

# The Freshman Flash

## June, 2015 Edition



### Anthem Lights Comes to Kellenberg

On May 1, 2015, the band Anthem Lights played a concert for Kellenberg students in the auditorium. Anthem Lights is a pop-Christian band based in Nashville whose debut album, Anthem Lights, was released in 2011. The group is comprised of members Alan Powell, Chad Graham, Caleb Grimm, and Joey Stamper. They gained popularity through YouTube, where they posted videos singing covers of pop and Christian hits, as well as a few of their own songs. Each morning for weeks before the concert, a different Anthem Lights cover would be played after morning announcements.

The show during an assembly period was practically a full blown pop concert, with students filling up seats and crowding around the stage in a "praise pit". The band came out with lots of energy, singing many different songs, including quite a few Christian ones. They also sang a Taylor Swift mashup, including *I Knew You Were Trouble* and *Shake It Off*, and a Katy Perry mashup, which included the hit *Roar*.

As the concert began to wind down, the lead singer Alan Powell gave a heartfelt speech about how his daughters have brought him closer to Christ. He spoke about how loving his children has truly taught him about how much God loves him.

Alan then led his group in a finale while wearing a maroon Latin School blazer. They sang their song *Just Fall*, which was greeted by a large round of applause and screams from the students. After going backstage for a few moments, the cheers from the crowd were so loud that the band came back onstage to repeat that song for their encore. Anthem Lights then stayed in the school for a few more hours, visiting lunch periods, signing phone cases, and taking pictures with students.

This Faith Friday concert was an enjoyable, Christian show for all those who got to experience it.

By: Kimberly Lores, 9K

### Comprehensive Exam Schedule

\*Tuesday, June, 9th:

Religion

\*Wednesday, June,  
10th:

English

\*Thursday, June,  
11th

World History

\*Friday, June, 12th:

Math

\*Monday, June,  
15th:

World Language/  
English Comp

\*Tuesday, June,  
16th:

Science



During Spirit Week, many people look forward to Friday, which means the Pep Rally. This season's theme was Jeopardy. There were 6 teams, each consisting of 3 members, and the two MC's would ask questions based on school, subjects, teachers, music, and past and current athletes. For every question answered correctly the team would receive a colorful necklace. If a team answered incorrectly, the question would progress to the next team until the question was answered correctly or went back to the original team, and then the question was changed. All the teams tried their hardest, but in the end, team #1 came out on top.

By: Danielle Urban, 9R

### **Baseball Success!**

The freshman baseball team had a fantastic season this year with wins against Holy Trinity, St. Dominic's, and St. John the Baptist. They made it all the way to the finals against St. Antony's. Even though they didn't come out with a win, the team played with heart and displayed a fighting spirit. This game truly defined the character of the team. They had been stellar the whole season, and the championship game was a well deserved reward for their efforts. Congratulations to the boys freshman team on a great season!

By: Chris Gharagozlo, 9G

### **Track Round Up**

After the long and brutal winter we had on Long Island, freshman spring sports had a successful season. Tryouts for these spring sports were constantly pushed back due to the inclement weather conditions outside. However, the teams rose to the occasion and worked hard all season to produce positive results. Freshman spring sports include, baseball, and boys and girls spring track.

One of the highlights from the freshman sports teams was the baseball team. The boy's tryout was constantly held back due to weather, and the team was restricted to working out inside at the beginning of the season. These boys worked hard all season and the result was a shot at the championship. The team overcame all the odds and miraculously made the playoffs. The team sadly lost in the championship, but positive signs were clear for the future of the program.

Improvements were made on the track as well. Both the girls and boys freshman team had solid performances in the big races this year. Personal records were broken and medals were earned through the course of the season. When freshman 3,200 city champion, Dylan Ambroise, was asked about the spring track season, he replied "Overall, we had a good season. A lot of the guys on our team really improved compared to last season and with hard work and dedication over the summer, we could be a legitimate competitor next season." The freshman track program showed promising signs this season for years to come.

The freshman sports teams had a great season. Signs of a bright future in the Kellenberg sports program truly showed from the performances of our teams. The athletes will look back on a spring season full of great memories and positive steps forward for the future.

