

**We Hold a
Treasure**

St. Monica News & Weekly Reminder

September 13, 2010

Lunch Duty Schedule:

11:00–1:15 pm

This Week :

Monday, 9/13:

S. Laudon
D. Henrichs
A. Kachelski

Tuesday, 9/14:

K. Pham
D. Henrichs
J. Post
C. Treaster

Wednesday, 9/15:

E. Brennan
J. Marino
H. Strimaitis

Thursday, 9/16:

J. Lamont
M. Moore
K. Brennan

Friday, 9/17:

Early Dismissal - No Lunch

Next Week:

Monday, 9/20:

J. Greene K. Hamrin
C. Hutt K. Chase

Tuesday, 9/21:

L. Regan
J. Post
M. Jasper

Wednesday, 9/22:

L. Reilly J. Hinz
B. Berrien C. Treaster

Thursday, 9/23:

S. Naffah
N. DeGuire
J. Hinz

Friday, 9/24:

B. Schwab
D. Rusch
K. Campbell

This Week At A Glance...

Tuesday 9/14: •All School Mass: 8:30

Wednesday 9/15: •Magazine Sale Tally #2: Turn in order forms

Thursday 9/16:



•**Casual Dress Day: Int'l Day for Preserving the Ozone Layer - Be Green, Dress Green**

•Ladies of Charity Clothing Drive: 8am-Parking Lot

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

•Parent Orientation, Grades 6-8: 6:45pm

Friday 9/17:

•**Early Dismissal: 11:30—Staff Inservice**

Coming Up Next Week...

Tuesday 9/21: •All School Mass: 8:30

Wednesday 9/22: •Group Homeroom Pictures (wear uniforms)

•Magazine Tally #3: Turn in order forms

Thursday 9/23:

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

•Safeguarding All of God's Children Family Training Session: 7:00pm

Saturday 9/25:

•Kindergarten Party (for parents): Tarantino Home

This Week's Weekly Rule:

"Make eye contact. When someone is speaking, keep your eyes on them at all times."



Home and School Association

Anne Cyganiak
Kristin Kuesel

Thank you to everyone who attended our first Home and School Meeting. We appreciated everyone's concise reports, thoughts and ideas. Others participated with great listening ears, and we appreciate that, too. The more people we have in the know regarding school happenings, the greater the success. We encourage you to attend our next meeting to be held at 8:15 in the Ministry Center on Thursday, October 7th.

Kari Nau and Beth Cafaro are busy taking photos of all of our new students. Please take a moment to view their New Student Bulletin Board outside the school office. Thank you, Kari and Beth!

All K4 and K5 school families should have received an invitation to the St. Monica Kindergarten Party. This fun filled party will be held September 25th at the home of David and Moe Tarantino. This is a great opportunity to meet the parents of your kindergartener's classmates while enjoying a fabulous party. Please view the invitation to see what you should bring.

All school families should mark their calendars for October 2nd. You should have received an invitation in the mail to the Auction Donor Party to be held at the home of Tom and Mo Buettner. This is a fun opportunity to bring your Auction Donor Form or become an Auction Angel while visiting with other school families. See what is in store for the Live Auction Items and how you can help sponsor different parts of the live auction. We hope to see you there!

A bit of housekeeping... If you have not yet signed up for LUNCH DUTY, please contact Laura Reilly at mlreilly@earthlink.net. Each school family is required to work a minimum of three lunch duties over the course of the year. Please make sure you are lined up to fulfill this requirement.

Please feel free to contact Anne or Kristin with your thoughts, questions and/or ideas.

Have a great week!
Anne and Kristin

Picture Day



9/22 Group Homeroom Picture Day (Uniforms). Group homeroom pictures will be taken on Wednesday, September 22nd.

Please mark your calendars for Individual School Picture Day for grades K4 through 7th grade which will take place Wednesday, October 13th. 8th Grade Girls will also be photographed on Wednesday, October 13th. 8th Grade Boys will be photographed on Wednesday, November 10th.

Any questions please call Karen Poellmann at 332-8949.

Please mark your calendars for the Multicultural Committee kick-off event!

We are pleased to have the Voces y Cuerdas de Mexico Mariachi Group visiting our school on Friday, September 17, from 10:00-11:00 in Donovan Hall. They will be playing lots of Mexican music, as well as presenting information on the history, clothing, and instruments of a Mariachi band. We hope to see you

DEVELOPMENT CORNER

TOM MLADA

2010-2011 Parent Reference List

I am currently in the process of developing the "Parent Reference List" for the 2010-2011 school year. For those of you unfamiliar with this list, it is one I prepare at the outset of each new school year and distribute to prospective families as part of the "official" SMS information folder. Over the years, this list has proved very popular with prospective families. To get a fellow parent's perspective, these families can simply pick up the phone and make a few phone calls to school parents on the reference list. Last year's list included the names of over 85 school families!

As I work to prepare the 2010-2011 "Parent Reference List," I would like to invite any school family that is currently not on this list to join it for the new school year. To do so, please give me a call **(332-3660 ext. 123)** or send me an e-mail **(tmlada@st-monica.org)**. Whether you are new to SMS or you are a "veteran," your perspective as a St. Monica School parent "ambassador" can make a real difference! THANK YOU!

Milestones Update

In these first few weeks of the new school year, I have received several phone calls inquiring about the programming hours of Milestones, our onsite childcare programming provider. I thought I would take a moment to clarify that information for everyone.

