

CRUSADER NEWS AND VIEWS

The Mission Statement of Holy Cross Catholic School is to educate tomorrow's Christian Leaders by fostering Academic Excellence in a Christian Community.

May 14, 2009

The Fatima Prayer

(Yesterday was the Feast Day of Our Lady of Fatima)
O my Jesus, forgive us our sins, save us from the fires of hell, and lead all souls to Heaven, especially those in most need of Thy mercy.

Amen

Protecting God's Children Workshops

Visit **www.virtus.org** and select "Registration." You will be directed to a prompt to search for locations. You will need this to do ANY classroom volunteering! Contact Mrs. Smith or the "virtus" website for more information.

Remember, you need this workshop completed in order to volunteer for field day or camp or chaperone field trips.

got scrip?

SCRIP office hours:

Mondays and Fridays, 7-9am; Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays 1-3pm; and 5-7pm Mondays & Tuesdays during RE classes

"Peddler" hours: almost 24/7/365! Peddlers:

Kelly Glowski (Algonac) Sue Sharpe (Marine City) Kelly Zichi (East China)

Registration!

Thank you to everyone who has turned in their re-registration paperwork! Knowing your plans helps us make ours! (Please remember that fees are due at registration, and the first regular monthly payment is due at the end of May.)

If you know anyone who is thinking about a Holy Cross education for their children, encourage them to call Mrs. Lund for a personal appointment. Remember, YOU are one of the best marketing tools our school has!

Congratulations!

Congratulations to seventh grader **Natalie** who won an honorable mention at St. Clair Art Association's junior high art fair last week!

Are You Proud to Be a Crusader?

Word of mouth is the most effective form of marketing for our school. I am looking for parents or families to tell our parish community why they chose Holy Cross as their partner in education. I would like to publish your support in the parish bulletin during the summer months when many people are still considering where they will send their children. If you would email or send in your article, I would be very grateful to share your support with our parish community. (Please email principal@holycrossonline.net--or send in a hard copy and I will retype it.) Thank you for your support. Mrs. Lund

Thank You!

...to Mrs. Heitz for coordinating our special lunches all year!
...to the Vargo family for food donated for last week's nacho lunch.
...to Mrs. Vicki Ruemenapp, Mrs.
Chaltron, Mrs. Vargo and Mrs.
Shepherd for providing lunch for all the teachers on Friday during Teacher

2009-10 School Calendar

Appreciation Week!

Thank you to those who provided input regarding the school calendar. We will be starting on **September 1.** You can expect your calendar with your May 28th newsletter. It will also be posted on our website.

DAYS OFF SCHOOL THIS MONTH:

Remember that there will be NO school next Thursday & Friday, May 21&22 (and no school on Memorial Day-Monday, May 25)!

"Hat Walk"

Tomorrow, May 15, students in Kindergarten, 1st and 2nd grades, along with their teachers, Mrs. Sweet and their seventh grade helpers, will be going on a "Hat Walk" through town. They will start their walk from school at 11:15 and will be sporting the fancy papier mache "chapeaux" they made and decorated!

Pizza Lunch

Our last special lunch of the year will be next Wednesday, May 20; we'll have Hungry Howie's pepperoni pizza. Order slips went home with all students today. Bake sale goodies will be available for 25¢ each, thanks to our NJHS.

Please send your lunch order in early, so we order enough food--as always, if you need to call in sick on the day of a special lunch we'll pull your order and return your payment.

We're grateful to Mrs. Heitz for coming in to supervise all our special lunches—thank you!! However, she isn't available next Wednesday—so we could use a few extra hands. If you're available on the 20th from 10:10-10:50 am please call!—810.765.3591. Thanks!

End of Year Notes

A reminder to all families that all tuition, service credits, lost books, and all other obligations must be taken care of before students receive final report cards.

Sports Banquet

Mrs. Sharpe did an awesome job putting together the "Sports Year" slideshow of photographs. Thank you to the Booster Club, its officers, and the coaches for putting on the awards ceremony. Our thanks, also, to all the moms and dads who set up the gym and prepared all the yummy and beautiful food; special thanks are always deserved by those who stay after to help clean up.

We're grateful to the Boosters for making it possible for our students to enrich their lives by experiencing a variety of sports (at no cost to the student). Congratulations to all our athletes on a good year!

Raffle Calendar Winners

...for this month are James Kirby and LeeAnn Newlin of Algonac and Judy Beauvais of Marine City. Congratulations!—and thank you for your support.

TRACK

Our last meet is Saturday, May 16, at the Ward-Cottrell track on Ward Street. Our team could use more adult volunteers to keep times—please call coach or school if you can help. We hope the weather is nice—please come out and cheer us on!

It's our turn to provide concessions will be for the last meet (May 16): please call school if you're interested in helping. (Please note that you don't have to do the whole day!—we can take shifts of an hour or so each, so you'll still be able to watch your favorite runner!)

