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From Liberia to Louisiana

*Around the world and
ready to retire*

By Ben Baxter
Staff Writer

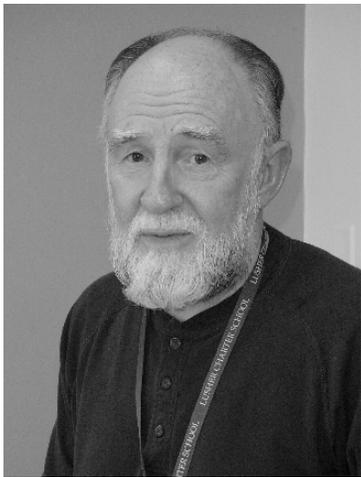


Photo by Robert Logan

Math Teacher Frank Peterson

Frank Peterson spends his hours during and after school teaching kids math, helping them with their homework, and making the occasional joke.

Peterson has plenty of experience with his trade, boasting 40 plus years of teaching in both public and private schools.

“I think education is the most valuable asset you can have,” said Peterson, who got his degree from Loyola University in New Orleans. “You can’t lose it, can’t steal it, and a hurricane can’t wash it away.”

Aside from teaching, Peterson makes time for hobbies like racquetball, for which he won a championship at Elmwood two

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Lusher Mourns Maddy Prevest

*Hundreds gather to
celebrate the life of a
Lusher family member*

By Michaela Compagno
Editor-in-Chief

Madeleine “Maddy” Adele Prevest passed away on January 6, 2008 around 2 p.m. at Children’s Hospital. She was born on May 7, 1991, and died at age 16. She was a junior here at Lusher Charter School, and was here since the high school was started in 2006. She was the daughter of Michael Prevest, a Newman social worker, and Mary Prevest, a social worker at Lusher Elementary School.

Prevest grew up in New Orleans and attended New Orleans Montessori School, Isidore Newman, St. Paul’s Episcopal School, Ursuline Academy and Hampton Roads Academy. She evacuated to Virginia after Katrina, where she attended Hampton Roads



Photo by Emily Shockey

Academy, but she was back in New Orleans for the new Lusher High.

Prevest loved animals, and often volunteered for the organization Animal Rescue of New Orleans (ARNO). She searched for her dog, Chelsea, after the storm.

One person Prevest touched particularly was Alex Root. He’s a Lusher sophomore, and he created a group on Facebook titled “RIP Maddy Prevest”. He also helped initiate the idea of wearing blue on Wednesday, Jan. 9, to show the significance of Prevest’s death to the entire school.

In the Lusher library, Prevest touched librarian Janet Bemiss’ life. Bemiss planted flowers in two of the library’s windowsill in memory of Prevest. She wants people to look at the picture she plans to put on the pot and remember how Prevest died, and learn from it.

Lusher has reacted to this loss by offering support for anyone grieving. Counselors from the New Orleans Children’s Bureau were in high school homerooms the first day the students returned from winter break. Lusher has made sure to make guidance counselors and the school’s social worker, Adrienne Petrosini, available to anyone.

In addition to being memorialized on a Facebook page, Lusher’s Web site memorialized Prevest. “The death of this beautiful, sensitive, beloved young woman is a tragic loss to us all,” wrote the site.

Prevest’s funeral was held on Jan. 10, and Lusher offered three buses for students to take to the service at St. Paul’s Episcopal Church. Those who didn’t attend school that morning to catch the



Photo by Robert Logan

Madeleine Prevest

bus, but still attended the service were excused from school. All of Prevest’s teachers attended the service, and a huge portion of the high school was there, too.

Prevest touched many lives in her 16 years, and she was loved. She was very appreciative of her friends, and they knew it.

In this inaugural profile issue, we focus on the people who make Lusher the unique community that it is. This also marks the last issue for Editor-in-Chief Ben Long, whose stewardship set an example for many years to come.

-The Editors



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A Man with a Plan and Tons of Spirit

"I bleed blue and gold."

By **Brittini Summers**
Staff Writer

Robert Logan, a junior at Lusher Charter High and a Lusher Lifer, sits in the fourth floor band room fidgeting with his watch and fiddling with his glasses. Pounding his foot ever so gently but consistently on the floor, he still has a twitchy cool about him as he jokes with his friend beside him by saying twice aloud, "this is my school."

