



IRISH ITEMS



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FEBRUARY 2009

ST. VINCENT- ST. MARY LOCAL SCIENCE DAY SET FOR FEBRUARY 12

The Ohio Academy of Science and St. Vincent- St. Mary High School are announcing that over 60 students will display the results of their science inquiry projects at the St. Vincent- St. Mary Local Science Fair on Thursday, February 12. Judging of the projects will take place in the STVM Gymnasium from 4 to 5:30 p.m. The projects may be viewed by the public from 5:30 to 7 p.m. in the LRC, and the awards ceremony will be held at 6 p.m. in the Theatre. The projects will also be on display the following morning in the LRC for peer review.

The directors of this year's event are Meghan Conley, Junior Chemistry teacher, and Joanna Miller, Freshmen and Sophomore Biology teacher. Students in all science classes will be participating.

Projects will be represented in one of the following categories: Biology, Chemistry, Earth Science and Physical Science. All projects will be judged and awards will be given to the outstanding inquiry projects in each category.

Superior rated students from the STVM local science fair may attend the 61st Western Reserve District 5 Science day at The University of Akron on Saturday, March 21, an event also sponsored by The Ohio Academy of Science.

If you are interested in judging, contact Bob Engels at rengels@stvm.com. If you would like to sponsor an award, contact Naman Alniemi at nalniemi@stvm.com

GREAT DAY FOR THE IRISH IS MARCH 7

Listen up, STVM community! If you are Irish and proud of it, you'll reserve Saturday, March 7 for "The Best St. Patrick's Day Party in Town." This event is sponsored by your Parents' Club and is not a fundraiser! It's just a great chance to get together, celebrate the Irish, and have some good food and fun! Get your friends together and get ready to have an Irish good time. Remember: At "The Best St. Patrick's Day Party in Town," EVERYBODY is Irish!

DO YOU WANT "FINANCIAL PEACE?"

Parents and alumni are invited to attend the second session of our "Financial Peace" class, beginning on Tuesday, February 10, from 7 to 9 pm. The cost is \$99 for the 13-week class. Seating is limited and will be awarded on a first-come, first-served basis. Contact Tim Castrigano at tcastrigano@stvm.com as soon as possible if you are interested.

STVM STUDENT ART PIECES PLACE IN COMPETITION

From over 3,500 entries, five STVM student artists earned recognition for their original designs in the 2009 Northeast Central Ohio Scholastic Art Competition. The Scholastic Art Awards are the largest, longest running and most prestigious recognition program for creative young people in the United States. All silver and gold key art work will be on display January 16 through February 9 at the Campus Center and the Fine Arts Building of Kent State University Stark Campus. Show hours are Monday through Thursday, 8 a.m. to 8:30 p.m., Friday from 8 a.m. until 5 p.m. The award ceremony will honor the accomplishments of our students at the Professional Education and Conference Center at Kent Stark on January 24, 2009 at 10:00 a.m. Congratulations to the following STVM seniors:

- Kristina Beck** - Gouache Design
- Whitney Porter** - Black and White Photography
- Taylor Wray** - Ink Drawing

Silver Key Winners:

- Luke Mion** - Self Portrait Ink Drawing
- Maddie Esker** - Pencil Drawing

CAR RAFFLE HEADS INTO THE FINAL LAP!

Winners will be selected on Feb. 27!

The 7th annual Irish Car Raffle prize date is almost here! We will pick the winners during our home basketball game on Friday, February 27. First prize is a brand new 2009 Chevy Malibu, 2nd prize is a 42-in LCD HDTV, and 3rd prize is \$500 in Circle K gas cards. You can be one of the lucky winners! Buy your car raffle tickets from one of our STVM students. **If raffle ticket sales average \$150.00 per student, the entire student body will get an additional FREE DAY (NO SCHOOL!)** Contact Jennifer Ringer at jringer@stvm.com if you want more tickets. Hurry! The tickets are going fast! Thank you to Bob Serpentine's Chevy Connection, Jack Haag and John and Mary Lou Ballard for their very generous donations.



CONTACT OUR GUIDANCE DEPARTMENT FOR MORE INFORMATION ABOUT THE FOLLOWING.....

Best Buy Scholarship Program - 1,000 scholarships of \$1,500 each will be awarded. Deadline is February 15, 2009. Apply at www.bestbuy.com

Akron Jaycee Foundation Outstanding Young Citizen Scholarships - A total of \$5,000 in non-renewable one-year scholarships for continuing education at ANY college or university will be awarded. Deadline is February 6. Contact akronjaycees@netzero.net.

