



Cathedral Grade School

News from the Principal 3/17/10

25th Annual SIUE Regional Science Fair

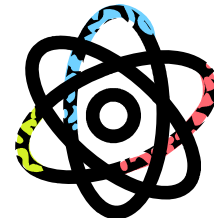
Cathedral Grade School did great at the 25th Annual SIUE Regional Science Fair this weekend! We are so very proud of these SUPER students.

Marie Harla received an Outstanding Ribbon for her project on Acid Rain.

Thomas Luge received an Outstanding Ribbon for his project on Digestive Enzymes and won a 2nd Place Special Award from the American Chemical Society.

Thomas Field's project on Polyurethane Foam and Mine Subsidence received an Outstanding Ribbon, a 2nd Place Special Award in Engineering from the Armed Forces Communications and Electronics Association; the "Innovative Engineering Award" from the National Society of Professional Engineers; the "Best of Fair" Award from the Society of American Military Engineers; and the SIUE Regional Science Fair "Best of Category" Award for Engineering (Grades 5-8).

Both Thomas Luge and Thomas Field were selected to represent the Region at the State Science Fair in Champagne, IL on May 7th.



Dinner Auction as Awesome Event!

Having never been to one of your auctions before, I wasn't quite sure what to expect and I must say that my husband and I were simply amazed and impressed with the atmosphere, the enthusiasm, the food and the items that were auctioned during the evening. What a wonderful night! My husband kept using the phrase "First Class" and he was so right. It was such a joy to know that so many different people had put in hours of time for the decorating, planning food, assembling baskets, soliciting items, making programs, seeking ads and generally setting everything up and collecting the funds. I feel very blessed to work in this great environment, where our families care so much about what we do every day.

Thanks to all who made this event possible in any way. I know that the funds this auction provides will allow us to do even more special activities next school year. Raising funds AND having a super time were an amazing combination.





Ever Been to a MOUSE RACE??

You can have that experience on Friday, April 16th as we use this event to raise funds for the 8th grade field trip fund. Please keep that date open and we will send more info out later when all the details are determined.

Reconciliation Time

Please remember all the second graders in our school and the PSR program as they begin their Sacrament of Reconciliation time. This is a very special time for them all and extra prayers for them are most welcome.

End of Third Quarter Already

I can't believe that we are approaching the end of three-quarters of the school year already this Friday. Report cards will go home next week. Please feel free to contact your child's teacher if you have any questions or concerns.

First Grade Class Surprise



The first graders were amazed to see their classroom all in disarray this morning as they discovered that their "Leprechaun traps" had obviously been found and exchanged for small green hats!! Green fingerprints were even found on the desks. Gold/ chocolate coins were found all around the room. This was some kind of St. Patrick's Day surprise and treat!

Science Olympiad

Three of our 8th grade students will compete in the Science Olympiad at Althoff on Thursday evening. We are sure that they will represent our school very well. Good luck to Rachel Stock, Lexi Decker and Thomas Fields as they compete.

2nd Annual Wings & Beer dance

Please join the Cathedral Athletic Association for this special event on Saturday, Mar. 27th at the Belleville Elks Lodge. Tickets are \$20 and includes wings, appetizers, draft beer and music by "Sonic Boom Productions". "Four Chances to Win" Raffle will feature a diamond and blue topaz earrings and pendant,

Cardinal's tickets and a stay at Lumiere Place Hotel & Casino, Apple iTouch, and two custom-made Cathedral Crusaders Stadium Chairs. Raffle tickets are \$5 or 5 for \$20. Drawing will be at the dance. Admission and raffle tickets are available in the school office.

Please Remember Farmer's Market

Did you know that we have already received over \$500 from Farmer's Market for their Farmers 4 Faith program?? We invite everyone to mention CATHEDRAL whenever you happen to shop there and our school will get a percentage of the sales. Also, if you go to their website www.farmers4good.com, you can register and receive weekly "specials" notices.

Field Trips Coming Up

You can see by the schedule below that the classes are gearing up for their Field Trips. There seems to be a great variety of good educational experiences ahead for these classes.

Mark Your Calendars:

We have scheduled a few more events for the spring and hope you will find this list to be helpful:

March 17 th	Green & White Day (50¢ to Student Council)
March 18 th	Spring Pictures (Obviously, out of uniforms day!)
March 22 nd	Parish Board Meeting 7:00
March 23 rd	Tornado Drill 10 am
Mar. 23-Apr. 16	"Drive Away Hunger" Collection
March 24 th	Spelling Bee 1 pm
March 28-30	Buy One- Get One Book Fair
March 29 th	Parent Tech Night 6:30 -7:30 (especially for gr. 5-8, but <u>ALL</u> parents are invited)
March 30 th	Lenten Families items picked up @ 9 am
April 6 th - 9 th	No use of Gym (Bleachers installed)
April 9 th	Fifth & Sixth Grade Field Trip to Fort de Chartres
April 9 th	World Fair @ St. Elizabeth 10 am for Gr. 7-8
April 9 th	Confirmation
April 11 th	First Communion
April 12 th	All School Mass of Celebration Breakfast for 2 nd & 8 th
April 13 th	ELC to Grade 4 to Althoff for "Once Upon a Mattress"
April 15 th	Althoff Jazz Band 10 am

May 3rd 4th Grade Field Trip to Cahokia Mounds & Gateway Arch
May 11th Spring Band and Choral Concert 7:00
May 12th 1st, 2nd, & 3rd Field Trip to the Magic House
ELC, PK, & K Field Trip to the Zoo
May 19th Catholic School Picnic @ Althoff
May 20th Graduation 7:00
May 27th Last day of school (without any more snow days)

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