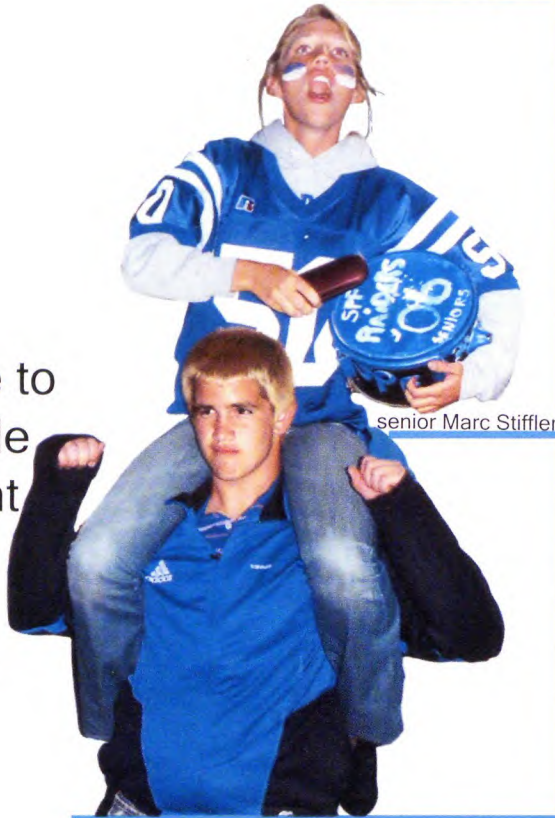


senior Steph Ricca



senior Marc Stiffler

"I think we have to show some pride in the jersey that we are wearing and can't quit."
Mario Lemieux

The stereotypes and characterizations of the "Raider Super-Fan" - loud, negative, blood-thirsty-lunatics - have taken on a life of their own. As with all legends, the stature of this myth grew when an article was written in a local newspaper claiming that the fans used ethnic slurs. Despite this negativity, vigorous support of the school did not waver.

"And that's how we roll in SPF."
senior Marc Stiffler

Enthusiasts decided to debunk this stereotype and let the public know that being a Raider was not just a state of mind; it was a lifestyle. The Raider fans proved that, despite their loud and energetic cheers, they were among the most respectful fans in the state of New Jersey.

Raiders pride

touchdown

The crowd goes wild as the football team scores the winning touchdown. When rating the Raider fans on a scale of one to ten, sophomore Sean Dolgin boasted that they were a ten! "We are always there to support our teams. We cheer the entire time and dress in Raider blue and white," affirmed Dolgin.



iron raiders

Bearing their blue, seniors Nick Giannaci, Rashawn Strong, and Matt Hirschhorn show off the strength of the Raiders at the boy's soccer state championship game. Even though it was a frigid 30 degrees, these super-fans did not let the weather get the best of their spirit! "The fact that people try to put us down is annoying, but we are Raiders, we are strong, and we pull through," remarked Hirschhorn.



super fans



senior Tom Ventura
• Founder of the "Raiders, Raiders, Raiders, Raiders!" chant
• Founder of the "day-oh!" chant
• Co-Founder of the "dog chant" along with senior Nehemiah Burney-Porter
"I try to keep up the energy...I feel like the twelfth player on the field," explained Ventura.