

# The Daily Bluffer

It's So Good to be Back

## *The Daily Joke & Riddle*

How does Moses make his coffee?

*A: Hebrews it.*

Name That Biblical Character:

Tasked with a mission impossible, I marched my people to the walls of Jericho to face off the giants and God guaranteed our victory. Who am I?



## Why We Gather Here

*By The Daily Bluffer*

Welcome (or welcome back) to Summer Conference!

It has been a long, strange three years since the last conference, and we feel very blessed to be back together again — or together for the first time, if you are new to the conference (as we all were at one time).

The Summer Conference started in 1983 at Mt. Angel Abbey, and it has persevered and thrived through changes in staff and the change of venue. But the focus has always been the community of people who gather here to explore their faith and experience Christianity as has been done since the early followers of Jesus started building the church — together.

We have fun, enjoying recreation and conversation with other participants, new and old, all through the conference.

The Summer Conference is unique in that it gathers together seekers and “giant Catholic nerds” — as one of our staffers put it — of all ages and other stages in the journey.

The theme of this year’s conference is stories, in all their forms and genres. Journalism is its own genre, and we at *The Daily Bluffer* aim to help tell the story of the Summer Conference. But every person here has their own stories to tell, and if you ask, they will probably tell you a few. And that is one of the many reasons we gather here.

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**CALLING CARTOONISTS:**

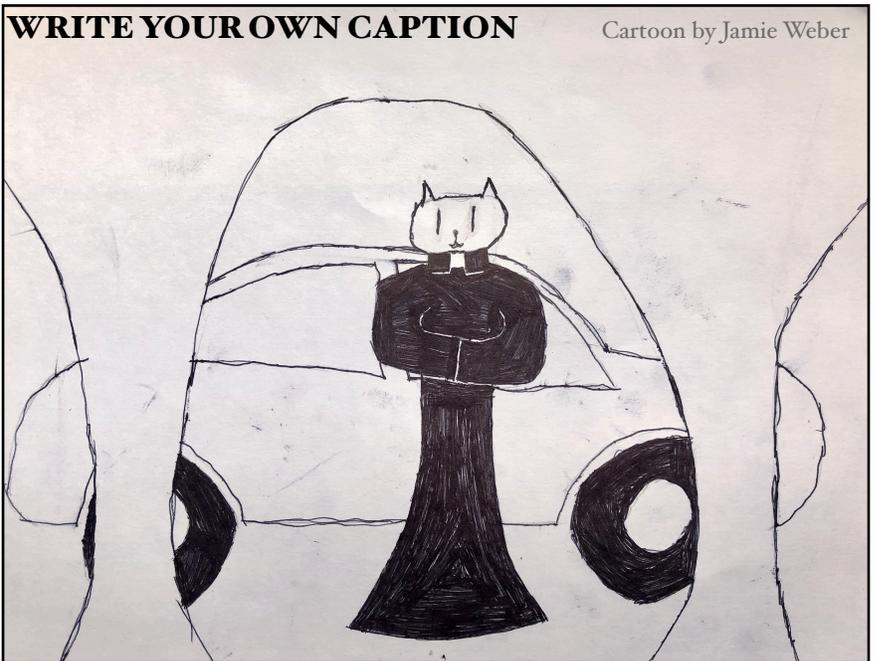
If you like to draw cartoons and are interested in seeing them in print, see Peter Weber or Jim Schaller with your ideas or drawings. Church-related cartoons encouraged but not required.

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# Find The Spot:



This year the staff of *The Daily Bluffer* is finding hidden spots on campus for Summer Conference participants to find. Find this spot and the note that we hid there, remember what the note says, and tell a *Daily Bluffer* staffer. You may get your name in the next *Daily Bluffer*.



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