

# Side job on the sidelines

Scott Gudorf may seem like your average teacher. He teaches a government class, economics and geography. But someone who does not know him might not know an interesting fact about him. On certain nights, after the school day is over, Gudorf goes home and puts on a special uniform. He wears this uniform because he is a licensed referee.

"I have been a licensed official since I was 19, so seven years," said Gudorf.

An official, or referee, is the guy or girl who is usually running up and down the court or throwing little flags when the teams do something "illegal". They make sure neither team breaks the rules. Gudorf was very involved in sports throughout school so refereeing struck him.

"I played a lot. I was on every intramural team I could play. Flag football, softball, volleyball, basketball or soccer; you name it, I played it," said Gudorf.

Gudorf is licensed to officiate track and field, cross country, football, basketball and volleyball. He normally referees in Jasper but he has also refereed games at Paoli, Mitchell, Orleans, schools in Dubois, Pike, Martin, Daviess and Spencer County. How often he officiates depends on the sport.

"I officiate two to three nights a

week. During basketball, I could work anywhere between two to five nights per week," said Gudorf.

With the thought that Gudorf occasionally referees Paoli, this could cause problems with him, and the students on the sports team. He says he likes to referee against Paoli but then again he does not because of the awkwardness that can result from the calls he makes on his students.

He says the most common mistake of a player is calling him a name loud enough that he can hear.

"Being a licensed official, I have to be unbiased. So I have no real feelings when I do officiate one of our games. I mean I do want Paoli to win every time, however, I am not going to be that person that makes us win every game. The players on the floor or field will do that," said Gudorf.

Gudorf says sometimes students can become upset at him or give him a "hard time" for the calls he makes during the game even though the school environment and what he does during class is completely separate from what he does when he is wearing his official's uniform. He even admits that sometimes he feels as though he does make the wrong calls, but he has to move on with the game.

On the positive side, Gudorf said becoming a referee was "very easy".

"It is very easy. You apply to

the Indiana High School Athletic Association (IHSAA) and tell them which sports you would like to officiate. They will send you the books after you pay the fees for the books and tests. You then take the test online (open-book) and you must score at least a 75 percent on a true and false test. It seems easy with it being open-book, but it is rather difficult. I still missed a handful. If you want to work the tournament, you have to take another test and score at least a 90 percent," said Gudorf.

With the rules changing every year, Gudorf has to keep up with the changes. Physically keeping up with the team is another challenge for him.

"I would like to keep on doing this until I cannot do it any longer. Track and cross country would be easy to do when I'm older. I just point a gun in the air and fire. Football and basketball, I do have to stay in shape for because I have to keep up with them," said Gudorf.

Gudorf said he would like to continue refereeing until he no longer can, and he would recommend it to anyone interested.

"Absolutely! If you enjoy being active, then a sport like basketball or football is you. If standing in one spot is more your style, then volleyball and track would be best. I recommend girls getting involved too."

Story by Brooklyn Dotts

## MEET:

Junior

### Tessa England

Have you ever seen Big Foot?

Erryday, He's in my closet, shhh...

Do you hear that noise? What? Did you toot?

What is your favorite midnight snack? Oompa loompas.

The *Hunger Games* or *Twilight*?

*Twilight*, I love sparkly boys.

What is black, white and red all over? My Huffy.

Mexican or Chinese food?

Kittens, duh.

Do you like pickles? I LOVE pickles.

By Taylor Pigg

## Music Review: Kids in the Street

After nearly four years of waiting, one of my favorite bands has produced a new album yet again.

The All-American Rejects put out their album *Mona Lisa* in 2008, and while I very much enjoyed it, as well as their other albums (*The All-American Rejects* and *Move Along*). I was very anxious for them to put out another.

The *Kids in the Street* was released March 26, and was something completely different than what I was expecting. Usually AAR's music is consistent and sticks to the "rock" concept pretty well. Of course some of their songs are known to slip in some random instruments every once in a

while, like the pipe organ for example, the basic instruments like guitar and bass are always present and the biggest part of the music, but this album is a little different.

Approaching a different sound in several of their new songs, which can be described as "power pop," the band takes on a more contemporary kind of sound. Of course the four band members have their usual parts and instruments; there are new percussion noises and horns and other things that make this music different than normal. I like it very much, but it's not my favorite album by them.

Review & Chart by Samantha Patton

### What is an underrated band you would recommend to others?



Junior  
Taylor Samsil

**Rascal Flatts**

Junior  
Josh Rice



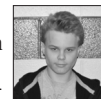
**I Set My Friends on Fire**



Sophomore  
Natosha Deweese

**The Band Perry**

Junior  
Josh Shipman



**A.D.T.R**



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## English Teacher Maria Standiford



Under age 5...

Question

...and Today

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Yellow	<b>Favorite Color</b>	Blue
Stuffed Animals	<b>Favorite Toy</b>	My Truck
Little House on The Prairie	<b>Favorite TV Show</b>	The Waltons
Sahoko	<b>Best Friend</b>	Katrina
Become a teacher.	<b>Plans (For Future)</b>	Write a book.
"I Am a Child of God"	<b>Favorite Song</b>	"Be Thou My Vision"
Squirrel	<b>Favorite Animal</b>	Puppy
Read	<b>Favorite Thing To Do</b>	Read
None (lived in apartment)	<b>Name of Pet</b>	I have 17...
The Butterfly Ball	<b>Favorite Book</b>	Dandelion Wine
Be helpful.	<b>What Are Your Goals?</b>	Finish Master's degree.
Reading	<b>Favorite Subject</b>	English
Any time	<b>Best Time For a Nap?</b>	Any time
The family farm in Crawford County.	<b>Favorite Vacation Spot</b>	Utah
Being afraid to talk to people.	<b>Worst Flaw</b>	Talking too much.

By Maryah Hickman

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