Logan, a New Orleans native, came to Lusher in kindergarten and never left. "Other than the 110 days I spent in Houston, Texas, I've never lived anywhere else or gone to any other school," he said.

He can still remember sneaking around the school building with his old best friend Raphael, and the elementary days when he would have to stay after school and wait for his mom to pick him up.

"He and I would wander the hallways going into classrooms and eventually we came to know

everything there was to know about the building," Logan said with a wide smile of joy on his face. "That's when I really first started to like Lusher."

As the years went by, Logan started to enroll in clubs, and by the ninth grade he was a part of every club. He said that every single night he would come home late, usually between the hours of five and six p.m.

"I honestly would've slept here," he said. "If the school said you could sleep here, I would really, really have slept here."

In his junior year, Logan has joined a few clubs and has become the Student Council president. He's also in the Key Club and a photographer for the Lusher Post-Diluvian.

Logan has three obsessions: space, Lusher, and photography, his most passionate obsession.

"Initially I did photography just to see what it was like," he said. "My brother had done it for years and I honestly just wanted to understand why he enjoyed it so much, but quickly fell in love with it."

Photography is a passion, Logan said, but he doesn't want to go into it professionally.

As for what career he wants to pursue, Logan said, "I'd like to either major in social-psychology or aerospace engineering. The idea of being completely weightless fascinates me."

Outside of school and his education altogether, camping is a huge part of his life as are his four best friends: Michaela, another junior at Lusher, Dwayne, Patrick and Michael.

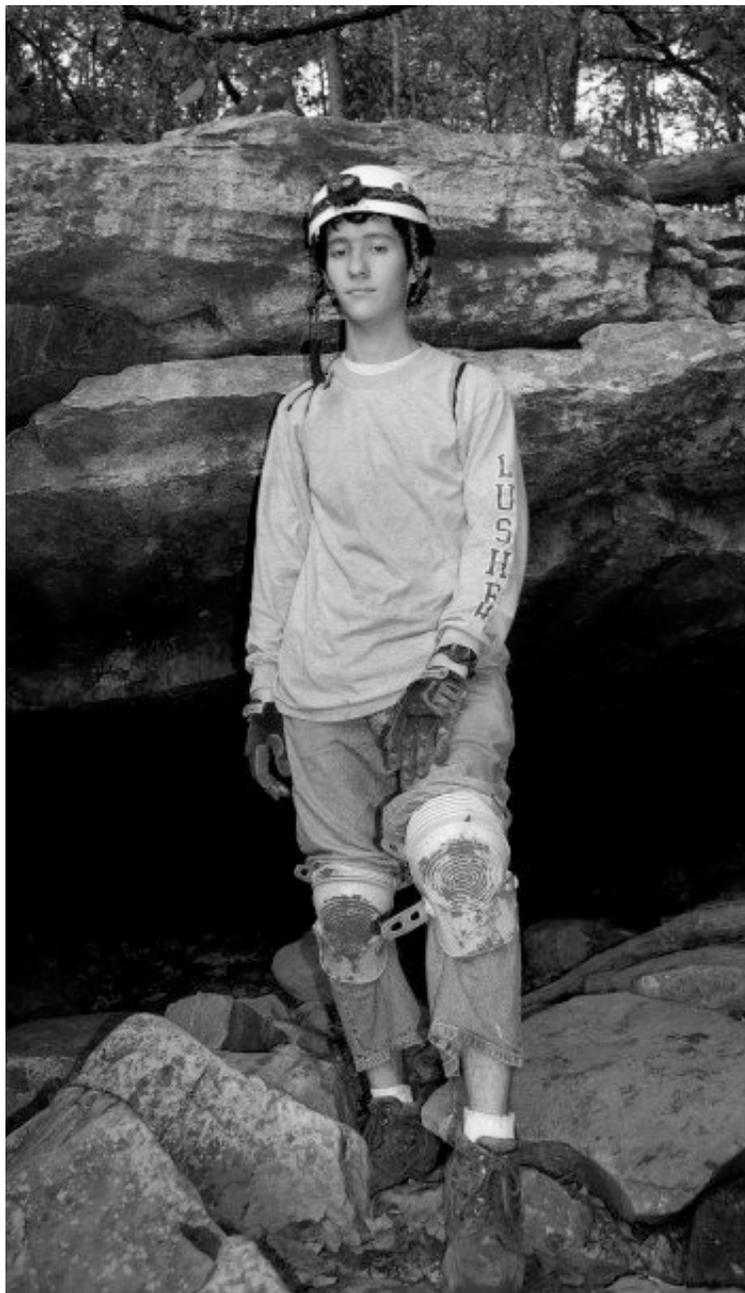
"I'm part of a city-wide group of high school student councils known as the Youth Acting for Tomorrow," he said. "I'm also an Eagle Scout, an active member in my Boy Scout troop and vice president of my Venture Crew, a co-ed program for boys and girls 14 to 20 years of age."

