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Rocketry Team Qualifies For National Finals

by Charris Memory

April 1st, a day that to most is commonly known as a day of pranks, was no such day to St. Andrew's Academy Rocketry Club members. On that day, eight students flew a rocket that qualified them for the national finals of the Team America Rocketry Challenge (TARC).

TARC is a national competition for students in grades 7 through 12. The goals change from year to year, keeping the competition challenging for returning teams. This year the challenge had three requirements. The rocket had to reach an altitude of 850 ft with a flight time, from launch to touchdown, of 45 seconds, all the while carrying an egg, which had to return unbroken. TARC scores each team by adding points for every foot and second off the desired targets. The lower the score the better. The St. Andrew's Academy rocketry team first attempted to qualify last year, but failed.

After much hard work, the team gathered in a Greenville pasture for this year's qualification attempt. As each student carefully did his or her job, they hoped that day would be the day they qualified for the national competition. To make sure everything was as it should be, the team launched a practice flight. It was too high, so the students calculated how much weight to add to the rocket, hoping to nail the next flight. Serena Howe, the project manager, pushed the button and the rocket shot off into the air. Soon after, one of the timers called 40 seconds. A few seconds more and the rocket

landed across the road, with a time of 46.78 seconds.

Joe Salvatore, in charge of manufacturing, rushed across the meadow to retrieve the rocket, impatient to know what height the altimeter read. "Yea!" the excitement carried in his voice and the rest of the team members were filled with anticipation.



Rocket Team Memers: l-r, Shelby Howe, Andrew Bradley, Amanda Kelley, Sarah Waterman, Serena Howe, Joe Salvatore, Charris Memory, Josiah Bartel

"What's the height?" yelled back the others.

"853 feet!"

They had received a score of 4.78, beating their goal of 10. The team members knew they had a great chance of qualifying, even on April Fools' Day. Final confirmation that they were among the top 100 scores came on Friday, April 13, another infamous day.

St. Andrew's Academy Rocketry Club is the only team between Sacramento and Grants Pass, OR, which will participate in the TARC finals May 19th at Great Meadows, VA. Out of

the 8 members, Serena Howe, Joe Salvatore, Charris Memory (publicity and fundraising coordinator), and Mr. Kent Bartel (faculty advisor) are all planning to fly to Virginia.

The team is currently seeking donations from the community to help with travel expenses. At present, the estimated cost for airfare, car rental, hotel, and food is \$2500. If you would like to help, please contact St. Andrew's Academy at 596-3343.

The Team also wants to give special thanks to Travis Rubke and Dan Litchfield for taking the time to help record the qualification flight.

Charris Memory: St. Andrew's Academy's Class of 2007

St. Andrew's Academy gratefully celebrates the graduation of another student this year, Miss Charris Memory, who will graduate June 2nd, 2007.

Miss Memory has learned and experienced much both personally and academically in the past few years. She took four years of Greek and two of Latin, and is now interested in Japanese language and culture. She has successfully met the requirements of graduation from St. Andrew's,

including Latin and Greek, formal Logic, Literature, Philosophy, Rhetoric, History, Physical and Life Sciences, Mathematics, and Theology. We watched two years in a row as she went to the regional Rotary Club Speech Contest as a finalist, placing third out of twelve her senior year. She hopes one day to teach English at the high school level, after traveling far and wide all over the globe.

Charris has also been formed deeply during her high school years by other

factors. During 2004 and 2005, she stood beside her father in his struggle with cancer until his death in the fall of 2005. It has been a very great blessing to watch Charris confront, fight with, and overcome this and subsequent difficulties.

With both joy and sorrow, therefore, we send out this beloved young woman, having walked with her through hard times and rejoiced through the good. May God's grace precede and follow her wherever she goes, and our love and prayers will always be with her.

2007 Drama Production: *Fools For Love*

This year the St. Andrew's Academy Players return to Shakespeare for their drama production, but Shakespeare with a difference. They will not be producing a play by Shakespeare, but rather, five of them—well, excerpts from five.

The theme this year? "Fools For Love." The faculty and students have chosen and edited a few scenes from all of Shakespeare's genres; tragedy, history and comedy, featuring fools and lovers—who are almost always the same people. The production will raise the questions, Can one be in love and not be a fool? Are there positive and negative modes of foolishness? When one refuses to be a fool, how does this influence love?

Dr. Joseph Marlowe and Miss Emma Burbage will also be featured in the production, explaining the finer and less-fine points of the bard's plays.

Enjoy just a touch of Shakespeare with a company of foolish actors and characters in *Fools For Love: A Shakespeare Review*.

Opening night is on Friday May 11th, at 7 pm, at the Chester Methodist Church. The second showing is the following day, Saturday, May 12th, also at 7 pm.



St. Andrew's Students Joe Salvatore and Rebekah Waterman practice for the 2007 Drama Production: *Fools For Love: A Shakespeare Review*

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An Academic Calendar for *The Standard*.

Upcoming Events at St. Andrew's Academy for the month of
May, 2007

Call the school for more information, 530-596-3343

Drama Rehearsals

Chester United Methodist Church

Friday, 5/4, 8:00 AM - 3:00 PM

Monday, 5/7 - Thursday, 5/10, 3:30 - 5:00 PM

Friday, 5/11, 8:00 AM - Noon

"Fools for Love: A Shakespeare Review" Spring Drama Production

Friday, 5/11, and Saturday, 5/12, 7:00 PM

May School Tour

Tuesday, 5/15

This is the final opportunity this school year for members in the community to see St. Andrew's in operation. Please invite acquaintances to join us for Chapel and/or the tour.

7:30 am: Chapel

8:20-9:00 am: Tour

Rocketry Team to Virginia for TARC Finals

Thursday, 5/17 - Monday, 5/21

Fly Straight, Fly True.

Study Hall and Grammar Field Trip

Friday, 5/25, 7:30 - 11:30 am

3rd form and up will have study hall in preparation for Finals. 1st & 2nd form will be on a field trip.

Contact Miss deMartimprey for details.

Memorial Day

No School, Monday, 5/28.

Easter Finals

Tuesday, 5/29 - Friday, 6/1

The school week is shifted to accommodate Memorial Day. Please pick 1st form students up between 12:15 - 12:45 PM

St. Andrew's Commencement

Saturday, 6/2, 3:00 PM

The St. Andrew's Choir sings evensong for the 2007 Commencement. This will be the last evensong the choir sings with Charris Memory before she receives her diploma that evening! The entire school community is asked to attend, and choristers should arrive no later than 2:30 with robes in hand.

California Choir Tour

Sunday, 6/3, - Tuesday, 6/12

The Middle and High School students will be singing at various locations throughout California culminating at Pepperdine University's *Ascending Voice* Symposium of Sacred *A Cappella* Music.

Please note that this Oracle is not attempting to give a complete summer calendar—nor even a complete June calendar. A summer calendar will be out soon.

Ed.

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Below, left: Miss Charris Memory, Graduate for 2007. Right: Middle School Students at St. Andrew's, from left to right, Josiah Bartel, Lucas Carmichael, and Peter Bartel.



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