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*Mrs. Katie Hess, her daughter Claudia Hess and Broc Tanner dance together at Prom Saturday, April 5. (Photo by Sarah Maine)*

## With the current budget crisis, what are other ways that SES can save money?



*"Distribute the money differently. Don't put so much money in certain areas."*

*-Ashley Petijean, freshman*



*"Not spend money on TVs that just display the lunch menu."*

*-Jason Korbek, senior*



*"Turn down the AC!"*

*-Shawna Baldwin, junior*



*"They could quit using so much paper for tests and homework. Put a limit on paper use for teachers."*

*-Troy Terry, junior*

*In the last edition of the Trojournal, a headline identified Jessica Yum as North Korean. She is from South Korea.*

## SES feels the crunch

*By Tammi Verhoeff*

SES...A Step Ahead.

With the current school budget crisis in Kansas, many schools have been desperately scraping their pockets for any loose change. Some schools have even considered going to four day weeks.

Southeast, though also grueling with a budget crunch, has been a step ahead of other districts due to wise decisions over a span of more than 20 years. From the start, Southeast consolidated to one school for elementary, junior high and high school. This allowed the district to save money by having just one school nurse, by assigning some teachers to teach both in the junior and senior high, and by having two principals instead of three. Most schools would have an elementary, junior high and a high school principal, but SES has one principal for grades 7 – 12.

Not only that, but since we are all in one building, which is relatively energy efficient, we only pay one heating and cooling bill and our transportation costs are lower than some other districts' because of our busing system (less drivers, less buses, less gas, etc.)

Still, Southeast has begun to feel the weight of the crunch and are now trying to think of ways to help soften the blow of a budget that remains at the previous year's

levels as operating costs are increasing.

One that SES has already started doing is reducing faculty through attrition. When a teacher retires, we have chosen not to fill that position if it's not essential. This is a smart move. Doing it this way, we are preventing the elimination of teachers.

In addition, we often have other teachers with planning periods sub instead of hiring a sub. That saves the school money when a sub is needed only for a part of a day.

Southeast has also begun to cut back on donations given to clubs and organizations. The board deserves a pat on the back for this one. Car washes, bake sales, garage sales, company sales, and collecting pennies are designed for extracurricular fundraisers.

But there are a few additional ways that we can stop the flow of cash going out.

First off, activities and organizations need to make budget cuts of their own. They need to look at their itinerary and consider reducing the number of competitions in which they participate.

Second, we need to stop buying textbooks and uniforms. How often do classes get to the end of the textbook? They don't.

Uniforms are another issue. Old uniforms should be replaced when they are worn out, not when the styles change.

To save on mailing and paper costs we (See "Southeast..." on page 3.)



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# Who needs dates? Exchange students take a chance, savor “A Moment In Time” at prom

By Natlilya Chornak and Jessica Yum

Though we foreign exchange students were a little bit worried about whether we would have good time at prom on April 5, we took the chance.

We had fun, but we also got one more opportunity to notice differences between our countries and America. We have listed some questions people asked us before, during and after prom.

1. Do you have prom in your country?

Nataliya: Yes, we do. But we have prom only once, after our senior year. We can't invite a junior to go with us; only seniors can go. And we never have prom before the end of school; first we finish school and then we celebrate.

Jessica: No, we don't have any kind of school dances. I've heard about prom since we watch a lot of American movies and several American movies deal with this kind of big school event.

2. In your country, do you need to have a date to go to prom?

Nataliya: Who needs dates?! We don't have to have a date to go to prom, but even if we do have a date, we go out together with our friends. On the dance floor, we only dance slow dances with our dates and the rest of the dances we dance in the circles and nobody feels left out, like sometimes people do here. I think many teens here give up on their friends and all their free time they spend with their boyfriends and girlfriends.

Jessica: If we had proms in South Korea, we would be more likely to go in groups. But more importantly, adults, including teachers and parents, think high school years are for studying and making good friends but not years for dating and having parties. They say that you can do these things after you graduate high school and enter college. And I kind of agree on this if you are preparing for college and have a big goal in your life.

3. Did dressing up for prom differ from your country?

Nataliya: The only difference in dressing up is color. I don't think you can see somebody in Ukraine going to prom in hot pink dress. Our dresses have usually formal colors.



Jessica: As I said above, we have neither prom nor any kind of school dances. I don't think we ever get to dress up during high school if it's not for a holiday or a personal occasion such as New Year's Day or relative's wedding. But still, you don't show up in somebody else's wedding in a bright shiny red dress!

4. Was staying up until 4 a.m. uncommon to you?

Nataliya: Staying up is a common thing when you are from Europe. However, even though I am European, I don't stay up late during school time. Summer time is my time for staying up late and enjoying the vacations with my friends.

