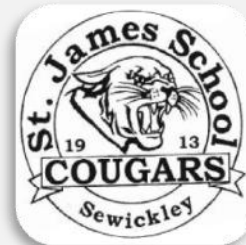




Cougar Call

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Events

12/10 6:30pm K-8 Christmas Program in the Gym - Students be there at 6pm
12/11 Our Lady of Guadalupe Prayer Service 1pm
12/14 1pm HSA General Meeting
12/15 6pm Band Concert in the Gym

A most sincere Thank You to the Veeck Family for their generous monetary donation to the Science Lab for much needed lab equipment updates. The gift is so much appreciated and their kindness is so treasured!
THANK YOU!

Cougar Call Entries

Cougar Call entries must be submitted by
NOON Monday for same week publishing to
mhcecca@verizon.net.

Volunteers:

Have you received your Child Abuse History Clearance in the mail? If so, please send it in to the rectory office or the school office. We need to have the original form on file at the rectory. If you need the original for employment, please make a copy for us and note where the original is on the form so that we may verify it. Thank you.

CHRISTMAS BASKET RAFFLE

Get your tickets now for a chance to win this wonderful Basket with **"SOMETHING FOR EVERYONE"**! The basket is **worth over \$550**, with items including an **iPod Nano** (video playing) with speaker system and i-Tunes gift card, DVD's for all ages, yummy Christmas chocolates from Sweet Supplies, a Christmas swag, many gift cards including Party Ants, restaurants, movies, and Starbucks, Bath & Body Works items, candles, books, games, life-sized LaBron James cutout statue, St James paraphernalia, and more!
Raffle tickets are \$1.00 each or 6 for \$5.00, and will be on sale before school and during lunch from December 8-18th. Tickets may also be purchased after all Masses during the weekend of December 12/13 outside the Main Church entrance. Drawing will take place on December 18th. Proceeds will benefit the 8th Grade Class Trip.

Help support the 8th graders' fundraising efforts!

Scrip News

We have one Sarafino's Gift Card for \$25.00 that we will sell for \$12.50, a 50% savings. This is a restaurant in Crafton. If interested, please contact Sue Ponticello at 412-741-6650 ext. 315. First come, first serve.
There are plenty of gift cards in stock. Please help the school and help your fundraising requirement by using the scrip program for all of your Christmas shopping needs.

Our last order date before Christmas will be Monday, December 14th. Why so early? The following Monday is December 21st. This does not allow enough time for the order to arrive before December 23rd which is an early dismissal for the school. So try to get your orders in as soon as possible.

As always, if you have any questions, please feel free to contact Sue Ponticello at the rectory at 412-741-6650 ext. 315 or saintjamesrectory@comcast.net. Thank you.

Two Thumbs Up!

On Saturday, a packed house at St. James gym enjoyed an evening of laughter with the "Sister" from Late Nite Catechism. Traci Ziemkiewicz and Shari Cain coordinated this fundraiser for our school. Great job, ladies! Kristen Pontello and a group of volunteers organized a fantastic dinner prior to the show. Special thanks go out to Mrs. Schreiber. She conducted a group of our students as part of this performance. This fundraiser was possible with the help of great families coming forward and supporting the school with their volunteer time and service. Some of our 8th grade students put in service hours for Confirmation to help set up. We had Quigley High School students working the set up and serving the night of the performance and the Knights of Columbus provided help as our bartenders. **THANK YOU EVERYONE!**

Orders for market day are due to the school by December 22nd. Internet orders are due by 11pm December 30th. Delivery will be January 5th. Sorry to anyone who was inconvenienced by the freezer problem on last month's order. The freezer is up and running again! Thankfully! Sorry again.

Light Up Night Volunteers

The St. James Athletics Association booth at the Sewickley Light-Up Night was a great success. Thank you to all of the volunteers who made it possible including the Garrison, MacDonald, McAllister, Meurer, Nicolaus, Peilert and Sullivan families!

Saint James Spirit Gear

The Spirit Gear orders are in. If you requested that your order be sent home with your child, they will be sent home by the end of the week. If you need to pick up the order at the rectory, please do so between the hours of 11:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. Thank you.

Girls JV Basketball

On Tuesday December 1st, the girl's JV basketball team opened section play with a victory against St Greg's. The Cougars overcame a halftime deficit with a swarming second half defense and surged to a 16-8 victory. Gabrielle Zernich led the team with 6 points, followed by Helen Urffer with 4. Lauren Padalino, Emma Cullo, and Aesling McCullough each scored a basket to balance the attack.



Our Choir for Late Nite Catechism--Director: Mrs. Elaine Schreiber, Ashley Farnan, Lauren Kunde, Jay Pflugh, Sarah Cullo, Emily Veeck, Sydney McDaniel, Jack Matten, Zane Travis and Katherine Meurer.

He Shoots and Scores....



This past weekend the boys' varsity basketball team played in the Quigley H.S. Tournament. They played a tough game against St. Alexis on Saturday falling short by only 2 points. They came back on Sunday to win against St. John's team. Way to go boys!

Altar Servers for December 12 - 13, 2009			
Dec 12, 5 PM	Dec 13, 7:30 AM	Dec 13, 9:30 AM	Dec 13, 11:30 PM
Alexis Griesacker	Jackson House	Annamae Bolen	Joseph McNally
Chris Johnson	Caroline Owens	Emily Bolen	Timothy McNally
Megan Johnson	Jacqueline Owens	Gabriel Haley	Kaitlyn McNally