

One Family in Christ

*Different Gifts,  
Same Spirit*

# St. Monica News & Weekly Reminder

October 20th, 2008

## Lunch Duty

**Monday 10/20:**

M.Garwood, R.Schreiber,  
K.O'Byrne, K.Nau

**Tuesday 10/21:** S.Hayes,  
P.Ormsby, S.Casey,  
L.Hansen

**Wed., 10/22:** R.Schreiber,  
S.Christiansen, M.Flaherty

**Thursday 10/23:** M.Cooper,  
J.Lippe, S.Hayes

**Friday 10/24:** M.Kuhn,  
J.Deslongchamps, K.Kuesel

Click [here](#) for the entire  
lunch room duty schedule.  
(Once there, scroll down to  
page two...thanks!)



### *This Week...*

**Tuesday 10/21:** Mass Gr. 1-4 (Dooley) Prayer Service Gr.5-8 (Dooley)

**Wed., 10/22:** Early Dismissal 2:30pm

Cub Scouts Pumpkin Carving-Meet at 2:30 (in school  
parking lot)

**Thurs., 10/23:** Scrip Sale 3pm

Market Day Pick-Up 3-4pm (Donovan Hall)

**Friday 10/24:** Halloween Dress Day; 8th Gr. Haunted House 6pm

### *Looking Ahead...*

**Tuesday 10/28:** Mass Gr.5-8 (Shumaker); Prayer Service 1-4 (Klovers)

**Wed., 10/29:** Scrip Sale 3pm

**Tuesday 11/4:** VIP Day; First Grade Celebration of Saints Mass

**Thursday 11/6:** End of 1st Quarter

H & S Mtg 8:30am

Scrip Sale 3pm

**Friday 11/7:** No School

Report Card Preparation

Catholic Highschool Testing Day

## Home & School Co-Presidents' Scoop

Many thanks to Karen Poellman, Kathy Gomez and Tina Desing for working with VIP over the past few weeks! They have spent many hours ensuring that the Picture Days went smoothly. We are appreciative of your time and efforts!

Starry Night 2008 is rapidly approaching! Our Co-Chairs Juliet Kersten, Michelle Hines, Kelly Vincent, Alissa Dern and Julie Karnes, along with countless other parents, have been working very hard to make Starry Night 2008 a success. Please support our biggest fundraiser by attending this wonderful event!

Have a great week!

Karen and Kathy

## Development Corner

### Launch of the 2008-2009 Annual Fund Campaign

The 2008-2009 Annual Fund campaign is now officially underway – and we need your support! Please prayerfully consider a **tax-deductible** gift to this school year's campaign. The campaign runs until June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2008, so you need not give now (you can submit a pledge at any time). And, don't forget, you can even contribute via credit card on the school website and enjoy your card rewards!

By the way, if you're unfamiliar with the Annual Fund (likely because you are new to SMS!), please take a peek at the summary sheet entitled "**St. Monica School Annual Fund Basics**" I've included as an attachment to today's *St. Monica News & Weekly Reminder*. And, as always, I'd be happy to speak with you to answer any questions you might have regarding this important campaign.

### Gift Match Reminder

Please remember that you can **DOUBLE** your contribution to the Annual Fund campaign – **at no additional cost to you** – through your employer's gift matching programs. Many local employers offer this terrific program; it only requires a moment of your time to submit the form provided by your employer. This is a very simple way to help St. Monica School.

If you are uncertain as to whether or not your employer offers a gift-match program, you can contact your Human Resources department. Or, if you prefer, simply take a peek at the attachment to today's *St. Monica News & Weekly Reminder*, where you will find a complete listing of employers nationwide with gift-match programs in place.

If you have any questions or I can be of any help, please contact me at (414) 332-3660 ext. 123 or [tmlada@st-monica.org](mailto:tmlada@st-monica.org) and I will happily assist!

As always, my genuine gratitude for all you do and all you give to make St. Monica School the amazing community of faith education it is. -Tom

## What's Happening Around School?



### "Share the Warmth"-LOC Coat Drive

The Ladies of Charity is sponsoring a coat drive for underprivileged school-age children. This coat drive will take place the week of Oct. 20-27. We will have boxes available at both church entrances and in school near the office to collect gently-used/clean winter coats, hats and gloves. There is a great need for many children and young adults to have appropriate outerwear for the upcoming winter months. Your generosity is greatly appreciated! Contact Sharon Pircon (962-1831) or Amy O'Connor (964-7499) for information. Thank you for "Sharing the Warmth"!