Jessica: No, it is not uncommon for us to stay up late, but it's for a different reason. In South Korea, we have four big exams during the year and they last at least four days per exam. They are really important so a lot of students stay up late during these days to study. I usually try not to stay up so late since I get tired during the exam and can't concentrate.

5. Did you have fun at After Prom?

Nataliya: I had so much fun at after prom. The best part about it was \$50 dollars at the end. I think it's a good idea to protect our students from drinking that way, but students that want to drink will drink even after 4 a.m. It's a pity we don't have after proms in Ukraine. We just have proms till 6 a.m. and after that we usually go to the river bank to meet the sunrise. All we do at proms is dancing and eating. We do have some games, but we play them for fun, not to get money.

Jessica: Yes, I agree with Nataliya about the idea of protecting students from drinking is great, but I also don't think that it will help kids from not drinking for the rest of the year. I believe it's all about your self-control and responsibility.

## ‘SES...A Step Ahead’ of the budget crisis

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could start e-mailing grades to parents who have e-mail. Most parents who have their own e-mail account would probably prefer it that way so they know for certain that they received the grades and could send out a reply if necessary.

While on the subject of paper, teachers need to consider whether some of their handouts are merely busy work and if they are, eliminate them. Printing costs money. We need to ask ourselves: Is this necessary? Have there been other papers just like this one? Can it be done another way? And finally, could this worksheet go on the back of a scratch paper or other worksheets?

The amount of food wasted is also a concern. Granted, some of this waste is due to asinine federal regulations that require students to take food they don't want, but some of the waste is caused

by greedy students. Students have been taught since they were little to take only what they can eat. They need to apply this concept at school as well as at home.

Fortunately, when it comes to budgetary matters, Southeast has been “a step ahead” for more than 20 years. However, in these austere times, we all need to work together to find even more ways to trim expenses.

Every little bit counts. If everyone saves a few pennies, those pennies will soon grow to dollars, and eventually those dollars will grow to thousands, and those thousands will mitigate the current budget crisis.

# What Michael Jackson era are you from?

By Shai Elliott and Tammi Verhoeff

Who's bad? We are! We have devised the perfect quiz to test which Michael Jackson era most describes you. Be honest! We were. Shai wears the glove, moonwalks and can't wait to meet Michael. Tammi, on the other hand, can't stand watching a 10-year-old little girl sing through a grown man's vocal chords and believes that "America is the only country in the world where a poor African American boy can grow up to be a beautiful, rich, white woman." Which are you?

1. What phrase do you use most often?
  - a. "ABC...123"
  - b. "Beat it!"
  - c. "OWWW!"
  - d. "Hellooo, Tree"
2. What clothes do you wear?
  - a. Bell bottoms and polyester
  - b. Red leather jacket
  - c. Black pants, white shirt and one glove
  - d. A veil
3. Your ideal skin color would be...
  - a. Purple?
  - b. Black
  - c. Black and White
  - d. Green....yessssss.....Green
4. Your ideal nose would be...
  - a. An elephant trunk
  - b. Big
  - c. Small
  - d. Non-existent
5. What is your dance style?
  - a. Disco
  - b. Moonwalk
  - c. Grab pelvic region and spin
  - d. I don't like to dance; I like to climb trees
6. What do you like to do in your spare time?
  - a. Watch "Puff the Magic Dragon"
  - b. Deny Billie Jean was my lover
  - c. Heal the world
  - d. Puff the Magic Dragon
7. What does your voice sound like?
  - a. A prepubescent 12 year old
  - b. Tenor
  - c. Helium induced voice
  - d. I'm Peter Pan

8. Who is your best friend?
  - a. My teddy bear
  - b. Black Panthers
  - c. Dirty Diana
  - d. All the little children
9. How do you feel about Lisa Marie Presley?
  - a. Eww! Girls have cooties!
  - b. She's hott!
  - c. Everybody said this wouldn't last.
  - d. I like trees.
10. Who do you dislike the most?
  - a. My Daddy
  - b. Whoever hurt Annie
  - c. Polluters and poachers
  - d. Martin Bashir (the reporter who spent eight months with me). He didn't climb the tree with me!

Time to tally!



*Mostly A's*

The Jackson Five. This was back in the days when disco and polyester were in style. Everything was in its "place."



*Mostly B's*

Thriller era. You're a pop star thriving for attention in the more conventional and practical ways.



*Mostly C's*

Black and White. The lyrics to this song help shape who you are or aren't. You want to heal the world with a giant Band-Aid.



*Mostly D's*

Hmmm. Well, what can we say. "I'm melting! I'm melting!" You're weird! And you look like a whiggged out alien.

