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Weekly System Events Calendar

General News

- **The administration, staff and faculty wish all our SMSA families a safe and blessed Thanksgiving!**
- **There will not be an e-Ledger the week of Thanksgiving!**
- **Amazon Smile: You Shop. Amazon Gives!**
Shop for everyone on your gift list this holiday at smile.amazon.com/ch/39-1130623 and Amazon donates to St. Mary's Springs Academy. Amazon will donate 0.5% of the price of your eligible AmazonSmile purchases to SMSA whenever you shop on AmazonSmile. Don't forget to use Scrip for those Amazon purchases too! Double up on the benefits to SMSA!
- SMSA participates in several "collection" fund raising programs. Please continue to collect Box Tops for Education and Milk caps and labels from Kwik Trip Milk (Milk Moola). We have also now joined the "Loaves 4 Learning Program" - clip UPCs from Country Hearth and Village Hearth products. All of these items may be dropped off at the North or South Hall Office or the Scrip Office. Please keep collecting as these small acts really do add up! Rewards are used to purchase supplies needed at SMSA.
- Link to **monthly [calendars](#)**
- For the **Athletics Calendar** please visit the URL below:
http://www.wisconsinflywayconference.org/g5-bin/client.cgi?G5genie=201&school_id=10

Scrip

- **Don't go Black Friday or Cyber Monday shopping without Scrip in your wallet!** Plan ahead as the Scrip office will be closed for Thanksgiving break Wednesday, November 22nd - Friday, November 24th. Do your Christmas shopping using Scrip, accumulate credit for your tuition and help SMSA at the same time. It's a win-win!

Special System Events

SMSA presents "Amateurs"

St. Mary's Springs Academy High School will perform the drama "Amateurs" by Tom Griffin on Friday, December 1st and Saturday, December 2nd, at 7 p.m., and on Sunday, December 3rd at 1 p.m. at the Performing Arts Center at Horace Mann High School in North Fond du Lac. A modern play, published in 1991, "Amateurs" is styled as a bittersweet comedy mingled with regret, pain, and hope. Reminiscent of period dramas of the 30's and '40s, most of the nine stereotypical characters are cast members of the Timberly Troupers' musical about undertakers, or the "play within the play".

Cast and friends gather to celebrate opening night at the home of Dorothy and her peculiar husband Charlie. Hilarious interactions give way to mayhem, and comedy blends with psychological trauma and heartache, as the idiosyncrasies of each of the characters are revealed. Dorothy is the warm and compassionate wife of the quietly odd Charlie. She welcomes Nathan, a lonely, shy teacher and ventriloquist, whose dummy Horace will eventually symbolize something different for each character. They are joined by Wayne, who fancies himself a ladies' man, Jennifer, who has Hollywood aspirations, Ernie, a misguided funny man, his wife Irene, who is exasperated by his antics, and Mona, Wayne's former girlfriend. Condescending to review their performances, as a favor to Dorothy, a seemingly pleasant drama critic, Paul, also attends the party. It is after his emergency departure, when the characters accidentally access his unpublished critical review, that they expose their feelings of inadequacy and coping mechanisms.

In the strict sense of the word, an *amateur* is an unpaid participant in a valued activity who is not necessarily unaccomplished. These characters offer memorable insights into human nature and how one survives when harsh realities intrude on one's hopes and dreams.

Directed by Christa Lewis, tickets for the play are \$10 in advance for adults and \$7 for senior citizens at hometowntickets.com. Tickets are also available at the door for \$12 for adults and students tickets are \$7.

Members of the cast and crew are

Dorothy.....	Emma Hutter
Charlie.....	Andrew Hoepfner
Nathan Monroe.....	Nicholas Ullenberg
Wayne Seabury.....	Eric Reid
Jennifer Collins.....	Maya Fidziukiewicz
Irene Chilmark.....	Sophia Guerin
Ernie Chilmark.....	Daniel Peters
Paul Cortland.....	Drew Huck
Mona Williams.....	Meagan Haupt
Understudy.....	Kenna Kain
Student Director/Stage Manager.....	Donovan Ahern
Stage Manager.....	Isa Hopper
Lights.....	Colby Brusky
Sound.....	Jacob Freund