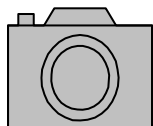


**PUMPKIN PARTY REMINDERS:** We would like to remind and encourage everyone to attend the **8TH GRADE HAUNTED HOUSE** before coming to the **Pumpkin Party** this Friday night. The Haunted House is a great time for the kids, which only seems fair before you come have a howlin' time at the Pumpkin Party! Please also note that the Great Pumpkin Festival begins Friday, Oct. 24, so until that ends at 9pm, parking will be a bit tricky near the McNally home. We would suggest Lexington or Hollywood Ave. See you at all the great SMS Halloween events Friday!!



### *Get Spooked at the 8th Grade Haunted House!*

Come and get in the Halloween spirit at the annual 8th Grade Haunted House, this Friday night from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. in Donovan Hall. There will be fun for everyone including crafts, games and food. Bring the whole family and make a night of it. Food will be available for purchase including brats, hot dogs, popcorn, puppy chow and assorted baked goods. Not only is this a great St. Monica tradition, but it is also one of the 8th grade's fund-raiser for their 8th grade trip to South Dakota!



### **VOLLEYBALL TEAM YEARBOOK PHOTOS**

5th, 6th, 7th and 8th grade volleyball team photos will be taken in the gym on Monday November 3rd by VIP photography. The photos will be taken right after school. Everyone will have the opportunity to purchase team and individual photos at a later date. Please bring your uniform. We would like all coaches in the photo.

Questions? Call Tina Desing 332-0001 or Kathy Gomez 962 5516.

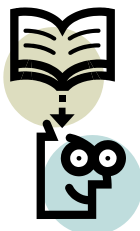


### SMS SCRIP REWARDS PROGRAM

If you are interested in participating in this great fundraising program but for one reason or another just haven't gotten started yet, we will be hosting a **"Get to Know About SCRIP" Day on October 28th**. SCRIP coordinators will be available in the Library to have a Question & Answer session and inventory sale in the morning from **8:00 -9:00** and in the afternoon from **2:45 to 3:30**. There are several ways to get SCRIP cards here at SMS, and we are excited to find an option that works for you. It's not too late to begin earning a tuition credit at SMS for the 2009-2010 school year!

We look forward to seeing parents and family members new and old to St. Monica. However if you are unable to come to one of these sessions, just call Jennifer Lamont @ 540-0186 or Norma Herbers 962-9193. Thanks!

YTD Sales (since 6/1/08):	\$205,698
Home & School Profits:	\$6,316
Tuition Credits:	\$5,103



### **Battle of Books Congrats!**

Great job to all the 4th and 5th graders who have earned at least one sticker on their Battle of Books chart in the library. Parents, stop by the library to see how your reader is doing. Students who have read at least one book were recognized over the PA on Monday. Sarah Herbers, gr. 4 and Dominic Hutt, gr. 5 are leading the charge with most number of books read so far. Students get a sticker for every note card they fill out for a book they've read. Every three stickers earns a prize from the prize box. If you have a fifth grader, please encourage him or her to stop in the library during some free time to show their note cards, as they do not have an official library time. –Annemarie Scobey-Polacheck

## *Other News...*



### **ATTENTION QUILTERS OR WANNABE QUILTERS!**

Please join us in the Ministry Center to help make the 2009 St. Monica Society Antique Show Quilt. We've been working since the summer to make a beautiful appliqué quilt inspired by the "Quilt Pink" Quilt for a Cure Book. We need experienced quilters and those who want to learn. There is a job for everyone! Our usual meetings are Tuesdays from 1-3PM and Fridays from 11-3 (lunch on FR is included!). Call Norma Herbers (962-9193) if you are interested. Get on our email list for weekly scheduling updates and Friday lunch menus! (note: we sometimes have to adjust quilting sessions for school vacation days or other conflicts, so please check with Norma.)



**A LIVING SAINT??** So called by Archbishop Dolan, Bishop Abraham Desta of Ethiopia will be interviewed at Marquette University on Monday, October 20th at the Monaghan Ballroom of the Alumni Memorial Union. There will be a reception at 6:30 pm with program to begin at 7 pm. Bishop Desta's diocese is at the spear-point of the Global Food Crisis and faces massive shortages and a deadly, potentially widespread famine. His diocese is 99% Muslim. His far-reaching social service and development outreach serves all and has focused in the areas of water and education. Bishop Desta will be interviewed by Catholic Relief Services, his partner in doing God's work. Come and learn more of the plight of the truly poor and how our Church responds. All are welcome. Refreshments will be served.



