



St. Joseph School Knightly News

Wednesday, February 3, 2010

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From the Principal's Desk

Dear Parents,

What a great Open House! If you had the chance to stop by, you probably felt the energy and excitement in the air. There are so many people to thank as it took the whole community to make this very special event successful. Let me start with the students---our **dividends for life**. Seeing them doing God's work is the reason why we are here. It was truly amazing to see the students so involved in praising our Lord through their involvement in the Liturgy as Angel Choir, various readers, servers, greeters, and giving testimonials, along with the service work they provided after liturgy such as babysitting during the speaker. Our students are always trying to help in any way they can which is exactly what Jesus asks us all to do. As I listened to the students talk about their wonderful experiences here past and present during the testimonials, it brought tears to my eyes and also those of others from the feedback that I have received. The experiences they shared were heartwarming and largely attributed to the great teachers and staff we have here, and I couldn't agree more. We are truly blessed to have wonderful, caring, compassionate, and dedicated teachers and staff members who are here to serve their students and our Lord. Thank you teachers and staff for everything you have done and continue to do here!

Thank you parents for making our Catholic Schools Week Open House a huge success! I know we have been asking a lot from you over the last month, and we appreciate the help, support, and donations you have given. We were also honored with the help from the Knights of Columbus. They were so willing to help us set-up, serve, and clean-up for our pot luck brunch. They are truly an amazing group of men who are dedicated to serving others. Lastly, I want to thank our Marketing Committee, Janet Agnello, Carrie Schanen, Jodi Neu, Sarah Haftarski, and Shelly Wohler, for the countless hours they have put in planning and pulling this all together. They have been working on this event non-stop since November developing various marketing tools to advertise our school and get families here to tour and see firsthand what we have to offer during our Open House. Along with this event, they have also created a strategic marketing plan throughout the year that will continually focus on getting the word out to families about what an outstanding school we have here at St. Joes. Thank you for helping us to market this awesome school!

Congratulations to all of the middle school students for your wonderful participation in the Science Fair. I'm very proud of your hard work. We received so many compliments about the projects that were displayed from parishioners and guests. This also holds true for the third grade floats. Visitors enjoyed looking at and reading your information.

During this week, we have many different opportunities to service others. This past Monday, the students paired up with their buddies and decorated cookies that were packaged and delivered to parish groups and various community businesses to thank them for supporting our school. The students enjoyed doing this, and everyone really appreciated the thoughtfulness and kindness from the students. In addition to making cookies, the K5 students helped serve food at the Busy B Café during the lunch hour. They collected over \$150 in tips which they used immediately at the Dollar Store to purchase non-perishable food for those in need. The students were so proud of themselves for what they accomplished, and we are very proud of them!

Yesterday, the day was filled with guest speakers for Career Day. We had so many different speakers that the students were amazed with the topics they could choose and how much they enjoyed and learned from them. The students kept saying what a great day they had.

As we move on to the rest of the week, the students will be doing other service projects. Today, they will be cleaning the church with their buddies. Tomorrow is Jump/Hoops for Heart, and Friday, they will be making rice bowls after mass. Please feel free to come in, enjoy the activities, and celebrate this wonderful week with us.

Blessings Always,

Sue Shawver



St. Joseph School 2nd Quarter Honor Roll

Grade 3:

"A" Honors
Brandon H.
Zach H.
Calvin K.
Joe K.
Nicole M.
Tyler S.
Jacob S.
Ethan W.

"B" Honors
Adriana C.
Brittany F.
Jessica P.
Katie S.
Joey W.
Brandon W.

Grade 4:

"A" Honors
Zach G.
Meghan G.
Luke I.
Kayla M.
Angela R.
Joseph R.
Michael R.
Paul R.
Nathan T.

"B" Honors
Amanda D.
Emily F.
Calista H.
Jake M.
Natalie M.
Matthew M.
Christina S.

Grade 5:

"A" Honors
Nika C.
Ariel J.
Ben S.
Natalie S.
Sydney S.

"B" Honors
Anna G.
Matt W.
Austin Y.

Grade 6:

High "A" Honors
Max M.

"A" Honors
Peter K.

"B" Honors
Sarah D.
Kayla H.
Tommy H.
Kayla H.
Amanda M.
Ben S.
Robert S.

Grade 7:

"A" Honors
Dezi S.
Katie S.
Stacey S.

"B" Honors
Lydia S.

Grade 8:

High "A" Honors
Taylour I.
Alexa J.
Morgan M.
Danielle S.
Joe V.
Megan W.