School Committee Elections

Elections are set for May voting. HCSC open seats will be voted on by the school families. There are 4 seats open next year. The position is a 2 year term. If you are interested in serving your school in an *advisory* position to the administration, please pick up a nomination form in the office and complete and return it ASAP. Your bio and any short statement you wish to make will be published.

May Crowning

As we celebrate the month of May, we also celebrate our love for Mary, the Mother of Jesus. At 12:30 on Wednesday, May 20, we'll be crowning the statue of Mary in our alcove garden. We will also be honoring Mary by praying the "Living Rosary" together. We ask Our Lady to protect us and keep up close to her Son. Please join us and celebrate with us the special bond that we have with our Heavenly Mother.

Time to Spring Clean!

Clean those closets, garages and basements—we would LOVE to have your donations for our White Elephant sale! Drop-offs will be accepted at the back door of the Activity Center (by the playground) on Wednesday, May 20, from 2-5pm, and on Thursday, May 21, from 10am-7pm. (For other dropoff or pickup arrangements, or for other questions, please contact Julie Schultz c/o school.)

Then—come find some new treasures for yourself at the White Elephant sale: in the gym during Maritime Days, Memorial Day weekend!

MC Federation Baseball

...will be holding tryouts this August for the 2010 season. Anyone 12-18 years old interested in travel baseball is invited to pick up an information form in the school office.

Alumni Association Brunch

The Holy Cross Alumni Association's annual brunch is at the Marine City K of C Hall this Sunday, May 17 after Holy Cross's 9:30 mass. All Holy Cross alumni are invited to attend; honored guests are the members of this year's Class of 2009! Eighth graders: I encourage you to attend.

For more information or to make a reservation contact the office of Bruce Beaton at 810.765.3333.

Library Notes

ALL library and Accelerated Reader books are due on or before May 20. The last Accelerated Reader session will be May 20; the last library, May 29.

Field Day!

...will be at East China Park on our last regular school day: Wednesday, June 10. Students may arrive at school at the regular time in the morning, or they can sleep in and you may deliver them to the park at 8:45 am. Please note that there will be NO afternoon buses, and you will be responsible for their transportation home at 1pm.

Cost for the event is \$5/person and includes food, games and a t-shirt. Permission slips (one per student) need to be in BY TOMORROW so we can get all the t-shirts ready in the right sizes.

On your permission slips, please be sure to let us know if your students will be coming to school at the usual time on Field Day, or if they'll just meet us at the park at 8:45. Also, please indicate on the form who will be picking up your student from the park at the end of Field Day.

If you're interested in helping, please contact Mrs. Sharpe or leave a message at the school office. Field Day is always a fun way to finish the school year!

Summer Camp Opportunities

Brochures on CYO camps are available in the school office. Also, as you may know, St. Vincent de Paul operates a summer camp near Lexington. Their goal is to provide camp for students who would otherwise be unable to have such an experience. SVdP is accepting applications for this summer's programs from students 8-12 years old. If you are interested please contact Mrs. Steinmetz in the school office for more information.

Eighth Grade Trip:

Final payment was due on Tuesday.

Notes from Booster Club April 23, 2009 meeting

- 1. Allocated funds to purchase a table top refrigerator and wheeled cart for concessions.
- 2. Paid umpire fees for baseball.
- 3. Contributed \$200 to 2008-09 yearbook.
- 4. AD report: to order trophies for Sports Banquet.
- 5. Coaches' reports: volley season over; everything went well. First track meet Saturday, May 2. Baseball season underway.
- 6. Maritime Days: B. Vargo to order and cook for Boosters' chicken dinner.
- 7. Shirts: last sweatshirts and track shirts (to be in before first meet) ordered and paid for.
- 8. Sports Banquet: May 12, 6:30 pm. Thank you to Sue Sharpe and Sharon Rivard for organizing again this year.
- 9. \$400 allocated for trophy cases.
- 10. Nominations received for 2009-10 officers: Jeff May for President, Sue Tomlanovich for VP, Laurie Hopton for Treasurer and Kim Chaltron for Secretary.
- 11. Next meeting: Wednesday, May 20, 2009, 6:30 pm at Riviera Restaurant.
 - --respectfully submitted, Kim Chaltron, Secretary

Attention All Singers!

Ms. Patrick at Cardinal Mooney invites young men and women vocalists. ages 11-25, for "Harmony Day Camp" at CMC on Saturday, June 20 from 10 am-5:30 pm. Meet new friends as you experience 4-part a capella singing, barbershop-style! You'll be part of the "Harmony Chorus" performing at the YWIH Benefit Show that evening. For more details. contact Anne: kotchman@comcast.net, Mary: mapatrick@sbcglobal.net, or check out www.sweetadelinesregion2.org/ywih/forms.

"Muchas Gracias!"

"I would like to thank all the students and their families for the yummy Cinco de Mayo treats. We had a memorable day filled with limbo dancing, bingo and, of course, food! Cinco de Mayo is a special day for both Mexicans and Americans. It honors a friendship between the two countries that has lasted for almost 150 years! We are very glad that we had the opportunity to celebrate this special holiday. Muchas gracias!" --Senora Stager