This school year, Milestones is offering programming from 11:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m. We are grateful for this continued commitment from Milestones, which clearly demonstrated their dedication to working as partners with our school community. And, for those of you are utilizing Milestones, I thank you for the trust you have placed in them; as I know you would attest, the Milestones staff members assigned to our school community are outstanding and the peace-of-mind in knowing children never leave the school building is priceless!

I believe such onsite childcare programming is a necessity in order for our school community to continue with annual enrollment stability and growth. Especially now in this changing economy, we must be able to meet the needs of dual-income families who desire convenient, high-quality, and affordable onsite childcare programming options. For those with children in our K-4 and K-5 half-day and extended-day sessions, such childcare may be an absolute necessity. In this way, I believe we continue to demonstrate our commitment to the education of all our students.

With this in mind, should your family require childcare programming, even if only for two or three days per week, I ask you to consider Milestones as an option. Your support of and participation in Milestone's programming will help ensure the long-term success of our relationship.

Have a terrific week!

Tom



Battle of the Books - CORRECTION

1st BOB Ice Cream Social activity is this Friday, September 17th at 11:30 AM on the playground, NOT September 15th, as indicated in the flyer sent out last week.

All participating 4th, 5th and 6th grade students are encouraged to come!

SMS SCRIP REWARDS PROGRAM

Autumn is here, and it is a great time to purchase SCRIP for all of your fall projects. Whether you are planting bulbs, replanting your pots with mums or preparing your home for fall consider using SCRIP to make your purchases at Bayside Garden, Home Depot or Lowe's.

No time to cook? Consider keeping a few SCRIP cards on hand for those nights when you don't have time to cook. SCRIP is available for many restaurants like **Appleby's (8%) Qdoba (7%) Subway (3%) Cheesecake Factory (5%) Bruegger's (7%) California Pizza Kitchen (4%) Buffalo Wild Wings and Sabor 10%.**

A full list of available vendors can be found at glscrip.com.

TRY SCRIP. It is a great way to support your school and earn tuition dollars at the same time. 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.

Looking for Volunteers!!!!!!!!!!

This is a relatively easy commitment. Our team provides the food for the St. Vincent Meal Program (at the former St. Gall's Parish) on the second Thursday of the month during February, April, June, August, October and December. Only 6 times a year! The menu is set..... (spaghetti, green salad, bread and dessert). You prepare the food in your own home and drop it off at a WFB home on the specified day. What could be easier!!!!!! We are asking for a 1 year commitment and the promise that if you can't fulfill your task on a given month that you switch with another team member. That's it.



If you are interested in helping with this worthwhile service, please contact Anne Rice at abrice1005@aol.com or 962-2498, or Mary Feldbruegge at mfeldbruegg@wi.rr.com or 964-5279.

Boys 5th -8th grade Volleyball

Where: St Monica Gym
When: Mondays from 6:45- 8:00 pm



Come join us for intramural Volleyball. The boys will receive some instruction and then be able to practice their skills during intramural games. We will have one court for our 5th and 6th graders and another court for our 7th and 8th graders. All boys are welcome, even if they have not signed up.

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 \$15 or more) for our Auction Night Brown Bottle Grab. RSVP by September 25th Peter or Kristine 414.961.1998 or kcleary@cmclax.com.
- **Auction Information** - Please see the attached How You Can Help, Wish List, or contact one of the auction chairs for information regarding the auction.

Brown Bag Wine Grab! Donate a bottle of wine, valued at \$15 or more, to be included in the Grab at the Dinner Dance. Bottles will be wrapped and available for purchase at the Dinner Dance during the silent auction for \$20 each. Your mystery wine purchase will be delivered to your table during dinner and all participants will unwrap their bottles after dinner to reveal what they have won. Donations can be dropped off at the Taphorn's house, 5530 N. Berkeley Blvd., any day of the week. Please leave bottles in the box provided by the side door. All types of wines are welcome! Questions? Email Sheila Taphorn at smtaphorn@gmail.com.

- **Underwriting:** Please consider donating to underwrite the cost of this year's Dinner Dance & Auction! Underwriting donations are different from those donations given to "Auction Angels" or to the Auction itself, and proceeds go directly the event's bottom line. Underwriting donations are the quickest and simplest way to impact the success of the event! The deadline to submit underwriting forms is October 18, 2010. A link to this year's underwriting form is included with this week's Weekly Reminder. Thanks in advance for your generosity!
- **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, 2010*
 - Friday, October 29, 2010*
 - Thursday, November 4, 2010*



The Dinner Dance Decorations Committee has cleaned out the Dinner Dance closet in back of Donovan Hall Stage. Any decor that will not be used for the Dinner Dance this November is available to other groups and committees for use. Please contact Denise Phillips this week (ad_phillips@msn.com) if you are interested in reviewing the discarded items before they are thrown away or donated to charity.

MAGAZINE SALE 2010

Thank you all for the orders submitted last week for magazine sale. We are off to a strong start. The top 3 sellers in each class will win a dress down day each week. If 50% of each class sells 1 or more orders, the class will also win a dress down day. Remember, you have to sell 2 orders to earn a lucky duck. Thanks and keep selling.



Please send your articles and attachments to stmonicanews@st-monica.org by 3:30 pm each Thursday.