"A" Honors
Tiffany F.
Willy G.
Rachel M.
Alyssa O.

"B" Honors

Martha B.
Alex D.
Alyssa D.
Nick H.
McKenzie M.
Brittany M.
Becca S.
Alex S.

Calendar at a Glance

Thursday, February 4th:

- ☺ Jump Rope/Hoops for Heart
- ☺ Dress Down Day

Friday, February 5th:

- ☺ 8 a.m. All school Mass hosted by Gr. 7
- ☺ Dress in your favorite team uniform or team colors

Monday, February 8th:

- ☺ No School

Tuesday, February 9th:

- ☺ Market Day Pick-up 2:30 – 3:30pm

Wednesday, February 10th:

- ☺ 2:30-3:30p.m. Chess Club
- ☺ 6:30 Home & School Mtg.

Thursday, February 11th:

- ☺ Group Photo's for the Yearbook – Scouts should wear their uniforms

Friday, February 12th:

- ☺ 8a.m. All School Mass hosted by Gr. 5

Monday, February 15th:

- ☺ Quarterly Tuition Payments Due

Wednesday, Feb. 17th:

- ☺ 8a.m. All School Mass for Ash Wednesday
- ☺ Dollar Dress Down Day
- ☺ 2:30-3:30p.m. Chess Club

Look for the next edition of the **Knightly News** to be published on Wednesday, February 17th, 2010



St. Joe's Science Fair Winners

	<u>5th Grade</u>	<u>6th Grade</u>	<u>7th Grade</u>	<u>8th Grade</u>
1st Place	Ben S.	Ben S.	Lydia S.	Alexa J.
2nd Place	Natalie S.	Kevin M.	Jesse W.	Alyssa O.
3rd Place	Ariel J.	Robert S.	Claudia M.	Alyssa D.

Congratulations to all participants!!!

Jump Rope & Hoops for Heart

Thursday, February 4th is Jump Rope for Heart, gr. K4-4 beginning at 8:30am and Hoops for Heart, gr. 5-8 beginning at 12:20. If you have not yet turned in your permission slips, return them to the school office as soon as possible.

Several volunteers are still needed to help out during the day giving out snacks and drinks. We are requesting each family to contribute a 12-pk. juice boxes or water for the event. We are also in need of nutritional snacks to be donated for the children during this time. If there is any way you can help, please call or send a note to the school office.

Thanks in advance for all your help!
Mr. Hanson & Mrs. Kroll

Enjoy hours of fun this winter at The Springs Water Park at a fraction of the cost!

Purchase passes at a discount and help benefit our school. Orders for discount passes will be taken from January 20-February 12. Please fill in pertinent information on the order form, and collect the balance due for each order. Be sure to share this great deal with friends & family too!
Questions? Contact Maria Opiela at 262-679-2819 or via email at aopiela@wi.rr.com

- ◆ Cost? **\$12.00 per pass**
- ◆ Admission to the water park is based on availability.
- ◆ Day pass cards expire 2 years from date of purchase.
- ◆ Cards may not be used in conjunction with any other offer.
- ◆ Cards may not be used toward birthday parties, hotel rooms, food, beverage or water park group events.

Please Note: Carry-ins (including birthday cake, cupcakes & treats) are NOT permitted!

Orders due by: Friday, February 12
Delivery Date: Friday, February 26

Flyer and Order forms are available in the school office.

Mark your Calendars

There will be **NO** school on Monday, February 8th. We will not be making up the snow day from Dec. 9th. Enjoy your extended weekend.

Dress Down Passes

- If you still have any dress down passes from last school year, Honor Roll or tournament, they need to be used in no later than Feb. 28th.
- Current 1st & 2nd Quarter Honor Roll dress down passes must be used before the end of the 3rd quarter which is March 19th.
- Current Basketball tournament passes must be used by the end of the 3rd quarter, March 19th.

MARDI GRAS

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 16th

DRESS-DOWN DAY!

IF YOU HAVE IT . . . WEAR MARDI GRAS COLORS OF PURPLE, GREEN OR GOLD!

DON'T FORGET YOUR MARDI GRAS BEADS, HATS AND OTHER ATTIRE!

WANTED:

The 6th grade class is more than willing to accept any rummage sale items or used books you are looking to donate. The items will be sold at this year's Mardi Gras celebration. Books & Rummage items can be dropped off in the 6th grade classroom.
No clothing please.

