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SPOTLIGHT OF THE WEEK

FEBRUARY 1, 2017

THANK YOU FOR HELPING US CELEBRATE 25 YEARS OF EXCELLENCE IN CATHOLIC EDUCATION!











We had a beautiful day last Saturday!

It was a great day to bring together all who have helped our school become what it is today – thank you to our alumni, alumni parents, former faculty, founding families, students, current families, grandparents, faculty and staff, and friends!

Thank you for being part of our SLCS family!

Mrs. Barto

IMPORTANT DATES

2/2	Prospective Parents Open House 6-7:30 p.m.
2/3	All School Mass Led by STUCO SHS Induction Ceremony-Dining Hall 4-5 p.m.
2/4	Father/Daughter Dance 7:00 p.m. Thank you for a GREAT Catholic Schools Week!
2/6	Tour of the Church 5-6 p.m.

2/7	Leo Club Officers Meeting Financer Committee Meeting
2/8	Jean/Spirit Day
2/9	NJHS Meeting NEHS Meeting Club Picture Day Tour of the Church 7-8 p.m.
2/10	All School Mass Led by 4B MS Dance



SCHOOL BOARD CONNECTS



CONNECT WITH US!

Hello Parents!

We are working on our 3-5 year Strategic Plan. This is one of the many things your School Board is responsible for. We value your input regarding the future direction of our school. We want to have as many people involved in this process as possible.

Please take the time to answer a couple of questions **HERE!**



A NOTE FROM YOUR PTO



FATHER/DAUGHTER DANCE THIS SATURDAY!

Daddies, get your dancing shoes ready for our annual PTO Father/Daughter Dance. This year's dance will be held this Saturday, February 4th from 7-9pm and be themed A Night in Paris! If you are interested in volunteering for this event, please contact Aleini Lacombe at Aleini Lacombe@yahoo.com or Tressy Garcia at tressyp@gmail.com.

STEPS FOR STUDENTS - JOIN OVER 12.500 RUNNERS SUPPORTING CATHOLIC EDUCATION!

This year Steps for Students is the only PTO fundraiser. That means 100% of the money donated will go to funding fun PTO events like movie nights, PTO rosary, father/daughter dance, hoops and dogs, middle school dances, teacher wish lists and much, much more. All incentives will be completed on the week of February 21, 2017. See the attached incentive flyer **HERE** for details.

Our top fundraisers as of 1-31-2017 are

1 <u>Lauren Wells</u> 2 <u>Nicole Bouchez</u> 3 <u>James Wyble</u> 4 <u>Jackson Cox</u> 5 <u>Caroline Millas</u>
We hope to see your name here next week!





NEWS



JOIN US FOR THE 4TH ANNUAL SLCS FAMILY RETREAT!

Enjoy spending quality time with your family the weekend of March 31st, 2017. The retreat brings SLCS families together to share community, fun, and practical wisdom, as we endeavor together to foster the domestic church in our homes. The retreat facility holds approximately 30 families, so space is limited to a first-come, first-served basis. Registration will be available through Friday, March 10th. Click HERE to print the registration form. For more information visit our website:

https://stlaurenceschool.org/family-retreat

OPEN HOUSE FOR PROSPECTIVE PARENTS IS TOMORROW!

We will offer an Open House for all Prospective Parents at the school on Thursday, February 2nd from 6-7:30 p.m. Share the invitation with your family and friends!

AND THE WINNER IS

Congratulations to Lynley Pace who is the Schoolwide Geography Bee winner for 2017! She won the title after competing in a field of ten students in the Finals of the School-wide Geography Bee. The students competing at this level were Marcus Rohrig (4th grade), Ricky Zubizaretta (7th grade), Chance Mathews (8th grade), Anna Conatser (5th grade), Anna Lee Eckelkamp (7th grade), Katherine Volmert (5th grade), Dylan Black (8th grade), Avery Jung (6th grade), and Adriana Delclos (8th grade). Classroom level winners are as follows:

4th Grade	5 th Grade	6 th Grade	7 th Grade	8 th Grade
Marcus Rohrig	Anna Conaster	Avery Jung	Anna Lee Eckelkamp	Adriana Delclos
Anna Nguyen	Kathryn Volmert	Lynley Pace	Anthony Hurtado	Chance Mathews
Ellie Dylla	Luke Vandermeer	Andrew Dye	Ricky Zubizaretta	Dylan Black

We congratulate all of these winners and wish Lynley the best of luck as she now vies for a spot in the Texas State Geography Bee level of competition. SLCS will be notified in March as to whether or not Lynley will qualify to participate in the State Bee.

