

The LCA Weekly

September 8, 2011 Edition



Calendar

- September 8** Choir Practice, 3:00 – 3:45
Curriculum Night, Grades 5-8, 7 p.m.
Market Day Pick-up, 7 – 8 p.m.
- September 15** Choir Practice, 3:00 – 3:45
Annual SSO Volunteer Fair & Dessert, 7 p.m., Cafeteria
- September 21** **Faculty Meeting, Early Dismissal at 2:30 p.m.**
- September 22** Mass in Honor of the Sisters of Charity
Band Registration Ends for Grades 4 through 8
Choir Practice, 3:00 – 3:45
- September 23** **No School – Teacher In-Service**
- September 24** **Second Annual LCA Golf Open!!!!**
- September 27** Individual Picture Day – Dress Up Day
- September 28** Class Pictures – Wear Regular School Uniforms
- September 29** Choir Practice, 3 – 3:45 p.m.
- September 30** Progress Reports Sent Home for Grades 1-3
- October 2** **Seventh Annual LCA Run for Excellence**

News

Volunteer Fair & Dessert is September 15th

Lakewood Catholic Academy's Saints Service Organization will host the annual LCA Volunteer Fair and Dessert on Thursday, September 15th from 7-9 p.m. in the Cafeteria. Representatives from Athletics, Auction and SSO will be on hand to answer questions and to discuss different volunteer positions that will provide flexible time commitments to meet the needs of LCA parents. It is with your help that we are able to provide activities and programs to help students grow and learn. Five \$20 gift certificates to the LCA Bookstore will be raffled off, so plan to attend this informative and fun event.

Note: If you are unable to attend the Volunteer Fair and Dessert on September 15th please take a moment to complete the SSO Volunteer Form included with today's packet. It is with your help that SSO is able to provide opportunities to assist our teachers, help students grow and strengthen the LCA community through spirituality and service.

Don't Wait!!! 2nd Annual Lakewood Catholic Academy Golf Open is in TWO Weeks!

The Second Annual Lakewood Catholic Academy Golf Open, scheduled for **Saturday, September 24th, 2011** at the Bob-O-Link Golf Course in Avon, is just two weeks away! **WE WANT FOURSOMES!** We currently have 23 and have room for a

total of 36. This event will include lunch, dinner, 18 holes of golf with a cart in a four-person scramble format, prizes, and more! You can find a registration form and lots more information about the event, including sponsorship opportunities, on the LCA web at www.lakewoodcatholicacademy.com/golfouting.htm. Not a golfer? Not a problem! Dinner-only tickets are available too! All proceeds will benefit Lakewood Catholic Academy's CYO sports program.

Attention LCA Friends and Families! Volunteers Sought for Race for Excellence

SSO is looking to recruit 40-50 volunteers to help work the **5K Run for Excellence and Michalko Mile**, set for Sunday, October 2nd. We are looking for volunteers in the following areas:

- Friday, September 30th at 7 p.m. to bring up tables and chairs
- Saturday, October 1st at 1 p.m. to set-up tents
- Saturday, October 1st at St. Luke at 5:30 p.m. to help with Pasta dinner
- Sunday, October 2nd at 7 a.m. - the day of the race

There are many different jobs that we need help with the day of the event, including:

- Race Day Registration-registering runners
- Water Stop Volunteers-handing out water
- Course Marshalls-8 people to stand along race route
- Timers
- Award Helpers
- Clean-up after the race

If you are willing to help, please email Sharon Gaspar at sgasp2@yahoo.com or call at 216-226-5804 and let her know which day and area you are interested in helping. If you are planning on running/walking in the race, please sign up for a job that you can do before the race begins. Your support is greatly appreciated! We cannot have a successful event without the help of many volunteers.

The Lakewood Catholic Academy Run for Excellence is on Facebook!

One of our LCA parents has created a Facebook page for our seventh annual Run for Excellence and Michalko Mile. It has all the information about the race and links to register on-line. Facebook users can "like" this page at www.facebook.com/LCARun. Check it out!

Announcing LCA's 2011 Auction: A Legacy of Angels, A Celebration of the Sisters of Charity

LCA's annual auction is set for **Saturday, November 5**. Plan to join us for an evening reminiscent of a quaint seaside French village, including a delectable dining experience, fabulous auction items, and a great deal of fun with fellow LCA friends and families, both old and new. We will honor the Sisters of Charity of St. Augustine with our Insignis Award in recognition and celebration of the Sisters' 160-year anniversary of service to Cleveland. Be sure to save the date and watch for your invitation in the mail.

We also need every LCA family to help make the auction the best yet by donating an item, gift card or service to the auction. Details on how to donate were available on curriculum night or with your children - make sure to check their backpacks!

