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### General News

- Ledger Hockey Spirit Wear is now available for purchase. Please go to [https://www.bsnteamssports.com/v3/shop/team\\_shop/LEDGERHOCK#/](https://www.bsnteamssports.com/v3/shop/team_shop/LEDGERHOCK#/) to order. Ordering will take place from November 3-13.
- **Amazon Smile: You Shop. Amazon Gives!**  
**Shop for everyone on your gift list this holiday at [smile.amazon.com/ch/39-1130623](https://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.
- St. Mary's Springs Academy is having its **7th annual winter coat** drive through November 13<sup>th</sup>. Coats and jackets of all sizes and ages, along with mittens, gloves, hats and scarves will all be accepted. Drop off sites at SMSA will be the South office (elementary school) and the North entrance (high school). Anything that is donated will be greatly appreciated. All items will be cleaned by Model Cleaners before being distributed. Please contact 979-9484 with any questions.
- 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](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 22<sup>nd</sup> - Friday, November 24<sup>th</sup>. 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 1<sup>st</sup> and Saturday, December 2<sup>nd</sup>, at 7 p.m., and on Sunday, December 3<sup>rd</sup> 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 at [hometowntickets.com](http://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
	Joseph 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

- **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 [cgccneumann@charter.net](mailto:cgccneumann@charter.net)
  - DEADLINE: NOVEMBER 22nd
- **GobbleFest19**  
SMSA will be selling GobbleFest tickets this year. Ticket cost is \$10 each and \$5 of each ticket sold will go directly to support the music department's trip to Ireland. GobbleFest will take place Wednesday Nov. 22<sup>nd</sup> at the Shack. Doors open at 6:30pm and features D. Willy & The Souvenirs followed by Boggie & the Yo-Yo's. Tickets for the event are \$12 at the door. You can purchase tickets at both SMSA offices and the Scrip Office.
  - **Elementary and Middle School Art Department: Original Works Art Works Coming Home This Week! NOTE DUE DATE CHANGE!**

Dear Families: We are excited to announce that Saint Mary's Springs Academy has again teamed up with **Original Works**, to offer an art-based fundraising program at our school. Through this program, you will have the opportunity to purchase a variety of products featuring your child's very own artwork. These make great Christmas gifts! Students in Kindergarten through Grade 8 have started creating artwork for this project. This year our theme for our project is "Stained Glass". Students will be bringing their artwork home this week, along with order forms and a catalogue. Proceeds of this fundraiser will go right back to the Elementary and Middle School Art Department at SMSA. In years past we have used money raised to purchase tools and supplies, including two brand new kilns. Thank you again for supporting the Art Department at SMSA! All orders will need to be turned in by next week **Monday, November 13<sup>th</sup>**. This will ensure that ordered products will be here in time for Christmas. Please contact Mr. Schneider if you have any questions.

### ➤ **Volunteer Information**

- Please [click here](#) for volunteer opportunities.

### **School Nurse**

- **No news this week**

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### Message from the Principal

Dear Parents,

We have a couple new faces in our Kindergarten classrooms starting the beginning of this week. Please welcome Jean Kramer and Amy Charneski as classroom aides. You will find their joyous personalities in the classrooms, playground, and in the lunchroom. Mrs. Kramer will be in Ms. Schroeder's rooms, and Mrs. Charneski will be with Mrs. Roberts. Speaking of Mrs. Roberts, she has returned as well to her classroom as she has spent some time with her beautiful daughter. I would like to thank Mrs. J for long term subbing in Mrs. Roberts' classroom the first quarter of the school year.

As a reminder, below you will find report card information that will be available for your viewing this Friday. As always, thank you for being partners with SMSA in the educational experience.

**November 3rd** concludes the First Quarter of our school year. As in years past, as the quarter concludes, teachers are given until the following week to complete report cards for their students. A couple of new items to note:

- **The grading function within Skyward will be shut off on Friday (11/3) morning** to allow teachers to both post grades and verify accuracy. We would request that you not call/email the teachers regarding grades until they have worked through this process and final grades are posted. Skyward will reopen again on Friday, November 10 at 8:00am. This means you will not be able to view the gradebook or academic history tabs, and will not be receiving email updates regarding grading during this time.
- **All report cards (K-12) are now being posted electronically** via Family Access in Skyward. We will email you when grades are live (November 10) so that you may login and review Q1 grades.

Below you will find the information necessary for you to view your child/children's report card for the first three quarters of school. For the final quarter, you will be receiving a hard copy. We are asking for your electronic signature after reviewing the electronic postings to verify receipt.

**Please follow the steps below to view report cards (beginning November 10<sup>th</sup>).**

1. Login into Family Access.
2. Click on the Portfolio tab on the left side.
3. Look for your child's name.

4. Under Description - Find the document labeled 2017-18 Qtr 1 report card.
5. Click the document title – the Electronic Signature box will appear.
6. Click **View Report** to see your child’s report card. After you review the report card
7. Click the small box - I Agree.
8. Click **Submit Signature** when you are finished.

If you have any questions regarding the steps to view the report card, please contact the following:

K-5: Jo Gilgenbach at [jgilgenbach@smsacademy.org](mailto:jgilgenbach@smsacademy.org)

6-12: Bobbi Jo Amerling at [bamerling@smsacademy.org](mailto:bamerling@smsacademy.org)

God Bless,

Mr. K.

### Upcoming Events

**December 1<sup>st</sup>** 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.

Starting this week we will be having two NHS students joining us on Tuesdays and Thursdays to help with any homework students may have to complete for the coming days.

