



Holy Trinity School Newsletter

January 24, 2010

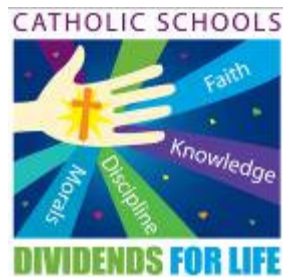
JANUARY

Monday, January 25
Report Cards

Tuesday, January 26
Dennis Bowman Assembly

Wednesday, January 27
Market Day Pick Up

Catholic Schools Week
January 31- February 6



FEBRUARY

Monday, February 1
Buddy Lunch Day

Tuesday, February 2
Fire & Ice Assembly

Wednesday, February 3
Spelling Bee
Nationality Night

Thursday, February 4
Pep Rally & Tailgate Party

Friday, February 5
Ski trip to Seven Springs
Bowling Party

Saturday, February 6
Father-Daughter Valentine
Dance 6-9pm

Sunday, February 7
Waffle Breakfast – following
8am & 10am masses

Saturday, February 20
Forensics Meet

Forensics Team



The Forensics team proudly displays their ribbons from last Saturday's meet at St. Maurice.

Holy Trinity's Forensics Team took fourth place out of 14 schools at their second regular-season meet held at St. Maurice last Saturday, January 16th. The Holy Trinity Forensics Team consists of 14 students from grades 6-8 who compete in five categories, including Drama, Poetry, Prose, Declamation, and Impromptu. The club promotes the study of public discussion and debate, fostering public speaking skills.

Students participating in Saturday's meet were Jill Chezosky, Maria DiSanti, Chance Roberts, Dominique Servati, Jen Haseleu, Cayenne Morinville, Leah Narkevic, Catherine Roberts, Brenden Connolly, Caitlin Davis, Noah Dawgiello, Nick DiSanti, Amy Kayser and Alec Balog.

The team's third regular meet will be held February 20th at Holy Trinity. The finals tournament will be held sometime in March.

Dennis Bowman Visit

KDKA Meteorologist Dennis Bowman will be visiting our school on Tuesday, January 26. Be sure to tune into the 6:00pm news on KDKA that evening to see a clip of the visit and possibly see your child on TV!

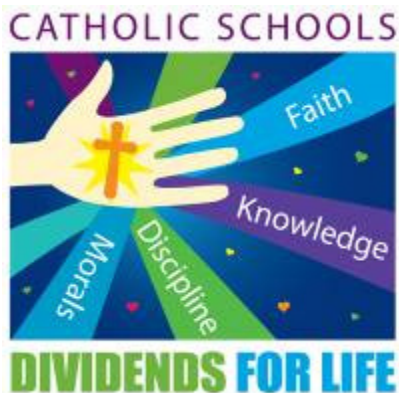
Animal Friends Visits Preschool



Dana Schultz from Animal Friends visited our preschool children on Wednesday January 13th. She brought with her a stuffed dog named Bruno and a real dog named Ned that she rescued and trained to do classroom programs. Dana talked to the children about the proper care and handling of animals and safety around animals including how to approach unfamiliar dogs. The children were very attentive and truly enjoyed Dana's visit. They also brought a lot of food donations for the shelter.

Correction – this article was printed in last week's newsletter and incorrectly identified the dog as Den.

Catholic Schools Week



“Catholic Schools - Dividends for Life” - this year's theme reminds us that there is no better investment than the education of our children. The dividends of a Catholic school education—students prepared in faith, knowledge, morals and discipline—last a lifetime.

Catholic Schools Week is the annual celebration that focuses attention on the good work done by the nation's Catholic schools. Holy Trinity has a number of events scheduled to celebrate Catholic Schools Week.

Monday, February 1 st	Lunch Buddy Day
Tuesday, February 2 nd	Prayer Partner Bingo 10:00am Fire and Ice Assembly 1:00pm
Wednesday, February 3 rd	Spelling Bee 12:35pm Nationality Night 6-9:00pm in the cafeteria
Thursday, February 4 th	Tailgate Party with dance
Friday, February 5 th	Ski Trip to Seven Springs and Bowling Party
Saturday, February 6 th	Father Daughter Valentine Dance
Sunday, February 7 th	Closing week mass & Waffle Breakfast

Note: Students may dress down all week.

