

Top Ten News Bits from the Family

- 1 Andrew McGrory First Communion completed without incident.
- 2 Joanie Visits New Market, named Queen.
- 3 Uncle Bing Opens the 43rd "Bing Miller Dance Studio"
- 4 Gib Dapper states our family is "peculiar"
- 5 Lori changes middle name to "Vizsla"
- 6 Dean Lohrmann maintains "Pillar of Community" award.
- 7 Mike Lohrmann treated for uncontrollable girl-like giggling.
- 8 Both Jeff and Jack wonder what is going to happen next
- 9 Brothers Mayo return to netherworld after John's recovery
- 10 Fiction beats Fact in April/May (Fiction finally takes lead in 2001)

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Let's Talk About Ducks"

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"April Showers, My Ass"

Nocturnal Nephew Sleeps Through Night: Liz Owes Pope

By Mark O'Brien

The Basic Issue: Dear Sweet Charlie McGrory, age 5, has been rubbing on the last collective nerve of Liz due to his habit of wandering around in the middle of the night. After trying all conventional solutions to keep the boy from wandering, Liz turned to the whole family (including Lutherans and Amish sects) and an ace in the hold, Pope John Paul II, to "pray like you never prayed before."



The Prayer: It varied by person. Jeff just looked up to the sky and asked the heavens to cut Liz and Mark a break, Aunt Lorraine headed off to the French church with a bag lunch as she estimated that "this one was not going to be a quick prayer." Finally, former WSU alumni and Catholic Pope John Paul II did a whole Sunday sermon on the situation.

Night One: The plot was to wear Charlie out and cause him to collapse from exhaustion. After a full day of playing outside, Charlie outlasts Liz, who passes out in the hallway. Eventually, Charlie goes to bed after tucking Liz in bed. Prayers appear strangely ineffective.

Night Two: Liz gets on horn and repeats her call for all family and friends and pleads again for prayers for Charlie's successful sleeping experience. "And it worked," sighed Liz, "I think it was the last two calls to my favorite Catholics: Aunt Lorraine and Pope John Paul, II. Oh, and Joanie!"

John McKee Finishes Round Two: Ellen "Fascinated" By Smoothness

By Grace Kaughlin,

Our John McKee is at home after completing the second round of the social calendar-cramping but necessary chemotherapy. Inundated with requests for updates, Ellen sketched the picture of John (see right) and sent it to Mom's Newsletter with a note that states "his bald head is fascinating."

John is recovering nicely and his condition is being treated with energy generating supplements. These include sugar-free apple pie, ice cream, all types of tasty meat products, green olives, those nice little sandwiches that are made with the cucumber and rye bread, whitefish, peanuts and a wide variety of semi-healthy snacks of all shapes and sizes not yet mentioned. "I believe I can totally recover my hair if I consume massive quantities of whitefish," said John after his mid-afternoon snack of little crunchy crackers and cheese, "I have to keep up my strength because one thing is for sure: I still have my looks."

Sketch of John

