



REGINA DOMINICAN

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Regina's French students celebrate Mardi Gras Caribbean style

French students from Regina Dominican and St. Patrick's High School traveled in spirit to the Caribbean as they celebrated *Soirée Antillaise* (Mardi Gras) in Regina Dominican's cafeteria.

The evening's festivities included entertainment in the form of the zouk and other Caribbean dances. Junior Natalie Justinien (**Skokie**), together with guests Natalie Choute and Medgine Papillon, performed the dances and taught them to their audience. Participants also enjoyed an array of refreshments.

Soirée Antillaise was a special time to make new friends and renew acquaintances. Accompanying the boys from St. Patrick's High School was their French teacher, Regina Dominican alumna Emily O'Dea Chalut, of the Class of 1995, and her husband Erik. The evening was hosted by Regina Dominican's French Club and organized by officers Molly Fox (**Winnetka**), Pam Kelly (**Chicago-Lincoln Park**) and Jeannine Strenk (**Golf**), all seniors, and French teacher Mrs. Mary Ellen Scandale (**Skokie**).

The French Club meets to explore the cultures and traditions of French-speaking nations through such activities as visiting museums, viewing cultural exhibits, listening to talks by native speakers, dining at ethnic restaurants, and taking part in recreational activities.