

100TH YEAR ANNIVERSARY SPECIAL



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CELEBRATING A CENTURY



*From its earliest days to today,
The Moina has always captured the spirit of Father Ryan.*

A Special 'Moina Day'

*Reflecting on My 25 Years
—and the 75 Before That*

By **MATT PURYEAR** As the moderator of *The Moina*, it is my pleasure to welcome you to the 100th year celebration of Father Ryan. For anyone who has spent any length of time around this campus, whether as a student, parent, staff member, or community member, they know the deep connection that people have with this place. It's just a school, that's true—but the fact is, it's also so much more. Father Ryan is a home away from home, a place where people feel known, and a place where they feel loved. It's been a welcome and supportive community for a hundred years of students and their families.

In all that time, one of the longest-running traditions at Father Ryan has been one of the least expected: the school newspaper. The Moina has become a place where year after year, a new batch of students come to contribute their voices to the song of Father Ryan, writing about what they want to write about, sharing their opinions about the news of the day, and capturing the daily existence of Father Ryan students.

Today, as part of this 100-year celebration of Father Ryan, we have created a special, commemorative edition of *The Moina*. As you will see, it reflects the evolution of the Father Ryan experience through the eyes of the students who went here, whether 100 years ago, or five.

What I've noticed as we've put this paper together is how, even over 100 years, some things never change. Yes, uniforms change, and grading scales change, and class offerings change. But the overall viewpoints of kids don't really change much. Students complained about the food in 1934 just like they did in 1989. The Purple Masque Players put on successful plays in 1935 just like they did in 2023. Students went to Mass, went on field trips, and struggled in the fight against procrastination in 1959 just like they did in 2005. They've even been going to mother-son dances since the 1930s.

While 100 years is a long time, some things are timeless. Father Ryan—and *The Moina*—is one of those things. The generations of students and families who have walked these hallways, the caring and knowledgeable teachers, the incredible FRHS community that exists all the world round—these are things that can't be replaced, and things that will never go out of style. It is my honor and pleasure to contribute this newspaper to the 100-year celebration of Father Ryan.

A Celebration 100 Years in the Making

With Mass, musical performances, food trucks, and a fireworks display to light up the campus, Father Ryan will kick off its 100th Anniversary celebration with a community-wide gathering on Saturday, September 14, the anniversary of the opening day of Nashville Catholic High School for Boys in 1925.

Bishop Mark Spalding will lead a group of Father Ryan's alumni priests and deacons in a special Mass to

begin the day's events, with Mayor Freddie O'Connell and other elected officials joining the service. The Mass will feature new music, composed especially for the occasion, and will lead to musical performances by Father Ryan alumni and students at three different stages across the campus. In addition, with this Community Celebration, the Father Ryan and the greater Nashville community will be able to enjoy special archival displays and

new interactive touch screens that will tell the story of the school's rich history of leadership and achievement across these 100 years.

The 100th Anniversary will not begin and end on September 14, 2024. From now through June of 2026, Father Ryan will celebrate special moments in the school's history, including the 60th Anniversary of the landmark 'Father Ryan v. Pearl' basketball game, coeducation in 1970, the Leg-

acy Gala, and the Graduation of our 100th Class — the Class of 2026. In a special reflection of our Faith, churches and schools from throughout the diocese and beyond will be saying 100 Masses over this two-year period in prayer for Father Ryan, including one in Rome in October.

Graduates, families, and friends are encouraged to visit Father-Ryan.org/100 to keep up with all the activities of this memorable 100th Anniversary celebration.

A Glimpse Inside: Moina Reflections Over the Years



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Deegan



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Campion



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O'Hara



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Deckbar



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Rippetoe



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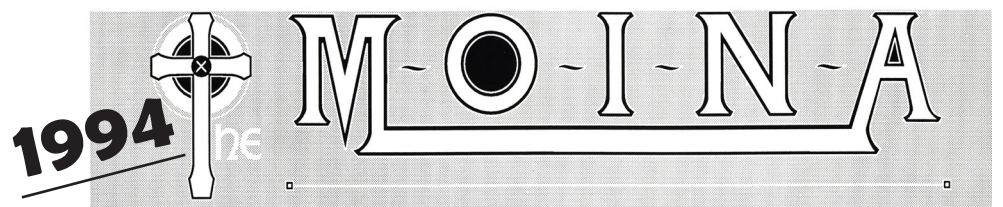
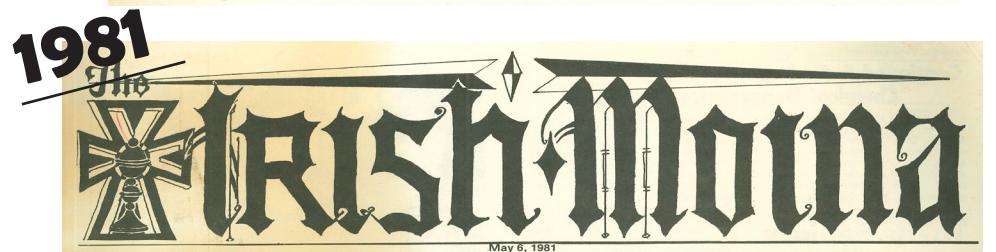
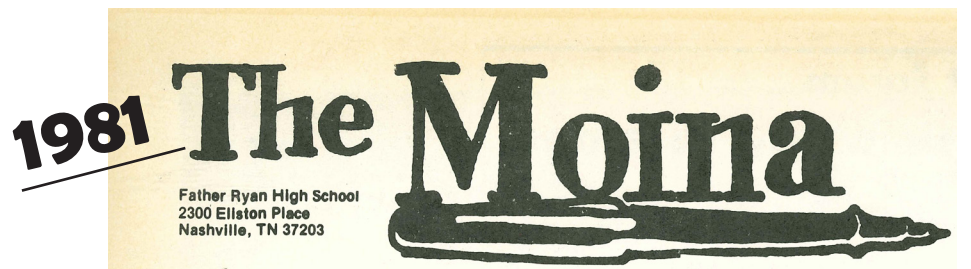
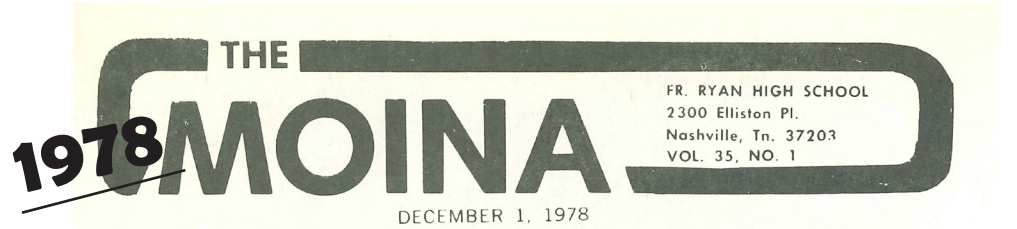
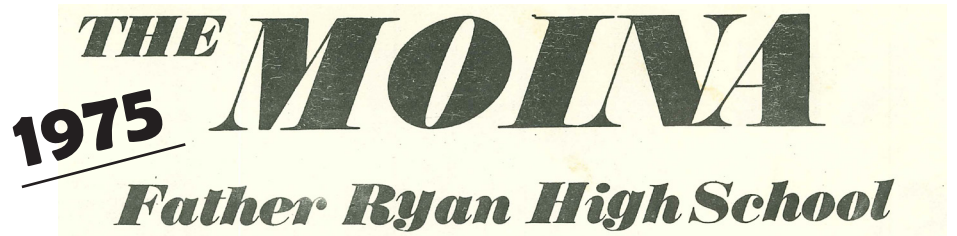
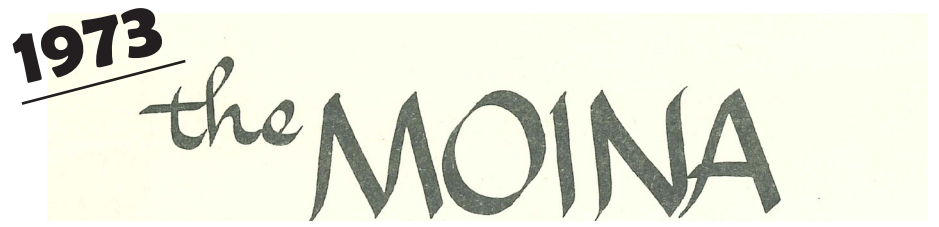
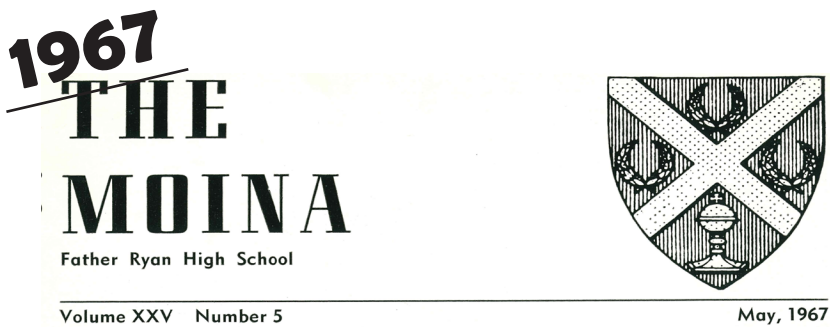
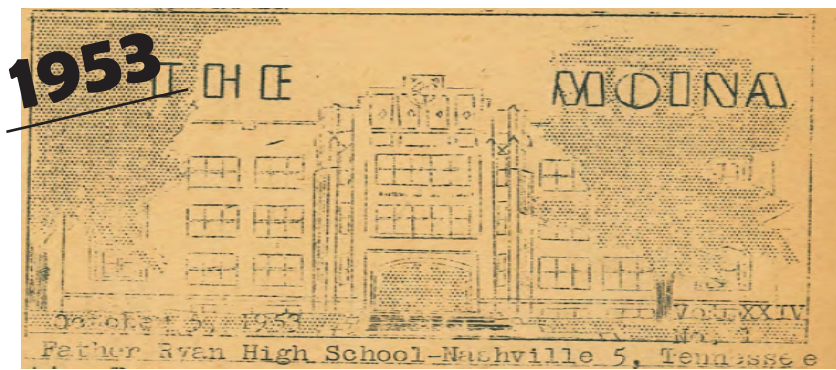
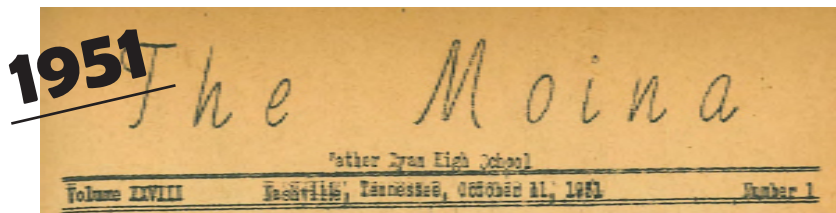
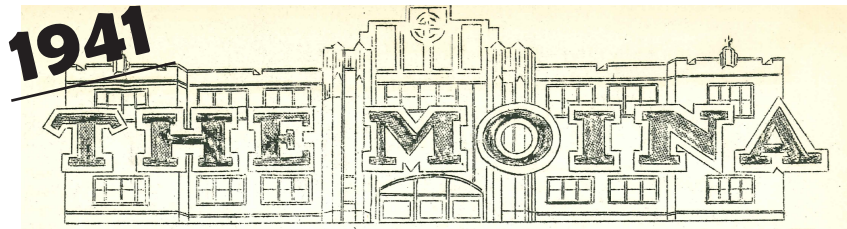
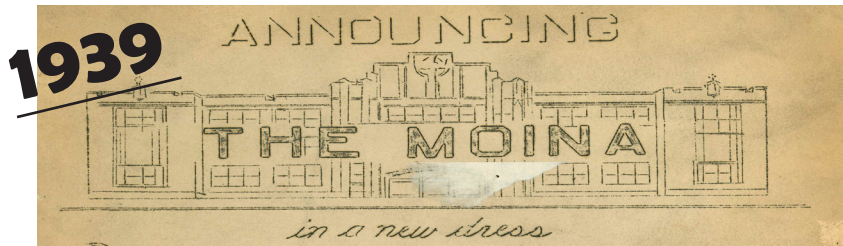
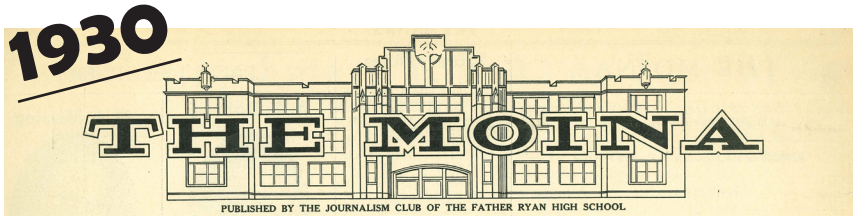
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2 100 YEARS of MOINA

