

**We Hold a  
Treasure**

# St. Monica News & Weekly Reminder

September 1, 2010

Lunch Duty Schedule:

11:00–1:00 pm

## **This Week :**

Wednesday, 9/1:

C. Gral  
K. Hill  
K. Gomez

Thursday, 9/2:

A. Olsen  
H. Cook  
M. Liccione

Friday, 9/3:

D. Grogan  
J. Greene  
M. Liccione

## **Next Week:**

Monday 9/6:

No School

Tuesday, 9/7:

A. Dern  
C. Eck  
M. Liccione

Wednesday, 9/8:

S. Hayes  
B. Cafaro  
S. Dragani

Thursday, 9/9:

K. Pham  
D. Henricks  
N. Nolan

Friday, 9/10:

B. Diamond  
S. Hayes  
M. VanDyke

## **This Week At A Glance...**

Wednesday 9/1:

• **First Day of School—Welcome Back!**

• Home & School Coffee: 8:00

• JK Short Schedule: 8:00-10:00/1:25-3:25

• 1st Grade Short Schedule: 8:00-12:00

Thursday 9/2:

• JK Short Schedule: 8:00-10:00/1:25-3:25

• 1st Grade Short Schedule: 8:00-12:00

• Magazine Sale Kick Off

• SCRIP Sale: 3:00 - Outside of the Library

Friday 9/3:

• JK Short Schedule: 8:00-10:00/1:25-3:25

## **Coming Up Next Week...**

Monday 9/6:

• **Labor Day - No School**

Tuesday 9/7:

• All School Mass: 8:30

Wednesday 9/8:

• Early Dismissal: 2:30

• Magazine Sale Tally #1: Turn in order forms

Thursday 9/9:

• Home & School Meeting: 8:15 - Ministry Center

• SCRIP Sale: 3:00 - Outside of the Library

• SBC Meeting: 6:30PM - Library



Dear St. Monica School Families,

It is with great pleasure that I extend a welcoming hello to all students and parents of St. Monica School. Since my arrival on June 28<sup>th</sup>, I have felt that this is where I was meant to be. From the school families to all the school staff, I have been welcomed with open arms. I have had opportunities to meet with both the school board and home and school groups and I am very impressed with the dedication of these volunteers. I look forward to working more closely with them this school year.

This year's school theme is: "We hold a treasure". I feel the St. Monica school community is a true treasure to all the students, past and present, who were and are being educated both academically and spiritually here. For that, I thank you.

I look forward to a great year working with your children. Thank you again for all you do to support our school.

Blessings,  
Julie Ann Robinson-Principal

### St. Monica News and Weekly Reminder Submissions



Due to a glitch with the Weekly Reminder email address, anything that was submitted via that email address prior to Monday, August 30<sup>th</sup> has been forever lost in cyberspace. Please re-submit your news to the same address, [stmonicanews@st-monica.org](mailto:stmonicanews@st-monica.org), and it will be included in Monday's Weekly Reminder. We apologize for the inconvenience. Thank you for your understanding.

**\*\*\*As always, please send your articles and attachments to [stmonicanews@st-monica.org](mailto:stmonicanews@st-monica.org) by 3:30pm each Thursday for the following Monday's Weekly Reminder. Thank you.\*\*\***

### MAGAZINE SALE

The 2010 St. Monica Magazine Sale kicks off THIS THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 2, 2010. Please look for the Magazine Sale packet coming home with each child.

Good News you can place your order on line. To do so, simply go to [www.aphearst.com](http://www.aphearst.com), click on "Order Magazines," enter School Code STMONICAWHITEFISH, enter your Student's Name, and START SHOPPING. All on-line orders will count towards the sales prize program.

Look forward to new and exciting prizes.

Last year the Magazine Sale raised nearly \$12,000 for Home and School. Please help us make it another successful year. Your support is greatly appreciated.

Carola Gulick  
Kathy Gomez  
Denise Grogan  
Kathy Mlada



## Development Corner

**Tom Mlada**

Welcome to the 2010-2011 school year! I hope you and your family enjoyed a safe, fun, and memorable Summer.

### "St. Monica News & Weekly Reminder" on the Web!

As with last school year, the "St. Monica News & Weekly Reminder" will be an entirely "paperless" version, posted each Monday morning on the school website. A few important notes this morning:

- 1) On Registration Day, you had the opportunity to provide me with a new e-mail address (if I don't already have one for you) or a revised e-mail address (if you've changed it since end of last school year). If you do not provide with an e-mail address, I cannot e-mail you on Monday morning with a link to view the Weekly Reminder. It is your choice, but I do believe the e-mail is a nice convenience!
- 2) If you wish to print the "St. Monica News & Weekly Reminder" at home but want to avoid using color ink, simply opt to print it in black-and-white format. You can do so via the "Properties" button on the Print box that appears when you choose to print it.

