

# ST. GREGORY THE GREAT!

SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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“HOME OF THE JAGUARS”

**STUDENT COUNCIL GIVING TREE:** The Student Council of St. Gregory the Great School, in cooperation with the parish Women’s Guild, is sponsoring the “Giving Tree” from now through Friday, December 11, 2009. This year, due to the economic conditions of the times, The Fatima Center has asked us to collect children’s clothing, such as gloves, hats, scarves, and pajamas, rather than toys. Labels will be available to indicate whether the gift is appropriate for a boy or a girl, along with the size of the item. Because we are hoping to meet a wide range of needs, we are asking that gifts for infants be purchased by pre-school and kindergarten families; toddler gifts be purchased by those in primary; garments for grade school aged children be purchased by families whose own children are in the intermediate grades; and teen items be purchased by St. Greg’s families whose own children are in junior high.

If you choose to help with this project, please bring your unwrapped or wrapped items to your child’s homeroom. If you choose to wrap your item, please write the size or attach a label indicating the size to the outside of the package. All donations should be brought in by Friday, December 11, at which time we will bring them all to the Giving Tree in the church. Everything donated will help to bring Christmas to those who are less fortunate.

AS ALWAYS, WE THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROUS SPIRIT, ESPECIALLY AT CHRISTMAS TIME!

**MUSICAL NOTES...** To parents of students in Grades 2 and 4: The December 10<sup>th</sup> Christmas Concert is quickly approaching. Please assist your children in memorizing the words to songs and speaking parts. The concert is on Thursday, December 10<sup>th</sup> at 9:00AM and 7:00PM. Attire is red or green solid shirts/blouses, khaki pants, and gym shoes. This is a required performance for all students in Grades 2 and 4. Parents are asked to please contact coaches and/or extracurricular teachers to clear this date for the performance. Your assistance is appreciated. Please contact Mrs. Freas or your child's classroom teacher if you have any questions.

Also, we are in need of lighted reindeer for the stage decorations. If anyone has one or two we could use for the set design, they would be returned after the concert for your own holiday displays. Please contact Mrs. Freas or your child's classroom teacher.

**DRAMA CLUB NEWS:** The musical, "*The Music Man*" will be coming to the St. Greg's stage this May. The title of the production was announced On Sunday, November 22<sup>nd</sup> at the "Reveal Dinner". A HUGE thank you to all the volunteers, the board and especially the Stanzianos, who made the evening such a wonderful event!

**Attention:** All seventh and eighth grade parents, there will be mandatory meeting on Thursday, December 3<sup>rd</sup> to discuss auditions. The meeting will be held in the cafeteria.



## Breakfast with Santa

PRESCHOOL THROUGH GRADE 2 AND FAMILIES

Saturday, December 12<sup>th</sup>/Cafeteria doors open at 8:45AM

Continental Breakfast and Activities from 9AM-11AM

\$5.00 Per-person (Children under 2 are free)

Please return this invitation by Friday, December 4<sup>th</sup> with your check payable to St. Greg’s PTC. Questions call Denise Pease at (216) 299-0010.

NAME \_\_\_\_\_ # OF ADULTS \_\_\_\_\_

# OF CHILDREN \_\_\_\_\_ # OF CHILDREN UNDER \_\_\_\_\_

**Please bring your camera.**

Santa and Mrs. Claus will be available for pictures.

**ATTENTION ANYONE INTERESTED IN SKI CLUB IN GRADES 4-8**

To date, we only have about eight students that have turned in their forms for Ski Club. We are trying to get a good estimate of participants BEFORE the due date for the fee, which is December 11. If we do not have at least 30 participants, we may need to cancel for the season. PLEASE turn in your forms by TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 24 to Miss Vercellino. Thank you very much for your cooperation!

\*\*Also, if there are any 4th graders interested in Ski Club, we have room. Information is available online at [www.stgregoryonline.org](http://www.stgregoryonline.org), under the Student Life tab. See Mrs. Hanus for the Brandywine registration if interested.

**HEINEN'S DONATION PROGRAM:** It's so easy to help raise money for our school! Just sign up for Heinen's ABC program. Heinen's will then donate 1% cash of your purchases to St. Greg's.

- Sign up at [www.heinensrewards.com](http://www.heinensrewards.com) or call (216) 475-2300, ext. 2337, and they will sign you up
- Swipe your customer card when you shop at Heinen's. Get signed up for us to benefit from Heinen's donation program. Don't forget to share this with your family and friends!

Thanks for your support...**KEEPING ST. GREGORY GREAT ...TOGETHER!**

**Target/REDcard...Take Charge of Education: This is another easy fundraiser for our school. Target donates up to 1% of purchases made using the REDcard! It's simple, just follow the steps below. Apply**, get approved and get your REDcard (if you don't have one already).

**Enroll.** Sign up for Take Charge of Education and designate an eligible K-12 school.

**Shop.** Target will donate up to 1% of your REDcard purchases to your chosen school.\*

**Get Started...**Here's how to sign up for the Take Charge of Education program:

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- Enroll online – [Target.com/tcoe](http://Target.com/tcoe)
- Call 1-800-316-6142
- Enroll at an in-store kiosk

**Enroll Now...**We thank you for your support of our school. Any questions please contact Mrs. Wenzel at the school (216) 381-7781.

**ATTENTION...**Junior High Students  
Save the Date of December 18<sup>th</sup> for  
The Winter Wonderland Frenzy!  
Any questions, please call  
Maria Clifford 216-691-8969  
or Cherie Godnavec 440-443-0311  
Invitations will go home next week.

**THIS WEEK ONLY:** Every class is participating in a collection of small items for men and women in the military service in Afghanistan. On Friday, December 4<sup>th</sup>, students will fill Christmas stockings that the DeJohn Flynn-Mylott Funeral Home will collect for shipment to the soldiers. They suggest this list of items:

**ITEMS FOR SOLDIERS:**

- Candy Canes
- Hard Candy, Jolly Ranchers, etc.
- Chewing Gum, Mints
- Multivitamins, vitamin tablets or drops
- Moisturizer, Lip Balm
- Shampoo
- Eye Drops
- Sun Block
- Batteries-AA and AAA
- Deck of Playing Cards
- Crossword Puzzles
- Dominos
- CD's & DVD's