



HAMMER TIME BY SHARON HAMMERSCHMIDT



Where has September gone? So many things have already taken place here at school.

- Saturday, September 25th was the Moms to Moms Sale. I know that there were many hands that helped with this event but a special thank you to Mrs. Walmsley and Mrs. Mason for their work. Thank you also to the families who donated baked goods, water, etc... to help make this event a huge success.
- The kindergarteners had their first field trip scheduled to the apple orchards. Unfortunately, the weather didn't cooperate and their trip had to be rescheduled. I know that they are looking forward to picking apples and a pumpkin. The rule is that they can get any pumpkin as long as they can carry it themselves.
- The football and volleyball teams and cheerleaders have been in full swing. There is still time to check out a game, see the Herald for the schedule.

As you can see, there are a lot of activities that have already gone on and there are many, many more that will take place.

- IOWA testing begins the week of October 4th-8th.
- October 6th there is a mandatory meeting for all parents of 8th graders who will be receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation this year. This meeting will take place

6:30-8:30 p.m. in the church.

- October 8th, the U of M/MSU Pep Rally in the gym at 2:30. Students may wear jeans/sweatpants/sweatshirts of their favorite college or university.
- October 16th- Autumn Splendor-Daddy/Daughter dance, 6:00 – 8:30 p.m. in the FBAC. Tickets are now available for \$5.00 per person in the school office.
- No school on October 22nd as this is a Teacher-In-Service day.
- October 22nd is the Evening in Paris Tuition Assistance Strolling Dinner.

Please consider attending this year's Tuition Assistance event, "**An Evening in Paris**" event. Tickets are available in both the school and parish offices for \$50.00 a person. You will enjoy an evening of good food and good wine as you stroll the streets of Paris.

Tuition assistance funds are necessary for families that experience financial hardship during the school year making it difficult for them to make their financial obligation. It is through the generosity of parishioners, family and friends of Guardian Angels and Bishop Foley that make this fund possible. Thank you for considering this worthwhile event.

EDDY'S EDGE BY ANNE EDDY

It is important to have all of our parents be an active part of our anti-bullying program at Guardian Angels Catholic School. Thank you to all the parents who attended the Aggression Prevention Parent Meeting with Dr. Marcia McEvoy.

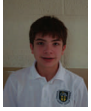
Whether you attended the meeting last year or this year, the message was the same; mean/aggressive behavior is not allowed at Guardian Angels Catholic School. Please utilize the hand outs that Dr. McEvoy

provided to assist your child in handling bullying situations. Encourage your child to safely stand up to bullies and be a good bystander. There are many strategies in the hand out that you can use to aid your child.

In addition to using these strategies, please make sure you notify the school of the situation. Many times, we are not aware of the situation, so we are unable to help. Together, we can build confidence and ensure a safe environment for all our students.

STUDENT OF THE MONTH AWARDS

6th Grade



David Anstett

Zachary Nowak

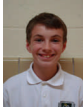


7th Grade



Rita Benjamin

Jameson Sinagoga



8th Grade



Brendan McGowan

Julia Saad



THE LIFE OF A 6TH

Academy life is, "Awesome!" says Nick Peper, while Chase Caribardi claims that "The academy adds responsibility, which makes me feel more mature." Certainly, the lockers and the busy schedule of the day is a challenge, but the sixth graders were ready and are enjoying the changes.



Math class has been concerned with refreshing our computation skills while we work on solving equations and learning the importance of the order of operations in problem solving.



Language Arts has kept the sixth graders busy with count and non-count nouns, as well as preparing introductory and concluding paragraphs. All this work is leading up to their first

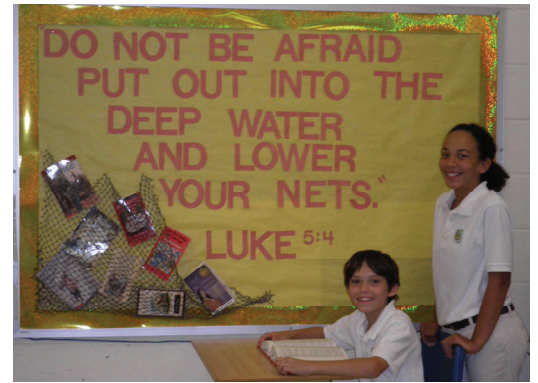
essay, a personal narrative!

Vocabulary! In Literature, the students



have been expanding their vocabulary in fun and interesting ways. Unfortunately, it also means that they will be taking their first vocabulary test!

The all school Masses to celebrate the Nativity of Mary and the Exultation of the Cross allowed us to bring our first grade buddies to worship in church. Sharing worship times with the younger students helps us remember that all we do in prayer brings us closer to the Lord.



