

Sounds from Austria



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Life in the abbey: Rodgers and Hammerstein's famous musical about Maria and the von Trapp family in Austria, "The Sound of Music," takes center stage this weekend at Clarenceville High. Cast members include Laura Fogolini as Gretl, Christine Danielson as Marta, Catherine Carwan as Brigitta, Mike Dunn as Kurt, Rochelle Clark as Louisa, Dan MacIver as Friedrich, Kellie Diehl as Liesl, Rachael Collins as Elsa, Eric Bishop as Capt. Von Trapp, and Mistey Blake as Maria. Showtime is 8 p.m. March 24-26 in the Schmidt Auditorium, on the west side of Middlebelt south of Eight Mile. Students from the southeast corner of Farmington Hills attend Clarenceville schools.

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inis, one can argue there's a sexual message portrayed. What's the difference?

"I guess the difference is what state law mandates," said Betty Martin, newspaper adviser for the Farmington High Blue and White. "I guess it probably doesn't say anything about swimsuit editions."

"I guess what it boils down to (is) if and when the district gets pressure about that type of thing (swimsuits), I'm sure it will be against district guidelines as well."

Martin speculates school officials, generally, tread lightly on the issue of sex and students. The main reason is conservatives, who are more outspoken on such issues, Martin said.

At Harrison, students posed near the swimming pool and in

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the gym. The photos are group shots with mock palm trees and quotes from those modeling about where they'd rather be to escape winter.

Some 20 to 30 students participated in the photo shoot. Catalyst co-editor senior Jennifer Rande said 15 will be featured in the issue due out around March 28.

No teens will be featured in Speedos or thong bikinis, Rande said.

"We specifically told them not to wear anything risqué," said Rande, who edits the paper with senior Aaron Weiss.

The emphasis is on swimwear fashion as opposed to providing a provocative or exploitive layout. Rande said it's nothing a person wouldn't otherwise see in a swim class.

She was the Catalyst feature editor last year when a similar

swimsuit issue came out.

"The only complaints we heard last year were from students who complained it was not enough like the Sports Illustrated swimsuit edition," Rande said.

Rande sees a marked contrast between what the Catalyst is doing and what the Farmington High paper tried to accomplish with its teen sexuality series.

Her teacher is not sure some people will make a distinction, though, between a swimsuit edition and opinions expressed by teens about sex.

"Let's say this, if things start happening because of all this there will not be (a swimsuit edition) next year," Schroeder said. "I'll tell you that. I don't have time to be screwing around with all this controversy."

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