

SACRED HEART CATHOLIC SCHOOL

GOOD NEWS BULLETIN

APRIL 2010

FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK-Recently members of the 2010 senior class traveled to Bryan/College Station to visit the Coalition for Life headquarters. The Coalition for Life is a community based pro-life organization made up of 60 churches and thousands of individuals who are working to end abortion. The headquarters is located purposely across the street from a Planned Parenthood abortion facility. Accompanying the students were David Smolik, Fr. Michael Rother, Ruth Barton, and Tom and Sharon Wick.

The Coalition for Life offers free self-administered pregnancy tests, free and confidential pregnancy counseling, and scheduling for free ultrasound. The Coalition for Life is there to help women by showing them that they can rise above abortion and live happy and fulfilling lives. The resources available provide support to all women whether they are considering abortion, have already had an abortion, or just need help with their pregnancy.

Stand and Pray is an opportunity offered by the Coalition for Life for volunteers to sign up for one hour a week to stand and silently pray in the public right-of-way in front of the Planned Parenthood abortion facility in Bryan. Everywhere this strategy is organized effectively, it is successful. Dozens of clinics have closed nationwide and in Texas.

We were able to Stand and Pray for an hour in front of the abortion facility. We recited the rosary and prayed silently. It was a very spiritual and inspirational experience for all.

We ask that you encourage your children who may be attending Texas A & M University to volunteer some time at the Coalition for Life. It is located at 4012 East 29th Street in Bryan. The telephone number is 979-846-2825 and their website is info@coalitionforlife.com.

Please continue to pray for the respect for all life and become active in the pro-life ministry.

EARLY DISMISSALS:

Thursday, April 1	HOLY THURSDAY	NO SCHOOL
Friday, April 2	GOOD FRIDAY	NO SCHOOL
Monday, April 5	EASTER MONDAY	NO SCHOOL
Friday, April 16	Dismiss at 12:00 noon	Marathon NO EXTENDED CARE

REGISTRATION 2010-2011 – A special thank you to those persons who have already completed their registration for the 2010-2011 school year. The registration fee is **\$100.00 if paid by April 5, 2010. After April 5th, the registration fee will be \$150.00.**

TRUCK GIVE-A-WAY TICKETS AVAILABLE - A limited number of truck give-a-way tickets are still available. Please come by the school or the rectory if you are interested in purchasing a ticket. The truck raffle benefits the general operation fund of Sacred Heart Catholic School.

Tickets are \$100.00 each and the drawing will be held on May 30, 2010, at 8:00 p.m. at the Spring Church Picnic.

SECOND GRADE STUDENTS WILL RECEIVE FIRST COMMUNION-First Communion for the second graders will be held on Sunday, April 11, 2010, at the 10:30 a.m. Mass. Practice will be held on Saturday, April 10, 2010, at 9:00 a.m. in the Sacred Heart Catholic Church.

DOCTOR AND DENTAL APPOINTMENTS AND ILLNESSES – Please make every effort possible to schedule all doctor and/or dental appointments after 2:00 p.m. since prime time for learning and teaching is in the mornings. Also please notify the school office at least one day in advance about appointments and early pickups.

Please notify the school office by 8:15 a.m. whenever your child is ill, will not be at school or will be late. This will avoid having the school to call inquiring about your child's absence.

THANK YOU, POLKA FEST WORKERS - A special thank you to the Sacred Heart students, faculty, staff, and parents of Sacred Heart who worked at the Polka Festival on Saturday, March 27, and Sunday, March 28. Your help and support is greatly appreciated by the Knights of Columbus and Sacred Heart Catholic School.

The funds raised by the Polka Festival benefit the Sacred Heart Catholic School athletic program.

CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAS NATIONAL EDUCATION CONTEST-

Congratulations to the following students who placed in the Catholic Daughters of the Americas Educational Contest:

ART:

Division I: 1. Jyllian Hicks 2. McKenzie Bludau 3. Abigail Ross
Division II: 1. Blake Hermes 2. Bailey Grahmann 3. Walker Leopold

ESSAY:

Division I: 1. Hailey Steffek 2. Arik Shimek 3. Tabitha DeLaRosa
Division III: 1. Emily Seyl

POETRY:

Division I: 1. Jacob Janak 2. Brock Sitka 3. William Pettus
Division II: 1. Dustin Woytek 2. Callie Bludau 3. Luke Harper
Division III: 1. Morgan Meyer

COMPUTER ART:

Division I: 1. Ryan Hadash 2. Braden Popp 3. Cole Mullen
Division II: 1. Olivia Bohuslav 2. Madison Etzler 3. Nicholas Hadash

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Division II: 1. Alex Bennett 2. Cadie Perez 3. Kelton Koehne
Division III: 1. Ariane Kubena 2. Lauren Huser

ANNUAL FUND UPDATE-A total of \$32,605.00 has been received for the Annual Fund. We want to thank everyone who has contributed to our Annual Fund and encourage others to follow their leadership. Your generosity and participation ensures new generations of students have access to a Christian value-based education. Our goal this year is \$40,000.00.

