



National Honor Society Induction

By Camden Sigmon '22

The Lawrence Cardinal Shehan Chapter of the National Honor Society inducted 3 seniors and 33 juniors during Mass on Friday, February 2nd. Fr. Donald Grzymiski OFM Conv '70 was the celebrant and homilist. The National Honor Society is an organization that recognizes students who have good grades, are involved in the school and exhibit qualities of scholarship, service, leadership, and character. They have to go through an application process in order to get into the group. The process includes an interview, an essay and a completed application. Mr. Polsinelli and Mrs. Berkey moderate the organization and planned the ceremony. They take part in choosing the candidates, along with Mr. Muth, Ms. Sica and Mrs. Tisdale.

These are this year's inductees into the National Honors Society: Nicholas Andrews '19, Shayne Auffarth '20, Reed Barra '20, Jacob Biggs '20, Victor Bravo '20, Davontae , arter '20, Kenneth Clapp '20, Marcko Duclayan '19,



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Kevin Franiak '20, Joseph Franzese '20, Mitchell Frye , 20, Scott Giampa '20, Anthony Harrison '20, Tyler Harry '20, Ian Hoffman '20, Christopher Knorr '20, Nichlas Kobrick '20, Joseph Kurek '20, Ryan Lassiter '20, Philip Lohrfink '20, Hunter Luers '20, Patrick , cDonald '20, Matthew Miller '20, Kevin Myers '20, David Nakasone '20, Joseph Nakasone '20, Ezekiel , ber '20, Alex Petr '20, Russel Reside '20, Sean Roesener '20, Yazan Sawalhi '20, Anakin Schneider '20, Ryan Seay '20, Dylan Sloan '20, Christian Thomas '19, Adrian Triguero '20.



Editorial: New Year, New Me By Wyatt Peters '19

Society has come up with this idea called "New Year, New Me" or a New Year's Resolution. The whole idea around this is to think of a way to improve on your character, weight or physical activity. When making a New Year's Resolution, it should be detailed and something easy to stick to. If it is something unrealistic, you will most likely not stick to it and frustrate yourself. In the previous Chronicle survey and I discovered some pretty good New Year's Resolutions. One example is "To be less judgmental and be more accepting towards other's ideas and passions." This has a very clear end goal and is good in improving your character. People like when others listen and support their ideas and or passions.



Some resolutions are a good start, but with a few added details, it could make it easier to stick to. For example, "Be a better person." This is a good start, but what do you classify as being a better person? Do you want to improve your character or physical ability? This would give you a much more clear direction towards becoming a better person. Another example is "spend less money". Okay, so what is less money? Do you have a specific budget you are going to stick to? Just saying I am going to spend less money does not give you a clear direction.

Are you unsure about what you want to do as a New Year's Resolution? It is never too late to start improving yourself. Take an evening to reflect on what you have really struggled on the past month. Think how you can improve. Once you decide your course of action, have something or someone to help motivate you. If it is a new exercise routine and you have a significant other, spend one day a week with them to work on your routine together. It could also be with a family member. Maybe a past experience will be your motivator. Once you get into a routine, you will not be able to stop doing it. Use that motivator to make it a habit. Do you think the whole idea of a New Year's Resolution is a hoax by the fact that Americans fail their resolutions on the first month or same day? I just do not agree it is a "stained cultural idea." I think that people do not live up to their resolutions because they do not put much thought into the resolutions. If you connect some motivation or clear end goal, a New Year's Resolution can be quite easy to keep. Americans tend to believe they have to have a resolution at the start of a New Year and once they fail, they tend to just go back to their old ways. It is never too late to start again or even come up with one if you have not already. If you have an evening or afternoon free, it is never too late to reflect on past accomplishments or failures and think what could I have done differently or what I could have done better. We have the resources here at Curley that can help each and every one of us be the best version of ourselves.

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March for Life: Interview with Adam Peck

By Ronix Bhandari '19

People from all different backgrounds and environments were there at the March for Life on January 18th in Washington DC, supporting the cause that they believe in. One of the many was Curley's Adam Peck '19 who participated in the March for Life. Adam said that he was there to support what he truly believed in. He also said he had a great time. He was posting his pictures all over social media. He said that he was able to discuss his thoughts and opinions with people from different states and schools. Filled with emotion and passion Adam was a leader as he marched with pride and honor. Adam Peck said: "My being at the March for Life shows that the younger generation understands and respects the value of all lives, both born and unborn."



Mr. DeMarco Named Teacher of the Year

Mr. Michael DeMarco, science instructor at Curley for over 44 years, received the Barry Brownlee Excellence in Teaching Award at an assembly on February 1st.

