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WELCOME TO OUR INAUGURAL SCHOOL PAPER!



Meet Rory, our school paper's mascot.

Can you spot Rory throughout our paper? Lions are stealthy and could be anywhere. Keep your eyes peeled!

Knight in Shining Armor

I am pleased and honored to announce the Valedictorian and Salutatorian of the graduating OSLS class of 2023. These individuals have demonstrated exceptional academic prowess, remarkable leadership skills, and an unwavering commitment to excellence throughout their educational journey.

Congratulations, Ethan Martinez, our Valedictorian, and Theodore "Teddy" Brzustowicz, our Salutatorian.

Our subject winners include:

Literature: Analynn Wood

Grammar: Kole Williams

History: Brylee Pastorius

Math: Theodore Brzustowicz and Joseph Tenca

Science: Caleb Tijerino

STEM: Zara Lysons

Art: Ethan Martinez

PE: Knox Hooker

Music: Emily Rasmussen

Sportsmanship: Antoine Sauger

American Citizenship Award: Ethan Martinez

Linda Greenhagen Grace Award: Analynn Wood

We are so proud of you all; congratulations!

Mrs. Julie Knight



I am honored to leave this final piece of myself here at Our Savior. After my 5 years here I have grown to love and enjoy every aspect of this school. After the number of hours and effort we have put into this newspaper, I am proud of this final product and what it has become. I hope everyone who is a part of the OSLS family enjoys reading this paper, as much as I have enjoyed helping write it!

Analynn Wood

It was a privilege and a joy to be an editor of Our Savior's first school paper. We had a great time commemorating wonderful memories from this year as we worked. I'm grateful I was able to work aside such an amazing team, especially Analynn Wood, with whom I got to be a co-editor. This paper helped me realize the beauty of our school and the kindness of the people at it. I hope it does the same for you. Happy reading!

Tori Owens

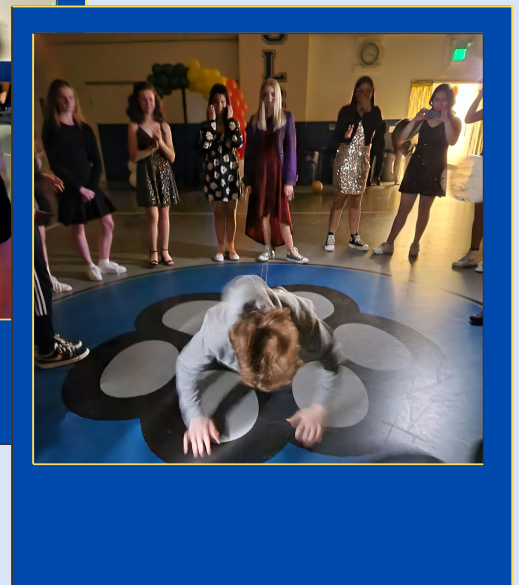
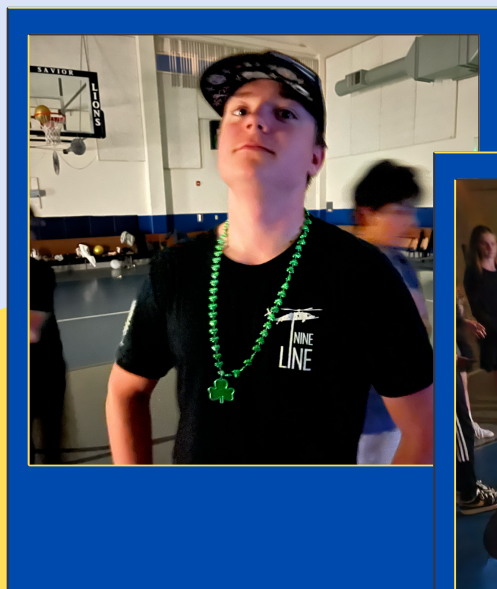
MIDDLE SCHOOL MASQUERADE DANCE