# Starry Night

## Auction/Dinner Dance News

### [Dinner Dance Invitations \(click here for the invitation\)](#)

If you did not receive one, please contact Michele Hines or Juliet Kersten. If you know someone who would like an invitation, click above for a printable invitation and pass it along. Invitations also were extended to our Sunday school families and Parish families.

### [Auction Donations \(click here for donor form\)](#)


KEEP THOSE DONATIONS COMING! No more gathering dates but it is NOT too late to donate to the auction – if you act THIS WEEK. Please call Kelly Vincent (332-9443) to arrange for pick up of item or for questions about donating. After this week, we cannot promise to get your donation into the auction booklet, but it would get into an addendum. **FEATURED ITEMS OF THE WEEK :**

Two trips to Orlando

– Orlando Florida Vacation! This trip , for THIS Thanksgiving – November 22-29<sup>th</sup>, will be auctioned off . Plan ahead to win this trip and head south for the Thanksgiving Holiday! – See board outside office.

Orlando getaway with a day at Disney – June 2009 - One week stay at beautiful Orlando Condo near Sea World next June - Getaway the week after school – it is not warm here anyway!! Four Disney Park Hopper passes included along with some Disney Dollars and cash for airfare!

### [Raffle \(click here for auction raffle form\)](#)

Try your  luck under the stars and enter the raffle. Prizes are \$5,000, \$1,000 and \$500. Tickets are \$20 each or buy 6 tickets at the special price of \$100 and get a Dress Down Pass for each SMS student in your family. Winners will be drawn at the Auction Dinner Dance on November 15<sup>th</sup>, however, you need not be present to win.

Enter today by printing out the “Auction Raffle Form,” fill it out and return it to the school office. Your ticket stubs, dress down passes and receipt will be sent to you through your school mail carrier.

Questions??? Call Tricia Harris at 414.967.0288 or Tina Luna at 414.963.2131.

### **Attention K4, K5 and 1st Grade Parents!**

If you would like to sit with other parents from one of these classes, you may sign up outside of the classrooms on posted Dinner Dance sign up sheets. Also, you can indicate that you would like to sit at a K4, K5 or 1st grade table on your Dinner Dance response card.

Thank you!

**Which star will you UNDERWRITE? There is no better time than now to help us underwrite "Starry Night".** There are many event costs associated with running our largest fundraiser, Dinner Dance, each year. Here is your chance to help underwrite faculty projects, invitations, printing costs, postage, mailing costs, software expenses, decorations, band, and auctioneer costs. **Please consider a sponsorship today!** Forms are attached, can be found on the table outside the office, or are available through the web-site. If you have any questions, please call Jennifer Keough (414)906-0584 or Pam Coleman (414)540-9554 for more information.

**Auction Booklet Family Ads ([click here for the family ad form](#))**

- « Salute your 8th grader
- « Congratulate your student
- « Thank a teacher, coach or mentor
- « Send a wish to your child
- « Congratulate a team



Full page black & white ad (8 1/2" x 5 1/2") - \$50

Half page black & white ad (4 1/4" x 5 1/2") - \$25



Return payment and ad form to the office by October 15th. If you need assistance designing an ad please contact Tina Luna at (414) 963-2131 or [mtluna@wi.rr.com](mailto:mtluna@wi.rr.com).

**Brown Bottle Grab Donations**

Please consider donating a bottle of wine for the auction. We need \$10-\$15 bottles of whites or reds.....maybe something you enjoy drinking at home.

Please call Kristin Kuesel to arrange a drop off at 906-0344 or [KKuesel@sbcglobal.net](mailto:KKuesel@sbcglobal.net)

**Starry Night Photos.**

Photos of your children will be available at your table if you attend the event and will be paid for by your bidder number. For those not able to attend, we will have the photos available for purchase after the event.

**Volunteers needed!**

More volunteers are needed for clean-up on Sunday November 16<sup>th</sup> after the Dinner Dance. This is the perfect, time-limited volunteer opportunity. Give 2 hours or 4 hours and that's it! Please contact Juliet Kersten at 962-7750 or [jkersten@chw.org](mailto:jkersten@chw.org) to sign up.

We could also use more volunteers to decorate Donovan Hall, please contact Kari Nau @332-3103 or [naufamily4@hotmail.com](mailto:naufamily4@hotmail.com) if you are interested. Thanks!!



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