



# TRITON VOICE



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## Girls Spring Sports

By Erin Holloran  
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After several months of sharing cramped gym space, running in the halls, and trying to find two weights that actually match, Triton's spring athletes are more than ready to hit the fields, courts and track.

As the weather begins to warm, and the snow starts to melt, there is a bustle of activity for those getting ready for the upcoming season.

Excitement is starting to run through athletes' veins and many students are finally realizing that the spring sports season is right around the corner, filled with hope and determination to make this season the best one anyone has ever seen.

**Softball:** If you asked senior Mara Spears if she's excited for the upcoming softball season, she's quick to give you an answer.

"Of course I am! Softball is my sport!" Spears, an avid softball player, is ready for the season to start and has high hopes for the team in the coming season.

"We have a good core group of girls. They all have natural talent, which is valuable because it's important to have not only naturally talented players, but ones that are also hard workers. I'm really hoping we have a big turnout of girls,



Senior pitcher Mara Spears goes into her windup at a recent game (photo courtesy *Newburyport Daily News*).

both new and returning".

Spears is also hoping to see some changes in the team that they can hopefully use to really get ahead.

"I'm really hoping both new and returning players will be flexible, both with playing time and position. I'm also hoping to see less

strikeouts this year. Hopefully we can get more girls on the bases."

As for the overall lookout on the team this season, Spears says she has a good feeling.

"Masco is always a tough school to beat, and obviously we want to beat our river rivals, like Newburyport and Amesbury, but I have a good feeling about this group, and hopefully it will turn out to be a good season."

**Lacrosse:** This spring sport season began again on March 17, and girls' lacrosse coach Stacey Beaulieu has a good outlook on the team this year.

"I believe we can get back to the winning ways of this young program. In the short history of the program we have made the tournament seven out of the 10 years; that means we have only three losing seasons. We can add another [winning] season to the list. We had a competitive year last year and I know that we will be competitive again this year."

Even though they may be a young and small team, Beaulieu said she has confidence in the players.

"Our strength is in our upper classmen. We don't have a large  
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## Young Frankenstein shines as spring musical

By Christie McLaughlin  
Staff Writer

The spoof musical *Young Frankenstein* was performed March 7-10 by Triton's performing arts students.

*Young Frankenstein* was written by comedy genius Mel Brooks. Brooks has also made a number of other comedic movies, including a spoof on the famous Robin Hood tale titled, *Robin Hood, Men in Tights*.

In *Young Frankenstein*, a relative of Dr. Frankenstein is called in to take care of his late grandfather's estate and finish up final paperwork.

At first, the young relative does not want to follow in his crazy grandfather's experiments. He plans on being in Transylvania for maybe a few weeks. He was already happy with his touchy finance and his job.

Yet when the young Frankenstein arrives in Transylvania, he is shown his grandfather's book about how the experiment on the Frankenstein monster is supposed to work, and young Frankenstein is eager to see if it really does. Along with help from Igor and new assistant Inga, he recreates his monster.

"It had good music," said freshman Abby Booth about the Triton production.

"I played the town idiot. I'm not a town!" said senior Nate Sabatini, who was in the play

"I think the cast did a phenomenal job," said assistant director of the play Mr. John Flynn.

Some of the songs were also played for the fifth grade performing arts students who came to Triton on March 13. That performance was followed by an enormous applause.



Above left, Chris Beal as Young Frankenstein with Miguel Mendonca, right, as Frankenstein's monster (Christie McLaughlin photos).



## Boys Spring Sports

By Eric Ninthala  
Staff Writer

During the offseason after winter sports, most kids would look forward to their homes and either pigging out or taking a nap.

This is not the case for varsity baseball captain Billy Mical and his team. In fact they have been going after school every day (including Saturdays) to Governors Academy and enduring tough conditioning as well as baseball drills.

What motivates them? A goal to make the tournament, win the Cape Ann League Kinney division, and then finally winning the Division Three State Tournament.

"A big part of being able to do those things is believing that we can do it and staying focused," said Mical.

The team also hopes and anticipates to get revenge against their rivals, Newburyport, whom they beat on April 12 and will play them again on May 20.

**Tennis:** While the baseball team gets ready for their season, the boy's tennis team is working hard as well.

Like baseball, the tennis team is working after school every day on their technique and conditioning.

In fact, Captain Niko Marcolini has high hopes for the team.

"We definitely have a shot at the CAL title," said the captain. "This year we have the most distributed talent out of the past four years and also a lot of depth. This year everything should go our way."

**Lacrosse:** "I'm really looking forward to the warm weather this season," said varsity lacrosse player Will McCaffrey. "Also a memorable senior year would be great too. We didn't have the best season last year. Hopefully we can change that this year."