Lions, are you ready for a report on the middle school dance? The dance was themed masquerade. Surprisingly, most middle schoolers took off their masks as soon as they arrived at the dance! And the masks provided were left untouched. It was crazy, barely anyone ate pizza... out of TEN boxes! But the cookies were loved. Near the beginning of the dance, many said it was boring and would rather stay home, but the spirit went up as the night went on. The most loved songs were The Cupid Shuffle, YMCA, the Macarena, and Apple Bottom Jeans. It seemed everyone loved the songs that came with dance moves. I'm not very surprised though because no one wants to be the only one dancing or doing weird moves. Many described the dance as unorganized with some balloons on the floor and the lights off. This dance had no disco lights so it ended up very dark but some people put their phones on flashlight mode to help. Here's what some of the middle school students said about the dance. Bella from 7th grade commented, "It was boring initially but became more fun father into it. Also, it was dark." Brianna from 8th grade said, "The dance was... rough." And from Xerxes in 8th grade, "The decorations were too spread out and it only got better later on and no one really wore the masks so it doesn't really seem like it had a theme."



MIDDLE SCHOOL MASQUERADE DANCE

Many middle schoolers didn't like the dance. At least we know for next time, what we can improve on. But many commented that the theme was nice. As you can see, many thought the dance was rather boring than the ones in the past but some dance circles and konga-lines really got others going. The dance also didn't have a DJ because many students said that one wasn't needed. Instead, they just made a fun playlist and used a speaker. But of course, there were MANY song requests to Mrs. Knight. Thank you for reading this and I hope you all enjoyed the dance overview!



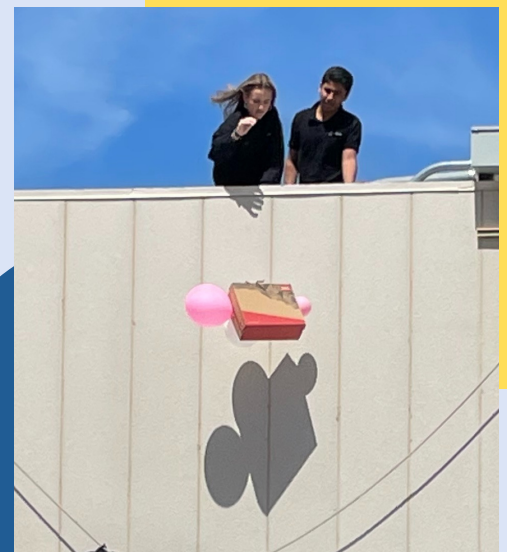
Eggs

Drop



It was “Easter Tuesday”, a windy, but sunny day, perfect weather to sit outside and watch the Egg Drop. Thirty-seven contestants participated in the Egg Drop. During this event, we saw that if you had balloons, the contraption would slightly drift to the left. We went to each classroom asking the kids what they thought could make the contraptions more durable. Many said, to add a lot of cushioning and balloons.

During the Egg Drop, we interviewed a couple of people, and they said they thought the egg drop was fun overall, but they thought that music could have made the egg drop better. More entertainment would have been beneficial for the egg drop. In the end, there were a variety of wonderful, interesting contraptions, and many of them succeeded. Congratulations to the 26 winners of the egg drop!



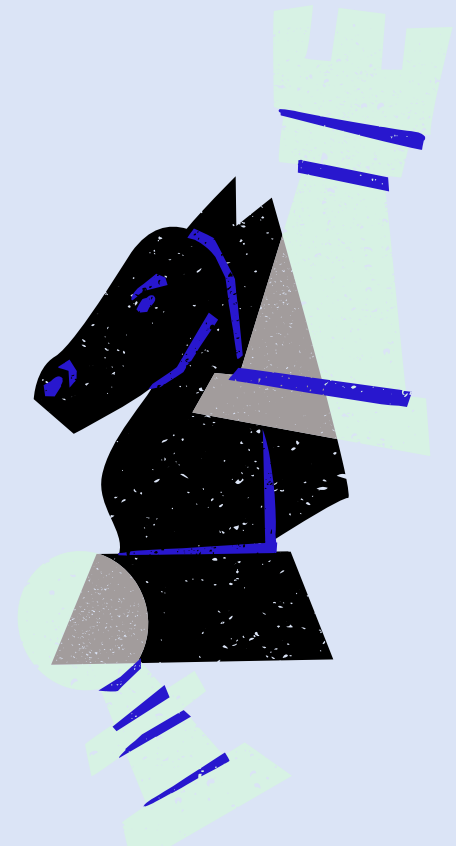
Chess

Club



Chess Club is a wonderful way for students to challenge their minds in a fun game of chess with their friends. Mr. Junkin hosted it in his classroom every Tuesday. Students brought their lunches and ate while putting each other in check. It is fun and helps build chess skills. It is stress-free and a nice break from the hot weather!

