

Campus Connection

The weekly newsletter for St. Joseph, St. Mary, & St. William Campus

AN EXTRA DAY OF THE YEAR!

Every four years we have an extra day of the year to do great things! Muse about what great things you can do this year on Friday, February 29. It could be an extra day to...

- Thank God for your many blessings!
- Say one special good thing to everyone in your family today!
- Give \$5 to someone who is not expecting it and say "have a good day!"
- Take time to have coffee or tea and an up-lifting conversation with someone you have not seen in a while.
- Take time to pray the Magnificat—Mary's hymn of praise to God for all God had done for her!
- Make a donation to the American Cancer Society or the American Heart Association or some other health association.
- Take a vigorous walk and count all the wonderful things you see.
- Get a nap or an extra hour of sleep
- Prepare a special meal of gratitude where all share on the "extra day of the year" one thing for which each is most appreciative
- Read a good book that you have not had time to read before.
- Think about if you were guaranteed success what bold things would you do today or the days which follow.
- Name the most important people in your life and let them know it today.
- Clean out a drawer that has been "driving your crazy" for some time.
- Do something surprising for your kids' lunch.
- Surprise your spouse by...
- Become conscious of one global challenge in the world today and do something to alleviate the hardship involved.
- Eat a healthy food that you don't particularly like because "it is good for you."
- Take time to hope and dream about a better family reality, a better local reality and/or a better world.
- Say thank you and Amen to all the wonderful people who are part of your life.

Happy Extra Special Holy Day! February 29, 2008
Maureen Gallagher



**A SPECIAL THANK YOU TO
CHRISTINE NIERZWICKI,**

**CHAIR
OF THE 2008 AUCTION at
Merrill Hills Country Club**

**AND ALL THE CHAIR
PEOPLE AND VOLUNTEERS
WHO MADE IT SO
SUCCESSFUL!**

**Waukesha Catholic would not
be as great without you!**

Congratulations
to Marina Heck who gave birth
to Devin Thomas Heck on
Friday,
February 22,
2008. Mother
and baby are
healthy.



NEED TO KNOW

Standardized Testing

Students will be given the ITBS (Iowa Tests of Basic Skills) beginning March 3rd-14th. Grades 3, 5 and 7 will participate in this testing. A letter explaining the purpose of the tests is included in today's packet. It is helpful if students get enough sleep and eat a proper breakfast during the testing period.



Mark Your Calendar

The date set for the annual Town Hall meeting is Tuesday, March 4th at 7:00 P.M. in the St. William Parish Hall. This will be a State of the System update and will be one hour long. More details will follow. Please mark your calendar to attend.

St. Mary Campus Before and After Care – Teaching Assistant Needed

The St. Mary Campus Before and After Care program is seeking a part-time teaching assistant. We are looking for someone to work mornings from 7:00-8:30 and Tuesday and Thursday afternoons from 3:15-6:00. The person must be 18 years or older. If you or someone you know is interested please contact Lisa Kovaleski at 262-896-2932 Ext. 317. Please spread the word regarding this part-time position.

Home & School Social

Home & School is holding an all-school skate party at Skateland on Sunday, March 16th from 4:00 – 6:00 P.M. A \$2 charge at the door will cover skate rental.

FUNDRAISERS

Scrip

- ❖ Scrip orders for the week of February 25th were \$ 27,725 with \$ 1,085 in profits.
- ❖ There will be no order placed the week of March 24th due to Easter Break.
- ❖ Get your Easter Bunny orders in this week! The Easter Bunny loves Scrip!
- ❖ For additional Scrip order forms:

<http://www.wcssonline.org/Documents/NewsLetters/SCRIP%20ORDER%20FORM%201-22-2008.pdf>

Thank you Lands' End Shoppers!

Recently Waukesha Catholic received a check for \$76 from Lands' End. The donation was a result of our participation in the Lands' End Preferred School program. When we order items from their school uniform catalog or website and give them our school account number of **9000-2735-0**, 3% of the net order is set aside for Waukesha Catholic. This check covered the period of July 1st to December 31st, 2007. We are grateful to the families who have supported this program!

What a Party! – Auction 2008 Escape to the Hills

As you know the 2008 auction was held this past Saturday at the Merrill Hills Country Club. We had over 350 people in attendance. Although we have more information to share and many thank you's to give, we would like to let you know that we exceeded our goal to raise money for Waukesha Catholic. Preliminary information tells us that we made approximately \$80,000!

