



St. Mary's Blue Notes



Sept. 3, 2008

Mission Statement

St. Mary's School and our students, families, teachers, and parish are united to provide a Catholic education in a Christ-centered environment, dedicated to academic excellence and promoting truth and charity in service to God and others.

"Jesus Christ became poor although he was rich, so that by his poverty you might become rich." Corinthians 8:9

Home & School

Please join us at our first Home and School Association meeting on Wednesday, September 3 at 12:30 in Columbus Hall. Please feel free to bring younger children with you to the meeting.

If you would like to receive emails from the Home and School Association please send an email to Christyrobson@hotmail.com

Irish Dance

Irish Dance is underway! Please contact Margaret Merrill at 696-5906 if your child would still like to join. It is held Wednesdays from 2:10 -3:10 in the gym with an advanced class from 3:10-4:10.

Bible Study

Women of Courage Bible Study began its first introductory class on September 2nd. If you would still like to join us on Tuesday mornings from 9-11, please register at the Parish Ministry building or contact Margaret Merrill at 696-5906. Our meeting place is now in the new Youth Building.

A Call For Pictures

If you have good classroom or pictures from a school event, we would love to have copies to use in our publications!

Please copy to a CD, label the event and drop off for the development office. Thanks!

PE Clothes & Sweatshirts

We have just received our shipment of PE clothes and sweatshirts. You may purchase them in the school office.

Clean-Up

St. Mary's Parish "Grounds Clean-Up Day," coordinated by Parish Council and St. Gertrude's Garden Guild, is tentatively scheduled for Sept. 26 and 27.

Volunteers of all ages and abilities needed to prune, mulch, weed, etc. the church grounds. Great opportunity for service hours and showing your true 'volunteer' spirit. Please watch Blue Notes/bulletin for more information.

FALL FESTIVAL MEETING!! - Join us **Sunday, September**

Dates To Remember

Sept. 3, Home & School mtg. in Columbus Hall @ 12:30

Sept. 18, Picture Day (Individual)

Sept. 22-25, 6th Grade Trip to Wesley Woods

Oct. 2, NO SCHOOL—In-Service

Oct. 3, NO SCHOOL—Diocesan In-Service

Oct. 10-11, Fall Festival

Nov. 5 & 12, Parent-Teacher Conferences (1:30-5:30) - Dismissal 1:00

Nov. 5-12, Scholastic Book Fair

Nov. 7, Alumni Memorial/Benefactor Appreciation Mass @ 8:00am

Reminder

All messages for the Blue Notes Must be in the school office by **noon** on Monday.

wandej@bellsouth.net

Please Save

Please save your Tyson Foods Support Your School 1, 2, 3 labels, Campbell's UPC codes, Box Tops for Education, cell phones, and printer cartridges and bring them to the school or church office.

Check out our Blue Notes on line:

www.stmarysoakridge.org

7th in Columbus Hall at 5:30 p.m. This is a great way to get involved and meet lots of your fellow parishioners. Everyone is welcome.

Contact Bill or Dawn Garibay for more information 803-2374 / 803-2375

PARCEL POST PACKAGES

It's Back for 2008!!!! If you are traveling anytime before the fall festival (business or pleasure), or if you know of someone who can mail a package from a distant location, please consider sending us a "secret" parcel post package that we can auction off at the fall festival. Please send packages

to the church office
Postmarked AUCTION – 327 Vermont Ave., Oak Ridge, TN 37830

USED CAR LOT – We are looking for trucks and cars, trailers, campers, motorcycles, water-crafts or ATVs to use in our Silent Car Auction. If you could use an extra tax credit this year, drive or pull it over and we will sell it for you. Donations are now being accepted. **Contact Kathryn James @ 466-2419.**

LIVE AUCTION – We are looking for items or services to auction after the Spaghetti Dinner on Friday, October 10th. New and used items are welcome. (Trips, Jewelry, Sports Memorabilia, etc.) **Contact Lynda Vinyard @ 220-5184**

SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES – Exciting Advertising Opportunities for 2008. We have taken

past sponsorship to a whole new level; it's a great value for your advertising dollar. Anyone interested in being a Fall Festival or Golf Tournament Sponsor (individuals, groups, and/or corporations) **contact Stacy Riikola @ 482-0333**

GOLF TOURNAMENT – The 2nd Annual Fall Festival Golf Tournament will be held on **Thursday, October 9th** at the Centennial Golf Course in Oak Ridge. Find three friends and join us for a morning of fun, prizes and friendly competition.. **Contact Susie Allen @ 740-4684**

St. Lucy's Craft Guild

St. Lucy's Craft Guild would like to invite you to attend creative sessions on the second and fourth Tuesday's of each month at 12:30 PM in the school cafeteria. All are welcome to attend. Bring something to work on or learn something new. If you have any questions, please contact Carolyn Krings at 386-1459.

Thank you for the New Family Reception!

Thank you to everybody who helped plan and carry out a successful reception for new families: Pouvan VanBerkel, Laura McKenna, Laura Seymour, Susie Allen, Lea Ellen Agee, Sara Agee, Micheria Dick, Michaela Martin, Stacey Riikola, Beth & Greg Motto, Elaine Carson, Jennifer Perry, Margo Davis, Linda Vinyard, Maia Neiman, Cheryl Kress, Carolyn Krings and Jim Bouchard. Thank you also, to everyone else who joined in and made this reception such a

success.

JakeBreak4Kids Expo!

SATURDAY SEPT. 6th 9am - 2pm

Alvin K. Bissell Park

Oak Ridge, TN

Safety, fun and fitness are the order of the day for East Tennessee kids and their parents at the JakeBreak4Kids Expo presented by Methodist Medical Center of Oak Ridge.

JakeBreak4Kids, a non-profit kids health and fitness organization, and Methodist Medical Center of Oak Ridge announce plans for the inaugural JakeBreak4Kids Expo to be held September 6, 2008 in Oak Ridge, Tennessee. The fun and informative event is free and open to the public. Activities begin at 9am and continue to 2pm. The Expo will be at the Alvin K. Bissell Park in downtown Oak Ridge, next to the Municipal building. All East Tennessee students and their parents are encouraged to attend.

This event will include activities such as karate demonstrations, zoo animals, fun runs, Kids Central Pediatrics kids fun zone (including inflatables and games), a chance to have your child's body mass index evaluated by health professionals, and free bike safety checks!

Come Out For A Fun Family Day!!

For more information, please contact Mrs. Powell at 483-9700.