DO YoU WanNa DAncE?

Come on down to the Middle School dances on Friday, February 10th! Sixth grade will be in the dining hall and seventh/eighth grade will be in the gym. The dances start at 6:30PM and end at 9:00PM. Admission is \$5. There will be door prize giveaways with snacks and drinks available for purchase. Parents and teachers will be chaperoning. Parents are reminded that all students are to be picked up after the dance following Carpool B dismissal procedures. Be sure to have your carpool number in the front window of your car.

Students who would like to invite a friend to the dance are allowed to invite one friend who is of the same age/grade level (i.e. sixth grade students cannot attend the seventh/eighth grade dance and vice versa). If planning to invite a friend, the SLCS student must get a Guest Permission Form from the homeroom teacher and have it completed and signed by his/her parent/s. Click HERE to print the form. The form must be returned no later than Thursday, February 9th to the homeroom teacher. Guests must follow the SLCS Free Dress Policy as do the SLCS students. Both guests and students must sign-in upon arrival.

CURRENT FAMILY ONLY RE-ENROLLMENT AND SIBLING INFORMATION

Please login to EdLine for information on upcoming re-enrollment and the new tuition and fees schedule for the 2017-2018 school year. We will notify you when the online registration process will begin. If you know that your family will not be returning for the upcoming school year, please let us know.

TUITION ASSISTANCE APPLICATIONS FOR THE 2017-2018 SCHOOL YEAR ARE NOW OPEN!

Please click <u>here</u> to complete the application to be considered for up to 49% tuition assistance. This application will be used for both the Archdiocesan and SLCS assistance. If you have questions about the process, please contact Anne Lootens in the Business Office. She can be reached at <u>alootens@stlaurence.org</u> or 281-980-0500. The deadline for applications is 2/10/17, and it will come quickly, so do not delay in getting your application completed!

GO TEXAN DAY

"Go Texan Day" is February 23rd! Students may wear western clothing, boots, and hats. Please remember that a button-down shirt with rolled up sleeves and a bandana with blue jeans is the attire for a true cowboy or cowgirl. Spurs and guns are not allowed. If a student doesn't have western wear, he or she can wear a school uniform. Also, dresses and jean skirts are also allowed as long as they follow the handbook guidelines. * Please have a pair of tennis shoes in the backpack in case the boots "hurt" before the day is done.

Go Texan Day performances are done by 1st - 3rd graders and will be at the following times:

3rd Grade 9:15 a.m. 2nd Grade 12:15 p.m. 1st Grade 1:00 p.m.

The performances will highlight our physical education dance program. We encourage all parents and grandparents or friends of $1^{st} - 3^{rd}$ graders to come, watch, and join in on the fun. Yes, parents will be invited to join in on the fun. We hope to see you, partner!

MARK YOUR PLACE IN SLCS HISTORY!

We have reached our final stage of the playground just in time for our 25th Anniversary! Purchase and personalize a brick to honor your favorite SLCS Saint! This is the easiest way to leave your mark on St. Laurence Catholic School. We will accept orders until February 25th for this amazing opportunity. Check out our website **HERE!**

NEW ARRIVAL AND DISMISSAL PROCEDURES WILL BEGIN NEXT MONDAY!

Click HERE to watch carpool procedures! Thank you for your understanding!

PARKING LOT ETIQUETTE

Parents, you may not leave cars unattended in carpool line at any time. This may be tempting with the upcoming construction but it is never a good idea. We will be taking license plate numbers and passing this on to the authorities as it is dangerous to be blocking other cars or preventing emergency vehicles from accessing all the lanes. If you are arriving for a meeting, volunteering or going to the Chapel, you must pull into a parking place before exiting the vehicle. Thank you for understanding.



AUCTION NEWS

SUPER BOWL CONGRATS!

