

St. Patrick School Shamrock Newsletter



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Principal's Notes

Michelle and I had a wonderful evening at the Winter Gala on Saturday. The food was outstanding and I heard the "Family Feud" was quite entertaining with the Hodge Family winning first place (even though we were not present at the time). Kudos to Becca and Craig Fedewa, Kelly Schrauben and Joseph Mattila, and Sarah and Ryan Honsowitz for the excellent job they did in running this fundraiser on behalf of the parish. If you were unable to attend you will have to make sure to put it on your calendar for next year.

Thank you to all who contributed to the Jean and Hats-on Day for Trent Bengel. We have purchased \$600.00 in Visa Scrip cards to assist the Bengel family while they take Trent back and forth to treatments. I hope you can make it to breakfast on Sunday at Westphalia St. Mary's Parish Hall for breakfast between 8:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. to help raise money for the Bengel family.

Thank you to the 8th grade class for the good job they did in leading music at Mass this week.

Applications for financial assistance were mailed home recently. If you are in need of financial assistance please make sure you have the form mailed in before the March 1 deadline. If you do not apply for assistance but know somebody that wants to send their children to St. Patrick School but are unsure if they can afford it, please pass the form on to that family.

The Pre-school, Developmental Kindergarten, and Kindergarten open house is scheduled for Thursday, February 25, at 6:30 p.m. in the parish hall. Please help spread the word to those who have younger children who may be interested in having their child attend St. Patrick School.

We would like to start the Chess Club up again this year. Mr. Patrick Burdick was the Chess Club advisor last school year but was unable to continue this year. Mr. Tom Jander-noa has offered to be the advisor this year but cannot always make it due to his work schedule. He would like to have a parent or two help advise the Chess Club. Please let me know if you are interested in helping with the Chess Club.

Lost and Found

There is a table in the office hallway with lost and found on it; please look through the items to see if they belong to you. All remaining items will be donated on February 26. There is a Mentoring Program binder that was found on West Street as well as a silver bracelet with blue, green and purple stones found at the Winter Gala in the school office.

Box Tops Winners

- 1st: Madeline Rommel (gift card, Lil Kinz and cupcakes)
- 2nd: Leah Kissane (gift card and slushie)
- 3rd: Clara Shattuck (gift card)
- 4th: Grady Heckman (gift card)
- 5th: Maddyson Smith (gift card)
- 6th: Summer Russman (gift card)
- 7th: Grant Dixon (two 32 oz. slushies)

The following students won posters: Zak Arwood, Blake Hodge, Brandon Scheurer, Arianna FoxElster, Grace Thelen, Teaghan Lathers, Amy Wieber, Isaac Brown, Jake Smith, Owen Russell, Carly Zimmerman, Brittney Thelen, and Ally Florian.

We have already reached this years' Box Tops goal of 25,000!!! But please, continue collecting and turning those Tops in. Thank you for your support!

Day of Music and Craft Show

The Portland Band Boosters are sponsoring the 34th Annual Day of Music and Craft show on Saturday, February 20, from 9am-5pm at PHS. There are 100 crafters selling their wares in the gym, concessions in the cafeteria, cotton candy, hot dogs, walking tacos, face painting and kid's game. There is also a Merchant's Raffle with over 25 prizes from area businesses and 50/50 raffles running all day long. So come join the fun and get out of the house in the middle of a long winter.

Calendar of Events

- 2/19 Var. Girls' & Boys' BB vs. Fowler @ PMS 6:30p
Cheer Clinic Recognition Night at PMS 6:30p
- 2/20 Paper/Pop Can Drive in student parking lot
- 2/21-22 Senior Trip—Boyne Mountain
- 2/22 MS Boys' BB @ PW 5:00p
- 2/23 Freshman Girls' BB vs. Lakewood @ SPS 6:00p
JV Girls & Boys' BB @ Potterville 6:00p
- 2/24 MS Boy's BB @ Laingsburg 5:00p
Var. Girls' & Boys' BB @ Potterville 6:00p
- 2/25 Freshman Boys' BB vs. PW @ SPS 4:30p
JV Girls' & Boys' BB vs. PW @ SPS 6:00p
Pre-School, DK, K Open House 6:30p
- 2/26 NO BUSSING
Stations of the Cross @ Church 9:40a
Freshman Girls' BB vs. PW @ SPS 4:30p
Var. Girls' BB Parents Night @ PMS 6:00p
Var. Girls' & Boys' BB vs. PW @ PMS 6:30p
5th & 6th Grade Youth BB Night at PMS 8:00p



Trent Bengel Breakfast Benefit

Parents: Randy &
Terri (Boos) Bengel

**Sunday, Feb. 21st
8:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.**

**St. Mary's Hall,
Westphalia**

Trent has been diagnosed with an aggressive brain tumor. He has undergone one surgery and has started chemo and radiation. They expect his battle to last a year and he will be unable to attend school for that period.

He will need the strength of family and friends, prayers and support for the challenges he will face.

And HOPE to overcome all the obstacles in his path.



**An account has been set up for proceeds
to help out the family at
Portland Federal Credit Union:
Trent Bengel Benefit Fund**