# Senior Sparacino “just a fun lovin’ guy”

By Jessica Conway

Joe Sparacino recently won a \$20,000 Dane Hansen scholarship, but he doesn't really want to talk about it. He was an all-league defensive lineman, but he doesn't really want to talk about that either. He set a meet record in weightlifting at Shawnee Heights, but if you ask him about it, he'll remind you that several other SES students set meet records there, too. He played lead roles in the musical and school play, but ... you get the picture.

Sparacino is almost always in the lime-light, and he likes that “because he's doing what's fun,” but he's learned not to let that go to his head.

He said he hasn't always been that way.

“In junior high I was a big jerk. I've really grown up and gotten out of the jerk



stage. I'm more conscious of what I do now,” he said.

He said that he's changed a lot since then. He's more conscious of others' feelings and accomplishments and he's learned when to joke.

“I think my biggest change from junior high to senior high was learning when to be serious and when to joke.”

At least one other student would agree that he has learned when to be serious and when to joke. Senior Molly Carter recalls a serious conversation with Sparacino that she says has changed her outlook on life. Carter wrote about Sparacino in her writing assessment this year and how he helped her see good inside herself.

“When walking through the halls of my high school, I would wonder to myself what others were saying or thinking. Were they talking about me or someone else? I began to believe that I really was all the names that people called me. It went as far as putting me down almost every time I talked,” she wrote in the assessment.

Carter says that this opinion changed during her visit to the Capitol on the vocal trip.

“When we arrived at the Capitol to get our picture taken, they lined us up from tall-

est to shortest. Waiting for the group ahead of us to get done with their picture, we sat down on a nearby cement wall. While sitting there, Joe and I started talking about summer plans and other things going on in our lives. He asked me how much weight I had lost and the fact that a guy actually noticed I had lost weight made me feel good.”

Carter said that increased her self-confidence, too.

“Ever since the D.C. trip, I have more self-confidence and self-assurance.”

Carter said she believes that Sparacino brings out the best in people.

“If somebody is having a bad day, he's going to be there to help them and find out what's wrong,” she said. “He's just like that.”

Sparacino has not only chosen the right times to be serious like when helping out a friend but has also found himself calming friend and family in other situations.

“I think I'm good with calming people,” he said. “I think like when my sister was having her problems that my support helped her,” he said.

Through all of his involvements and accomplishments, Sparacino still views himself as just a nice, fun-loving guy.

“I want people to see me as a nice guy who won't be judgmental,” he said. “I'm just a fun fun-loving guy.”

## FCCLA wants to Stop the Violence

### Keynote Keith Davis to talk about dream-makers, dream-breakers

By Jessica Conway

Southeast of Saline FCCLA will be hosting football player Keith Davis during a Stop the Violence assembly May 7.

Davis is a State Leadership Showcase keynote speaker. He played professional football for the New York Giants and won two Rose Bowl rings. He is a member of



*Keith Davis will be speaking to grades 5-12 on May 7 at the FCCLA Stop the Violence assembly.*

the All-American Football Strength Team.

Besides his athletic accomplishments, Davis has achieved academic greatness. He graduated on the Dean's List with a degree in Finance at the University of Southern California. He has been featured on USA Today, Sports Illustrated, ABC, NBC, CBS and ESPN Sports.

While here, Davis will address character construction through being positive and having self-respect. He will also speak about his views.

“There are two kinds of people you can be associated with; dream-builders and dream-breakers...you decide what makes the difference.”

Also at the assembly will be a short

introductory show from FCCLA.

Davis will be presenting to grades 5-8 during the FCCLA introduction and then grades 9-12.

### Coming Soon!

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See any National FCCLA Meeting Delegate to order your donuts.

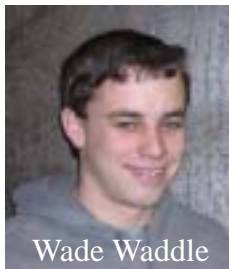


# People of Troy

Created by Jessica Yum



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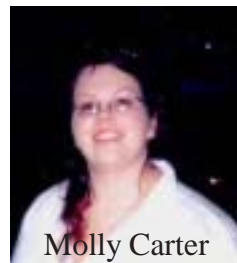
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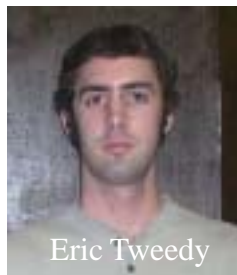
Kelsey Short



Jennifer Kempton



Molly Carter



Eric Tweedy



Jason Zeller

•Who performs his own oration on proving Christianity without using the Bible?

•Who is Aubrey K's big sister in Big Brothers and Big Sisters?

•Who was Mr. Williams' Trojan Choice Award student?

