

**Guardian Angels School**  
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Items sent home the week of February 8, 2010:

- Sports Registration (attachment)

Dear Parents,

Before we put this year's Catholic Schools' Week away for another year, I want to finish reporting on the end of last week.

**Thursday** – The dividend of the day was **Morals** so we had several grades head off to Auburn Manor, and then Father Paul and Deacon Gregg shared with the students. Student Council members delivered treats while we had quiet reading time for everyone. We ended the school day with some exciting games of Bingo!! The evening meant popcorn, juice, and entertainment for families. We are so grateful to those of you who joined us so we could showcase our students – and teachers, while thanking you for all you do for us. Aside from 2 very entertaining faculty acts, which were videotaped, we also had acts from Preschool and Kindergarten- Karli Gagnon, Michael Richelsen, Ben Gallus and Grace Tierney; from 2<sup>nd</sup> grade -Sophia Yuhas, Kate Perrill, Natalie Busch, Jenna Gagnon, Kalie Dahl and Emma Crowell, Harrison Michael, Patrick Tierney, Stevo Klotz, Casey Gess, Ben Stoffel and Andrew Heiland; from 5<sup>th</sup> grade – Zac Gallus, Jack Perrill, Steven Karschnia, 7<sup>th</sup> grader, Sam Karschnia – juggling ; 6<sup>th</sup> grader, Bianca Ess – Irish dancing, Mrs. Miller and Ms. O'Donnell – instrumentals, Mr. Jones – MC, and modeling Sabre Wear – Nick Van Pelt, Andrew Hicks, Tommy Heiland, Ben and Zac Gallus. It was an evening of fun!

**Friday** – The dividend of the day was **Love**. We ended the week with a very special prayer service and a Presentation called “Magical Dividends” with Brian Richards. Afternoon meant Fun Fest at GA. (It was our Rake-A-Thon reward, placed during this afternoon of fun – teams, tosses, volleyball games, cheers, competitions). When those buses came to end our day, all of us were wiped out but having fond memories of a week well spent! And it wasn't over yet, because we had a middle school dance that evening.

In this final report of the week, I want all of you parents to know how much planning and effort the faculty and staff did to make this a special week for all of us. Every single member of our team had a part in planning and organizing one or more parts of the week – making contacts, scheduling events, delivering goods and services. So thank you Pastor, teachers and staff – you are the best and give so much to our school!!

**We also collected around 600 pairs of socks which will be given to the CAP agency to use in their many outreach programs. Nine grocery bags of beef sticks, drink mixes, and power/energy bars were given to Mr. Steve Kingsbury to send to the troops. All residents at Auburn Manor have received packs of lotion and Kleenex.**

See these numbers?

Cash: \$1749.95  
Checks: \$1839.41  
Credit: \$1457.00  
TOTAL \$5046.36

We haven't yet seen the invoice from Scholastic Books, but these are figures from the Book Fair- once we get the bill we can let you know how well we did, but that amount looks good to us!

Wednesday's late start was put into the ISD #112 calendar for staff development time. How did your child's teachers use that time? It was 4 separate areas this month: Their learning was around something called

“Response to Intervention” which is a concept intended to reach each child where they are at and adjust instruction to maximize the learning. There are many strategies already in use; it is a way to formalize the process. They discussed Catholic Schools’ Week and evaluated it to keep records for future planning. They planned for the next phase of Discipline With Purpose. Then they broke into grade level groups to plan for more specifics at the grade levels they teach. Part of that is the 2010 Census planning. This week you will receive census information – please read it so you are prepared to complete the census when it arrives in your mailbox. GA’s Census Week, with its activities is the week of February 22.

### **Congratulations:**

- Two of our GA students, Kristen(8<sup>th</sup>) and Justin(4<sup>th</sup>) Matthews are among the cast of “Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat,” put on by Chaska Valley Family Theatre. Productions are February 18-21 and 25-28. There is a flyer with more information in the school office. We want to celebrate them and wish them well!

### **Thank yous:**

- To Kris Janey for the donation
- To the following who helped with the spaghetti lunch and covering for the staff last Friday: Maddy Perrill, Kristen Vidmar, Tracy Huson, Michelle Godzak, Lora Hicks, Heather Hessman, and Jane Miller

I know you are well aware of the Mardi Gras Wine Tasting next Tuesday, February 16<sup>th</sup> at Oakridge. Dan Keyport, a parishioner, alumni parent and owner of La Dolce Vita, is hosting this grand event – and we can not only enjoy the evening, but benefit financially!! Please join us. Then on Wednesday we will move into Lent, with Ash Wednesday Mass. During Lent, our students will have the opportunity to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation and plan Stations of the Cross, as well as learning within their classrooms.

