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The Colonial

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Clay's experienced performers exhibit talent in Guys and Dolls

by Kristen M. Leep **NEWS EDITOR**

With the close of the school year comes summer, and several students have activities they regularly participate in each summer. These include attending camps, taking annual trips, and participating in the summer Firefly Festival production.

Many students auditioned on May 11 and 12 and three Clay students were selected along with other teens from the area to have lead roles in Guys and Dolls. Junior Ryan Harding will be playing lead male Sky Masterson. Junior Travis Betz will play Nicely-Nicely Johnson and junior Kristen Leep will portray General Cartwright. Many other students will have chorus roles or nonspeaking character roles.

"From playing a gangster of slime and scum in Annie, it will be a wondrous change to play a gangster with charm and wit," said Betz. "Though not as evil, I will get to display my vocal talents more."

In addition, there will be Clay students accompanying in the pit orchestra. These students will provide a background for the singers as well as keeping the various moods

Guys and Dolls is currently playing on Broadway and also is touring the United

case the talents of several area students, mainly South Bend Community School Corporation students, but also including Penn, St. Joseph, and Mishawaka schools. The cast also includes several students in junior high as well as some students who come from Michigan to be in the production.

The Firefly production will be directed by Dr. Pherbia Engdahl, Director of Fine

Arts and many are enthusiastic to see Engdahl direct another performance. With the administrative cuts in December, there was great speculation as to whether or not there would be a successful show. Assistant directing will be Indiana University senior Doug Booher, an occasional substitute at Clay, and Ms. Linda Holloway, a South Bend drama teacher. The orchestra will be directed by Mrs. Anne Watts, the John

Adams High School orchestra director. Guys and Dolls is a humorous love enjoy the performance. story. Miss Adelaide, a showgirl, is distressed because her france of fourteen years, Nathan Detroit, and she are still not married. Nathan is a gambler and runs a floating crap game and Adelaide cannot get him and it will be very entertaining." to change his ways.

To contrast Adelaide, there is Miss Sa-

States. The Firefly production will show- rah Brown. She is a volunteer at the Savea-Soul Mission, similar to the Salvation Army. She is admired by Sky Masterson, a notorious gambler in from out of town. Sky and Sarah are opposites and they fall in love, though she is reluctant to admit it.

> The musical follows the couples' days and their feelings for each other, with a few digressions. There are crap games, threats from the General at Mission Headquarters to close the Mission, a trip to Havana, and a happy ending not to be missed.

> "I'm really excited about doing Firefly. This is my fourth year, and my last, so I'm really set on making this summer the best," said Clay senior Amy Silver.

> Clay talent has dominated in years past and will continue the tradition with fine performances this summer at St. Patrick's Park. Come and see the Clay students preform in the best-ever Firefly production. The dates are July 22 & 23, with a rain date of July 24. Sit under the stars, pack a picnic, and

> "I think this will be the best Firefly ever," commented Betz.

> Silver continued, "Everyone must come see Guys and Dolls. It's a fabulous show



John Hancock Bash

The Multicultural Society will be throwing an end-of year John Hancock dance. The dance will be tonight from 8:00 P.M. until 11:00 P.M. in the cafeteria. There will be laughing, T-shirt signing, and memories. Support the Multicultural Society and have a great time with your friends for the last time during the 1993-94 school year.

Spring Sports Awards



The Spring Sports

Awards will be Thurs-

day, June 9 at 7:00 P.M. in the cafeteria. The athletes from the Spring Sports squads will be honored. Each

coach will review the year and awards and letters will be presented

Distinguished Scholars

Senior Navid Sabbaghi was selected as the Mayor's Scholar at the May 23 "Celebration of Excellence." The award was based on academics, extracurricular activities, and most importantly community service.

Also honored were seniors Sarah Rosen, Christopher Culbertson, Kristin Konstanty, Andrew Bauer, Brian Chamness, Richard Chang, Susan Hall, Geneviève Morrill, Charles Kloote, Kevin Luecke, Matthew Pernic, Kevin Tjarksen, and Randall Wasmuth.

Correction

In the May 13 issue of the Colonial, Tim Donlon's name was misspelled. We sincerely apologize for the error.

The Colonial would like to wish the entire student body a warm and fun summer vacation!



New Publications Editors

The new editors for the 1994-1995 Publications staffs were announced at the Publications Banquet on Monday, May 2 at the Marriott Hotel. The Editor-in-Chief for the annual Minuteman yearbook (from right) is junior Puja Gupta; for bi-weekly Colonial Newspaper, junior Angela Bole; and for the weekly What's Happingin' bulletin, junior Maria Cordischi.

