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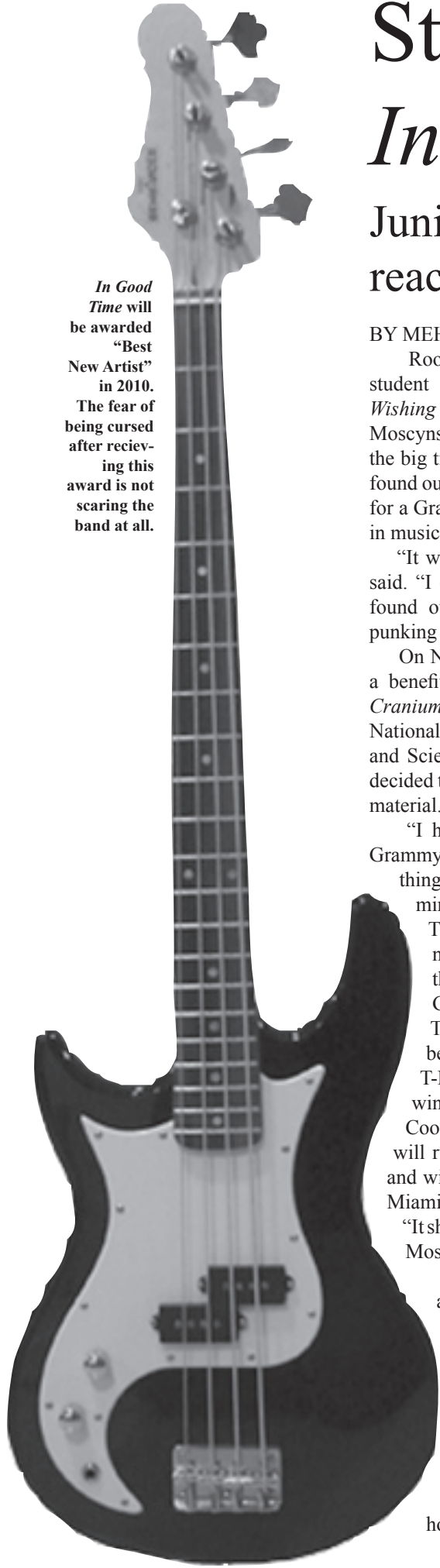
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*In Good Time will be awarded "Best New Artist" in 2010. The fear of being cursed after receiving this award is not scaring the band at all.*

## Student band Grammy bound; *In Good Time* nominated

### Junior Jacob Moscynski's band *In Good Time* has reached the top and is nominated for a Grammy Award

BY MEHGAN FROSTIC

Roosevelt High School has many student bands, like *Sworn Rival* and *Wishing On Satellites*, but junior Jacob Moscynski's band *In Good Time* has hit the big time. *In Good Time* has recently found out that they have been nominated for a Grammy Award, the biggest award in music.

"It was very surprising," Moscynski said. "I couldn't believe it when I first found out. I thought it was someone punking me."

On November 14, *In Good Time* did a benefit show with *Sworn Rival* and *Cranium 12* where someone from the National Academy of Recording Arts and Sciences saw the performance and decided that *In Good Time* was Grammy material.

"I had no idea someone from the Grammy's was there. That was the last thing that would have crossed my mind," Moscynski said.

The next Grammy Award will not be held until 2010, but the academy has launched a Grammy Celebration Concert Tour in which *In Good Time* will be apart. The tour is presented by T-Mobile and is featuring Grammy winning artists Leona Lewis, LL Cool J and Katy Perry. The tour will run from April 19 until May 28 and will be in San Francisco, Boston, Miami and New York City.

"It should be an exciting experience," Moscynski said.

"Best New Artist" has been awarded since 1960 but has been considered to be a curse.

Some believe that winning "Best New Artist" is a curse because some winners never had the same success they received in their first year, like singer Amy Winehouse.

But Moscynski is keeping his hopes high.

"It doesn't bother me too much," Moscynski said. "Many other artists had huge fame after winning this award. Like *The Beatles*, *Sheryl Crow*, and *Maroon 5*."

Moscynski has always had a love of music. Along with singing he plays guitar and has been in six shows at RHS. He is also in Rovasi, A cappella choir, Jazz band, Symphony band, and the Marching band.

"Jake has always been good with music," science teacher Tina Weller said.

"I remember when he took earth science and I had his class write a song about the types of rocks, and his song actually made girls cry."

While being nominated for a Grammy can be exciting, it can also bring on the nerves. Moscynski says he is not nervous yet, but by the time the awards come around he will be.

"Even though it is a little nerve racking, I'm excited," Moscynski said. "I can't think of a better way to end my senior year."



Junior Jacob Moscynski practices his music everyday to prepare for the Grammy Celebration Tour. Photo: Mehgan Frostic

## Daring students Students try to pull off impossible stunt

BY SHAWN LYNCH

On March 31, 2009 Junior Adam Piechocki and Junior Travis Elefritz survived an accident that would have killed the average person.

"I was pretty scared and I'm really lucky to be alive," Piechocki said.

Piechocki was attempting to break the world record by climbing Mount Saint Johns in Wyandotte, MI with his Ford Explorer.

"I thought that the car could do it and I wanted to test out the all-wheel drive," Piechocki said.

Piechocki was told by numerous people that this one was not a good idea for anybody to try.

"I told him not to do it and that it was really dumb and immature to do," said junior Cory Strong.

Piechocki was told by both friends and the law that it was not going to work.

"I did get a ticket and my car was towed," Piechocki said.

The Explorer made it to the top but then started to rapidly descend where Piechocki lost control and ended up in a snow bank. The snow bank was estimated to be five feet tall. It was amazing that the car withheld the descent without rolling or hitting something.

"When the police showed up I was really scared," said Piechocki.

After the Explorer hit the bank the driver's front side became lodged in the snow making it unable to move.

"I thought maybe the all-wheel drive

would have helped me not get stuck but maybe it helped me keep somewhat control," Piechocki said.

When the police finally showed up they could not believe anyone would ever try that and immediately called in for the biggest tow truck that they could get.

"I have never in my whole entire life of towing, ever seen anything close to this," said Ernie Smiles, of Acme Towing.

"They [Piechocki and Elefritz] called me and I could not believe that they were stupid enough to do it," said Strong.

It took the tow truck almost an hour to remove the embedded vehicle.

"The police wanted to know if we wanted to take pictures of the car and snow bank when they finally got it out, but we were too shaken up to think about that," said Junior Travis Elefritz.

After the tow truck left, both boys were booked at the Wyandotte Police Station and then escorted home where Elefritz was simply dropped off but Piechocki was escorted in by two officers of the law.

"I was extremely surprised when the police just simply dropped me off after the incident," said Elefritz.

Unfortunately Piechocki was not as lucky when he was dropped off.

"The police made a point of walking me into the door," said Piechocki, "they did make it a good point to alert my parents that I was really brave and that I was just being a kid."



Juniors Adam Piechocki and Travis Elefritz pulled off a miracle on March 31 when they both survived a rapid decent on Mt. St. Johns. Photo: Shawn Lynch

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