

The LCA Weekly

November 3, 2011 Edition

Calendar

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| November 1-10 | Grade 1 Cognitive Ability Testing |
| November 4 | Service Day, Early Dismissal at 1:30 p.m. |
| November 5 | All Saints Auction, 6 p.m. |
| November 6 | St. Clement First Reconciliation Parent Meeting, 7 p.m., St. Clement Hall |
| November 7 | Student Savers, 7:50 – 8:10 a.m. Grade 5 Liturgy, 2:10 p.m. Report Cards Sent Home Newspaper Meeting, 3 – 3:45 p.m. Drama Club, 3:15 – 4:30 p.m. H ₂ O, 3 – 4:30 p.m. |
| November 7-11 | LCA Book Fair, Monday-Thursday, 7:30 a.m. – 8 p.m.; Friday, 7:30 a.m. – 6 p.m. |
| November 8 | Juggling Club, Grade 5, 3 – 4 p.m. |
| November 9 | Early Dismissal at 1:30 p.m. Conferences, 3 – 7 p.m. |
| November 10 | Early Dismissal, 1:30 p.m. Conferences, 2 – 6 p.m. |
| November 11 | Kindergarten Field Trip |
| November 14 | Student Savers, 7:50 – 8:10 a.m. Grade 3 Liturgy, 3 p.m. Newspaper Meeting, 3 -3:45 p.m. Dram Club, 3:15 – 4:30 p.m. St. Luke Confirmation Meeting, 6:30 p.m., at St.Luke |

News

Service Day is Tomorrow

Tomorrow, Friday, November 4th, is our annual day of service at LCA, and we will be out in the community raking leaves. It is a dress down day for the students, but remember that we will be outside rain or shine, so please make sure students are dressed for the weather. Students who have access to rakes and/or tarps are asked to bring them into school Friday morning. All items should be clearly marked with each student's name and homeroom. When our service is completed, students will return to school for lunch and a short activity time, followed by dismissal at 1:30 p.m.

Does your Child Use an Inhaler?

If your child uses an inhaler and has permission to carry it during the day, you may wish to remind him or her to bring it along on Service Day. This is particularly true if outdoor activity tends to cause any difficulties. The good news is that currently the weather is predicted to be partly sunny and in the low 50s.

All Saints Auction Is This Saturday!

This ***sold-out event*** is sure to be a memorable evening as we celebrate the work of the Sisters of Charity of St. Augustine and also raise important funds for our school.

The auction program is now posted on the website at www.lakewoodcatholicacademy.com/allsaints. You can read descriptions of all silent and live auction items and sign up parties in advance of Saturday's event. An addendum including any items received after October 28 will be available on the night of the auction.

Parking & Entry on Saturday

Some parking will be available in the LCA parking lots for the event; however, space will be limited as many spots will be reserved for our honored guests and sponsors. General parking will be available in the Old Stone House lot to the east of LCA, at Lakewood Park and on Lake Avenue. Thank you for your cooperation. All guests are asked to enter the building through the front doors on Lake Avenue or through the northwest doors near the main office. Event check-in tables will be located in the main hallway near the office.

Thank you to everyone who has supported the All Saints Auction! We look forward to sharing a special evening with all those attending this event.

A Final Call for Auction Volunteers!

We are set on volunteers for the event itself, but we are in desperate need of help cleaning up on Sunday morning. If you can spare some time, please contact Jenny Reali at jennyreali@sbcglobal.net. It's a great project for anyone needing service hours for Confirmation!!!!

To The Book Fair and Beyond: Reading is OUT OF THIS WORLD!!!

It's Book Fair Time! We will begin this exciting week with the 2nd Annual Bedtime Stories Bash. Come dressed in your pajamas and bring a snack to share. We will hear a bedtime story and have a bedtime snack. Clifford the Big Red Dog will be there to greet our little ones. Be sure to check out the flyer in today's packet for more information on the Bedtime Stories Bash.

During Parent Conferences the book fair will be a great place to bring your children. We will have our 7th and 8th graders reading stories, making Star Wars finger puppets as well as alien balloon figures.

Don't forget to invite your child's grandparents to Grandparents' Day on Tuesday.

