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## Weekly System Events Calendar

### General News

- **Basketball Fans - Nike and Under Armour Gear Available**

It's that time of year again and basketball season is just around the corner. Get the latest gear available this year by clicking on the link below. The sale runs from 10/16 - 10/30 and all orders should arrive before Christmas. Support the Ledgers and Junior Ledgers basketball teams this season by wearing new Ledger apparel.

➤ **Shop Now:**

[https://www.bsnteamssports.com/v3/shop/team\\_shop/SPRINGS201](https://www.bsnteamssports.com/v3/shop/team_shop/SPRINGS201)

- 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)

- **Host Families Needed!**

- - Bill, from Korea, 16, is in need of a permanent host family at St Mary's Springs. He is in 10th grade, speaks good English, and is a good student. He will help with chores, and is a very nice boy. The host family receives a generous monthly stipend. Please contact Carrie Schulz at [262-544-1183](tel:262-544-1183) or [schulzcarr@aol.com](mailto:schulzcarr@aol.com) for more information.
  - Central Boarding Academy is also looking for two short-term host families for two sophomore boys at SMSA over the Thanksgiving Break and also over the Christmas Break. Please contact Laura at [info@boardingacademy.com](mailto:info@boardingacademy.com) if you are interested or have questions.

### Scrip

- Just a reminder that Scrip is a fundraising program for SMSA but it also benefits your family. Purchase gift cards for hundreds of retailers (who offer a rebate to the program) at the Scrip office. 35% of this rebate can be used to offset your student's SMSA tuition - or it can be used at ANY tuition based school (college, tech school, etc.) and 65% of the

rebate goes to the SMSA annual fund which offsets the operational costs of the system. Stop by the Scrip office to learn more about this fantastic program. It's a WIN-WIN! Scrip hours are

- **Monday, Wednesday, Friday: 8am – Noon;**
- **Tuesday, Thursday: Noon - 4pm.**

### **Special System Events**

- **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 Coming Soon**

- 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. 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 in the coming weeks, 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. Look for your student's work at the end of this month! Thank you again for supporting the Art Department at SMSA!

### **Volunteer Information**

- SMSA has a new volunteer program for the 2017-2018 academic year. This program requests every family to volunteer a minimum of four (4) hours each year. Please [click here](#) for volunteer opportunities.
  - If you have any questions or suggestions for volunteer activities, please contact Jenny Baker at [jbaker@smsacademy.org](mailto:jbaker@smsacademy.org)Thank you in advance for supporting SMSA!

### **School Nurse**

- The Fond du Lac County Health Department will be at SMSA on **Thursday, November 2nd from 12:30 pm-3:00 pm** to give flu shots for grades 4K-12. **The mist will not be**

**available this year.** Paperwork is available on our website with a final return date by October 26, 2017. It is a one page form from Fond du Lac County to be filled out for each student getting the flu vaccine. The flu vaccine is recommended every year by the Center for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). This program is provided at no cost to you. Contact Fond du Lac County Health Department at 920-929-3085 or Katie Hellmer, RN at 920-322-3206 or [khellmer@smsacademy.org](mailto:khellmer@smsacademy.org) if you have any further questions.

- **We are in need of 3-4 volunteers to help the flu clinic run smoothly.** If you are interested in volunteering, please contact Katie Hellmer.

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## Elementary News (P3 – Grade 5) & Childcare

### Message from the Principal

The Elementary school will be celebrating **RED RIBBON WEEK** October 23<sup>rd</sup> - 27<sup>th</sup>, 2017. As we celebrate, create awareness, and learn how to make smart choices in our lives, we will be having some fun along the journey.

#### Red Ribbon Week Dress Attire for Elementary School

**Monday - School uniform**

**Tuesday - Red with jeans/sweatpants/athletic shorts**

**Wednesday - Sports jersey/sports t-shirt/sweatshirt with jeans/sweatpants/athletic shorts**

**Thursday – Tie-dyed or bright colored clothing**

**Friday - School uniform to school. Change into Costumes in the afternoon**

Thank you for being partners with us as we help cultivate a future that is aware and thoughtful in decision making.