Look for more details in next weeks Campus Connection under Auction Annex.

OTHER EVENTS

Athletic Reminders

The basketball season will soon be over. Please launder all uniforms and return as soon as possible to the school campus offices.

Basketball coach evaluation forms should be handed out by your team parent. If you didn't receive one, evaluations can be down loaded from the athletic website:

www.WCSSonline.org

Please turn completed evaluations into your school campus office no later than **March 7th**



Think Spring - Track

Track season is soon upon us. Parents may register by filling out a permission slip found on the web site: WWW.WCSSonline.org or call Tom McElmeel at 262-501-6722 if you have questions.

- We are in need of track coaches at every grade level. If you would like to help please call Tom McElmeel at 262-501-6722.

Padre News

Congratulations to the St. Joe's boys and girls 8th grade Notre Dame teams. Both have accepted bids to the Padre Tournament. Both games will be held at Alverno College.

- The girl's first game is Thursday, February 28 at 7:30 P.M.
- The boy's game is Saturday, March 1 at 6:30 P.M.

Optimist Club Swim Meet

Information regarding the Waukesha Optimist Club Novice Swim Meet is available in the school office.

RECOGNITION

Students of the Month- St. Joseph

Congratulations to the students of the month for January! Keep up the great work!



Literature

6th – Zed D
Sarah G
7th – Troy P
Julie F
8th – Tommy H
Megan P

Math

6th – Michael B
Danielle A
7th – Daniel F
Samantha F
8th – Jonathan C
Lauren T

Divine Savior Holy Angels

DSHA High School First Semester 2007-2008 Honor Roll:
St. Mary's Waukesha - Colleen Brehm

Lego Contest Winner

Congratulations to Samantha S. (SWC, Grade 5) who took 3rd place in a Lego competition sponsored by the National Association of Women in Construction 2008 Block Kids Competition!

CAMPUS HI-LITES

ST. JOSEPH

Included in This Week's Packet

SJ Calendar
Chancery Fundraiser for 6th Grade Camp
Catered Lunch – **April - Due March 7**
Catered Lunch Volunteer Request
Scrip To Youngest



Lenten Week 4 - Devotion Time

Read Mark 6:30-44 and John 6: 1-13

What a dilemma! Five thousand hungry people had listened to Jesus, the teacher, and now it was dinner time and they had nothing to eat. The disciples found a young boy with two fish and five little buns in a basket. "Feed that to my people," Jesus said.

The disciples couldn't believe their ears. Jesus blessed that little basket and not only did all the people eat until they were full, but there were twelve baskets of leftovers! With this miracle, Jesus was revealing who he was – our Savior who cares for us and all of our needs.

Waukesha School District -Spanish Grade 8

If your 8th grader is planning to attend a Waukesha public high school next year a placement test for Spanish 1 or 2 is being offered on Thursday, February 28th at 1:30 P.M. Students should have brought home the information on Friday, February 22nd. A letter explaining what, where, when and why along with a parent informational sheet and a writing prompt was included. If you did not receive this information from your student please call the school office, 896-2930.

Attention Sixth Grade Parents

You are invited

Parents and students in 6th grade are invited to the 2007/2008 Showcase of Local Talent at the Waukesha County Courthouse. Student artwork was submitted by Mrs. Wirkus and is on display from February 18-February 28.

Please note that due to security improvements you will need to use the main Courthouse entrance, door #2 on the first floor facing Moreland Boulevard and go down one floor to the Showcase of Local Talent display area in the connecting corridor between the Courthouse and Administration Center.

Mark Your Calendar

Spring is just around the corner and preparations are in progress for the 6th grade environmental camp experience, May 14 & 15th. Please note: The 6th graders **will not** have classes on Friday, May 16th.

ST. MARY

Lent – We Care, We Help, We Share

How much money has your child earned to contribute to his/her Lenten Box? Please continue to encourage your children to fill out their Lenten Coupons each week as a way to earn money to support "Operation Michael" and "Children Helping Children." Thank you for your encouragement of almsgiving during this Lenten Journey.

From the Office

A significant amount of time is spent each week, by the office staff, verifying absences for those children for whom we did not receive notification. We need your assistance. **If your child is sick or will be late, you must call 262-896-2932, ext. 400 before 9:00 a.m.** Leave your child's name, grade and reason he/she is absent or tardy. If you have a homework request, please articulate that at the time that you call in your child's absence.

