

Student Section

Laugh-A-Lot-Poetry

By Kayla Greco and Taylor Jetter

Darren Sardelli, 29, is great at writing poetry. He started writing poetry when he was 19. He met an author at a book signing and asked him to look at his work. The author liked Mr. Sardelli's work and agreed to publish a few pieces in a poetry anthology. He has been writing ever since. Mr. Sardelli wasn't always cool and casual though, he had stage fright until 3 years ago. He remembers doing his first assembly and being so nervous. Mr. Sardelli is the only poet in his family and he enjoys it. His poems encourage kids to follow their dreams and never give up on anything. Mr. Sardelli says, "Let your imagination run free, if you work hard and put you mind to it, you can do anything." Mr. Sardelli doesn't just write funny poetry though. He also writes serious poems and even riddles. Now, every time he has an idea he writes it in one of his many journals. Darren Sardelli also plays and coaches

ice-hockey and works as a retailer 2 days a week. "He inspired me and now I write poetry in my free time," says Erin, 12, a sixth grader at Blairstown Elementary School. "He inspired me to never give up on my dreams," says Alex, 12, a sixth grader also. To learn more about Darren Sardelli and his poetry, visit his website at www.laughalotpoetry.com.

Today

By Juliana Schicho

Today, a poet visited our school.
We thought that he was really cool.
He read us a lot of poems that were great.
And a ten would be his rate.
We all clapped a ton
because it was so much fun!
Hopefully, he will visit again
some day,
maybe he'll have more poems to say!