The evolution of The Moina mastheads over the years



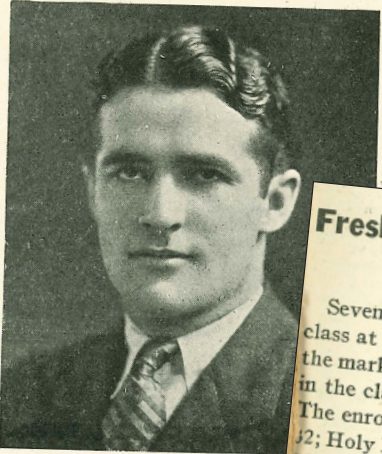
Gilbert K. Chesterton Will Speak in Father Ryan Auditorium



WORLD-FAMOUS ESSAYIST, NOVELIST, DRAMATIST AND POET WILL DELIVER LECTURE HERE ON JANUARY 22ND

ton, the renowned English essayist, novelist, dramatist and poet, whose fame is world-wide. Mr. Chesterton will speak in the Father Ryan

New Coach



LEO L. LONG

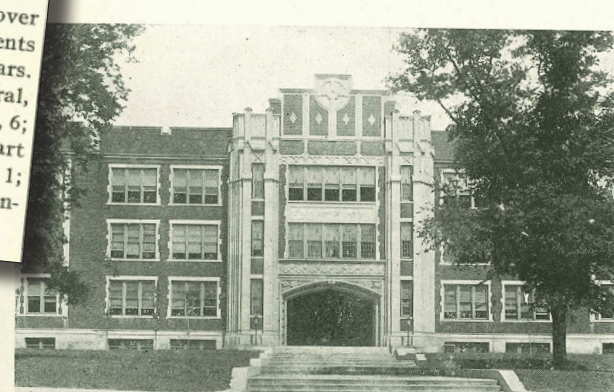
Freshmen Enrollment Hits New High

Seventy students registered for the freshmen class at Father Ryan this year. This goes over the mark of all previous years. Ages of students in the class range from twelve to fifteen years. The enrollment by parishes shows: Cathedral, 12; Holy Name, 11; St. Patrick, 4; St. Joseph, 6; St. Mary, 1; Assumption, 2; Sacred Heart (Memphis), 1; St. Michael (Cedar Hill), 1; Old Hickory, 1. There are also three non-Catholics enrolled.

Niedergeses Wins Moina Subscription Contest

James Niedergeses, a member of the senior class and business manager of The Moina, has been awarded the first prize of five dollars in the subscription contest sponsored by The Moina, for securing the largest number of outside subscriptions to the school paper. No student secured enough outside subscriptions to qualify for receiving the second prize of two dollars and fifty cents.

(COURTESY OF BANNER)



FORTY SENIORS GRADUATE TONIGHT

FATHER RYAN HIGH SCHOOL

A second year has been completed in the Father Ryan High School, and with each successive year there is evidenced an eager desire on the part of the students to uphold the lofty ideals and traditions of our school.

The memory of participation in the various activities, whether spiritual, scholastic, or athletic, renews a spirit of affection and enthusiasm to be justly proud of and to praise our Alma Mater. Within the walls of the Father Ryan High School, whether in the Chapel, in the classroom, or in the gymnasium, the characters of Catholic youths are being formed for the fulfillment of duties to God, to neighbor, and to self. The progress thus far achieved by the students of Father Ryan should give reason sufficient for the loyal and generous interest in and support of Nashville's Catholic High School for boys.

What the Seniors Are Going to Do

Members of the senior class are planning to do various things throughout the coming years. Some are planning to go to work next year, others are going to college, and a few have not made up their minds what they are going to do.

Those going to college are: Roy Whitmore and Thomas Bick who are going to The V. Military Institute, Thad Brewster, Canada. Charles Hickman, Mogan and George Prickett are going, but have not said where.

Those going to work are: Isom Resha, Leslie Freeman, John Paul Jones, Thomas Jones, John Thomas, Archie, and Frank. Those who have not made up their minds yet are: Anthony Cerrutti, Anthony Forte, Edgar Geldreich, and...

Moina to Seek Banner Newspaper Award

The staff of THE MOINA has decided to enter this paper in a contest sponsored by the Nashville Banner for Tennessee high school and preparatory school newspapers. The Moina will be entered in the second division, which includes papers from schools enrolling less than 300 students.

Silver trophies will be awarded to the best all-around newspapers in each division and smaller trophies for second and third ranking papers.

In addition to the main contest there will be separate contests for the sports page, editorial page, and make-up. As prizes in these subdivisions contests, subscriptions to the Nashville Banner for the school library of the winning school will be awarded.

In Memoriam

of Bishop Smith, the Church has lost a Christlike diocese a loving father, and every one who knew him as the smallest child, a kind and gentle friend. From his sudden death has left grief stricken, there is a testimonial to his memory, "He was so kind". His voice was his voice ever raised in anger, and then not the offender that was blamed. Truly Christlike towards all, high and low alike. And like our Lord's, he might be summed up in the words, "He went about

the priesthood, the Catholic education of youth, and the goals of his episcopate, and though he was his reward in Heaven, he was eminently successful in his life. Scores of young men have answered his call for this diocese are in Catholic schools, testimony

Junior Prom To Be Held June

Social Function to be Given At Andrew Jackson

RYAN HIGH SCHOOL PANTHERS TOP M. B. ACADEMY 23-21

Can They Take It?

Here at Father Ryan we have just finished another football season. Never in the history of the school has there been so glorious a finish to a season so apparently hopeless. Losing game after game for five successive weeks, scoring no points, spirit getting lower and lower, what seemed to be the matter? Nobody knew. No one cared to discuss the subject. Disgusted fans blamed the coach, the material, the school, and everyone of whom they chanced to think. It was widely known that injuries hampered the team's chances considerably, but hardly anyone outside the school considered the fact, except to say that they were "alibis to a lost cause." But they began to take notice when the Irish defeated Isaac Litton by three touchdowns. When they held M. B. A. scoreless, and beat them 7 to 0, the interest among the followers of the Purple Panthers was once more aroused. Then, on Thanksgiving Day, our boys trampled a team from Sacred Heart School, of Memphis, and those who had so unjustly forgotten the team felt a surge of shamefulness come over themselves. How did they win those last three games? They did it on sheer grit and nerve. Some played with injuries which, ordinarily, would have kept them at home. Captain Frank Wilk played all season with a badly injured hand. At a game one could see him biting his lip against the pain that he was enduring. The day before the Sacred Heart game he was unable to raise his right hand belt-high, because the pain caused by such a movement was unbearable. But he played the next day, was connected, in some way, with every play. How did he choose their leader! Vincent Hines, who broke his right arm in the year, was forced to win debates with his family in order to play the remainder of the season. But he did several occasions in the Litton game he was seen to faint, on his newly mended fore-arm, only to bounce up to engage in the next play. After being asked many, many times, he finally admitted that his arm was useless to him in the game. But did he quit? You may feel sure he didn't. He stayed until the final whistle. Emile Petrone had an injured



Christmas Baskets Filled by Students

A Christmas basket campaign is being carried on in the school as part of the work of the Mission Crusade. The work of the Mission Crusade will be able to...

Dedication

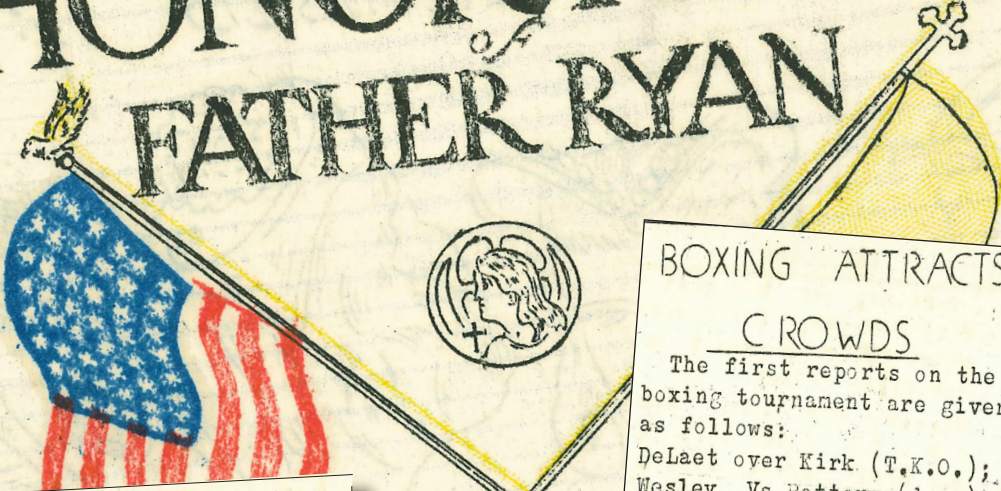
This final issue of THE MOINA this year is dedicated to the members of the class of 1938. It is our hope that the columns herein contained will offer them many moments of pleasant reveries after their days at Father Ryan have become an object in the dim past, and that they will serve to recall many pleasant memories about the school wherein they spent so many enjoyable hours, and about the classmates with whom they grew into fine Catholic young men.

the Junior Prom. This year will be held at the Andrew Jackson Hotel on Friday evening, June 2. This is an annual affair and is looked forward to by all the seniors.

GIRLS' HIGH CLASS NEWS

Cathedral The Hallowe'en holidays began with a party Friday evening given by the seniors. The spooky tunnel was a joy to everyone except of distinguished guest, Father Joseph Seiner. We took pity—his rheumatism simply would not allow him. The proceeds of the ghosts' and goblins' raid are for C. S. M. C. "Howdy strangers, howdy!" Oh, I beg your pardon, folks. Frances Clemens and Elizabeth Luttrell "ain't strangers no more." Who are they? Why! They're the new juniors from St. Cecelia's and Memphis. The sophomores held their sixth mission meeting last Tuesday. It was decided that all would make holy cards for the missions. Patterns were passed around and now all are busy cutting and pasting. Big breakfast—that all important conversation—love of algebra—which keeps the freshmen each morning in the cafeteria until 10 o'clock? A good beginning predicts success. So thought some people until they reached Latin 1. Now they know it's those endings that count. St. Bernard The Clairvaux Dramatic Club has chosen as its leaders for the year: Mary Cathrine Knipfer, president; Ann Galbraith, vice-president; Margaret Heizeberg, secretary-treasurer. Practicing for the plays gave the juniors a chance to attract attention to their accomplishments as dancing partners. The best acting is done in the halls between class periods. Why? Absence of the faculty? Many girls can be seen trekking towards the library in their spare moments. The addition of new fiction accounts for this. The New Columbia Reference Volume and many non-fiction volumes are also much appreciated.

HONOR ROLL FATHER RYAN



ARMY SUMMONS FATHER RYAN
PROFESSOR-REPORTS FEB. 11

Mr. Walter C. Steffen, professor of French and English and adviser of the Club, has returned to report to Georgia, Feb. 11. Steffen's one and only term will end tomorrow, when he will receive his commission as Second Lieutenant.

Seniors Trip Faculty, 25-22

The Senior class cagers withstood a desperate faculty rally in the last half to train the fighting teachers in a fair in the afternoon, March 25-22.