•Who has published two books of poetry and plays the guitar, mandolin, violin, viola, harmonica, dobro and bass guitar and most recently picked up painting?

•Who took Jameson Garnett to prom?

•What girl is a big KU fan and has read about Jeff Boshee's book Long Shot?

•Who has signed up to join the Air Force?

Who is the keynote speaker at graduation? •

Who is FCA sponsor? •

Who received first place in newspaper photography and third in yearbook sports writing at regional journalism contest? •

Who works at Food 4 Less? •

Who plays Lydia in the upcoming Dragon Double Feature? •

Who made state journalism in editorial writing? •

What freshman participates in madrigals? •



Kelsey Delker



Bob Goodwin



Sarah Maine



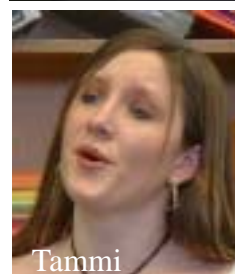
Rachael Moon



Alicia Pavkov



Katie Hess



Tammi

# Beloved secretary shares insight into the pain

By Nataliya Chornak

"I'm still frightened of the pain," said Mrs. Norma Bowman at the reminder about the heart attack that she experienced few months ago.

Bowman said that she still experiences occasional chest pains that plague her now, but she's glad doctors have corrected the 90 percent blockage in her arteries.

The doctors had to do the surgery which included angioplasty (pushing tiny balloons through her arteries and putting two stents (wire mesh tubes inserted inside the arteries to hold them open) inside the two arteries that didn't respond correctly to the angioplasty.

Because of this incident, Bowman's life changed a lot. Now she has to watch what she eats, how much weight she lifts, her work hours and far more than that.

She said that one of the main changes after the heart attack is how quickly she tires. When she gets tired, she simply has to stop



her work and go home, but she said that's not easy because she's still doing a demanding job.

"My work days have never been dull. I could write emails, talk to somebody and answer the phone at the same time and probably every ten minutes I could get interrupted by somebody else," she said.

But now after her heart attack, Bowman knows what the limit is and when to quit.

"I have been staying shorter days. Sometimes I just stop. It will be here tomorrow," she said.

When she feels like she needs a rest and forget about day routine she just goes downstairs to Mr. Williams' room.

"I go there to get away, just to relax," she said.

Besides changing her workday, she had to change her eating habits, too. Bowman reduced her meat intake and increased intake of fish, fruits and vegetables.

"I can't have cheese; it is probably the hardest thing I have to give up," she said.

To decrease a heart attack risk for others, Bowman advises eating healthier food.

"When I see somebody eating French fries in McDonald's, I usually think 'oh, don't eat those fries; they are so greasy,'" she said.

However, cheese and French fries

weren't the only thing she had to give up in her life. She can't have a lot of candy, coffee and a lot of fat food.

To increase the fitness of her heart, she also has to exercise more. She said she had always eaten pretty well and exercised some, but she eats right and exercises religiously now.

"I walk 25 minutes everyday on tread mill," she said.

Even curling her hair has become a challenge for Bowman.

"I can't pick up my arms because it makes my heart to beat faster," she said.

Besides having restrictions on having her hands above her head, Bowman said she also has restrictions on the total weight she can bear. She can lift no more than 10 pounds. Therefore, her husband Dennis helps with groceries.

"My husband (also) does the laundry and sweeps and vacuums the floor. He is pretty good about it," she said.

Because of Bowman's heart attack, she said her family has become closer.

"My husband was frightened; he talked a lot to our daughters on the phone, and we became closer to each other," she said. "My mom still baby-sits me."

Though it takes a year or more to recover from the heart attack, Bowman says she feels better already.

## New science teacher looks forward to new school year

By Jessica Conway

Just last year Southeast of Saline added five new teachers to their secondary staff, and they're soon to replace one of them. Mr. David King will be taking over for Mrs. Katie Hess who will be leaving at the end of this year to work in Abilene for an after-school program.

King will start teaching Biology, Advanced Biology and Chemistry in the fall.

King is coming from Fort Hays State University, and this will be his first year teaching. He spent the fall 2002 semester student teaching at Russell High School and said he is looking forward to coming to Southeast.

"Southeast of Saline is an excellent school doing great things," he said. "After visiting the school, I realized that SES has some of the best students and staff, and that makes it a top-rate school."

King decided that he wanted to go into teaching when he was in high school way before seeing Southeast.

"During high school, I had an excellent teacher/coach. In addition to teaching me math, he also gave me skills needed to be successful in life. Every day I hope to have this type of positive impact on my students," he said.

King didn't just choose to teach however, he chose science one of his true passions.