### 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](mailto:cwiza@smsacademy.org).

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## Middle School News

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6-12: Bobbi Jo Amerling at [bamerling@smsacademy.org](mailto:bamerling@smsacademy.org)

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## High School News

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6-12: Bobbi Jo Amerling at [bamerling@smsacademy.org](mailto:bamerling@smsacademy.org)

- SMSA High School Band, Chorus, and Jazz students will once again be selling beautiful red poinsettias from Haentze Floral. If you are interested in purchasing a ticket, or tickets, to redeem for a poinsettia, contact a High School music student. These tickets also make great gifts. Tickets will be \$15.00 each. The plants retail for \$25.00. You simply take your ticket to Haentze Floral and pick out your gorgeous red poinsettia. Your support is greatly appreciated as a portion of the sale will be used to help fund trips for these groups, especially for those going to Ireland this year! If you have any questions, please contact Brenda Christensen at [brendacarlc@gmail.com](mailto:brendacarlc@gmail.com) or 920-979-1214. The sale will run from November 1-November 30.

- **SMSA Spanish Club presents “BOO-GIE ON THE LEDGE”!!** November 11<sup>th</sup> from 7 p.m. to 11 p.m. This is a Halloween Party at SMSA featuring live music by ORANGE AFTERNOON.
  - Costume Contest
  - Salsa Lessons/Dance Competition
  - Activities/Games/Competitions
  - Food and Drinks included
  - \$5 per person
  - Guests are welcome with SMSA Dance permission form
  - Jeans/Sweatpants Day for the class with the most paid tickets by Nov. 1<sup>st</sup>.

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## High School Counseling Department

### Upcoming Events/News

- **College Visits**
  - UW-Green Bay-Monday, November 13-4th period
  - UW-River Falls-Monday, November 13-6th period
  - Moraine Park Technical College, November 20-2nd period
  
- A St. Mary’s Springs’ alumnus will be in the Counseling Office on Wednesday, November 15th during 6th period to meet with any students interested in learning more about St. Mary-of-the-Woods College in Indiana. It is a co-ed Roman Catholic, 4 year liberal arts college. Please get a pass in the Counseling Office if interested in attending.
  
- The **Fond du Lac Chapter of Wisconsin Right to Life is offering 3 cash prizes** to any interested student that is currently between the ages of 13 to 19 with a belief in the right to life from conception to natural death. Essays must be submitted no later than November 15, 2017. Please stop in the Counseling Office for more information.
  
- 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. Dates students can choose from are: Friday, October 27th, Saturday, November 11 and Friday, December 1. All 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](http://www.act.org). Find the college that's right for you.
- UW-Oshkosh is offering an **ACT Test Prep course** on Saturday mornings, Jan. 6<sup>th</sup> -Feb. 10<sup>th</sup>, 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

- 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.agniesiancareers.com](http://www.agniesiancareers.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

- 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. Come be part of the action that includes the upcoming fall play, Amateurs. Meetings are usually held on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of the month: November 15<sup>th</sup> is the next meeting.
- Minutes available soon.

All parents are welcome!

- **ABC** - Athletic Booster Club or ABC meetings are normally held the **SECOND WEDNESDAY** of each month. **Minutes from the November meeting will be available on the website.**
- We continue 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.

### Parent Connectors

News and Upcoming events

- **LedgerExpress** is on Sunday, December 3<sup>rd</sup> from 2:00 pm – 4:00 pm in the Commons Area/Baker Gym.
  - Watch for a registration form in your child's folder next week. **Pre-registration is required.**
- **Winter Carnival** - Friday, February 9th - we are currently looking for volunteers to assist with this event. Please email either Andrea Nuss ([alnuss@charter.net](mailto:alnuss@charter.net)) or Valerie Everson ([valerie\\_everson@yahoo.com](mailto: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](http://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

Steve Kelnhofer

- PreK-5<sup>th</sup> Grade Principal
- Hometown: Rudolph, WI
- Graduate of Wisconsin Rapids Assumption High School, Winona State University & Marian University (Masters Degree)

### ELEMENTARY

Jill Staerzl

- 4<sup>th</sup> Grade Teacher
- Hometown: Fond du Lac
- Graduate of St. Mary's Springs High School & UW-Oshkosh

### HIGH SCHOOL STAFF

Sue Hackl

- Administrative Assistant – High School Guidance
- Hometown: Oregon, IL
- Graduate of Oregon High School & Robert Morris College

### OTHER SMSA STAFF

Tammi Burkart

- Student Services Aide
- Hometown: Mercer, WI, Nashville, TN & Fond du Lac
- Graduate of Mercer High School & St. Ambrose College, Davenport, IA

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## Parish News and Updates

- **Confirmation (11<sup>th</sup> Graders):**
  - **November 10-12, 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 and dismissal after 11 AM Mass Sunday

## 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

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## Fond du Lac Community Events

- Fond du Lac County Audubon Society Presents a FREE Nature Program for You and Your Family! "Wildlife in Your Backyard Habitat"
  - Saturday, November 11, 10–11 am at Theisen Middle School Auditorium
  - David Stokes, Naturalist, Humorist, and Educator, will teach about wildlife in our own yards with stories, songs, and LIVE animals! A fun favorite for children. Bring your camera!
  - This program is recommended for school age children. For more information contact Diana Beck at 922-7931 or Margie Winter at 923-2490.
  - Audubon Family Programs in 2018 • January 27, 1 pm: Snowshoe at Kiekhaefer Park • March 14, MPTC, 7 pm: Who's Calling (learn how to identify birds by their sounds)

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