When you play with Mr. Junkin, although you may lose, he shows you ways you can win next time. After 40 minutes of chess playing, your chess skills will elevate even further than before. With such a fun atmosphere, who wouldn't want to come to Chess Club!



MATH COUNTS



MathCounts is a very fun activity and not just because of the super cool matching sweat pants you get. It is also a very fun way to test your knowledge about math.

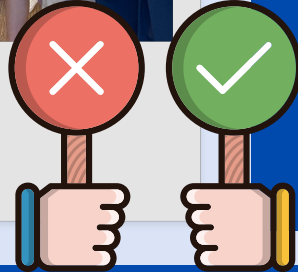
The people in charge of MathCounts are our two amazing middle school math teachers Mr. Junkin and Mrs. Foster. They are both great teachers and everyone who knows them loves them.

If you love math and you also want to make friends, MathCounts is the thing for you. You can compete with your team to excel in math together. With a fun, positive, and educational atmosphere, who wouldn't want to join MathCounts.



DEBATE

CLUB



Debate Club was an exciting addition to Our Savior this year. Ms. Moore was kind enough to host and lead it during lunch on Tuesdays. During Debate Club, students would argue different types of debates, from prepared to unprepared, long to short, or deeply intellectual to lighthearted. Students always found them fun, no matter how challenging, and there were always students laughing on the way out.

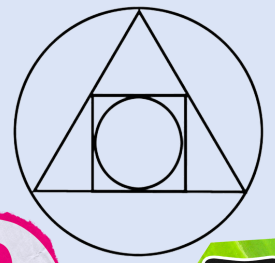
When the debate club was first formed, off-the-cuff, short, debates were conducted. By the end of the year, we performed full, prepared, debates, individually and with a group, we even filmed one! It was very exhilarating to think deeply about things you may not have before. If you join the debate club, you can take pride in the fun you're having!



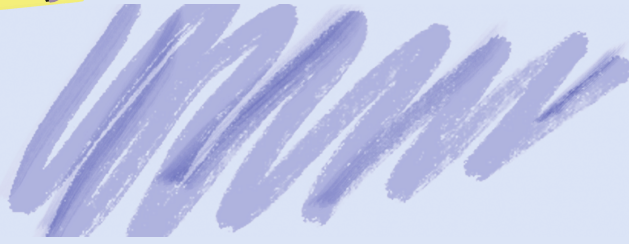
**WATCH THE VIDEO
OF OUR FIRST
DEBATE HERE**

Written by Tori Owens

KNOWLEDGE



BOWL



Knowledge Bowl is a fun way to test your trivia skills with your friends! It was happily hosted by Mr. Junkin and Mrs. Junkin who have a strong passion for fun facts. People in Knowledge Bowl said being a part of the team was a lot of fun. The team traveled to another church for a competition. According to the team, the church venue was beautiful and there was good sportsmanship between both teams.

One member said their knowledge of religion, history, spelling, science, math, modern politics, geography, literature, and sports, were all tested! Knowledge Bowl seems like a lot of fun and is a great opportunity to learn about stuff you hadn't known before.

Written by Charlotte Sedler



Photo by Patrick Keegan

Youth Group



Youth group is a fun after school activity, helping many connect with God! Youth group is open on Wednesdays for 4th-8th, and on Sundays for Middle school through High school.