Each family is asked to donate one 12-pack of soda, preferably the 6 oz. size cans, donations now being accepted in the school office.

Six Flags - 360 Minute Read to Succeed

The Deadline is quickly approaching...

for the "360 Minute Read to Succeed Program" provided by Six Flags. Every student in Grades K5 thru 6 can earn a free admission to Six Flags just for reading! Six Flags Reading Club "Keeping Track Forms" were sent home in early Dec. All students are encouraged to participate, but this is not required! **Completed reading forms must be returned to the school office by Friday, February 26th, No late entries can be accepted!** Additional order forms are available in the school office.

Marcus Movie Passes still available to order

St. Joe's Home & School are again taking orders for the Marcus Theatre Passes. St. Joe's Home & School will be placing orders on the 15th of Feb. and March. Sales sheets are available in the school office.

Remember for every \$200.00 in sales you will receive 2 free silver tickets & 1 complimentary popcorn.

If you have any other questions, feel free to contact Julie
Husted at: bhusted@wi.rr.com or 262-378-4225

Tuition/Registration Fee Updates

There will be no tuition increase for the 2010-2011 school year, however, there has been a change in the registration fee. The registration fee will be \$150 per student for K4, and \$200 per student for K5-8.

St. Joe's Uncorked: 2nd Annual Wine and Beer Tasting Event 2/13/2010 @ 7pm

Don't forget this year's event. Get your tickets from the parish office by stopping in, calling Karen Schuh at 662-2832, or calling Tina Wagner at 662-3491. Tickets will also be available after Masses over the next several weekends. If you plan on going, please purchase your tickets soon, so I begin to get an idea of how many to plan for. Let's make this event an even greater success than last year!

We will again have door prizes and if you have offered to donate a prize, please send it to school in care of Tina Wagner. If you wish to donate something please let me know asap, so I can see what I have available and what I still need to get.

Finally, if anyone wants to help with set-up or tear down after the event (it will be minimal) please contact Tina Wagner at 662-3491.

Tri-Star Basketball Contest

The Mukwonago Optimist club is again sponsoring its Tri-Star Basketball contest for all area boys & girls ages 8 to 13. This free basketball event will test the skills of passing, shooting, and dribbling. Prizes will be awarded at the event for all ages and there will be an opportunity to advance to the state-level competition held in March.

The contest will be held at Parkview Middle School in Mukwonago on Sunday, Feb. 28th from Noon to 2:30pm. Registration will be handled at the door. Information flyers are available in the school office.

ESSAY CONTEST WINNERS

St. Joe's hosted an essay contest titled Dividends for Life. Each 6th – 8th grade student was asked to write how their Catholic education will prepare them for the future. The contest was open to 10 area Catholic School.

First Place \$75 Winner

Alexa J. – 8th gr.

Second Place \$50 Winner

Alyssa O. – 8th gr.

Third Place \$25 Winner

Danielle S. – 8th gr.

Grand Slammin' Tailgate Auction

Our Annual Tailgate Auction is scheduled for Saturday, April 24th. This event is one of our largest fundraisers - a casual, fun night the whole family can enjoy!

Please help us get out of the dugout!

We are asking each family to obtain one new item that can be sold in our auction. We would be grateful if you would contact a business to support and donate toward this important event. There is no specific value or geographical limitations - simply one item that you think someone (even you) may be interested in bidding on. Some ideas to consider:

Various businesses you frequent throughout the week, month or year.

The commercials you see on TV, online, in the newspaper or hear on the radio.

Something you've been wanting to get for yourself but haven't had the opportunity so now you could be the winning bidder while supporting St. Joe's!

A business outside our local community, such as a Wisconsin Dells or Door County destination, Wisconsin Timber Rattlers Minor League Baseball Team, etc.

To ensure the same business does not receive multiple requests, please email Tammy Charles (bcharles3@wi.rr.com) prior to your contact. Tammy will maintain an ongoing list of business names.

Attached you will find additional auction information, including a Solicitation Letter for the business as well as a Donation Form to record the item received.

If you have any questions, please contact Cindy Congemi at mcongemi@wi.rr.com or Julie Husted at bhusted@wi.rr.com. You are also welcome to join our next meeting on Wednesday, February 3rd from 7:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. in the Mark Room.

Thank you for helping Team St. Joe's!

ST. LEONARD TRACK & FIELD SIGN UP

St. Leonard Athletics cordially invites all 5th-8th Grade St. Joseph day school or CFM students to sign up for the track team.

