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**Character Education Quote of the Week:**  
"People cannot do right in one department of life while they are occupied in doing wrong in any other department. Life is one indivisible whole." – Mahatma Gandhi

**MATH COMPUTATION PLAN FEBRUARY ISSUE** – Don't miss the 2 attachments with last week's newsletter. The first attachment is the February Issue that details the Lent Math Achiever Club contest that ends March 12, The Math Wall of Fame written contest, and the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter math computation website that is due March 24.

**MIDTERMS GO HOME THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 25** – Third grading period Midterms reports will go home on February 25 for grades 4-8.

**CONE PATROL** – Room 202 is on duty next week.

**NEW MASS SERVER TRAINING** – Students in grades 5-8 who are interested in being trained as a mass server should contact Mr. Kamenski. The training sessions will be held:  
Tuesday, February 23 3-4:30pm  
Saturday, February 27 2-3:30pm  
Tuesday, March 2 3-4:30pm  
Please call Mr. Kamenski (414-453-1928) or e-mail [mkamenski@saintsebs.org](mailto:mkamenski@saintsebs.org) to register for training. All sessions are held in the church.

**HIGH INTEREST DAY** – If you have not already sent in your HID sign up form and money for your child to participate in this year's High Interest Day on Friday, April 23<sup>rd</sup>, please do so today! All forms and money are due February 25<sup>th</sup> to your child's teacher. If you have misplaced the original sign-up form, a replacement is available in the attachments for today's newsletter. To check out the video from last year. Go to: [http://www.onetruemedia.com/otm\\_site/view\\_shared?p=892c485c8f984fad978b03&skin\\_id=1702](http://www.onetruemedia.com/otm_site/view_shared?p=892c485c8f984fad978b03&skin_id=1702)

**LENTEN SCHEDULE AND ACTIVITIES** – St. Sebastian liturgical schedule and spiritual activities for the Lenten season is attached, including the schedule of events for our cluster parishes.

**YEARBOOK COLLAGE** – It is not too late to submit your photos for the yearbook collage. Please drop your pictures in the office and be sure they are labeled. The ones that are not used will be returned.

**SOLDIER COLLECTION UPDATE** – Your generosity was overwhelming. We have over 10 boxes of items to mail. The post office offers a special rate for mailing items to the military. The cost to mail each box is \$12.50. We could use some help in paying for the postage. If you are able to help, send your donation in an envelope marked soldier boxes to the office. Thank you.

**THANKS FOR HAITI** – Please accept our most sincere thanks for your generosity in helping the people of Haiti. Your concern for the suffering of those affected by the earthquake shows an understanding of what Jesus meant when he told us to help our neighbor. Your community showed a commitment to helping others, and a real willingness to roll up your sleeves and work!

We will be returning to Haiti in March to see where we can be of most help, and check on the status of our dental clinic there. The rebuilding of all that was destroyed in Haiti has begun. You can be proud that St. Sebastian's has been an important part of that effort. Please continue to pray that Faith and Hope will carry the Haitians through this terrible time.

Thank you.  
Ron and Ronni Pruhs

Thank you to all the helping hands that made Hotcakes For Haiti a success. We are grateful for all the donations of food and paper supplies. Through your generous monetary donations, we raised \$900 through the breakfast for the Pruhs family.

**ENROLLMENT** – Returning families who want to register for the 2010-2011 school year should do so this week. Registrations submitted by returning families after March 1<sup>st</sup> will be subject to a \$50 processing fee. If you are delaying your registration for financial reasons, please contact the school office to arrange a payment plan. We need to know how many students are planning on returning to our school next year for planning purposes.

**WASHINGTON D.C. TRIP** – Best wishes to our 8<sup>th</sup> graders and the brave staff & chaperones as they journey to our nation's capital. They will leave on Monday morning at 5:30 AM and will return on Friday.

**STANDARDIZED TESTING** – Our annual standardized testing season begins for grades 3, 5 and 7. Students will be testing for short periods of time for approximately 2 weeks. Tests include the Iowa Test of Basic Skills (ITBS), Cognitive Ability Test (COGAT) and the Archdiocesan Religion Assessment.

The best preparation for your student who is testing is to get a good night's sleep, enjoy a healthy breakfast and encourage his or her best effort.

**CARRY-OUT FISH FRY THIS FRIDAY!!** - Please stop by to get carry-out this Friday, Feb 26<sup>th</sup>.  
*YOUR neighborhood fish fry for Lent!*

**THE SIX FLAGS WINTER READING CHALLENGE** - Just a reminder that these forms are due **February 26, 2010** to the school office. Extra forms are available in the office if you have multiple children. Tickets will be distributed in late May. Admission tickets may be redeemed from June 14, 2010 through August 8, 2010 and may not be replaced if lost, stolen or damaged. Happy Reading! Any Questions please call Beth Neumann @ 778-2348.

**TEACHER DINNER THANK YOU** - A big thank you to Chris Marcoux and Beth Neumann for the very delicious dinner enjoyed by all on Thursday during conferences. Thank you also goes out to all who supplied salads and desserts, Stacy Mabbett, Christine Mrotek, Julie Daleiden, Teri Duffy, Rana Altenburg, Lorinda Smrz, Mary Jo Kreuser, Gloria Rios, & Wendy Conklin.