Fire and Ice Assembly

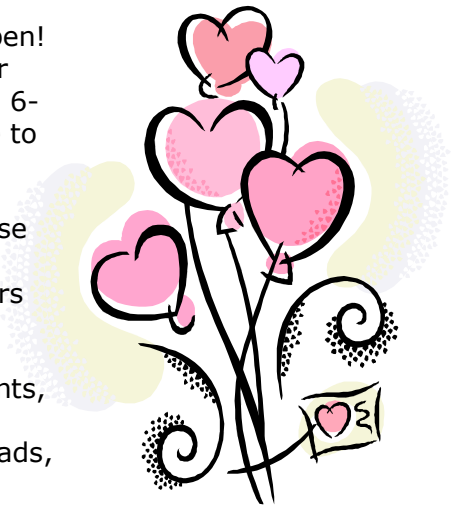
The Carnegie Science Center will present their "Fire & Ice" assembly on Tuesday February 2nd. The program is an audience participation game show which pits the Fire team against the Ice Team in a collection of exciting and explosive visual demonstrations of what happens to matter when it gets really hot and really cold. Students learn about combustion, the fire triangle and see what happens when items are frozen at a temperature of 320 degrees below zero in a liquid nitrogen demonstration. The program is for grades K-8, and made possible by the Shop n' Save S.E.E.D. program.

Father Daughter Valentine Dance

When Fathers dance with their Daughters, good things are bound to happen! Holy Trinity PTG is proud to announce the second annual Father-Daughter Dance, to be held on Saturday, February 6th, in the school cafeteria from 6-9:00pm. Fathers, "father-figures" and daughters of all ages are welcome to attend.

Churches and organizations across the nation have begun sponsoring these dances to build the bridge of communication and respect between the generations and to strengthen the special bond that exists between fathers and their daughters

The ticket cost is \$10.00 per family. Entertainment (DJ Ray), Refreshments, Door Prizes, and a special photo of "dad" and his daughter(s) will be included. Please see the flyer in this newsletter to make reservations. Dads, take the time to make a "date" with your daughter(s) and join us for a special evening of dancing and fun!



Nationality Night

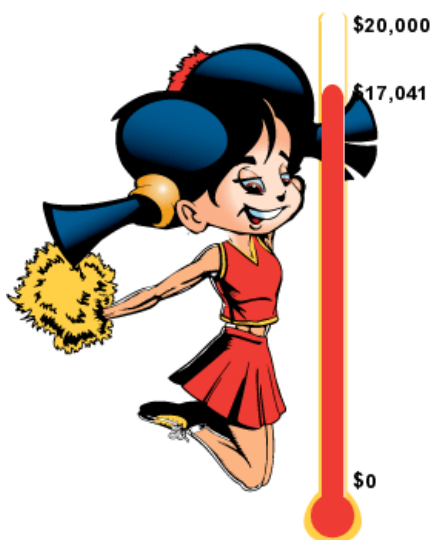
The Holy Trinity PTG and school are proud to present Nationality Night during Catholic Schools Week on Wednesday, February 3rd from 6:00 – 9:00 pm. A night of academic enrichment designed for fun while instructing our students and their families about the different cultures of the world.

Each grade will have a table which will be decorated as their country. The PTG will provide fruits and vegetables from the countries chosen to show children some "Healthy Fruits and Vegetables from Other Countries". The students will dress up in some type of native dress from their chosen country, and create a display board with facts on their country. This year we are excited to learn about China, Mexico, Australia, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Spain, France and Brazil.

We will have "passports" for each family to collect stickers or stamps as they visit each country. The students will perform a song, dance, or recite something from their country. Mr. Timcheck, our music teacher, will be working with the students on a song from each of these counties.

