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IRISH ARTISTS HAVE RECORD YEAR AT OHIO GOVERNOR'S YOUTH ART EXHIBIT

Four STVM students win at regional level; eleven students win at State!

Regional Winners:

Rachel Munka	<i>Pencil Drawing</i>
Bryant Ausperk	<i>Printmaking</i>
Jessie Bridenthal	<i>Gouache Painting</i>
Nick Corpas	<i>Printmaking</i>

State Winners:

John Murray	<i>Gouache Painting</i>
John Wilson	<i>Pastel Life Drawing</i>
Katie Wenmoth	<i>Printmaking</i>
Sarina Caponi	<i>Photography (2)</i>
Whitney Porter	<i>Photography (2)</i>
Maddie Esker	<i>Photography, Pastel Life Drawing</i>
Thomas Freeman	<i>Painting</i>
Carli Mollinelli	<i>Ink Drawing</i>
Ellen Rochford	<i>Pencil Drawing</i>
Michael Logsdon	<i>Pencil Drawing</i>
Renee Horn	<i>Photography</i>

One of Whitney Porter's photographs was kept for exhibit at the James A. Rhodes State Office Tower. Congratulations to our STVM art teacher, Mrs. Rita Lancianese, and our talented student artists!

2009 ALUMNI ASSOCIATION SCHOLARS



Left to Right - Emily Tomei, Maggie Klein, Richard Bradley

EIGHTEEN STVM SCIENCE STUDENTS ADVANCE TO DISTRICT CONTEST

The St. Vincent- St. Mary High School Science Fair was held February 12, 2009 with fifty-seven students participating. Each project was judged and received a rating of *Satisfactory*, *Good*, *Excellent* or *Superior*. Eighteen projects received a *Superior* rating, thirty-four received *Excellent*, and five were rated *Good*. There were no *Satisfactory* ratings! Those students who received *Superior* ratings headed to the district contest at The University of Akron on March 21. The students who achieved a rating of *Superior* are: **John Stone, McKenzie Gerzanics, Sasha Kovalchick, Jessica Durbin, Katya Lyuksytova, Miranda Mondozzi, Caitlin O'Neill, Cashe Palmer, Abby Tanner, Abby Burke, Trevor Chopko, Ian Edgley, John Friess, Tessa Weigand, Hannah Roberts, Joey Miller, Devin Sutter, and Meghan Weber.** Judges also chose four outstanding projects that won special awards in the following categories:

Earth/Environmental- **Ian Edgley**
 Physics/Engineering- **Abby Tanner**
 Chemistry/Medicine/Biochemistry- **Caitlin O'Neill**
 Botany/Zoology/Microbiology- **Meghan Weber**

The STVM Science Department would like to thank all of the judges who came out to rate the projects and the students who participated. All of the students' hard work and effort really showed. Many positive comments were made like this one from judge Kevin Rollick, "The high quality of the projects displayed showcased the effort put into them by both the students and the faculty."

Once again thank you to all who helped make the fair possible and congratulations to all the students who participated. See results from the State Science Inquiry Competition on p. 2.

ALUMNI ASSOCIATION SCHOLARSHIPS PRESENTED AT 2009 MAHAR BANQUET

The STVM Alumni Council is pleased to announce the recipients of the 2009 Alumni Association Scholarship Award. This scholarship was designed to benefit the students during their senior year, and is awarded to deserving STVM Junior Students. The selection is based on established criteria including that one or both parents have graduated from St. Mary, St. Vincent or St. Vincent-St. Mary High School. Congratulations to:

- ♦Richard Bradley - son of Mary Anna Bradley VM83
- ♦Maggie Klein - daughter of Liz Lavery Klein VM77 and Mike Klein VM77
- ♦Emily Tomei - daughter of Sue Tomei and Provie Tomei VM75



STVM SUMMER CAMPS 2009



ART CAMP

Instructor: Rita Lancianese – STVM Art teacher
Date/Time: July 6 – July 10, 9 a.m. - noon
Students entering grades 6-12
Site: STVM High School Art Room
Fee: \$60 – includes supplies
Email: rlancianese@stvm.com