	Carson Gilgenbach
	Joshua Brunette
Booth Operator.....	Sydney Schaeffer
Props.....	Leah Zimmer
	Elyse Hornung
Costumes.....	Theresa Karrmann
	Abby Bowe
	Macy Bowe
	Julianna Loehr
Backstage Help.....	Sam Skiff
	Karlis Ozols
	Abby Gehring
	Lillian Wahl
	MaCrea Flood
	Jacob Barr
Hair/Make-up.....	Lexi Baudry
	Addy Buechel
	Katie Fabricius
	Veronica Winkler
	Margaret Rose
Ushers.....	Alice Schreiner
	Clare Schreiner
	Peyton Hyland

- **Derek Wieland Scholarship for SMSA students event:**

- Saturday, November 25th, 2017, 7:00 p.m.
- The 13th Annual Nomad Music Experience welcomes the amazing funk-rock powerhouse, Steady Flow along with The Bowser Band, Mike Brumm, Cold Soda Club, Live Painting by Vern Kittler, Silent Auction, and 50/50 raffle!
- Great night of music and entertainment! Proceeds will go to the Derek Wieland Scholarship for students at St. Mary's Springs High School.
- There is a hotel on site, rooms will sell out! [920-876-3323](tel:920-876-3323)! To reserve your room!
- Victorian Village Resort Elkhart Lake
276 Victorian Village Dr, Elkhart Lake, Wisconsin 53020

- **SMSA SKI AND SNOWBOARD CLUB AT SUNBURST WINTER SPORTS PARK**

- Please join our group for 4 weeks and use the Sports Park this winter. An added perk is that you'll also get a discount pass to use all season long. Ski and snowboard options are available. This program is for beginners and experts who just want the discount!!! **AGES 6-18 ARE WELCOME!!!**
- Along with a lift ticket, students can choose our progressive lesson program, using our zone teaching method, along with time to practice at the end of the

session. If you are an advanced ski/snowboarder feel free to use the Park at your leisure.

- Program Rates:
 - Lift ticket \$54
 - Lift ticket & lesson \$86
 - Lift ticket & rental \$86
 - Lift ticket, rental & lesson \$118
- CLUB CARDS ARE DISTRIBUTED after all paperwork and fees are turned in!!! The cost to use the park outside the 4 week program is \$19 for a lift ticket and \$29 for a lift ticket and rental. GREAT SAVINGS!!! NO BLACK OUT DATES!
- January 7th, 14th, 21st and 28th from 1-3 PM
- Please contact Chandra Neumann for further details and forms. 920-533-4998 or cggcneumann@charter.net
- DEADLINE: NOVEMBER 22nd

- **GobbleFest19**

- See Boogie and The Yo Yoz plus D. Willy and The Souvenirs on Wednesday night November 22nd at the Shack---while supporting SMSA Performing Arts! Purchase your tickets to Gobblefest at the SMSA office for just \$10 each. 50% of these ticket sales will go to help offset expenses related to the trip to Ireland. You must purchase tickets by NOON Tuesday November 21. Tickets are \$12 at the door.

Volunteer Information

- **Elves R Us** is looking for a **few more volunteers** to help **at the wrapping and cookie stations**. Please check out our volunteer sign up page to sign up for Elves R Us and other various opportunities. <http://signup.com/go/mUCaoiG>

School Nurse

- A friendly reminder as we have entered the colder temperatures that bring along unexpected illnesses. If a student develops a temperature of **100 degrees or above**, parents will be notified to promptly remove the child from school. Students should be **symptom free for 24 hours** without requiring medication for fever, vomiting, diarrhea, or other symptoms prior to returning to school. It is our goal to keep the school and students healthy through the peak illness season. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions. Katie Hellmer, RN at 920-322-3206 or khellmer@smacademy.org.

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Elementary News (P3 – Grade 5) & Childcare

Message from the Principal

Dear Parents,

The students in grades 3-8 at Saint Mary's Springs Academy have created unique and original Christmas cards. These cards will be for sale after all Masses the weekend of December 2nd and 3rd. The cards will be sold for \$2.00 each. All proceeds from the sale will benefit Levi Schwantes.

Levi Schwantes, son of Karissa and Dan, was born with Hypoplastic Left Heart Syndrome. This means that his left atrium and left ventricle are underdeveloped and blood cannot get pumped to his body correctly. Levi has had 2 of 3 open heart surgeries in his first three months of life to re-route the blood flow. He may need more surgeries during his life. He requires very extensive medication, around the clock care, feeding schedule, and many, many appointments at Children's Hospital.

Despite all his challenges, Levi is incredibly loving and happy. He melts the hearts of everybody he meets with his gigantic smile.