The Annual Fund is still in progress throughout this school year. We ask your prayerful consideration of a tax-deductible donation as a vote of confidence in the quality and mission of Sacred Heart Catholic School. Thank you for your investment and renewed support.



IT'S MARATHON TIME-The Sacred Heart Catholic School family will host its annual Marathon for Catholic Education on Friday, April 16, 2010, from 9:00 a.m. until 12:00 noon on the school grounds. Students who have turned in their pledge money and/or donations will be dismissed at 9:00 a.m. to participate. All students will be dismissed at 12:00 noon.

Rainosek's True Value, Lavaca County Farm Bureau, and Wal-Mart have donated the top prizes, which will be awarded to the three participants collecting the most pledge money.

Sacred Heart Catholic School extends special thanks to these businesses for their kind and generous support of the marathon.

Participation in the 27 previous marathons has netted over \$295,000.00 in support for Catholic education. Chairperson for this year's event is Nanci Hadash.

Sacred Heart Catholic School has maintained the tradition of academic excellence and the teaching of Christian values throughout the 128 years of its existence. Its academic and religious programs are geared to provide high quality education while developing the talents, understandings, and attitudes necessary for each student to lead a Christian life.

Funds from the past marathons have been used to enhance the quality of education and environment here at Sacred Heart Catholic School. Items purchased include technology equipment, software, computers, teaching aids, playground equipment, instructional equipment, supplies for the classrooms, and student desks.

All funds raised by the marathon will benefit Sacred Heart Catholic School. Each year 10 percent of the marathon funds are placed in the Sacred Heart School Endowment Fund for the future of Sacred Heart Catholic School.

Donations may be pledged to any SHCS student or special guest by completing the enclosed pledge form and mailing it to: Marathon for Catholic Education, c/o Sacred Heart Catholic School, 313 S. Texana St., Hallettsville, TX 77964.

Please call the school office at 798-4251 for more information in regards to the Marathon for Catholic Education.

TAPPS DISTRICT ART CONTEST WINNERS -Congratulations to the following Sacred Heart Catholic High School students who placed 3rd overall in the TAPPS District Art Contest held on March 8, 2010, at Hallettsville Sacred Heart Catholic School:

- Seniors: Katelyn Besetzny – *3rd Pottery; 6th Printmaking
Gunnar Janak – *2nd Applied Design
Amy Klmitchek – *2nd Mixed Media; 5th On-Site Drawing
Trentin Pilat – *1st Printmaking
Ethan Svetlik – *1st Applied Design; *1st Sculpture
*1st and *3rd – Photography – Creative and Experimental
Honorable Mention - Printmaking
- Juniors: Hannah Smith – *2nd Pottery; *2nd On-Site Drawing; *3rd Printmaking;
*4th Mixed Media – 2D; 6th Drawing – Black & White
Jamie Vanek – *1st Pottery; *2nd & *4th Printmaking; *3rd & 6th Mixed Media – 2D
*3rd On-Site drawing; *4th Mixed Media – 3D;
5th Drawing – Mixed Media
- Sophomores: Katie Blaschke – *4th On-Site Drawing; Honorable Mention Drawing-Mixed Media
Freshman: Casey Jirkovsky – 5th Photography Unaltered

Also competing were Lucas Allen, Mason Hall, Kristen Henke, and Mary Kossa.

***The top four places will advance to the State Art competition held March 26 & 27 at Concordia Lutheran University in Austin.**

SHCHS TAPPS DISTRICT ACADEMIC CHAMPIONS -Congratulations to the Sacred Heart Catholic High School academic team who placed 1st overall in the TAPPS District Academic Contest on March 8, 2010 at Hallettsville Sacred Heart Catholic School.