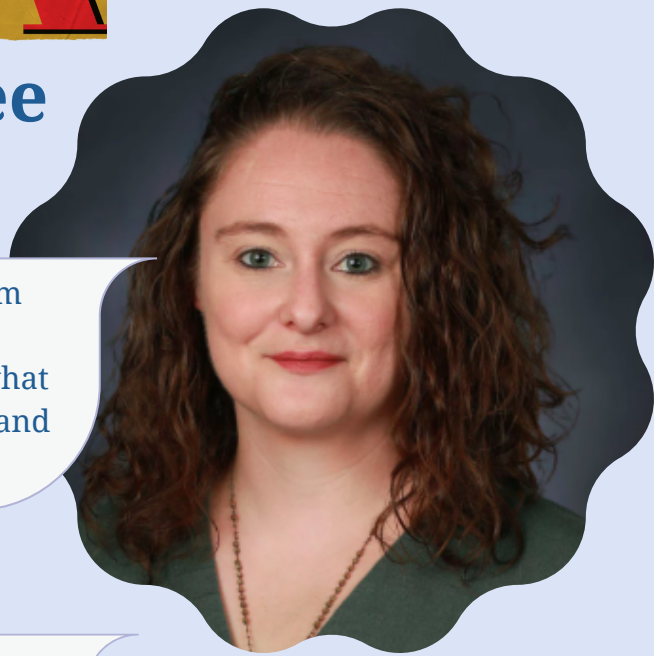
Ms. Sarah has been running Youth Group for over nine years and is incredible! She always has interesting and engaging activities that are always well thought out and planned! Along with all that, there is fantastic food, such as sweets, chips, drinks, you name it!



Written by Scarlett Greenwalt and Eva Gosedl
Photo by Patrick Keegan

Youth Group Q and A

With Ms. Agee



Q&A written by Scarlett Greenwalt and Eva Gosedl

How do you get ideas for Youth Group?

I love to take suggestions from students, and with as much experience as I have, I know what has worked for me in the past and what hasn't.

Where does the funding come from for Youth Group?

Funding for Youth Group is taken from offerings from the church, and sometimes direct donations from students' families!

What/Who inspired you to be a youth instructor?

My pastor inspired me to pursue this career, and of course, God has shown many signs that this is the right place for me to be



Profile written by Julianna Molinelli

Hello Lions, are you ready to hear about Our Savior's Director or Christian Education? Amazing Sara Agee has served our school/church for nine years! She helps provide educational and discipleship opportunities for people of all ages. She has a B.A. in Psychology from Concordia Nebraska, and an M.A. in Organizational Leadership from Concordia Irvine, and is a certified Director of Christian Education. She is very passionate about helping people grow in their faith and building their relationship with Christ. Sara runs youth after-school on Wednesdays and Sunday nights for middle school. One fun fact about her is that she loves pugs and is the proud owner of Bowie the pug. A second fun fact is that she works at Wood Family Vineyards.

CLASSES CHAPELS



We loved worshipping our great God together during this year's class chapels!
What a blessing to have Christian education in our lives.

Photographs by Suhani Monga-Sohal

BOYS SOCCER



The boy's soccer team has shown great improvement throughout their season with the help of their amazing coaches, George Lewis and Erin Tenca.

The soccer team ended the season with 3 Wins and 4 Loses. Towards the end of the season, they were able to have the accomplishment of a win of 12-1, against Fremont Christian!



Girls Soccer



The girl's soccer team has shown great improvement throughout their season with the help of their amazing coach, Vanessa Miskela

OSLS sports are an amazing opportunity to support our school! Our sports players have definitely done that! The soccer team ended the season with 4 Wins and 3 Loses!



Girls VOLLEYBALL



Photograph by Xerxes Irani

The girl's volleyball team had a wonderful season as well. Courtney Pike led the volleyball team to 7 wins and 8 losses. The volleyball team grew so much and did so well.

The team matured and created many new friendships with one another. By the end of the season, the volleyball team was victorious in our eyes and hopefully yours too!



BOYS VOLLEYBALL



The boy's volleyball team had a wonderful season as well. Courtney Pike led the volleyball team to 1 wins and 5 losses.

The volleyball team truly showed patience with all their forfeits. The team had so much sportsmanship. By the end of the season the volleyball team were closer, with lots of new knowledge on the sport!





Amazing Mothers

by Alexis Thompson

Our mothers are always there for us.
Their calming words set our worries free.
They are a rainbow of joy when we are sad.
And always listen to whatever we say,
With a kind and helpful response, to brighten
our day!