All proceeds from the Christmas Card Sale will benefit Levi and go towards medical bills, living expenses for a one-income household, and a savings account for Levi for his future medical expenses that he will have during his lifetime.

Please click on the link below to sign up to help sell the cards after one of the Masses at the Holy Family Parish sites the weekend of December 2nd and 3rd.

<http://signup.com/go/gBsKpdl>

Thank You!

- **Feed the hungry is one of the corporal works of mercy.**
On November 20th and 21st, we will be having a non-perishable food drive to help the hungry and donate our items to Fond du Lac Food Pantry. Please help our cause and practice a corporal work of mercy by bringing in items next week.
- **SANTA'S BOOKSHOP** (Scholastic bookfair) Sunday, December 3rd, 2-4 PM at Ledger Express in the Commons Area. Books make wonderful gifts from St. Nick, under the tree or even as stocking stuffers! Can't make it to the event? You can still shop online from now through December 4. <http://www.scholastic.com/fair>

➤ **Is it a bird, or a plane, even better IT'S SAFETY PATROL!**

You may notice helpers after school in the South Green parking lot. They will be providing safety for our students starting at 3:00 until 3:20 daily. Please be aware of our Fifth Grade "Safety Patrol" helpers. The main area they will be patrolling is the same area Mr. K covers in the morning. Thank you in advance for your support and encouragement for them as they prepare for this important job. As always, stay safe and practice patience in our parking lots. Thank you!

God Bless,
Mr. Kelnhofer

Upcoming Events

December 1st is an early release day. Childcare will take up to 30 students that afternoon. Please make plans with them if this service could be useful for your family.

A wonderful way to communicate your needs is by continuing to use the monthly calendar. Thank you for being active in this process during the first quarter of the school year.

NHS students will be in after school care on Tuesdays and Thursdays to help with any homework students may have to complete.

Job Positions/Child Care

- Part Time: St. Mary's Springs Academy is seeking individuals who desire an opportunity to work in a supervisory role with children 4 years old through 8th grade. Applicants must be flexible, willing to work as team members, to collaborate with colleagues, and they must complete the Safe Environment Education training. A part-time (10-15 hrs.) position requires availability from 3:30 p.m.-6 p.m. (Mon.-Fri.) most days. Qualified candidates should send a letter of interest, resume and completed application (<http://www.smsacademy.org/jobs.cfm>) to: SMSA, Attn: Steve Kelnhofer, 255 County Road K, Fond du Lac, WI 54937 or to cwiza@smsacademy.org.

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Middle School News

- **From Kasey Smith: New Dress Code for 6 – 12!** Our students have expressed to us that they would like to see a warmer uniform option for layering. We have researched with Lands End and could not find anything to our liking (not heavy enough). We contacted Hoppers and will be working with them to launch two new items for the 6-12 student body. These items were shared for viewing purposes and to get feedback from students last week. These items will be available for purchase at Hoppers and eventually at our Scrip office! The two items are both full zip jackets/fleece that were chosen to provide

additional warmth as requested by students. One item is a simple black fleece for \$30, the other is more of a jacket that will sell for \$55. These items may be worn with any of the collared SMSA dress code items.

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High School News

- On Monday November 13th, 29 high school students traveled to Xavier to compete in the 2nd FVML math meet of the year. The highest score of the night went to Adam Ringwell, tied for 2nd place were Jack Sabel and Zach Welsh, and tied for 3rd place were Lauren Huettl and Rachel Peterson. Thanks to all who participated!
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- The Jostens' Rep will be here on **Tuesday, November 21st** to take the orders for graduation announcements and other items available through Jostens. Order packets were distributed to each senior on Friday, November 10th.
 - Caps and gowns are ordered on this form but **the families DO NOT have to pay for the cap, gown & tassel unit.** SMSA will cover the cost of each senior's cap, gown and tassel. **If you want to order an additional tassel or any other items, this cost will be your responsibility.**
 - Every senior must hand in the order form with the **requested information in section 1 and section 4.**
- The Music Department's Annual Poinsettia Sale is in full swing. If you haven't purchased a ticket yet and don't know a student in the Music Department, stop by and ask Mrs. Amerling! She can help you. Tickets are \$15.00. Once you purchase your ticket, go to Haentze Floral and pick out your beautiful red poinsettia. These plants are gorgeous! Thank you in advance for your support.

