

Parents Club Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, March 3rd, 2010

Welcome, Opening Prayer & Pledge

Peggy Schifferdecker & Amy Bonta

Principal Update

Dr. Kay Bennett

First, I'd like to say that I appreciate the chance I get every month to get up and talk to parents. Many of you might not be aware of the **Pre-Registration Form** we have in the office. **We'd like for parents to come in and fill it out.** We need it to get a count for **next year's staffing and to determine tuition.** Next year's tuition will depend on the number of students enrolled. Many of you are aware that the Bishop has asked that all schools make their way towards a common tuition rate. Financial assistance is available. All it takes is a very nice letter to Fr. Myler.

Micki Ferreri has agreed to coordinate Field Day again this year, but she does need helpers for the event. No date has been set for Field Day, although typically it is the first Friday in May.

Three new toilets have been installed at the McCormick Center, in the ladies room, so a thank you to all who have made that possible.

We will be participating in a **Food Drive** during Lent. This is a city-wide event in Belleville and to my knowledge, **we are the only catholic school participating.** This event has been going on for several years with Dist. #118 schools and we are going to be a part of it this year. The dates are **March 23rd thru April 16th.** All the food collected will be split between 4 area food pantries, with our own **St. Vincent de Paul receiving a quarter of the food collected.** Last year, nearly 20 buses of food was donated and a fourth of that came directly to St. Vincent de Paul.

The **last day of school**, assuming we use no more snow days, will be **May 27th.** The **School Picnic is May 19th, with the 20th as a rain date.** **Graduation** will also be on **May 20th.** The first full week of April will be when the new bleachers are installed. Thank you to the Athletic Committee! I'm sure they will need some husband volunteers! Mr. Thien will be having some surgery next Wednesday, March 10th, we ask that you keep him in your prayers. **Tech Night** has been rescheduled for **Monday, March 29th, from 6:30 to 7:30 PM.** This is for the upper grades, 5th thru 8th, although we invite everyone to attend, especially if you have a 4th grade student who will be moving to the upper grades next year. Next **Tuesday, March 9th, the 7th and 8th grades** will be taking their rescheduled **trip to Springfield.**

Treasurer's Account Update**Nancy Schmidt**

Balance reported as of Feb. 3 rd meeting	\$7,252
Income	
Auction Ad's, Reservations, Donations	\$5,538
Market Day, Papa John's and eScript	\$ 443
Expenses	
Breakfast w/Santa	\$ 244
School improvements painting & slip cover	\$ 430
Auction dinner deposit & mailings	\$ 896
Misc. attendance winner, funeral & art contest winner	\$ 103
	\$11,560

Volunteer Hours**Amy Toenjes**

Please fill in any hours worked, especially the recent Wurstmart.

Child Protection Reminder**Peggy Schifferdecker**

All parents are required to have completed the initial course and then the renewal each year. This is needed if you are covering playground duty and especially with all of the upcoming field trips, this needs to be completed.

Auction March 13th**Peggy Schifferdecker****Worker Sign up's & Parties**

Thank you to Jan Watson, for collecting \$5500 in ad's for this year's program! I also want to mention that the price was lowered this year to \$25 per person. The decorations committee has been working very hard, as have the reservations committees and just everyone really. Thank you to Dr. Kay for making those wonderful outbound calls to encourage everyone to attend! We have got some really great items, some all-inclusive hockey tickets, tickets to the Fox, a beautiful curio cabinet, Southern Living items, things for men, things for kids, really just a lot of variety.

There is also the CASH RAFFLE and the BOX RAFFLE, featuring a Sony Blue Ray, and I Touch and Coach purse. We are giving away a free drink coozie with \$20 of raffle tickets purchased.

We will need volunteers for runners that night.

Amy Gould with Parties:

We have 2 Blues packages, including 4 tickets, with free parking, food and drinks for games on 3/25 and 3/28. these are worth \$500 each.

Fr. Myler has donated An Italian Dinner for 8

Keep your eyes open for class projects

Wine Tasting Party for 12, in the fall,

2 Firehouse Parties another party at The Edge, a Mad Science Party, also a Personal Trainer.

Some of the Sign-Up parties include:

Ugly Christmas Party for 100

Back to School Swim Party

Cheer Camp at Althoff

Party Bus

Cooks & Cards

We also have 4- 3 Months of Dessert of the Month. The Athletic Committee had donated 2 new Stadium Chairs, with a removable stand with a Season Pass to all Cathedral games. Fr. Myler also donated a Pizza Party for a whole class.

Friday, March 12th, we will need volunteers to help transport items from Kerrie's house to the gym, contact Amy Gould or Kerrie Harter.

Tess Minor will send an email blast looking for decorating help, after all the tables and structures have been put up.

Recycling Programs

Kathy Haar

We are recycling a number of things with Terracycle, items like juice pouches, mostly Capri Sun or Koolade Jammers, anything in a pouch not a box. Also Lunchables and Frito Lay bags, Elmer's glue bottles and glue sticks.

8th Grade Fundraiser

Mary Konradt

Monday, May 17th, the 8th graders will be taking a train to Kansas City and staying at the Wolf Lodge. We have been receiving money from Farmers Market, Jody Lauf was able to set that up and the hope is that next year's class will also benefit from that for their trip. We are also looking to have a Mouse Race event to help fund the trip.

It is scheduled for April 16th, we will need 7th and 8th grade parent volunteers since beer will be served. We will be looking for support from all parents to attend a really fun event.

Misc. Items

The Athletic Committee 2nd Annual Chicken & Beer Dance is Saturday, March 27th.

The Scout BBQ is coming up and will help fund the trip to Virginia for the 100th Anniversary. Cost is \$7 a plate, carry-out's are available.

Keep Belleville Clean is April 17th, Steve Harter is looking for someone to coordinate.

Track interest forms are coming home Friday. Please look for those, et them filled out and returned to Christine Phillips if your child would like to participate in Track.

Family Fun Events

Julia Piper Jung

The 3rd Annual Easter Egg Hunt is scheduled for Sunday, March 28th at Mel Price Park in Swansea. There is no cost for the event, but an RSVP is needed to plan accordingly.

Attendance & 50/50

Jody Lauf

37 members and 3 others signed in, representing 62 students
The winning class was 4R and #41 Sean Pederson

Also, Lynn Mitzan's dad is in need pf prayers

50/50 winner of \$21 was ticket #606440 Amy Toenjes

Closing Prayer

Amy Bonta

