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MISSION STATEMENT: *Grand Traverse Area Catholic Schools are dedicated to providing a Catholic education ensuring educational quality for all families willing to enter into partnership to develop each child to use his her fullest spiritual and academic potential.*

Deadline for submissions to this newsletter is Thursday @ 11:00 a.m. Please email information for system-wide distribution to cnelson@gtacs.org. All previously submitted items have been italicized. New items are not italicized. Please email for Navigator to dkrueg@gtacs.org. **Published: 7 October, 2011**

***Our least action when done for
God is pleasing to Him.***

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton



Upcoming Events...

10/11 Mass at 10:00 a.m. in the Lunch Room

10/28 Gladhander Preview Night

10/30 Gladhander "Seuss on the Loose"

11/3 Picture Retakes

11/4 Full day of School for GTACS with PARENT PICK UP.

11/7 No School/Regional Staff Development day

11/10-11 Half Days/Parent Student Conferences/Parent Pickup

11/24-25 No School/Thanksgiving Break

11/28 No School/Staff Professional Development day

12/6 Spelling Bee in Gym 9:00 a.m.

12/13 Reconciliation

12/22 Half Day/Christmas Break Begins After Dismissal.

1/3 School Resumes

From the SEAS Office

Mrs. Phillips and our other principals are off to a conference this week so we wanted to take this time to pass on some useful information. Please call the office if you ever have any questions.

* Parent Internet Viewer: If you have not already done so, please log on to the Pinnacle Parent Internet Viewer. You were recently sent your temporary login information in the mail. You will immediately be asked to change your password. Once you are in the program, it is very important that you enter in your e-mail address as this will allow you to receive a message if you have forgotten your password. Take a few minutes to explore this Pinnacle program as you are able to set up alert messages to be sent to your e-mail when your student's grades fall below a certain threshold or have a missing assignment. It is a useful tool.

* Thank you!

Tom's Receipts Due NOW

Please send in all Tom's receipts dated July, August, and September 2011. They are due by next Wednesday, Oct. 12th to qualify for the 1% cash back program benefitting our schools. We receive about \$1,000 each year from Tom's thanks to your help.

Gladhander Raffle

Be the lucky winner of a 2012 Mercedes-Benz C Class or a 2012 Cadillac SRX...or \$32,000 cash! Raffle tickets are \$125 each or 2 for \$200. Call 941-4523 today to purchase. Help SEAS win the Raffle Ticket Contest.....New this year, all four schools are competing to win a cash prize! Please make sure to mark the bottom of your Raffle Ticket (SEAS).

Attention Choir Members

Just a reminder that all SEAS choir members need to be at Christ the King on Sunday, Oct. 9th at 1:45 p.m. for rehearsal. The concert to celebrate the 40th Anniversary of the Diocese will begin at 4 p.m. (Students will stay from rehearsal until the concert). Our choir was asked to be at this celebration from Bishop Hebda. All SEAS choir students are to wear khaki pants or skirt with one of their navy blue shirts. Questions? Contact Director of Choirs, Scott Carter at scarter@gtacs.org

Guys and Dolls Musical Information

Due to an overwhelming number of high school students who auditioned for this year's February musical of "Guys and Dolls", all roles were filled. Therefore, there will not be auditions for middle school students. Every year we never know how many students are going to audition and in past years have opened up chorus roles to middle school students. We look forward to working with you when you are at St. Francis High School. Save the dates of Feb. 10-12 and 17-19 to come and see our high school musical of "Guys and Dolls". Thank you for your support and interest of our growing musical program! Directors: Jenn Miles jimiles525@yahoo.com and Scott Carter scarter@gtacs.org

Parent Lunch Duty Schedule and Diocesan Prayer Request for the week of 10/10-14/2011

Our prayers are for...

Rev. Joseph Graff	Rev. John Grathwohl	Rev. John Greene	Rev. David Greka	Rev. Zeljiko Guberovic
MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Parker Wilson Alec Presley	Kelly Kazmierski Bridget Puetz	Olivia Cvengros Sophia Elhart	Kim McCullen Shelbie Darga	Tina Bosio Olivia Schmitz

Please plan to be at school from 11:15 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. on your scheduled day. If you cannot make your day please find a replacement or send \$15 to the SEAS office to hire a sub with at least 24 hour notice.

Beatitude of the Month (October)

Blessed are they who mourn, for they will be comforted.