Since the beginning of this school year, Logan has been camping at least six times, and this year, he



Logan's Eagle Court of Honor

Contributed by Robert Logan



Robert Logan on Winter Trip with Crew 48

Photo By Mark Donoher

and his Venture Crew are planning a camping trip in Mississippi over winter break, a caving trip to Georgia over spring break and a two-week long canoe trip to Minnesota/Canada this July.

"He's definitely never bored," said Jenny Cromer, Logan's mother. "He's always been busy and has always had stuff to do."

Cromer loves that her son is involved in more than one organization, even though he's extremely stubborn, she said.

"[Me and the family] have always said that Robert doesn't just march to a different drummer, but it's probably a bird whistle or saxophone," Cromer said jokingly.

Logan is Catholic, and one can find him serving as an altar boy or lecturing in the Mater Dolorosa Church every Sunday, although he enjoys being a lector more because of his love of reading, even though it can make him nervous.

"I like it," he said. "I like that nervous feeling."

Nonetheless, his friends, his photos, and of course, his school are the most important things in his life.

"I have spent so much time at this school and it has become such a big part of me," he said. "I truly can't even begin to imagine who I might be had it not been for Lusher."

New Theatre Student Takes Lead in Recent Production

Junior Wesley Kohler-Bergene breaks character to talk about herself

**By Lydia Nichols
Staff Writer**

From her childhood dream of becoming the President of the United States to her participation in the Level Three Certificate of Artistry Theater program, junior Wesley Kohler-Bergene cannot be described as anything less than ambitious.

Most recognized by students for her part as Viola/Cesario in Lusher's rendition of "Twelfth Night," Kohler-Bergene has been interested in theater since middle school.

"Ever since I was young, I was fascinated with people's mannerisms, how they spoke, accents especially," said Kohler-Bergene. "I used to pretend to be older and get into these characters, and then in middle school I decided to just take an acting class and [act] for real."

Even back home in Eugene, Oregon, Kohler-Bergene was into theater. She spoke of the theater

department at her old school as being her second home.

"Everyone was really close in the theater department," she said. "It was a big part of my life, so it's really hard to compare. But I think it has the potential to become a fantastic theater department."

Unexpectedly, though, Kohler-Bergene does not see herself as becoming an actress in the future. She said she wants to major in history at Sarah Lawrence College in New York and later follow in her parents' footsteps by becoming a teacher.

When Kohler-Bergene initially

found out she would be moving to New Orleans, the first thing she did was get a Facebook profile.

"I had nothing to do with the Internet at all," she said, "I know that I'm forgetful and lazy. So, I got a Facebook and I talk to my friends pretty much every day."

Kohler-Bergene was not only able to keep in touch with her friends through Facebook, but she also found some of the people who would be her new classmates at Lusher.

At first she felt lonely at Lusher. Now, she said, she feels more comfortable and has closer friends here.



Photo by May Mzayek

A Reluctant Student Becomes a Teacher

Nitzkin didn't like school, but loved learning

**By James Anderson
Staff Writer**

While students listen to their teacher at the front of the class explain how the subject relates to real life situations, they imagine that they were drawn to teaching because they love school.

This is not the case for Aaron Nitzkin, an English teacher at Lusher High School, because even though he was an intelligent student, he didn't like school.

"I was always bored in school," Nitzkin said. "I was teaching myself much more on my own time than my teachers were trying to teach me."

Nitzkin was bored in school because he felt that he could move at a much faster pace than the speed that his school was going. He felt that he could learn a lot more than what his teachers were teaching him.

"I felt like I could have taught myself everything we'd learn in a typical high school semester in a couple of days," he said.



Photo by Robert Logan

English Teacher Aaron Nitzkin

Nitzkin's views on school may seem strange in the eyes of some students, but he is very intelligent when it comes to things that he

wants to learn about.

