

ST. GREGORY THE GREAT!

SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

A NATIONALLY RECOGNIZED SCHOOL OF EXCELLENCE

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MARDIS GRAS...our sixth Annual Auction will be held on **Saturday, November 7th**. The past five years have been **GREAT!** Each year we strive for more participation from our families. There are so many ways to get involved and have a great time doing it. This is a huge undertaking and with a little help from everyone it benefits us all. It will help us keep Catholic Education strong and affordable.

***Consider becoming a patron for the event with a cash donation.**



Levels of patrons are as follows:

Blue: \$100.00-\$249.00
Gold: \$250.00-\$499.00
Platinum: Over \$500.00



Every Sunday we will be outside Tabor House to collect gifts and answer questions. **PLEASE SEND IN ALL GIFTS BY OCTOBER 11th** so your generosity can be acknowledged in the programs the evening of the event. **Coming home attached to the newsletter is the volunteer sign-up sheet. Please return by Monday, October 19th. Thank you!**

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We are in need of gift donations!! If each St. Greg's family brought in one gift, we would have over 280 gifts to bid on! What a fun experience the event would be. Please reach out to friends, family members, and businesses and tell them what a great and substantial fundraiser this is. It is for the future of all our children in Catholic Education here at St. Gregory the Great.

****Please get involved in *Mardi Gras* this year by joining the decorating committee for our silent auction. Please contact Sarah Tuggey at (216) 409-9289 if interested. Thanks!**

**St. Gregory the Great 6th Annual Silent Auction ~ "Mardi Gras – Nothin' but Beads"
Chinese Raffle Baskets ~ "The French Quarter"**

Did you know...

That the Chinese Raffle Baskets are made up entirely by the school families?

That the Chinese Raffle Baskets are an extremely important part of the Silent Auction?

That every donation, big or small, makes a huge difference?

That the Chinese Raffle Baskets made close to \$13,000.00 for the school and parish last year?

That the money raised during the Silent Auction is used to keep St. Gregory the Great School and Parish "GREAT" for ALL of its students?

Please help us carry on the tradition of excellence in our school! Deadline for donations is Thursday, October 8, 2009.

Questions? Please call,

Sandy Bauman 216-381-3221 or Laura Gielink 216-382-1049

MAGAZINE DRIVE: St. Gregory's Annual Magazine Drive fundraiser is winding down. We have one more turn-in day, Thursday, October 1st. Bonus prizes will be Cool Chick Weepul, double tickets and M&Ms for every sale.

I am pleased to announce that we have surpassed our second sales goal of 1000 sales, so Mr. Wilson has scheduled a school-wide dress down day for this Thursday, October 1st. Now on to our final goal of 1600 sales! If we reach 1600 sales, the entire student body will enjoy a Moon Dog and Scream Team Assembly.

Remember to visit www.qsp.com. St. Greg's school code is **425002953**. List the student and his/her homeroom number so that they will receive credit for the sale. Students will receive a special weepul and triple tickets for all internet orders. Internet sales must be made by 8:00AM Thursday, October 1st to be counted towards the drive.

The Prize Store will be open on Tuesday and Thursday, October 6th & 8th. Volunteers are needed to help. If you can help, please call Carol Sisson (216) 381-9317, or email her at pcja4639@sbcglobal.net. Thank you!!!

“HOME OF THE JAGUARS” SEPTEMBER 28, 2009



St. Gregory families: Tuesday, September 29th is picture day for grades K-8 and Wednesday, September 30th for the Preschool programs. This is a “dress-up” day for our students (no shorts please). Class photos are special mementos, so we want the students to look as good as possible. Please remember to send in your picture packet with your child/children on their assigned days. **The checks are to be made payable to “Ripcho Studio”.**

IMPORTANT REMINDERS: Please call the school office to make us aware of any changes in transportation with your child/children. Please discuss this with your child/children before they leave home in the morning.

Rushton Road is a bus loading and unloading zone before school and after school. Students are not to cross Rushton Road except at the crosswalk, unless they are walking with their parents.

We ask that our **NEW** families (in the 2009/2010 school year) who received the St. Gregory Family Handbook this past week in the Monday mail-pack to please send in the sign-off sheet at your earliest convenience.

St. Greg’s will host a Catholic High School Night for all Junior High students and their parents on Thursday, October 1st from 7-8:30PM. Area high school representatives will present information and answer questions about their school. Three 30 minutes sessions will be available.

IMPORTANT REMINDER: The application for the Free and Reduced Lunch Program is due Thursday, October 1st. If anytime throughout the school year your circumstances change due to loss of job or other difficulties in our struggling economy, please contact Mrs. Stanziano at (216) 381-7922 to apply for this program.

NEWS FROM THE CLINIC: Thank you to **Laura Cline, Lois Smith, Molly Clifford, Amanda Yarbrough, Kathy Cole and Sheri DeBalso** who helped with screenings for our Kindergarten classes last Monday. Your help was greatly appreciated.

TIME IS RUNNING OUT: September is Guild membership month and we are in the final days of the membership drive. We invite all women of the parish to join. All who join the Guild during this month will be entered into a drawing for a \$25.00 gift certificate from Legacy Village. All dues must be received by Thursday, October 1st to be included in the drawing. The winner will be notified by phone. The donation of \$10.00 (for dues) helps to purchase supplies that are used at the various events that we sponsor as well as other expenses incurred during the year. Please drop your “pink” Women’s guild envelope (from your monthly envelope pack) into the collection basket at church or drop it off at the rectory.

We hold our meetings on the second Tuesday of the month. We are involved in many activities such as: The Giving Tree, Deliver Easter plants to our homebound and nursing homes, Days of reflection, Living Rosary, Pilgrimages to various shrines, etc. We need your help and input as we strive to help our parish, our school and the PSR program. This past year we donated monies for the gutter repair on the John Paul II Youth Center, repairs to the rectory stairs, speakers for the computer monitors at school and for the PSR Scholarship fund. We hope to welcome you at one of our meetings or events. If you have any questions please call Mr. Bea Krajnak at (216) 382-6728. Thank you.

ATHLETIC CLUB NEWS: Winter Sports Registration will be held in the PFC on Monday, October 5th and Tuesday, October 6th from 6:30 to 8PM. The SGAC must receive a registration form and payment by October 6th in order to enroll your child in a sport. The CYO Winter Sports Registration form can be printed from the “Forms” page on the school website at www.stgregoryonline.org/forms.html#Athletics and completed prior to registration. The forms will also be available on registration night. Registration will be considered complete upon receipt of a completed registration form and participation fee. The St. Greg’s Athletic Club will also have Athletic Club wear for sale on registration night. The following Winter Sports will be offered:



CYO Boys and Girls Basketball	4th thru 8th grade	\$75.00
CYO Boys Wrestling Boys	4th thru 8th grade	\$75.00
Intramural Boys and Girls Basketball	3rd grade	\$55.00

The Respect Life Committee of St. Gregory the Great Parish cordially invites our faculty, staff, parish, and school families, to participate in a memorable and necessary event. On **October 4th** (Respect Life Sunday) at 12:45PM we will assemble on the grounds of St. Gregory and form a Life Chain encompassing the Mayfield and Green Roads intersection. This is an effort to be humble yet bold, as we stand united to give public witness against abortion.