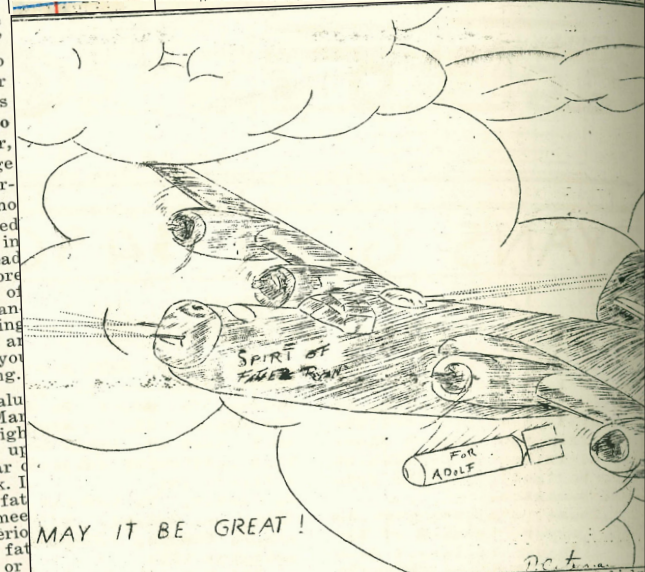
RYAN'S GOAL \$450,000

The Fourth Loan Drive at Fr. Ryan began with a pep talk by two K of C representatives on Tuesday, January 24. Ryan has set its goal for \$450,000.

RYAN SELLS \$598,012.15 BONDS
The results of the recent Fourth War Loan Drive which ended on February 15 were announced by Father Ryan. Although the goal was \$450,000, the school has exceeded it by selling \$598,012.15 in bonds.

RYAN BUYS BOMBER

ARMY-NAVY TEST ANNOUNCED
MONROE CARELL - 550,000 IN WAR BONDS
PRES. OF BOOSTERS



BOXING ATTRACTS CROWDS

The first reports on the boxing tournament are given as follows: DeLaet over Kirk (T.K.O.); Wesley Vs Rottero (draw); Schubert over Mogan; Clunan over A. Catignani (T.K.O.); Hagey over Sharpe, T.; Thoni, H. over Formosa. The tournament will continue every Tuesday and Thursday during the recess. Much interest is being displayed as it is evident from the large crowds attending.

SCHOOL GETS MOVIE MACHINE, SHOWS PICTURES

A motion picture projector and sound equipment has been purchased by the school. It had its first use when two reels were shown to the physics class in the Senior room last Monday. The same program was also shown before the chemistry class Wednesday morning. Three pictures were shown, the first about Yellowstone National Park, the second about the making of safety glass, and the third about Glacier National Park.

to the Flag of
Justice and

Charles Bernard	N	Rev. Francis Reilly
William Frey	N	Walter C. Steffen
Joe Hamilton	N	Ernest F. Aud
Fred Hostettler, Jr.	N	Robert Baltz
Walter Smith	N	Hugh Bauer
Charles ...	N	W. G. Bauer
...	N	Man Black
...	N	Bill Campbell, Jr.
...	N	Campion, Jr.

It is easy to cheer when victory is near. Buck up and chortle!! Aren't you the nuts!!!

Walker	A
Berry J. Floersch	A
Johnny Grimes	A
Frank Kerrigan	A
James Mather	A
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IRISH CITY CHAMPS OUTSTANDING PLAYER IN TOURNAMENT

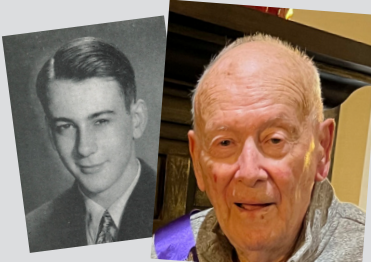
Freshmen Get Happy Times

The primary object of this article is to help the September "sobbers" to regulate their personalities to the necessity of being a Father Ryan Freshman. I will now pass on some valuable information: Do not buy: swimming pool, elevator, escalator, or Senior privilege tickets. (Ed note: You should not do the expression, "There ain't no such thing as a free lunch.") You are strongly advised to include in wardrobe and keep in your locker at all times: one head guard, one chin brace, one or more metal vests and two sets of crutches. Splints, tape and bandages are to be obtained by calling the nurse. They also have a supply of arsenic in case you get tired run down feeling. For any reason, you value your health. (Latest New York Magazine on medium to light heads: rising and up two cents), steer clear of anything during Freshman Week. I don't want to have a meeting during this period. I will be one during this period and await your fatality and run away or

EDITOR REFLECTIONS

Jack Deegan '47

Features Editor



Strolling down memory lane, fondly recalling my days at Father Ryan, walking those hallowed halls again, igniting that indomitable school spirit.

While reminiscing, I quickly realized the creative value Moina writing provided me as Features Editor - expressing my thoughts on paper so others could share these experiences - and the responsibilities incurred when expressing different viewpoints. Moina writing forced me to research information needed for explaining

a certain subject before putting thoughts on paper. Influencing others broadened my own perspective—in short,

By Jack Deegan

Fr. Ryan Scene of Schools' Reception For Card. Stritch

T. Mogan To Give Welcome Address
By Jack Deegan

The children's reception of Cardinal Stritch will be held in the auditorium of Father Ryan High School at about 2:00 p. m. Tuesday, March 19th. Those that are scheduled to honor the Cardinal are the Father Ryan students, the St. Cecilia, Cathedral, and St. Bernard girls; likewise, all the grammar school children from the district.

a verbal way to communicate—helpful for all lifetime careers! These writing experiences provided a closer affinity for school and my purpose for being there.

Irish for Life!

In addition to serving as Features Editor for The Moina, Jack was also Class Secretary and a member of the Purple Masque Players. A frequent visitor to campus, he is a retired college professor from Texas Wesleyan University, where he taught marketing for 27 years, established the marketing major, and taught all nine courses.

Seniors Initiate Freshmen



ALL OUT PHYSICAL

If any student to receive a education, the things of parade. He must morally, mentally, physically. He must receive the education possible in religion class environment. Accidents have the best of us and subjects, you must body physically exercise in physical education. All out.

WAR EXPECTED TO AFFECT RYAN

War found America last

HOLZAPFEL TO REIGN AS QUEEN TONIGHT

Bunny Holzapfel, of St. Bernard, was elected queen of the 1957 homecoming by the varsity football team last week. She will be crowned during the ceremonies tonight by the president of the Student Club.

HELL WEEK ANNOUNCED!

Freshman initiation will begin on Monday, October 15 and close on Friday, October 19, according to a recent announcement by Bob Keating, president of the senior class. Each day freshmen will be required to participate in some activities that...

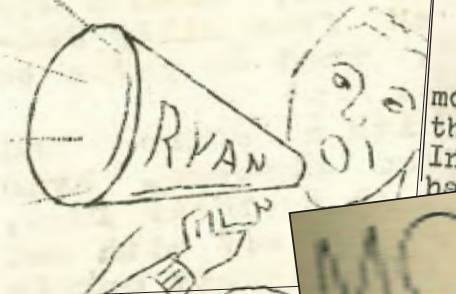
CHANGE CHEERLEADERS ELECTIONS

A motion is currently before the Student Council to change the procedure of the election of Ryan cheerleaders. The Moina advocates this change. The cheerleaders are elected to lead the cheers for RYAN, so it is fitting that the students of...

PLAN FOR PEACE

Recently at one of this school's assemblies a good point was brought up that should offer food for thought. It is very probable however that many students of this school have forgotten it. This point was the necessity of prayer particularly the rosary in the conversion of Russia and the Communists. As proof of this we have the statement of Our Lady of Fatima, she said that unless we do penance and say the rosary, Russia will not be converted and there will be no peace, but if we do Russia will be converted and there will be peace. So for our own good and the good of the world let's get down on our knees and pray.

Don't Forget the Bonfire!



MOINA SUPERLATIVES

This year's senior class is compiled of the most virtuous boys ever seated in the Moina. In full realization of the noblest of the most famous in order that future generations be able to follow in their footsteps the Moina's Senior Superlatives are:

- Humblest.....
- Wittiest.....
- Most Studious.....
- Quietest.....
- Most Energetic.....
- Sweetest.....
- Neatest.....
- Most Ingenious.....
- Most Pious.....
- Wildest.....
- Best All Around.....
- Most Athletic.....
- Best Dressed.....
- Biggest Brown.....
- Most Undernourished.....
- Cutiest.....
- Best Build.....
- Most Beautiful.....
- Best Complexion.....
- Best Nose.....
- Prettiest.....

THE FIRST ISSUE!

Fellow Students, It is with considerable pleasure that we begin the first issue of MOINA of this school year, and while it may mean many weary afternoons of typing and graphing; we feel quite sure our work will be well-rounded view of the school. Our intention for this year is to obtain a better newspaper, both in size and quality. We were not quite up to par with previous years. This will be changed, due to a more experienced staff and better working conditions and facilities, plus a renewed attempt for perfection. If anyone has a reasonable complaint, or helpful suggestion, by all means let us hear about it.

DRENNAN GIVEN LONG AWARD

By DAVID HARDIN
Joe Drennan, captain of the football team, was presented the J. Long Memorial Award for his athletic accomplishments at the annual all-sports assembly at the school on Monday. The award is based upon improvement in athletics, desirability as a student, and character. The Award will be given each year to the senior student possessing these qualifications.

Remember Who You Are

"There goes a Ryan boy!" How often is that remark made all over the city? Sometimes the connotation is complimentary, sometimes otherwise. The important thing to remember is this: that wherever you go, whatever you do, you represent FATHER RYAN HIGH SCHOOL to friends and foes alike. YOU ARE FATHER RYAN to the world at a particular time and place. The faculty and students alike will either suffer or praise from your actions.

ATTENTION Lazyitis Sufferers!!

An epidemic of dropsy is raging on the campus. This disease is contagious, and closely resembles lazyitis. Its most prominent symptom is a weakening of strength with which to walk to a waste paper container. The result is clearly evident from the appearance of the littered halls and stairs. Though no known cure has been established, the school is striving to combat this infirmity by placing waste baskets at all strategic points. The rest is up to the afflicted themselves. Will power is one of the best cures.

ENROLLMENT AT RYAN REMAINS THE SAME AS IN 1959-1958

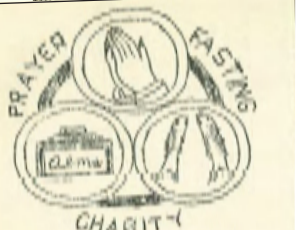
On August 31, 371 joyous students burst into their classrooms at Father Ryan. These scholars come from the parishes which comprise the greater Nashville area. The number of students is as follows: Assumption, 5; St. Raphael, 47; Holy Trinity, 79; Holy Spirit, 140.

Mind Your Manners

"There goes a Father Ryan student" remark is probably repeated often, more than we realize. None of our actions are unnoticed, for people are always watching over us, whether we go, or whatever we do. Let not these words ever be used as a complimentary remark.

Don't Forget GOD!

Summer vacation is coming soon and during that time most of us will be either working or going to school. But all of us will be having some types of amusement. This brings to mind the words of the apostle Paul: "While on vacation from your daily routine, will we also forget God?"



Remember, Man.

On Ash Wednesday we will file into the chapel where the priest will mark our foreheads with blessed ashes and say: "Remember, man, that thou art dust and unto dust thou shalt return." In the words just quoted the Church says to each of us: "Remember, man, that thou art dust and unto dust thou shalt return."

EDITOR REFLECTIONS

Rev. Msgr. Owen Campion '58

Editor-in-Chief



Writing for, and editing, The Moina, set two of us on its staff long ago on a path. For me, the Catholic press, and Catholic communications, have been the interest in which my priestly vocation has been richly fulfilled.

David Hardin, my good friend, and classmate, went on to a distinguished career in American journalism. At The Moina, David wrote all the sports copy. Even then, his talent as a writer sparkled.

Reporting the football game against MBA, or the golf team, led by Lou Graham, a future all-time great in golfing, was hardly our only challenge.

When David, Raymond Heins, another talented classmate,

and I were responsible for The Moina, Nashville—at times literally—was on fire. The Civil Rights

Church, that we heard in the classrooms.

We tried to think of, and write for, every student. We learned the highest professional standards of journalism from Father Hitchcock, our advisor.

