

Campus Connection

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND UP-DATES

Coffees with the Director

At the last board meeting the suggestion was made that the Director have monthly "coffees" for parents much like Kathleen Cepelka, the principal at Catholic Memorial does. CMH parents and Kathleen have found them helpful because they strictly follow procedures. First, the purpose of CMH's "coffees" and the purpose of ours are the same: to enhance good communication and dispel rumors. This is something I thoroughly endorse as the rumors that seep through to me are "so imaginative" that I'd love to "set the record straight." Questions concerning the implementation of the Strategic Plan, summer school, the roles of central administration, explanation of budget, etc. are the kind of issues that might be brought up and discussed. Creative ideas for the good of the school are certainly welcome.

Secondly, the "coffees" are not the place to discuss personal issues or any issue a parent may have with a teacher. The procedures for dealing with such matters are outlined in the parent handbook. It is not the place to get clarity on assignments or classroom procedures. Questions related to these kinds of things are legitimate concerns and need to be dealt with by speaking to individual teacher and sometimes the principals.

I'd like to have a "coffee" before the end of the school year and we have scheduled one. Please join us for

Coffee Connection
Wednesday, May 9 at 10:30 – 11:30 A.M. in the
St. Mary Community Room.

In the future every other "coffee" will be in the evening, so parents who are employed during the day can attend. I look forward to these informal gatherings as they will give me an opportunity to know more of you a little better. We share one thing in common—a love for your children and gratitude for the opportunity to help them learn so they can create a better world.

Video for promotion and development purposes

You may have heard from your children that camera men were around taking pictures. We are working with Nance Congdon, chair of the Public Relations and Recruitment committee, to make a five minute video to use for recruitment and development purposes. We hope to have it accessible or a shortened version of it available on our website.

Maureen Gallagher,
Director

Waukesha Catholic Now & Forever

In an effort to raise unrestricted funds and to spread our message about the many wonderful opportunities and programs we offer our children, Waukesha Catholic is hosting a fundraising breakfast that we are calling "Waukesha Catholic Now and Forever." This is the continuation of our efforts to let more people in our community know about the great work that we do.

Like our "Waukesha Now" events that we have been hosting monthly at each school, the breakfast is only one hour long. There is no requirement that anyone gives, it is our job to explain our mission and inspire people so they want to support us. We are very honored to have Archbishop Dolan coming to show his support for our efforts.

Many parishioners, alumni, past parents, grandparents, and parents who serve on our board and committees have agreed to invite their family and friends. Please help all of us with your prayers and support of this effort. If you would like to come or want us to invite someone you know, please call Nancy or Carolyn in the Advancement Office at 896-2929.

Here are the details of the event:

Waukesha Catholic Now and
Forever Fundraising Breakfast
Thursday, May 10th, 2007
8:00 to 9:00 A.M. at the
Country Springs Hotel

NEED TO KNOW

Pearls from 4 P's in a Pod

Greetings from "The Pod"!

One important aspect of healthy eating is *variety*! By eating a *variety* of nutritious foods, children increase their intake of vitamins, minerals, antioxidants and other nutritious ingredients that keep them healthy. For example, when you see "Fruit" on our Hot Lunch Menu, know that your children are eating bananas, apples, cantaloupe, honeydew, strawberries, pineapple, oranges, red and green grapes, yellow honeydew and mango. By simply stating "Fruit", we at "The Pod" have the flexibility to choose a variety of in-season, ripe fruit for your child. If for some reason fresh fruit is not available, our alternatives are all "no added sugar" varieties with the exception of mandarin oranges. Thank you for the opportunity to partner with you in the healthy feeding of your children!

Uniform Reminders

- ❑ Shoes **MUST** be safe and practical for school and playground use. No backless shoes e.g. clogs, thongs or slides. A platform shoe with heels and soles higher than 1 1/2 inches are unacceptable.
- ❑ Shorts may be worn beginning May 1st.

Help Waukesha Catholic Recruit New Families!

Waukesha Catholic has yard signs that need to be displayed! The Public Relations and Recruitment Committee designed the signs to encourage families to call us and take a personal tour at the campus of their choice. They are perfect for spring and late summer recruitment. If you live on a well-traveled street, please help us out by posting one in your yard for spring recruitment. Please stop in at any one of the school offices or the Administrative Offices and pick one up! Questions, please contact Nancy Congdon, 414-282-2211, x130 or Annie Smith at 262-896-2932, x315.

Summer Camp at Waukesha Catholic

We are continuing to accept registrations for Summer Camps. Two classes have filled and are now closed: Fabulous 4's and Reading – Leap into 1st grade.

SERVICE

The Lorax Project

Weekly environmental advice from 5th graders at St. William Campus:
Instead of buying a new book, borrow it from your local library.

