

**We Hold a
Treasure**

St. Monica News & Weekly Reminder

January 31, 2011

Lunch Duty Schedule:

11:00–1:15 pm

This Week :

Monday, 1/31:

J. Rusch K. Campbell
S. Taphorn

Tuesday, 2/1:

J. Brennan
P. Christensen
L. Lee

Wednesday, 2/2:

J. Boettinger T. Harris
E. Halpern

Thursday, 2/3:

J. Brennan N. Weas
B. Lewis

Friday, 2/4:

J. Deslongchamps
S. Minahan
D. Phillips

Next Week :

Monday, 2/7:

J. Swietlik B. Berrien
H. Strimaitis

Tuesday, 2/8:

A. Scobey-Polacheck
J. Callan C. Molitor

Wednesday, 2/9:

A. Cyganiak L. Regan
C. Ortwein

Thursday, 2/10:

D. Devere S. Mattix
K. Jablonowski

Friday, 2/11:

H. Barry S. Ghilardi
P. O'Neil
V. Schoshinski

This Week At A Glance...

Catholic School's Week

Wednesday 2/2:

•***NO Children's Choir Rehearsal Today!***

Thursday 2/3:

- Home & School Meeting: 8:15am - Ministry Center
- SCRIP Sale: 3:00 - Outside of the Library

Friday 2/4:

- All School Family Mass: 2:00pm
(Student Council)

Coming Up Next Week!

Sunday 2/6:

- Basketball Team Mass at the 10:15 mass

Tuesday 2/8:

- All School Mass: 8:30am (Beehler)

Wednesday 2/9:

•***Early Dismissal: 2:30***

Thursday 2/10:

- Antique Show Set-Up (Rocky's Lunch)
- SCRIP Sale: 3:00 - Outside of the Library

Friday 2/11:

- Antique Show Set-Up (Rocky's Lunch)
- Antique Show Preview Party

Saturday 2/12:

- Antique Show



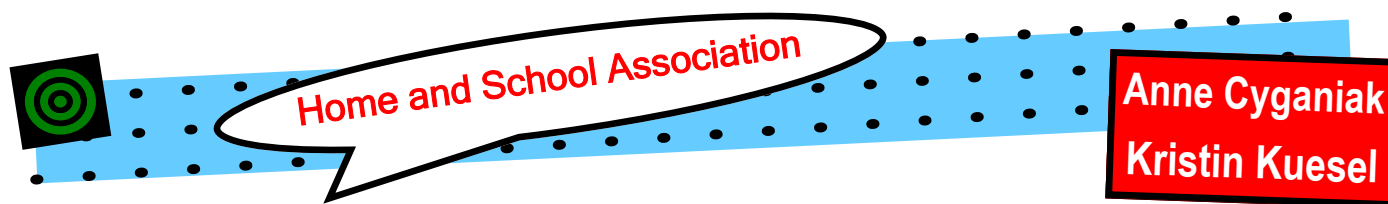
Weekly Rule

**When people ask you what school you attend,
with pride say:
“St. Monica”. Be Proud of your school and let others
Know why it is a GREAT school!!**



Parents invited to Monday's 1:15 p.m. Quiz Bowl

All parents are invited to Dominican at 1:15 on Monday, Jan. 31 to watch our 5th-8th graders paired with Dominican students to answer questions in a competitive Catholic Schools Week Quiz Bowl among grades. Teachers from both schools have submitted questions. Parents are also invited to the pizza party afterwards for the winning grades. St. Monica grades three through eight will attend the event.



Happy Catholic Schools Week! We hope everybody enjoys all the fun this week as we celebrate our St. Monica School! Thank you to **Marian Topp and Tricia Harris** for all of their help with this exciting week!

Please join us Thursday, February 3rd at 8:15 in the Ministry Center for the Home and School Meeting. The agenda is attached. Please send a report to Kristin Kuesel at kkuesel@sbcglobal.net if you cannot attend. There is babysitting available downstairs in the Ministry for those that need it. All are welcome!

Have a great week,
Anne and Kristin

SMS SCRIP REWARDS PROGRAM

For all the families who actively participate in our SCRIP program:

Keep in mind, we have 4 months – February, March, April, and May – for earning tuition credits for the 2011-2012 school year. Think about converting a larger piece of your weekly spending to gift cards purchased through our SCRIP program. SCRIP can be a great way to budget your hard earned dollars, while benefiting your family and St. Monica School. For example if you are planning a trip during Easter break, consider ordering SCRIP for airline tickets (American airlines), a rental car (Avis or Budget) and your hotel stay (Hyatt, Fairmont, Best Western and Marriott). For a full list of available retailers, check out Great Lakes Scrip (www.glscrip.com).

For all the families who have good intentions but haven't been able to use the program yet:

We know that buying SCRIP requires a change in buying habits. However once you get started, you are hooked. We are always available to answer questions and offer encouragement to get you started. The financial benefits can be significant to your family and our school. We try to make buying SCRIP as easy, fast, and convenient as possible.

