**Grandparents** Club

# SS Ledger Gram

#### Message from Kelly Norton, SMSA President

The School Year is in full swing at all the campuses and I am pleased to announce all leadership positions have been filled with excellent personnel. Please join me in welcoming Julie Moyer, Director of Advancement; Michael Kaszuba, 6-12 Associate Principal; Jackie Kremer, PreK – 5 Associate Principal; and Ryan Miller, Director of Technology. In addition to these key leadership roles, SMSA added an additional 17 new staff and faculty members to the team over the summer months and early days of the school year. Our greatest resource by far is our staff—dedicated members of our education and faith community.

We are excited about the progress on our combined campus building project – hope you have had an opportunity to see the new school take shape out on the Ledge. The new addition is projected to be completed in early spring 2016 with the remodel of the existing high school to follow. Construction is on target for all grades to be located on one campus in fall 2016!

We are blessed that so many generous supporters continue to make Catholic education a priority. Thank you for spreading the good word, and for helping us to Bring It Back Home!

Grand Aides meeting - Wednesday, December 9

Munch with Santa - Saturday, December 5, High School Campus

**Booster Closet at the High School –** Open on Wednesday, 3:30 pm—5:30 pm. Afternoons/All home games. Good place to get Christmas gifts!

**Safe Environment Education (SEE) Training** - November 18, 6:30-8:30 pm at Holy Family Church Parish Hall. To register, go to <u>www.archmil.org</u> and select events. Needed to volunteer with children.

#### Liturgy Services (tentative)

St. Joe's Campus – Prayer services on Wednesday, 8:30 am.

St. Mary's Campus -- Mass is on Friday at 8:30 am

High School Campus -- Mass is on Friday at 7:17 am

Go to <u>www.smsacademy.org</u> for the School Calendar.

## Officers Election

It has been a year since our Grandparents Club was organized and it is time to elect a leadership team. The officers for the Grandparents Club will consist of a president, past

president and a secretary/treasurer. Sherry Holmes, who has served as a coordinator for the past year will fill the past president position. Please contact Sherry if you would be willing to serve as president or secretary/treasurer for 2016. Elections will take place at the January 20 meeting.



We are looking for grandparents and others who would be interested in being involved with SMSA. You can be as involved as your interest and time allow. No grandchildren at SMSA? Willing to be involved in SMSA? Great! We have students who don't have grandparents living in the area, you could be there for them! Please tell your friends, relatives, and alums about our grandparent club and encourage them to join. To become a member go to the Grandparents Club Volunteer form (click here).

Want more information? Contact Sharon (sd53057@gmail.com) or Sherry (sholmes1030@gmail.com).

#### <u>SCRIP</u>

Reduce your grandchildren's tuition and support SMSA--Become a Scrip user! It's EASY and costs nothing additional. Great for vacations and gifts as well as daily shopping expenses. Want more information? Contact Chris Gilles, Scrip Coordinator (920-322-8059 or cgilles@smsademy.org).

#### Grandparents are Involved

Since the start of school year, our Grandparents Club members have been actively involved helping when needed, worshipping with our grandchildren at weekly campus prayer services or mass, and providing an opportunity for our SMSA families eat and socialize at the delicious Welcome Back Spaghetti Dinner. Here are just some of the activities grandparents supported:

- Welcome Back Spaghetti Dinner over 200 people came to have a relaxing evening of delicious food and homemade desserts provided by grandparents.
- Uniform Exchange
- Homecoming Carnival at the PE Campus
- Grand Aides
- Help in the classrooms and on field trips

#### 30th Annual Big Money Raffle

\$20,000 grand prize plus 34 additional cash prizes (\$40,000 total cash payout) Only 3,000 tickets sold at \$50 each. Purchase from any SMSA family or staff member, at any campus office or the Scrip office.

Winners drawn at Big Money Bash -- Friday, January 29, 8-11 pm at The Shack Event Center - Live Band - No cover

Come and have a great time and socialize with SMSA!

#### Upcoming Volunteer Opportunities

- Homework help at the ME campus after school, 3:30-4:30. Need SEE training. Contact Rosy Beldsoe and/or Patti Quimby for more information or to volunteer (322-8051 or <u>child-care@smsacademy.org</u>).
- Adoration shifts at St. Mary's, Wednesday, November 3 and December 1. One hour shifts from 9 am to 2:45. Contact Chris McGalloway (<u>cmcgalloway@smsacademy.org</u> or 921-9610, Ext. 3225)
- Munch with Santa, December 5 at the High School. Volunteers needed for 2 hour shifts from 7:45-9:45 and 9:45-11:45 am. Help with registration table, re-filling food, photo area OR in advance--provide Holiday bars or cookies (drop off 12/4 between 8-3 at the high school office. Contact Kristine Buelow (jkbuelow@yahoo.com or 979-1537).
- Grand Aides at PE campus. November 11 and December 9—meet after the 8:30 mass at the school office. Projects are varied but could be tracing, cutting, collating materials for learning centers or bulletin boards.
- High School play, The Christmas Story need help painting scenes, sewing costumes, gathering props, etc. Contact Crista Lewis (<u>clewis@smsacademy.org</u>) for more information on their needs.

### Labels and Box Tops for Education

Here are 2 easy ways to fund raise for SMSA needs—you don't need to do anything except clip the UPCs and beverage/sauce caps for Labels for Education and the Box Tops for Education designation on hundreds of products. Save those Box Tops for Education (see participating products at <u>www.boxtops4education.com</u>) — each Box Top is worth 10¢ and they add up fast!



From soup, cereal and snacks to dairy products, beverages and food storage – your kitchen's probably full of eligible *Labels for Education*<sup>®</sup> items. Get clipping for SMSA to earn points which are redeemed for supplies and equipment. See the list of participating products at <u>www.labels4education.com</u>).

Drop off labels and Box Tops at the Scrip Office or give them to your grandchildren to take to school.