- **A Message from the Elementary School Counselor, Mary Anderson:**

#### **Dear K-5 Families:**

I hope you are having a wonderful start to the 2017-18 school year. It has been a pleasure to work with our many wonderful students here at St. Mary's Springs Academy. As a school counselor, my main focus is to help students lead safe and productive lives.

To help educate and prepare our students to make choices that will keep them safe, St. Mary's Springs Academy is participating in **Red Ribbon Week**. The Red Ribbon Campaign is the oldest and largest drug prevention program in the nation, reaching millions of young people during Red Ribbon Week. This year, **Red Ribbon Week** will be celebrated October 23rd - 27th.

- St. Mary's Springs Academy invites your students in grades **K-5** to join us in celebrating healthy choices and choosing to say "No" to drugs, alcohol and unsafe behavior. Throughout the week, we will share with your students special messages, dress up days, pledges and activities to promote a healthy lifestyle.

**The schedule of Red Ribbon Week events and activities for K-5 are listed below.**

*\*\*Daily Messages are listed below for classroom/homeroom teachers to share with our students at the beginning of the day\*\**

- **Monday, October 23 – DARE to be great!**

\*\* A pledge to live drug free will be completed during TRUTH; Ms. Anderson will provide each class with the supplies to make a "Pledge Poster". Students will decorate a red hand to make a pledge to live a drug free life. A video will be shared to discuss what Red Ribbon Week is all about \*\*

Today's Message: Students need to know several ways to say, "No, drugs are not for me!" We need to make positive and safe choices in selecting our activities.

- **Tuesday, October 24 - I am a JEAN-ius...I am drug free!**

Students and staff can wear red and jeans/sweatpants/athletic shorts today to say "yes" to a healthy heart and body.

Today's message: Good citizenship is caring with a big heart by helping others with our actions and words.

- **Wednesday, October 25 – Staying Healthy and Drug Free is a Team Effort**

Students and staff can wear a sports jersey, sports T-shirt/sweatshirt with jeans/sweatpants.

Today's Message: Choosing to stay healthy and drug free is a team effort. Work together to help each other make safe choices.

- **Thursday, October 26 – Peace and Love Instead of Drugs**

Students and staff can wear tie-dyed or bright colored clothing.

Today's Message: Make healthy choices and life will be filled with more peace and love.

- Friday, October 27 – “Say BOO to Drugs”  
Students and staff are able to bring their Halloween costumes to school and change into them during the afternoon. Students should arrive at school in their uniforms.

Thank you for your ongoing dedication and support to your student’s education. We at St. Mary’s Springs Academy make it a priority that each student is given the tools to learn and grow academically, socially, and emotionally.

**Please contact Mary Anderson with any questions regarding Red Ribbon Week activities.**

- **KEEP THOSE BOX TOPS COMING**  
Collection sheets are available in your child's classroom or the elementary office.

### **Upcoming Events**

- **Trunk or Treat:** Thursday, October 26<sup>th</sup>; 6 pm – 7 pm in the South Green Parking Lot. Everyone is encouraged to join in the fun and safe Halloween celebration! Children can trick or treat in their Halloween costumes from vehicle to vehicle! Decorating your vehicle is highly encouraged and make sure to bring lots of candy! (from the Parent Connectors)
- **SMSA Elementary Halloween Parade and Party:** Friday, October 27<sup>th</sup>
  - 1:15 p.m. to 2:00 p.m.: Costume Parade in the Baker Gym **(Parents and friends are welcome!)**
  - 2:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.: Classroom parties
  - Please have your student bring a canned good.

### **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

- **Middle School Dance (grades 6-8)**
  - When: Friday October 27th from 4 pm – 6 pm.
  - Where: School Cafeteria
  - Cost: Admission to the dance will be \$1. Admission to dance will be sold during lunch periods on October 16th-20th.
  - Theme: Costume Ball
  - Students are encouraged to wear appropriate costumes, if they wish. More information to come on costume guidelines and appropriateness. Costumes are not required, and if students wish not to wear one, then jeans/khakis and a collared shirt is to be worn.
- **Saturday October 21st is Middle School Night at the Y**
  - Members are free/others \$5
  - Nerf wars/open swim/racquetball
  - See flyers around school for more information.