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High School Counseling Department

Upcoming Events/News

- **College Visits**

- Moraine Park Technical College, November 20-2nd period
- Marian University will be hosting campus visits this fall. You will have the opportunity to taste the food, hear from a panel of students, and meet with faculty, coaches, and staff from their area of interest, followed by a full campus tour on Friday, December 1st. Open Houses are 9 am-noon. If interested, please register online at <https://www.marianuniversity.edu/admission-financial-aid/visit/>.
- Parents and students if you are looking for **information about UW colleges in Wisconsin** this website is an excellent starting point. It has answers to many common UW questions. Check it out! <http://uwhelp.wisconsin.edu/parents/index.aspx>
- Upcoming **ACT test dates** are December 9, 2017 and February 10, April 14, June 9 and July 14, 2018. Register at www.act.org. Find the college that's right for you.
- UW-Oshkosh is offering an **ACT Test Prep course** on Saturday mornings, Jan. 6th -Feb. 10th, 2018 from 9 a.m.-Noon. Cost is \$200. You may register and find out more information at <https://oce.uwosh.edu/personal-and-professional-development-programs/youth-programs/act-test-prep-course/> or call (920) 424-1129.

Job Opportunities

- Summit Automotive is seeking students for part time work. They are in need of 2 students to wash cars and do lot work at their dealership. Most positions are filled by sophomore-senior high school students. The hours are generally M-F 4-8 and Saturdays 8-5. Please contact Chris Olig at 920-979-5472 or colig@summitauto.com if interested.
- Agnesian HealthCare has part time positions available to students. For more information please stop in the Counseling Office. Applications must be filled out online at www.agnesiancareers.com.
- The Girl Scouts of Manitou Council operate two camps: Camp Evelyn in Plymouth, WI and Camp Manitou in Two Rivers, WI. They are seeking to fill seasonal positions of Counselors and Kitchen Aides. Candidates must be female and 18 by summer, 2018. More information in the Counseling Office.

Scholarships

- Marine Credit Union is offering five-\$1000 scholarships to graduating seniors and his/her parents must be members in good standing of Marine Credit Union.
- The Wisconsin Professional Police Association is offering a scholarship to graduating seniors enrolling in a college or vocational/technical school in a course of study leading to a two-or four-year degree in police science, criminal justice, or a law enforcement-related field-which does not include law school.
- Aurora Health Center in Fond du Lac is offering a \$500 non-renewable scholarship to students who are Fond du Lac County residents enrolled in an accredited medical, nursing or other health-related program.
- Ellington Mutual Insurance Company is offering \$500 scholarships to graduating seniors who are planning to attend college or technical college. Their parents must be policyholders of Ellington Mutual Insurance Company.
- The Elks Most Valuable Student Scholarship is available in the Counseling Office. You do not need to be a member or a dependent of an Elk to qualify. More information in the Counseling Office.
- The P.E.O. Chapter BD Scholarship is available for graduating senior girls who have financial need, who plan on attending college and graduating from a Fond du Lac County high school.
- The Engineers Foundation of Wisconsin has a scholarship available to graduating high school seniors who plan to study engineering at a 4 year accredited program leading to a baccalaureate degree in engineering. More information may be found at <http://www.wspe.org/efwi.shtml>. Or stop in the Counseling Office for more information.
- 40 Days for Life is offering a scholarship for \$4,040 for applicants who have participated in the pro-life movement in any capacity. More information is available in the Counseling Office.

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SMSA Community & Booster Clubs

PPA & ABC

- **PPA** - Parents for the Performing Arts includes all parents with students that participate in the performing arts at Springs.
- **VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED FOR THE PLAY, AMATEURS - FLOWER SALES, TICKET SALES AND BAKE SALE** - <http://signup.com/go/SegMEMD> or email jennieholzmann@gmail.com.
- **ABC** - our next Athletic Booster Club meeting will be Wednesday, December 6th @ 6 p.m. in the high school cafeteria. Minutes from the November meeting will be available

soon. Thanks to everyone who has contributed by working concessions this fall and supporting the Friends of Ledgers campaign!

- **We are still looking help with concessions and ticket sales for our winter sports. Here is the link to sign up <http://signup.com/go/nHBHOWZ>.**

We continue to look for new parents to get involved with booster club planning and contribute at monthly meetings. The majority of our officers have students who are Seniors and Juniors, which means these parents are reaching the end of their service. Please consider attending an upcoming meeting and getting involved.