Editors are already making plans for summer workshops and next year's publications. Congratulations to the new edi-

Best of the Class



Christopher Culbertson was named Class of 1994 Salutatorian. He has earned this honor from exhibiting superb scholarship and dedication. Congratulations to both!

Senior Sabbaghi has been named Valedictorian of the Class of 1994. Throughout his four years, he has displayed excellent scholarship and dedication to his studies.



Mr. McGovern to retire and travel the islands

STAFF WRITER

Mr. Robert McGovern, severe disabilities teacher, is retiring after 37 years of teaching.

Mr. McGovern he is one of many teachers at Clay who work with the handicapped students in the job corps class. He began teaching in 1957 at Maximum Security Westville in Westville, IN. A few years later he taught at Logan School during the day and the Northern Indiana Children's Hospital in the evenings. In 1960 he came to South Bend where he has taught at several schools such as Cline, Stull Memorial, O'Brien, Nuner, and St. Mary's. Mr. McGovern has also taught

methods courses for incoming teachers at IUSB. Mr. McGovern came to Clay in 1986 and has been teaching the job corps class



Mr. McGovern takes a break from planning his travels for a warm smile.

Mr. McGovern loves watching the wonderful achievements made by each of his students. "I enjoy seeing the acceptance of my students within the Clay community," he said.

With plenty of free time on his hands, he'll be able to enjoy one of his favorite activities; visiting islands with his wife and 5 children. He tries to hit 5 to 10 islands a year, and he hopes to visit them all. Since his children are all grown, he may travel with his 6 grandsons instead.

Ms. Debbie Foy, special Education Department Head, stated, "His students and fellow co-workers will truly miss his dedication and expertise. We all wish him the best of luck and a long healthy life."

pinion



Expectations high for next year

The Colonial is a student newspaper written and designed by the students of Clay High School. With this being the case, the articles contained in the newspaper are meant to reflect the ideas and views of the entire student body. At least, that has been our goal and it's my opinion that we haven't done half bad.

The Society of Professional Journalists agrees with me. Recently, they awarded The Colonial second place in the Michiana Professional Chapter High School Journalism Contest. They called The Colonial "the most improved newspaper in the entire field" and said that "nowhere does the mix of design and writing blend best but in its feature pages." Quite a compliment, I would say.

Of course, there is always room for improvement, and you can expect some changes in next year's newspaper.

But first there is something you must understand. If The Colonial is going to reflect the student body, then my staff and I will need input from the entire student body. If there is something going on at Clay that you do not agree with or that you believe warrants praise, tell us about it. Write to us and we will be happy to print your letter in the upcoming issue. If you've ever read the tiny fine print on the bottom of the Opinion page then you know that letters to the editor are "warmly welcomed and encouraged." There will be no change to this policy so feel free to tell us what's on your mind.

The next step toward improving The Colonial will be in a more serious consideration to the types of stories ran. I believe a good newspaper to be one that is able to print serious articles without drowning the reader in facts. In order to do this, it is important to cut back once in a while with a little humor. Hopefully, next year we will be able to accomplish this blend of informative and humorous articles. We'll be keeping our fingers crossed, anyway.

Of course, there are parts of The Colonial that will remain the same. For example, we will continue to bring you the latest in computer design. Many staff members will be attending a week long journalism camp at Ball State University this summer. While there, a focus will be placed on design and on new and interesting approaches to story ideas.

So, that's it. Remember, if you are involved with a club or a sport that you believe warrants attention, let us know. It is my hope that with your help we can make The Colonial a newspaper everyone can be proud of.

A senior reflects on memorable years

by Sharna Marcus STAFF WRITER

I am a senior with three days of school left. Knowing that I only have eighteen more hours of school is a great feeling.

Although I am excited about college I find myself reflecting upon the past four years. I keep thinking, "This is the last time I will hear Mrs. Olmann yell, 'Give me a C...', or Mrs. Highsmith's voice ringing through the halls saying, 'Where are you going?', or seeing Mr. Fretz standing outside his room offering a friendly hello."

The people who have affected me the most throughout high school are my teach-

Freshman year, Mr. Gerhold was my Algebra teacher. He mixed his lessons with humor. He taught a lesson and then we did homework. During that time if we had questions or problems, he helped us. He never made a student feel stupid or inadequate if they did not understand something.

Sophomore year I had Mr. Papai for United States History. He supplied tremendous energy with every lesson, even in front of a lethargic student audience. His tests were multiple choice, but he always included essays to determine our understand-

Mr. Papai related historical events to funny stories in his life. He kept the class lively by having students act out historical events. I remember being Jacqueline Onassis in the Kennedy assassination.