JIM KELLY MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP REVERSE RAFFLE IS MAY 21!

With the first day of spring only about 8 weeks away, could the Jim Kelly Memorial Scholarship Reverse Raffle be far behind? Mark your calendars NOW for Thursday, May 21, at Guy's Party Centre. This is always a fabulous evening and a great help to both our Endowment Fund and our students! Plan ahead!

SHOWCASE 2009 NEW ORLEANS JAZZ!

Showcase 2009, "New Orleans Jazz", is already well underway! Join Jennifer Ringer and new chair couples Deb and Sam Chiarappa and Beth and Mike Piglia as they charm you with an elegant menu and another fabulous live and silent auction! We need all of you to participate to once again break all Showcase records. Call the Showcase office @ 330-253-9113 X143 or email at jringer@stvm.com to learn more about underwriting, 10k tickets and corporate tables. Have a vacation home or great event tickets? These items are very popular in our auctions! See you in New Orleans!

On "Fat Tuesday," February 24, Showcase will be selling donuts all day in honor of our New Orleans theme!



2009 SHOWCASE CHAIR COUPLES



You are cordially invited to our ...

SPEAKER SERIES

and Continental Breakfast

Thursday, February 19, 2009
7:30-9:00 a.m.

Patrick C. Walsh, M.D. V56

University Distinguished Service Professor of Urology

The James Buchanan Brady Urological Institute
The Johns Hopkins Hospital

St. Vincent-St. Mary High School Theater
15 N. Maple St, Akron, OH 44303

St. Vincent-St. Mary High School is sponsoring this Speaker Series based on its mission statement:

"... to educate the whole person; to lead and to serve, enlightening the mind, developing the body, touching the heart and inspiring the soul."

We hope to will join us as we welcome this renowned speaker.

David V. Rathz, Headmaster Tim Castrigano, CFO/Development Director

Seating is limited. Please remember to reserve your seat by February 16, 2009. Please R.S.V.P. to Joanne Zaratsian

Phone: 330-253-9113, x112, 330-958-9204 or email: jzaratsian@stvm.com

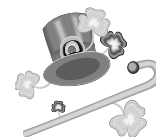
Parking is available in the lots across the street from the high school on Maple Street.

Next Speaker Series Meeting will be in April, 2009!

David Giffels VM82,

Akron Author & Former Akron Beacon Journal Columnist

The First & Best
St. Patrick's Day Party
in Town



Saturday, March 7, 2009
6:00pm to 11:30pm

St. Vincent - St. Mary Student Center

CASH BAR: BEER & WINE	ENTERTAINMENT
ALLADIN'S CATERING	STVM JAZZ BAND
RAFFLE	IRISH DANCERS
DANCE MUSIC by DJ "DUTCH" CLARK	

Top o' the mornin' to ye!

The Leprechauns are celebrating all year round;
but we join in once a year.

Come catch some luck if you can.

Open chairs and tables will disappear faster than four-leaf clovers!

There will be food & beverages aplenty.

Sing a song, dance a jig, and be IRISH for a day at STVM!

Advance Reservations Payment Due By: March 1, 2009

Cost: \$15.00 per person

Name: _____

Tickets _____ @ \$15 = _____ (total enclosed)

Questions? Call (330) 745-6506. Make checks payable to: "STVM Parent's Club". MAIL TO: St. Pat's Party, 1670 Far View Rd, Akron, OH 44312.

Office Use Only:
Check # _____ Date rec'd: _____

2008 MAHAR AND CRUSADER AWARDS ANNOUNCED

Please join us in congratulating these very deserving alumni and friends on their prestigious awards. The Mahar Banquet is scheduled for Thursday, April 23, 2009 at Tangier Restaurant.

The Father Thomas F. Mahar Outstanding Alumni Award, named in honor of the priest responsible for the founding of both St. Mary and St. Vincent High Schools, recognizes alumni for service to school, service to youth, service to community, service to ministry and/or professional achievement

The Irish Crusader Award recognizes individuals who are not graduates of St. Mary, St. Vincent or St. Vincent-St. Mary High School, but who play an active and important role in the day-to-day running of our school and special events.

2009 Fr. Mahar Awards

John "Jack" Devany V47
Mike Stock M57
Ron Piekarski V67
Joanne Coletta Wiseman V69

2009 Irish Crusader Awards

Ralph Bernard
Ned Endress, Sr.
Harold Jenkins
Mary Ann Walter



Look what's happening on Walnut Street!
Contact jaratsian@stvm.com or call 330.253.9113, ext. 112 to get involved.

