

May 5 , 2010



# PANTHER PRINTS

*The Official Newsletter of the St. James Grade School PTO*

## Lunch Guardians Needed!

The PTO Staff Appreciation Luncheon is quickly approaching, and we need your help! On Friday, May 14<sup>th</sup>, the school staff will be treated to special lunch provided by the PTO. In order to give our staff a few minutes to relax and enjoy the company of co-workers, the PTO is looking for helpers to assist with recess duty as well as walking the students to and from the cafeteria. Weather permitting, we will be outside. If you are able to assist with lunchroom and recess patrol on May 14<sup>th</sup> from 11am - 1:30 pm, please e-mail Marla Kiley at [mkiley2@cinci.rr.com](mailto:mkiley2@cinci.rr.com) or call her at 385-9035.

Volunteers must have been fingerprinted and have attended the child protection class. Thanks you in advance for making our teacher's luncheon a little more peaceful for them!

## DON'T FORGET THE PANTHER BOOK CLUB!!!

Books are available for purchase all year long. For just \$10 you can purchase a book to commemorate a special occasion, to say Thank You or Happy Birthday, or in memory of a loved one. Order forms are available on the PTO web-site. Send orders to school in an envelope marked "Panther Book Club, attention: Jenny Acra". Checks can be made to St. James PTO. With your help, we can help build our library collection. Questions call

Kristin Smith 741-9032 or email at [ksmith637@cinci.rr.com](mailto:ksmith637@cinci.rr.com).

## 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 - ordering your child's kit now. If you have lost your form or didn't get one, please email Kelli Buttelwerth at [kbuttelwerth@cinci.rr.com](mailto:kbuttelwerth@cinci.rr.com) with the grades forms you need. 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](mailto: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 20<sup>th</sup> in the St James cafeteria from 7:00-8:00pm. For more information please call Julie Stenger at 245-9456

## SPRING CONCERT TIME!

St. James beginning and advanced band members will be performing their Spring Concert in the Church undercroft on Tuesday, May 18<sup>th</sup>. 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 SPRING SHOWCASE FOR 6<sup>TH</sup> AND 7<sup>TH</sup> GRADE GIRLS AND PARENTS

CINCINNATI, OH – April 14, 2010 – All sixth and seventh grade girls and their parents are cordially invited



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to McAuley High School's annual Spring Showcase on Thursday, May 13, from 6-8:00 p.m. Guests will begin with a barbeque buffet dinner. There will be presentations about scholarships, tuition grants, and work-credit programs. Also included will be valuable information about McAuley's TabletPC Program, as well as tours of McAuley's bright, spacious campus.

Information packets will be available and administrators will be on site to answer any questions. Reservations are not required but are appreciated. Please RSVP by May 10<sup>th</sup> to Kathy Dietrich: dietrichk@mcauleyhs.net or (513) 681-1800 x 2272.

## **SJAC NEWS**

### **GIRLS BASKETBALL TRYOUTS**

Please reference the SJAC website for information coming soon on the girls' basketball tryout dates and times.

### **SJ FIELD PARKING REMINDERS**

FOR BASEBALL / SOFTBALL GAMES AND 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, Group Health Associates, and Bushwackers. 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 Heids'. Thank you for your cooperation!

### **SJ FIELD IMPROVEMENTS**

Next time you are at a practice or ball game, take note of a few changes that have happened over the winter months. New backstop pads were added to lengthen the life of the fencing on all three diamonds. We have new and additional advertising banners that have been sold to help with club fund-raising. Thank you to these sponsors! Please make sure to frequent these local businesses that generously give to assist our club. And finally, the bright new look of the field bathrooms has been drawing praise from visitors far and wide!

Please do your part to help keep the fields, concession area, newly improved bathrooms, and parking lot looking great for our kids and our visiting schools. Don't forget about turning in your aluminum cans to the recycling bin at the fields, as it too is used to raise money to help with operations. If any group of team parents is interested, there is gardening work needed on the landscaping above the wall that runs past the football press box. Bushes need pruning, weeds need pulled, and there are branches growing over from the backyards on the other side of the fence. Also, if we all could better control the amount of traffic on the top of the wall, the landscaping will look much better when it is worked on! It would also allow many coaches to not have to worry about the unsupervised little ones falling off in front of their practice and team! Thanks to Brad Miller for the day he spent on one small stretch of this area near field #2.

## **SAVE THE DATE !!!**

Saturday Oct 16<sup>th</sup>, 2010 - mark it on your calendars and don't make any plans. The SJAC is in the processing of finalizing what we believe will be a fun night for all the moms and dads that make our club a great one. While this event will be a fund-raiser, we think you will enjoy the night at an event that will hopefully become an annual tradition for our club!



Stay tune for more information in the next couple weeks. Mark your calander today though !

# **Oct 16<sup>th</sup>**