One more event this weekend that you won’t want to miss is the Beef and Sausage Dinner – this Sunday!! Before any of this, please come to our PTO sponsored presentation about parenting around social media **tonight** – St. Francis Hall 7:00 p.m. (PTO meeting before hand at 6:00 p.m.).

God bless you,

Nancy Ronhovde

**Tomorrow – remember to wear SabreWear or Valentine clothing!**

### **Congratulations**

- To the Owusu family (prek), mom Elizabeth, had a baby girl Rachel

### **OneCallNow**

Monday's early dismissal gave us another chance to utilize the OneCallNow phone call system that telephoned each school household to inform you about the early school dismissal. This was the second time we have used this system to notify parents of a weather related change in the school schedule. If you either did not get notified or would prefer one or more additional numbers (i.e. work, cell, grandmother, etc), etc., please visit this website: <http://tinyurl.com/gafamupdates>. The system also allows us to send e-mails and this was the first time we have used this functionality for weather-related school schedule changes. Please utilize the above link to add any additional e-mails you would like added as well.

The system has several neat features. If you think you may have missed a call (perhaps, like me you also have youngsters in your house who don’t always get phone messages delivered to you), you can call 1-877-698-3261 wait for the prompt and press 1 and you can hear the latest message that was sent. You can also log into the

school website and click “Listen to/Update OneCallNow Information” to hear the latest message, played back on your computer. This link also provides a link to the update website indicated above. If you are receiving messages on a phone number that you would like to remove or you have other questions about the system, please e-mail us at [updates@gachaska.org](mailto:updates@gachaska.org).

Thanks!

Eric Crowell  
Director of Operations



# SPRING Fling

*Coming Together to Help Our School Grow*

*Believe it or not, spring is just around the corner! Celebrate spring and Guardian Angels at the 11<sup>th</sup> annual Spring Fling. Join us May 1<sup>st</sup>, 6pm at the Minnesota Landscape Arboretum. Mark your calendar, get a sitter and gather your friends and family for a fun-filled evening. Go to the GA website and click on the Spring Fling logo to reserve your tickets, donate items and check out some new additions to this wonderful event. Price - \$50.00 prior to April 1<sup>st</sup>, \$75.00 after that.*

## **ATTENTION LITTLE RINGERS**

We will be playing at the 5pm Mass on Saturday, February 13<sup>th</sup>. All children ages 4- 2<sup>nd</sup> grade are welcome to join us for our performances that evening. Our practice will be at 4:30 in St. Francis Hall prior to Mass. Hope to see you there!! Please email [tamihed@comcast.net](mailto:tamihed@comcast.net) if you have questions!

On Saturday, February 13, Angels Choir (any 3<sup>rd</sup> through 8<sup>th</sup> grader) will be singing for the 5 p.m. mass. Rehearsal will be at 4:15 p.m. in the choir loft. All are welcome.

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Holy Family Catholic High School  
Fine Arts Department  
presents:

**THE CONCERT FOR CARNEGIE HALL**

In order to raise money for their trip to perform in New York City's Carnegie Hall in April, Holy Family Catholic High School's *Voices of Fire* will be present a benefit concert – **"The Concert for Carnegie Hall" – on Friday, February 19, 2010 at 7:30 pm at the Chaska Community Center Theater** (MN Hwy 41 & CR-10/Engler Blvd.). The concert will be a two-hour event with performances by *Voices of Fire*, individual student soloists, Tri-Tone, and a guest performance by Grammy-Nominated composer and arranger Phil Mattson and the Phil Mattson Singers. **Tickets are \$30 each and are now on sale in the HFCHS office – 8101 Kochia Lane in Victoria.** There are only 230 tickets available for this very special concert. Please consider attending and supporting *Voices of Fire's* 3<sup>rd</sup> trip to Carnegie Hall in the past seven years. **For further information or to reserve tickets via email, please contact Mr. John Popke, Director of Vocal Music at [popkej@hfchs.org](mailto:popkej@hfchs.org).**

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**\*Bowling – PTO Sponsored Event**

PTO would like to invite your family to join us for a community event on Sunday, February 28, 2010. We will be hosting a family bowling session at Louisville Lanes from 3:00 pm to 5:00 pm. PTO is subsidizing the event, so the cost will be \$1.20 per person (which includes 2 games plus shoes). We look forward to sharing this family time with all of you. No unaccompanied children allowed. If you would like to join us, please RSVP by February 15<sup>th</sup>, to Tracy Huson at [Tracy@woodlandhillsmтка.com](mailto:Tracy@woodlandhillsmтка.com), or contact her at 952-443-2400.