"My interests have always dealt with the natural world, especially life sciences," King said. "I believe it is very important for everyone to have some understanding and knowledge about the natural world they live in. I enjoy a broad range of areas in science, and I will have the opportunity to teach topics including ecology, human anatomy and physiology, chemistry, and even issues like genetic engineering."

Aside from teaching at Southeast, King also plans to get involved in the extracurricular activities at SES.

"Extra-curricular activities are an important part of the high school experience," he said. "I will be an assistant football coach for the Trojans this fall. Eventually, I would like to become involved with other extra-curricular activities."

Between teaching and extracurricular activities, King won't have a lot of spare time but when he does you'll probably find him outside.

"Most of my spare time is spent with my family (two sisters and parents), the gym, or the outdoors," he said. "I enjoy hunting,

fishing, and wildlife photography. Also, it is not unusual to find me at a variety of sporting events."

King has a lot of experience with extra-curricular's especially sports and says they give him a release for stress.

"Athletics were a large part of my life during high school, when I participated year-round," he said. "During college, I participated in intramurals, and I coached middle school football and basketball at Russell. Athletics have always provided me a way to relieve stress and have some fun."

Overall King is looking forward to the new school year.

"I enjoy the challenges of helping students learn new things. Helping a student learn a new concept is a great feeling," he said. "I look forward to the upcoming school year. My plan is to have a fun and successful year both in the classroom and extra-curricular activities. My classes will have the opportunity to perform many hands-on activities and labs. A few field trips are also a possibility."



Amber Earles and Ashley St. Clair display "Go Wild With FCCLA," their nationals-qualifying Chapter Showcase Display for STAR Events. (Photo courtesy of Mrs. Juanelle Garretson)

## FCCLA events qualify for nationals

By Nataliya Chornak

Eight FCCLA members are Philadelphia-bound. On March 31 and April 1, they earned the opportunity to compete at nationals after placing first in the Kansas State FCCLA State Leadership Showcase in Wichita.

The following students qualified for National Competition in Philadelphia this July: Jamie Wilcox, Chelsie Unruh, Ashley Unruh, Alyssa Pengra, Sarah Erdner and Kelsey Lynn qualified in Parliamentary Procedure and Ashley St. Clair and Amber Earles in Chapter Showcase Display.

"I expect them to perform in the top award category or to receive gold medals.

## Choir earns I rating at music contest

By Shai Elliott

The Southeast of Saline select choir received three I ratings at Ellsworth on Wednesday when the Vocal and Band classes participated in the large group contest on April 16.

The band received one rating of II and two ratings of III.

The Music Department also participated in the Regional Music Festival at Manhattan High School on April 5.

The events that qualified for State Contest held at Southeast on April 26 are: Men's Vocal Ensemble, Women's Vocal Ensemble, Freshmen mixed ensemble and the Madrigal Singers.

Our students are well qualified!" said FCCLA sponsor Mrs. Juanelle Garretson.

Taylor Garretson, Carissa Kruse, Allison Mitchell, Chelsey Mueller and Jakki Jirak won gold in the Junior Parliamentary Procedure contest.

Erica Stein and Shelly Hillyard got a silver medal for their "Set Sail for Success" Project on Peer Communication. Genell Heimer also received silver for her "Make Family Time Priority Time" talk.

Ashley Mueller, who graduated from Southeast last year and is currently a freshman at K-State, became a Carol Oberle Memorial FCCLA/FACS Scholarship winner.

State vocal soloists include Kelsey Lynn, Shai Elliott, Ben Ryan, Jakki Jirak, Rachael Flax, Amanda Ziegler, Manuel Frater, Jason Korbelik.

Breanna Kuhlman earned the opportunity to play a trombone instrumental solo.

To qualify for state, the ensembles and soloists must receive a rating of I (superior).

Others vocal groups and soloists that participated were freshman women's ensemble, instrumental brass ensemble, Emily Henry, Kelsey Delker, Genell Heimer, April Ptacek, Chris Weller, and Mark McClure.

Other instrumental soloists were Mark McClure, Casey Krager, Eva Spare and Amanda Repp.

## Southeast Shorts

## Students cash in on scholarships

By Jessica Conway

The results are in, and SES students are in the money.

Haylie Colby and Amanda Ziegler each won an Earl Bane scholarship, a four-year renewable scholarship for \$5,000.

Matt Lacy, Rusty Plymell, Stephanie Tinkler and Kendra Clark each joined in, earning a Dane Hansen Vocational scholarship for \$1,500 each.

Amanda Preston won the Oliver Hagg-Agriculture scholarship for \$1,000.

Alica Pavkov was the Elks regional winner. She was awarded \$700.

Unsung Heroes, chosen by faculty and staff, each won \$50. The recipients were senior Haylie Colby, junior Jamie Brown and sophomore Jeremy Plymell.