Pick 'n Save We Care Program

Help raise money for St. Mary Campus while you grocery shop. Your *Advantage Plus Card* can have a number assigned to it that identifies St. Mary Campus as the organization which will receive a small percentage of your total grocery bill. If you already have a Pick 'n Save card, please consider adding or changing your selection to St. Mary Campus. All you'll have to do is complete an *Advantage Saver's Club* "change" form which is available at the service counter of any Pick 'n Save store. The St. Mary Campus organization number is **788575**. Thank you.

Available in the School Office

Waukesha Blazers "rookie" Boys baseball (age 5-9)

Waukesha Blazers "rookie" Girls softball (age 5-8) and fast pitch softball (age 9-11)

In Today's Packet

April hot lunch form

Scrip form



Looking Ahead

Wednesday, February 27: Non-uniform day

Friday, February 29th: No School, Teacher In-service

Monday, March 3rd – Iowa Basic Tests begin for 3rd & 5th grade students

ST. WILLIAM

Lent

During Lent we Pray, Fast, and Sacrifice. We will sacrifice by being quiet in the halls at all times. So, every student, and staff person will try to be quiet in the halls this Lenten season.

4P's in a Pod

The April lunch order is due March 6th.

Lenten Raffle

The Lenten raffle began Ash Wednesday; Grade 3 students sell tickets to students in Grades 1 to 5 daily during lunch recess. They go visit K4 and K5 students to sell tickets during morning recess (10:15) on Wednesdays and Thursdays. Tickets are 10 cents each or 3 for 25 cents.

Iowa Tests of Basic Skills

The students in Grades 3 and 5 at St. William Campus (and Grade 7 at St. Joseph Campus) will take the Iowa Tests of Basic Skills (ITBS) from March 3 to March 14. We must complete all testing within that time frame, please help by having your child ready for school and well rested for the tests. We use this test data to evaluate the learning patterns of our students and to help understand the individual strengths and weaknesses of each child.

Quilt Raffle

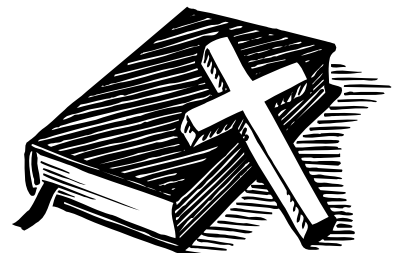
We have a quilt from the St. Joseph Parish women's quilting group to raffle; the quilt is a Packer design, full/queen size (85 by 87 inches) with matching pillow covers. Tickets will be sold in the office at \$1 each or 6 for \$5. Come see it in the school office! All proceeds will go to the School Sisters of St. Francis.

Market Day

The next Market day order deadline is Wednesday, February 27th or online by noon on Saturday, March 1st. Pick-up will be at 3:30 to 4:30 on Wednesday, March 5th.

Father's day

One of the important days of our school year is Father's Day. On the Friday nearest to the feast of St. Joseph, we celebrate our Fathers. We will invite fathers to join us for 9:00 a.m. Mass on Friday, March 14th, followed by a short social in the Parish hall. **Please RSVP by Thursday, February 28th.**



Thank You!

We wish to thank our room parents for their time and creative talent in the auction projects from each classroom. Thank you room parents!

Reconciliation Service

Due to a change in the schedule of our priests, we have to reschedule the student reconciliation service. The service for students in Grades 3, 4, and 5 will be held on Wednesday, March 19th during the morning.

Spanish Classes

Miss Eva, the older sister of Larissa M. in Grade 5 will take over the Spanish instruction while Mrs. Heck is on maternity leave. Welcome Eva!

Looking Ahead:



02-27-08	Dr. Bangle visits Gr. 3 from 9-10am
02-28-08	No-Uniform Day
02-29-08	Teacher In-Service Day—Seminar on Differentiated Instruction / No School
03-02-08	St. William Parish Spaghetti Supper from 3:30 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. in the gym
03-04-08	State of the System Meeting at St. William Campus at 7:00 p.m.
03-07-08	Stations of the Cross led by Grade 3 at 2:30 in church
03-14-08	Fathers Day at SWC

Included in Today's Packet:

Available in the School Office:

Waukesha Blazer Baseball information for Boys-ages 5 to 9 and Girls ages 5 to 11