The peacefulness their words bring,
Let us recover when times are hard,
And makes us feel like we are on top of the
world

When they share their courageous and
inspiring words.

They are our blanket when we are alone,
And make us feel right at home!
No matter how busy they may be,
They are always there to help and care for us!

God truly has created such beautiful and
amazing Mothers!

They do so much for their families!
They cook, they clean, and do everything in
between.

Both in front of us and behind the scenes!

Sometimes we wonder how they do it all,
While juggling all of life's big responsibilities
Without a slip or a fall!

They are so amazing in all that they do!
How lucky are we to have them, both me and
you!

Why did God make mothers?

by Juliana Molinelli

Why did God make mothers?
To care and be watchful of their kids and
others.

To comfort, to love.

Moms are angels from above.

Why did God make mothers?
To keep safety to our sisters and brothers.
Mothers teach us about the world.
Mothers are amazing, kind, and loving.
That is why I think God made mothers.

Baptism

by Patrick Keegan

The nerves in your body giving you
goosebumps,
The excitement of joining a new family,
The happiness of joining a forever home,
Waiting for the Baptist to call your name,
Walking towards a new beginning,
God's people supporting you,
And His love filling you,
As you step into the water of Christ,
The Holy water surrounding you,
The Baptist says,
"Do you believe that Jesus Christ is our
savior"
You say,
"Yes I do"
Baptist says,
"Buried in Christ, Risen in Christ,"
All of God's people cheer.

disgruntled UNCLE

Got any pressing questions in your life? Our very own
Disgruntled Uncle is here to help!

Q: I've been trying to draw an assortment of grapes. Do you have any tips for shading them?

A: As the best artist at Our Savior I have some great tips for shading. First you must find a tree, stand under the tree so that the shade hits your paper. Take a picture of the drawing and you have perfect shading on your picture. Hope this helps!

Q: How do I deal with incompetent people?

A: When in doubt, you should catch trout. That is to say, when you don't know what to do, go fishing.

Q: How do you deal with the pressure to be perfect?

A: Many students struggle with this topic, myself included. Personally it helps to remember all the good things in my life like my friends, my family, my house, the fact that I have not contracted a debilitating disease, do not live in a country filled with unrest, or am being suppressed by the secret police, all is not well in *Ba Sing Sei*.

Q: If you were a tree what kind of tree would you be?

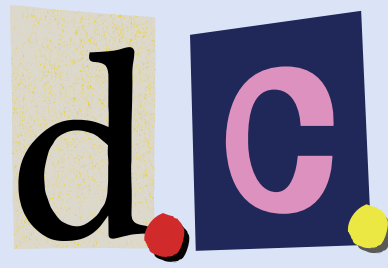
A: The gray pine or the *Pinus Sabiniana*.

8th
Grade

d.c.

trip

Our week in Washington D.C was an unforgettable trip that I am very thankful I was able to experience. We were able to go to a multitude of places and made hundreds of memories together. We had the privilege of visiting many different types of places. Such as places of reflection, engagement, and honor. We were able to visit places that house some of our nation's most important people and documents, who help to keep our civil rights intact. Including the White House, the Capitol building, the National Archives, and the Supreme Court Justice building. At these places we were able to “pull back the curtain”- in a way- and peek into how our government works and functions. We were also able to visit museums such as the Smithsonian of American History, the International Spy Museum, the Smithsonian of Natural History, and the Air and Space Annex. At these places, we could explore freely, absorb the information at our own pace, and were able to enjoy the exhibits thoroughly. While in D.C we also were able to visit many places of reflection and reverence, such as the Holocaust memorial museum, The National African American History Museum, and countless memorials that honored and are in remembrance of those who sacrificed and fought for our country to help make it what it is today. Although we were able to visit these wonderful places, our trip was not defined by the places we visited, but by what we took away from them that we carry with us, and the memories we made there that we will cherish forever.



