

ST. GREGORY THE GREAT SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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Lord, during this Lenten season grant us true obedience according to the example of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Amen.

‘HOME OF THE JAGUARS’ MARCH 19, 2007

SCHOLARSHIP NEWS: **M. Thomas Moore Family Scholarship** (\$500.00) available in the school office upon request. For students entering grades two through eight. Requirements: Financial need and a PSAS form must accompany application. A letter is required by parent or student stating why he/she believes they meet the eligibility requirements. **Deadline is April 1st** (four awarded in the Diocese).

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 2nd** for consideration

MICHAEL C. LICURSI: 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 2nd** for consideration.

A Note from Fr. Ireland: Practice is scheduled for March 19th, 20th, and 21st at 2:45PM in the Church for those students (grades 5-8) who have signed up to become altar servers. If you have not signed up and want to be a part of this awesome ministry, please request a permission slip from the school office and bring the completed form along with you to the practice on Monday, March 19th.

CERTIFICATE PROGRAM NEWS: Malley Candy orders are ready for pick-up **TONIGHT** between 6:00-8:00PM in the PFC for those who ordered through the school office. Please be considerate and arrive during these scheduled hours. Online orders may be placed until April 1 and will be delivered directly to your household. Go to register.malleys.com and use our school code #299941.

Honey Baked Ham is offering an Easter special of 20% through April 2nd. All of our certificates make great Easter Basket treats, so hop to it and order today!



Meal Chain: Please accept a heartfelt “thank-you” to all the wonderful St. Gregory families who participate in the Parent’s Who Care Committee’s meal chain provided to our family. This thoughtful and generous support allowed us extra family time during our son’s recovery. Please know our appreciation and gratitude...we feel genuinely blessed with the gift of our St. Greg’s family!
Sincerely, the Knudson family

Basketball Winners: Congratulations to Coach Mike Krebs’ fifth grade girl’s basketball team for an undefeated regular season and for winning the St. Francis tournament on March 11th. The champs include: Samantha Bauman, Caroline Becker, Jessica Dahlhausen, Graceann Filippo, Bridget Karboski, Michelle Krebs, Mia Mastroianni, Julie Novario, Rachel Novinc, Anna Senchak, and assistant coaches Maureen Becker and Gary Novinc. Check out the team’s photo (with trophy) on our school’s website (www.stgregoryonline.org).

The St. Gregory the Great Wrestling team had a great season this past winter finishing with a 7 – 1 dual meet record and third overall in the CYO City Championship Tournament. We had 6 individual City Champions on our team, a new all-time record for CYO.

From St. Greg's we had three City placers, Matt Lawler took a first place finish for the second year in a row (Matt pinned EVERY CYO opponent throughout the season.) Conor Murray placed 5th and David Howells placed 6th in the City. Other St. Greg's students that were on the team this year were Max Furst, Michael Shaughnessy, John Lawler, Harry Ciasullo, T. J. Wenzel and A. J. Lichtinger.

Coaches from St. Greg's include Jim Lawler (program coordinator), Phil Madda (head coach) and Tim Wenzel.

At the end of the season the team put on two exhibitions; one for St. Greg's and one for St. Francis. They were well received and generated a lot of enthusiasm for the program for next year.

A number of our team members have continued on with wrestling as the overall season (outside of CYO) continues well into the spring. Boys from the team have competed in many tournaments with quite a few of the boys participating in the State Wrestling Championship series.

The team and coaches appreciate all of the support and encouragement that we received and our hopes are high for an even bigger team next year. We hope that many of you will consider joining the team in the fall. In the meantime, if you see any of the boys listed above please congratulate them on a fine job and wish them good luck in the future.

NEEDED: The school is always in need of half clean paper so teachers can duplicate it for use in the classrooms. We gladly accept donations and will use it to benefit our students. Thank you!

DATES TO REMEMBER

Mar 19	Malley's Pick-up 6-8PM PFC
Mar 21	Advisory Board Mtg. 7PM/Library
Mar 22	Stations of the Cross 2PM
Mar 23	School Mass 8:45AM

Spring Volleyball League and Instructional Camp

Girls Grades 4-7

Hurry, space is limited to the first 28 players.
For more information please call 330-278-2717
Forms went home in last week's packet.

Dear Parents,

At this week's Endowment Board meeting the trustees discussed a great idea for donors to reduce their taxes while building the school endowment in a loved one's name.

New legislation has been enacted by Congress that allows you to make a charitable gift to the St. Gregory the Great School Endowment if you have an IRA. The withdrawal is not included in your taxable income.

To qualify for this time-limited tax law (available now through December 2007)

- Individuals must be 70-1/2 years of age or older by the gift date.
- Gifts must be a transfer directly from an IRA to the charitable organization

Who should consider this opportunity?

- If you are required to take minimum distributions from your IRA and don't need the additional income. For example, if you are required to withdraw 5% from your IRA this year, you can transfer the entire amount to the School Endowment Fund.
- If you normally don't itemize your deductions. You can now enjoy the equivalent of a charitable deduction.

Check with your advisor about the best ways to take advantage of this new giving opportunity. As always we will be pleased to assist you in any way possible.

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