

Footbills Crash In TWA Dome

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Senior co-captain Jim Vreeland watches the action in the TWA Dome.

The Varsity Gridbills came into Saturday's game against Hazelwood East looking to avenge last year's lopsided 48-21 loss to the Spartans. Instead, they suffered an almost identical fate, losing 48-19.

In the first quarter, the Spartans shut out the Jr. Bills while scoring nine points on an 11 yard touchdown run and a safety on a botched SLUH punt. The second quarter proved not to be much better as the Spartans twice ran into the end zone for touchdowns.

The lone bright spot of the first half came when sophomore quarterback Mark Kornfeld, making his varsity debut, connected with senior flanker Josh Desfalvy on a 26-yard touchdown pass to give the Jr. Bills their first points of the night.

SLUH displayed its aerial attack early in the second half when sophomore wide receiver Joe Thaman threw to a wide open senior tight end Bill Hippe in the end zone on a double pass. Hazelwood East dominated the rest of the half as SLUH's inconsistent play on both defense and offense resulted in four Spartan touchdowns and a 48-13 score. The offense did make one last drive down the field late in the fourth quarter. It ended with Kornfeld once again hitting Desfalvy in the end zone for six points.

"It was a hard fought game," commented senior center Joe Weir. "Now we have to improve our play by learning from our mistakes."

The Footbills will attempt to bounce back from Saturday's loss when they open their home season tonight against the O'Fallon Panthers at 7 p.m. in SLUH's stadium.

Polo Tames Tigers; Looks To Butt Heads With Rams

BY JON NAVARRO AND COLIN SMITH
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Last Friday, in the green depths of Forest Park Community College's pool, Head Coach Charlie Busenhart's Polobills faced off against the Patriots of Parkway South.

Although the team got off to a slow start, it eventually battled its way to a 10-1 lead. Sloppy play by the Jr. Bills allowed the Patriots to close the gap, but the Jr. Bills shored up their lead with the return of their solid defense. Senior captain Jeff Maitz dominated the pool for the Jr. Bills, scoring four goals in the victory.

Next up on the Jr. Bills hit list were the Tigers of Oakville. The Tigers had high hopes of defeating the defending district champions, but these hopes were crushed by a 15-6 drubbing. Maitz once again led the way with five goals, and said that although the Jr. Bills had some difficulties with the officiating, they

played well.

"Our defense was better, but we've just got to learn how to adapt to the way different referees will call the game," said Maitz.

After three easy wins, the team must prepare for next Tuesday's encounter with arch-rival Mary Institute-Country Day School. This first match between the teams will be key. Each team is eager to jump ahead in the early-season rankings and be considered as the best water polo team in the area.

Busenhart's boys hope to see the return of senior captain Justin Woodard who has been sidelined with an inflamed ligament in his neck, but the time for his return still remains unclear.

The Jr. Bills will take on the Rams Tuesday night at 5:00 p.m. at MICDS. This match up is one of the best in the area and the outcome of this game will determine the early favorite to win the District Championship.

Frosh Fly By Patriots

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This Wednesday, the freshmen cross country team opened its season with a blowout victory at Manchester Park against Parkway South. The Jr. Bills defeated the Patriots by a score of 19 to 66.

As the gun went off, the Jr. Bills took control of the race in the first mile and never looked back. The race ended with the Harrierbills taking six out of the first seven places.

Dave Godar paced the Jr. Bills, finishing first with a time of 13:17 on the 2.1 mile course. Ryan Hatch grabbed third place in 13:38, followed by Adam Chadwick in 13:41, Chris Crews in 14:11, and Jason Roehr in 14:23. Rounding out the top seven were Raj Joseph and Nathan Shaeffer with times of 14:32 and 14:48, respectively.

Head Coach Jim Linhares was
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National Merit competition. Those who qualified for both competitions may only receive a scholarship from one of them.

While achieving Semifinalist status is an accomplishment to take pride in, Vega does not want it to overshadow other academic areas.