BAND CAMP

Instructor: Brian Campbell, STVM Band Director
Date/Time: June 15 - June 19, 9 a.m. - noon
Students entering grades 6-9
One year playing experience recommended.
Site: STVM Band Room
Fee: \$65
Email: bcampbell@stvm.com or 330.996.0024

DRAMA CAMP

Instructor: Gerard Neary, STVM Leprechaun Theatre Guild Director & Drama Teacher
Date/Time: July 15 - August 2, noon - 2 p.m.
Students entering grades 3-8
Site: STVM Theatre
Fee: \$80 (\$70 for additional sibling)
Email: gneary@stvm.com

GIRLS BASKETBALL CAMP

Instructor: Joe Jakubick, STVM Head Girls Basketball Coach
Date/Time: July 20- 23,
Gr 3 - 5 9 a.m. - noon, Gr 6 - 8 1 - 4 p.m.
Site: STVM Gymnasium
Fee: \$75
Contact: 330.524.2731

BOYS BASKETBALL CAMP

Instructor: Dru Joyce, STVM Head Boys Basketball Coach
Date/Time: July 6 - July 10, 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.
Students entering grades 3 - 8
Site: STVM High School & St. Vincent Elementary
Fee: \$140.00
Email: jdjoyce@verizon.net or 330.668.6547

BOYS FOOTBALL CAMP

Instructor: Dan Boarman, STVM Head Football Coach
Date/Time: June 22, 23, 24, 9 a.m. - noon
Students entering grades 2 - 8
Site: STVM John Cistone Field
Fee: \$50 - includes camp t-shirt
Email: dboarman61@roadrunner.com or

BOYS SOCCER CAMP

Instructor: John Stavros, STVM Head Boys Soccer Coach
Date/Time: July 13 - July 17, 9 a.m. - noon
Students entering grades K-8
Site: STVM John Cistone Field (indoors, if raining)
Fee: \$80 (\$70 for additional sibling) includes t-shirt, awards, ice cream social last day of camp
Email: jstavros@stvm.com or 330-253-9113, ext. 122

GIRLS SOCCER CAMP

Instructor: Rob Young, STVM Head Girls Soccer Coach
Date /Time: July 6 - July 10
Site: STVM John Cistone Field
Fee: TBA
Contact: 330-253-9113, ext. 122

TECHNOLOGY CAMP

Instructor: Susan Miller, STVM Business & Computer Teacher
Date/Time: June 22-26, 9-12
Fees: \$60
Grades: Students entering grades 6-8
E-mail: smiller@stvm.com

GIRLS TENNIS CAMP

Instructor: Jim Hollenack, STVM Varsity Girls Tennis Coach
Date/ Time: June 15 - 19; 8 - 11 a.m.
Class size is limited.
Site: Bath Community Activity Center
Fee: \$65, includes camp t-shirt
Contact: 330-253-9113, ext. 122

GIRLS VOLLEYBALL CAMP

Instructor: Mary Howard, STVM Head Volleyball Coach & Ron Arenz & The Univ of Akron Coaching Staff
Date: July 13 - July 16
9-11 a.m. Gr 7-8 \$90
12- 3 p.m. Gr 9-12 \$100
3-5 p.m. Gr 4-6 \$90
Site: STVM Gymnasium
Email: mhoward@stvm.com

WRESTLING CAMP

Instructor: Anthony Gary, STVM Head Wrestling Coach
Date/Time: July 20 - July 24
Students entering grades 3 - 12
Site: STVM High School Wrestling Room
Fee: TBA
Email: agary@stvm.com

Summer camp information is now available online.

Download the summer camp brochure at <http://www.stvm.com> under the "Athletics" tab.