Book Fair customers may help the school build classroom libraries by purchasing books through the Classroom Wish List program. In addition, the Book Fair will feature the One for Books® program, where kids can share the thrill of reading by donating loose change to purchase books from the Book Fair for their classroom libraries. Scholastic matches monetary donations with a donation of up to one million books, which go to national non-profit organizations dedicated to helping families in need, such as the Marine Toys for Tots Foundation, Kids in Distressed Situations, Inc., and Kids In Need Foundation.

Just a Few More Book Fair Volunteers Needed...

We can still use a few more volunteers for the Book Fair. People are needed on Monday, November 7th from 9 a.m. until 1 p.m., and again from 3 to 5 p.m.; on Wednesday, November 9 from 1 to 8 p.m.; and Thursday, November 10 from 1 to 6 p.m. Even a one-hour shift will help! If you can volunteer, please contact Caron Vighianco at cevigianco@att.net.

Second Call: Do You Have Younger Children Who May Be Enrolling in Fall 2012?

As we enter the formal recruitment season for the 2012-13 school year, we want to ensure that no family with currently enrolled students loses out on a chance to bring in a new preschooler or Kindergartner next fall! The siblings of currently enrolled students are our number one admission priority! Just send the name of the child and the class that you plan to register for, by email to pnickels@lakewoodcatholicacademy.com. Be sure to include your name too! And remember – this does not commit you to enrolling them; we simply want to have a good idea of our "internal count" prior to our first Open House on November 20th.

Save this Date: Elf Shelf & Breakfast with Santa are Saturday, December 10

It's that time of year again! Elf Shelf and Breakfast with Santa are right around the corner, and while the elves have been busy, they need your help! Elf Shelf is an inexpensive way for children to Christmas shop for mom, dad, aunts, uncles, sisters and brothers. The Elf Shelf will open at 9 a.m. and continue until 11:30 a.m., while Breakfast with Santa will be served from 9:30 until 11 a.m. Be sure to check out the flyer in today's envelope for more information and to learn how you can help. Any questions about the event or making a donation can be directed to Terri Griffin at grifster1@cox.net.

LCA Cross Country Dominates at State Championships

On Sunday, October 23rd several members of the 2011 LCA Cross Country team participated in the Ohio Middle School State Cross Country Championships held at Groveport Madison High School just outside of Columbus. More than 1,100 athletes from some 87 teams from across the state took part in the events. Awards were given to the top 15 individuals and the top 4 teams in each category.

Claudia Becker was 14th in the Girls 6th grade and under. Chris Larsen was 9th and Liam McGuire was 14th in Boys 6th grade and under. Bina Frost came in 9th in the Girls Division 1, 7th and 8th grade. Luke Wagner was 1st and Tim Trentel was 2nd in Boys Division 1, 7th and 8th grade. Luke was also awarded the trophy as the Ohio's Fastest Boy 2011 for his winning time of 10:32 on the 2 mile course. The 7th and 8th grade boys' team placed 3rd in the Division 1 Category. Team members included Shawn Gaspar, Kyle Prewitt, Patrick McGuire, Patrick Nolan, Douglas Petrick, Jack Romer, Nicholas Snider, Michael Trentel, Tim Trentel, and Luke Wagner. Congratulations for an excellent end to a tremendous season!!!

Winter Sports Mass is Saturday, December 3 at St. Luke Parish

We will once again mark the beginning of a new sports season for our LCA athletes with a celebration of the Liturgy! The winter sports Mass is set for Saturday, December 3 at the 4:30 p.m. vigil Mass at St. Luke Parish. Athletes are urged to attend with their families and to wear their jerseys. Individual basketball coaches will be providing more information at practice. One reminder: **Please arrive on time!**

Be Sure to Return your Conference Forms

Conference forms were sent home with all students last week. Student conferences are scheduled for Wednesday and Thursday, November 9th and 10th. Be sure to return your forms as soon as possible. Conferences will be scheduled on a first-come, first-served basis as forms come in. Remember there will be **early dismissal at 1:30** on both conference days!

SSO Connections Fall Issue Available Now

SSO Connections is the newsletter published by LCA's Saints Service Organization. Our first issue of the 2011-12 school year includes articles and photos from many of the SSO's fall programs and activities. Check it out in today's packet and find out what's going on in the SSO -- and get a preview of the the fun activities planned for the coming months.

