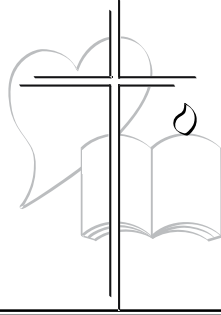


# ST. GREGORY THE GREAT SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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‘HOME OF THE JAGUARS’ FEBRUARY 8, 2007

From Mr. Taube: Dear Parents, Students and Faculty,

It is with deep regret that I announce I will be leaving St. Greg’s on February 16, 2007. This decision has come after much prayer and discussion with my family. In the end, my departure is about following my career aspirations and what would benefit my family the most. I came from Cleveland Public Schools three years ago, a product of the first series of lay-offs in that school district. Cleveland has called me back and I have accepted the position. The notice of call back at this time is very unfortunate. If I declined this position now, though, I would lose the opportunity to achieve my goal of being a high school teacher in the inner-city for years to come. I feel it is my calling to be a teacher for the underprivileged in our inner-city and I therefore must follow my dreams. My time at St. Greg’s has been memorable as I have grown in my teaching and in my love of God. I thank you all for your support over the three years I have been here and for making my experience at St. Greg’s excellent. I pray and hope that you can understand the decision I have made. I will forever keep St. Greg’s in my heart and in my prayers.

Yours in Christ,  
Marc Taube



## MICHAEL C. LICURSI ST. GREGORY THE GREAT JUNIOR HIGH SCHOLARSHIP

We are grateful to the Licursi family, who throughout the years, have supported Catholic education. The Licursi family is offering two scholarships for the 2007-2008 school year in memory of their son and brother, Michael. Each scholarship is a one time award of \$1000.00, applicable to students entering grade seven, and grade eight. Application forms (with requirements) are available in the main office. They must be returned by **Monday, April 2<sup>nd</sup>** for consideration.

Through their family’s involvement in the PTC, Athletic programs, and by their support of Catholic education (all three children are graduates of St. Gregory the Great Parish School) the Licursi family has given witness to the value of family involvement.

We thank them for their continued support of Catholic education, and for the opportunity to have Michael’s memory live on here at St. Gregory’s.

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**Scholarship News:** The St. Gregory Scholarship (\$200.00) and the Ray Paschal Memorial Scholarship (\$250.00) will be awarded separately to two students entering the eighth grade at St. Gregory’s who typify Catholic morality and service. The award will be applied to the student’s tuition. The applicant will need to write a two-page paper explaining the reason why he or she should be chosen. Each applicant will also be required to submit two letters of recommendation from a teacher or supervisor. The scholarship will be awarded based on the joint decision of the pastor and principal of St. Gregory the Great Parish School. All information can be obtained from the school office, and will need to be completed and returned by **Monday, April 2<sup>nd</sup>** for consideration.

**From the Parish Office:** The ACH form you received in your Registration packet is for families to use if they wish for the contributions to the Church for the Sunday collections. If you want to use the same form for your child/children’s tuition at the school, please contact the Credit Union for the loan information. Thank you!

**Many, many thanks to the PTC for the wonderful events of Catholic Schools Week; including Pastry with Parents, and the Staff Appreciation Luncheon. You make every event a joyful celebration!!**

**DIOCESAN TUITION ASSISTANCE – DEADLINE MARCH 1, 2007**

The PSAS application forms for tuition assistance are now available in the school office. Please stop by the office or call and request that a form be sent home with your child. The completed application along with a fee of \$20.00 must be mailed to the Private School Aid Service (PSAS) by March 1<sup>st</sup>. If you have any questions, please call the school (216) 381-0363.

**Parents/Important:** Drop-off times for the morning arrival are 8:00AM-8:15AM. Parents who need to drop-off their children earlier than 8:00AM are asked to register their child/children with our Before-Care Program (216) 382-9513. If you have any questions, please call the school office. Thank you!

**Dear parents...** we ask that you send in two 39 cent stamps with your child. These will be used for mailing out your child/children's report card at the end of the year. Thank you!

**From the PTC:** The meeting scheduled for Monday, February 12th, has been cancelled. The Women's Reverse Raffle committee will meet instead on the 12<sup>th</sup> at 7PM in the PFC.

**Correction:** In the parish bulletin it was stated incorrectly that the Endowment Board would meet on February 7<sup>th</sup>. The Endowment meeting will take place on Tuesday, February 13<sup>th</sup> as scheduled.

The School Advisory Board meeting that was scheduled for February 14<sup>th</sup> will not take place. That meeting was changed to February 7<sup>th</sup>.

**Attention Basketball Parents:** The volunteer schedule for the 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Roundball Classic Tournament is now posted on the St. Gregory the Great Parish School website. Please check the website for your assignment. If you cannot access the website, call Liz Jamieson at 216-691-9315 to confirm your assigned date. If you have a schedule conflict on the assigned date, we are asking that you find your own replacement.

**The Roundball Classic Tournament** is a source of funding for our athletic programs and would not be possible without the help of our many volunteers. Thank you in advance for your support of this event.

St. Gregory the Great Athletic Club

**St. Greg's Ski Club 2006/2007**

The St. Greg's Ski Club continues to ski every Friday. Because of the delay in getting our season started, we've extended the ski season by two weeks. We will ski Friday, February 16<sup>th</sup> and Friday, February 23<sup>rd</sup> will be our final day skiing as a group. After February 23<sup>rd</sup>, students' hang tags become all-day lift tickets for every Friday until the close of the 2006/2007 ski season. Students must bring their hang tags every Friday for skiing with the Ski Club. After our fifth session "February 16<sup>th</sup>" of skiing, hang tags cannot be replaced. Don't forget about your "Freebie" passes. Each student has three freebies for the season. Freebies can be used by family and friends as well as the skiers themselves. Parents, please be prompt in picking up your child at 7:30pm at the school from Ski Club. Any questions, please contact Adam Redding at (216) 381-1149.

**NOTES FROM THE MUSIC DEPARTMENT:** Grades 1, 3, and 5 will be presenting "February", a celebration of song and dance focusing on February Holidays on Tuesday, February 20<sup>th</sup> at 7:00PM in the school gym. Also featured will be the Junior High Chime Choir and Grades 5 & 6 Recorder Clubs. Admission is free for an evening that will put a smile on your face and chase away the winter chill.

Here is the result of the recent poll that was taken regarding starting time for school concerts for the 2007-2008 school year: total votes received 22 – **4(6:00PM) 9(6:30PM) 9(7:00PM)**

We would appreciate more input before we make a final decision. If you have not voted, please cast your vote and have your child return it to the classroom teacher. Thank you!

I would like student concerts to start at: (Circle one) 6:00PM 6:30PM 7:00PM

**Concert News:** Students in grades 1, 3, and 5 can now practice their concert songs at home; go to [www.stgregoryonline.org](http://www.stgregoryonline.org) click on "staff", then click on "music". Have fun!