As a candidate for a Ph.D. in Interdisciplinary Linguistics, which is a combination of anthropology, psychology, and philosophy, he hopes that his dissertation will be published into a book.

Nitzkin became interested in linguistics from his "biggest inspiration," J.R.R. Tolkien, whose example eventually convinced him to begin studying language.

"When I was eight years old I read the *Lord of the Rings* and I found out that he spoke 14 dead languages," Nitzkin said.

Speaking seven languages himself, he loves to sometimes speak some of these languages during his class time even when it barely relates to the subject.

Even though he didn't like school when he was in high school, he always had a "passion for learning." As a teacher, he explores new ideas along with his students and enjoys learning with them.

The student who didn't like school has now progressed further in his education than most people by being a candidate for a Ph.D. Nitzkin obviously is a passionate teacher and student who just needed the right example to thrive.

Upcoming Events

Feb. 4-6
Mardi Gras Holiday

Month of Feb.
10th Grade Meetings
with Mr. Prosser

Feb. 29- Mar. 6
3rd Quarter Exams

Mar. 7
No School

Mar. 10-14
Standardized Testing

Mar. 21-28
Spring Break

April 5
Crawfish Boil

April 12
Junior/Senior Prom

May 5-16
AP Exams

May 16-22
Final Exams

May 22
Last Day of School

Jerome White Keeps It Real



Math Teacher Jerome White

Photo by Robert Logan

A “mathside” genius stays positive

By Jade Cooley
Staff Writer

As a California native, Jerome White did not know what to expect when he decided to make a big change in his life by quitting his engineering job at Lockheed-Martin. In the summer of 2005, he moved from California to New Orleans. At the time, he thought he would be guaranteed a job teaching math, but that was the year the New Orleans Public School system went bankrupt.

White was not even sure he would find work. While staying

in his first apartment in the city, everything he had was stolen, and to top it all off, just three months after moving down to New Orleans, Hurricane Katrina hit.

White evacuated to Houston with a few friends he had made from his teaching class. Even though his previous (and much higher paying) job in California was still open, he decided to return to New Orleans and took a job at Bonabel High School.

He was then abruptly transferred to West Jefferson High School, and cut from West Jeff at the end of the school year. With help from Lusher Charter’s own Bonnie Greco, who was White’s mentor in his teacher’s certification

program, he got a job teaching at Lusher.

For a math teacher, White really gets involved in his classes, often drawing cartoons to go along with the lessons and even getting his students to come up with math-related poems.

He also gets involved in the school with things like last year’s “Gusher at Lusher,” which was a “feud” between he and English teacher Michael Depp. White even gave up his hair for a student to shave as part of a United Way fundraiser in an event entitled “The ‘Fro Must Go.”

“I do that stuff to keep my sanity,” White said. “I love math, but I could not just come in here and teach the subject and let that be it. As far as all the foolishness goes, I guess it just makes life fun and I don’t know if its immaturity or what, but I think that it lifts my spirit.”

“Mr. White seems like a very interesting person,” said Caroline Kain, a sophomore in White’s Algebra II class. “He mixes class up by showing us things he’s done in the past.”

However, White hasn’t always liked math as much as he does now. In fact, he once got a D in pre-Algebra, but once he found out he could actually do it, he realized he was pretty good at it. He credits his geometry teacher for getting him to be more receptive to the subject and to eventually start liking it.

Despite all that happened during his first year in New Orleans, White felt that his first year at Lusher was the most stressful year of his career, but he keeps a positive outlook on the future.

“Part of what causes that stress is that we’re an ambitious school, we have this vision of what we want to be,” White said. “I see a potential for it to be a great place to be.”

“He’s an amazing teacher,” said Alex Root, also a sophomore in White’s Algebra II class. “He can really explain math so that it makes sense.”

From Small Town to the Big Easy

Wanner can incorporate anything into learning

By Emma Harvey
Staff Writer

Amy Wanner has always loved biology and knew on some level that she wanted to teach and spread the knowledge of the subject.

She lived in Wisconsin originally with her mother and father, “Pete” Wanner and Tom Wanner, and her two sisters. She spent the past five years at Earlham College in Richmond, Indiana.

Last year, she was in a teaching program and when it came

time to decide where to go, she had friends who had lived in New Orleans before and it just seemed like a good place to her.