Remembering The Moina, and my dear classmates, I am grateful, and I am proud.

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Monsignor Owen F. Campion '58 is a priest of the Nashville diocese. He was Editor-in-Chief of The Moina in 1957-58, editor of The Tennessee Register, associate publisher of Our Sunday Visitor, the Vatican's representative to the world's Catholic publishers, and is a Prelate of Honor.

CAMPION ELECTED M.T.H.S.P.A. PRESIDENT

Owen Campion, editor of The Moina, was elected president of the Middle Tennessee High School Press Association at its annual convention held last Saturday at Hume-Fogg Auditorium. Campion's name was placed in nomination by David Hardin, associate editor of The Moina. Campion received 39 votes on the first ballot, nine more than a majority. He was declared the winner.

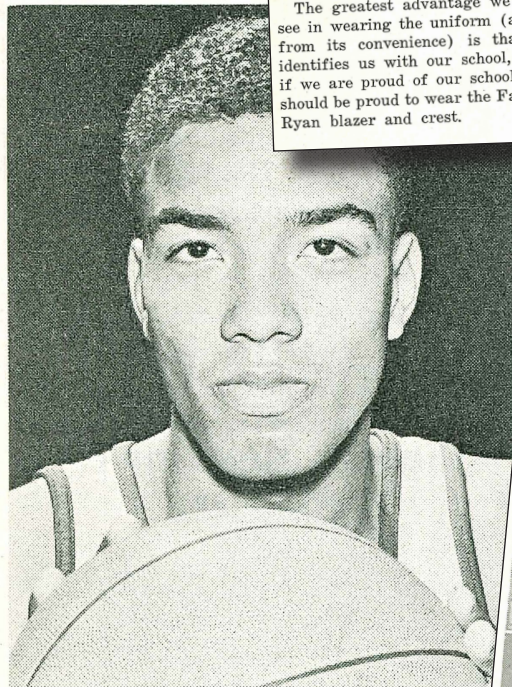
MOINA Takes First Honors

The Moina was awarded first place championship in the school newspaper contest sponsored by the...

WILLIE BROWN "ALL-CITY"

Every Father Ryan basketball enthusiast knows about the excellent basketball abilities of Willie Brown; but the talks with Willie of basketball, an impressed by his superior athletic lar sport the cer but instead of le superficial life, V self with the sar everything he att a superior stude religious and tho

Having known years, I know th very quick temper is a fast, physica



WILLIE BROWN

I have wondered how Willie disciplined himself to becoming the st he is—a quality he displays ev throughout the pressures a strains of the game. He said, "I plays of emotion could only h the team, for this reason I refi from them." Because of his sense

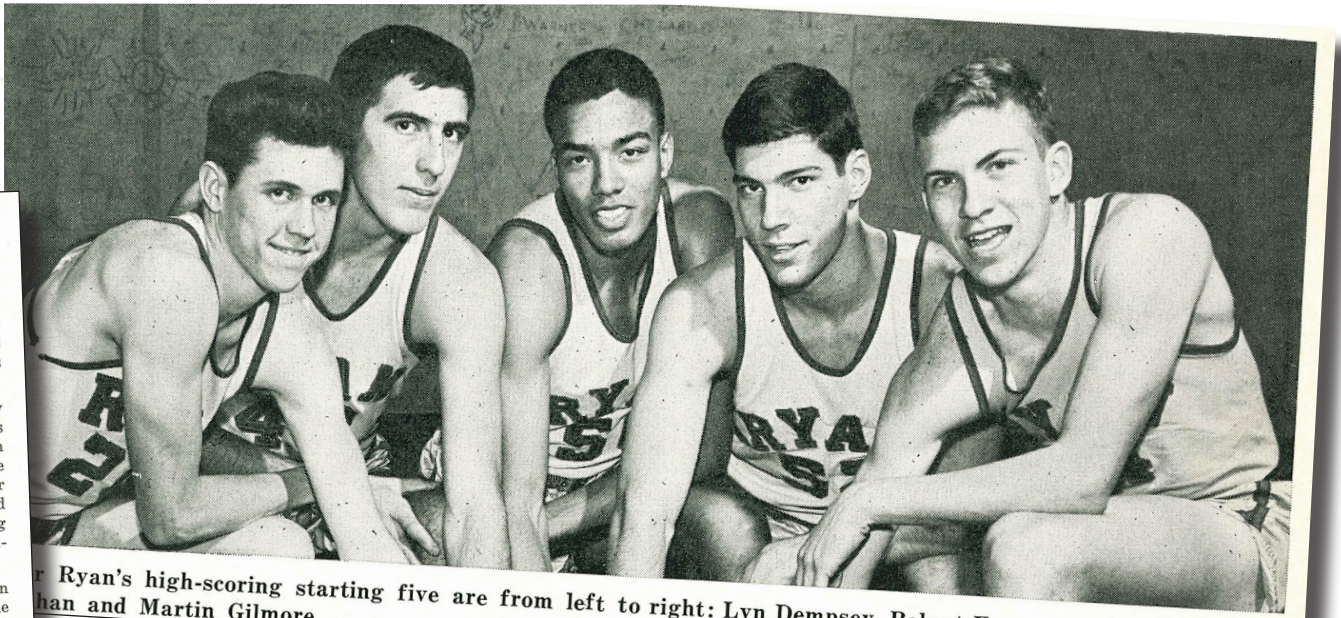
A NOTE FROM THE EDITOR

There has been talk around school by some of the students that Father Ryan isn't what it used to be, and that the wearing of blazers and ties has brought about this change.

We can't see that it makes any difference whether we wear coats and ties to school or not (although it improves the general appearance of the student body). The deeper characteristics of a school depend upon the type of students going to the school and the type of education acquired there.

However, studies have been made by educators that lead to the conclusion that it is important how a student dresses, that a neatly-dressed student does better work in school. These studies conclude that a sloppy appearance adversely affects a student's work. This is one reason why the three U. S. Military Academies demand neatness in their aspirants.

The greatest advantage we can see in wearing the uniform (aside from its convenience) is that it identifies us with our school, and if we are proud of our school, we should be proud to wear the Father Ryan blazer and crest.



Ryan's high-scoring starting five are from left to right: Lyn Dempsev, Robert Forte, Willie Brown, Champ Han and Martin Gilmore.

Willie Brown played a tremendous game, scoring 25 points, of which were free throws.

In a meeting Pearl High School at Municipal Auditorium on the eve-

ing of Monday, January 1965, the visiting Irish jumped to the side of the scoreboard and came away with what was the biggest basketball game of the season and perhaps of Father Ryan basketball history.

Father Ryan opened in a... however, the

the game, Pat Sanders fouled out and was replaced by Lynn Dempsey. Pearl knocked the ball out of bounds, and with a

FATHER RYAN'S FORTIETH ANNIVERSARY



1925 1965



Fr. Shea

popular with the student body, a familiar figure at basketball games, and in the affection. Father the image of the st

The burden of of Father Francis Shea (1945 - 1957). Father Shea, as

Rifle Team Aims Sights

For the past five years Father Ryan has a rifle team, and this year is no exception. Mr. Austin Lockett and Mr. Pat who have coached Ryan rifle teams will be the coaches again.

WORK CREW 'CLEANS UP'

As a part of the process of changing from a small school to a large one, Father Ryan is gradually doing away with that venerable institution of student correction, the paddle, and replacing it with a newer and more efficient penal concept, the Work

Greek Comes Back to Ryan

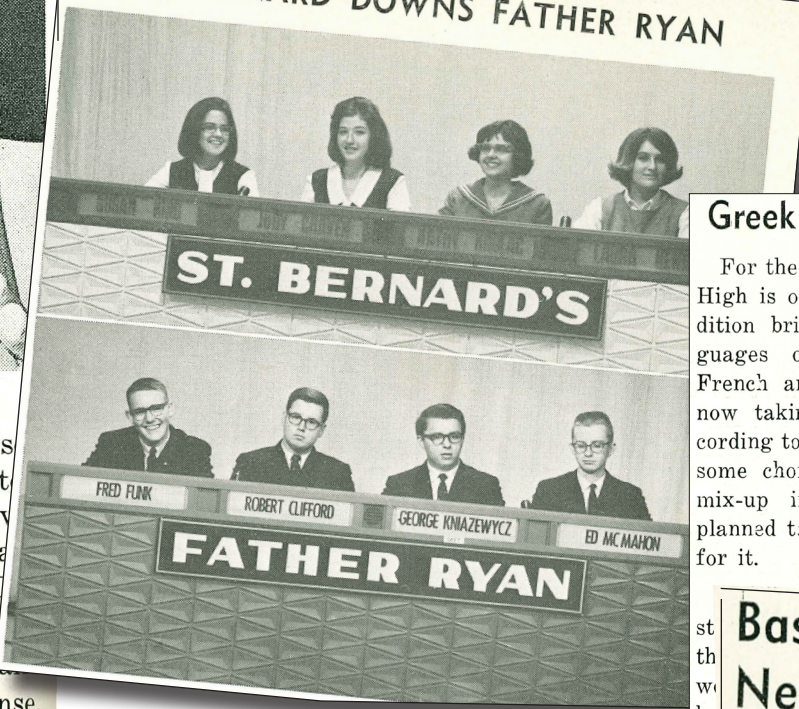
For the first time since 1939 Father Ryan High is offering first year Greek. This addition brings the number of languages offered to four, including French and Spanish. The school is now taking the subject on a voluntary basis, although some choice. Unfortunately, the mix-up in schedules, planned to take the sul

New Attire At Ryan

This year for the first time, students of Father Ryan will be wearing uniforms. Starting the second of November, the senior class members will be required to wear coats and ties to class.

The measur

ST. BERNARD DOWNS FATHER RYAN



Basketball Starts Next Month

Father Ryan has always produced exceptionally good basketball teams. Last year Ryan had a terrific season winning 20 games and losing only 4 in regular season play.

This year basketball season will be against Peabody.

Returning this year team are Billy Lynd, "Mordellii", Marty C... Sanders, Champ... Buddy Abbott, Lynn, Robert Lisle... afferky.

HISTORICAL NOTE

On March 28, 1928 Bishop Aphonse Smith bought the property on which Father Ryan now stands for \$185,000. About one hundred years earlier Joseph Thorp Elliston bought the same property, plus about 300 surrounding acres, from an Englishman named Burling. Elliston originally moved from Kentucky with fifty cents in his pocket. Evidently he received a considerable inheritance from his father, for soon after his father's death Elliston bought the property. Elliston, and later on his son, built a huge mansion called Burlington after the original owner of the property, the east wing of which was situated where Father Ryan's labs now stand.

This year, according to Coach Derrick II students will be invited to try out for a position on the Panther basketball squad.

EDITOR REFLECTIONS

Jim O'Hara '68

Editor-in-Chief



"And maybe it's the time of year/ Yes, and maybe it's the time of man."

-Woodstock

(Crosby, Stills, Nash & Young)

and athletics, but we also covered Vanderbilt's Impact Symposium sessions on the "urban crisis" and Angry Arts

"And I don't know who I am/But life is for learning."

-Woodstock

By JIM O'HARA

Seniors Dedicate Chapel With 'Folk-Mass' Today

By JIM O'HARA Father Ryan seniors will dedicate the newly renovated chapel with a "folk-mass" during sixth period today. Father John C. Henrick, liturgical department head, decided to remodel the chapel in keeping with the spirit of Vatican II.

Festival, featuring local Black high school actors portraying the "Black mood in America."

We wanted Ryan students to see a world beyond our block on Elliston Place, and take their place in it, play their parts in it.

Jim went on to have a 17-year career at The Tennessean as a general assignment reporter, editorial writer, editor, and finally political/state government reporter.

He and his colleague Phil Williams were Pulitzer Prize finalists in 1990 for their reporting on state government corruption. He spent the final 25 years of his career in Washington, D.C. engaged in public health policy and strategic communications.

Maybe, it was the times. Vatican II's spirit was sweeping across the U.S. Vietnam War protests were escalating. Nashville had been an epicenter in the fight for civil rights for more than a decade.

Maybe, we were just high school seniors feeling our oats.

