

CAMPUS EXPERIENCES

Contest for a Cause: Photo Caption

We like BIG butts and we cannot lie...

Submitted by Kristi Rogers on behalf of Admissions.

The story behind the photo: Fancy Pants Friday is something that was started within admissions offices throughout the state as a way to have fun throughout the summer. It lightens the mood in place of frumpy dress down Fridays. The rule is that you can wear pants or skirts, but they have to be bright, summer colors and patterns are better.

An anonymous donor matched the entry fees so \$30 went to the winning team and \$30 will be going to help continue the Lance Contest for a Cause project. The photo caption contest was the first contest in the series which will be included in every issue. Every contest offers prize money to the winner, while part of the money goes towards improving the St. Andrews campus. How the money will be used to benefit the campus will be determined by the Lance readership. Look for details on how to place your vote in email and on Excalibur.



Brunnenburg

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taught by Alice Mannelle, and HUM 290 A Tyrolian Encounter – taught by Michael de Rachewiltz.

Q. On what day and at what time did you all leave for Brunnenburg? How long was the trip from St. Andrews to Brunnenburg? Was there a large number of people involved with this trip compared to those of the past?

A. Usually there are more students. It took about 24 hours from door to door we left on September 1st from Belk Center at 10 am.

Q. Were there any special sort of preparations that you made before embarking on this trip, such as reading up on Italy, or cramming some Italian?

A. We read up, watched travel videos and documentaries on Italy and learned German using Rosetta Stone.

Q. Did you have any fear about seeming too foreign -- too tourist-like?

And if so, were your fears justified? Did you have any embarrassing tourist moments?

A. I bought a Tyrolean hat there that helped me fit in. I'm sure the students may have had some embarrassing tourist moments. My personal embarrassing moment was attempting to speak German and the waiter automatically handed me a menu in English.

Q. What were some of your preconceived notions before arriving in Dorf Tirol, Italy, and how have your ideas changed as a result of being there for a while?

A. I keep an open mind. I pictured it one way, but being there was completely different. Amazingly beautiful.

Q. Describes some of the activities that you all engaged in while on the trip.

A. We hiked the mountains, worked on the vineyard, traveled to Bolzano, Verona, Venice, Florence, Rome, Vienna, Prague, and Munich.

Q. How would you describe the impact

that going to Italy has had on your view of your own country?

A. It was an exotic and wonderful place to visit, but there's no place like home.

Q. What would you say that was the most difficult thing about being in Italy?

A. Adapting to the customs and languages. Where we were they spoke both German and Italian – it was hard trying to learn 2 languages at the same time.

Q. What was your favorite part about being there?

A. The views of the Alps and living in the castle. The ambiance was incredible.

Q. And what would you say was the biggest lesson you learned from the entire experience?

A. It is easier to pick up a new language if you only have to learn one. Trying to learn two was difficult.

Q. Finally, please describe your fondest memory from the trip.

A. Roasting chestnuts on an open fire all day at a chestnut festival.