My most difficult class junior year was chemistry with Mrs. Short. To obtain C's I studied for hours every night. This would normally make a high school student resentful, but actually I was grateful. Chemistry taught me to think, not just memorize. I also knew that the long hours I spent studying were reciprocated by Mrs. Short. Drive by the school at 10:30 P.M. and you will probably find her blue Toyota Corolla in the parking lot. She puts many hours into maintaining the chemistry lab and preparing les-

Mr. Kasper's English class introduced seniors to twenty-five books. Besides reading, we wrote, and wrote, and wrote some more. Every paper was filled with red ink. Although his handwriting was illegible, Kasper always offered student conferences, and throughout the year students edited papers in class.

There are more than four great teachers at this school. The one aspect they have in common is their dedication to their students. Unfortunately, there are also bad teachers. Their common characteristics are selfishness and stubbornness. They put students down when they need assistance and cannot listen to conflicting opinions. Many poor teachers grade papers without explaining the grade.

I want to thank all of the good teachers at Clay. Although the student body may not always express their gratitude openly, we really appreciate all that you have done for

Is college right for you?

by Andrea Chapman **ADS MANAGER**

For most graduating seniors, college is the destination after high school. Some go to receive a quality education. Some go to socialize and meet people. And some go because their parents are giving them no choice. I am a mixture of all three.

To be honest, I don't understand why someone wouldn't want to go to college if given the opportunity. Some parents tell you that high school is the best time of your life. Mine tell me that college is and I believe them. In college, you are away from home for the first time. You have a new sense of freedom. You no longer have a curfew or have to live by your parents' rules. You also have your own place. You're free to keep it as messy or clean as you like.

In college, you meet new people from all over the world. Your life isn't confined to the people you knew in your high school anymore. New opportunities open up and

new friendships are made. More importantly, you can receive an excellent education. A college degree is now almost a necessity to get a good job. It's getting tougher out there everyday, and a college education makes you only the wiser.

However this may be, college, like everything else, has its down side. Money is a big factor for most students. You graduate from college with knowledge, experience, and a \$50,000 debt. The first two are great, but the third most can do without.

Some high school graduates feel they'd rather enter the work force right after graduation and earn some money. "I don't see a point in college when I can make money now," said one anonymous senior.

Then there are those in the middle who want to get a degree, but feel they aren't ready for college. "Some individuals are not ready to accept the challenges and responsibilities of college," said math teacher Mr. Jay Clark. "Time off can gain maturity, experience, and appreciation of a continuing

So whether you decide to go to college, wait a year, or join the work force, do what you feel is right for you and do it to the best of your ability.





by Matt Pernic **COPY EDITOR**

Another school year has come and gone, and with the waning of our academic obligation for a few months comes a sense of relief. What I mean is, "School's almost out! Let us eat, drink, and be merry!" I also mean, "School's almost out! . . . so what

For many this is not a difficult question. In fact, it is a rather absurd one. " now?' Why, relaxation, you dolt." Well, yes, ways within reach, asking them would but if relaxation is time to do nothing, it cease to be fun. metamorphasizes into time to think.

Bout what? Oh, about the usual cliched, over-thought-about things that run through the minds of many high school students, but most noticeably graduating seniors. "What will next year bring? What about the year after that? The next ten?" Granted, not everyone's thoughts are that

long-term, but you can't help but ask yourself these questions once in a while.

The only responses I can come up with to these questions are, "Not sure," "Don't know," and "Haven't got the faintest clue." But fear not. Anyone who claims to have the answers to these questions either keeps a crystal ball at home or is lying through their teeth. These are the questions that present themselves, in various forms, throughout our lives. If answers were al-

Despite any reasoning that too much questioning spoils the answer, the questioning continues. After all, we've all heard that 'It's not the destination that counts, but the voyage.' The answer is unimportant if the question is asked in disinterest; the day we stop asking is the day we die. Peace and love to you all.

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Golf team prepares for sectional

by Angela Bole **EDITOR-IN-CHIEF**

As the students of Clay wind down and begin counting the days until summer vacation, the members of the golf team are gearing up and preparing for the Sectional, Regional, and State champion-

Tonight begins the Sectional championship. This championship will decide if Clay is good enough to advance on to the Regional competition. Among those competing this evening are junior John Matthew, sophomore Greg Turner, freshman Courtney Gordon, freshman Charlie Turner, sophomore Jeremy Wilkinson, and freshman Katy Wilkinson. Expectations are high and it looks promising that Clay will move through the sectional. "Our consistency has kept us from doing as well as we should, but if our consistency is up during the tourna-

ment, I think we'll make it to state," said Jeremy Wilkinson.