TRY SCRIP. To get started, contact Jennifer Lamont (540-0186) or Norma Herbers (962-9193) or join us on Thursday at 3 pm for our inventory sale.

Discover Your Spiritual Gifts!

The Catherine of Siena Institute, based in Colorado Springs, is well known for its ***Called & Gifted Workshop***, and their next stop is St. Monica Parish on Friday, February 18 (7 PM to 9:30 PM) & Saturday, February 19 (9 AM to 4 PM). The conference will lead participants through the beginning steps in discerning their unique set of spiritual gifts, called "charisms," bestowed in baptism. Learn about the various (and surprising!) ways God's love can reach others through all of us. St. Eugene/St. Monica Parishioner cost: \$25 by February 1, or \$30 by February 14 (\$40/\$50 for engaged and married couples **Details and registration:** www.cafestmonica.org/called, or 964-8780.

Save The Date!

The St. Monica Parish Fish Fry will be held on Friday, March 11 from 4:30-7:00 p.m. in Donovan Hall. Proceeds to benefit the SMS Class of 2012. Please see the attachment for more details.



Basketball Team Photos



Taken by V.I.P. Sports Photography

Tuesday, February 8th 2011

Pictures will be taken in the gym.

We will be using half the gym so if you have a scheduled practice please plan accordingly.



- 3:30PM – 5th Gr. Girls
- 3:40PM – 5th Gr. Boys
- 3:50PM – 6th Gr. Girls
- 4:00PM – 6th Gr. Boys
- 4:10PM – 7th Gr. Girls
- 4:20PM – 7th Gr. Boys
- 4:30PM – 8th Gr. Girls
- 4:40PM – 8th Gr. Boys

Please have your teams assemble 10 minutes prior to your time slot.

Coaches – if your grade has more than one team, we will take a picture of each team.

Please wear your uniforms!

Questions? Contact Kathy Gomez or Julie Karnes

VIP PHOTOS POSTED FOR PURCHASE

Don't miss out on your chance to purchase photos of your children that were taken during the 2009-2010 school year. Visit VIP's website at www.vipis.com. Password to view photos is MONICASCH. The photos will be posted for a few weeks.

FIRST GRADE PARENTS

All Saints Day Photos have been posted on the VIP website. They are adorable. Visit VIP at www.vipis.com. Password to view photos is MONICASCH.

Antique Show News

We want something "New" at the Antique Show...You!!!

Please take a look at the volunteer opportunities for the Antique Show Feb. 12 and 13! Some of our volunteers have been around as long as the antiques...and while they do get better and more valuable with time, we also are in need of some "reproductions" to carry on this wonderful St. Monica tradition. We would like to get more parishioners involved at every level, so we have resources to pull from for future leadership needs to keep the show productive and fresh! Please consider how you can contribute.

Thank you!

2011 Antique Show Co-Chairs

Julie Duval (964-4215/tduval@wi.rr.com) and Amy O'Connor ([964-7499](tel:964-7499)/woconnor2@wi.rr.com)

Here are a few of the opportunities available:

Bakery

Bake a favorite treat for our booth or help out with a short, fun shift of two to two and half hours in the bakery. Contact: Diane Devere, diane.devere@wwt.com, 897-7834, or Emelie Linke, 962-500 or relinkle@sbcglobal.net.

Make some famous St. Monica's chili

You can help out from home by making a batch of the famous St. Monica's Antique Show chili. We provide the spices and the recipe; you provide the other ingredients. Contact Peggy Porter, pporter@st-monica.org or call 414-294-8067. Also needed: gallon ice cream containers.

Kitchen helpers

Take a short two-hour shift in the kitchen. Or, volunteer to serve a little longer as a shift supervisor. Training provided. Contact: Mary Klovers-964-7729 kmklovers@att.net.

Preview Party

This year's 46th annual show kicks off with a gala preview party Friday, Feb. 11, 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. **New this year:** Those attending the party will have the opportunity to win one of two \$100 gift certificates to use at the show. The \$25 per person (in advance; \$35 at the door) admission includes beer, wine, delicious hors d'oeuvres, and early buying privileges for fabulous antiques. Contact: Stephanie Beatty: 5931 N. Lake Drive-964-5677; dbeatty@wi.rr.com.



DEVELOPMENT CORNER**TOM MLADA****Open House Thank You!**

A huge thank-you to all St. Monica School families who helped make this past Sunday's Open House such a tremendous success. As is always the case, so many of you volunteered and offered to share your Sunday morning and afternoon by serving as vocal ambassadors for our Exemplary

Recognition school community. Without a doubt, I know the prospective families who visited us during the Open House were most impressed by the commitment, support, warmth, and passion of our staff and our school families. **In so many wonderful ways, you do make a positive difference for our St. Monica School community!**

Annual Fund Party Thank You!

This past Friday, January 28th, we launched Catholic Schools Week in style by hosting the Annual Fund Party at the home of Paul and Jennifer Deslongchamps. My genuine thanks to Paul and Jen, as well as our other current campaign co-chairs Chris and Tricia Harris, for a truly wonderful evening. I believe all school parents, grandparents, alumni, and friends of our school community who attended enjoyed the fun and festivities!