By: Brendan Connelly, 9D



### **"Oh Snap - Watch Out for Tap!" Blue and Gold 2015**

On May 9th, 2015, the Blue and Gold show was held at the Mack Sports Complex at Hofstra University. After the national anthem was sung by Matthew Kelly, Kirsten LoMacchio, and Hannah Pipa, Fr. Thomas Cardone led the invocation and said the opening prayer. First up was the welcome song by the seniors on Blue & Gold, a special choreographed dance that has become a tradition for the graduating students. Gold performed their sequence, dances, and storyline first, based on their theme "A Golden Ever After". Narration, which happens before every dance number, not only tells and continues the storyline of each side, but also adds humor and theatrics to the show. Gold Narration, featuring Maria Ciuffo, Brenna Corporal, and Kirsten LoMacchio, can be related to Ella Enchanted. The audience follows the love story of Ella and Prince Golder, who break the curse, get married, and live happily ever after! Entrance (Towns Girls), Jazz (Fairy Gold Mothers), Hip Hop (Princes), Tap (Jesters), and Tumbling (Brides and Grooms) wowed the crowd and received enthusiastic applause from the strong Gold crowd. The Finale included every "Golden girl" that performed that night, with stunning formations and gorgeous smiles. The Gold Captains, Sarah Fiore and Makenzi Mollitor, looked beautiful and were incredibly proud of their girls, pumping up the crowd and cheering on their teammates. After the intermission, the Green Team set up "Legally Blue". Led by Tricia Anen and Stephanie Smith, Blue told the tale of Bluelle and her quest to prove Marigold wrong and help her sorority sister, Sapphire, get out of jail. Narrated by Elizabeth McAlvin, Hannah Pipa, and Jenna Roach, the congregation follows Bluelle's adventure of not only helping others, but finding herself in the process. Entrance (Law Students), Jazz (Waitresses), Tap (Piano Men), Hip Hop (Inmates), and Tumbling (Bluelle) whipped up the blue supporters and enjoyed every second of the action, climaxing in a fantastic finale. Anticipation and suspense rippled through, not only the participants, but the crowd as well, as the judges deliberated on the final verdict. You could hear a pin drop as Mrs. Perrone (head of Blue & Gold) and Miss Lawrence walked towards the microphone. Blue Tap won best in show (for the second year in a row), with Gold Tap also receiving the best Gold group score. Gold finished with a total score of roughly 2,900 points, which includes not only dances but props, banners, costumes, behavior, and spirit. Finally, Mrs. Perrone announced the Blue team's total. She couldn't get past "3" when the whole blue team exploded into cheering, screaming, crying, and countless elated emotions. BTV became a reality for the third consecutive time! Catherine LoScalzo, a freshman on Blue Entrance, remarked, "Blue & Gold was an incredible experience that I will never forget!"

By: Madison Callinan, 9C



## Why Join S.A.L.T.?



One of Kellenberg's community service clubs is S.A.L.T. which stands for **S**ervice, **A**llegiance, **L**eadership, and **T**eamwork. This is one of the many clubs that Kellenberg has to offer that will build a better character inside of you. Additionally, it will also help you develop a stronger spiritual connection with God and bring you in a more intimate relationship with Him.

By participating in S.A.L.T. events, you will earn community service hours and with enough hours, you will be invited on various S.A.L.T. retreats throughout the year!

Also, to get credit at the end of the year for participating in S.A.L.T., you will need 20 hours of service. Even if you have no service hours towards the end of the school year, there are always some events that can bring you up to 20 hours. Lastly, you will get a pin to show your dedication to the club and your hardworking hours of service.

At these retreats you will be able to take an "off day" from school and go to Founder's Hollow to step back from your busy lives and engage in a deep prayer and meditation with God. You will be able to recommit yourself back to God if you have been leaving Him out of your life. These retreats are also great for making new friends; people who are just like you! Teachers and the retreat staff assisting you on these retreats have many fun activities, movies, and exercises planned for the students to do so they can develop stronger relationships with God.

The best part about S.A.L.T. is that you sign-up online using the Kellenberg website, and you get to choose the events that you would like to assist in. Furthermore, there are multiple events throughout the entire year, and you can pick the ones that fit your time schedule the best! Also, if you signed up for an event and you get a last-minute notice that you are busy during that event, you have the option to un-volunteer for that event. S.A.L.T. is one of the many clubs that can meet every students' needs and time schedules.

Every student should sign-up for S.A.L.T. and participate in all the events and projects it has to offer! Grab a friend and serve other people and God! It is one of the many great clubs Kellenberg has to offer, and it will help you grow in faith throughout Kellenberg and your life! Take advantage of this club by signing up for S.A.L.T. on the Kellenberg website, if you haven't done so already!

By: Thomas Cava, 9C