**H1N1 CLINIC** – City of Milwaukee Health Department nurses will be providing free H1N1 vaccinations at St. Sebastian School on March 10<sup>th</sup> from 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM. If you or your child has not received the vaccination this is the opportunity to be protected from the H1N1 influenza. The clinic is open to all school children and parents as well as to the community. If you are interested in receiving a vaccination, please call St. Sebastian School at 453-5830 to register for the clinic before March 3<sup>rd</sup>. The cover letter and consent form were sent home with the newsletter on February 10<sup>th</sup> for children who attend St. Sebastian School. Return the form by March 5<sup>th</sup>. Parents need not be present at the time of vaccination.

**BASKETBALL NEWS** – Congratulations to the 8<sup>th</sup> grade girls team. The girls played hard to take 2<sup>nd</sup> place in the St. Mary Menomonee Falls tournament. Team members are Teriana Carter, Haley Engelmann, Fiona Holahan, Abby Lamers, Emily Neumann, Olivia Wright and Kelsey Yanisch. Coaches are Tom Yanisch and Brendan Holihan. The team has already cinched 1<sup>st</sup> place in the Notre Dame Don Bosco basketball league with a 10 – 0 record. (Only 1 game left, let’s make it 11 – 0!) Great job girls.

Attention everyone! The 8th grade girls BB team has gone undefeated in the league this year. Their last game is Saturday February 27th at St. Mary's Elm Grove at 1pm. Come and cheer on their last game at St. Sebastian and acknowledge their accomplishment of an undefeated season. (Yes, we know they are going to win on Saturday!!!!)

The 6<sup>th</sup> grade boys red team played in the St. Agnes tournament this past week and finished in 2<sup>nd</sup> place. Team members include Connor Baudhuin, Andre Doucette, Jordan Howard, Benny Lehmann, Will Mullen, Seb Pruhs and Nolan Wright. The coaches are Mike Brozynski and Rob Doucette. Nolan also received the all tournament team award. Congratulations to the team for a job well done.

**LIVE MUSIC + HIGH “FUN” FACTOR = BENEFIT FOR ST. SEBASTIAN PARISH** - Join us on Saturday, March 6 at 7 p.m. for a night of Fun, Food, Foam and Frolic in the Sprecher Brewery (indoor) Beer Garden ! Sprecher is located at 701 W. Glendale Avenue . The Frolic – will include moving and grooving to the sounds of Jesse’s First Time – a live band featuring St. Sebastian parish members. The Foam will include Sprecher beer. The Food will include snacks of all shapes and sizes. And the Fun – well, that’s up to you! Suggested donation of \$20 gets you all this...however, give what you heartfully can. We ALL could use a fun night out! See the online school newsletter attachments from 02/17/10 for a flyer with more information. Or call Paula Treacy at (414) 774-5443. Or e-mail me at [ptreacy@wi.rr.com](mailto:ptreacy@wi.rr.com).

**CRAFT WORKSHOP MARCH 2<sup>ND</sup>** –The St. Sebastian Craft Group meets monthly to work on craft projects for the Christmas Boutique. If you enjoy working on arts and crafts, we’d love to have you join us on Tuesday, March 2nd, 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. in the Multipurpose Room. We’ll be working on hand-stamped popcorn and hot cocoa gift packets. You need no prior stamping experience and all supplies will be provided. For additional information, contact Irene Poe at 453-4367 or Connie Holzinger at 873-1343.

**HIGH SCHOOL MOVIE NIGHT** – All parish high school students and friend are welcome to join us at The Rosebud theatre to see “Alice in Wonderland” at 6:45 PM Sunday, March 7<sup>th</sup>. Bring money for the movie and snacks. Discussion to follow. Questions- Contact Barb Haig at [bhaig@wi.rr.com](mailto:bhaig@wi.rr.com) or 257-3853.

**PIUS XI SPRING SHOWCASE - Parents of 6<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> Graders:** Mark your calendars for **Wednesday, March 10 from 6:00 – 8:00 p.m.** as Pius XI High School opens its doors for an evening showcase. Check out the region’s most college-ready curriculum including: A four-year Engineering sequence offering dual-credit courses through area universities, award-winning Visual and Performing Arts departments, a groundbreaking Applied Economics and Financial Literacy program offered in collaboration with Marquette University, 12 AP courses in addition to accelerated and advanced course offerings, and more! Learn how Pius XI’s innovative TAC program provides each student with personal attention and a dedicated four-year faculty mentor. Meet with our Faith Formation director in our St. Vincent Pallotti Chapel to discover our Franciscan and Pallottine roots and the fundamental role service plays in our community. Learn how a Pius XI education is an investment in your child’s future – last year’s graduates were offered more than \$11 million in academic college scholarships! *No reservations required, but appreciated (contact Cindy at 414.290.8140 or [cmarifke@piusxi.org](mailto:cmarifke@piusxi.org)).* Refreshments will be served. *Discover the difference a Pius XI education can make in the life of your child!*