"Happy Valentine's Day"
from
The Book Store!

\$5.00 off
any hoodie in the store!
(We have a big selection!)

*Get your Irish apparel for the Play-offs,
Spirit Days, & St. Patrick's Day!*

Coupon expires 2/27/09

IRISH ITEMS STILL AVAILABLE BY MAIL!

Have you returned your yellow card, stating that you want to continue to receive your Irish Items by mail? If not, there still is time to do so! Or, if you did not receive a card or misplaced the one you had, please contact Pat Kokoczka at 330.253.9113, ext. 135 or pkokoczka@stvm.com. Otherwise, we will assume that you are satisfied to receive your Irish Items online. Thank you!

CALLING ALL STUDENTS!

Come and help out with the Annual Alumni Phone-A-Thon for our Green and Gold Campaign March 16 through April 10. We will be calling Monday through Thursday from 6-9pm. Interested students should submit their names to Jennifer Ringer in the Showcase Office by March 2 by calling 330.253.9113, ext. 114 or jringer@stvm.com. All workers will receive \$25.00 credit (on their ID Cards) for every 3-hour shift they complete.

SENIOR PHOTOS DUE!

Senior photos for the yearbook are due by March 1, 2009. Carmen Studios is the official school photographer for these pictures. Pictures will only be accepted from Carmen Studios. Call 330.253.7781 for an appointment.

The 2008 yearbooks are in. Email Beth Harmon at bharmon@stvm.com or call 330.253.9113 and leave her a message for more information.

ACT PREPARATION CLASS

.....in preparation for the April 4, 2009 ACT Test

A series of practice sessions will be held on Wednesday evenings from 6:00-8:00 pm

February 11, 18, 25 March 4, 11, 18, 25
April 1

These sessions will be conducted by Ms. Angela Sanor and Mrs. Marcia Korllos

Registration is required.

Fee: \$75

For inquiries, please contact Mrs. Korllos at 330-253-9113 or mkorllos@stvm.com.

Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____

E-mail _____

(Please make all checks payable to St. Vincent-St. Mary High School)

Submit this form and the fee to:
Mrs. Marcia Korllos

Due Date: Monday, February 9, 2009

Place your
business card/ad or
personal message in our
spring program



The Leprechaun
Theatre Guild
presents

PROGRAM AD ORDER FORM

Deadline: Monday,
March 9, 2009

1/4 page = \$25 1/2 page = \$50 full page = \$100 full screen video space = \$100

We can help design your ad! (Just submit your information and let us know!)

Name: _____

Place business card or ad below.
(Do not staple.)

Company Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____

Zip: _____ Phone: _____

Make checks payable to: "St. Vincent - St. Mary I.T.S."
Send form and payment to: St. Vincent - St. Mary High School
Attn: Gerard Neary
15 N. Maple St., Akron, OH 44303

Questions?
Email gneary@stvm.com

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TICKET ORDER FORM

Please reserve the following number of tickets each night:



_____ Thurs., March 26, 7:30pm _____ Sat., March 28 7:30pm

_____ Fri., March 27, 7:30pm _____ Sun., March 29 1:30pm

_____ Sunday, March 29, 2009 12pm **Seussical Brunch**

Includes Brunch Buffet (including Green Eggs and Ham) with the
Seussical characters + Sunday matinee 1:30pm performance
Deadline to reserve tickets for **Seussical Brunch**: Monday, March 23

_____ Total # tickets @ \$8 each = _____

_____ Total **Seussical Brunch** tickets @ \$15 = _____ (adult price -includes matinee)

_____ Total **Seussical Brunch** tickets @ \$12 = _____ (child (10and under) price - includes matinee)

\$ _____ Total Amount Due (Make checks payable to: "St. Vincent - St. Mary I.T.S.")

Mail to: St. Vincent - St. Mary High School
ATTN: Gerard Neary
15 N Maple St
Akron, OH 44303

- Tickets will not be reserved without payment.
- Tickets are non-refundable/non-exchangeable.
- Tickets will be held at the box office.
- Box Office opens approximately 1 hour before performances.

