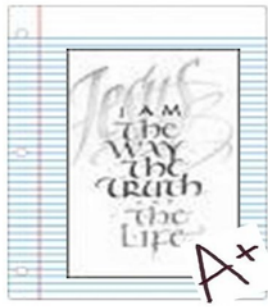


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# St. Monica News & Weekly Reminder

February 1, 2010

Lunch Duty Schedule:  
11:00–1:15 pm

**This Week :**

Monday, 2/1: J. Cook,  
M. Topp, K. Fritsch

Tuesday, 2/2: L. Mitchell,  
J. Marino, A. Lyons

Wednesday, 2/3: K. Walton,  
J. Ruppel, M. Jasper

Thursday, 2/4:  
J. Deslongchamps, J. Burns,  
E. Brennan

Friday, 2/5: C. Seiden,  
K. Cleary, K. Long

**Next Week:**

Monday, 2/8: J. Richter, B.  
Perrigo, J. Callan

Tuesday, 2/9: L. Regan, A.  
Erpenbeck, A. Murphy

Wednesday, 2/10: K. Strode,  
A. Dern, C. Chandler

Thursday, 2/11: S. Mattix, K.  
Jablonowski, V. Schoshinski,  
S. Devine

Friday, 2/12: K. Kuesel, A.  
Cyganiak, J. Karnes

## This Week At A Glance...

### *Catholic Schools Week: January 31st - February 6th*

- Monday 2/1: •Chess Club: 3:30-4:30 - Franciscan Room
- Thursday 2/4: •Home & School Meeting: 8:15 - Ministry Center  
•SCRIP Sale: 3:00 - Outside of the Library
- Friday 2/5: •All School Mass: **2:00pm** (O'Neil)

## Coming Up Next Week...

- Monday 2/10: •Chess Club: 3:30-4:30 - Franciscan Room
- Tuesday 2/9: •All School Mass: 8:30 (Wong)  
•JR High Orientation for 5th Grade Parents:  
7:00pm
- Wednesday 2/10 •**Early Dismissal: 2:30**
- Thursday 2/11: •Antique Show Set-Up  
Grades 5-8: Rocky's Lunch  
Grades 1-4: Bag Lunch  
•SCRIP Sale: **3:00** - Outside of the Library  
•SBC Meeting: 6:30pm - Library
- Friday 2/12: •Antique Show Set-Up  
Grades 1-4: Rocky's Lunch  
Grades 5-8: Bag Lunch  
•Antique Show Preview Party
- Sat/Sun 2/13-14: •Antique Show

## 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 2010-2011 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](http://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.

### Variety Show Update

Rehearsals are under way for Variety Show 2010...An SMS Carol...Celebrating our Past, Present and Future. Thank you so much to all of our Directors and volunteers. We appreciate your time, talent and dedication. Please remember to communicate regarding scheduling with your teacher, students and other directors as needed. Worksheet #1 is now due. Please turn it in to the office in the Variety Show envelope. We will be scheduling the Technical meeting with Dominican soon...watch for details. If you have any questions or concerns, please call or email: Kathy Jablonowski, Jennifer Keough or Amy O'Connor.

Thank You – Have a wonderful Catholic Schools Week!

### All 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Parents:

Want to learn more about the class trip to South Dakota? There will be an informational meeting on Wed. February 3<sup>rd</sup>, at 7:00pm in the Franciscan Room. Mrs. Bond and Mrs. Shumaker will be there to give an overview of the trips activities and to answer questions. We will have a chaperone from last year's trip and a few SMS graduates there to give a brief talk on their experiences. Hope to see many of you there!!

### Soup with Substance groups to start March 13

Sign up by March 1.

Thought-provoking. Fun. Delicious!

- 3 evenings (about a month apart) to gather in a home with a small group of St. Monica parishioners
- Enjoy faith-filled discussion over a simple dinner of soup & bread
- We'll provide a short but stimulating article on some aspect of faith & life
- Sit back and listen or join the discussion.

Wrap-up party in summer!

#### Leadership Team:

Colin & Coleen Hutt

Annemarie & Bill Scobey-Polachek

John & Norma Herbers

Beth & Dave Hoover

Andre Lesperance

Questions, or to sign up, email Andre at [stmonica.adult@gmail.com](mailto:stmonica.adult@gmail.com)



Spend the afternoon shopping, enjoying tea, hot chocolate, finger sandwiches, treats and a special Guest Speaker!

Bring your mom, daughter or grand daughter.