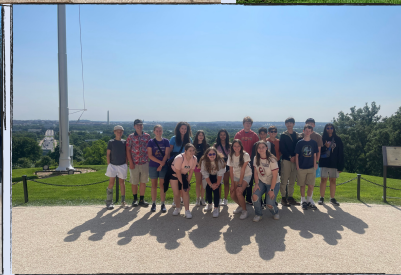
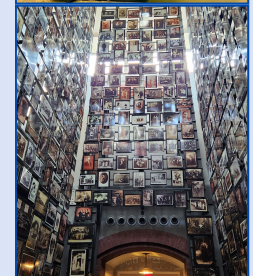
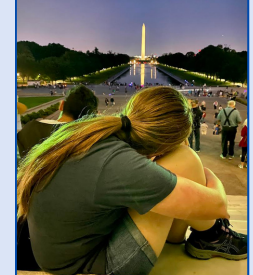
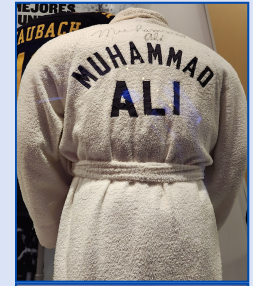
This trip was not only an opportunity to visit famous places in our nation's capital, but to become closer to our classmates in the final weeks of the school year. We had many memorable moments together, from Uno in the hallway to late-night cornhole in the courtyard and avoiding morning Starbucks lines. We were able to enjoy ourselves and enjoy the company of the people around us. We danced together, laughed together, and made memories together that will last a lifetime. One person who made our trip even more memorable than I could ever imagine was our lovely bus driver, Maestro. His knowledge and stories of D.C. were endless and gave us a different perspective on life in the capital city. His energy and liveliness made every bus ride extremely enjoyable. His mastery of every event and building in D.C. allowed us to enjoy every aspect of the city even further than we thought we could have. The wonderful Maestro made our trip even better. After a week with all of these people, I hope I never forget the friendships I strengthened and the memories I made with the people around me, because the people around me are the ones who made the trip even more fun.

The privilege to be able to experience D.C. with my classmates is something I hope to never forget. I am forever grateful to the wonderful people who made this trip the best school trip I have ever experienced. This trip to D.C. was a wonderful experience I hope to look back on fondly in the years to come and that you enjoy it when it's your turn.

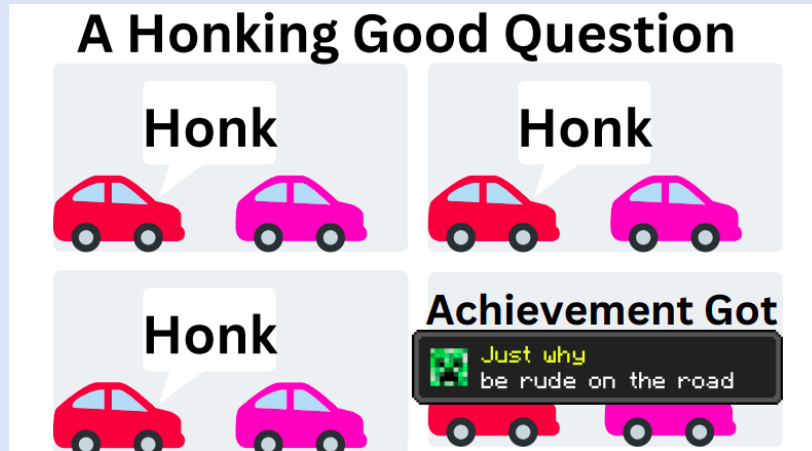
D.C. PHOTO DUMP

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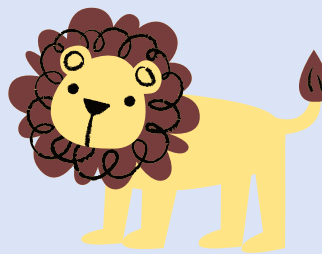


COMIC CONTEMPNER



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"I've solved stupider with dumber."
-Dr. Rueter

"Nothing against millennials. They're very creative. Just look at all the ways they found to eat avocado toast."
- Ethan Martinez

"My parents have Snapchat. My mom once left my dad on 'delivered' for six years."
- Knox Hooker

"I don't actually think I can fully read. I've just memorized a lot of words."
- Analynn Wood

Heard something hilarious? Email the quote to Ms. Moore at nmoore@oslm.net to be included in our next school paper!



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