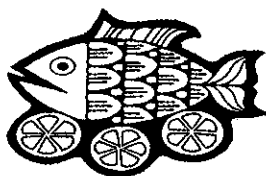


# FISH FRY



Please join us for our Home and School sponsored *Fish Fry*, on Friday April 2, 2010. Thank you to all the regular volunteers and all the Crew 31 Venturers who have signed up to help. Please review the volunteer list below as this will serve as your reminder of the shift you have volunteered to work. Please call Maddalena Stephenson at 259-5012 if you have any questions.

April 2, 2010		Venture Crew Fish Fry		Bold =Regular
Thursday prep <b>6:00PM-8:30PM</b>	Friday set-up <b>1:30PM-4:30PM</b> (need 4 - 5)	Friday dinner <b>4:00PM-7:30PM</b> (need 17-18)		Friday clean-up <b>7:30PM-10:00PM</b> (need 10)
<b>No Thursday night food prep for Carry out only fish fries</b>	<b>Robin Gorman</b> <b>Shelly DePalma</b> Maggie Rauh Marie Zeidler	<b>Sue Olson</b> <b>Dean Lex</b> <b>Barb Blaney</b> <b>Tod Macareno</b> <b>Rob Stephenson</b> <b>Mary Madigan</b> Isabelle Krier Brie Kromrey Colin Madigan Maria Schmid	<b>Jon Park</b> <b>Tim Heeley</b> <b>Brian Berner</b> <b>Mark Krier</b> <b>Jim Lustig</b>  Ryan Blaney Michaela Kromrey Kate Wendelberger	<b>John Loew</b> <b>Matt Bohlmann</b> <b>Dennis Hauf</b> <b>Maddalena Stephenson</b> <b>Wendy Swanson</b> John Pruhs David Cappon Steve Whitney Jill Schmid Jeremy Schmid
	<b>Desserts:</b> (2 dozen is the quantity for each donation, homemade is appreciated.) The following families have agreed to bring desserts: Walker, Krier, Blaney, Madigan			

## **St. Sebastian Education Committee Meeting Minutes for March 23, 2010 and Comment Form**

**Present:** Paul Hohl, Joe Viste, Terese Shelledy, Chris Marcoux, Mary Beth McBride-Doyle, Sherri Walker, Kristin Koch, Christopher Zollicoffer, Lisa Pieper, Clair Mitchell, Melinda Runnoe, Kristina Snapp – Parish Council liaison, Cara Bidwell – Home & School liaison, Rana Altenburg

**Excused:** Alfredo Cintron

### **Principal's Report**

Middle School Travel – 8<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> grade trips are complete.

Staff Changes – Teri Kovars, the school counselor, will return next year.

Testing – The WKCE standardized test is required of schools with Choice students. Effective next year due to new DPI regulations, the exam has to be administered annually to every Choice student in grades 3-8. We will continue to administer the exam to all 8<sup>th</sup> graders as it is useful for placement in subject levels for high school and providing a good baseline comparison for our 8<sup>th</sup> grade classes and other districts. The results are not used for admission purposes. The state will pay for the cost of the exam for the Choice students only.

The Iowa Basic Cognitive learning and Archdiocesan Religion Assessment exams were administered to the students in grades 3-5-7. Those results are not in yet and will be discussed at the all parent meeting in May. Our students test scores are very good and worth publicizing which we do in our Open House literature and newsletter and bulletin announcements.

Budget & Staffing – The budget requires that 1.8 positions for 2010-11 are eliminated. Paul discussed the difference between Reduction in Force (RIF) and Non-renewal in eliminating positions. Paul said letters of intent were issued and of those turned so far, everyone intended to return next year. There are approximately 10 factors to determine which members are retained if we have to implement a reduction in force. These issues will be discussed at the upcoming personnel meeting.

2010-2011 Enrollment Figures – There are 277 students already enrolled for next year. There are 39 students who currently attend our school who have not enrolled yet for next year. There are 17 newly enrolled students in K5-8<sup>th</sup> grade and 18 K4 students. Most of the Choice slots have filled up quickly. Current Choice families need to submit their information very quickly as these slots are expected to be filled by April.

Paul and Fr. Dick met with a group of middle school parents. Paul has ensured that the teachers know what the parent concerns are and he is working with them using a variety of improvement resources. Paul reiterated that there is a procedure outlined in the school handbook for parents to address their concerns. This policy will be discussed more regularly to remind parents of the process.

### **Committee Connections**

Cara Bidwell said that the yard signs are available for families to advertise St. Sebastian School. Contact Terese Shelledy for a sign. Patty Walsh is also looking for committee members to plan an Art Night.

Kristina Snapp reported that Parish Council is working on a 2-5 year plan. Reclustering of parishes is underway. There is a possibility of some parishes functioning without a priest. Mother of Good Counsel, Margaret Mary, St. Catherine's, St. Pius and St. Bernard's may form a cluster. Fr. Dick indicated that St. Sebastian would not participate in this cluster.

**Open House Follow up**

A shadow day is being planned for May 7<sup>th</sup> for K4 and K5. We will also hold a mini Open House on June 3<sup>rd</sup> from 6-7 pm. The May All Parent Meeting will be May 5<sup>th</sup> from 7-8 pm with test result discussion from 6:30-7:00 pm. Paul will probably contact some former students who are graduating from high school in May.

**Remember, the Education Committee would like to have ad hoc members to add their expertise or voice to our subcommittee/work groups. If you are interested in any of the above topics, please contact members of the work group or subcommittee.**

Next meeting: April 20<sup>th</sup>. Chris Marcoux will provide snack and prayer at the next Ed Committee meeting.

Submitted by Chris Marcoux

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**As always, if you have any comments, return them to the School Office-c/o Education Committee. If you would like a response, please include your name. Thank you.**