Have Extra Halloween Candy? Donate It to the St. Patrick's Hunger Center

Did your children bring home way more candy than you want them to eat? Consider donating some of it to the St. Patrick's Hunger Center. Simply bring the extra to the Main Office and we'll take it to the Center on one of the evenings when our children are volunteering at the community meal.

Think Snow! It's Time to Register for Ski Club...

It's time for Ski Club registration! LCA has officially started sign-ups for the 2012 season! Our Ski Club consists of seven consecutive Fridays starting January 6. This is an extremely popular club in our school. Please register early so that your spot is reserved. **We need all registrations complete by Friday, November 18 to ensure your freebie passes before Christmas break.** LCA offers ski club through Boston Mills/Brandywine for students in grades four through eight. The cost includes the bus ride to Boston Mills each Friday, four hours of slope time per session, equipment rental (if applicable) and up to five lessons. Your cost is \$188.25 (includes rental) and \$135 (own equipment). This year signups and payment will all be online. Please note: we are not tax exempt. Transportation payments will be turned in separately, and checks need to be made payable to LCA Athletics. The transportation fee is \$91, and all participants are expected to take the bus. Information packets are available on line at <http://www.lakewoodcatholicacademy.com/sportspages/skiclub.htm>.



Market Day Update: A Season of Thanks. A Time to Give Back. Share the spirit of the season when you purchase a Pie from Market Day. Thank you to the 54 families who made purchases through Market Day in October. Your

support earned more than \$700 for LCA this past month, helping our teachers with in-service training and conferences. Additionally, we had 93 pie orders, with 17 families donating nearly 50 pies to Lakewood Community Service Center for the upcoming holiday. The generosity of these families is greatly appreciated by LCSC and the people they serve. We still have seven extra pies available at \$12/each. If you would like to purchase one for yourself or one to donate, please contact Michelle Smith.

Market Day Bonus Days are happening again in November. If we are able to sell 100 boxes of cookie dough, LCA will receive 30 percent of the profits in addition to the regular profit from the monthly order. Use the order form that will be included with next week's packet, or simply include the cookies in your regular, monthly order.

As always, if you have any questions, please contact Michelle Smith at marbury1995@sbcglobal.net.

Keep Saving Those Box-Tops!

All of your hard work is paying off! Thank you for sending in your Box-Tops and Campbell's Labels for Education. LCA was able to redeem the Campbell's labels for new physical education equipment. There are new hockey sticks, pedometers, ball nets and more. We have also submitted around \$800 worth of Box-Tops this school year. That means LCA will receive a check for that amount shortly! So, please keep collecting, trimming, and sending in those box-tops and Campbell's Labels. Drop them into the main office drop-box. Don't forget that Heinen's, Giant Eagle and Target also have a rewards program but you must have your card registered. Please contact Trisha Vargo at tevargo@cox.net if you need assistance in registering your cards. Remember, friends and family can also collect for you. Thank you!

A Service Opportunity with St. Luke Parish...

St. Luke Youth Group REAL (Reaching Everyone at All Levels) is going to help feed the needy on Saturday, November 19, in the parking lot behind Lakewood Masonic auditorium on Andrews Avenue near Detroit Road. The REAL group and several others are joining together to participate in a massive "feed the hungry at Thanksgiving" event. If you'd like to help, plan to arrive at 9 a.m. and pack boxes or big bags with a turkey, bag of potatoes, pumpkin pie and more. Each care package is then delivered to a Lakewood family who is struggling or in need of assistance. Last year the program packed and delivered over 1000 meals to people. It is a great event and many people of all ages work together on it.

Please join us! For more information, contact St. Luke Youth Coordinator Dave Corrigan at dcorrigan@stlukelakewood.org.

Final Scholarship/Placement Test at St. Joseph Academy is This Saturday, November 5th

The second and final scholarship/placement test for 8th grade girls seeking admission to Saint Joseph Academy is this Saturday, November 5th. The test runs from 9 until 11 a.m. Any student interested in applying to SJA is required to take this test. Scholarships will be awarded based on the results from the first two tests; results from the third test will be used for course placement only. A Parent Forum will also be held during the exam for parents seeking more information about tuition assistance, the academic program, and admissions requirements. There is a \$20 testing fee and pre-registration is required. For more information or to make a reservation for the testing dates, please visit the school website at www.sja1890.org or contact the Admissions Office at 216.251.4868.

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