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## High School News

- **High School Conferences: Thursday, October 19th, 4:00-8:00pm.**

High School conferences are an Open House format. Please arrive anytime between 4:00pm and 8:00pm. There will be chairs outside of each classroom for you to wait for your turn. Out of respect to other parents and teachers, please keep your conference between 5-7 minutes; if a longer time is needed please set up an appointment time with the teacher.

Please review/print your student's schedule from Skyward before you arrive: their teachers' names are listed on it.
- **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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### Upcoming Events/News

- A representative from Marian University will be in the Counseling Office on Monday, October 23<sup>rd</sup>, during 6th period.
- A representative from UW-Oshkosh will be in the Counseling Office on Tuesday, October 24<sup>th</sup>, during 4th period.
- A representative from Mount Mary University will be in the Counseling Office on Tuesday, October 24<sup>th</sup>, during 1st period.
- A representative from Moraine Park will be in the Counseling Office on Wednesday, October 25<sup>th</sup>, during 2nd period.
- A representative from Michigan Tech University will be in the Counseling Office on Wednesday, October 25<sup>th</sup>, during 6th period.
- **Anyone wanting to visit with any of these representatives needs to bring his or her planner to the Counseling Office to have it signed as a pass to the event.**
- 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 27<sup>th</sup>, 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 October 28, December 9, 2017 and February 10, April 14, June 9 and July 14, 2018. Register at [act.org](http://act.org).
- UW-Fond du Lac is offering an **ACT Strategies Prep Course** on 3 Saturdays: October 28, November 4 and 11 from 8:00-Noon. Cost is \$119 per session. This will be completed in time for the December 9 ACT testing date.
- UW-Oshkosh is offering an **ACT Test Prep course** on Saturday mornings, on Jan. 6-Feb. 10, 2018 from 9 a.m.-Noon. Cost is \$200. You may register and find out more information at [uwosh.edu/go/actprep](http://uwosh.edu/go/actprep) 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).
- Pump N Pantry is looking to hire both male and female students that are 16 years or older. Hiring for Kitchen Customer Service Staff. Apply at Pump N Pantry.
- South Hills Golf and Country Club is looking for part-time help. Hours vary, probably 20-25 per week. In need of valet and busser. Interested students may call Jackie Runge at 920-921-3636 ext. 103 or [jrunge@southhillsfdl.com](mailto:jrunge@southhillsfdl.com).
- Red Cabin at Green Acres is a family owned business. We are a very busy bar/supperclub that is open Wednesday through Sunday. We are closed Mondays and Tuesdays. The Support position that I am looking for is made up mostly of high school kids. A couple from each school is always nice; that way when they have school events, I have the other school kids to cover the shifts. We do work around family, church and school events. The job itself consists of washing dishes, bussing and resetting tables, delivering food to the tables alongside the wait staff, making up salads and dishing up soups. We also have the outside tasks of shoveling snow and watering the plants in summer. Would love to have the chance to meet some of the kids from SMS. For more information, please contact Kathy at RCGA at 920-906-9110.

### Scholarships

- 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 \$4040 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.
- 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 October meeting will be available on the website soon.**
- 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.
- **It is Playoff Season again. Varsity Football and Girls Volleyball are in need of volunteers to cover concessions and admissions for the home playoff games. Please use this link <http://signup.com/go/nHBHOWZ> to volunteer.** There are still a few spots open for other sports as well.

## **Parent Connectors**

Upcoming events

**Thank you to all the SMSA families who have donated items for the Parent Teacher Conference Meal! The staff greatly appreciates it!**