Should you have any questions or concerns, as always please feel free to contact me at (414) 332-3660 ext. 123 or [tmlada@st-monica.org](mailto:tmlada@st-monica.org).

### Note of thanks...

Just a quick note of thanks to those of you who either volunteered for, participated in, or helped sponsor our Diane Woodke Memorial Fun Run/Walk event this past Saturday, August 28<sup>th</sup>. I believe it was a very successful event by any measure – fun, spirited competition; good turnout; exciting launch to a new school year; great celebration of community; and beautiful weather, too. Thank you all for helping to make the event so wonderful – we could not have made it so without you!

As most of you know, Diane was our longtime much beloved school secretary and parish member who passed away in June 2006 at the age of 62 after a yearlong battle with cancer. We've hosted the event in her honor here at school four times now, and I believe each year it has been a success. Cumulatively, the events have raised over \$8,000 for the school scholarship fund established in Diane's name! All in all, this memorial event and school tradition has become a great day to come together as a school community and celebrate Diane and all that is so good about our St. Monica faith community.

God's blessings to you and yours this new school year!

Tom Mlada  
Development & Stewardship Director



### **Cross Country Begins This Week!**

Cross country is a fall sport that runs (ha!) from the beginning of September to mid-October. Any girl or boy in grades 5-8 may join, regardless of running experience. Four meets are held per season. Races are just under 2 miles through area parks. Races are divided by gender and age group with about 100 kids in a race. St. Monica and St. Eugene has a combined team. Practices start Sept. 1, and are held every Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 3:30 til 4:30. Kids change into their running clothes after school, stow their backpacks in the coach's car and then head to Klode for a workout and maybe a dip in the lake on hot days, and run back to be picked up at the parking lot. If your child would like to join, just email coach Annemarie Scobey-Polacheck, [ascobey@gmail.com](mailto:ascobey@gmail.com) and send him/her to practice. Parents are welcome to run with the team or occasionally bring drinks or Popsicles for the kids afterwards. If your child is a volleyball player who also wants to run cross country, please contact Kris Mellin, athletic director.

## Home and School Association

Anne Cyganiak and Kristin Kuesel, Co-Presidents

Welcome back to all our school families and welcome to those of you who are new to St. Monica School! It was exciting to see so many new faces at Registration on Thursday.

Registration was a huge success thanks to the many volunteers who helped make it run so smoothly. Special thanks to Mo Buettner, Vicki Schoshinski, Shannon Burns, Joanne Boettinger, Denise Phillips and Gretchen Caraher for registration set-up. Thank you to Home and School Association's Co-Vice- Presidents Amy Strother and Maria VanDyke who set up and ran the new Families Table; a thank you goes to Emily Brennan, Amy Cade, Gina Chiappa, Michele Hines, Nancy Morris, Ann Pencak, Lori Phillips, Karen Poellman, Moe Tarantino, Antionette Zell, Betsie Berrien, Barbara Cecil, Richard Cecil, Tina Desing, Liz Ghilardi, Tricia Harris, Kathy Jablonowski, Marina Kuhn, Maribeth McNally, Brigid Perrigo, Amy Stulmacher, Marcela Perea, and Kate Neitzel for manning our registration tables. Thank you Nikki DeGuire and Sarah McNally for their hard work on the raffle. Thank you Jennifer Lamont and Norma Herbers for selling script not only at registration, but throughout the summer as well! You are treasures! Thank you Athletic Committee members Stephanie Dragani and Lisa Nelson, and Athletic Director Kris Mellin for their work on athletics. Thank you to Kathy Gomez and Julie Karnes for putting together and distributing our beloved Memory Book! It is fabulous! Karen Potter, thank you for ALL of your work on our school calendar. Another thank you to Norma Herbers and to Marian Topp for creating our ever-ready school directory! Thank you to our Room Parent Coordinators Maurita Jaspers and Angela Kachelski, our Lunchroom Coordinators Laura Reilly and Joanne Boettinger! Thank you Kathy Gomez and Carola Gulick for starting up and highlighting our upcoming Magazine Sale! Thank you Tanya Chick and Karen Potter for organizing our fabulous Art for Youth program. Thank you Gerri McBride for organizing our Library volunteers. Thank you Carrie Eck, Kelly Heil and Mandy Meyer for highlighting and organizing volunteers for our fantastic Variety Show. Thank you Kim Brennan for all of your hard work on the Market Day display. Thank you Michele Giese for organizing the uniform resale and Barbara Diamond for all of her work on Spirit Wear and Gym Uniforms! Thank you Ann Rice for organizing the Forensics Sign up table.