Thunlwyn Garcia '19 writes: "During my shadow day at Archbishop Curley, I had the pleasure of sitting in one of Mr. DeMarco's biology classes. His energy and passion for biology are some of the reasons I chose Curley. During my time at Curley, he has been a great teacher and helped me in and out of the classroom. He offered extra help and checked in regularly whenever I or another student was struggling. He is truly a consistently good teacher at Archbishop Curley."



Photo by Shane Stone '19



Venezuela: A Ticking Time Bomb? By Aiden Berkenkemper '22

As many have heard, Venezuela's economy, democracy, and social equality are in ruins. Most Venezuelans attribute this to President Nicolas Maduro's socialist policies. Before we dive into the current news of Venezuela, we first have to know who Maduro is and how he achieved his place on the top of Venezuela's politics.

Maduro was sworn in as interim president following the death of Hugo Chavez. Chavez made a name for himself by leading an unsuccessful coup d'etat against President Carlos Andres Perez in 1992. For these actions he was sentenced to prison but pardoned after two years. He founded the "Fifth Republic Movement" and was elected president in 1998. Maduro got his foot in the door by backing Chavez while he was imprisoned and by being one of the key voices in getting Chavez pardoned. Between the years 1999- 2012 Maduro was on various political committees and positions including: being elected to the National Assembly, serving as speaker of the National Assembly, and being named Foreign Minister. That all climaxed when Chavez named him Vice President in 2012. One year later, Chavez died and Maduro rose to power. He won the 2013 Presidential election which was, what some call, the beginning of the end for Venezuela. Recently Maduro was elected for second term on May 20 of 2018. This election has been under increasing criticism and controversy for corruption, but it seems that Maduro will be able to spend another six years in power.

One man is attempting to end this socialist rule by directly challenging Maduro and subsequently the military. That man is Juan Guaidó. He has the support of millions of Venezuelans, and various countries, most notably the United States of America. Guaidó declared himself acting Venezuelan President just two weeks after Maduro's second election. He did this with the support of the people by claiming to restore democracy and give others a chance by holding proper democratic elections. Before Guaidó and his backers can go to work with reforms he first has to "End Maduro's dictatorship." - Juan Guaidó They cannot do anything to remove Maduro from his position of power until they gain the support of key military officers which, as of now are still on Maduro's side. There is also concern over the countries that are still backing Maduro such as Russia, China, and Turkey. These countries have already warned the U.S. about military intervention. After that threat came out from Russia, Pope Francis asked that no blood be shed.

For now we can only sit and watch this developing story. There are numerous changes daily that impact the course of events.

The Government Shutdown By Sean Lord '20

To say that the government shutdown didn't affect Americans would be an understatement. More than 800,000 federal workers were put out of work. And the dozens of federal agencies who had to tell their workers to stay home affected even more Americans. This government shutdown lasted from December 22nd, 2018 to January 25th, 2019, making it the longest shutdown in American history. The shutdown could be continued, depending if a compromise spending bill has been passed by February 15th. The government shutdown came down to one dispute, that being a Southern Border Wall. Many people hear the word 'wall' and think of China and its medieval great stone wall. In actuality, the American border wall is more of a fortified fence. President Trump asked the government for \$5.7 billion in funding for the border wall with Mexico. That would just be the starting money for the projected \$21 billion. This money would continue the already built border fence and help improve the technology and equipment of entry ports. The debate over the wall comes down to the pride of both political parties, the Democrats and the Republicans. The Dems call the wall inhumane, while the GOP calls it practical. Much debate was over who 'won' the government shutdown, either President Trump or Speaker of the House Nancy Pelosi. Considering the damage and outrage caused by the shutdown among the American populace, either side claiming that they were the most steadfast would only tarnish their political names. One thing that the American people can hopefully agree on is that a long term government shutdown isn't the answer and that a revival of legitimate debate and compromise is needed in this day and age.



