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PANTHER PRINTS

The Official Newsletter of the St. James Grade School PTO

Check out our gardens!

Wait and see what is coming to our parish...some color? We are forming a gardening group to take care of and beautify the parish grounds. A landscaping company mulches and prepares the beds, but we are looking for folks to plant flowers and help with weeding during the growing season. Please pay attention as you walk our large parish grounds...and if you are interested in helping, needing service hours, or even if your troop/organization has already helped this year or in the past...please let us know! We are starting very informally, and would love anyone with some interest to contact us.

We are hoping for some positive feedback and some potential gardening helpers - no skill or green thumbs necessary, just some outdoor enthusiasm to help us get our flower/tree beds looking sharp.

To begin, we'd like to start on the 15th of each month, May 15th, June 15th, July 15th, August 15th. If you are interested, bring small gardening tools, garbage bags, etc. We will begin around 9:30 am each time.



For more information or would like to get involved, please contact Karen Orth 741-7271 or Lynne Archdeacon at 385-5832.

Hamilton County Libraries

The Hamilton County Libraries have many resources for parents and students. Your child can go to <http://kidspace.cincinnati.org/> to learn about the exciting programs going on, find jokes and recommend a book.

For information about the Summer Reading Program, Lights, Camera, Read... go to <http://www.cincinnati.org/SummerRead/src2010/default.aspx>.

School Supply Kits

The end of the school year is fast approaching. Enjoy your summer and don't worry about getting the school supplies for next year by ordering your child's kit now. If you have lost your form or didn't get one, go to the PTO web site and print one off from the "PTO Forms" tab. Send the completed form along with your payment (check preferred) to the attention of PTO School Supply Kit. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Patti Quinn @ pquinnoh@fuse.net.

St James Daisy and Brownie Round Up

Come and learn about the Girl Scout program at St James. Girl Scouting builds girls of courage, confidence and character, who make the world a better place. Our

round up is for any parent with a student interested in becoming a girl scout for the 2010-2011 school year. This adult meeting will be on Thursday May 20th in the St James cafeteria from 7:00-8:00pm. For more information please call Julie Stenger at 245-9456

Grow With Us!

American Heritage Girls is now accepting registrations for the 2010-2011 school year. All girls KG thru 8th grade are invited to register for St. James troop 1843 on May 17th, from 7-8pm in the Seniors Room. AHG offers:



- One meeting time for all ages, twice a month after school
- Service projects through which girls have a positive impact on their community and beyond
- Enhancement of life skills through the merit badge program
- Outdoor adventures, social events and much more!

Check out our web site for more information: www.ahg1843.org If you can't make it to our sign-ups, but are interested, please contact Karen Orth at 741-7271.

Find out how you can Grow in Faith, Build Friendships and have Fun with American Heritage Girls!



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SPRING CONCERT TIME!

St. James beginning and advanced band members will be performing their Spring Concert in the Church undercroft on Tuesday, May 18th. Beginning band will play at 7:00 PM, with the advanced band starting at 7:45 PM. The band will be made up of students from St. Mary, Our Lady of Grace, and our St. James White Oak students. Please come to see and listen to our talented musical students!

MCAULEY MAY FINE ARTS EVENTS

CINCINNATI, OH – April 19, 2009 – At McAuley High School, a brilliant balance exists between academics, athletics, service, and fine arts, and McAuley's Fine Arts Department proudly presents two fine arts events in mid-May. The annual **Spring Concert**, featuring McAuley's award-winning Vocal Ensemble, fantastic Chorus, and 47-member Orchestra, will be held on Friday, May 14, at 7:30 p.m. in the performing arts center. Tickets are \$5 at the door.

On Sunday, May 16, the annual **Spring Art Show**, featuring works of art from current students as well as alumnae, will be presented. The art will be displayed from 1-4 p.m. in the art wing and throughout the ground floor corridor. Admission for the art show is free. Art will also be on display prior to the Friday concert.

For more information about either event, please call (513) 681-1800 x 2228 or email whitem@mcauleyhs.net.

SJAC NEWS

GIRLS BASKETBALL TRYOUTS

Tryouts for the girls' basketball 2010 season will be held on the following dates, all at St. James:

- **Saturday, May 15th**
8th Grade -- 9:00 to 10:15 AM, 7th Grade -- 10:30 to 11:45 AM, 6th Grade -- 12:00 to 1:15 PM,
5th Grade -- 1:30 to 2:45 PM.
- **Monday, May 24th**
3rd Grade -- 5:00 to 6:00 PM, 4th Grade -- 6:15 to 7:15, 5th Grade -- 7:30 to 8:30 PM
- **Tuesday, May 25th**
6th Grade -- 5:00 to 6:00 PM, 7th Grade -- 6:15 to 7:15 PM, 8th Grade -- 7:30 to 8:30 PM.

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Please arrive a few minutes early to enable the tryouts to begin on time! Tryouts are closed to parents, only coaches / evaluators will be allowed to observe. Any questions, please contact Co-Coordinators, Rick Groene rgroene@fuse.net or Niccia Smith niccia_scott@fuse.net.

SJAC GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

The final general membership meeting for the Athletic Club will be held Monday evening, May 24th, at 7:00 PM in the Seniors' Meeting Room in the Parish Center. If you have not attended previously, please consider a visit. If you would like to know more about our big fundraiser in October and want to see what you can volunteer to do, please come!

SJ FIELD PARKING REMINDERS FOR GAMES, PRACTICES AND LADIES SOFTBALL ON WEDNESDAYS

Don't forget, no parking allowed in the Heids' Lanes parking lot adjacent to our STJ Field lot. See parking link on SJAC website, and please park only in marked spaces. We need to keep the emergency / maintenance vehicle entrance clear, which is located between the can recycling bin and the trash dumpster. A new sign will now remind you of this request. The lots across the street available to St. James after business hours are Cincinnati Dental Labs, GCAP Office, and Bushwackers Salon. Parking anywhere else, including in Heids' lot, could result in your vehicle being towed. Please use the main entrance of the fields to get to field # 3, don't use the old driveway behind Heid's. Thank you for your cooperation!