We wanted The Moina to be a "real" newspaper. Yes, we would report on school plays

Black History Program Presented

by John Dwyer

On March 26-27, Father Ryan held a Black History Assembly in the Ryan gym sponsored by the Black History and Black Literature classes.

Another point of the assembly, which was missed by many of the audience, was its intention to "rally" the black students, to give them a direction to go with their lives together.

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23 Years Later

Band Returns

by Stacey Stocker

On September 8, a very special event occurred at the Ryan-Maplewood football game. For the first time in 23 years, the formerly still air at half-time was interrupted by the sound of Father Ryan's very own

To achieve this, they are soliciting sponsorships from businesses and firms. The band also hopes to hold a benefit concert featuring Danny Davis of Nashville Brass fame, who is honorary president of the Irish Guards.

The band members are seniors Cathy Baruzzini, Tasha Colbert, Pa Hoffman, Frank Regg, Cathy Jones Joyce Cox, Julia Floersh, Karl Pulley, and Joan Reisenberg; junior Tony Barr, Donnie Brackman, Kevin Cunningham, LaWanda Edwards Brian Fitzwater, Sharon Frenley Phyllis Jenkins, Joe Lofaro, Michell Pittman, Robin Reed, Leann Toney Patricia Upton, Frances Van Dam and Jack Wilson; sophomores P Curley, Patty Fogg, Mary Griffin Melonie Meadows, Gail Savag Julie Sullivan, Leonard Walther, B Goodrum, Tim Gregory, and Jas Manning, and freshmen Margar Haas, Eddie Leonard, David Schnu Lim Watkins, and Brian Woodbert

RYAN USHERS IN NEW ERA



The greatest improvement around Ryan: girls!

CO-ED RYAN BREAKS 41-YEAR TRADITION

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AP English Composition Cou

by Tim Wehby

The English department will offer an Advanced Placement Composition course in addition to the existing course in Advanced Literature study.

"The composition course will emphasize discursive writing; that is, writing intended to persuade, inform and describe," Department Chairman Mike Linder said.

"It should be a very involved course; it will be a very disciplined approach to the use of language. The English faculty is still in the lark in regard to the nature of the exam and the text to be used."

If a student scores a 5 or 4 or in some cases, a 3 on the advanced placement test, he receives a full first year college credit.

Westminster Schools in Atlanta and at schools in other cities, and by sending letters to guidance counselors and English teachers.

Ryan's English department decided in February to offer a composition course. Father Ryan is presently undecided as to who will teach it.

"It is possible for the student to take both AP English courses," Mrs. Strobel said. "However, if the student is also taking Pre-Calculus, Physics, and/or AP Biology, I would recommend his taking both AP English courses."

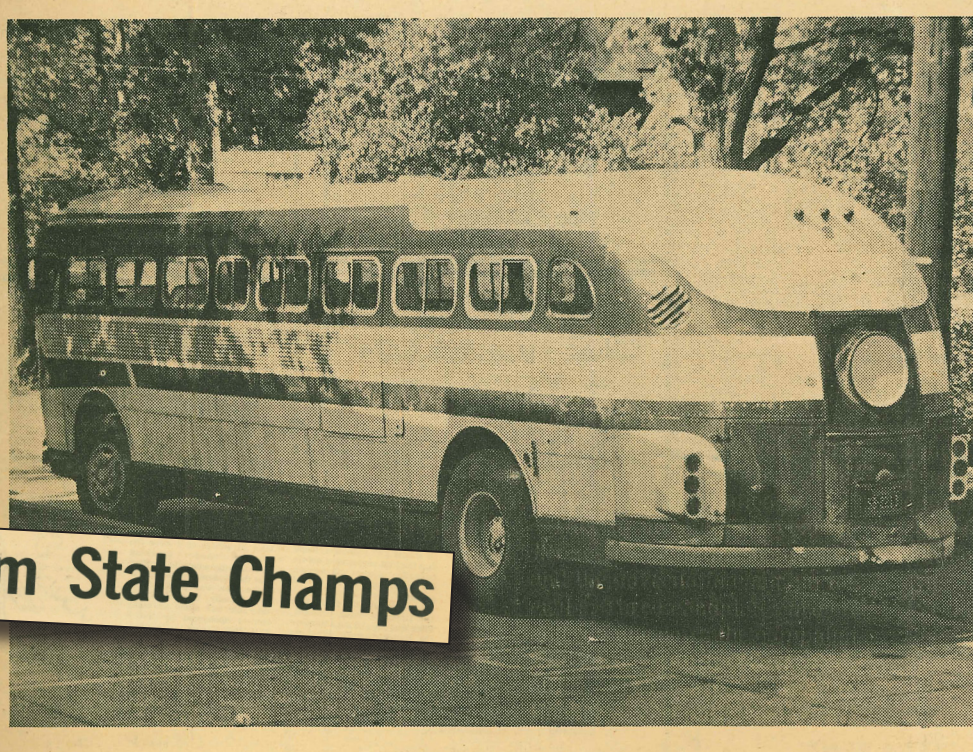
Questions at the AP exams

and AP teach booklet receive evaluations.

Soccer New Arrival Irish Sports Scene

Wrestling Team State Champs

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We wanted to do an article on Ryan's latest acquisition but busing is too controversial

Spore Makes Ryan History

by Rich Bontrager

Mr. John Spore, long-time member of the Father Ryan faculty, has been named the first assistant athletic director in the school's history.

Since Mr. Bill Derrick, athletic director, was given more administrative responsibilities in the school principal

Building Begins

by Gary McDonald

The Senior class of '79 will see the beginnings of a renovated Father Ryan High School before they graduate in May.

Construction on the first phase of a planned \$2.2 million

Revamping heating and air conditioning systems; upgrading electrical service and increasing lighting correcting structural and mechanical defects.

• Correcting major codes violations to meet fire and life safety

Purple Masque

By Joe Serena and Tim Strobl

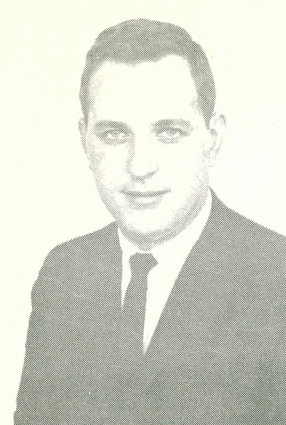
Production National News Student Opinion Uncertain as Watergate Crises Floods News

By Jo Carcedo

In a move that shocked much of the nation, President Nixon fired assistant attorney general William French Smith and special prosecutor Archibald Cox. Soon afterwards attorney general

October 23, he was expected to give Nixon the decision some support. Instead he upheld the original conviction not to interfere with the Watergate matter which is widely expected to be the end of the Nixon administration.

As it stands now, Solicitor General Robert F. Bork is acting attorney general. Under Bork's leadership, the Watergate crisis has been a major focus of the news and



Mr. Pat Langdon

The Moina Says 'Thanks'

by Tanya Bender
Mr. Patrick Langdon, former moderator of The Moina has, after three years of devotion to the newspaper, stepped down.

SEARCH?

Two years ago, a dedicated cleric assembled a group of high school boys and girls and prepared them to lead "Search" in the diocese of Nashville. It was a group of many such "leader teams", and the "how" of Father Arnold, Search is still strong. Since that first Search, 13 more teams have taken place here in Nashville and programs have sprung up in Knoxville, Chattanooga.

To make "Search" you must be a Junior or Senior in high school (the last Search was in the school year, Sophomores may attend.) Catholic religious experience, but Catholics aren't discouraged. The program

EDITOR REFLECTIONS

Margaret (Deckbar) Adam '74

Editor-in-Chief



Fifty years ago, as a Father Ryan senior, the privilege of editing The Moina was the high point of my 17 years of life. Senior Riney Green ('73) and I shared editing duties my junior year, pouring our hearts and souls, and a great deal of time, into publishing The Moina. Getting the paper to press in 1972-73 was full of trials and tribulations as we struggled with local printers at a time before computers eased the process. The writing and reporting were fun and seemed so important at the time, yet the challenges and ultimately successful outcomes generate the strongest memories.

The coolest aspect of producing The Moina that year

was that we—the students—did the work and overcame the obstacles, so it truly was a student-produced newspaper.

By Margaret Deckbar

Anti-war Group Discusses Plight of Political P.O.W.s in Viet Nam

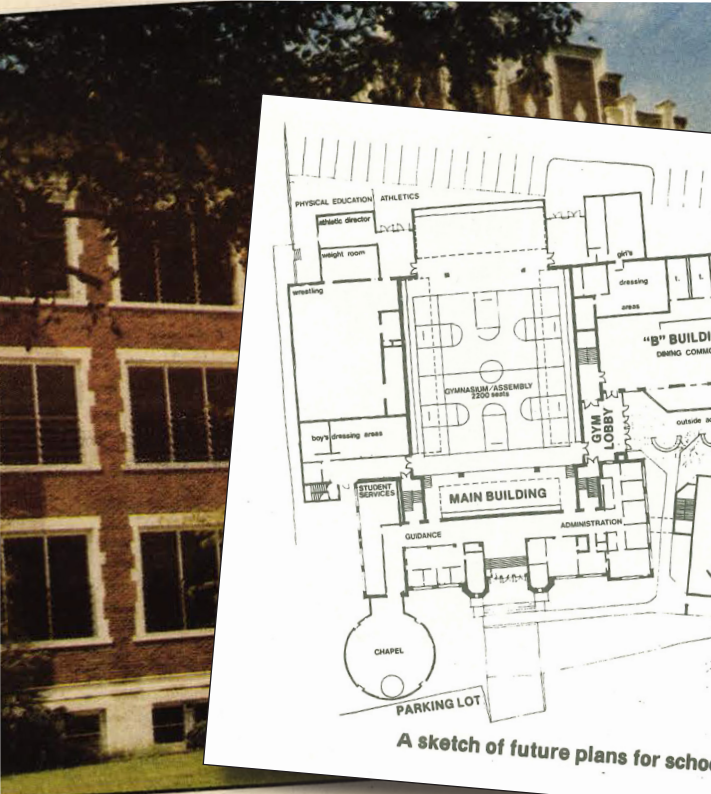
By Margaret Deckbar
Robert Chenoweth and Jean-Paul Debris, former prisoners-of-war, and both members of the Indochina Peace Campaign, spoke to two of Ryan's classes on November 9. These men also appeared at Vanderbilt's Neshy Auditorium with Jane Fonda, prominent anti-war activist, and her husband, Tom Hayden, later that evening. Chenoweth, young and healthy-looking, despite his captivity, was held prisoner in North Vietnam for five years. He emphasized that he was treated fairly well, and further insisted that neither he, nor any of the other 108 prisoners he lived with were ever, to his knowledge, tortured. Chenoweth pointed out that the United States needs to get out of Vietnam—"We don't belong there."

Mary Ellen Landolina taught a new Journalism class in 1973-74, my senior year, which provided a larger, more diverse staff of Moina contributors. Ms. Landolina was instructive and encouraging while allowing her students to produce the paper

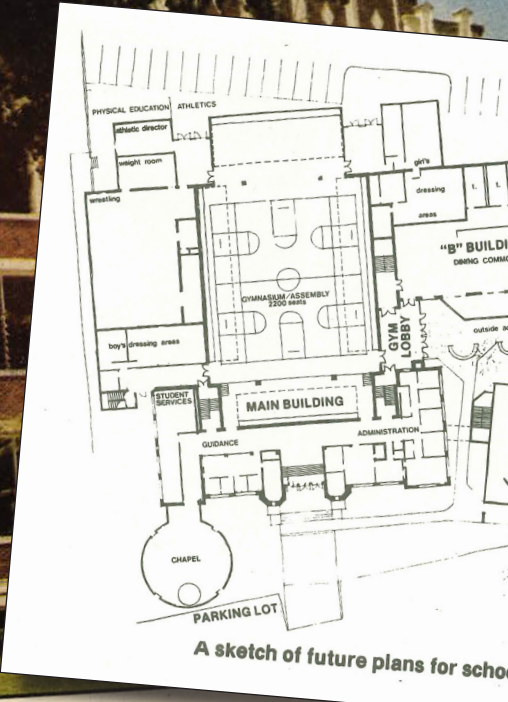
with content we, as a group, determined.

