best news for the students there will be vending machines in the new common area. Father Michael also said "while you can eat in the library you will be able to enjoy your food in the common area." This is great news for everyone on campus. We hope to enjoy St. Benedict Hall very soon!

## Current Events: Black Lives Matter

by Arjan Singh

BLM, or Black Lives Matter is a global organization, founded in 2013 in response to the tragic murder of Trayvon Martin. Black Lives Matter's mission is to promote peace and equality for people of color. This is something Mahatma Gandhi and Martin Luther King Jr, famous pacifists, also strived for in their lifetime. They also tried everything to influence and persuade people to join their cause for equal rights. In my opinion, we are all striving for equality and peace and should not be judged by our color, race or ethnicity. BLM is focusing on these rights for people of color.

BLM and other forms of activism are opportunities to speak up against injustice, social media, and messages to the government are critical roles in calling for change and transformation in society. "All lives matter" is the argument against BLM. While I agree that every person is important and should be treated with dignity and respect, the only difference is that currently people of color are trying



*BLM is now forever etched into the pavement of Seattle, WA*

to get their voice heard. As a society we have to support those who are speaking up whether it directly impacts us or not.

I am glad that at Delbarton we are able to recognize this cause and able to discuss our views respectfully. The diversity & inclusion club is our way of highlighting different cultures and backgrounds. There are multiple people like I mentioned before that dedicate their entire life to this. It is our duty to follow that path and give each other respect and be inclusive.

## Dylan's Sage Meal of the Month

By Dylan Scarpati

The SAGE DINING™ starts the year off with a complete fluke! The MAIN INGREDIENT™ has not been strong this mid-term; with a few highs like the MEATBALLS™. Many gave up, thought there was no chance of coming back from this, but there was still hope...

The date was Monday, September 28, SAGE™ had released their new contraption, the CHICKEN TENDERS™. This move was absolute poggers! The crispness and taste of breading, how could it be any better? Oh, but it could. The unexpected release of the

SAGE™ CHEESEBURGER™ came out! The melted cheese, topped off with a softly toasted bun, and the freshly cooked patty. The lines were filled, about ten minutes to get your hands on one of these bad boys. Sorry Travis, there's not any competition with this burger in play. SAGE™ made a comeback when everybody lost hope.

Now, don't even get me started with the SAGE MADE™ warm and soft freshly baked COOKIES™, on top as always. The ICECREAM BAR™ was also good as always.

Overall 'THE NEW MENU' made the comeback that the SAGE CREW™ and the Delbarton™ community needed. Even though we don't have PEP AND MOTZ™, it was still a really enjoyable experience and I say my thanks to the SAGE CREW™. Thank you for reading and have an enjoyable week!



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# SPORTS

## September/October Recap

By Nathan Khichi

If anyone last year said that this year's sports season would be threatened by a global pandemic which would result in many leagues playing in bubbles, players being tested, and fans not in attendance, they would've thought they were crazy. This is exactly what all leagues, fans, and teams are facing. To combat this many major sports leagues have set up their own bubbles and played over the summer. These leagues include the NHL, MLB, PGA, NBA, NFL, ect. It was great to see the return of live sports despite the ongoing pandemic.

The NHL in July set up a bubble in their two hub cities of Edmonton and Toronto and played all Stanley Cup Final games in Edmonton, with obviously no fans. The playoff format was different

compared to other years. Instead of a normal 16 team playoff tournament with four 7 game series', there was a 24 team tournament. After a few months it came down to the Stanley Cup Final game 6 where the Tampa Bay Lightning beat the Dallas Stars in game 6, 2-0, to hoist the Stanley Cup for the second time in franchise history.

The NBA also set up their own bubble in July at Disney World in Orlando, Florida. 22 teams played in this tournament behind closed doors. The bubble was very similar to the NHL's and was very effective at allowing a safe return to live sports. The NBA Finals have just been completed with the Lakers winning in game 6 of the series against the Miami Heat 106-93.

The return of live sports has been great to witness. Even though



*A Masked Mets Employee Prepares for the "New Normal" in Sports Spectating*

these games lack the atmosphere that they used to have and the industry is really struggling it is still fun to watch. Most leagues have started playing again by now and Americans in general have been happy to see a successful return of live sports.

## Sports Spotlight: Intramurals

By Lorenzo Petrucci



*Four 8th Graders Enjoying some Footie after School*

As fall sports wrap up, we, the Delbarton Community, are proud to announce the success of our intramurals. The sports offered were flag football, ultimate frisbee, soccer, and a grueling 3k race. According to many students, intramurals were "Very fun, a great chance to get to know all your friends and students better, and it allows the students to do activities after school when they have nothing else to

do." The Delbarton Community would like to thank Mr. Savidge, Mr. Crane, Mr. Kane, Mr. Ciminno, Mr. Peterson, Mr. Blazier, and all other faculty volunteers for going to intramurals everyday and organizing the activities. These teachers showed up everyday and allowed the kids to play freely and have a great time. We are glad to see the intramurals were a hit and gave the students an opportunity to have a great time and get physical activities in due to COVID-19.

# A CHAT WITH MR. CHIAROLANZIO!

By Sean Fialcowitz

I recently sat down with Mr. Chi, our seventh and eighth grade history teacher, to talk about himself and Delbarton.

Sean Fialcowitz(SF): Why did you choose to teach history rather than other subjects?  
Mr. Chi(MC): I chose history because I like to study the world around me and how the world has changed.

SF: When did you first start teaching at Delbarton?

MC: I first started teaching at Delbarton in 2017.

SF: Why do you like teaching at Delbarton?

MC: I like teaching at Delbarton because I am a Delbarton Alumnus and I want to give back to the school. My teachers and coaches meant so much to me. I love the community and I want to be a part of it.

SF: What Delbarton sports do you coach?

MC: I coach the football team. I am the Offensive Coordinator and the Strength and Conditioning Coach.

SF: What is your favorite thing about Delbarton?

MC: The teachers and the students.

SF: What is your favorite topic to teach about during the year?

MC: I love teaching about the Abolition

Movement and Reconstruction. I also like to teach about Africa.

SF: What is your favorite period in history to study?

MC: Reconstruction or America in the 1920s.

SF: What do you teach about during the year?

MC: I teach the eighth grade American history from the 1400s to today. I teach the seventh graders world that covers different countries all over the world.

SF: What is your favorite NFL football team?

MC: The Rams.

SF: What is your favorite movie?

MC: Remember the Titans.

SF: What is your favorite lunch at Delbarton?

MC: Chicken tenders.

SF: What things do you like to do when you are not teaching or coaching?

MC: I love playing with my dog and I like playing video games like Call of Duty.

SF: What's your favorite food.

MC: Nachos and quesadillas.

SF: Who is your favorite football player other than you?

MC: Joe Thomas.



## Meet the Team!



Jon Saxon



Arjan Singh



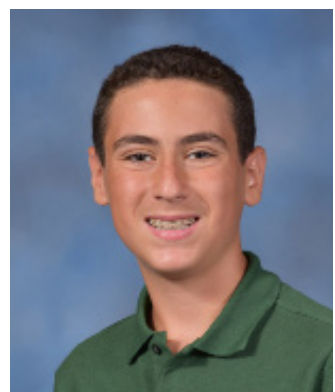
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