FUNDRAISERS

Scrip

- ❖ Scrip orders for Monday, April 23rd were \$33,004 with \$1,407 in profit.
- ❖ Monday, May 21 will be the last Scrip order to get credit for the next 07-08 school year. Please have orders in by Friday, May 18 at noon. Any orders after this time will go towards credit for the following year.
- ❖ Scrip credit for the 08-09 school year will start with orders placed Tuesday, May 29.
- ❖ May is always a great time to order extra Scrip to use during the summer and earn credit that will start working for you in the fall!
- ❖ To earn a credit you must have a minimum of \$30 in family credit or a total of \$60 in accumulated credit for the entire school year.
- ❖ If your youngest or only is graduating from 8th grade you may use the credit for some of the graduating expenses. This form will come from St. Joseph's. Please fill out the form, after you pay, and return it for reimbursement.



Fundraisers

The next Culvers Night is Monday, May 7th from 5-8 P.M. at 2 locations- Hwy 164 and Grandview Blvd. Please mark your calendars. We will draw for children to win non uniform passes from receipts turned in from this May 7th Culvers night.

OTHER EVENTS

Summer School

The School District of Waukesha has sent enrollment forms for summer classes. The classes begin on Monday, June 25th and end on Friday, July 20th. The listing of classes has been sent to the local Campus offices, if interested, please ask for a copy. The enrollment form requires a teacher recommendation for enrollment.

WE APPRECIATE YOU

Thank you from Home & School

Thank you to all who helped with the pancake breakfast this past weekend! There were a lot of people who helped make this event possible. I want to especially thank the Jonas family for running, coordinating, and offering their services so that we could help with the new D.R.I.V.E. program for our 5th graders.

Our "thank you" goes out to: Mary Kuemmel, Sophia and Peyton Uhl, Vickie Schmer and daughter Natalie, Michelle Foote, Annie Smith and her boys Ryan and Matthew, Renee Charbonneau, Carol Reske, Rose Lange, Marcia Koenig and her children Patrick, Steven and Allison, Laura Spence and her boys Sam, Griffin and Aiden, Maureen and Courtney Hahn, Susie Matson, Janet O'Brien and her exchange student Emily, Tammy Surface, Lisa Jurik, Kevin and Nick Lange, Jim Horan, Tim, Jared and Kelsey Norgal, Linda Bucher, Joli Krismer and her boys Nathan and Mitchell, Pauline Rosecky, Martha Mirsberger and Lisa Viegut.



I wanted to also say a thank you to all of the secretaries who helped get the word out in the Tuesday folders and the flyers.

RECOGNITION

A New Addition!

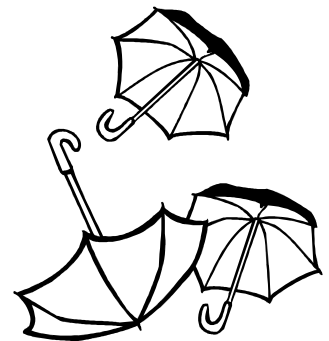
Owen Stoehr in K4 has a new baby sister, born on April 17, 2007. Congratulations!

CAMPUS HI-LITES

ST. JOSEPH

Included in This Week's Packet

Athletic Banquet – 8th Student Only
Graduation/Play DVD Order Info 8 Gr. Only
Camp Minikani – 6th Gr. Only
H& S Election Ballot
SJ Calendar/May Menu Catered Lunch
SJ Grandparent Celebration – Help Needed
Saturday School Notice
Scrip to youngest
Spring Jazz Band and Choir Concert Flyer



Reminder

This Friday, April 27th St. Joe's students will not have school. Our teachers will attend the Middle School Conference. St. Mary and St. William students will have a regularly scheduled day.

There will be Saturday School on Friday, April 27 from 8:00-11:00AM.

No Bus service to St. Joe's will be offered on Friday.

ST. MARY

Grandparents/Special Person Day from Mary Kassens

Grandparent/ Special Person Day is fast approaching! The day is so enjoyed by the children and guests with a mass celebration, snack, tours, and other fun activities. There are many guests visiting the school and a large number of volunteers are needed to make this event a success. Please consider volunteering your time to make the day enjoyable by all. Review the flyer in your packet and return to school. Thank you for your continued help!



Student Placement Requests ~ Principal's Policy

The school principal in consultation with the present classroom teacher(s) will determine student placement in the fall of the next school year. The following will be carefully considered: the academic, personal, social-emotional and any other related learning need of the individual student, along with the teaching style and personality of the teachers in the next grade. Decisions will be made with the students best interests in mind. If there is any significant need that the parent feels must be addressed, it must be made known to the principal in writing. The decision of the principal is final.