Now that I'm a Golden Grad, those Moina days are among my most precious Father Ryan memories.

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For the past 44 years, Margaret has lived in Bay St. Louis, MS. She and her husband, Bill, are parents to three children and five grandsons. In addition to being a career mom and all-around volunteer, Margaret has free-lanced for local publications and, since 2015, continues to produce detailed court reports in her role as a Court Appointed Special Advocate (CASA) for the local Youth Court System.



Father Ryan High School at 2300 Elliston Place, Nashville.



Campus Ministry New ideas in spiritual direction come to Ryan

By John Holmes
This year, Fr. Ryan has started a program headed by Fr. Pat Kibby. The new program is the Campus Ministry. "I volunteered myself for it," explained Fr. Kibby, "I saw for it, the NCEA's (National Education Association) ten-year plan saw a need also, so I pushed it through Fr. Kibby. As moderator of this new program, Fr. Kibby is responsible for coordinating campus liturgies, penance services, retreats, and social outreach.

Spirit Week Activities

By Kathlene Claiborne
Every fall when the homecoming game rolls around, it is preceded by a week of confusion, chaos, and general turmoil: SPIRIT WEEK. Every year, the week before homecoming is spirit week with classes competing to see who has the most spirit. In the past, spirit week has been the setting for senior love-ins, pie throws, and rival school student imitations, this year is no different. We have been having a week of activities to lift the spirits for the game on Friday.



Ryan Gala a Success

By: Teddra Acklen
The Father Ryan Gala was a huge success. The Gala took place on May 5, 1989 at 6:30 p.m. at the Hotel. Instead of the various snafus that were a bit of a disappointment last year, this year was a big success.

Seniors In Service

by Stacey Stocker
This year 112 seniors are participating in senior service, a religion course in which students spend four hours per week as volunteers in the community. Nursing homes, day care centers, and schools for the handicapped are among the places where they are serving. "I was a little hesitant at first," said Don Martens, a volunteer at Outlook Nashville, "but I was a little tired of regular class and I thought going out and doing things for people was more important than reading about it in books." For Service is a one semester course and counts toward a religion credit.

Father Ryan Announces Relocation in Oakhill

Should We Stay or Should We Go, page 2
History of Ryan, page 3
by David Kennedy

On January 7, 1987, Father Ryan officials announced plans for the relocation of our sixty year old school. The new site offers greater accessibility and room to meet a variety of demands facing the school today.

Professions. Ryan graduates have become leaders in law, public administration, engineering, social service, education, medicine, business and industry, banking, the arts, advertising, public relations, publishing, architecture, athletics, and military service. Each year over 90 percent of Ryan's graduates choose to continue their education in college. Father Ryan alumni are presently enrolled in over 110 colleges across the nation, currently...

RYAN WINS RULING Oak Hill Plans Appeal

by JoAnna Bailey
Thursday, March 24th, Chancellor Irvin Kilcrease ruled that Oak Hill must allow the New Father Ryan High School to be built at their chosen site. Despite the fact that Ryan has spent a long time fighting in court, Father Ryan now has the permit to start construction. However, Oak Hill's attorney, John Wagster, and the city of Oak Hill plan to appeal. This will cause further delay in construction because of the next date in court. Oak Hill residents claim that the Father Ryan students will just be added to the problems and the delay of the new school might have adverse effects on the students they will still continue their education at Ryan. When Father Ryan proposed the new plans to build the new school on the 40 acre lot, the class of 1990 was to be the first graduating class. As it will be the last class.

Students Test Skill

ad, marinated on a bed of broiled fillet, served by Red wild rice.

Father Ryan Alumnus Jailed for Civil Disobedience

by David Kennedy
The sole in love...
College...
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help...
busing...
March 28, 1985, after six months of planning, Ken Rippetoe and a small group of religious activists moved on to missile sites near Holden, Missouri. Acting in the name of the...



Father Ryan Wrestlers Stand Proud After State Championship

8th Graders Experience Day at Ryan

By JoAnna Bailey
Traditionally, the eighth grade students from surrounding parochial schools come to visit Father Ryan. This opportunity to receive a map and schedule that they follow during the day. Visiting Ryan, the students have a chance to find out how special Ryan is. Even though the eighth graders feel like they are in a new school, they arrive with a sense of familiarity.



Daughters Dance With Dads



Kim Densmore and Susan Sullivan (far left and right) March for Life in Washington, D.C. (photo by Jacquelin)

Ryan Students 'March for Life' in Nation's Capital

by Craig Simpson
attitudes nationwide, so that preborn babies shall not be out-of-sight out-of-mind non-persons. Beginning at noon, the March for Life started with an assembly at a park just south of the White House. There Marchers heard an address by President Reagan and speeches by several...

EDITOR REFLECTIONS Regina (Rippetoe) List '83 Co-Editor-in-Chief



My time on The Moira is now long ago, but I recall the joys and challenges of working within a team of talented individuals of different backgrounds, interests, and personalities to develop ideas, do the research, choose the words, revise them, and bring those ideas to paper by the deadline. The feel of the paper in our hands as we distributed it on campus gave me—and I assume all of us who worked on it—such a sense of (Irish!) pride and accomplishment. It felt like what we wrote mattered. It was only when I looked back at the Class of 1983 yearbook that I was reminded that we needed to fundraise in order to print each issue (Valentine's cake!). I can imagine that all the

members of the team, like me, have had occasion to use those

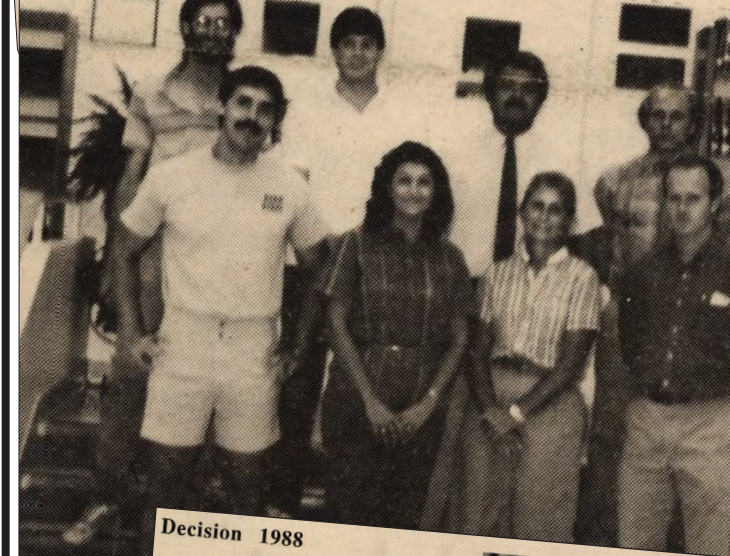
Moira underpinned my understanding of the importance of (our choices about) words and all that they convey. That legacy infuses my work even now.

by Genie Rippetoe
Scheduling Ironed Out In Future

by Genie Rippetoe
This year the guidance office instituted a new system for class scheduling. Mrs. Strobel, guidance counselor, has been trying to initiate such a system for several years, but was unable to do so until

fundraising skills over time as well. Though I didn't become a journalist as once seemed a possibility, my experience on The

Regina (whom classmates knew as Geny Rippetoe) is a researcher, writer, editor, spouse, and proud parent of two college-age children. After earning her M.A. in International Development from American University, she lived in the Washington, DC area for more than a decade and has lived in Hamburg, Germany since 2002. She now works as a freelancer to bring social science research results to the public.



Decision 1988
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Election Survey Results
Vice-President Bush 74%
Governor Dukakis 26%
Students Choice: Mr. Kent
WELCOMES

Girls Bring Home State Title



The 1998 Lady Irish Soccer team with their TSS trophy.

Dancing In the Dining Hall

Sarah Adgey
In the midst of the worst po...
outage in Nashville's history, the Key...
managed to pull off a great dance. "We...
four hours to get everything together...
only six people helped decorate...
Keyettes secretary, L...



Coach Carson schools the participants of Freshman Night in "Simon Says".



New School Brings Pride to Oak Hill

It is inevitable that wherever any Ryan...
can be found, there is talk of the new school...
either in the hall, at the games, or aroundtown...
January 7, 1987, Father Ryan officials an...
nounced plans for the relocation of our sixty year...
school. Ever since the new location was first...
announced there have been point-counterpoint...
arguments about it.

Guard & Drumline Find Sweet Success

The Father Ryan Drumline and Winter...
Guard have enjoyed continued success through...
the season. The Drumline recently marked a...
year goal by winning the World Championsh...
in Dayton. The Winter Guard also say the...
light of their season was in Dayton by com...
ing in the Winter Guard International.

The World Championship and all other...
performances were dedicated to the memory...
of the late Michael Joseph Meyer, who was a...
member of the Drumline at the time of his death.



Black Cat

Preparations for New School Almost Complete

Joey Besser
Construction on the new Father Ryan...
campus in Oak Hill is moving ahead as schedu...
led and plans have already been made to move...
desks and other furniture into the academic...
building in early June with the administration...
to follow later in the summer. Most teachers...
have been very busy packing up their books...
and other nicknacs that clutter their desks...
and shelves. Every member of the administrat...
ion, faculty, and staff seen talking about...
the new campus seems to radiate a feeling of...
excitement, including Fr. Ed Steiner.

Cloister building (administrative and misc...),
will be landscaped well with planters and gar...
dens and the campus will have about fifty be...
nches scattered all around campus, to give it...
a "park-like" atmosphere. And that is not...
mentioning the other splendors of the drama...
room, band room, and science labs, just to...
name a few.



Seniors show that they are "keyed up" at the MBA pep rally.



Senior Neal Warren, in the midst of the crowd on the field after the MBA pep rally.

Students Give of Themselves in Haiti

Andy Hunter
Once again students from Father Ryan and St. Cecilia are leaving for the...
country of Haiti to continue the missionary...
work started by thirteen students almost...
twenty-one years ago. Last year twenty...
seven students from these two schools and...
Bernard Academy made the first of three...
trips to the area of Riviere Froid.

Volleyball Team Wins State Title

Katie Disser
"When we look back on our long...
season, we decided it was all or...
nothing and we would settle for nothing...
but the title." The Lady Irish volleyball...
team didn't settle for anything less...
than the title of state champions. They...
went to Chattanooga on Friday, and...
started out by playing the Lady Irish...
in their pool, Redbank. They won...
and the following two, against Bartlett...
which made the Lady Irish the...
champion. Because of their victory, the...
volleyball team advanced to the...
semi-finals on Saturday afternoon...
in town. The next day, they played...
the team who beat them in the...
first round. The Lady Irish won a...
2-0 victory.



EDITOR REFLECTIONS

Stephanie Bohan '90

Editor-in-Chief

During my time as editor, I responded to a new uniform policy with an editorial so inflammatory I worried I would lose my position. When the principal called me to his office, I knew I was in trouble. I was shocked that he simply wanted to understand my perspective. Today, reading how combative my editorial was--with 52-year-old eyes compared to 17-year-old eyes--I am even more surprised that his calling me into the office was simply an effort to discuss my position to better understand it. He even told me he was thinking about softening his position in response to my editorial. In that moment, I learned that one could use

words to bring about positive change in the world. I learned how we can use our gifts to follow our faith and serve those who have been marginalized. In the years since, I have been blessed to build on this foundation and to live a life in service to others. (Especially thankful to Michael Bell, Faculty Advisor of The Moina 1989-1990.)