NAME _____ PHONE _____

ADDRESS _____ CITY _____ ZIP _____



Career Connections

St. Vincent - St. Mary High School will be hosting a Career Connections Breakfast on Wednesday, May 6, from 7:45 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. Please be here by 7:15 a.m. to set up and enjoy a light breakfast. We hope that you will join us and share your knowledge with our students about your profession and the education path you took to get where you are today. Many of our students are exploring their options for college majors and careers, and you will be vital in aiding them in this process. We are hoping to have representatives from different professions such as: Business, Law, Medicine, Arts, Education, etc.

We will require the Junior and Senior classes (representing approximately 300 + students) to participate in this endeavor. The event will be in our gymnasium, and you will be provided with a six foot table and chairs. Feel free to bring materials such as laptop power points, props, business cards, and related items.

Thank you for your consideration and time. Your experience and knowledge can truly help our students discover their future career path. Please RSVP to Joanne Zaratsian if you are able to attend. If you are interested in mentoring a student, please complete and submit the form below. Thank you!

Joanne Zaratsian
330.253.9113 ext. 112
jzaratsian@stvm.com

Career Connections

A single conversation with a wise man is better than ten years of study. -Chinese Proverb

Career Connections is a chance for our Junior and Senior students to learn more about their fields of interest from alumni and friends of the school. You will be providing our students with first hand knowledge and insight into the careers they hope to pursue. If you are interested in mentoring a student, please complete and submit this form. Thank you!

Name _____ Profession _____

Employer _____ Title _____

Work address _____

I prefer to be contacted ___ At work ___ At home ___ No preference

Work phone _____ Preferred E-mail _____ Work Fax _____

Home phone _____ Cell phone _____ Home E-mail _____

Education/Training Background _____

Other Interest/hobbies/pursuits/volunteer commitments _____

Mail this form to: St.Vincent – St. Mary High School
ATTN: Joanne Zaratsian
15 N. Maple St. Akron, OH 44303

or Fax : 330-996-0000
Phone: 330-253- 9113 ext. 112
E-mail: jzaratsian@stvm.com

FEBRUARY

What's happening....

- 09 Alumni Association Meeting 7 p.m. Conf Rm
- 10 Registration Class of 2010
- 11 Parents' Club Meeting 7 p.m.
- 12 Science Fair Program
- 16 NO CLASSES - Presidents' Day
Deadline for Family and Memorial Applications
- 17 Kairos 6
Registration Class of 2011
SEC Meeting 7 p.m.
- 18 Kairos 6
Mu Alpha Theta Induction 7:30 p.m.
- 19 Kairos 6
Speaker Series Breakfast 7:30 a.m.
- 20 Kairos 6
- 23 Registration Class of 2012
- 25 Ash Wednesday Mass 10:45 a.m.
- 27 Car Raffle Drawing



CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK 2009

January 25 - 31

"Catholic Schools Celebrate Service"

IMPORTANT DATES FOR TUITION ASSISTANCE

Feb 16 - Deadline for Family & Memorial Applications

March 2 - Postmark deadline for PSAS applications

March 13 - Deadline for Lynda Utrup Schafer Scholarship
(Class of 2012)

TUITION ASSISTANCE NEWS FOR STUDENTS ENTERING GRADES 10-12

Important Tuition Assistance Deadline

Upperclassmen applications for Tuition Assistance (PSAS form) are now available for students entering grades 10-12. Families who previously received aid should have received a form by mail. All PSAS applications must be completed by March 2, 2009 to be considered for aid for the 2009/2010 academic year. You may request a PSAS form from Mrs. Susie Wallace in the STVM Business Office at 330.253.9113, ext. 131.

Scholarship Applications Now Available

Upperclassmen applications for Family and Memorial Scholarships are now available for students entering grades 10-12. The deadline to apply for a scholarship is February 16, 2009. The PSAS is often a requirement for application. Scholarship applications may be requested from Mrs. Susie Wallace in the STVM Business Office at 330.253.9113, ext. 131.

Lynda Utrup Schafer Memorial Scholarship

Female members of the Class of 2012 are encouraged to apply for the Lynda Utrup Schafer VM81 Memorial Scholarship. The young lady selected will receive a \$1000 award for the 2009-2010 academic year and will be eligible to reapply for the junior and senior academic years. Applications will be available in homeroom and from Mrs. Susie Wallace (Business Office). Deadline to apply is March 13, 2009.



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IMPORTANT DATES FOR ADMISSIONS

March 14, 2009 Final Placement Test
7:30 a.m. - noon

April 2, 2009 Seventh Grade Visitation
9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Visit www.stvm.com and click on "Admissions" to register for either of these events.