Also competing for the money, Amanda Ziegler and Kyle Hartman are finalists in the National Philips-Lighting Scholarship. For students to qualify, their parents have to work at Philips Lighting. The finalists are eligible for anywhere from \$1,500 to a renewable four year \$2,000 scholarship.

High school counselor Mrs. Judy White said that she is excited for the students.

"I'm excited for these well-deserving students that work so hard for these honors," she said.

## Cox, Hawkes get slated

By Jessica Yum

Coy Cox and Kyle Hawkes went to Concordia March 3 to participate in the FFA officer selection day. They both took part in interviews before five judges.

Both Cox and Hawkes did well by being slated. To be slated means that they made it to the top ten and from the competition. Ten students get slated and six become District Officers.

The FFA members also went to Wilson for the FFA District Banquet to receive awards for being selected on April 7.

## Spare wins Virginia trip

By Nataliya Chornak

Freshman Eva Spare has earned an all expense paid trip to Blacksburg, VA, but second runner up Casey Isaacson is going to take the trip.

Spare and first runner up Dylan Helvey are unable to attend, so Isaacson will take over.


He'll take off on July 26 and attend the a conference where youth have an opportunity to meet and mingle with students from all over the United States while learning more about the cooperative form of business.

Though Spare is not going to Virginia, she will be recognized at the State FFA Convention in Manhattan in May. She won this award by achieving the highest score on the cooperative test in the North Central FFA District.

Attending with Isaacson will be five other members from across Kansas and the advisor from Ness City.

# NFL DRAFT 2003 April 26-27

By Mitcher Barnes

Pick	Team	Player	Comments
1.		QB Carson Palmer USC	The Bengals have the first pick again. You never know what the Bengals will do. Newman or Palmer are possibilities.
2.		WR Charles Rogers MSU	The Lions are pretty much set on Rogers. Rogers will be Mariucci's Terrell Owens.
3.		WR Andre Johnson Miami	The Texan's get a huge WR for QB David Carr to throw too. Offensive line is another option.
4.		DT Jimmy Kennedy PSU	The Bears address a glaring need at DT with Penn State's Kennedy. Another option is selecting Kentucky's DeWayne Robertson.
5.		DE Terrell Suggs ASU	The Cowboys have many needs. They Could go after Byron Leftwich or Terence Newman with this pick.
6.		QB Byron Leftwich Marshall	The Cardinals lost both QB Plummer and WR Boston to free agency. Leftwich will be a better pro than Palmer.
7.		DB Terence Newman KSU	The Vikings get an immediate shutdown defensive back in Newman. Newman could be the steal of the draft.
8.		DB Marcus Trufant WSU	The Jaguars could trade up for a QB or a WR. Trufant gives them more speed in the secondary.
9.		OT Jordan Gross Utah	The Panthers had the second worst rushing attack last season. Gross will open up holes for Davis or Foster to run through.
10.		DT Dewayne Robertson Kentucky	The Ravens select the "best player available." Roberston will be a force in the trenches.
11.		DT Kevin Williams OSU	The Seahawks have many defensive needs. DT or LB are probable selections.
12.		LB Boss Bailey Georgia	The Rams need a Defensive back. However, after Newman and Trufant no other DB is worth the 12th pick. Bailey is a playmaker.
13.		WR Kelley Washington Tennessee	The Jets let go of star reciever Laveranues Coles to the Redskins in exchange for the 13th pick. Jets get a huge playmaker in Washington.
14.		OG-OT Eric Steinbach Iowa	The Patriots can move in many different ways. Steinbach is just too good to pass up at this point.
16.		CB Dennis Weathersby OSU	The Chiefs need defensive help all across the field. Last season the Chiefs DBs where merely objects for WR's to run around.
17.		DE Jerome McDougale Miami	The Saints had no pass rush last season. McDougale will help Howard fix that problem.

# Boy's track places first at Ellsworth, Southeast

By Mitcher Barnes

Last Thursday, the Southeast of Saline Trojan boys came into Lindsborg with two meet victories already this season -- at Ellsworth and Southeast of Saline. However, Head Coach Pat Haxton knew the Lindsborg meet would be the hardest for his men's squad thus far into the season.

"I think it had the best team in the state in Hillsboro. It might be one of the toughest meets this season because of the caliber of the competition that was present," Haxton said.

Nevertheless, the Trojans had two first place finishers. Broc Tanner won Javelin with a season best 173-1 ft. throw. Vernon Cathey also won the 200-meter dash with a season best 22.87.

The Trojans also had four second-place and three third-place finishers. Second-place finishers were Mitcher Barnes in the 800-meter run (2:03.68), Jacob Schoepf in the 400-meter run (51.84), Adam Stephenson in the 200-meter run (23.00), and the 3200-meter relay team (Ryan, Weese, Hughes, Barnes; 8:50.43).