**Track:** With high hopes in captain Brandon Duford and his team, track coach Mr. Joseph Colbert believes that the team can go far

and accomplish their goals.

"We have a really young team, but they're strong and work hard," said Colbert.

Much like the lacrosse team, the track team hopes to their poor season last year and gain a winning record. They also hope to bring up the young team and make them stronger.

Despite the pressures, having fun and keeping a positive attitude is important for Colbert as well.

"There's a lot of things we need to accomplish," said Colbert "but keeping a positive attitude and having fun are what makes the team better."

As April continues to warm up, Triton athletes eagerly wait for their meets and matches; lifting sessions in the weight room, intense work outs in the gym, or simply going for a light jog.

In any case, everybody is pumped for the new season and is ready to start as soon as possible.

## The Other Colbert Report

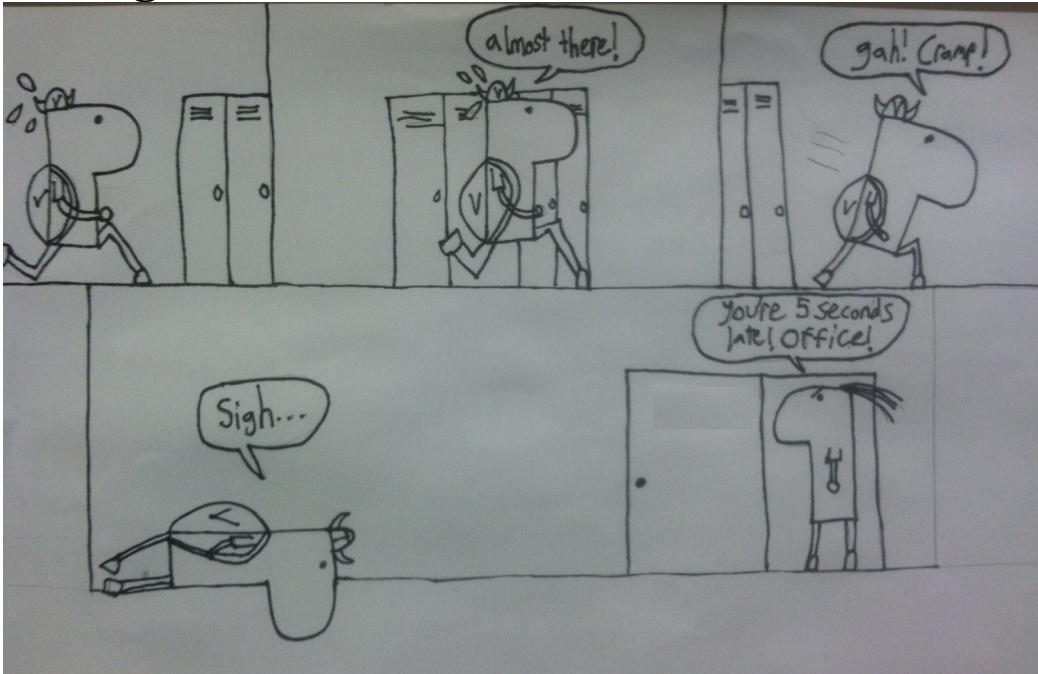
By Cedric Colbert

**Local:** On April 11, a grand jury indicted a Seabrook police officer on assault charges in response to a video that went viral showing him repeatedly slamming a suspect's head in the police station. The officer faces up to five years in prison. (NewburyportNews.com).

**National:** On Wednesday April 10, a 16-year-old student at a Pennsylvania high school went on a rampage stabbing or slashing twenty of his fellow students. There have not yet been any deaths as a result of the incident, however some students remain in critical condition. (CNN.com)

**International:** In response to more warnings from North Korea about missile launches and nuclear testing, the United States announced it will send two more missile defense ships to Japan in order to protect them. (CNN.com)

## Vikingz By Eric Nintala



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team; we will need players to play a lot of minutes and that can be a weakness late in the season when you're tired. We need to get more girls interested in playing all four years of high school. [But] I see them working hard and being competitive. I also see them being a tight-knit team that plays well together."

Hopefully, that confidence will carry them throughout the season and into CALS too.

"All of our (Cape Ann League) games are a challenge. The CAL has some excellent lacrosse players and teams."

**Spring Track:** Senior Ashley O'Neil seems to be optimistic about

the girls' track team this year.

"We are going to be a very strong team this year; we have a lot of potential," said O'Neil. "We have a lot of strong underclassmen. I'm excited to see where we will be going this year."

O'Neil says that no matter the event this year, she sees a lot of strength and potential, even in difficult meets.