“I had been following a lot of the news about rebuilding,” Wanner said. “It seemed like the schools were one of the few things they were trying to get back on board, so I thought it would just be interesting to be down here to see what it was really like.”

She also said that she thought it would be something different from the small towns where she lived in Wisconsin and Indiana.

She came to Lusher through an ad on the Internet. “I looked at the school’s Web site and I was like,

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Science Teacher Amy Wanner

Photo by Robert Logan

Whelan: Town and Country

Chemistry teacher mixes city and rural living

By Gage Louis
Staff Writer



Photo by Michaela Compagno

Although it has been 52 years since James Whelan, Ph.D., became a boy scout, those scouting hobbies and values still remain with him today.

Whelan bird-watches, fishes and bicycles in his free time as hobbies. "Fishing is my first hobby. I began fishing when I went deep sea fishing with my father when I was ten," Whelan said. "I began [bird-watching] in high school when I was working on a nature badge as a Boy Scout."

This gave him an interest in nature and the world around him.

Whelan said that the reason he chose biology as his major in college is because ever since he was working on his nature badge in Boy Scouts, he got interested in nature. And "science is the study of nature," he said.

Whelan's scouting values and Key Club aspirations brought him back to New Orleans after Katrina as he joined the Bring New

Orleans Back Committee.

While, working for the committee, Whelan met Kathy Riedlinger, CEO of Lusher, who offered him a job after he told her of his experience and qualifications.

"There are too many reasons why I hired him. He has a tremendous education background and experience in high school teaching," Riedlinger said. "He has a lot of in-depth knowledge of the science curriculum."

Overall, she thinks he's a great staff member since "he is patient while we build our resources and he is resourceful in other areas."

After coming to Lusher, Whelan loved the student's school spirit. He said, "They're really cooperative and there is much more spirit than at other schools I've attended."

But he feels that "things would work better if the day was 30 hours long."

Since New Orleans is still in disarray because of Katrina's aftermath, Whelan bought a home in Lacombe so he can get away during the weekend from the city and enjoy the peacefulness of the country.

"It's quiet, peaceful, and very pretty; I like the fact that it's isolated," Whelan said. "I wake up to the sound of birds."

While staying in Lacombe on weekends, Whelan bird-watches and fishes because, as he said, "it's right outside my door." And this veteran Boy Scout makes this his camping retreat every weekend when he escapes the city life.



Science Teacher James Whelan

Photo by Robert Logan

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years in a row. He also has interests in photography, as well as journalism, in which he double-majored in along with mathematics.

"I love the dynamic of the teaching and learning process," Peterson said. Although he plans to retire at the end of this year, "my goal in life is to help the students reach their goals in life."

Peterson also spent two years in the Peace Corps. Sometime in the 1960s, he traveled to West Africa

to teach math to people in Liberia. He started his long teaching career in 1965, and said he is now ready to retire.

Although his retirement marks a true loss to the Lusher family, Peterson has had a great time teaching at the school. He has raised standards by asking for better books and pushing the students for excellence in general. He will certainly be missed, but he will always be remembered as one of Lusher's finest.

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that is where I want to teach," she said.

Wanner also interviewed with Teach NOLA and other programs, but Lusher was her first choice.

She said that she likes teaching all of her classes. "You know, every class is totally different because of the personalities and the size of the class and interests," she said, "I really do like it."

Wanner has a lot of interests, and said that if she had to pick another

subject to teach it would probably be dance. She has never been a serious dancer. "And that is another reason I like this school," she said. "They are trying to make connections between different classes, which is really good."

She also took a semester abroad in Mexico. She said that the experience was amazing "We talked a lot about the agriculture down there, which is what I may try to bring into this class a little bit especially with the next unit."

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Boudreau Finds "Equipoise"

A teacher's love of art helps her do her job

**By Ryan Gilbert
Staff Writer**



Photos by Robert Logan
Art Teacher Anne Boudreau

In art teacher Anne Boudreau's exhibit "Equipoise," one can see suspended figures that seem like vegetables gone wrong. One is tempted to touch them, but one unfortunate touch can ruin the

whole piece permanently.

Boudreau has been working at Lusher since the summer of 2006. She said being a Lusher teacher has its perks. "I like the diversity of the student body, and I love being able to guide students on a path to continue their careers in art," Boudreau said.

Boudreau has been creating art since she was a child. She remembers her first piece was a picture of a fictional character, Ella the Whale.