Coach Ron Nagy agrees. "If we play as well as I know we can, we should finish at the top of the Sectional."

Clay enters the Sectional 5th in the NIC, following Penn High School (1st) and Riley High School (2nd). They will face these schools again this evening along with St. Joseph, Laporte, LaSalle, Washington, Mishawaka, and Michigan City Elston. "The competition is a lot better this year then in past years," said Coach Nagy. "Our main competition will come from Penn, who finished first in the conference, and St. Joe. I hope Clay will also be a strong competitor."

Many new talents have taken their place on the golf team this year. Three of the freshman, Katy Wilkinson, who is presently the only female playing for the team, Courtney Gordon, and Charlie Turner, have



Sophomore Jeremy Wilkinson practices for the sectional championship. The championship will be held tonight at Erskine golf course at 8:00 AM.

all begun their high school career playing for the varsity team. They have even been known to beat some of the juniors and seniors they have come up against. "This year has been an excellent experience for the team," said Gordon.

Next year also looks promising for the golf team. "Many of the younger players will have more experience and will be preforming better," said golfer Ryan Harding, junior. "Next year's season should probably be even better."

Coach Nagy also sees promise in next year's team and is looking to the middle school to bring more talented individuals to Clay. Couple a team that will be losing no one to graduation with new talents joining from the middle school, and you have a golf team that will be tough to beat.

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Men'strack team winds up an impressive season



by Lynn Keiper and Nicole Percifull STAFF WRITERS

The men's track team has had a very successful season so far. They posted a 3-3 regular season record.

One of the bright spots of the season was the breaking of our school record in the



Junior Brian Murdock prepares to pass the baton off to his teammate.

4 by 1 (4 runners run 100 meters each). The members of this record breaking team consisted of Willie Mackey, Carlis Phillips, Lavarr Luster, and Marques Ivey.

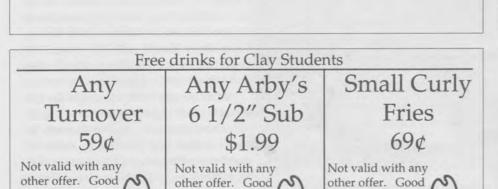
Most of the strengths on the team are in the running events. Willie Mackey placed first in the 100 with Carlis Phillips right behind him with a second place finish. Mackey also pulled through with a 200 victory. These two events helped to bring the NIC title home.

"Our goal was to show everybody that Clay was about something," said junior Billy Liggett. "We never got the recognition that other schools received."

This goal was to be met at the city meet. Unfortunately this meet was called off on the count of rain.

The Sectional proved to many that Clay could hold their own. Wins were captured in the 100 and 200 by Mackey. Marques Ivey was victorious in the 300 low hurdles and Carlis Phillips in the long jump. The 4 by 4 (4 runners run 400 meters each) consisted of Cedric Burton, Billy Liggett, Lavarr Luster, and Corlan Phillips. These individuals advanced to the Regional where they will be strong contenders.



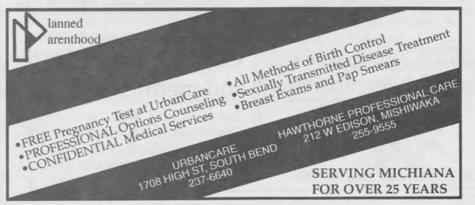


ball team.

thru June 1994

and is a captain for the varsity base-

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Senior

Student gives The Crow 4 out of 4 bird feeders

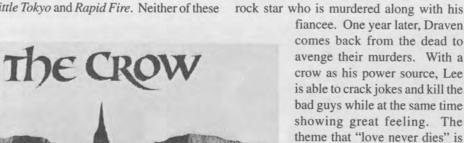
by Alex Bantz STAFF WRITER

Brandon Lee died while filming The Crow. The final product shows that he did not die in vain. It's one of the best films I've seen in awhile. Of course, there were some faults, the beginning was choppy and I wasn't sure what to expect, but the rest of the movie more than made up for it. The dark setting only adding to the effect.