"This achievement just represents one day in the life of students," she said. "We shouldn't overlook the day-to-day achievements of people in the classroom — that's another level of achievement and recognition.

"So I mean, it certainly is a compliment to the people who achieve this level, because they are able to master that situation and do very well under time conditions and pressure."

National Merit Semifinalists

David Becan
James Duchek
Jeff Ebert
Gregory Etling
Christopher Graesser
Dan Harvath
Michael Heaney
Kevin Heffern
Matthew Kohler
Andrew LaVigne
Michael Luth
Paul Murphy
Theodore Norwood
Daniel O'Brien
Joe Orso
Paul Perniciaro
Tyson Pillow
Nicholas Pollock
John Shen
Brian Williams

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Semifinalist
Tyson Pillow**

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Zinselmeyer also said that he was pleased with the night, especially with the addition of parking spaces, allowing for timely arrivals and possibly a larger draw of parents.

"The turnout was marvelous," he said. "We figure that we had somewhere between 1,000 and possibly 1,200 parents."

Many teachers use the night to show the parents how they teach their classes.

"I would like to let them know what I am expecting of the guys in terms of homework assignments and grading scale, and to give them an idea of how many tests we'll have," said Tom Flanagan, a math teacher.

The teachers will meet the parents once again in early November during the Parent-Teacher Conferences.

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pleased with the Jr. Bills victory as well as the times.

"Parkway South's varsity only runs 12:40 on this course," he said. "It's no coincidence that they had such a great race. It's hard to hold these guys back in practice."

The freshmen won't have much time to celebrate their victory over South as they prepare for the McCluer North Invitational this Saturday. Meanwhile, the varsity and JV teams head to Columbia for the Mizzou Sportshake Invitational which takes place Saturday.

Chinese Culture Association Sponsors Concert

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At 7:00 p.m. this Saturday at the Performing Arts Center, musicians from around the country will assemble for a concert of Chinese Traditional music. Sponsored by the St. Louis Chinese Culture Association, the concert will feature eight talented artists.

Instrumentalists include: Janice Yang, playing the Zheng, Guang-Long Li on the Erhu, Ming Ke on the Chinese equivalent of the banjo, Chih-Chung Hung playing the Bamboo Flute, and Margareite Corey and John Sun

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what would happen in a real fire."

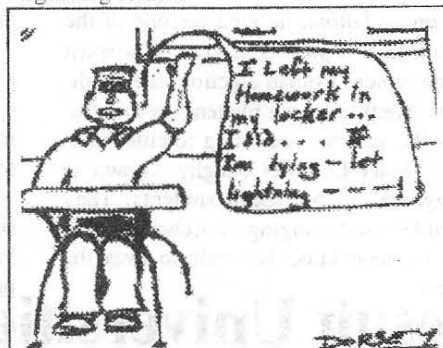
"It seemed like there was no procedure," said senior Kevin Kovarik. Added sophomore Mark Baker, "I think it was kind of pointless that we just stood in the halls."

Sophomore Ted Snodgrass had the exact opposite view on the entire situation. "The teachers did what they could to protect the safety of the students."

Freshman Joe McIver said, "I think it was organized, until we got in the hallway part: I guess [still] it was pretty organized."

"I think [exiting into the halls] was appropriate considering the circumstances," commented Paul Baudendistel, a homeroom teacher in the junior hallway.

No fire actually started. The fire alarms were set off because their supply of electricity comes from the electrical transformer on the east alley, near where the lightning struck.



A scene from a SLUH classroom, early Monday morning

who will accompany them on the piano. Jeannette Law and Zong-Chun Cui will sing Soprano and Bass, respectively.

The Chinese Culture Association is a group that tries to promote Chinese culture to the masses. Its activities include shows, music, dance, and celebrations. The association also serves as a liaison for local communities, such as schools who are in need of Chinese cultural enrichment.

Tickets for the show will be available at the St. Louis U. High School box office for \$10 general admission, and \$50 for V.I.P. seating