

# *The LCA Weekly*

## *February 2, 2012 Edition*



### **Calendar**

<b>Jan. 29 – Feb. 3</b>	<b>Catholic Schools Week: “Faith, Academics, Service”</b>
<b>February 3</b>	St. Blaise All School Prayer Service & Blessing of Throats, 8:20 a.m. St. Ed’s Trash Talkers, 1:15 p.m. Minute to Win It, 1:45 Ski Club
<b>February 4</b>	St. Clement Confirmation Spirit Day, 9 a.m. – 1 p.m. St. Luke Confirmation Retreat, Saturday, 9 a.m. – Sunday, 2 p.m.
<b>February 5</b>	St. Luke Confirmation Practice with Sponsors, 2 p.m.
<b>February 6</b>	Student Savers, 7:50 – 8:10 a.m. Third Grade Liturgy Newspaper meeting, 3 – 3:45 p.m. H <sub>2</sub> O Meeting, 3 – 4:30 p.m.
<b>February 7</b>	Science Fair Science Olympiad Practice, Grades 5 & 6, 3 – 3:45 p.m.
<b>February 8</b>	Juggling Club, Grade 5, 3 – 4 p.m.
<b>February 9</b>	Ident-a-Kid, 9 a.m. <b>Early Dismissal at 2:30 p.m., Conferences, 3 – 6 p.m.</b> Market Day Pick-up, 7 – 8 p.m., Cafeteria
<b>February 10</b>	Grade Four Field Trip Ski Club
<b>February 12</b>	<b>St. Luke Confirmation, 2 p.m.</b>

### **News**

#### ***Deadline for Filing the PSAS Form is Just 29 Days Away!***

If you are planning to file for financial aid for the 2012-13 year, it’s time to get started. Federal law requires that all income statements should have arrived by now. Ideally, you would submit an application that includes completed copies of your 2011 tax return, but it is permissible to submit your application with copies of your income statements.

The form is available now, either in paper format, obtainable from the Main Office, or in electronic form, which you’ll find in an interactive PDF format on the LCA web at [www.lakewoodcatholicacademy.com/financialaid.htm](http://www.lakewoodcatholicacademy.com/financialaid.htm). **The first due date for the form is March 1. Eighty percent of the aid is awarded based on this first deadline.** We have again included a brief Q&A regarding financial aid in today’s packet. You can also contact LCA Director of Marketing and

Admissions Paul Nickels at [pnickels@lakewoodcatholicacademy.com](mailto:pnickels@lakewoodcatholicacademy.com) or by phone at 216.521.0559, ext. 3028 for information. **DON'T DELAY!!!!**

### ***Open Registration Begins This Week!***

Registration forms for Fall 2012 are now overdue, and we are poised to begin admitting applicants from new families. If you have not returned your form yet, please call the Main Office as soon as possible to inform them of your status for next year. We do NOT want to give your spot away, but we must hear from you now. The Office phone number is 216.521.0559. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Paul Nickels in the Admissions Office at [pnickels@lakewoodcatholicacademy.com](mailto:pnickels@lakewoodcatholicacademy.com), or Marge Lanzola in the Business Office at [mlanzola@lakewoodcatholicacademy.com](mailto:mlanzola@lakewoodcatholicacademy.com). Both can also be reached by calling the school at 216.521.0559.

### ***March 3<sup>rd</sup> Night at the Races is Approaching Fast! Get your Numbers & Horses Now!!!***

Plan to join us for Night at the Races on Saturday, March 3<sup>rd</sup>! Listen to the sounds of the Irish Heritage Bagpipe Band as you arrive for a fun filled evening. Enjoy a light dinner of corned beef sandwiches, Italian hoagies and chicken on focaccia with an assortment of salads, all catered by Italian Creations. Name your horse and pick your favorite number from the Super Sideboard and get those order forms in soon. There are only 5 Race Sponsor slots left so don't wait too long! If you have any questions please call Leslie Andrews 216-227-1729. If you would like to volunteer please call Jenny Reali at 216-226-9001. Want to keep up on what numbers have already been chosen? Visit [www.lakewoodcatholicacademy.com/nar2012.htm](http://www.lakewoodcatholicacademy.com/nar2012.htm).

### ***It's ALMOST Time to Register for Spring Sports***

We had been hopeful that the registration forms for LCA's Spring Sports program would be available this week, but we continue to await the outcome of some administrative changes from the CYO Program's central administration. It is possible that the forms will not be available until February 16<sup>th</sup>. As soon as they are ready, we will distribute them and we will promise a two-week registration period. We appreciate your patience! This year, our spring sports program will include CYO Track, Lacrosse for boys in grades 5 through 8, an intramural volleyball camp, and an intramural basketball camp.