Boudreau's first exhibition was an installation in 1994. Since then she has been featured in 39 other exhibitions.

Boudreau has been at Lusher since 2006, and she also participates in the Summer Arts Intensive.

Boudreau has taught at virtually every level of education. "I have experience teaching at the university levels, working as an art administrator, experience with graphic design and photography, and working as a professional artist, which helps me teach better," Boudreau said.

Boudreau is now the chair of the visual arts department.

Her visual arts colleague Jenni-



fer Odem observed, "[Boudreau] is a five-star artist."

Colleague David DuBose, who has known Boudreau for 14 years, said his favorite exhibition is "Equipoise," which is a collection of suspended wire/fabric sculptures. "Equipoise" was featured at the Contemporary Arts Center.

Boudreau has created hundreds and hundreds of artworks, most of which are sculptures. Sculptures are Boudreau's favorite art form because "I like the idea of creating space within space," she said.

Boudreau's sculptures greatly reflect her personality, which is both lively and colorful.

As a professional artist, Boudreau gets to travel all over the world. Boudreau has been to Ireland, Italy, Fiji, Portugal and many other places.

Boudreau believes her art is helpful in many ways. She said it helps her relieve stress and helps her express her lively and colorful personality.

With already 200 plus works under her belt, Boudreau said, "I plan to continue to create art until I die."



Cartoon by Gina Wilson

Creative Writing Teacher's Journey to Lusher a Lengthy One

The long and winding road for Eric Flynt

**By Dalton Bender
Staff Writer**

A young man in a comfortable pair of pants and a loose-fitting brown shirt at the head of a table of students, first year creative writing teacher Eric Flynt gives off a laidback, casual, easygoing vibe.

But according to Brad Richard, head of the creative writing de-

partment, "he's a lot tougher than he seems."

However even-tempered Flynt may appear to those around him, his inner passion for creative writing has taken him a long way from the quiet days of his high school years spent in Picayune, Louisiana. Since that time, Flynt has lived in no less than eight cities, including San Diego and Saint Louis, receiving two college degrees before he was drawn to Lusher.

"I always loved writing," Flynt said, "but I didn't think I

could make a living out of it."

Flynt studied at the University of Southern Mississippi, eventually receiving a degree in computer science. Even then, however, he could not ignore his true passion.

"I remember sitting [in the classes] writing some poem, and after finishing that class, I would be way more interested in the poem I was writing than in the lecture I had heard," Flynt said.

After four years of draining work as a computer programmer, Flynt

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returned to school and earned his college degree in creative writing. It was at this time that Lusher Charter School caught his attention.

"I ultimately decided to go with Lusher after I sat in on a couple classes," Flynt said. "I've been

really impressed from the start."

Even in his first year at the school, student reaction to Flynt's laidback teaching has been unanimously positive.

"I like that he's young," Samantha Smith, a junior, said of her new creative writing teacher. "I think he can relate to us more."



Photo by Robert Logan

Creative Writing Teacher Eric Flynt on the Volleyball Court

Manning Up

Dedication creates a leader in the Lusher community

By Brittney Yandle and Jalisa Roberts Staff Writers

He is the athlete who never misses a football game and can't even smile when his team loses. He has a long day of basketball practice and still goes to a sweet sixteen afterwards, for the sole reason of having made a promise to the birthday girl. He counts hundreds of coins at the end of a United Way fundraiser. This is the essence of Jeremy Mano.

Classmate Sophia Cinel would title him "Most Likely to be President." One thing that rings true is Mano's dedication to his school, his family and his friends.

Having attended the school for both elementary, middle and part of his high school career, Mano is active in the school community.

Mano has established himself at Lusher in many ways. He is

one of the two African-American males in his senior class, and he became Lusher's first homecoming king.

He helped start the Big Brother/Big Sister program at Lusher, where seniors help freshmen get better acquainted with the high school. It was a different experience for Mano.

"I had never been a part of it," he said.

He plays multiple positions on the football team, and his family can be seen cheering him on the sidelines at every game. Mano is also a member of the basketball team. His goal as an athlete is "to just help establish Lusher as a school with good athletics."

"I don't think he's ever missed a practice," said friend Renee Augustus. "If this school had jocks, he'd definitely be one of them."