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Parent Connectors

News and Upcoming events

- **LedgerExpress** is on Sunday, December 3rd from 2:00 pm – 4:00 pm in the Commons Area/Baker Gym.
 - Your child should have brought home a LedgerExpress registration form earlier this week. Pre-registration is required. Due by **Tuesday, November 21st**.
- **Winter Carnival** - Friday, February 9th - we are currently looking for volunteers to assist with this event. Please email either Andrea Nuss (alnuss@charter.net) or Valerie Everson (valerie_everson@yahoo.com) if interested.
- **Spotlight on Staff!** If you are interested in showing your appreciation towards our SMSA Staff, come volunteer a half hour of your time on Monday morning. Please sign up using signup.com and click on "Spotlight Staff". Thank you!
- We appreciate you!! The SMSA Staff members who are in the spotlight this week are...

SMSA STAFF SPOTLIGHT

PRIMARY

Cindi (Sexton) Hutter

- Teacher Aide – Grade 2
- Hometown: Fond du Lac
- Graduated from St. Mary's Springs Academy & University of Wisconsin-Whitewater

ELEMENTARY

Ann Flatt

- 4th Grade Teacher
- Hometown: Hudson, WI
- Graduated from University of Wisconsin – River Falls

HIGH SCHOOL

Catherine Petrie

- Theology Teacher
- Hometown: Kingsford, MI
- Graduated from Kingsford High School & Mount Mary University

OTHER SMSA STAFF

Greg Hoffmann

- Athletic Director & High School Math Teacher
- Hometown: South Milwaukee
- Graduated from South Milwaukee High School & Dr. Martin Luther College & Masters Degree at University of Wisconsin – Whitewater

Ledgers Booster Closet

Happy Holidays, Ledger Fans! The SMSA Booster Closet is open for your holiday shopping needs. Come on in and see what you can find for your number one Ledger Fan! Dress them up in Ledger blue for the upcoming seasons!

December 3, LedgerExpress, (2:00 - 4:00), Open 1:00-4:00

December 5 Boys, 6:00 - 8:00

December 11 Boys, 6:00 - 8:00

December 12, Girls, 6:00 - 8:00; Also Band Christmas Concert

December 13, MS Christmas Concert, 5:30 - 8:00

December 14 Boys, 6:00 - 8:00

December 19, Elementary Christmas Concert, 6:00 - 8:00

December 21, Girls, 6:00 - 8:00

December 22, Boys, 6:00 - 8:00

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Parish News and Updates

- **Help Holy Family RING the BELLS for Salvation Army!**
 - Sign up online below. Contact Sabina Carter at scarter@hffdl.org for more details.
 - Walgreens across from Festival:
<https://doodle.com/poll/tb3q6tfz666xs4ib>
 - Festival:
<https://doodle.com/poll/cmrib4wtd4gggks9>

The Counter Culture: High School Fellowship

- Join us for a night of prayer, formation, and community all centered around a family style meal.
 - Wednesdays 6:30 pm-8 pm at St. Mary's Springs Academy High School
 - 11/15 Young Ladies: "Gratia Plena" led by Amanda Pohle
 - 11/29 Coed: "The Uncorruptibles" led by Blaine Hechimovich
- **Holy Family Confirmation (11th Graders):**
 - November 17-19 OR December 1-3
 - Confirmation Retreats
 - Green Lake Conference Center (Depart from and Return to Sacred Heart Church)
 - Depart 6 PM Friday, Dismissal after 11 AM Mass Sunday
- **November 21 - High School Sports Night**
 - Sacred Heart Gym
 - 6-8 PM
- **Holy Family Middle School Compassion in Action Club**
 - DONUT DECORATING!
 - **When:** Thursday, November 16
 - **Time:** 6:00PM-7:00PM
 - **Where:** Sacred Heart Victory Center

Bring some friends and join us to decorate your own sweet treat!

Holy Family Mission Trips 2018

High School	Middle School
July 6th-15th	July 20th-23rd
Hartford, CT	New Paris, Ohio
Or Charleston, SC	
Cost: \$550	Cost: \$350

FIRST MEETING:

NOVEMBER 30TH HOLY FAMILY PARISH HALL

6-7 PM MIDDLE SCHOOL

7-8 PM HIGH SCHOOL

IF YOU ARE INTERESTED PLEASE EMAIL AMANDA POHLE AT

apohle@hffdl.org

*There is a \$90 deposit fee for High Schoolers and a \$50 deposit fee for Middle Schoolers.

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