Archbishop's Visit & The Mysterious Day Off By Michael Racosky '22



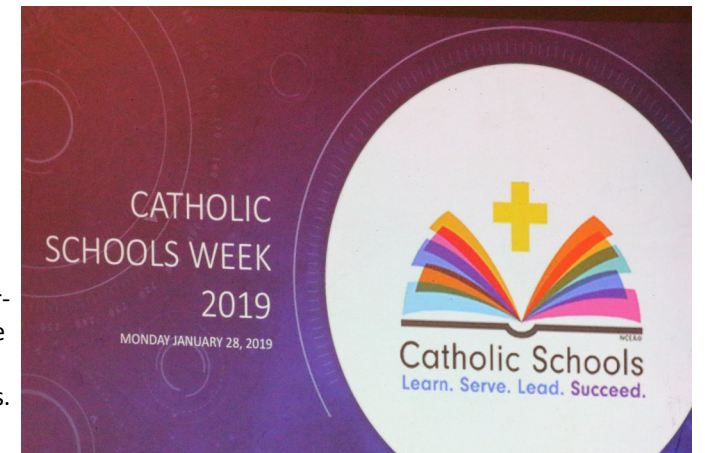
A few weeks ago, Archbishop Lori visited our school for a community prayer. This marked the first time in about 5 years that an Archbishop has visited our School to lead in a liturgy. He encouraged students to be the best they can be. At the end of the Liturgy, there was an official announcement that there would be a day off in the future. However, it is *not*

known what day it will be, which led to many assumptions about when it will occur. The most popular guess was the day after the Superbowl (February 4,) but that guess was incorrect. With the presumed deadline passed, uncertainty remains high as there are no more logical choices for days off. Thus, the best thing we can do is to be patient and wait for the day to come.

The archbishop visited several classes after community prayer and talked with the students.

Catholic Schools Week By Seth Maharaj '20

Last week we celebrated Catholic Schools Week, in a different way from past years. This year we did something new by making it a spirit week which was set up by Friar Chris. On the first day we had a dodgeball tournament after school which was won by the sophomore class. On Tuesday, Curley dismissed at noon so we couldn't do our pep rally but we ice cream at the end of the day. On Wednesday we didn't have school because of the weather and on Thursday we had a 2-hour delay and had a Curley gear dress-down day. On Friday we had a Mass for the National Honor Society Induction and the Teacher of the Year presentation, which was awarded to Mr. DeMarco. I think it was a fun and memorable week. I hope we can do it this way next year.



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“It’s game time through a camera”

By Noah Sainz ‘21

There’s 2 minutes on the clock until the start of the game. Everyone is finishing the final preparations. I’m plugging in the last few connections into the camera, Ricky is getting the livestream event created on the MacBook, and the announcers are getting ready to give their introductions. Recently we’ve also been using a phone and an iPad as extra cameras. The scoreboard beeps, the game starts, and we’re live.

Watching a game through a camera lens is nothing like watching it for real. During a game since people like to bang on the bleachers to cheer for their team, I need to make sure the camera stays steady. Through the camera the players and the gym are smaller than what they really are. Through the camera all I can see is what the camera sees, which means I might miss what other players are doing outside of my viewing field, for instance at the opposite end of the court. I need to make sure I keep my eyes on the camera to make sure I don’t miss a shot, pass, or block. This can be hard since at the same time I want to root for my team and cheer but need to be aware of my camera shot. I can’t be a fan as much as the rest of the fans just watching from the bleachers or from our live-stream. I need to be ready for my next shot or camera position. Watching a game through a camera is very different than normally watching it, which is what makes live-streaming fun.



Curley Alum Signs With NBA

From a article on Varsity Sports Network

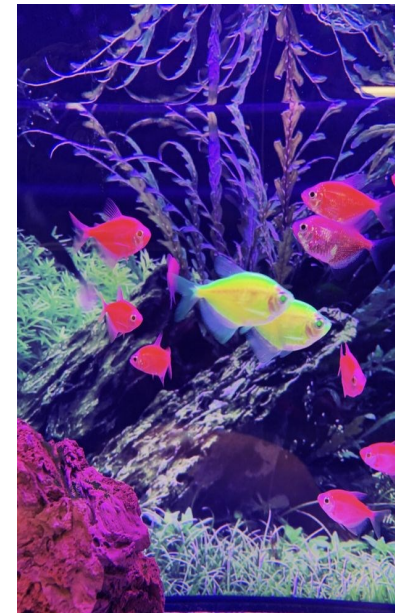
Former Curley Friar Haywood Highsmith, Jr. signed a two-way deal with the Philadelphia 76ers and was activated for Tuesday’s home game (Jan. 8) with the Washington Wizards. Highsmith made the most of his debut, playing five minutes in Philadelphia’s 132-115 win and hitting a three-pointer on his first NBA attempt. He also had an assist.



Highsmith, 22, graduated from Curley in 2014 and was named All-MIAA in the B Conference for a squad that went 11-7 and did not even qualify for the league playoffs. He did average 24 points and 11 rebounds per game as a senior and eventually found a college basketball home at Division II Wheeling Jesuit University (WV). He cracked the starting lineup as a freshman and averaged 9.7 points per game, but really blossomed as a sophomore when he averaged 14.5 points and 9.4 rebounds, earning first-team All-Mountain East Conference (MEC) honors.

