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Girls Basketball

The girls basketball team had a fantastic season, making it to the sectional championship. They beat New Prairie in the first round of sectionals with a score of 66-42. The girls won their second game against Twin Lakes with a score of 60-49. The third game the girls fell short against Andrean with a score of 53-70. The girls took on the season with a new coach, ending their season with a record of 18-8-0. Coach Wes Radtke helped the girls with techniques and learning different plays. Seniors Emily Barber, Marijka Lynch-Pastoor, Cassie Marlow, and Regan Rodibaugh played hard their last season, leaving a lasting impression on the younger girls and teaching them to work hard and play together as a team. The girls exhibited their dedication to the sport and their team throughout the 2017 season. We can't wait to see what these Lady Bombers have in store for next year.

Article by KT Kem

Mr. Bomber

Every year the seniors of RCHS select one senior to be the iconic Mr. Bomber. It is an exciting week for many students as it is the first major event after returning from winter break. The spirit days this year included pajama day, hat day, twin day, throwback, and mismatch. Students from all grade levels and faculty members wore many interesting costumes and outfits throughout the week. The five candidates for this year's Mr. Bomber were Ben Hillan, Graham Balvich, Austin Becker, Luke Branson, and this year's Mr. Bomber tile holder, Trenton McAdow. Trent was escorted by Megan Massoels. All in all, this year's Mr. Bomber was a wonderful display of school spirit. All of this year's candidates exhibited the qualities of what Mr. Bomber means, and we wish them all good luck as they pursue their future plans!

Article by Jacob Hall

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ISSMA

On Saturday, February 4th, choir students along with choir teacher, Mrs. Davisson, traveled to Crown Point High School to showcase their amazing talents in vocal performance. At ISSMA, students participate to earn a rating and receive a judge's score on their performance. While at the contest, students get divided into 3 different groups, Group 1, 2, and 3. At this year's ISSMA contest, every single contestant did phenomenal placing a silver or a gold. Celebrating gold and silver placements in level 2 and 3 are Lindsey Henderson with a silver placement, and soloists Dawnn Heilman, Catherine Sadler, Adam Armstrong, and Hannah Redlin all placed gold. The boys barbershop team consisted of Parker Jordan, Adam Armstrong, Ethan Riegle, and Roman Villegas. These gentleman also placed gold. Group 1 soloists included Sarah Powers, Sydney Bement, and Alexis Brouwer who all placed gold. One girls barbershop team included Lexie Wuethrich, Alexis Brouwer, Sarah Powers, and Sydney Bement. The other barbershop quartet consisted of Lilly Davisson, Kelsey Gilbert, Amy Zieba and Sydney Bement. Both barbershop groups placed gold at ISSMA. For the first time in Mrs. Davisson's career, all group 1 soloists and barbershop teams advanced to the ISSMA state competition which will take place on Saturday, February 18. RCHS would like to congratulate all of the students who participated at this ISSMA contest, those who earned medals, and those who advanced to state.

Article by Hanna McCarthy

Spotlight on Staff: Mr. Marlow

Q: Who is your favorite college basketball team and why?

A: "IU because I grew up in southern Indiana and that was just who you rooted for."

Q: What influenced your career choice?

A: "I wanted to coach, and I thought teaching and coaching was the best way to influence young people."

Q: If you could visit any other planet, which one would it be and why?

A: "Mars, always wanted to see if Marvin the Martian was real."

Q: If you could switch places with anyone in this building who would it be and why?

A: "Probably Mr. Stevens because my other favorite subject in school was math."

Q: What are your Valentine's Day plans?

A: "Spend time with my wife."

Q: What is your favorite book?

A: "*To Kill a Mockingbird*."

Q: If you could take a road trip to any location where would it be and why?

A: "Ireland because I always wanted to see if it was as green as it looks in pictures plus I have Irish ancestry."

Q: What is your favorite thing about Rensselaer?

A: "How it has allowed my children to attend school and have opportunities but still has a small school feeling."



Interview by Austin Becker

Bomber Q&A

What will you be buying for your S/C this Valentine's Day?

Alan Minix - 9th: "A box of chocolates."

Tyler Castongia - 10th: "A large box of chocolates."

Ally Arnold - 11th: "Nothing."

Libby Barton - 12th: "A gold watch and a Packers jersey."

Mr. Dobson - Faculty: "Flowers for sure, chocolate, too."



Interviews by Madison Haynes

MORP 2017

The Student Council sponsored by Mrs. Hege and Mrs. Cook, along with the Student Council members will be throwing the MORP dance, a nationwide tradition of backwards prom. The theme this year is Glow-in-the-Dark/NEON.

The dance will be held on Friday, February 10th from 8-11 p.m. in the RCHS cafeteria. The cafeteria will be decorated with glow-in-the-dark props and will feature a photo booth for students to take a few crazy selfies. Some creative costumes sure to be seen this year include a Power Ranger, a lumberjack, bikers, a greaser, construction workers, Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs, Ninja Turtles and many others you won't want to miss. DJ Chad Wynn will be spinning for MORP 2017.

The admission to the dance will be 3 dollars. Admission fees from this year's dance will go towards funding future Student Council sponsored activities such as Mr. Bomber and Homecoming.

Come dance the night away and spend time with friends while supporting the RCHS Student Council.

Article by Ashley Rollins