

St. James Catholic School Weekly News

Growing Together: Faith, Family and Friends

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#### **IMPORTANT DATES:**

Friday, September 19th 9:00 AM ~ All School Mass-4J Grade (4P Choir) 2:10 PM ~ Smart Clubs 8:00 PM ~ SJS Family Movie Night School Gym

> Sunday, September 21st Catechetical Sunday

**Monday, September 22nd** 9:15 AM ~ Kindergarten Study Trip to Red Barn Farm

**Tuesday, September 23rd** 6:00 PM-8:00 PM ~ STUCO Skating Party

**Thursday, September 25th** LIFETOUCH Photo Retakes 4:30 PM-8:00 PM ~ CiCi's Pizza Night



Come join the fun at the 38th Annual

Líberty Fall Festíval Parade

Saturday, September 27th

Let's show our St. James príde ín thís year's Líberty Fall Festíval Parade!

Who can come? All ages are welcome to come and walk. We ask that at least one adult stays with anyone under the age of 18.

What to bring? Bring candy to hand out.

What to wear? Auction t-shirts or any SJS spirit shirt!

Meeting Time & Place? TBA

Friday Night Family Movie Night! Come and enjoy a movie with us!

## Sandlot



Friday, September 19th 7:30 PM ~ Previews 8:00 PM ~ Feature Film

Admission: FREE Location: SJS School Gym Please be sure to bring blankets & chairs!

#### **PICTURE RETAKES**

Picture retake day is almost here. All retakes will be on Thursday, September 25th. Monday/Wednesday/Friday preschool & pre-kindergarten students can come to school on this day between 8:00 AM-8:30 AM, with a parent if you would like to have retakes.

In order to qualify to have retakes, you MUST return the complete package of the original pictures. Pictures will not be exchanged if students do not have the original packet. If

you have any questions please contact the school office at 816-781-4428. Thank you.

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### Special Thanks

A BIG thank you to the Knights of Columbus and all the families that came to the cake/pie auction on Saturday night. Not only did our

taste buds enjoy the awesome spaghetti dinner and dessert, but the St. James Staff Development Fund will receive \$839! We look forward to our next sponsored event with the Knights of Columbus.

#### **RESTAURANT NIGHTS**

Do you want a break from cooking? The first school restaurant night is scheduled for, Thursday, September 25th, from 4:30 PM—8:00 PM at the CiCi's Pizza in Liberty. Our school



will receive a percentage of sales! The class with the most attendees will receive a pizza party! We would love to see you there, but know that our school restaurant nights are optional.

## STUCO Skating Party

Please join St. James at our first STUCO skating party of the year on Tuesday, September 23rd! The party is from 6:00 PM-8:00 PM at Northland



Rolladium, 1020 S. Kent, Liberty. The cost to attend the party is \$4.00 plus skate rental. Students that attend the party and check in with a staff member will be eligible to be out-ofuniform the next school day.

Funds raised will help STUCO support our adopted students from Nicaragua. The skating party gives our students the opportunity to live out our theme "Living God's Compassion: The Corporal Works of Mercy." Your donation helps to Feed the Hungry, Cloth the Naked, and Shelter the Homeless.

### Autumn Blood Drive at St. James



Are you a blood donor? If not, then maybe it's time to turn over a new leaf and fall into a new habit. The Community Blood Center is appealing to everyone who can donate as the current blood supply is running critically low. Please make plans to join us on Tuesday, September 30th from 12:30 PM-7:00 PM for our next blood drive. Appointments can be made online at www.savealifenow.org; just click on "Schedule an Appointment" and search for our sponsor code 'stjames'. While appointments are recommended, walk-ins are also welcome. Childcare is provided. Any student wanting to earn service hours by helping with refreshments, childcare, or clean-up should contact Nikki Power at kpower@kc.rr.com or 816-407-1208. Please consider being a donor and encourage friends and family to do the same. Each donation could help two local patients. This season, be a blood donor and make a change for the better.

## <u>ARTIST OF THE WEEK</u>

Patrick Compton: 8th Grade Student

Patrick's goal, while creating this artwork, was to illustrate his newly learned knowledge about graphic designing. He accomplished his goal by creating an artwork that included the following: a theme, chosen media (materials), and the use of *TYPOGRAPHY* (various fonts or types). The result is an artwork that is eye-catching and sends a message to the viewer with graphic design. This project required Patrick to use the LIFESKILLS of Patience, Effort, Perseverance and Pride.