Third place finishers were Adam Stephenson in the 100-meter run (11.34), the 400-meter relay team (Knopf, McDowell, Cathey, Stephenson; 45.39), and the 1600-meter relay team (Tanner, Cathey, Zeller, Schoepf; 3:37.96).

The Southeast of Saline girls came in fourth place with 32 points. The lady Trojans were without sprinter Chantay Seim because of illness. Despite Seim being out the Trojans still did well.

Freshmen Brandi Pounds placed second in the 200 meter dash, recording a season best 27.82. Senior April Torske placed third in shot put with a throw of 34-8.

The Lady Trojans also had several fourth place finishers — Jessi Swanson in high jump (4-8 ft.), Brooke Kent in triple jump (32-11.5), Holly Henry in 300-meter hurdles (52.13), Pounds in 100-meter dash (13.41).

## Ellsworth meet

The Southeast of Saline Trojan boys' track team won its second straight meet in a row last Tuesday in Ellsworth. On a day where wind gusts reached 30 mph, the Trojans easily outdistanced the rest of the field, scoring 121 points. Minneapolis was second with 96 points and TMP-Marian was third with 77.5.

The Trojan boys had an exceptional five first place finishers. Adam Stephenson won the 100-meter dash with a time of

11.70. Broc Tanner won javelin with a throw of 151-3. Mitcher Barnes won the 800 (2:08.09), Jimmy McDowell won the 110-meter hurdles (17.40), and Nick Ryan won the 300-meter hurdles (45:18).

The boys also had three second and four third place finishers. Second place finishes were Stephenson in the 200 meter dash (24.12), Jacob Schoepf in the 400 meter (53.41), and the 400 meter relay (45.35). Third place finishers were Vernon Cathey in the 100 and 200 meter dash (12.08 and

24.13), Clay Spiller (144-5 ft) in the discus, and the 1600-meter relay (3:44.10).

The girls' team did very well coming in a close third at Ellsworth, scoring 76 points. The Trojans had three first place finishes. Chantay Seim won javelin with a throw of 104-10, Brooke Kent won triple jump with a jump of 31-7 1/4, and they also won the 400-meter relay (54.00).

The Trojans also had two second place and two third place finishers. Jessi Swanson was second in Discus (93-10 ft.) and Javelin (93-10 ft.), April Torske was second in shot put (34-6 3/4 ft.). Brandi Pounds was third in the 100 (14.41) and 200 (29.60) meter dash.



*Sophomore Jessica Swanson clears the high jump at the Southeast of Saline Invitational track meet on April 11. Swanson received fourth place in the high jump with a height of 4-8. The lady Trojans placed fourth overall. (Photo by Manuel Frater)*

# Garretson throws “a whale of a game”

By Mitcher Barnes

The Southeast of Saline Trojans played their best baseball of the year last Tuesday, defeating the Sacred Heart Knights 5-4 in game one of a double header at Dean Evans Stadium.

Senior Matt Garretson went the distance both on the mound and at the plate.



*Matt Myers winds up for the pitch against Clay Center on April 17. (Photo by Nataliya Chornak)*

Garretson pitched a complete game and hit a seventh-inning home run.

“The first game was a great high school baseball game,” Sacred heart coach Brad Dix said. “You have to give most of the credit to Matt Garretson. He threw a whale of a game.”

Southeast of Saline head coach Mike Garretson could not have been more happy with his team’s performance in the first game defensively.

“I couldn’t be more pleased about the first game,” said Southeast Coach Mike Garretson. We played clean defensively and did not walk ourselves out of the ballgame. That’s the way you want your team to play.”

In the second game of the night, the Trojans came up short, losing 11-3.

“In the second game, (Sacred Heart) hit it pretty well and we had one bad inning with some defensive breakdowns. And (Matt) Ryan (Sacred Heart Pitcher) threw a great game as well,” Garretson said.

## Golfers swing into action

By Nataliya Chornak

On April 15, the Southeast golf team attended the Minneapolis tournament. The four-man team, including Jameson Garnett, Kody Losey, Brandon Harrod, and Alex Mutschler, got a 180.

Jameson Garnett tied fifth and placed seventh by scorecard play off.

Other golfers Kyle Maine and Jeremy Will scored 51 and 63. The four-man

team tied for second place with Sacred Heart.

JV also went to Ellinwood on today day. Scott Wolford placed forth with 41 and SES team placed forth with total points of 195.

Yesterday golfers played at Belleville at 11 a.m. The results were too late for publication.

## Women of Troy go 8-0

By Mitcher Barnes

Last Tuesday the Trojan Softball squad extended their undefeated season to 8-0 against the Sacred Heart Knights, defeating them in both games 16-4 and 7-4.