The tea party is for ages 6 and up.

Please RSVP by February 10.

Cost per person is \$10. Includes admission to the Antique Show on Sunday.

**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 wonderful 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 St. Monica School!**

It truly was a wonderful kick-off to our Catholic Schools Week celebration. Again, I thank you all for helping to make it so successful and so representative of our fantastic school!

**Annual Fund Party Thank You!**

This past Friday, January 29<sup>th</sup>, we launched Catholic Schools Week in style by hosting the Annual Fund Party at the home of Steve and Peg Rolfs. My genuine thanks to Steve and Peg, as well as our other current campaign co-chairs Paul and Jennifer Deslongchamps, 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 2009-2010 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. All tax-deductible gifts add up to make a very, very important difference in the campaign. WE NEED YOU!**

**Reminder: Registration for 2010-2011**

Believe it or not, the initial registration timeframe for the 2010-2011 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 5<sup>th</sup>.**

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 5<sup>th</sup>, we will 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!

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

Tom

**UGANDAN BOOK DRIVE**

Monday, February 1 - Friday, February 5 by Noon

In celebration of Catholic Schools Week and to recognize our country of focus, the Multicultural Committee is asking students to donate new or used books for children in Uganda. Look for collection boxes throughout the school. The books will be picked up on Friday, February 5 at noon and shipped to schools and libraries in Uganda.

Carolyn Peters ([cpeters0909@sbcglobal.net](mailto:cpeters0909@sbcglobal.net)) or Julie Frinzi ([mfrinzi@wi.rr.com](mailto:mfrinzi@wi.rr.com))

## Antique Show News



**Mark your calendars!!**



Please join us in celebrating St. Monica's 45<sup>th</sup> Annual Antique Show! Kick off a weekend filled with fun festivities by attending this year's Preview Party! This parish wide event will be held in Donovan Hall February 12 6:30-9:30 p.m. \$25 per person includes beer, wine, delicious hors d'oeuvres, and early buying privileges for fabulous antiques.

**Please make checks payable to: St. Monica Society  
And send to: Stephanie Beatty  
5931 Lake Drive  
Whitefish Bay, WI 53217  
Or pay \$35 per person at the door**

Thank you for supporting this incredible parish tradition!  
Leslie Hansen, Mandy Meyer, Stephanie Beatty, and Maggy Schultz

### Enjoy the Show

At the show, Feb. 13 and 14, you can enjoy wonderful traditions like home-made bakery, a fantastic menu at the cafe, including the famous chili and chicken noodle soup, antiques workshops, and a wide array of unique and beautiful antiques. This is a great way to spend a February weekend and support your parish. A portion of the proceeds go to the church, while the rest is donated to local charities. For more information, contact general show chair Amy O'Connor, 964-7499, [woconnor2@wi.rr.com](mailto:woconnor2@wi.rr.com), or Julie Duval, 964-4215, [tduval@wi.rr.com](mailto:tduval@wi.rr.com).

We'll be accepting bakery contributions in Donovan Hall on Friday, Feb. 12, Saturday, Feb. 13 or Sunday, Feb. 14. We also need bakery workers for a short, fun two or two-and-a-half hour shift. If you have questions or need a copy of the bakery donation form (which lists shifts), contact Diane Devereey, [diane.devereey@wwt.com](mailto:diane.devereey@wwt.com) or Emelie Linke, 962-5007. The form is also posted online at [www.st-monica.org](http://www.st-monica.org) under the Antique Show tab.

### Chili Makers

Work-at-home volunteers needed to help make the famous St. Monica's chili. Bucket, spices and recipe provided. You provide remaining ingredients. If you have extra gallon ice cream buckets to donate, they would be appreciated. Contact Peggy Porter at 294-8067, [pporter@st-monica.org](mailto:pporter@st-monica.org).

### Yard Sign Distribution

If anyone is willing to put out an Antique Show yard sign or has a yard sign from last year at home, please call Adele Eklund at 228-7675 or Ali Faber at 351-4774. Leave your name, address and phone number, and we will contact you with specifics. The Antique Show yard signs will be available for pick-up after each Mass the weekend of January 30-31.

### Calling All Quilts

The quilt committee is planning an exhibition of quilts from previous antique shows. If you were the lucky winner of a quilt or know someone who has one, please contact us about lending the quilt for this 45th anniversary celebration. We've already located a number of quilts, including the very first one. Contact Norma Herbers at 962-9193, [normaherbers@earthlink.net](mailto:normaherbers@earthlink.net).

