

Thursday Notes
August 19, 2010

1. Upcoming Events

August 20 Welcome Back Assembly 1:30 p.m. in the gym
August 21 Colts Club Wine Tasting 7:00 p.m. in Madonna Hall
August 24 Room Mothers' Meeting 7:00 p.m. in the cafeteria
August 25 Adult Ministry Movie Night 6:30 pm in Madonna Hall
August 26 ID badges made
August 30 Boy Scouts assembly

2. Website and Emails

In order to make sure that everyone gets the Thursday notes that are published on the website each week; we will be sending them to you as an email each week. We hope that by doing this, everyone will stay better informed as to the events taking place in the school.

As the website and email is our primary means of communication between home and school, please be sure to notify Lynn Stricklen in the school office of any email changes throughout the school year.

3. School Volunteers

Anyone who volunteers to work in the school, drive on a field trip, coach a sports' team, or help in a classroom, MUST have Virtus training and undergo a background check. Virtus training dates are listed on the website and background check forms may be picked up in the school office.

4. 50th Birthday Celebration

This year St. Ann is 50 years old. We will begin our year-long celebration with a birthday party on September 10 at 1:30 in the gym. You received a letter this week explaining the purpose and the details of this birthday party. Each grade level is being asked to contribute gifts for the various charities that were selected. Grades PK & K will be bringing in gifts for Birthright. Grades 1 & 2 will bring in gifts for Sophia House. Grades 3 & 4 will be bringing gifts for Genesis House. Grades 5 & 6 will provide gifts for Fig Tree. Grades 7 & 8 will be bringing in gifts for Hope House. A list of gifts needed by each charity is posted on Edline. We will present these gifts to representatives from each charity on September 10. Please join us for birthday cake in the gym on that day!

5. Kohl's Cares Competition

St. Ann is one of four Memphis area Catholic schools to have been selected to participate in the Kohl's Cares contest. We are competing for a \$500,000 grant from Kohl's. In order to win this contest, we must have people to vote for us on line. You may vote for 5 times and vote for 4 different schools. We are asking you to vote for St. Ann, Holy Rosary, Bishop Byrne, and Memphis Catholic. If any of our schools win, we will all share in the grant. To vote log on to www.facebook.com and once logged in to your facebook account go to "Kohl's Cares". Click on Kohl's Cares Application and once the application is loaded, type in St. Ann Bartlett, TN For more information, click on http://www.stanncolts.org/files/KohlsCares_Flyer.pdf

6. **Band**

Students enrolled in Band classes will be bringing home a letter on Thursday, August 26, explaining band fees. Please complete and return the letter and your fee to school by September 10.

7. **Emergency Readiness Information**

The diocese is working with Shelby County and the Assisi Foundation to improve the ability of our institutions and individual citizens to handle emergency situations. We will be sending home handouts each week for the next 4 weeks that will provide each family with this important information. The first handout will go home on August 20.

8. **Colts Club Wine Tasting**

The Colts Club is sponsoring a wine tasting on August 21 to benefit athletics. Please see http://www.stanncolts.org/files/WINE_TASTING.pdf for more information.

9. **St. Ann Adult Ministry Movie Night**

The movie “Ocean of Mercy” will be shown on Wednesday evening, August 25 in Madonna Hall. Please join us as we celebrate the birthday of St. Faustina. Please click on the following link for more information: http://www.stanncolts.org/files/Knights_Movie_Night.pdf

10. **Guitar Lessons**

Mr. Mark Hugoboom, the Music Director for St. Ann Parish, has several openings for students who wish to take guitar lessons. For further information, please click on: http://www.stanncolts.org/files/Guitar_lessons_sign-up_sheet.pdf

10. Handbook Acknowledgement

Please complete and return the following acknowledgement to your homeroom teacher by next Friday, August 27. The handbooks can be accessed by going to the school website and clicking on handbooks at the bottom of the home page.

I have read the 2010-2011 St. Ann School Parent/Student handbook and I agree to abide by its guidelines.

Parent’s Signature & Date

Child’s Name & Grade