As a senior he averaged 22 points and 12.5 rebounds as was named the MEC Player of the Year as well as the Division II Conference Commissioner’s Association (CCA) National Player of the Year and earned National Basketball Coaches Association (NBCA) First Team All-America status. He was also the MEC Tournament MVP and had an NCAA best 29 double-doubles as a senior.

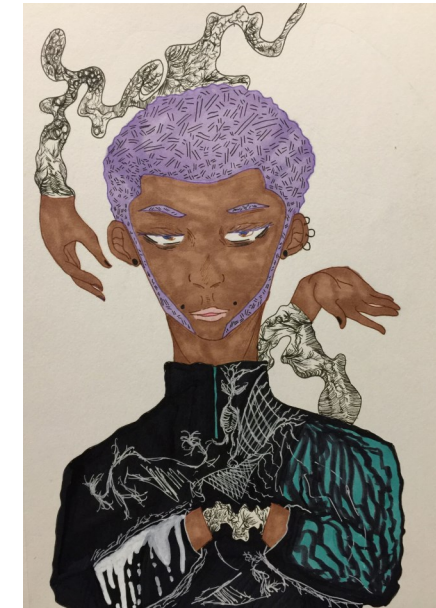
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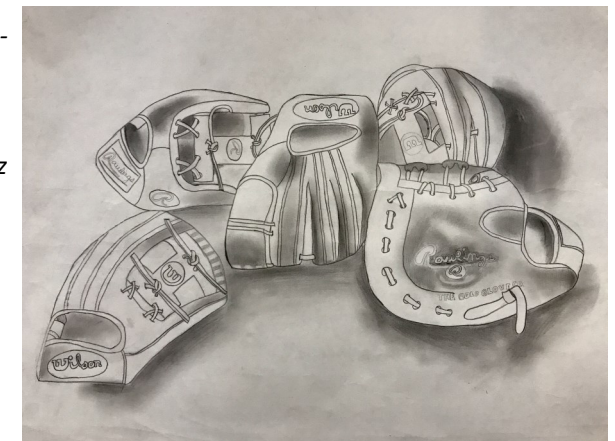
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Indoor Track 2018-19

By Mitchell Frye '20

The Indoor Track team had a very good season this year. Varsity finished 6th out of 14 teams and JV finished 8th out of 13 teams in the MIAA Championships thanks to many outstanding performances. Varsity medalists included Julian Howard, who got 3rd in the 55 Meter Dash, Will Hanna-Leverett who got 3rd in the 800 Meter Run, the 4x200 Meter Relay Team of Julian Howard, Byron Wise, Kyrian Elekwachi, and Nate Rollins who got 2nd, and Ian Hoffman who got 3rd in the Pole Vault. Other Varsity scorers included Tyler Harry who got 8th in the 800, Francis Bennett who got 8th in the 55 Meter Hurdles, the 4x400 Meter Relay Team of Mossimo Wimbush, Zack Born, Sam Parizek, and Will Hanna-Leverett who got 8th, the 4x800 Meter Relay Team of Zack Born, Tyler Harry, Anthony Schlee, and Mossimo Wimbush who got 6th, Sam Burke who got 4th in the Shot Put, and Ian Hoffman who got 7th in the High Jump and 7th in the Long Jump.

The team then followed up Championships with medals at the State Private School Championships as well, where they finished 10th out of 24 teams. Medalists in this meet were Julian Howard who got 3rd in the 55 Meter Dash, Will Hanna-Leverett who got 3rd in the 1600 Meter Run, and the 4x200 Meter Relay Team of Julian Howard, Kyrian Elekwachi, Nate Rollins, and Byron Wise who took first (see photo.). The Indoor team had a great all around season with many individual medalists and much improvement by many. The team will be composed of mostly returning athletes next season and is excited to improve upon their performances as Outdoor Track is about to start. Indoor A Conference Track named its All MIAA team for 2019. Congratulations to Will Hanna-Leverett and Ian Hoffman for their accomplishments.



Curley Swimming

By Chris Knorr '20

The swim season was a really fun and exciting time. Under the leadership of senior captains Mikey Gardiner and Tim Fair we were able to break many records and swim hard all season. Some of the high points from the season would be Reed Barra breaking the 500 free record, Chris Knorr breaking both the 100 fly and 100 Back record, and the 4X100 Free Relay of Mikey Gardiner, Chris Knorr, Reed Barra, and Jack Stover breaking that record. At championships we

finished 7th overall and had Chris Knorr get a bronze medal in the 100 Fly. With the great coaching from Mr. Moon, Mr. Williams, and Mrs. Wysocki, Curley swim was able to have an awesome year.