Please note that I feel the teachers at St. Mary's are dedicated individuals who have the best interest of each and every child in mind. Their judgment is important in student placement. Placement requests will only be considered if the rationale is justified. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

Lenten Box Collection

The students and their families are to be commended for their thoughtful almsgiving during Lent. A total of **\$1,500.00** was collected and will be sent to the "Children Helping Children, Seeds for the Future" project for the children of Nicaragua



Looking Ahead

Wednesday, April 25th: Non-uniform day for Sock Hop Winners

Thursday, April 26th: Spring Concert at St. Joe's

Saturday, April 28th: Market Day pick-up 8:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m. multi-purpose room

In Today's Packet

Scrip order form

Grandparents/Special Persons Day volunteer form

Spring Concert Reminder

Accelerated Reader News

ST. WILLIAM

K-4 & K5 - Parent Orientation

The K-4 and K-5 classes for 2007-2008 will begin with a Parent orientation on Thursday, April 26th at 6:30 to 7:30 P.M. in the K-4 and K-5 classrooms. The teachers will provide an opportunity to learn what is ahead in these classes.

K-4 & K-5 – Student Orientation

On Friday, April 27th the children of the K-5 class of 2007-2008 will meet from 8:45 to 9:45 A.M. with Mrs. Krauss, this will give them a chance to meet the teacher and their classmates.

On Friday, April 27th the children of the K-4 class of 2007-2008 will meet from 9:00 until 10:00 A.M. with Mrs. Heck, this will give the children a chance to meet the teacher and their classmates.

The K-5 class of this school year has a vacation day on Friday, April 27th. Any K-4 student who is not attending SWC for K-5 also has a vacation day.

Grandparent's Day

Mark your calendars for Grandparent's Day at SWC, Friday, May 4th. All grandparents are invited to attend this special day.

Market Day



Market Day orders are due to school by Wednesday, May 2nd or online by Saturday, May 5th at noon.

Pick-up is Wednesday, May 9th at 3:30 to 4:30 p.m.

Accelerated Reader

Congratulations to the 5th grade class who won the Accelerated Reader - Roller Coaster contest! They enjoyed a tasty treat last Friday. The last day for taking AR tests will be May 25. Awards will be announced the following week.

Security

Please identify yourself when you ring the bell to enter the school. The camera angle is often unclear, so it will help if you tell us who you are when you ring the bell. Thank you.

Box Tops

Hi everyone,

Big News! K5 is closing the lead (69.5) and has bumped 3rd grade (63.6) out of second place. However, 2nd grade still rules the sky with 712 Box Tops per Student! All kites have caught wind, but 5th grade needs a big gust right now (11.8). The kites have just a few more weeks to fly, so send them soaring! FYI, at this time, we have collected over 17,000! Box Tops/Bonus Receipts. This is \$1,700 of free money from General Mills for our school. This is an excellent source of "third party funding" and all it costs you is your discards (i.e. wrappers with Box Tops on them). Any questions regarding the allocation of the profits, please contact Mr. Radomski. P.S. Kites return to earth on Friday, May 11, 2007! Thank You! Stacie Piacsek

Penny Drive

The April penny drive raised \$67 to help the Boy Scouts with their fund to buy a new pine wood derby track. The winning class was Grade 3; they will have a no uniform day on Thursday, March 26th.

Lenten Collection for Gaudalupe Homes

We have sent to the School Sisters of St. Francis a total of \$2,250 from our Lenten activities. This includes Fun Fair, Lenten Raffle, Quilt Raffle, Lenten Boxes, and several donations of \$100 or more. We are pleased to be able to continue to support the orphanage at this level due to the generosity of our families and friends.

Summer School

Forms containing the programs and sign up information for Waukesha Public schools summer sessions are available in the school office. Please let us know if you want copies of these forms.

Available in Office

Parents Place Program information is available in the school office.

Looking Ahead:

4-26-07 K4 & K5 Parent Orientation for 2007-2008 at 6:30 P.M.
Grade1 and K5 field trip 11:45 to 2:15 P.M.
Spring Band Concert 7pm @ SJC gym
St. William Parish Rummage Sale begins-- in Gym
4-27-07 K4 & K5 Student Orientation for 2007-2008 at (8:45- 9:45 K5) & (9:00-
10:00 K4)

All current K5 students have No School on 4-27-07
All current K4 students who are not returning to SWC have No



School on 4-27-07

- 5-01-07 Hot Lunch-Golden Chicken/No-Uniform Day
- 5-02-07 Grade 5 Field trip to Ye Olde School House 7:45 to 3:00
- 5-03-07 Grade 1 Field trip to Recycling Center 9:15 to 10:45
DRIVE Graduation (Grade 5) 7 P.M. in Vercelli House
- 5-04-07 Grandparent's Day-9:00 Mass followed by social in Parish hall

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- Safeguarding All of God's Family Newsletter
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