Congratulations to the following Sacred Heart Catholic High School students who placed in the various events:

SENIORS: Clay Bludau – *1st Computer Science; 6th Advanced Math
Emma Gray-*1st place-Social Studies; *1st place Current Events;
*3rd place Computer Science
Chance Rath – 4th place Spelling; 4th place Computer Science
Tessa Stoner-*2nd place Ready Writing
Ethan Svetlik – *2nd place Science; *2nd Social Studies;
*3rd place Current Events
Whitney Snider & Amaris Wick-*1st place-Duet Acting

JUNIORS: Katie Allen-4th place-Prose Interpretation; 5th place Poetry Interpretation
Alexandra Bludau- 6th place-Spanish
Haylee Grahmann-*1st place-Calculator; *2nd place-Advanced Math;
4th place Science
James Hemmi-2nd place-Current Events
Morgan Meyer-*3rd place Prose; 4th place-Poetry
Olivia Raphael - *2nd Literary Criticism
Hannah Smith-5th place-Advanced Math
Jeff Tuttle – 6th place Social Studies

SOPHOMORES: Emily Kossa-*3rd place-Mathematics; 5th place-Number Sense
6th place Ready Writing
Casey Mueller – 4th place Persuasive Speaking

FRESHMEN: Mary Kossa – 2nd place Calculator; 4th Mathematics; 4th Number Sense
Ariane Kubena – 1st place Prose
Hailey Smith – 5th place Spelling
Katelyn Snider – 2nd place Poetry
*Phoenix 3rd place Yearbook

Also competing were Madi Allen, Joey Janak, Jared Krischke, and Anna Reardon.

***1st – 3rd place contestants qualify for the TAPPS State Academic competition to be held on April 9 - 10 at Concordia University in Austin.**

SACRED HEART CATHOLIC SCHOOL 6TH GRADER DRAYTON HENNEKE WINS 3RD AT KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS STATE FREE THROW CONTEST

– Drayton Henneke placed 3rd overall at the 2010 Knights of Columbus State Free Throw Contest held Saturday, March 6 at the Antonian College Preparatory High School Gym in San Antonio. Drayton won the District, Regional, and Diocesan divisions for the 11 year old boys age bracket, which gave him the opportunity to compete in the state competition. Drayton is a sixth grade student at Sacred Heart Catholic School. He is the son of Karl and Brenda Henneke.

Congratulations, Drayton, we are proud of you!

SACRED HEART BAND ADVANCES TO STATE CONTEST – On Thursday, March 11, 2010, Sacred Heart Catholic School hosted the TAPPS South East District band competition. The Sacred Heart Catholic School Band received a 1st division in the Concert competition and a 1st division in the Sight Reading competition. The Band now qualifies to compete at the state TAPPS competition to be held at Mary Hardin Baylor University in Belton, TX on April 16, 2010.

Sacred Heart Band students also competed in solos and ensemble competition on the same day. The band students won a total of 71 medals for their solos and ensembles.

The Sacred Heart Jazz Combo received a 1st division rating and also qualifies to advance to the state contest. Members of the combo were Hailey Smith - Electric Keyboard Bass, Whitney Snider – Piano, Jeffrey Tuttle – Trap Set, Collin Brewer- Trumpet, Hannah Hines – Trumpet, Nickolas Patalik– Trumpet, James Hemmi – Trombone, Emily Kossa – Guitar, – Ariel Fojt-Alto Saxophone, and Jamie Vanek - Alto Saxophone.

Those students receiving a 1st division and a medal for their solo and qualifying for the state contest were

Flute Solo- Emily Kossa, Caitlin Orsak, Amber Smolik, Marianne Herndon

Clarinet Solo-Olivia Raphael

Bass Clarinet Solo-Anna Reardon

Alto Saxophone Solo-Jamie Vanek

Trumpet Solo-Collin Brewer, Hannah Hines

French Horn Solo-Morgan Myers

Snare Drum Solo-Hailey Smith

Tympani Solo-Katie Allen

Xylophone Solo-Shelby Rivers

Ensemble members winning a medal and qualifying for the state contest were

Flute Trio –Megan Pavlicek, Amaris Wick, and Haylee Grahmann

Flute Trio – Haylee Grahmann, Emily Kossa, and Caitlin Orsak

Flute Trio – Caitlin Orsak, Kelsie Buchanan, and Shelby McElroy

Flute Trio – Sandra Adams, Jenna Brown, and Marianne Herndon

Flute Quartet – Jordyn Hicks, Amber Smolik, Kelsie Buchanan, and Destiny Ruthart

Clarinet trio – Carly Osina, Tessa Stoner, and Amanda Shimek

Clarinet Trio – Kirsten Heger, Olivia Raphael, and Amber Labay

Clarinet Quartet – MacKensie Bell, Amber Labay, Robyn Pavlicek, and Kirsten Heger

Trumpet Trio – Hannah Hines, Ariane Kubena, and Shyanne Schlauch

Trombone Trio – Adrienne Klmitchek, Chris Kunz, and Brier Shimek

Brass Quintet – Collin Brewer, James Hemmi, Whitney Snider, Charles Steffek, and Amy Klmitchek

Percussion Trio –Jeffrey Tuttle, Cole Bludau, and Shelby Rivers

Percussion Quintet – Cole Bludau, Hailey Smith, Mackenzie Kennedy, Drew Shimek, and Katie Allen.