SCRIP Update

SALES & PROFIT SUMMARY



Our goal for SCRIP profit for this school year is \$20,000.

SCRIP Profit thru January 22, 2010 is
\$17,041!

Thank you to everyone that supports the SCRIP program – because of you we are so successful!!

SCRIP INVENTORY CHANGES

Kohl's - We now are offering Kohl's \$100 cards (which can be used to pay your Kohl's credit card), we will no longer be offering the Kohl's \$10 (\$25 and \$100 only)

Max & Erma's – we no longer offer Max & Erma gift cards through the SCRIP program.

PROMOTIONS

The **Jeans Day Pass** awards continue. Sales will be tallied every Friday and passes will be sent home on the following Monday.

Purchase \$300 - \$499 of scrip in one month to receive 1 Jeans Day Pass for each student in your family. Purchases of \$500 and over will receive 2 Jeans Day Passes for each student in your family. **NOTE: A Maximum of Two (2) Jeans Day Passes per month per student will be awarded.**

OPPORTUNITIES

Valentine's Day is right around the corner – so as you start to plan or shop for that special day, please keep SCRIP in mind. We offer gift cards for several local restaurants including the Cheesecake Factory, PF Chang, Red Lobster, Olive Garden, Outback Steakhouse, TGI Friday's and more! If you are taking in a movie – how about Cinemark Cinema gift cards. Whatever your plans this Valentine's Day, please check out our SCRIP list first.

Vacation Planning – please check out all the travel partners offered by SCRIP including American Airlines, Marriott, Best Western, Comfort Inn, Carnival Cruise Lines, Celebrity Cruises, Hyatt Hotels, American Express, Avis Car Rental, Budget Car Rental, and many more.

Birthday Parties – are you planning a birthday party for your child at Chuck E Cheese or Build a Bear? Purchase the gift cards from us to pay for the party! A great way to earn money for the school

SCRIP SALES

SCRIP Sales after Mass - we will be selling Scrip after weekend masses every 2nd and 4th weekend. We still need a few more volunteers to sell Scrip after the masses. If you can help please contact Jane Dixon at jdixon@mountwestinv.com

SCRIP is sold **daily** from 9-10:00am at school. Orders may also be sent in with your child and they will be filled and returned the same day.

HTS Athletics

HTS Athletic Association Meetings

The next Holy Trinity Athletic Association will be held on Thursday, March 18th at 7:00pm in the school cafeteria. Our final meeting is scheduled for May 20th -so mark your calendars. Everyone is welcome to attend!

Schedule for the Week of January 24th – Support our Tigers!!

Varsity Girls

Wednesday, January 27 vs JFK 7:45pm (H)

JV Girls Section

Wednesday, January 27 vs JFK 6:30pm (H)

JV Girls Gold

Sunday, January 31 vs St. Bernard 4:00pm (H)

Varsity Boys

Monday, January 25 vs St. Philip 7:45pm (H)
January 29-31 Erie Tournament

JV Boys Section

Monday, January 25 vs St. Philip 6:30pm (H)

JV Boys White

Monday, January 25 vs St. Thomas Moore 5:30pm (H)

HTS-PTG NEWS

Dear Families and Staff,

The HTS-PTG has been very blessed this year to continue to provide wonderful activities for our families with much success in our turnout of families and the volunteers.

The following are the activities that PTG has provided and funded for Fall of 2009.

- **School packet for every teacher**
- **Funds for the Robotics Program**
- **Craft Show**
- **Turkey Bingo**
- **St. Nick Day for the entire school**
- **Santa breakfast/Santa Shop**
- **Teachers Christmas Dinner**

The following are upcoming events for Winter/Spring 2010. (Please send in volunteer slip if you are able to volunteer for some of our fun events.) If you would like to get a group of friends together and chair an event, we have all the information for you to chair and it would be a lot of fun for you and your friends.