Southeast of Saline star pitcher Jamie Schropp, who has already thrown a perfect game this season, pitched both games for the Trojans.

Schropp had three perfect innings in the first game, striking out six, and had four walks.

“All my pitches were going well,” Schropp said, “and I had the confidence to throw them.”

Southeast of Saline not only had outstanding pitching but they also hit exceptionally well, getting 26 hits and scoring 23 runs in the two games combined.

Laura Reed hit a two-run home run in the first game for the Trojans. Southeast scored four more times in the fourth inning with April Ptacek’s two-run triple. Alicia Pavkov went 4-4 and had two RBIs; Reed also had three hits and three RBIs.

“They’re making me look pretty good, aren’t they,” Schwensen said after coaching her squad to a perfect 8-0 start.



*Calvin Roesner practices his swing at the Salina Municipal. (Photo by Jessica Yum)*

# Forensics team takes home six trophies, looks forward to State

By Shai Elliott

The Southeast of Saline Forensics Team has attended 11 tournaments this year and has taken home six trophies. The forensics season is coming to an end with only state championship and state festival left to go.

Seventeen events have qualified for State Championships to be held at Wichita on May 3. Freshman Taylor Garretson was league champion in prose. Taylor Garretson and Shai Elliott have both qualified three events, but can only take two events to state championships.

The following results are for 4 tournaments: Hesston (April 1), NCAA League (April 10), Minneapolis (April 12) and Border Wars (April 15). Border Wars is a tournament that Southeast hosted along with Lions High School. Border Wars is for forensics performers who have not yet qualified for State. Not every team member attended all of the four tournaments. Mitcher Barnes.....



Ben Ryan and Mitcher Barnes perform an IDA (Improved Duet Acting) piece called "Mission to the Moon" at Variety night April 14. (Photo by Tammi Verhoeff)

## 2<sup>nd</sup> IDA (w/ Ben Ryan)

Lacy Bruggeman .....	5 <sup>th</sup> Prose	Minneapolis
	2 <sup>nd</sup> Duet (w/ Allison Burt)	Minneapolis
Allison Burt.....	2 <sup>nd</sup> Duet (w/ Lacy Bruggeman)	Border Wars
Autumn Butler.....	6 <sup>th</sup> Humorous Solo	Hesston
	3 <sup>rd</sup> Humorous Solo	Border Wars
Coy Cox.....	4 <sup>th</sup> IDA (w/ Meladee)	NCAA League
Kelsey Delker.....	4 <sup>th</sup> Humorous Solo	Border Wars
Shai Elliott.....	2 <sup>nd</sup> Serious Solo	NCAA League
	3 <sup>rd</sup> IDA (w/ Ben Ryan)	NCAA League
Rena Fowles.....	4 <sup>th</sup> Informative Speech	NCAA League
	1 <sup>st</sup> Informative Speech	Border Wars
Taylor Garretson.....	1 <sup>st</sup> Prose	NCAA League
	4 <sup>th</sup> Duet (w/ Kyle Maine)	NCAA League
	2 <sup>nd</sup> Duet (w/ Kyle Maine)	Minneapolis
Meladee Garst.....	4 <sup>th</sup> Humorous Solo	NCAA League
	4 <sup>th</sup> IDA (w/ Coy Cox)	NCAA League

## Logan Henry.....5<sup>th</sup> Poetry

		NCAA League
	5 <sup>th</sup> Prose	NCAA League
Kyle Maine.....	4 <sup>th</sup> Duet (w/ Taylor Garretson)	NCAA League
	2 <sup>nd</sup> Duet (w/ Taylor Garretson)	Minneapolis
	5 <sup>th</sup> IDA (w/ Amanda Repp)	Minneapolis
Amanda Preston.....	3 <sup>rd</sup> Prose	Border Wars
	5 <sup>th</sup> IDA (w/ Kristi Roe)	Border Wars
April Ptacek.....	6 <sup>th</sup> Duet (w/ Amanda Repp)	Minneapolis
Amanda Repp.....	6 <sup>th</sup> Duet (w/ April Ptacek)	Minneapolis
	5 <sup>th</sup> IDA (w/ Kyle Main)	Minneapolis
Kristy Roe.....	5 <sup>th</sup> Humorous Solo	NCAA League
	6 <sup>th</sup> Humorous Solo	Minneapolis
	5 <sup>th</sup> IDA (w/ Amanda Preston)	Border Wars
	5 <sup>th</sup> Humorous Solo	Border Wars
Ben Ryan.....	3 <sup>rd</sup> IDA (w/ Shai Elliott)	NCAA League
	2 <sup>nd</sup> IDA (w/ Mitcher Barnes)	Minneapolis