We would also like to thank the Dinner Dance/Auction/Decorations Chairs Jennifer Deslongchamps, Carmela Cirulis, Jenny Post, Moe Tarantino, Holly Strimaitis, Tina Luna, Denise Phillips, Jenna Greene and Susie Minahan who have been working so hard all summer and will continue to work to make our upcoming event the finest! If you would like to get involved in this exciting process, contact Anne or Kristin!

Finally, a big thank you to Steve Dawkins and Chris Stemwell for setting up for and cleaning up after registration! Thank you Natalie Nolan and Gretchen Caraher for organizing and distributing the many School Pak orders! Thank you Sarah Martin for creating the September Birthday Bulletin Board in the cafeteria and to Kari Nau for her work on the New Student Bulletin Board by the office.

A special thank you goes out to Karen Potter for designing and creating new, colorful drapes for the privacy shade in the Health Clinic. Stop in and see how her color scheme makes the artwork in the clinic POP! Thank you, Karen! A big thank you goes out to the many volunteers who helped with the enormous task of cleaning out the attic, especially Karen Poellman, Carrie Eck, Karen Potter and Kerry Sinsky.

Finally, thank you Tina Desing for publishing the first of MANY Weekly Reminders!! We appreciate you taking on this task for another year!

We would like to take this opportunity to welcome our new Principal Julie Robinson. We are looking forward to a fantastic year with Julie! Already she is making many improvements around our school. Make sure you introduce yourself to Julie at our first day of school coffee in the back parking lot by the arches immediately after drop off on September 1<sup>st</sup>.

Our first Home and School meeting will be on Thursday, September 9<sup>th</sup> at 8:15 in the Ministry Center. All school parents are encouraged to come. All who attend are eligible to win a prize! Hear what is happening around the school! Share your thoughts and ideas! Get involved! Your input makes our school what it is!

We are so excited that the 2010-2011 school year is here! We have such fantastic families to work with at SMS and we are looking forward to working with all of you at the many Home and School events that bring great energy to our school.

## SMS SCRIP REWARDS PROGRAM

If you are a new family or a family who has never tried SCRIP, come give it a try. SCRIP is a great way to support your school as well as earn tuition credit.

In addition to the many vendors we offer, we now have Whole Foods \$50 denominations (5%) and Culvers \$10 and \$25 denominations (10%). And for those of you who love to shop at Winkie's, you can now use Hallmark SCRIP cards to shop there. For a full list of vendors, go to [www.glscrip.com](http://www.glscrip.com).

Unfortunately, American Express and McDonald's SCRIP cards will no longer be available. We are sorry for any inconvenience this will cause.

To get started, contact Jennifer Lamont (540-0186) or Norma Herbers (962-9193) or join us on Thursday outside the Library at 3 p.m. for our inventory sale.

**THANK YOU TO ALL FOR SUPPORTING SCRIP!!**

### Winter Wonderland 2010 Dinner Dance and Auction News

- **Auction Donor Kickoff Party:** Please join us for the Auction Kickoff party hosted by Peter Coffey & Kristine Cleary and Tom and Mo Buettner. October 2nd from 6:30 - 10:30pm at the home of Tom and Mo Buettner in Whitefish Bay. Please bring your donation, donation form, or come for donation ideas! Please consider donating a unique bottle of wine (valued at \$10 or more) for our Auction Night Brown Bottle Grab. RSVP by September 25th Peter or Kristine 414.961.1998 or [kcleary@cmclax.com](mailto:kcleary@cmclax.com)
- **Auction Information:** Please see the attached family letter, How You Can Help, Wish List, or contact one of the auction chairs for information regarding the auction.
- **Auction Tree:** If you need donation ideas, please feel free to take a look inside the ornaments on the auction tree located outside the school office.
- **Auction Donation Form:** The deadline to submit the auction donation form is *Monday, October 18, 2010*. Please submit your form to the school office.
- **Auction Booklet Advertisements:** The deadline to submit the family advertisement form is *Monday, October 18, 2010*. Please submit your form to the school office.
- **Gathering Dates:** A parent-volunteer will be collecting donated item(s) at the front of the Ministry Center (8:00 AM – 8:30 AM) the following dates:  
*Friday, October 22, Friday, October 29, Thursday, November 4, 2010*