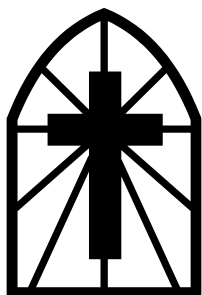
Our Prayers are....

For Dennis Hougen, grandfather of new 8th grade student Kendra Charters, may he feel comfort and peace from the Holy Spirit as he deals with his illness.

For all those with chronic or terminal illnesses, may they be comforted by the fact that their suffering brings them closer to Christ and may they feel His peace.

For a return of our country to the understanding of the sacredness of life at all stages.

That God give us a hun-



Heavenly Father,
Your Son told us to ask You to send workers into the harvest. Bless our beloved Diocese of Gaylord with: holy priests and seminarians who radiate Your love; zealous religious who imitate Your Son's poverty, chastity and obedience; devoted deacons who inspire us to ever greater service; faithful husbands and wives who reflect Christ's love for His spouse, the Church; and single men and women who love You above all else. Through the intercession of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel, open the hearts of those who have yet to discern their calling to the still whisper of Your voice and the transforming power of Your grace. Send Your Holy Spirit to help us recognize Your will and embrace it in loving trust. As we each strive to live out our vocation, may our humble efforts proclaim Your greatness and secure this local Church on the firm foundation that is ONLY JESUS!
Bishop Bernard Hebda, Diocese of Gaylord, January, 2011

Playground Equipment Needed

If you are doing some fall cleaning in the garage or basement, please know we are in need of playground equipment for our SEAS students. We accept gently used and new basketballs, footballs, hula hoops, jump ropes, frisbees, soccer balls, etc.

Thank You

A great big thank you goes out to Larry Hathaway, grandfather of Dominic Hathaway (7), for the beautiful handmade chess board he made and gave to our school. What a blessing that he shares his God given talents with us. May God bless you and your family.

TCAPS Bus Evacuation Drills

Attention all student bus riders. Please be advised the TCAPS will be conducting there annual Bus Evacuation Drills this fall. Please see the schedule below for date. All drills are conducted in the morning.

Tuesday, October 25th

- TC West Middle School
- TC West Senior High
- TC High @ West Middle School
- Interlochen
- Westwoods

Wednesday, October 26th

- TC East Middle School
- TC Central High School
- TC High at EMS
- Blair
- Courtade
- Eastern
- Old Mission

Thursday, October 27th

- Long Lake
- Silver Lake
- Traverse Heights
- Willow Hill

Friday, October 28th

- Central Grade
- Cherry Knoll
- GTACS Shuttle at SEAS

Parent Teacher Council Needs You!

The mission of the GTACS PTC is to contribute to the educational success of the students attending GTACS by fostering a partnership between families, staff, administration, and the community which promotes a positive faith-based environment, valuing everyone's participation. The PTC will fulfill its mission by focusing on the following core values: open communication, fundraising, educational enrichment, sense of belonging, and school spirit.

Our Next meeting we will discuss/plan the following:

Magazine Drive Wrap-up

Need for volunteers

Festival of Trees

Candy Cane Workshop

Fundraising Ideas

In order to achieve our mission we need the help of GTACS families.

Please consider giving an hour of your time.

October 12, 12 noon in the Immaculate Conception lower level

November 9, 12 noon in the SEAS office

December 14, 12 noon at a Holy Angels location TBD

January 11, 6:30 pm* in the IC lower level

February 8, 12 noon, SEAS office

March 14, 12 noon, Holy Angels location TBD

April 11, 12 noon in the Immaculate Conception lower level

May 9, 12 noon, SEAS office

Girls Basketball 5th and 6th Grade

Attention all parents and girl basketball players. Our 5th and 6th grade girl's basketball season is set to start off on Monday Oct. 17th. The Girl's varsity coach, Mr. Bill Bayer, will run a clinic for both the girls and their coaches on the first day of practice! The two following days (Tuesday and Wednesday Oct. 18th and 19th) will be used for team selection. The only flaw in this plan is we need parent volunteers to coach the kids. If you are interested in coaching, please contact Julie Forlenza ASAP. The first three days will be as follows.

October 17-18-19, 2011

5th grade girls practice at IC 2:45 – 4:15

6th grade girls practice at IC 4:30 – 6:00



After Wednesday Oct. 19th, the coaches will set up their own practice schedules and will notify parents. If you have any questions, please contact Julie Forlenza at 995-8462.