

Newsletter

June 8, 2018

- **June 8 Eighth Grade Graduation 7:00 The Church of St. Dominic**
- **June 12 picnic**
- **June 15 PreK Step Up 8:30a.m. (corrected time)**
- **June 18 Kindergarten Graduation**
- **June 20 & 21 Early Dismissal**

Congratulations to our 7th grade students who were inducted into the National Junior Honor Society: Ava Bagdasarian, Isabel Esposito, Sean Gallagher, Ryan Johnson, Jessica Martin, Rocco Simmone, and Madison Tornberg.

Tuition Contracts- We were delighted that so many of our families have committed to returning to SCS for the 2018-2019 school year. You should have received your tuition contract and information about uniforms, financial aid and bus registration together with your contract. We indicated that all contracts were due by Friday, May 18th. Thank you to all the families that were able to comply with that request. If, however, you DID NOT receive your tuition package please contact the office and we will be sure you have all the important forms for re-registration.

H.S.A. Newsletter

The HSA is currently selling shirts from the Golf Tournament for \$20.00. They will also be available to try on for size if needed in Mrs. Alexander's office. We have men's sizes medium, large and XLarge. If you are interested in purchasing, please send a check or cash to the school office attention Golf Tournament with the size you would like. Please make checks payable to Southington Catholic School, HSA. Show your school spirit by wearing one today! They make great gift Father's Day gifts too! All shirts will be sent to you via your child's backpack. If you have any questions, please email Stephanie Benoit at scsgolfcommittee@gmail.com

Many thanks for supporting **Script** this year. Our final order for this school year was placed this week and gift cards will be sent home today via backpacks. We will continue the program next fall so keep in mind over the summer your coming needs and consider using Script again next school year.

The final **H.S.A Meeting** for the school year took place this past Tuesday. The H.S.A. would like to thank all of our families for your support and dedication in making this past year a tremendous success for our school community. The vote for next year's H.S.A. Officers took place at the final meeting. Your H.S.A. Officers for the 2018-2019 school year will be:

President: Christina Anderson

Vice President: Sarah DeMerchant

Treasurer: Barb Doherty

Co-Secretaries: Christina Mudzek and Karen Blatchley

Commitment: Marcia Olinda DaCosta

June 12, 2018 will be our end of school **Family Picnic** which will be held at Recreation Park in Southington. RSVPs were due June 7th. If you missed the deadline and would like to go, please email the

HSA at southingtoncatholichsa@gmail.com today. This promises to be a fun evening for us all to celebrate a successful year and look forward to the coming summer break!

Letters will be going out to families who have a **Commitment** Hour balance. Your letter will give you an idea of how many hours you have earned versus remaining due. The letters are going out today.

H.S.A. Meeting

Southington Catholic School Café

June 5, 2018 6:30pm

Attendees: Mrs. Sampiere, Mrs. Putala, Mrs. L, Christina Anderson, Barb Doherty, Marcia Olinda DaCosta, JP Lessard, Karen Blatchley, Jill Petruzzi, Stephanie Benoit, Kayla Quinn, Christina Murdzek, Michelle Angiolette, Basia Murzynski, Sarah DeMerchant, Belina Facia-Pio

Financial Update

- Budget submitting is due 4/1 each year – the School Submitted the HSA will again have a goal of \$50,000.00
- Our Golf Tournament raised \$10,159.57
- Dress Down to date has raised \$1,379.00
- The Gala has had another \$1,000.00 added to its existing total of \$19,495.00
- HSA surpassed it's \$50,000.00 school year goal

June 1st Paint Night Was Postponed

- Tough time of year so this idea will be brought up in the fall to try and do at a later date

Family End of Year Picnic

- Scheduled for 6/12/18 rain or shine as there is a pavilion for cover
- Pizza truck has been booked and Ice Cream for dessert will be provided
- Ice, lemonade and water will also be provided
- The pavilion overlooks a playground so this is a great event for children of all ages and parents
- RSVPs are due 6/7/18

2018-2019 School Year Family Event & Enrichment Ideas

- Possibility of forming a Family Events Committee to allow a specific group designated to focus on this area – perhaps event chairs comprise this group
- HSA Meetings will be roughly once a month again next school year on the first Thursday Night of each month at 6:30pm
- Babysitting for the meetings was an idea brought up
- Ideas such as dress down or a board game break etc. for families that attend meetings – figure out a way to reward students/grades with high HSA Meeting attendance
- One Commitment Hour will be given for HSA Meeting attendance
- Parents Night ideas for community building such as the Witch Doctor or Kinsmen are a possibility – dates to be determined over the summer/fall
- Monthly Dress Down was a successful fundraiser and the kids enjoyed it so this will likely continue
- Halloween Party – Rebecca Downie will continue in a leadership role in this event and additional support will be sought out to assist her

- Christmas Breakfast – Amy Cunningham has volunteered to again Chair this event – as the time approaches additional support will be sought out to assist her with the event
- Ideas to focus on the Middle School such as a Dessert Dance/Game Night, etc. will be discussed in the coming months
- Restaurant Night – as a fundraising and a way to bring our families together – Restaurants suggested: Chipotle, Panera, Chips and Moe's
- It is expected the Family End of Year Picnic/Pizza Truck Night will continue next year
- Easter Egg Hunt – Jenn Samselski has expressed interest to again Chair this event
- Movie Nights
- Author Visit
- Walk-A-Thon – we did not do one this year but the idea is still in consideration for the future

2018-2019 School Year Fundraising Ideas

- Fan Cloth – Krista Simone has volunteered to Chair this fundraiser of school spirit wear type clothing/articles
- Box Tops will continue in the new school year – Stephanie Benoit will Chair this event Script will start up again in the fall with dates to be determined and announced on the new HSA School Year Calendar
- Yankee Candle, Lyman Pies and Butter Braids are all being looked into for dates by Antoinette Oakes
- Book Fair will be run by Mrs. Alexander and the HSA will try to assist her in obtaining parent volunteers
- Pasta Dinner – Ideas are being discussed on doing one pasta dinner instead of the Pasta Fagioli every Friday Night during Lent or to continue Pasta Fagioli – Pasta Fagioli did not meet its expected goal this year and raised \$2,384.00
- Apple Harvest – The AH is having its 50th Anniversary this year so the potential for a Float or Parade Presence would be nice
- AH Parking Lot is not expected to be a fundraising option for us this year as has been the past due to the construction/changes – this typically brings in about \$5,000.00
- Kayla Quinn will look into possibly Chairing a Float Committee as she has experience – perhaps we can find parents in our community with skills to assist her
- Float Application needs to be researched and filed if we go forward with a float
- Daffodil Festival – possibly do something here – ideas to be discussed at a later date
- Raffle
- Gala
- Golf Tournament – Stephanie Benoit has agreed to Chair this event again
- Several other ideas will be discussed in the future related to Touch A Truck, The Italian Festival and a Baseball and/or Hockey Family Night

Miscellaneous Items

- If any of the major fundraisers are altered: Golf, Gala, Raffle, Pasta Fagioli or Apple Harvest – thoughts need to be discussed to replace the funds brought in by these events and/or a discussion with the Finance Committee needs to occur

Ideas for the overage in the HSA Account this year were discussed – using gift card purchases with the existing funds to have them for the future, HSA donation to signage updating, playground, etc. to be determined by the end of the school year what can be done.