Stephanie Bohan Ordinary People

Your pulse is racing, your palms are sweating, and you here a voice from inside the door yell, "NEXT!!!", and you suddenly realize you're next... What you are experiencing is not a trip to the doctor nor a horrible nightmare, but an audition for a Father Ryan play. During the course of two days, thirty-four people auditioned for nine roles, which Mr. Bell states is probably a record. This fall the Father Ryan Purple Mask Players will be performing Ordinary People by Judith Guest. "Ordinary People" is the story of a family torn apart by the inability to

The Moina taught me how to fight for those who did not have the same platform as mine. Thanks to Father Ryan,

Showtime '90

Stephanie Wrinn
Once again the time for the talent at Ryan to step out of the woodwork for one night and have their turn in the spotlight, has come and gone. The student council is busy with a lot of activities, and Showtime squeezes in among them. "We decided to have try-outs this year which should make for a better show," said Matt McGovern, who was chairperson sharing the responsibilities of Showtime with Gwen Creel and Ellen Mayfield. "Buzzy Orange was in charge of sound, and we had a good M.C. lined up. When everything fell into place Showtime proved to be a fun night," replied Ellen Mayfield. This year there were about fifteen acts consisting of bands, solos, dances, comedy, and juggling. This year's winners included: Melissa Bossi, who won Honorable Mention, Chris Jones who won

Magazine Sales Offer Many Benefits for Students

Mike McGuire
This year Father Ryan participated in their second annual magazine sales drive. As the only fundraiser for the year, sales need to be high. Coach Derrick kicked off the sale, and has inspired the student body to sell more subscriptions than last year. Talks, incentives, high and student subscriptions even of their choice. Dollars follow place and sixty expected to sell projects. Tim explains, "We be a fundraiser makes it money." Last year's magazines, and th... By selling it just helping the sc helping yourself."



Grotto in action



Father Ryan's new Academic Dean, Mrs. Therese Williams

Upholding Tradition

The 1991-92 Student Council has many goals set for the upcoming new school year. One of the most important traditions from the old school can never be carried over from the old Ryan is the in providing Christmas for about fifteen families that would otherwise not have a unit. With the larger campus, the tradition has somewhat dwindled. Many Student Council members during the day and overall class unity back where it belongs. As Matt McGovern, president of Student Council, stated, "Our main goal is to preserve the tradition behind Father Ryan. It's family and unity with the school that makes it what it is."

10 THE 2000s

MyFACE
Sara Hayes' Profile



View More Photos of Sara (425)
Read Notes by Sara (7)

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Sara is out at a party
Updated on Friday

Lessons Learned


By RACHEL HUNKLER
Staff Writer

Everything I ever needed know, I learned in high school.



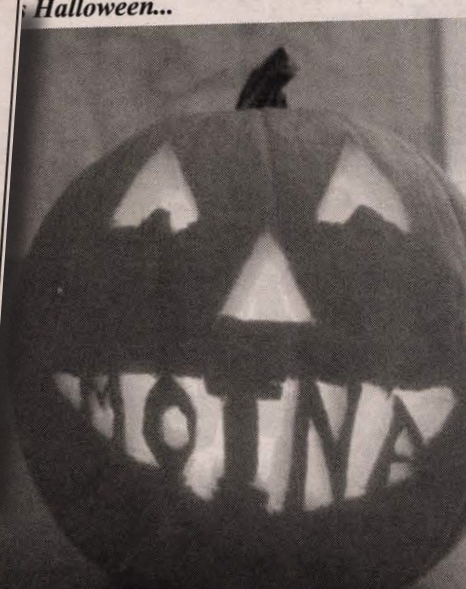
Over our last four years here at Father Ryan, we have taken many classes and crammed a mass of knowledge into our brains. From math to morality...

FATHER RYAN BEGINS A NEW TRADITION



Sophomores Margaret Molteni and Andrew Herman laugh their way through the 3-legged race, one of the many events students enjoyed during the first-ever Irish Olympics. In the end, Molteni and Herman weren't fast enough. The Senior Class ended up winning, both the race and the Olympics.

Halloween...



...Time to carve your Moina pumpkin

Be the only cool kid on your block with a true Moina pumpkin. Learn from the pros who can teach you how to carve. Check out our special Halloween section--Pages 4 & 5.

Milli Vanilli



Place winners "The Jackson Five"

Coach Cockerham's 500th Win

By Pamela Talley

On Tuesday, February 10th, girls' basketball head coach Jinx Cockerham achieved what few coaches have the opportunity to accomplish. With her team's 51-33 defeat over McGavock, she attained her 500th win as a high school basketball coach.

Cockerham was quick to deflect any praise. "It's not me," she stated, "[they're] not my wins -- [they're] the school's and the team's. They actually do it. You'd be fooling yourself if you thought for a moment you did it." Cockerham does not even keep up with the stats herself -- her husband does it. He started when their daughter played for Ryan, and he never stopped. To this day, there is a paper on the side of their refrigerator with the wins and losses of the season, complete with the score.

Cockerham has always had a passion for basketball. She played for Hillsboro, but could not

Church Signs



THE LORD SAID TO HIS PEOPLE: GO FORTH AND READ THE PAGES OF THE MOINA!

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Takin' Care of Business

Getting the Scoop on Students Who Work for a Living

By LIZZY WESTBROOK
Staff Writer

"Hey, Lizzy, do you want to hang out tonight?"

"Oh, sorry! I can't. I have to work."

Story of my life. Ever since I got my job lifeguarding at the Green Hills YMCA, I am frequently getting

place you go. Pizza Perfect, the Loveless Café, TGI Friday's, Whitt's Barbecue, New China, and Sonic all employ Father Ryan students. According to my findings, only 2% of students are getting

Mr. Krenson departing after 12 years as Principal



TRUE LIFE: I'm the Principal's Son

Being P.D. Jr.

By PHILIP DAVIS
Guest Writer

As a student here at FHRS, I walk the halls mundanely just as any other student does. I try to procrastinate getting to classes, pass the time in sleeping, and avoid getting detentions. Yet, unlike other students, avoiding Mr. Davis is difficult, mainly because he

questions running through your minds, no, I have not received a detention from my father. His perpetually dry wit is something that has been passed down to me. Often when I see him...

well my dad's Mr. Davis." Oh, and for the record... Paul loves to play Ratchet & Clank on PS3. He's beaten the first three games...

Faculty Honored for Years of Service

Recognition Assembly acknowledges many years of dedication to teaching at Ryan

By LIZ CONN and NICK WILSON
Editor-in-Chief and Staff Writer

On Wednesday, April 1, Father Ryan held the Faculty and Staff Recognition Assembly. This ceremony recognizes faculty members for their years of service to the school, beginning with one year, followed by five years, and then pro-

on their experiences. Mrs. Baker says, "Even after my thirtieth year here, I still love this year's group of students as much as my first

Kent's Snow Dance Works!



Before and after the snow dance: Before: Above, the FRHS campus sometime in early January. After: Below, the snow dance.

Senior Pranks

BRIAN TONNIES & THOMAS THURMAN
Staff Writers

As the end of senior year approaches, which has been times. The group of students at the church down lawn mowers, go carts, and/or... down

whose pranks have ranged from the senior year. Some are harmless (if a prank can be harmless) to federal offenses. In the 90s the school was accused of painting rival

Father Joe Says Goodbye

Father Joe McMahon's move and its effect on the Father Ryan community.

By Adam Tamburin

September 11, 2003. Father Joe McMahon made a change in his life: he left Father Ryan, a home he has had for a substantial amount of his 19-year priesthood, and moved to St. Joseph's Parish. By print day, he had left and been replaced by former Pope John Paul II alumnus, Father Mark Hunt.

A few weeks before school started, the bishop reached Father Joe about the possibility of moving to St. Joseph's because of several shifts in the diocese, and he was in agreement. After giving some thought to the move, he honored his vow of obedience and decided to make the move. He sees it as a new opportunity. McMahon is able to handle this transition with a positive attitude. "It's my life... I have to live it. He wants what's best for Father Ryan, the diocese... me... I trust

He sees his role as a priest...

Holy Eighth Period, Batman! It's a New Schedule!

By Nathan Lewis

Among the longest-running traditions at Father Ryan are the annual "snowdances" on January 20, 2002.

EDITOR REFLECTIONS

Katie Lewis '04

Editor-in-Chief

By: Katie Lewis

Saving Pride of Ryan

Take a deep breath. Ahhh, do you smell that? Freshly sharpened pencils and the stench of yet another chemistry experiment gone wrong. Yes, my friends, you guessed correctly: you're at school. Not just any school, mind you, but Father Ryan High School. When school, mind you, that I attend Father Ryan, I get the ever I inform people that I attend Father Ryan, I get the same response: "Wow, you're really lucky." Usually I reply, "Uh, yeah, I guess so." But when it gets right down to it, I honestly do love this school and I know that I'm fortunate to go here. I get along with nearly all of my teachers, the cafeteria food is delectable, I feel safe here, and I spend most of the day laughing with my friends (and learning, naturally!).

What I love the most about Father Ryan is our pride. We never lose faith in each other. For example, I'm now a copy editor for the online news website Axios, and my storytelling work has expanded outside journalism: I've had a poem printed on the side of a Nashville city bus; published "Cheers, Somebody," a

book of short stories; and started the copywriting and editing business Katie Lewis Creative, LLC.

These 20 years since graduating, I've fought--like the Irish, one might say--to tell stories that matter.

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Waffle House: A Friday Tradition

For one group of FRHS students, breakfast is the most important meal of the day...and the most fun

By NICK WILSON
Sports Editor

Since 1955, Waffle House has been an American institution. And since 2005, it has been a Father Ryan institution. Patrick Wehby '07 began the tradition in 2005 with a group of friends. Another member of the group, Hunter Wilson, passed the tradition on to his brother, senior Taylor Wilson. Since that time, a new group has come together every Friday of the school year at 6:15 AM at the same Waffle House location. This new group includes the likes of seniors Matt



The Friday gang gathers outside the House of Waffles

Father Joe Says Goodbye

An interview with the Bishop sheds light on Father Joe's big move.

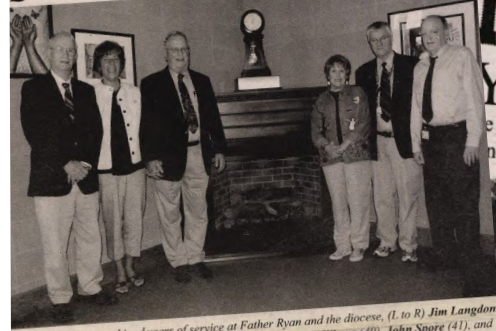
By Lissie Toecker

All of Father Ryan was shocked and saddened by the news that Father Joe will be leaving us. In the days that have followed several difficult decisions had to be made. As I heard several stories to know the impact of his leaving us. He will miss the office.

Sarah Ritter

Lately it seemed, the Father Ryan gym was the only place you could go on Sunday afternoon. You may be asking yourself, "Well, unless you have been living under a rock for six weeks you would know what I am talking about. The league was sponsored by anyone who had the time to allow it."

Quarter of a Millennium...and Counting



MARCHING TO MACY'S

Yes, it's true that the majority of the Father Ryan students, especially the seniors, have been annoyed with the band over the past few months. It was not fun having to rush outside to the senior lot right after school to avoid detention from Coaches Larkin and Sneed, who are notorious for giving them even if the student is only thirty seconds late. However, what most students

A Time to Say Good-Bye

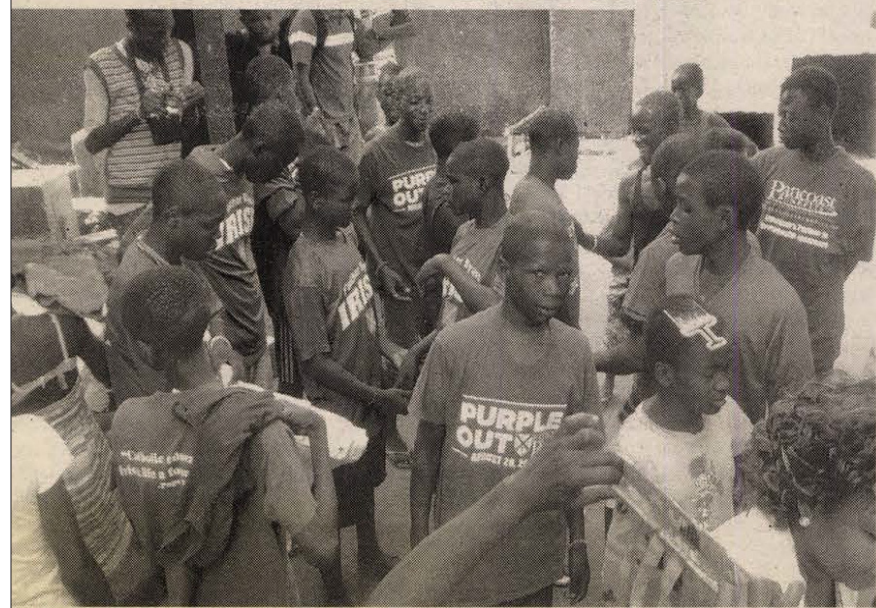
After 28 years, Linda Donnelly Says It's Time to Retire

By ANNA MARSDEN
Staff Writer

For my last and final Moina article, I had the privilege of interviewing Mrs. Linda Donnelly. For those of you who are not familiar with her, she is the Administrative Assistant to the Principal, and according to her co-workers, an integral part in the functioning of Father Ryan. After 28 dedicated years, Mrs. Donnelly is retiring, and we Moina staffers thought it only right

for the teams or students who have done something special. So right after prayer in the morning when you hear those congratulations, I'm the one who puts all the mailings and all the school's announcements of the day, pre-break, etc. I'm in charge of graduation too; I coordinate all get your caps and gown invitations, the line up, all the stuff. When I first started I did a lot of different things, but

A "PURPLE OUT" IN THE CONGO



Wabi Tela started a non-profit called "Kemi's Friends" (named after his sister, whose name is taking care of me). The non-profit was established to raise awareness and support for children in the Congo. In this picture, Wabi's shipment of donated clothing and a cost of \$1,400.