His passion for athletics and a love of God has inspired him to pursue a new goal: The Fellowship of Christian Athletes. He was introduced to the idea of starting



Photo by Robert Logan

an FCA by one of the football coaches. The club is currently in the process of "basic training" for more advanced Christians," Mano said.

"I don't think it's hard because I know there are a lot of Christians at Lusher," Mano said.

"[Jeremy's] different," Augustus said. "He's a leader. He's trustworthy. He's always there to listen to my story."

New Coach, New Team, New Season

"These girls have a lot of heart."

By Sophia Cinel Staff Writer

In their first year playing as a team together, the girls of Lusher's Lady Lions basketball team are working to bond as players while breaking out into the high school basketball league.

Tanya Johnson, the former girls' coach, is more concerned on strengthening teamwork skills than winning tournaments. "These are not district games; this is just junior varsity," said Johnson. "In two years we will start playing district games and we will be very competitive."

The team cannot play in district or state games and tournaments

this year, as they are only a junior varsity team, so the team is just playing a few games against local high schools, such as Sacred Heart, Grand Isle, Priestly Charter, Karr and Higgins.

"It's a young team," said Johnson of the group of 10 freshman and three sophomores. "So we are looking to build our first year playing together."

Sophomore Kylie McCarty said this season the team was working on "plays, defense drills, and offensive drills."

Johnson also recognized some young standout players including freshmen Aprille Baham and Carolyn Simon. Baham is a point guard for the team. And while she may be one of the smallest players on the team, "she has a great shot," said Johnson.

Baham thinks the team has

bonded well over a relatively short period of time. "Everybody knows everybody," Baham said. McCarty agreed, "The first practice was kind of weird, but after that it was fine. We're good."

The team practices nearly every day after school, and Johnson said they are very dedicated. "These girls have a lot of heart. They are catching on fast and are very committed."

Of the 10 games scheduled for the Lady Lion's season, seven will be held in Lusher's new gymnasium so students can easily watch the team's games.

For Johnson, though the team's main goal will be to get a taste for competition while preparing for future seasons. "In a few years," said Johnson, "we should be one of the greatest teams in the New Orleans area."

SPORTS

Kickin' It With The Boys And Girls Soccer Teams

Soccer teams stay positive throughout season

By Caroline Kain
Staff Writer

It was all arms and legs on the field at the first boys' soccer game, with coach Dan Perez shouting directions to the determined team working hard to score against Northlake Christian.

Marcus Pierre, a junior, did just that. He scored the first and only goal for Lusher in the Nov. 13 game.

Northlake Christian won 2 to 1, but Pierre didn't think the score "represented how either team played."

"Simply put," Pierre said, "Northlake Christian is not two goals better than we are."

Pierre is confident that the boys' soccer team "has loads of potential." Apparently, he is not the only one who thinks



Claire Wilkinson

Photo by Vanessa Hernandez



Matt Czerniak

Contributed by Matt Czerniak

Sports Schedule

Boys' Basketball

Feb. 7 JV v. Rabouin
6 PM @ Lusher
Atlantic Gym

Feb. 9 Freshman v.
Riverside Academy
10 AM @ Lusher
Atlantic Gym

Feb. 11 JV v. Riverside
11 AM @ Lusher
Atlantic Gym

Feb. 12 Freshman
v. MCD 35 @ 5 PM
@ MCD 35

Feb. 12 JV v. MCD 35
@ 6 PM @ MCD 35

Girls' Softball

Feb. 26 Varsity v.
McGhee 4:30 PM @
2 Carrollton Complex

Feb. 28 Varsity v.
Helen Cox 4:30 PM
@ Oakdale Plg.

Mar. 4 Varsity v. Karr
4 PM @ Karr

Mar. 6 Varsity v.
St. Mary's 4 PM
@ St. Mary's

so. Perez said, "the hopes are high and expectations realistic."

The girl's soccer team's attitude is not very different from that of the boys.

Jamie Lovitt, the girls' soccer coach, said, "there are some very skilled players. It's going to be an exciting season."

The girls team started the season out with three scrimmages, then lost against Mandeville and played against Ursuline and De La Salle in a jamboree (mini-tournament). They lost against Ursuline, but won against De La Salle.

"We're working on building a strong program here at Lusher," Lovitt said. "Matches so early on in the season were bound to come with some real challenges, but jumping into competitions early on will make us a better team."

Both of the teams held tryouts in the beginning of November. The turnout was strong for both.