2009 STVM FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

- 8/21 Firestone (scrimmage) 6:00pm
- 8/28 Bishop Watterson 7:30pm
- 9/04 Akron North 7:30pm
- 9/11 Garfield 7:30pm
- 9/18 Archbishop Hoban 7:00pm
- 9/25 Napoleon 7:30pm
- 10/2 @Canton Central Catholic 7:30pm
- 10/09 @Walsh Jesuit 7:00pm
- 10/16 Cardinal Mooney 7:30pm
- 10/24 @University School 1:00pm
- 10/30 @Ursuline 7:30pm

THANK YOU FOR THE GIFT OF LIFE!

STVM did a great job, as always, at your recent blood drive! You had 101 present and 73 productive on a goal of 78 with 58 first time donors. I appreciate all the time and effort that you and your students put into this! You were a pleasure to work with and I look forward to working with you in the future!

~ Dana Marie Zsaludko
 Donor Recruitment Representative
 American Red Cross

2009 STVM FOOTBALL SCHEDULE IS NOW COMPLETE!

The STVM athletic department is pleased to announce that this season's football game STVM vs Archbishop Hoban will be held at the new Infocision Stadium, located on the University of Akron campus. Ticket information and other details will be released as they become available.

SPORTS PHYSICALS SCHEDULED

Does your son or daughter plan on participating in athletics during the 2009-2010 school year? STVM will be hosting a medical fair on Wednesday June 3 at 3 pm in the gym. Physicians from Akron General will be performing pre-participation physical examinations for our students. The cost is \$20. You can pay by check or cash and checks should be made payable to St. Vincent-St. Mary High School. The necessary forms are available on-line now at <http://www.stvm.com> under the "Athletic Director" tab. Please call (330) 253-9114 with any questions.

DO YOU LOVE NEW ORLEANS?

Travel with us to this wonderful city on Saturday, October 17, 2009, as we celebrate our 24th Annual STVM *Showcase* at Tangier Restaurant. *Showcase* is our signature fundraising event which benefits all of our students at St. Vincent - St. Mary High School. *Showcase* is a perfect way to become involved in our school! You will meet new and old friends, enjoy an elegant dinner, and bid on items such as trips, golf outings, household and holiday items and more at our live and silent auctions! Our students and parent volunteers will host your "New Orleans Jazz" journey and it will be a night to remember! Please join Jennifer Jesser-Ringer and her chair couples, Deb and Sam Chiarappa and Beth and Mike Piglia, as STVM presents yet another elegant evening for your pleasure and enjoyment.



DRAMA CAMP SHAMROCK 2009

Classes will be comprised of various drama games and activities designed to help familiarize the child with the elements of the stage. Each class will help the student develop confidence and creativity. The camp will end with a main-stage production.

Classes every Mon., Tues., Wed., Thurs., Fri. from noon to 2 p.m.

Classes begin Wed., July 15 and end Thurs., July 30.

Parent Orientation Meeting - Wed., July 15, 12pm-12:30pm

Final Dress Rehearsal: Fri., July 31, noon-5pm

Performances: Sat., Aug. 1 and Sun., Aug. 2, 1:30pm

Make checks payable to: "STVM Drama Camp"
 Mail registration form and check to:

St. Vincent - St. Mary High School
 Attn: Gerard Neary
 15 North Maple St.
 Akron, OH 44303

Instructor: Gerard Neary
 Age: Grades 3-8
 Experience: None necessary
 Fee: \$80 (\$70 for each additional sibling)

Registration Deadline: Tuesday, June 30

Questions? Please email Mr. Neary at gneary@stvm.com

Tickets are \$5 - Sold one hour before each performance.



CAMP SHAMROCK 2009 Registration Form

Child's Name _____ Age _____ Entering grade: _____ Current School: _____

2nd Child's Name: _____ Age _____ Entering grade: _____ Current School: _____

3rd Child's Name: _____ Age _____ Entering grade: _____ Current School: _____

4th Child's Name: _____ Age _____ Entering grade: _____ Current School: _____

Parent/Guardians' Name(s) _____

Address _____ City: _____ Zip: _____

MAY What's happening....