## Great work Patrick!



#### Attention St. James Students

All students are invited to participate in the MyCards Program - a chance to see your child's artwork printed professionally as a boxed set of cards! Artwork will be created in art class and will be sent home the first week of October. Younger students will be creating cards with a Christmas/winter theme and middle school students may create thank you cards, too! All students will create a card cover. However, parents/students may choose whether or not to purchase the cards! Dates to watch for: Orders due-<u>*Wed., October*  $8^{th}$ </u>! Delivery Date - <u>week</u> <u>of November 24<sup>th</sup></u>. Just in time to write vour Christmas cards for the holidays and/or wrap a gift to send with a note. Ms. Biggs – Art Teacher

## **Congratulations SPX**

Today, The Cardinal Newman Society released the list of schools recognized by the Catholic Education Honor Roll as *2014 Schools of Excellence*. Since 2004, the Honor Roll has celebrated quality Catholic education throughout the United States.

Honor Roll schools receiving this designation are marked by the integration of Catholic identity throughout all aspects of their programs and excellence in academics. This year seventy-one schools received the honor of being named as a **School of Excellence**, and an additional nine received the distinction of Honorable Mention. This is less than five percent of the Catholic high schools in the United States.

"Since competition began in 2004, the Honor Roll has been a helpful tool for administrators, families, and benefactors in recognizing the quality of a Catholic high school education," said Patrick J. Reilly, President of The Cardinal Newman Society. "The Honor Roll schools are a reminder that Catholic education is getting better every day—not only academically, but in the renewal of Catholic identity—and we are delighted to see the increased level of competition among the schools that participated in the program this year."

This year's Honor Roll schools are diverse: large and small, new and long-established, highly selective and those with open enrollment admissions policies, as well as a variety of tuition rates. The common trait is an institutional commitment to providing a truly integrated and faithful Catholic education across all disciplines and in all areas of student activities.

St. Pius X High School received the distinction of Honorable Mention. This is the second time St. Pius X High School has been recognized nationally as an outstanding Catholic School. In 2010-2011, St. Pius X was named one of the Top 50 High Schools in the nation by the National Catholic High School Honor Roll.

The **2014** Schools of Excellence are located in 26 states, with the largest number (eight) located in Pennsylvania, followed by Texas and Michigan, each with six, and Virginia with five.



# HOPE Order Forms

Below is the "quick" HOPE order form! This order form will have our most popular HOPE cards that we try to have on hand all the time. Simply print this form off, attach payment and send to school in your student's daily folder! The school office will be happy to fill the order and send it home that same day!

Please feel free to write in any other cards that you would like to include in the order. You can find a more complete list on the school website.

Name: Last & First School Name: Date: Mass:

Card	\$ Amount	Onty	Total
B&B - Liberty 12	\$ 10.00		
HyVee	\$ 25.00		
HyVee	\$ 50.00		
HyVee	\$ 100.00		
McDonalds	\$ 10.00		
Papa's Coffee	\$ 10.00		
Price Chopper	\$ 25.00		
Price Chopper	\$ 50.00		
Price Chopper	\$ 100.00		
Target	\$ 25.00		
Target	\$ 50.00		
Target	\$ 100.00		
Walmart	\$ 25.00		
Walmart	\$ 100.00		
Hy-Vee			
Coupon Book	\$ 5.00		
Total			
Paid By (Circle One): Cash Check			
Order Filled By:			

### THIS FORM IS DUE BACK BY FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 26<sup>th</sup> PLEASE FILL OUT ONE FORM PER CHILD Return this form to your child's homeroom teacher

St. James School Grandparents' Day

Thursday, October 9, 2014

9:00 AM-11:30 AM

We will begin with Mass at 9:00 AM Pre-school, pre-kindergarten, and kindergarten times may vary. See specific classroom for info.

Grandparents' Day at St. James School is approaching. This is a fun-filled morning of visiting and sharing between your child and their grandparents or other family members/special friends. This event is open to all the children in our school building. Even if your child does not have a visitor coming for the day, they will be able to participate in all of the events.

To help streamline the morning and provide more visiting time for our guests, we are asking for some reservation information. Please fill out the below form in its entirety as this will allow us plan accordingly. Thank you!

Child's Name:\_\_\_\_\_

Grade: Teacher

Total number of Special Visitors

How many of these Special Visitors will be visiting other classrooms?

\*Please list what Grade:\_\_\_\_\_ Teacher:\_\_\_\_\_

Grade: Teacher:

Grade:\_\_\_\_\_ Teacher:\_\_\_\_\_

Grade:\_\_\_\_\_ Teacher:\_\_\_\_\_

Grade:\_\_\_\_\_ Teacher:\_\_\_\_\_

grandparents day?



25th Annual St. James School Auction Saturday, November 8th, 2014 @Embassy Suites-KCI Please visit the auction website at <u>www.stjamesschoolauction.org</u> for special hotel rates, ticket information, deadlines and more!

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# <u>AUCTION TICKETS</u>

Tíckets are NOW sold on-líne!