St. Nicholas Cookie Walk

**Saturday,
December 4, 2010**

Bakers and workers needed .

To volunteer, please go to

www.bishopfoley.org, and click on Volunteers.

Congratulations to our 2010-2011 Student Council Officers

President

Michael Schowalter

Vice President

Jaymes Jackson

Secretary

Sarah McLampy

Treasurer

Michaela Lewalski

Chaplain

Ricky Carey

Class Representatives

Raymond Pippin, AJ Rowe, Ethan Groth, Erin Whitman, McKayla Krygier, Callaghan TysonMayer, Rita Benjamin, Natalie Jeffries, Katie Bromm, Gina DeLaRosa, Samantha Casadonte

GAP NEWS

By: Doug Fontair - GAP President

Guardian Angels Parents...

(GAP for short). We are about Parents for kids. I would like to introduce you to your GAP Board for the 2010-2011 school year. Joe Campanelli, the former President of GAP, is now our Vice President. Joe is about community, from his beginning prayer to "Why" and "What" we need to reach out and touch our children's school community. Bruce Kowal is our Treasurer. He is the "How" in our group. He is our "go to guy" with any kind of funding that our school needs, be it educational or entertainment. Phyllis Rynne is our secretary. She has a sharp pencil and does a great job with recording and keeping track of everything. She never forgets the "What" we are supposed to be doing to ensure we stay on track with our goals. I am Doug Fontair, the President of GAP. "Where" I fit in is to be aware of the needs of our school.

As you can see, I do not do this all by myself but am surrounded by a fantastic Board that answers the "Who" "What" and "How" of this parent/school community. We are only a handful of people on this

board and our directions are limited without everyone participating. If you would like to know "Where" "What" or "How" we make our decisions, we ask that you attend some of our meetings. We welcome you to attend our monthly meetings to participate in some of the decisions in your child's school community. It's only a moment in a lifetime, but your child will always remember you took the time to be involved. We would like you to help us explore the many options open to creating a caring, Christian community by being involved in GAP.

Please accept our invitation to come and hear the "Who" we are and "What" we would we like to accomplish and "How" it will affect GA. You are needed to help to us answer these questions!

Hope to see you at our next meeting on Oct. 12th at 7pm in Room 114.

HAPPENINGS FOR OCTOBER

- Oct. 12th GAP/SAC Meeting
- Oct. 16- Daddy Daughter Dance 6pm FBAC
- Oct. 22- NO SCHOOL - Teacher-In-Service.
- Oct. 22 - Tuition Assistance Dance 6pm FBAC
- Oct. 29- GAP Family Bingo Night 6pm FBAC



Bishop Foley Catholic School
32000 Campbell
Madison Heights, MI 48071

Touring Tuesdays

Bishop Foley Catholic High School is a region, co-ed high school with Christian values. It is centrally located near I-75 and I-696.

**Come and tour
Bishop Foley
Catholic High
School on any
Tuesday from
10 am - 2pm.**

You'll see how we strive to achieve spiritual, academic, and personal success, not only in high school, but in the future.

Call 248-586-1210 or go to www.bishopfoley.org for more information.

GUARDIAN ANGELS & BISHOP FOLEY TUITION ASSISTANCE

An Evening in Paris

Friday, October 22, 2010

\$50.00 per person

tickets available in Parish & School Offices

Fr. Bretz Activity Center

Guardian Angels, Clawson - (248) 588-1222

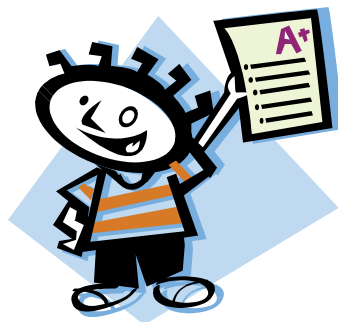
Hors d'oeuvres & Cocktails - 6:30 pm

Strolling Dinner - 7:30 pm

Dress attire requested

IOWA TESTING IS OCTOBER 4-8.

Please make sure your child gets plenty of rest and eats a healthy breakfast each day.



**The GAP Family
Bingo Night
is on Friday, October 29
at 6pm
in the FBAC (gym).**



Athletics

Guardian Angels Athletics is ready to introduce our new website
www.angelsathletics.com

That's right, a new website specifically for information about Athletics including game schedules, locations, rosters, practice information and most importantly online registration. There is even an email and text feature that will send notifications to your email and/or mobile phone to remind you of games, practices or any changes to the schedule. What a great way to stay informed.

Starting this fall, we did a trial run with our soccer team and had great success. Now we are ready to roll it out to all our sports teams. All Winter sports registrations will be accepted online, only. Online payment is also being setup. Registration is easy, just go to the website and click on the register online button on the right hand column and pick a team to register. First time registers will have to create a log in and provide an email address. Then you are in, ready to receive all the updates and read the news about GA Athletics. So go ahead and create a log in now. Winter sports are right around the corner.