**Prayer Corner**

- For Emily Klinker's grandma who passed away
- For Mrs. Goers, mom, Frances Sheffel, who was diagnosed with cancer
- For Carla Hagen's mom who is in ICU

*Calendar of Events:*

- Feb. 11 – PTO Mtg./Speaker
- Feb. 14 – Beef & Sausage
- Feb. 16 – 6:30 Mardi Gras Wine Tasking-Oakridge
- Feb. 17 – Mass (Grade 6) **Ash Wednesday**
- Feb. 23 – SAC
- Feb. 24 – Mass (Grade 7)
- Feb. 24 – Reconciliation Grades (2-5)
- Feb. 25 Science Fair
- Feb. 28 – PTO Event-Bowling

# Lunchroom & Playground Helpers

			Lunchroom	Playground	Playground
Mon	February	15	Maddy Perrill	Terri Farr	Michelle Schaffer
Tues	February	16	Marie Guillemette	Greg / Lori Osterdyk	Dan Ellis
Wed	February	17	Michelle Paradise	cecilia luft	Tina Holmstadt
Thurs	February	18	Nancy Tufto	Sara Heitkamp	Pete or Debbie Nolan
Fri	February	19	Stephanie Nunes	Kris Zupan	Barb Winfield

## Sports Corner

\*\*Baseball & Softball registrations for 5<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> graders are **due tomorrow Friday 2/12.** Teams will be decided on the amount of students we have registered at that time. Sorry, there will be no exceptions.

Practice/Game Schedules for basketball are on the school website. We try to keep them as accurate as possible, but may not be able to keep up with last minute changes. If there is a question, please contact Mrs. Tesch at: mtesch@gachaska.org

### Upcoming Games

#### **Saturday, 2/14**

BCB (4<sup>th</sup>) @ St. Richard's 8:00 a.m.  
 GC (4-6<sup>th</sup>) @ St. Michael's CANCELED  
 BCG (5/6<sup>th</sup>) @ IHM CANCELED

#### **Tuesday, 2/16**

BVS (7<sup>th</sup>) @ St. Hubert's 4:30 p.m.  
 BVG (8<sup>th</sup>) @ Chapel Hill 5:45 p.m.

#### **Thursday, 2/18**

BVG (8<sup>th</sup>) @ Blake 4:30 p.m.  
 BVS (7<sup>th</sup>) @ St. Therese 5:45 p.m.

# Guardian Angels Athletics

Students in grades 5-8

## Athletic Registration

Sport Baseball/Softball School Year \_\_\_ '09-'10 \_\_\_\_\_ Grade Level \_\_\_\_\_

Student Name \_\_\_\_\_ Parents Names \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail Address \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Emergency Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_

## Shirt Size

Adult/ Youth (circle one)

S / M / L / XL (circle one)

Remember your child grows so order large

Other needed items may be ordered.

Please attach to this form the required fees to register. Checks should be made payable to **Guardian Angels School**. Please submit **two (2) separate checks**: one for the registration fees, and one for a uniform deposit (which will be returned at the end of the season). If you are registering **more than one student** in your family please still **submit separate checks**. All checks will be returned if we do not have enough registrations to compose a team.

\_\_\_\_\_ Attached is the required \$75 registration check (non-refundable). All checks will be returned if we do not have enough registrations to compose a team.

\_\_\_\_\_ Attached is the required \$25 uniform deposit check. This check is refundable upon return of the uniform in **good condition and by the deadline** set at the end of the season.

\_\_\_\_\_ **Optional Check.** To help with the purchase of **equipment** and **uniforms** we ask that you consider making a monetary donation payable to Guardian Angels School.

## Volunteer Registration

Parents play a major role in the success of the school's athletic program. The hours spent helping will also be honored by the Parent TEAM Contract.

\_\_\_\_\_ I \_\_\_\_\_, am interested in **\*Coaching**. If you would like to help coach, please specify as to what days and times during the week you would be available. Also please specify the level you would like to work with.

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\*(All Coaches need to have background checks, and completed a VIRTUS course on file in the church office before the season starts. Please contact the school office if you have any questions as to what you might still need. Virtus classes are offered through online registration @Virtus.org)

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## Athletic Waiver

We, the Athletic Department and coaching staff of Guardian Angels School, will do everything in our power to maintain a safe, organized, productive and spiritual environment for your child in their athletic endeavors. Furthermore, the coaching staff or Athletic Director is not liable for any accidents leading to injuries of children on the team. We expect you, as the parents, to help with gym supervision, provide transportation to/ from practices and games and to assist in other ways if called upon by the Athletic Director or Committee.

Parent Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

This form is due in the school office on: **Friday, February 12th**