Auction is off to a great start! Congratulations and MANY thanks to the Reese family for bidding on and Win! Win! Winning! Our first auction item --- Super Bowl Tickets!!! Stay tuned to the SLCS auction Facebook page in the coming months for auction sneak peeks!

WE NEED YOU!

Auction 2017 New York Nights...Celebrating 25 years of Excellence is April 29th at Sweetwater Country Club and giving a family donation is the easiest way to get involved. Do you have access to local sporting tickets, a weekend home, extra gift cards or religious art? These make great donations and our committee can turn into a wonderful package to be auction off at our big gala! We need 100% participation from our families to make it a HUGE

success. All donations are due Friday, March 3rd to ensure proper recognition at the event. Click <u>HERE</u> for more ideas or contact Jennifer Dye questions.

GREAT AUCTION OPPORTUNITY

For the first time in our 25 year history, you have the opportunity to support your auction with sponsorships that will directly defer the expenses of this fabulous event and give you a tax write off in 2016! Don't delay! Click HERE to see what is still available. Please note sponsorships are separate from underwriting. Sponsorships are a great way to advertise your business and help the school at the same time. Underwriting information will be sent home to all families in January. Questions? Contact one of the 2017 Auction Chairs.

FOLLOW SLCS AUCTION FACEBOOK PAGE HERE!



ALUMNI NEWS

Once a Saint, Always a Saint



THE SAINTS' SCOOP



The Office of Advancement would like to share with you the Spring issue of *The Saints' Scoop.* You can read it <u>HERE</u>. Please share this magazine with all your SLCS alumni family and friends!



"ONCE A SAINT, ALWAYS A SAINT"

We would like to invite you to submit Class Notes! We want to know what you've been up to! Please take a second to fill out this form so we can be in the know HERE! We love hearing from our alumni. Remember "Once a Saint, Always a Saint"!



SAINTS SPORTS SCOOP

BASKETBALL UPDATE

- The boys and girls basketball teams both advanced to the GHCAA semifinals. The boys defeated Regis on Monday by a score of 74-42. The boys will host St. Anne Tomball at 6:00 PM on Wednesday, February 1st.
- The girls defeated St. Martha Kingwood on Tuesday, 50-30. The girls will take on St. Vincent DePaul on Thursday, February 2nd at 4:15 PM at home.
- The GHCAA finals will be on Saturday, February 4th at Strake Jesuit. If our teams win they will play for the championship on Saturday. The girls will play at 3:45 PM and the boys at 5:00 PM.
- Please come and support the Saints as they continue the quest for the championships!

SPRING SPORTS UPDATE

- Due to the basketball playoffs the baseball and softball parent meetings have been rescheduled.
- The softball parent meeting will be on Tuesday, February 7th at 6:30 PM in the school dining hall.
- The baseball meeting time will be announced next week.
- Tennis try-outs will begin on Thursday, February 9th.
- Details will be posted on Edline on the Athletic homepage.

BOOSTER CLUB SPIRIT STORE! Find the Booster Club forms HERE!



PARISH NEWS

HEART OF WORSHIP! EARLY BIRD REGISTRATION EXTENDED!

Heart of Worship is just 3 weeks away and spots are filling up! If you've had some difficulty registering online, please try again! We've extended the early registration deadline to 4:00pm this Friday, February 3, so register now and save \$5. We are excited to welcome Jennifer Fulwiler, Roland Millare and Brother Peter Francis as speakers for this full day experience, which includes Mass, Eucharistic Adoration, dinner and great music. Get details HERE and call the parish office with questions at 281-980-9812.

WANT TO CONTINUE LEARNING ABOUT YOUR FAITH WITH OTHER ADULTS?

Our Adult Faith Formation team has some amazing opportunities for our parents. Click HERE for the upcoming opportunities and speakers. There is truly something for everyone!



AROUND THE ARCHDIOCESE

8TH GRADE STUDENTS & PARENTS

Fort Bend I.S.D. high schools are hosting Course & Elective Information Fairs for incoming 9th grade students. Ridge Point High School and Clements High School have announced their fair dates. Their information is attached. Please check the Fort Bend website or check with other high schools for their information night HERE!

MISSION STATEMENT

As a pastoral instrument of the Church, St. Laurence Catholic School educates and develops the whole Christian person in body, mind, and spirit through the trinity of parent, child, and educator.



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