### ***An Important Note from the School Nurse for 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Parents...***

Your child will be bringing home a letter about the Td/Tdap (tetanus) booster required for entry into 7<sup>th</sup> grade. If your child has already received this shot, you may turn it in at any time. Questions can be directed to Joanne Maiden at 216.521.0559, extension 3060.

### ***SSO Connections: January Issue is Here***

Read the latest news from LCA's volunteer network, the Saints Service Organization, and see photos from our fall and winter events! The January issue of **SSO Connections** was sent home in last week's envelope, but you'll also find a link to it on the front page of the LCA website at [www.lakewoodcatholicacademy.com](http://www.lakewoodcatholicacademy.com).

### ***A Note on Traffic Safety***

Periodically, we need to remind our families about safety issues in the parking lot. Recently, an increasing number of families have been dropping off their children by the western doors, and then attempting to back into the traffic flow of those who are properly driving around to the eastern doors, near the Greenhouse, to drop off their children. Other cars have been seen driving against the flow of exiting traffic and attempting to cut into the line as it approaches the pick-up area. **Please follow all traffic flow and drop-off rules! The safety of our children is paramount.** Thanks for your cooperation.

### ***Get that Spring Cleaning Going and Give LCA's St. Augustine Library a Boost!***

Did you make a Resolution to get organized or clean-out all the unused items in your house? We can help! SSO is hosting a Spring Bazaar on Saturday, May 19<sup>th</sup>. It will include a used book sale. Clean out those closets and shelves and donate any of the following:

- Books
- DVDS
- Gently used toys (No stuffed animals)

Mark boxes and bags "book sale" and drop them off in the school office. All proceeds from this sale will benefit the library. If you are interested in helping with the Bazaar, or if any of our spectacular "Junior Crew" wishes to help, please contact Caron Viglianco by email at [ceviglianco@att.net](mailto:ceviglianco@att.net) or phone at 521-2691.



### **Market Day Update...**

This is the last week for your Market Day orders for this month. All internet orders must be submitted by midnight this Saturday, February 4. We currently have just 25 orders, with a goal of 60. If you can help, please consider ordering this month, even if it is just one item. If you make a \$40 online purchase, you will automatically receive a FREE 4 pack of Cookie Dough Cups. An online purchase of \$90 will get you 1 lb. of Chicken Gems FREE when you enter the Promo Code: FEBBONUS. Also, for the frequent buyers, everyone who makes two online purchases of \$40 between February and April and places a third \$40 online order in May, will receive a free cooler tote.

Just enter your order on-line at <http://www.marketday.com/myaccount/myaccount.aspx> using the account #12891 for LCA. Don't know what to order? Chicken steaks are always a favorite; the cheesy potato soup is a quick and tasty way to warm a cold winter evening; and the pre-portioned cookie dough, which just happens to be on special this month, is an easy way to make just the right amount of cookies for the family. If you have any questions or if you need to make other arrangements for pick-up, contact Michelle Smith at [marbury1995@sbcglobal.net](mailto:marbury1995@sbcglobal.net) for more details.

Please consider supporting LCA through your Market Day purchase today.

### ***Huge THANKS To All Who Made our Catholic Schools Week Open House a Success...***

As a kick-off to Lakewood Catholic Academy's celebration of Catholic Schools Week, we held our second and final Open House of the year on Sunday, January 29<sup>th</sup>. I would like to thank the Student and Parent Ambassadors, faculty members, and staff who took time out of their precious Sunday hours to be present for the event. More than 40 families and a number of parishioners without school-age children attended, and were given personal tours by Parent and Student Ambassadors and even a few Board members. There is no better representative for LCA than a parent or students speaking from the heart about how LCA has impacted their lives. Also, numerous attendees, when asked to state how they heard about LCA, mentioned that they had spoken with other parents. Thanks to all who speak well of us in the community – you are all ambassadors for our school! And finally, thanks also to the students who spoke at our supporting parishes and distributed copies of "Spirit," a new publication from our Advancement Office. We have already had compliments from parishioners who were very impressed with our children!

-- Paul Nickels, Director of Marketing and Admissions

### ***In This Packet:***

- Second Quarter Honor Roll
- SSO Night at the Races Form
- Financial Aid Questions & Answers