- 27 Band Banquet 6:30 p.m.
Spain Trip Parent/Student Meeting 6:45 p.m.
- 28 Baccalaureate Practice 10 a.m.
Baccalaureate 7 p.m.
- 29 Graduation Practice 9 a.m.
- 30 Graduation 7:30 p.m. EJ Thomas

June

- 04 LAST DAY OF CLASSES
- 05 RECORDS DAY
- 08 Summer Phys Ed begins

BOOKSTORE NEWS

The Bookstore Lady, Mrs. Chris Baugh, has chosen other opportunities for next year. She will be assisting her husband Tom with his successful business and dedicating time to her new granddaughter, Hanna. The students, staff, and especially the other Bookstore Lady will miss her tremendously! We wish her all the best and she promises to come back to help out when we are busy.

Please check our St. Vincent - St. Mary Website for our Summer Bookstore hours. Have a Happy and Healthy Summer. And a BIG WELCOME to our incoming freshmen. We look forward to meeting all of you. Come on in and get your spirit wear and t-shirts for summer gym!



"SPECIAL" FOOTBALL DATES FOR FALL!

August 28	Freshman Night
September 11	Annual Tailgate Party
September 25	"Come Home for Homecoming"



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2009 SCIENCE INQUIRY STATE AWARDS

Student Name	Teacher	Grade	Awards & Scholarships	Title
Trevor Chopko	Piskac	9	Excellent Rating 1. 2nd Place winner of the Ohio Federation of Soil and Water Conservation award of \$100 (#90)	"The effect of water runoff containing insecticide on <i>Daphnia</i> population."
Joe Demboski	Miller	10	Excellent Rating 1. Governors Award for Excellence in Water Resources Research (# 83)	"The effect of water quality, upstream and downstream of wastewater treatment plants, on the organism <i>Chlorohydra viridissima</i> ."
Jessica Durbin	Miller	10	Superior Rating 1. Stone Laboratory Scholarship (#19)	" <i>Spinacia olercea</i> grown hydroponically will have a faster growth rate than <i>S.olercea</i> grown in soil."
John Friess	Miller	9	Superior Rating 1. Governors Award for Excellence in Environmental Protection Research (#80)	"The effect of phosphates on the regeneration of <i>planaria</i> ."
Katya Lyuksyutova	Miller	10	Superior Rating 1. National Association of Biology Teachers Award (#36)	"How does light from a laser effect microorganisms such as <i>Euglena gracilis</i> ?"
Joey Miller	Miller	10	Superior Rating 1. Milt Austin Aquatic Science Award (#30)	"Effect of salinity on the growth and development of brine shrimp."
Hannah Roberts	Miller	9	Excellent Rating 1. Governors Award for Excellence in Agricultural and Food Science Research (#32)	"Effect of temperature on the growth rate of the Painted Lady Butterfly."
Jon Stone	Miller	10	Excellent Rating.	"Is it possible to extract and isolate DNA from dormant <i>Acer saccharum</i> seeds for DNA fingerprinting?"
Devin Sutter	Miller	10	Superior Rating 1. Stone Laboratory Scholarship (#19) 2. Heidelberg Science Scholarship (#175)	"The effect of changing day length on the growth and development of <i>Vanessa cardui</i> ."
Abby Tanner	Conley	11	Superior Rating 1. Nanotechnology Science Award (#195)	"The dissolution rates of fluorescein in PCL, Tecophilic and PEO nanofibers."
Meghan Weber	Miller	10	Superior Rating	"The effect of temperature on the hatching rate of <i>Artemia salina</i> (brine shrimp)."

LEBRON JAMES RETURNS HOME TO ACCEPT MVP

St. Vincent-St. Mary alum LeBron James was welcomed back to the home of the Fighting Irish to receive his first NBA Most Valuable Player award in the school's gymnasium on Monday, May 4. The presentation, which was restricted to St. Vincent-St. Mary students and faculty and members of the local and national media, marked another milestone in James' career as a professional basketball player. This season James averaged 28.4 points, 7.6 rebounds and 7.2 assists for the Cleveland Cavaliers. Upon hearing that he had received the MVP award, James requested that the ceremony be held at his alma mater.