Lee was killed by a gun that was supposed to contain blanks. A dummy tip had become lodged in the gun from an earlier scene and it was this dummy tip that killed him. Although Lee's death was a tragedy, it did not stop the production of the film. The majority of the movie had already been filmed and there was no prob-

lem using a stunt double for the left over

Lee's first attempt in the movies were far from spectacular. He made two movies in Hong Kong and two in the U.S. The off, making The Crow a great movie. one's released in the U.S. are Showdown in Little Tokyo and Rapid Fire. Neither of these



fiancee. One year later, Draven comes back from the dead to avenge their murders. With a crow as his power source, Lee is able to crack jokes and kill the bad guys while at the same time showing great feeling. The theme that "love never dies" is stressed continuously throughout the movie, emphasized in the end with the saying, "Buildings burn, people die, but true love is forever."

In the movie, Lee plays Eric Draven, a

Every great movie needs a great soundtrack, and this is no exception. The Cure, Stone Temple Pilots, Nine Inch Nails, Rage Against the Machine, and many others, contribute their talents to a killer soundtrack that pulls you right into the movie.

So dish out the bucks and go see the movie. I guarantee that you'll get your money's worth. I give both the movie and the soundtrack a 4 out of 4 bird feeders.

Downey's ducks mysteriously come and go



Assistant Principal Mr. Michael Downey has been anonymously receiving rubber ducks daily in his office. However, last Tuesday these ducks began to disappear. Anyone with any information concerning this series of events is encouraged to contact Mr. Downey for a possible reward.

Lollapalooza '94 preview

by Alex Bantz STAFF WRITER

Lollapalooza is once again around the corner, and about to begin its fourth year. The past years have included great bands such as Pearl Jam, Nine Inch Nails, Alice in Chains, Soundgarden and the Red Hot Chilipeppers. This year promises to be nothing different. The bands headlining this year's Lollapalooza are the Smashing Pumpkins, the Beastie Boys, the Breeders, and A Tribe Called Quest. Other groups playing the main stage are the Boredoms, Nick Cave and the Bad Seeds, George Clinton and L7. These varied artists should draw a large crowd. You have the stratospheric guitar layerings of Smashing Pumpkins, A Tribe Called Quest will bring a sense of hip hop to the festival, while the pure funk of George Clinton will have fans on their

There will be three stages at Lollapalooza. There's a mainstage, a second stage for lesser known bands, and an acoustic stage which will feature Porno for Pyros. Bands playing on the second stage include: Verve, Stereolab, Boo Radleys, Luscious Jackson, and The Flaming Lips. There will be the usual merchandise and political awareness tables set up. Along with that, there are stands offering different varieties of ethnic foods ranging from Greek to Mexican. They want to have more environmental themes this year, and have local charities there to give something back to the

This year's Lollapalooza has received a positive response. This is because cofounder and Porno for Pyro's lead singer, Perry Farrell, has returned to set it up. He dropped out last year because so many people were telling him what to do. It was his creation and they were trying to take over the controls. In an interview with Rolling Stone, Perry Farrell said, "It's your **** project and all of a sudden you're hearing secondhand what's gonna be going on."

Some people believe this to be the reason last year's Lollapalooza wasn't up to par. Farrell has come back with many innovative ideas and promises to make this year better. He has also brought the original planners back with him. Also, different from last year, the headliners got to pick the bands they'd like to play with. This year's Lollapalooza promises to exceed all expectations.

A look at summer concerts

fared well at the box offices. Lee saw The

Crow as his chance for recognition. He lob-

bied hard for the role, even losing 20 pounds

to fit the character. All this hard work paid

by Esa Ehmen

FEATURE EDITOR

As temperatures and boredom begin to rise, students search for summer entertainment. The Colonial has complied a list of upcoming summer concerts that may cure the warm weather blues.

Chicago Events

World Music Theater

Scorpions Pantera

Yes Metallica

Meatloaf Lollapalooza

Poplar Creek

Steve Miller Reggae Sunsplash Janet Jackson

Crosby, Stills and Nash Lynard Skynard

Bette Midler Reba McEntire

Aragon Ballroom Violent Femmes Soundgarden

Riviera

James Jody Watley

Cabaret Metro

KMFDM Pretenders Superchunk

Sheryl Crow

Avalon

Ace Frehley Crowbar

Supersuckers Missing Persons

Indiana Events

Deer Creek

Yanni Pantera REO Speedwagon

Scorpions Reba McEntire

Pierres (Ft. Wayne)

George Thorogood

REO Speedwagon

Michigan Events

Club Shows

KMFDM Blue Oyster Cult Dread Zepplin Cannibal Corpse 7 Year B*t*h Sugartooth

Whitney Houston ZZ Top

Pine Knob

Lenny Kravitz Soundgarden Metallica Meatloaf Peter Framton

Hoarde Festival Crosby, Stills and Nash Lollapalooza Traffic

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