Those students winning a medal and not advancing to the state contest were:

Trumpet Trio – Matthew Mason, Brady Sitka, and Leightin Pilat

Congratulations to the Sacred Heart Band Students and their director, Mr. William Harrison.

Thank you also to volunteer Mr. George Koudelka for his assistance with preparing the band students for contest.

CONGRATULATIONS, TAPPS 2A ALL DISTRICT & ALL STATE BASKETBALL

TEAMS-Congratulations to the following Indianettes and Indians who were selected to the 2009 TAPPS 2A All District and All State Basketball Teams:

ALL DISTRICT INDIANETTES:	Senior-Amy Klimitchek	1 st Team All District
	Junior-Alexandra Bludau	2 nd Team All District
	Junior-Megan Pavlicek	2 nd Team All District
ALL DISTRICT INDIANS:	Senior-Clay Bludau	1 st Team All District
	Senior-Ricky Fenner	1 ^s Team All District
	Senior-Trentin Pilat	1 st Team All District
	Sophomores-Jared Krischke	2 nd Team All District
	Sophomores-Cole Wick	2 nd Team All District
ALL STATE INDIANS:	Senior-Clay Bludau	1 st Team All State
	Senior-Ricky Fenner	Honorable Mention All State

Clay Bludau was selected to play in the 2010 Golden Crescent All-Star Game held Tuesday, March 23 at Victoria College. Players from all UIL and TAPPS schools located in the Golden Crescent area were nominated by their coaches, and then twenty athletes were then selected to participate in the game.

COUNSELOR'S CORNER-It has been a busy month with the financial aid presentation for seniors and their parents, and the Open House for potential new students and their parents. Seniors are completing their scholarship applications and soon will be hearing what scholarships they have been awarded. This is an exciting time of year for them. Juniors are signing up and taking ACT or SAT exams and some students are registering for AP exams, which will be given in May.

I am finishing up meeting one last time with each of the seniors to discuss their plans for "after graduation" which unbelievably is only a few weeks away. I have also been meeting with the juniors to discuss their goals and plans for senior year and beyond. These kids impress me so much with their maturity and drive to succeed.

I have come across a website that I think will be useful for not just seniors and juniors, but even sophomores and freshman (and their parents.) It is www.CollegeWeekLive.com, and is the world's largest college fair, on - line, and free. You can visit hundreds of colleges live, chat with admissions reps, watch video presentations on key admissions topics, and get answers to questions. You can also sign up for scholarships and promotions. May 18th is Texas Day, when colleges and universities in Texas will be featured. So far they have over 20 Texas universities (both private and public) signed on and are expecting many more. It will run from 10:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. so you can get on any time during the day.

Another useful website I have found is www.Number2.com. It offers students access to comprehensive free online test preparation courses for the [SAT](#), [ACT](#), and [GRE](#).

A parent shared with me another website www.cappex.com which helps guide students in searching for colleges that they might be interested in attending.

Important Dates

April 10 – ACT test date

April 29 – deadline to register for June 5th SAT

May 1 – SAT test date

May 7 - deadline to register for June 12th ACT

Practice tests for both the SAT and ACT tests are available in my office.

CONGRATULATIONS, SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS EMMA GRAY & WHITNEY

SNIDER – Congratulations to 2010 graduating senior Emma Gray on being awarded a Colorado School of Mines merit scholarship for her academic excellence. The award is for \$48,000.00 for four years of undergraduate education in the amount of \$12,000.00 per year.

Emma is the daughter of Douglas Gray & Sara McDaniels.

Congratulations also to Whitney Snider on being selected from among a very competitive class to receive a University of Dallas Provost's Scholarship for \$48,000.00. This award is to be applied to her undergraduate tuition at the rate of \$12,000.00 per year. The scholarship is in recognition of Whitney's significant achievements and talents demonstrated during her high school career.

Whitney was also accepted as a member of the National Cheerleading Association and will now be qualified to train and judge other cheerleaders.

Whitney is the daughter of Ron and Senda Snider.