St. Leonard's Track & Field program will have **sign-ups on Monday, Feb. 22 and Tuesday, Feb. 23 from 5:30-7:00pm in the Gym lobby.** The season tentatively starts March 29 and ends May 22. Practices are held twice a week from 5:30-7:00pm at Muskego High School's outdoor track. Entry fee is \$55.00 and includes a team T-shirt & entry to all the track meets for the season. Each participant must have had a Doctor's Physical Exam within the last 2 years to participate. An exam for participating in this year's volleyball or basketball program is acceptable. Parents **MUST** provide us with ALL of your information - application form, entry fee, and completed physical exam (if needed) when you sign up in February.

All forms can be found at <http://athletics.stleonards.org/FORMS> – Application/Liability. If you have a questions regarding whether your physical is current, contact Scott Jensen at 414-422-9270 or tmjensen5@wi.rr.com. Not sure you want to join and have more questions, please contact Jeanne Steiner at 262-895-7421 or jsteiner11@wi.rr.com.

Catholic Memorial High School

Congratulations to the following Catholic Memorial High School students from your parish who have achieved a G.P.A. of 3.5 or better for the first semester of the 2009-2010 school year.

**Melissa Betters
Nicholas Karfonta
Julie Kolinske
Isabella Lambert
Kiara Lee
Cameron Sanchez**

Catholic Memorial High School's production of Irving Berlin's White Christmas

opens Friday, February 12 and runs for three weekends through February 28. Friday and Saturday shows are at 7 PM; and Sunday at 2 PM. *Come show your support for Morgan Mutza & Kaitlin Biersach who are performing on Feb. 13th, Feb. 21st and Feb. 25th.*

Tickets available at the door forty-five minutes before show or can be purchased at CMH during school hours. For more questions, call Mrs. Marie Furrer, 262-542-7101. "There's no people like show people..."

CMH "Fun Friday"

5th, 6th and 7th Graders are Invited to Catholic Memorial High School for a "Fun Friday".

What is a "Fun Friday"? It is a Friday night set aside for middle school students to come to CMH and participate in fun and interactive activities. All 5th, 6th, and 7th grade students are invited to attend "Fun Friday" on February 19th from 5:45pm to 7:30pm. Students may choose one of the following activities: So, What's Up with Sound?, Pom/Dance Clinic, Are You Smarter Than a 4th Grader or Project Lead the Way (create a Rubics cube). After the sessions we will all gather for pizza. All students that attend also receive a FREE ticket to the CMH Varsity Boys' Basketball game vs. Arrowhead that starts at 7:30pm or a FREE ticket to the CMH musical White Christmas. The cost of Fun Friday is \$3.00. To register, or for more information please contact the Office of Admissions: Mary Hutchens at 262-542-7101, ext. 204 or mhutchens@catholicmemorial.net.



Home and School Minutes January 18, 2010

In attendance: Maria Opeila, Cindy Congemi, Julie Husted, Mrs. Goertz, Marianne Iding, Sue Shawver, Michelle Seitz

Opening prayer: Julie Husted

Cultural Education program set for Friday January 22 at 9:00a.m.

Secret Santa Shoppe totals are still being calculated by Sue Stefanowski.

Catholic School's Week and Jump Rope for Heart on Feb. 4. Cindy has gotten the DJ. Career Day is set for Tuesday Feb. 2. Maria will take care of nametags and Cindy will get carnations. Jenny Pedersen will get refreshments for guest speakers.

Fundraising:

Pointsettia Sale raised \$327.25 for the school. This was a slight increase from last year.

Marcus movie passes organized by Julie brought in \$354.35. We will continue to do this Feb. & March with orders being due on the 15th of each month.

Celebrate, Create, and Donate coordinated by Marianne brought in \$140.60 and the Real Photography sitting fees came to \$45.00 for St. Joe's.

Texas Roadhouse dinner night is set for Wednesday January 20th at the Waukesha location.

Wine and Beer Tasting event is set for Saturday, February 13.

The auction being coordinated by Julie and Cindy is set for April 24th. The next planning meeting is Feb. 3 at 7:00 p.m.

Passes are being sold to the Country Springs Waterpark for \$12.00 each. The passes are good for two years and the preorder sale goes through Feb. 12. Passes should be delivered by Feb. 26.

New fundraising ideas by Julie and Cindy include Lasertag and a night at Skateland.

Next meeting is scheduled for Feb. 10 at 6:30.

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted: Michelle Seitz