40 Years of Women

Teresa (Sharp) Davis, class of '81

What college did you attend and what did you study there?
I received a B.S. in Elementary Education from Tennessee Tech University, a Masters in Elementary Counseling from certification from Trevecca University.
What exactly do you do for a living? I am a teacher. I currently teach pre-K through 4th graders at Paragon Mills Elementary School in south Nashville.
What is the most rewarding part of your career? Seeing the collaboration and efforts of teachers making a difference for our students. I get to see Father Ryan seniors come in to my school for their first service. It's so rewarding to see the first several years of my teaching in sixth grade classrooms. Now I enjoy working with all teachers and students in the library. In 2008 I was honored with Metro Nashville Elementary Teacher of the Year.

PLAYER WORTH 1000 POINTS

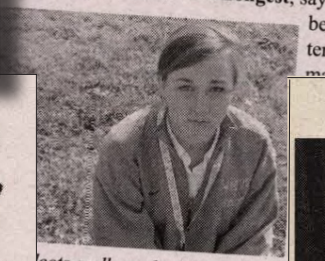
MALLY DOYLE
On Tuesday, January 24th, Audrey Burdge (13) scored the 1,000th point of her high school basketball career, making her the tenth Lady Irish basketball player in Father Ryan history to do so.
Everyone knows that reaching such a milestone does not come without effort and perseverance. For Audrey, that's especially true. The Moina staff department estimates that Audrey practiced basketball for over 2,000 hours over her life in her basketball pursuits. That translates to at least two hours of work for every point she scored.
But in addition to the time and effort, Burdge also had to overcome her fair share of adversity. When Burdge was in the 8th grade at Christ the King, she was diagnosed with osteochondritis in her left knee, which is a rare condition that causes the cartilage or bone in a joint to be inflamed.



"Father Ryan's Longest Running Institution" was written across all 29 issues of the Moina I received during my four years at Father Ryan. The only other icon with that much gusto behind it is the oak doors of the library. The echoes of staff members exclaiming, "It's Moina Day!" still resonate as strongly today as they did during my days as a student, and to have been a part of something that spans so many decades is humbling. I still get so much joy seeing the staff members of today's Moina passing out the newest issue—a particular bias for the best publication on campus never left.
Since my time in Moina, the skills I gained have bled into my career here at Father Ryan, and I continue to do the one task

Black History is Our History

February is a month that celebrates achievements by African-Americans and recognizes their role in American history through the aptly named Black History Month. On March for Life, I personally went to see the new Martin Luther King Jr. statue. Towering over me was a thirty foot statue of the civil rights leader carved into the "Stone of Hope." On the side of the stone of hope, there was a quote from King's famous "I Have a Dream" speech, which reads "mountain of despair, a stone of hope." Surrounding the statue was an inscription on the wall with excerpts of King's speeches and sermons. The statue is an inspirational reminder of what Black History is all about.
I saw that a statue of pioneer Rosa Parks is in the new Statuary Hall of building. The statue is waiting to be erected in 1955, after she



As "Marky Mark" Newton's picture shows, the Jungle is a wild, crazy, and spirited place. Behind both of these groups is the majority of the base—the student section. This is where you can find all the rambunctious seniors, juniors, sophomores and, at the very least, the newcomers to the experience, the freshmen. Working together, students make sporting events at Father Ryan something truly magical and unique, so magical and unique, in fact that I often find myself covering in paint.



By RACHEL NORDHOFF & LEXI NGUYEN
Staff Writers
If you've ever attended a major sporting event at Father Ryan, you've most likely noticed a particularly peppy group of young men standing in the front row. They are the "welcome to the jungle" group, a group of young men who are known for their energetic and spirited presence at Father Ryan sporting events.

THE GAME THAT CHANGED THE SOUTH

JUAN JOSE RODRIGUEZ & GRACE WHITE
Staff Writers
FRHS Celebrates 50th Anniversary of Momentous Game
February 4, 1965. Municipal Auditorium is packed with 10,000 spectators...and ten teams. As Father Ryan takes the court, childhood friends are pitted against each other. The Pearl Tigers are up 51-48 and in the final seconds of the game, Father Ryan senior Lyn Dempsey rebounds the ball and makes a missed shot. The crowd's roar is deafening; players' hearts and the basketball pound the seconds down together. The cheer sounds just as the buzzer leaves Dempsey's fingertips. For a moment the auditorium falls silent, and the swish of a nylon net echoes through the arena. An integrated team in Nashville competes against an all-black team for the first time ever. Father Ryan



Willie Brown goes up for a shot in the historic game.

Immigration Panel at Father Ryan



By EMMA THONI
Editor-in-chief
For some faculty and staff parents their firstborns are leaving the nest. Every year during Graduation season, it seems to be all about the students. Their achievements in high school, the milestones they have passed, the futures they're looking forward to, not to mention where they're going to college and what they plan to do with the rest of their lives. But with the spotlight on the kids, it's easy to forget that this is also an important event for the parents.
I know it's her. I will miss her a lot. Foreman summed it up perfectly, "I feel privileged to have been part of Sophie's school experience. Just for fun, I because, I would miss having her around campus. turns out, for the dents, school time prime mooching t which left a couple teachers wondering their students' inter Mrs. Hoots dished on Hannah: "I will miss giving her my card so she can get her way home because is 'below empty' (if possible?) ...And did Some start soft-

KIDS ON CAMPUS

Alums Take on Hurricane Irma
Former FRHS students now First Responders
All of us are familiar with Hurricane Irma that rocked Florida and the Caribbean back in September. But some of us might not be familiar with the fact that there were several Father Ryan alums who answered the call to help.
One of those alums was Sgt. Melissa Riley, Ph.D., Metro Office of Emergency Management, and Division. Riley was part of a team of 40 who were sent to help with the aftermath of the storm.

SEARCH: 42 Years of Ministry

SEARCH Makes Its 300th Retreat



DANIEL HUETTER
Staff Writer
Last month, during the 175th anniversary of the Diocese of Nashville, the 300th SEARCH retreat occurred. This very special retreat has impacted so many lives in the Father Ryan community, alone the many other ministries across Tennessee. The influence of SEARCH can even expand state boundaries.
Road Warriors
Girls' Soccer Team Kicks Their Way to Second State Title in Five Years
at Pruett and issued a yellow card to the goalie, Pruett said. "Words were exchanged, but no foul was called." 300th retreat. Pictured above is the front of the old mess hall.

EDITOR REFLECTIONS

Eryn Whalen '18

Editor-in-Chief

Mr. Puryear asked of us each day—read the news!
It has been amazing to witness how one of my favorite traditions has continued since its inception in 1927 and observing the timeless stories being retold from a fresh perspective is truly awe-inspiring. The Moina has withstood the test of time, and I hope that the next 100 years of editors hold as much pride as all of the editors that have come before them.
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By ERYN WHALEN
Give it Up for Lent!

How's your Lent going?

By ERYN WHALEN
Editor-in-Chief
It is now three weeks into the 56 week period (five if you cheat on Saturdays, six if you are a real OC!) known as Lent. By now, most of you have either had a tough time sticking to your Lenten promise or have had a solid three weeks. Whatever the case, this time of sacrifice is much more than a New Year's resolution that you stopped trying to pick up your teammates and keep on all focused." Abigail Webby (12), who has been playing with Burdge since the second grade, agrees that Burdge has reached a new level of leadership this year. Webby says, "Audrey has become way more confident and mature on the court. She's also become a great leader, both on and off the court."

The 1,000 point club, from left: Kristin Archie Blankenship '12, Audrey Burdge '17, Donna Harris '09, and Tash Pilkerton Picklesimer '03.

PRAY FAST GIVE

The Lenten Essentials

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12 THE 2020s

100 Years Later...They're Here

The Class of 2026 marks Father Ryan's 100th graduating class. Since its founding in 1925, Father Ryan has experienced many firsts. The first softball state championship in 1930. The first time females were admitted as students in 1970. The first (and only) time relocating to a new campus in 1991. Now, in 2022, Father Ryan is experiencing another first—one that has been a long time in coming. Accepted this fall onto campus, and now walking the halls as students, is the first 100th graduating class in school history.

Staying busy during lockdown

The past seven months of quarantine had their share of ups and downs for students. On the positive side, students didn't get to become a bit lazier. For the most part, they could sleep late, do their homework, and watch TV. But for teachers, who generally have a routine, the time existence gave them the ability to do some new things to help their students.

Dear Covid, A Thank You letter to Corona

Dear COVID, When I first heard about you, I thought you were just a blip in the system. You spent all your time on foreign shores and basically left us alone here in the United States. And just when I thought you were going to go back to wherever you came from, you suddenly showed up on our shores.

Bye STUCO, Hello House System

The updates you need to know about student representation in the House System. Student Council is one of the most important organizations in any school. It gives students opportunities to develop leadership and involve themselves in wide-ranging school activities.

Marching Through a Pandemic

Not even COVID can stop the March. For many people, January is a month for starting a new year and trying new things. However, on Father Ryan, there are many students who get to March for Life.

The History of RYAN MAN

Looking Back on the 50-year Tradition. Every year since 1970, there has been one student, sometimes two, who has been tasked with leading the charge for school spirit.

Remembering an Irish Life

Celebrating the legacy of longtime Father Ryan teacher C.A. Williams. On December 9, 2023, the Father Ryan community suffered the loss of a legend, Cynthia Anne Williams, known affectionately to everyone as C.A.

Freshmen Reflections

CLASS OF 2023 LOOKS BACK ON THEIR FIRST YEAR. Freshman year can definitely be a challenge. The workload is heavy, and the social life is new.

How COVID-19 is Affecting Life After High School

Checking in with recent Father Ryan graduates who moved on to post-high school life during COVID. The pandemic has caused monumental changes to daily life all over the world.

'Working for a Cure'

The story of Relay: how it came to be and where it is now. Claire Schumann, Editor in Chief, shares the story of Relay, a student-led event that could put students into real-world leadership positions.

Davis Named President

Paul Davis '81 is the new President of the Father Ryan community. He was elected to the position during the recent election.

Dual Enrollment Comes to FRHS

Let's take a look at the new Dual Enrollment program. With scheduling for next year wrapping up, we heard people were interested in the new Dual Enrollment program.

Connecting Through Mentor Groups

Learn about the everyday activities that are happening on campus. Mentor groups are a great way for students to connect and support each other.

Carrying on the Christmas Tradition

Former Student Council Christmas project carries on in the House System. The Christmas season is an exciting time filled with traditions.

THE MISSING MOINA

How the March 2020 Moina Disappeared. We all missed out on a lot of things during the pandemic. We lost concerts, dances, and more.

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The "Need to Know" about Father Ryan's Newest Principal. With over 30 years of experience in the field of education, Frank Espinosa has covered a lot of ground.

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