The event was kept very quiet, but Monday morning word started to spread that the Cavaliers players would be arriving sometime during the day. Students peeked through the gym doors throughout the day to see what was going on, and many were surprised to see a stage and a brand-new SUV at one end of the court. The headmaster, Mr. David Rathz, announced over the PA system that the Cavaliers and NBA officials would be in attendance for a very important news conference.

Students were buzzing with excitement and anticipation to see James and his teammates in the school for the MVP Award presentation. They were also ecstatic that such an event would be held at their school.

"I think it's a great achievement, and it's great that he's accepting his trophy here," sophomore D.J. Williams said.

"He's a homegrown star, and St. Vincent-St. Mary helped him build his character," said sophomore Nick Codrea. "So now he takes that character all around the world with him and gets to show what our school is all about. I think it shows his true character and loyalty because even though he's beyond high school, he still takes care of the people who took care of him when he was younger."

"It's great because he comes back here to share it with us," freshman Evan Gorbach mentioned. "I'm excited to see it."

Although James practically moved all over Akron for most of his childhood, he always found stability at St. Vincent-St. Mary.

"This school helped me become the man I am today, standing up here receiving this award, so ... I'd like to thank you," James said.

James pulled up to St. Vincent-St. Mary in his Ferrari amid hundreds of fans who lined the streets to catch a glimpse of the NBA's newest MVP. "M-V-P" chants started in the parking lot while James entered the school through the back door. The rest of the Cleveland Cavaliers soon arrived and were greeted with cheers from students in the Student Center.

Students and faculty at St. Vincent-St. Mary chanted "M-V-P" throughout the award presentation.

As students entered the gym for the presentation, some received Nike T-shirts that read "WITNESS MVP."

After waiting nearly 30 minutes, LeBron James stepped onto the stage along with Cavaliers general manager Danny Ferry, owner Dan Gilbert and head coach Mike Brown. The crowd exploded into cheers and the students gave them a standing ovation. Joe Tait, the Cavaliers' radio broadcaster, was the master of ceremonies for the presentation. Gilbert started the series of short speeches by speaking about James as a multidimensional athlete and role model for today's youth and James' own sons.

Ferry talked about how hard James pushed himself and his teammates during this season. Brown somewhat echoed Ferry and talked about how hard James and his teammates had worked during the offseason and during training camp. "This award, yes, it is an individual award, and yes, it has LeBron's name on it ... but this group of guys shows that it is more than just one player," Brown said to the crowd. "Working with this young man for the last four years has taught me a lot very quickly throughout those years. ... LeBron has definitely brought out the best in me, and hopefully it can continue, so let's go get one tomorrow."

James followed Brown, and "M-V-P" chants rained down on him once again as he strode across the stage toward the podium. Students and faculty once again gave James a standing ovation.

"This is something that we dreamed about as kids, you know, being the MVP of the NBA. But then we'd say, you aren't going to be the MVP of the NBA. You won't be an All-Star, you're from Akron," James said.

James talked about his high school coach, Dru Joyce II, who continues to coach at St. Vincent-St. Mary. This season, the Fighting Irish won their first state title since James graduated. James attended the game and spoke to the players beforehand.

"I see Coach Dru right there. I may not have had a biological father around every day to tell me how to dribble a basketball, or how to fold my clothes, or how to tie my shoes, but that man right there helped me do a lot of things that my father would've helped me do, so I thank you for that."

James was asked why he chose his alma mater as the place where he would receive such an honor:

"I felt that it would be more special to me to have it at a place where all my dreams started. You know, I had dreams my whole life ... but when I came here and played for Coach Dambrot and Maverick Carter, that's when all my dreams started to come true."

James finished answering the media's questions and then taped an interview with ESPN "SportsCenter" anchor Jay Harris. The crowd slowly dispersed, and many students approached James' teammates for autographs and questions. After his "SportsCenter" interview, James hugged and chatted with faculty members and students about his prestigious award.

"This award may be mine, but you know, if you've ever seen the movie "Friday," it's both of ours, but I'm gonna keep it at my house. You know, it's yours, too, but I think I'll keep it at my house."

~ Nick Shook VM11
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