



## Environmental Club



By Kelsey Kiley

**I**shmael: *An Adventure of the Mind and Spirit*, by Daniel Quinn, *A Sand County Almanac*, by Aldo Leopold, and **Mr. Ron Hochstrasser**. What did they have in common? All were inescapable if A.P. Environmental Sciences was on the schedule.

Through fascinating class discussions on life and the world and everything that was changing around us, students were inevitably drawn towards the class and the teacher. Where did those students go? Environmental Club!

"I think it's a really great class that's just amazing, and when there's a club about it, that's even better. I don't think people realize how much they can do, and how easy it is. A lot of people I know don't even have

recycling bins!" said **Stacy Shutts, 10**.

For most of the year, the club was working on generating a recycling program here at the school.

Environmental Club was also known for their signs in the commons with quick environmental facts, on such things like the deaths of coral reefs and recycling newspapers. Their main goal was to educate the school on how easy it is to help out.

It was a relaxed atmosphere, with meetings on Thursdays. There was originally a board, but then it was decided that there was no need for a "hierarchy." What else could be expected from Environmental Club?

**Bonding over the environment**, **Matt Summerlin, 10**, and **James Hutson, 10**, had a lot to say about the club. "The earth is our planet. It is our job to take care of our planet. It's our job to do our job to do our job to DO OUR JOB!" said **Summerlin**. "I think it's important to do more than just clean my room," said **Hutson**.

**Mmm... dirt.**

The Envirothon was a good time, especially for **Emily St. Cyr, 10**, **Stacy Shutts, 10**, and **Meghan Harley, 10**. They enjoyed a fun filled day of playing in the dirt.



## Math Club



By: Jaime Orent

**D**o you like Pie? These kids definitely did. Not quite the kind of pie you'd expect either, we're talking about pi, the number, 3.14.

Math Club, led by the head of the Math Department, **Dr. Keith Brackenridge**, had quite a successful year. With a strong group of seniors to lead the way, victory seemed to be the only option.

Meetings were held on Wednesdays in room 222 from 2:30-3:15. Members of Math Club automatically gained a half point towards the math medallion upon joining as well as a significant amount of points gained from competition scores and attendance at meetings.

Math Club's biggest competition of the year was the Rose Hulman competition taken at Lakota West High School. The club had a plethora of winners at this competition including **Amit**

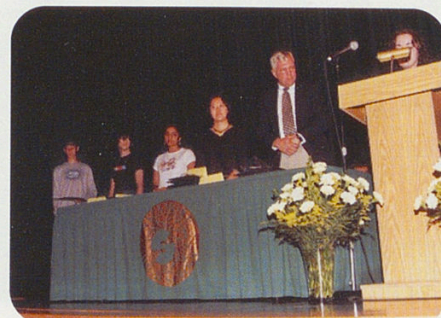
**Chandra, 11**, **Chester Chen, 10**, **Sanjay Choudhury, 9**, **Radhika Kedia, 10**, **Zachary Reuscher, 9**, **Tianqiong Wang, 11**, **Elizabeth Wei, 9**, and **Wenjun Zhang, 9**. Seniors **Aaron Friedman, Jamie Nesbitt**, and **Jeffrey Andrews** received very prestigious awards at this contest.

Math Club was also led by **Mrs. Nancy Barbian** and **Mrs. Melissa Hardy**.

Those that joined Math Club really enjoyed the experience. Excitement for the following year begins the year before.

"I cannot wait for Math Club next year! It will be my third year and I'm really excited for some new projects!" said **Julie Saha, 10**.

We'll just have to wait and see what Math Club has in store for next year. More pi anyone?



**A h i l a n Sivaganesan, 12**, receives his award for the American Mathematics Competition "AMC-12A". **Sivaganesan** was one of Math Club's cherished seniors.

**Math Club gets recognition for their efforts.** The members of Math Club receive honor at the underclass awards ceremony. The medallion winners were: **Elizabeth Wei, 9**, **Zachary Goldman, 10**, **Amit Chandra, 11**, and the overall school winner of the American Scholastic Math Association Contest was **Elizabeth Wei, 9**.