- Scholastic Book Fair **TODAY**, Thursday, October 19<sup>th</sup> from 2:30 p.m. – 7:30 p. m. in the Multi-Purpose Room on 4<sup>th</sup> floor.
- Trunk or Treat: Thursday, October 26<sup>th</sup>; 6 pm – 7 pm in the South Green Parking Lot. Everyone is encouraged to join in the fun and safe Halloween celebration! Children can trick or treat in their Halloween costumes from vehicle to vehicle! Decorating your vehicle is highly encouraged and make sure to bring lots of candy!
- LedgerExpress is on Sunday, December 3<sup>rd</sup> – Mark your calendars!
- Winter Carnival - Friday, February 9th - we are currently looking for someone to help lead this family fun event! If interested contact either Andrea Nuss ([alnuss@charter.net](mailto:alnuss@charter.net)) or Valerie Everson ([valerie\\_everson@yahoo.com](mailto:valerie_everson@yahoo.com)).
- If you are interested in helping with any of these upcoming events, please go to the SMSA website and click on the colorful hands volunteer icon!!
- **SEEKING BOOKFAIR COMMITTEE:** Looking for a few individuals who would consider meeting 2 to 3 times during the school year in anticipation of planning fall/winter and/or spring book fair's. EMAIL: Jen Kebble [jkebble@att.net](mailto:jkebble@att.net)

## • **Spotlight on Staff!**

### **PRIMARY STAFF**

Katie O'Hearn

➤ 3K Preschool Teacher

- Hometown: Fond du Lac
- Graduated from Fond du Lac High School & Marian University

#### **ELEMENTARY/MIDDLE STAFF**

Mitchell Redig

- 7th & 8th Grade Teacher
- Hometown: Fond du Lac
- Graduate of St. Mary's Springs (2001) & Marian University (2005)

#### **HIGH SCHOOL STAFF**

Christine Glass

- High School Science Teacher
- Hometown: Romulus, New York
- Graduated from Romulus Central School, SUNY Cortland for Bachelors & Elmira College for Masters

#### **OTHER SMSA STAFF**

Barb Cramer

- Donor & Alumni Relations Coordinator
- Hometown: Clinton, IA
- Graduated from Mater Dei High School & Mount St. Clare College in Clinton

- Riverwalk Art Center will be exhibiting artwork from **SMSA alumni** this Friday, Oct. 20<sup>th</sup> from 5 pm - 8 pm located at 33 W Second Street in FDL. 13 Artists will be featured and varying mediums represented.

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### **Parish News and Updates**

- **Calling all 11<sup>th</sup> graders!**  
**Confirmation Session 2: October 29<sup>th</sup>**
  - Sacred Heart School
  - 1:30 p.m. - 3 p.m.
  - Modules 1-3 should be completed before this session.
  - **Contact Amanda Pohle at [apohle@hffdl.org](mailto:apohle@hffdl.org) for more details.**
- **Children's Liturgy of the Word**

- If you are interested in assisting with Children's Liturgy of the Word at St. Mary's, St. Peter's, or Holy Family's site/s, please contact Sabina Carter at [scarter@hffdl.org](mailto:scarter@hffdl.org)
  - Middle School and High Schoolers are welcome.
  - All adult volunteers must have Safeguarding training.
- **Help Holy Family RING the BELLS for the Salvation Army!**

Sign up online below.

Walgreens across from Festival:

<https://doodle.com/poll/tb3q6tfz666xs4ib>

Festival:

<https://doodle.com/poll/cmrib4wtd4ggqks9>

Contact Sabina Carter at [scarter@hffdl.org](mailto:scarter@hffdl.org) for more details.

- **October 24<sup>th</sup> - Sports Night**
  - 6-8pm, Sacred Heart Gym
  - Contact Amanda Pohle at [apohle@hffdl.org](mailto:apohle@hffdl.org) for more information.

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## Fond du Lac Community Events

- **Christ Child Craft Sale – Make a Difference Day**  
Woodlands Senior Park is hosting a craft sale to benefit the Christ Child Society on “Make a Difference Day”, Saturday, October 28th from 10 am – 4 pm and Sunday, October 29th from Noon – 3 pm at 87 Wisconsin American Drive, Fond du Lac. A variety of unique craft items, quilts, and afghans made by the residents and members of the Christ Child Society will be for sale. A themed basket raffle will also be available.
- The Christ Child Society was founded in 1887 by Mary Virginia Merrick who dedicated her life to making a difference in the lives of impoverished children. The Fond du Lac Chapter of the Christ Child Society provides layettes to needy families and single mothers; and also many other child related causes in the community. Please help us continue Mary Virginia Merrick's legacy by supporting our sale.
- For questions: Contact Mary Schmitz at 922-8770

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