Go Angels!!



GA Angel Savers Club

See you at the Club on the following
Thursdays:
October 7 & October 21

If you'd like to become a member of the Angel Savers Club or have any questions, please stop by the main office to pick up an application or contact Business Development at MCCU at 1.866.669.6228.



Today's Students
 Tomorrow's Leaders

**Bishop Foley
 17th Annual Auction**

November 6, 2010

**Special Preview
 5:00 pm (\$75.00)**

**General Admission
 6:30 pm (\$40.00)**

Dinner

**Silent and Live
 Auctions**

Contact Advancement
 Office ext. 139,
colwander@bishopfoley.org
 or auction@bishopfoley.org

Auction item
 donations and
 sponsorships are now
 being accepted

Euchre Parties

Field House \$10
 3rd Saturday
 of every month





HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO:

OCTOBER

- 1 - Mallory Johnson
- 2 - Ann O'Neil
- 4 - Alyssa Flowers
- 5 - Fiona Bracken
- 5 - Jessica Taylor
- 6 - Luke Decker
- 7 - James Kennedy
- 8 - Sophia Mick
- 11 - Elizabeth Ankrapp
- 13 - Gillian Cabrera
- 14 - Hannah Pattinson
- 14 - Amanda Stinson
- 15 - Jack Beddow
- 19 - KaiLee Brown
- 20 - Jack Gryebet
- 20 - Grant VandeKerhoff
- 22 - Claire Craig
- 22 - John Powers
- 24 - Katie Newcomb
- 25 - Hannah Murphy
- 26 - Sebastian Almacci
- 26 - Lydia Maggi
- 28 - Chase Carbardy
- 28 - Elizabeth Motowski
- 30 - Bryce Doss
- 30 - Ellen Petty
- 31 - Erin Whitman

NEWS From the God Squad

By Mr. Kuhar and Mr. Waligora

We know you have been anxiously awaiting the next segment from "The God Squad". So without further adieu here it is. Grab a cup of Joe, sit back, and enjoy!! Children are one of the greatest gifts entrusted to us by God. Along with that gift comes a great responsibility to nurture and educate them. This includes education in the faith as well as social and otherwise. This means that our task as educators and parents is critical in helping to shape and to form the hearts and minds of our young people into faithful, zealous, followers of the Lord. Our actions first and foremost have the greatest effect on our young people. If they see us practicing our faith with joy and striving to grow in a relationship with the Lord through prayer, they will want to do the same.

As they grow and gain wisdom they notice even more if our actions are representative of what is being taught. Having the knowledge of the faith is important, but that alone does not get us to heaven. We have to practice our faith and be willing to go the extra mile. We have to want it, pursue it, and go after it. We have to get down on our knees and pray; we have to be generous with our time, talent, and treasure; we have to be willing to die to self and live for Christ!

It is vital that we model this for our young people so that they will have good holy examples to look to in their everyday life. Study the lives of the saints with them at home; spend time reading and discussing the

scriptures before Mass; model an example of generosity by doing service together on a Saturday morning. We realize that all of this takes time and may seem overwhelming but this is where the rubber meets the road so to speak. Our relationship with the Lord has to take priority and must be the focus of our lives. We are called to know, love, and serve God in this life and to be happy with Him forever in the next. Let's not get bogged down in the temporary life here on earth, but make our goal to get to heaven and encourage those we encounter to do the same.

Just a reminder there is a parent only meeting on October 6th from 6:30-8:30 P.M. for all parents of Confirmation students. On October 20th from 7-8:45 P.M. there is a parent only meeting for parents of those receiving the sacraments of reconciliation and communion for the 1st time.

In Christ's Peace,

Rick Waligora and John David Kuhar



Thank you

to everyone who used the
Target Red Card. As a
 result of earning 1% on
 every purchase, **Guardian
 Angels Catholic School**
 earned **\$800.**

GAP enriches the students'

Thank you to GAP for funding the Windy City Players' presentation of *Robin Hood* for the students in preschool through 8th grade. The Windy City players is a professional theater company based in Chicago, IL that tours the country bringing live theater to schools. The actors portray a variety of characters and include the audience members



into the show throughout the performance. Five of our students were able to be featured in the play with roles such as Friar Tuck, Will Scarlet, and police officers. This was a wonderful enrichment for all the students to experience.



NEWS FROM THE ART ROOM

Casting Out Our Creativity!

In the art room, grades K-8 have been busy with their designs for Square 1 Art. On Oct 11th, the students will get free stickers depicting this artwork. If families wish, they may order other items with their child's artwork, such as ornaments, t-shirts, tote bags, water bottles and more. This fundraiser gives us art supplies for the whole school.