- **Cookie Dough Fundraiser (in progress now)**
- **Dennis Bowman – Tues. 1/26**
- **Catholic Schools Week – Begins 1/31/10 (Nationality night – Wed. 2/3, pep-rally –Thurs. 2/4, waffle breakfast – Sun. 2/7)**
- **Dining Out Nights (please look for flyers)**
- **Father Daughter Dance – Sat. 2/6**
- **Bunny Bingo – Sun. 3/21**
- **Donuts with Dad – Fri. 4/23**
- **Teacher Appreciation Week – 5/3-7**
- **Muffins for Mom – Fri. 5/7**
- **Field Day (5-8th – Moon Park) – 5/21**
- **Field Day (K-4) – 5/26**

Please send to Heidi Bioni c/o Sarah Bioni 5B.

Name _____ Child name and grade _____

Email/phone # _____

I would like to volunteer for the following:

- Catholic Schools week: Nationality Night___ Pep Rally___ Waffle Breakfast___
- Father/Daughter Dance_____
- Bunny Bingo_____ (We still need a co-chair for this event for this to happen) Would like to chair___
- Donuts for Dad_____
- Teacher Appreciation Week___(We still need a co-chair for this event) Would like to chair___
- Muffins for Mom_____
- Field Day (Volunteer slips will go home in May)



You are Invited to
Our Second Annual



Father/Daughter Dance

Divas - Bring your Dad or that Someone Special to enjoy an evening of
Dancing, Food, Prizes and Fun!



When: February 6, 2010



Time: 6:00pm - 9:00pm

Where: Holy Trinity School Cafeteria



Cost: \$10.00 per Family

SPONSORED BY THE PTG

We would like to attend, our \$10.00 is enclosed

(ALL CHECKS WRITTEN TO HOLY TRINITY PTG PLEASE)

NAME _____

HOW MANY ATTENDING _____

**PLEASE SEND THIS FORM BACK TO HEIDI BIONI C/O SARAH 5B
PLEASE RETURN NO LATER THAN FEBRUARY 3, 2010**



Holy Trinity School Annual Waffle Breakfast

Commemorating Catholic Schools Week

The Catholic Schools Week Waffle Breakfast will be held on Sunday, February 7th, 2010 following the 8:00 a.m. and the 10:00 a.m. masses. The menu will include:

Belgian Waffles
Orange Juice
Milk

Sausage
Fresh Fruit Cup
Coffee/Tea

Prices are: \$6.00 for adults and \$4.00 for children 12 and under

Please complete the attached form and return it to the school office with payment. Tickets will be sent home with your child. Tickets are best purchased in advance so that we can properly prepare. If you have any questions please call: Lisa Walker (412)859-8084

Waffle Breakfast Ticket Purchase Form

(Return this portion with money c/o Bobby Walker 5B)
(Checks payable to Holy Trinity PTG)

Name _____

Adult Tickets _____

X\$6.00=_____

Children Tickets _____

X\$4.00=_____

Total Enclosed _____

Student's Name _____

Grade _____

Volunteers Urgently Needed!!!!

(Please return this portion c/o Bobby Walker 5B)

As always we need volunteers to make this event a success. If you can help, please complete the information below and return to the school office as soon as possible.

Name _____

Phone Number _____

All hours will be credited to volunteer hour requirements.

_____ Saturday evening set up including cutting fruit 7pm-9pm

_____ Sunday from 7a-1p

REMINDERS

Send in Your Shop 'n Save Receipts



Please remember to send in all your Shop 'n Save Receipts! The school collects the receipts and uses them to earn learning assemblies for our children from the Pittsburgh Zoo, Carnegie Science Center or the Museum of Natural History. The receipts can either be sent in with your child or dropped off at the school office. Encourage your family and friends to save the receipts as well. Thank You!!

Labels for Education & Box Tops



Please save your Labels for Education and Box Tops for our school. Simply send the labels or box tops to school with your child. Thank You!

Deadline for submissions to the newsletter is Friday at noon.

Any comments, suggestions or questions about the newsletter or stories you would like to see covered please e-mail htspublicity@comcast.net. This newsletter is published weekly by the communications committee. Current and past issues reside on the Holy Trinity website. Thank you!

Have a great week!