Our Annual Fund Party really is a very fitting way to launch Catholic Schools Week and honor all that so many do for all of us. As a school community, we celebrate the generosity of our many school community investors and supporters – you as our school families very much included! As a school family, your support of our Annual Fund campaign is absolutely critical to the campaign's success and for that, I thank you – it means more than you can possibly know!

If you have yet to give to the current 2010-2011 Annual Fund campaign, I invite you to do so now or sometime before the end of the current school year. **We all benefit from the Annual Fund, so I am hopeful all school families will give something. Whether \$50 or \$500 or \$5000, all tax-deductible gifts add up to make a very, very important difference in our campaign. WE NEED YOU!**

Reminder: Registration for 2011-2012

Believe it or not, the initial registration timeframe for the 2011-2012 school year is about to come to an end. Have you completed your family's registration forms and returned them to Debbie in the school office? **If you have yet to do so, please do so before end of day Friday, February 4th.**

Several school parents have recently asked me why we hold this initial registration timeframe so early in the new calendar year. Well, simply, it provides us a much better picture of our enrollment numbers for the upcoming school year, which of course allows us to budget more effectively. And, when we have three or four grade levels that are currently full or very close to capacity, it means we can have a more forthright discussion with our numerous prospective families who are interested in enrolling their children.

Truth be told, we really aren't any earlier than most other schools in this initial registration timeframe. And of course, while this initial registration timeframe does end on Friday, February 4th, we always accept registration paperwork until we are full.

If you have any questions or would like additional information, please call Debbie in the school office at (414) 332-3660. Thanks so much for your help with this registration process!

Reminder: Family Mass

Please remember that we will come together as a school community this Friday afternoon, February 4th at 2:00 p.m. to celebrate our annual Catholic Schools Week **Family Mass**. The Family Mass on Friday afternoon will replace our normal weekly Tuesday morning all-school Mass; all SMS students will sit at Mass with their family members in attendance. Parents, grandparents, aunts, uncles, and other extended family members and family friends are all invited to attend and share in this special celebration of our faith and our faith-based school community. We will dismiss all SMS students directly from Church upon conclusion of Mass, but the school building will be open until 3:25 if your family members in attendance wish to walk the halls a bit and learn more about all the great things happening at SMS!

PLEASE NOTE: this Family Mass celebration is not V.I.P. Day, and as such, there is not a need for each individual student to have his or her own family member in attendance. Rather, all members of individual school families will sit together during this special Mass celebration.

As always, I thank you for all you do for our St. Monica School community. Enjoy a fantastic Catholic Schools Week!

Tom

Dominican Theatre Presents HAIRSPRAY February 25-27 & March 3-6

Dominican's 2011 spring musical is HAIRSPRAY, a music-comedy blockbuster that won the 2003 Tony Award for Best Musical! Join us for a spectacular performance!

St. Monica is represented by alums Amelia Callan, Mallie Carroll, Caitlin Gronski, Ellie Mattix, Katie, Maggie and Ellie O'Neil, Leigh Poellmann, Rachel Sandretti, Katy Schuele, and Noelle Thompson, who are in the cast, and Jacob Scobey-Polacheck and Lily Vartanian, who are working behind the scenes on the crew, so you won't want to miss their contributions to this fabulous show!

HAIRSPRAY will be performed two weekends, Feb. 25-27 and March 3-6. Show times are 7:30 pm on Fri. and Sat. nights (2/25, 2/26, 3/4, 3/5); 2:00 pm on Sunday (2/27, 3/6); and 7:00 pm on Thursday (3/3). Discounted pre-sale tickets are available through Feb. 19 at \$10 for adults (\$12 regular price); \$7 for students/seniors/children (\$9 regular price); and \$5 for DHS students (\$6 regular price).

You may pick your reserved seats by ordering online at www.dominicanhighschool.com or purchase tickets an hour before each show at the Dominican box office at 120 E. Silver Spring Dr. Whitefish Bay. Email us a fablive@dhs.com with any questions.

NICOLET HIGH SCHOOL THEATRE

Presents the Recent Broadway Hit



February 4, 5, 11, 12 at 7:30

Don't Judge a Show by Its Title

Imagine a world where natural resources are scarce. One where oil is not the major shortage, but water. Regional conflicts have already emerged as quality drinking water is in high demand across the globe. Is it inevitable that in the future those with money will use their power to control clean water? This is the premise of the February show "URINETOWN"-- A tale of greed, corruption, love, hope, and revolution in a time when water is regulated by a single company that profits by charging admission for one of humanity's most basic needs. The show has much to offer and audiences should not let the title fool them. Urinetown is a humorous satire and social commentary that starts with an absurd exaggerated premise and uses laughter to explore real social issues. This Tony award winning musical also has send-ups to shows such as "West Side Story", "Chicago", Fiddler on the Roof", and "Les Miserables." The show, being a social satire, will be most enjoyed by audiences 12 and up.

Tickets \$10.00

Voicemail Reservations 414-351-8174

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by 3:30pm each Thursday.

Thank you!