In third grade, we made clay versions of the candy skulls that are made in Mexico during the Days of the Dead celebration. This is a celebration where they celebrate their ancestors with a festival and many delicious foods. All of these delicious looking clay skulls will be in our annual Guardian Angels Catholic School Art Show, in January. Five of our 3rd graders have been chosen by an impartial judge to be in the Michigan Art Education Association's Kids and Clay digital art show. This show will be during the annual conference at the Hyatt Regency in Dearborn, Nov. 4th-7th.

Congratulations to all our 3rd graders and to our five students in this MAEA show. These five are, Hannah Murphy, Emily Williams, Andrew Kolf, Samantha Mason and Jameson Jodway.

In the Art Angels club, we have begun making our own version of some of the artwork that you see in the Louvre, in Paris France. These pieces are for our tuition assistance party on Oct. 22nd. We are also making items that Mrs. Coyne's will be selling in Nov. at the parent/teacher conferences. The money raised will go to charity.



UPCOMING EVENTS AT GA

OCTOBER

- 1 - K-12 Mass with
Archbishop Vigneron
- 4 - 8 - IOWA TESTING
- 8 - U of M/MSU
Pep Rally @ 2:30pm
- 8 - Market Day
- 11 - Square 1 Art Sale Begins
- 12 - GAP Meeting @ 7pm
- 16 - Daddy/Daughter Dance
- 22 - No School
- Teacher In-Service
- 22 - Tuition Assistance -
An Evening in Paris
- 25 - Student Aggression
Prevention Training
- 27 - AR Points Due
- 29 - End of the 1st Quarter
- 29 - GAP Bingo @ 6pm

NOVEMBER

- 5 - Market Day
- 9 - GAP Meeting @ 7pm
- 11 - No School - Parent
Teacher Conferences
- 12 - No School
- 23 - GAP Pizza Lunch
- 24 - 1/2 Day (noon dismissal)
- 25 - 26 - No School -
(Thanksgiving Break)

Kriza's Korner

By Sharon Kriza



Article #7 - Check Yourself

By: Chick Moorman

“Check Yourself,” I said to Austin recently, “and make sure you have all your equipment for your Tae Kwon Do lesson. “I have it all,” he replied (without checking), and he placed his Tae Kwon Do bag on the back seat of the car. We began the 30 min. trip to his lesson. Actually, Austin, age 12, didn’t have all his equipment. His headgear was on his bed at home. I spotted it there moments before we left.

When I spotted it I had several choices: Remind him that it was on his bed. Put it in the trunk and give it to him later. Tell him that because he didn’t have all his stuff, he wasn’t going. Use “check yourself” Parent Talk. I decided on the last, “check yourself” response. I did so because my job as a parent is to teach my child a system. It’s Austin’s job to use the system. I bought him a Tae Kwon Do bag with a place for each piece of his equipment. I taught him how to use it. End of my responsibility, beginning of his. If I remind Austin that he doesn’t have all his equipment the first time it happens, I’m a nice guy. If I remind him a 2nd time, he’ll begin to expect my reminder. If I help him out a 3rd time, I have a new job. I have unofficially become reminder person. I don’t want that job. I already have enough jobs. It’s Austin’s job to make sure he has all his equipment, not mine. So off I went, knowing full well he would not be able to participate.

When we arrived, I let Austin out and parked the car. By the time I joined

him he was in a panic I can’t find my headgear” he screamed. “You’re kidding”, I replied pretending to know nothing of his predicament. (I successfully resisted the urge to say “I thought you checked yourself and that you had all your equipment.”) “Someone must have stolen it!” he exclaimed, disowning responsibility for its whereabouts. “Well, I explained, you do have choices, like checking the lost and found or asking your coach if he has a loaner”. I will be back in a couple of minutes, I need to run to the restroom. (I did this to give him time to handle the situation himself, not be rescued by me.) When I returned, Austin was sitting on the side watching. He could not participate because he did not have all the necessary equipment.

On the way home I said nothing. In this case the consequence did the teaching. Any words I might have added would only have taken his focus off the teaching and placed it on the preaching. When we got home (some 2 hrs. after we left) Austin found his headgear on his bed. “I don’t know how it got there”, he offered. “Me neither,” I said.

The 2 hrs I spent and the gallons of gasoline I used were not wasted. They were invested in Austin’s future, placed securely in a responsibility bank account that he will be able to draw on later if he chooses. How long it takes him to learn that he’s responsible for his own equipment is up to him. I’m not in charge of when he learns the lesson, only whether or not he gets learning opportunities. I’m willing to take my responsibility, and leave space for him to take his.