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Curley Ice Hockey

By Shane Stone '19

The varsity hockey team started the season with two tough losses to Loyola and Gilman. Since those losses, the Ice Friars have rebounded and got their skates under them to finish the regular season with a record of 6-3-1. The team is averaging 6 goals a game while only allowing 3 goals. The successful season has earned the Friars the #3 seed in the semifinal game against #2 seed Gilman at Mt. Pleasant on February 12 at 5 PM. A win Tuesday would propel the team to the championship game to be played Thursday, February 14 at Piney Orchard Ice Arena.



Curley Wrestling

By Tobi Majekodunmi '19

This year, Curley Wrestling saw an unprecedented amount of success. In the early 2000's Curley had been home to a "wrestling super-team" in which each individual shined brightly and the team was revered for its greatness. In recent years, Curley Wrestling had not lived up to expectations, consistently ending seasons with a negative record. Following the season of 2017-2018, the team had lost the best wrestler it had seen in years, Josh Laubach, and any potential the team had for success seemed improbable. Fully



aware of the odds stacked against them, this year's team refused to let that control their outcome. Led in the wrestling room by five captains (Nichlas Kobrick '20, Tobi Majekodunmi '19, Michael Vargus '19, Kennel Washington '19, and Samuel Yakim '19), as well as Coach Drew Haugh, the team came together as one to ensure success.

The team's success can be credited to the change of one vital component— mentality. Although the team had always remained tightly-knit, what sparked the success was the embodiment of that energy onto the wrestling mats themselves. One of the most repeated phrases amongst the team, "Wrestle for the team, not for yourself," not only adheres to Curley's idealism centered around brotherhood, but also gave each individual on the team a greater cause. Once the motive of a person becomes something greater than themselves, that is when their full potential can be drawn out. With one of the greatest records Curley Wrestling has seen in years, the team's success cannot be attributed to any individual, but the mentality that each member of the team practiced to raise each other to greater heights.

Varsity Wrestling ended the regular season 22-5 in dual meets. They took first place in the Sharknado Duals and in the Loch Raven Duals.

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Curley Basketball

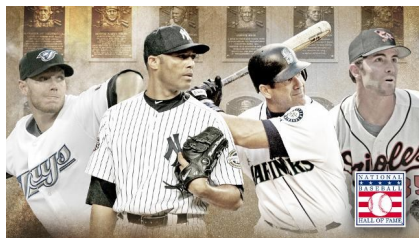
By Josh Knapp '20

After a tough start to the season with losses to several of the top teams in the area, the Friars bounced back once conference play started. With two big wins against St. John's and Indian Creek to start conference play, the Friars gained momentum heading into Christmas break. They used that momentum to win their bracket at the Governors Challenge, in late December. The team enjoyed an overnight stay in Salisbury, MD with wins over Linganore and Friendship Collegiate Academy.



Under the leadership of seniors Travis Dobbins, TJ Lawson, and Todd Gray, the Friars finished the first half of conference play with 5 wins and 3 losses putting themselves in 3rd place. Currently the Friars are in the top half of the conference and seeking to finish the season strong to carry their momentum into the playoffs. The varsity basketball team would love the support from the student body and the faculty as we push for a conference championship.

The JV Friars are currently in 2nd place with a 10-1 record (11-5 overall). The freshman team is in 3rd place in the Red Division of the JV C Conference at 3-3 (6-5 overall.) All three teams have big games this week Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday.



Major League Hall of Fame

By Will Majerowicz '22

On Tuesday January 22nd, four baseball players entered the Major League Baseball Hall of Fame: Mike Mussina, Mariano Rivera, Edgar Martinez, and Roy Halladay. To be chosen for the Hall of Fame you have to get more than seventy five percent of votes of the Baseball Writers' Association

of America (BBWAA). Mariano was the greatest closer to ever play baseball and many people were projecting that Mariano was going to be voted into the Hall of Fame unanimously and he was! Mariano became the first person ever to get one hundred percent of votes. Mike Mussina is a familiar name in Baltimore because he played ten seasons as an Oriole where he had his best stats. Mike Mussina barely made the Hall with seventy six percent of votes. The Hall of Fame is a great accomplishment for a Major League Baseball players. Who will get in next year?

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