"We have strength in sprinting, middle distance, and we have some new distance runners. All around we're going to be a really strong team this year. Even though each meet will have its own challenges, we'll just have to wait and see.

Masco is always a difficult team to beat, but I think we do well against

them."

**Tennis:** Junior Eliza Mullen is confident in Triton's Girls Tennis team this year. Currently the girls are on a winning streak with three wins, and are hoping for more as the season continues.

"Our singles are all really strong this year...[senior] Kaley Towns is really good in the singles; in fact the whole team is good overall. I feel like we're strong enough to have a lot of wins," said Mullen.

Despite some upcoming challenges from other schools, Mullen is still optimistic.

"Playing Hamilton-Wenham is going to be a challenge. They're really strong, but I think we're good enough to have a chance."

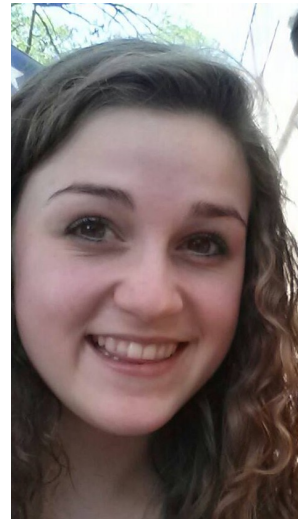
## Senior of the Week: Sydney Rybicki

A foreign language enthusiast, senior Sydney Rybicki plans on attending Saint Michael's College this coming fall.

"I love the area and they have a good French program," said Rybicki.

Rybicki is currently an AP student in both French and Spanish. In college, she says, "I plan on being a double-major in French and Spanish."

Courtesy photo



## An Outsider's Perspective

A student's take on Triton, coming from a neighboring school district

By Mikhaela Chenard

### Triton:

Next Friday April, 18, Triton High will be holding a Pep Rally for spring sports. During the last period, students will go to the gym to show their school spirit and support this season's players. Triton and its students always seem prepared to put their all into displaying their school pride. The classes ranging from freshman to seniors cheer and support their class's players.

### Danvers:

Danvers High School also holds a Pep Rally every year for the upcoming spring sports season. Danvers, like Triton, has students that are willing to show their school spirit and show their excitement for the events that will follow with the spring sports.

## Pet of the Week: Shadow

By Christie McLaughlin



Courtesy photo

Shadow is a Golden-Lab mix owned by tech teacher Mr. James Galante and math teacher Mrs. Marissa Galante.

"She's seven (on) April 9...that's today," Mrs. Galante remarked last week. Shadow has an older brother named Cosmo, she said. Mr. Galante has trained Shadow to get the newspaper for him.

"She loves to swim. She'll swim forever," said Mrs. Galante. "She even swims in the winter, in the ocean.

Shadow was named 'shadow' because she used to follow Cosmo when she was younger and smaller. But now she's twice his size."

Shadow's relatives are also owned by the Galante family, she said.

"My sister has Shadow's brother," Galante said. "And my brother has Shadow's sister."

## Heard in the Halls

Random, Funny, Off-color comments heard at Triton

By Erin Volpone

"I actually asked if rhinos went extinct and everyone in my class laughed. But I haven't seen one in a really long time!"

— Foreign Language Hallway

"I had to do the squid lab yesterday, and then for dinner, my Mom purposely got sushi. Thanks Mom."

— Math Hallway

Person A: "Did you see that Twitter page, Triton Compliments?"

Person B: "Yeah, just a bunch of posers trying to get attention. Pathetic, really."

— Cafeteria

"If I had a dollar for every time they said 'One last announcement...' I'd be richer than Bill Gates."

— Math Hallway

Person A: "Sometimes the hamster falls asleep."

Person B: "What?"

Person A: "The hamster in my head."

Person B: "I'm sorry, what?"

— English Hallway

## Poetry Submission

April is National Poetry Month, and the *Triton Voice* has agreed to publish Ashley Miller's original poem below. The poem, *Leech*, was selected by the Live Poets Society of New Jersey to be published in their anthology, *Inside of Me* due out June 30.

### Leech

Sometimes I feel like a leech.  
I hold onto people and feed off their energy,  
Their confidence, their laughter.  
I bet you know, what comes right after.  
Like a snake, I twist and curl  
Around their ankles and wrists.  
Of all the horrible things I've done,  
I could probably make a list.

It's scary actually, how desperate I can be,  
When I'm all alone  
And there's nothing to see.  
It's like trying to breathe underwater  
Or live in outer space.  
It's hopeless really,  
And I just feel out of place.

So next time you see me,  
You better watch out.  
I might never let go.  
I don't know what that's all about.