CONGRATULATIONS, JUNIOR JAMES HEMMI-NASA SCHOLAR – Junior James Hemmi has been selected to participate in this year's NASA High School Aerospace Scholars Program. James was selected for the program by State Representative Geanie Morrison. Students selected for the program have ten lessons to complete online. They may then have the opportunity to spend a week during the summer at NASA. James is the son of Phil and Rosemary Hemmi. Congratulations, Junior James Hemmi.

APRIL ANNIVERSARIES

11 Betty & Virgil Gutierrez

26 Rev. John C. Peters

29 Brenda & Kevin Etzler

APRIL BIRTHDAYS:

1 Luke Steffek

11 Michael Zaruba

22 Lance Bludau

2 Ella Harper

16 Emilie Griffin

Brock Sitka

Evan Wick

17 Emma Davenport

23 Jacob Janak

3 Brian Bennett

Lane Leopold

Ricky Fenner

4 Kirsten Heger

Reagan Hicks

24 Bowen Jacobs

Alexandra Bludau

Cody Dornak

25 Erin Fawbush

5 Mrs. Irene Matula

20 Mrs. Sandi Koerth

Delaney Etzler

10 Lyndsey Allen

Mrs. Agnes Huser

28 Jacob Rivers

29 Cole Bludau

30 Luke Parker

THIRD NINE WEEKS HONOR ROLL

- 5th GRADE HIGH HONOR ROLL** – McKenzie Bludau, Ryan Hadash, Kyle Pettus,
William Pettus, Brock Sitka
HONOR ROLL – Kaylin Dworsky, Brett Jacobs, Jacob Janak, Joseph McConnell,
Emilie Mudd, Braden Popp, Ameer Rivers, Arik Shimek
- 6th GRADE HIGH HONOR ROLL** – Callie Bludau, Ellen Machicek
HONOR ROLL – Jenna Allen, Julie Brown, Madison Etzler, Bailey Grahmann,
Luke Harper, Drayton Henneke, Blake Hermes, Lee Koerth, Caleb Krischke,
Jami Shimek, Cullen Wick
- 7th GRADE HIGH HONOR ROLL** – Dylan Grahmann, Scott Huser, Taylor Opela
HONOR ROLL – Olivia Bohuslav, Ashlan Bujnoch, Nicholas Hadash, Emily Harper,
Michael Herndon, Braden Jansky, Kelton Koehne, Kristin Popp
- 8th GRADE HIGH HONOR ROLL** – Joshua Blaschke, Colton Bludau, Danson Bludau,
Macey Jacobs, Sabrina Koerth, Jonathan Vanek, Elizabeth Wysocki
HONOR ROLL – Jacob Barton, Megan Harper, Megan Janak, Trent Janak, Jaycie Orsak,
Kelsey Pilat, Michael Zaruba
- 9th GRADE HIGH HONOR ROLL** – Kristen Henke, Marianne Herndon, Adrienne Klmitchek,
Mary Kossa, Ariane Kubena, Anna Reardon, Brady Sitka
HONOR ROLL – Sandra Adams, Jenna Brown, Lauren Huser,
MacKenzie Kennedy, Christopher Kunz, Amber Labay, Matthew Mason,
Robyn Pavlicek, Hailey Smith, Katelyn Snider
- 10th GRADE HIGH HONOR ROLL** – Madison Allen, Hannah Hines, Emma Kossa,
Jared Krischke, Caitlin Orsak, Shelby Rivers, Emily Seyl,
HONOR ROLL – Colton Brown, Sterling Hrcir, Shelby McElroy, Casey Mueller,
Nickolas Patalik, Shyanne Schlauch, Cole Wick
- 11th GRADE HIGH HONOR ROLL** – Katelynd Allen, Collin Brewer, Cody Dornak, Ariel Fojt,
Makayla Geistman, Haylee Grahmann, Daniel Halata, James Hemmi,
Colby Mikes, Jordan Pettus, Hannah Smith, Jamie Vanek
HONOR ROLL – Alexandra Bludau, Landon Hatfield, Cameron Heger, Morgan Meyer,
Sarah Romine, Kyle Rother, Jacklyn Saulnier, Jeffery Tuttle
- 12th GRADE HIGH HONOR ROLL** – Clay Bludau, Ricky Fenner, Emma Gray,
Kelsey Hartensteiner, Joey Janak, Stephen Jansky, Amy Klmitchek,
Rebekah Krischke, Carly Osina, Megan Pavlicek, Chance Rath,
Amanda Shimek, Whitney Snider, Tessa Stoner, Ethan Svetlik, Amaris Wick
HONOR ROLL – Katelyn Besetzny, Brady Etzler, Kayla Harmon, Dillon Hollas,
Gunnar Janak, Matthew Jirkovsky, Sarah Michalcik, Trentin Pilat