## **Donations....Donations!** The deadline to receive donations is Friday, September 26th.

Don't wait until the last minute! There is a table located in the front hallway of the school to drop off your auction donation. Please make sure to attach a donation form to each item and we ask that you do not turn in any donations without completed forms, unless you have made prior arrangements with Vicki Fischer. Also please remember to include the value of the item!

## What to Wear?

As we celebrate our 25th year, we want you to dust off those ties and hee Is and dress to impress!

I'm so excited for this year's auction! What are you going to wear this year?

Hey! I am going to wear my black dress! This year they want guests to dress up! I hear it is going to be a formal affair! Can't wait to see everything!

## DID I HEAR RIGHT? ...... A WEEK OUT OF UNIFORM!!

The race to sell raffle tickets has begun and students are off to a great start! For more tickets please stop by the school office.



Who Wants \$1000 in HOPE cards?



September 11, 2014

Dear Parent of a St. James Student:

Liberty Public Schools is required to locate, evaluate and identify children with disabilities who attend a private school or are homeschooled within its jurisdiction, regardless of the nature of the disability. Data indicates that you homeschool your child(ren) or they attend St. James Catholic School and you live within the jurisdiction of Liberty Public Schools.

In order to meet the above listed requirements, Liberty Public Schools is consulting with parents of students who are being schooled at home. Key issues to be addressed will include:

- How parentally placed private school/home schooled children suspected of having a disability can participate equitably;
- How parents, teachers and private school officials will be informed of the process;
- The determination of funds available to serve parentally placed private school/home schooled children;
- How the process will operate throughout the school year to ensure that parentally placed private school/home schooled children with disabilities can meaningfully participate in special education and related services;
- How, where and by whom special education services will be provided;
- Descriptions of the types of services; and
- The process to address any disagreements that may occur between private school officials and public school officials with regard to the provision of services or the types of services will be addressed.

If you are interested in talking with us about the process and/or possibly evaluating your child for special education services, then please come to a meeting on **September 30, 2014** @ noon. The meeting is being held at 801 S. Kent St., Liberty, Missouri. We look forward to having the opportunity to talk with you about special education services. If you cannot attend the meeting, then feel free to call as we would be happy to answer your questions.

Sincerely, Ch. Lus

Dr. Kris Martin Director of Special Services Liberty Public Schools

801 S. Kent Street – Liberty, MO. 64068 – (816)736-5480—Fax (816) 736-7096 Empowering Excellence

## SAINT PIUS X WARRIORS DANCE CLINIC FOR: Grades PK-12

WHEN: Friday, October 10th. Check-in begins at 3:30 PM. Clinic time:4:00PM-6:30 PM (parents are responsible for picking up child and taking her to the game across the street)

WHERE: SPX Commons, 1500 NE 42<sup>nd</sup> Terr, Kansas City, MO 64116

WHAT TO WEAR: Comfortable work-out attire

**COST:** \$35 cash or check payable to St. Pius X. Cost includes: child's entrance into game, T-shirt, two pieces of pizza & drink. \$5 discount for families with two or more girls (\$35 for the 1<sup>st</sup> child, \$30 for the 2<sup>nd</sup> or more). **No Refunds will be given.** 

Please be sure to pick your daughter up by <u>6:30 PM</u> and take her to the field. The pommies will pick up the girls during the 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter of the game to stretch. Participants will receive instruction in dance technique, jumps, kicks, and will learn a dance routine. All participants are invited to perform the routines learned at the clinic with the St. Pius X Dance Team at the 7:00 PM SPX Varsity Football game on Friday, October 10th, @ SPX football field. If game is delayed due to weather, half-time will also be rescheduled. Return the form below with your payment (cash or checks to SPX) to:

**Dance Team Clinic-Jill Hamerle c/o** St. Pius X High School 1500 NE 42<sup>nd</sup> Terrace Kansas City, Missouri 64116 **OR** e-mail the information below to jhamerle@stpiusxhs-kc.com

<u>REGISTRATION DEADLINE</u> –Wednesday, October 1st at noon! We cannot guarantee a tshirt if you do not register by the deadline. If shirts are not available, take \$10 off the fee.

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_Grade \_\_\_\_\_\_Age\_\_\_\_\_\_ School \_\_\_\_\_\_Grade \_\_\_\_\_Age\_\_\_\_\_ PARENT'S NAME: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ PHONE (where you can be reached during the clinic): \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ SHIRT (Circle size, 100% cotton): Youth: Sm Med Lg Adult: Sm Med Lg By signing below, I am giving my child permission to participate in the dance clinic on October 10, 2014. I understand that the SPX dance team and coaches will not be held liable for any injuries sustained as a participant of the clinic. Please list any medical conditions or food allergies: Parent/Guardian signature \_\_\_\_\_\_