International Walk to School Day is Wednesday, October 5th

Lakewood Catholic Academy is once again registered for International Walk to School Day on Wed. Oct. 5. LCA participated last year for the first time and we had nearly 300 participants! Students, teachers, and parents are all encouraged to walk and join in on the uplifting effects a morning walk can create! We strive to promote the benefits the organizers cite, such as physical activity, teaching safe walking skills to children, awareness of how walkable the City of Lakewood is, concern for the environment by reducing traffic congestion, pollution and speed near schools, and sharing time for parents and children. Another good reason to walk is summed up by a student participant from last year: "It's fun!" For more information, visit <http://www.walktoschool.org/about/index.cfm>. Have questions or are you interested helping on the morning of October. 5 for about 30 minutes? Contact Marianne Quasebarth Usiak at greenteam@lakewoodcatholicacademy.com.

Save the Date! Grandparent's Day is Friday, October 14th

Our very popular Grandparent's Day will take place on Friday, October 14th. This is a morning event, at the school, starting with mass, followed by classroom visits. More details will follow in upcoming newsletters. In the meantime, any

questions can be directed to Janet Nolan by email at nolan5@cox.net or phone at 216-227-9218, or Leslie Mitchell at lesliemitchell1@cox.net or 216-228-2118).

Volunteers Sought for “Wednesdays with Words” Program

Wednesday With Words is a wonderful program that is designed to give students in grades Kindergarten through Six a hands-on approach to developing strong vocabulary skills and a love for reading. While parents are in the classrooms, the teachers will be meeting with their grade level teams to plan activities as a unified grade level. Each classroom will have two to three parent volunteers. Our first Wednesday with Words will be on **Wednesday, September 28th**. The program takes place on the first, second and last Wednesday of each month during the last period of the day. Please contact Leslie Andrews at 216-227-1729 or by email at BlAndrews4@aol.com by Wednesday, September 21st. if you'd like to volunteer for this rewarding experience. Please indicate which classroom or classrooms you would like to volunteer in.

An Important Note from the Nurse

There are still many immunization records missing for kindergartners, as well as confirmations that seventh graders have had their required tetanus booster shots. Immunization forms for kindergartners must be returned immediately, and parents of seventh graders must confirm the dates of their children's tetanus booster. By law, a child can be excluded from school if this information is not on file by the 15th day of school. If you have any questions, please contact Nurse Joanne Maiden at 216.521.0559, extension 3060. You can find the immunization form on our forms page at www.lakewoodcatholicacademy.com/forms.htm. For the tetanus booster, parents should simply send a note to school with the date of the booster shot to the attention of Joanne Maiden.

Get those LCA Directory Forms In!

There is still time to be included in the LCA directory – one of the most useful publications you will ever see! A form is included in today's packet. We are preparing to create the directory shortly. Don't be left out! **The deadline for returning the forms is Monday, September 12.** Please note that if you have already returned a form, you do not need to do so again.

Room Parents Wanted!

Interested in being a Room Parent? Please complete the form enclosed with today's envelope and return it to the Main Office by September 16th. Jenny Lishing will be organizing the Room Parent volunteers over the next few weeks. This is a fun opportunity to interact with students and help our wonderful teachers. Please note that if you have already returned a form, you do not need to do so again.

“Student Savers” Program Begins Monday, September 12

The Student Savers program, sponsored by the Unity Catholic Credit Union, is an excellent way to teach your child about the importance of saving. Students of any grade level are welcome to join! The first Student Savers meeting is set to occur on Monday, September 12 at 7:50 a.m. in the LCA Library. Students will have the opportunity to open their own savings account.

The 2010-11 Yearbooks Have Arrived

The 2010 - 2011 yearbooks are now in. If you ordered one it will be coming home with your child today. There are 17 extra copies available in the Main Office for purchase. The cost is \$29 per book, and they are available on a first-come, first-served basis. Please make your check payable to Ripcho Studio. If you have any questions about the yearbook contact Debbie Riddle at driddledesign@cox.net or 216.228.8246.

“Beyond the Classroom Door” Tours Begin at LCA

Lakewood Catholic Academy resumes its monthly “behind the scenes” tour for members of the Greater Cleveland community interested in learning more about LCA. Come to this innovative one hour event and experience LCA's new model for Catholic elementary education. Join us on Tuesday, September 20 at 8:30 a.m. Please call Mary Ann Campbell at 216-521-0559 ext. 3041 to make your reservation (required). Tours will be held on the third Tuesday of every month during the school year.

St. Clement Clambake is Saturday, October 8th

It's feeling like fall, and that means a Clambake at St. Clement Parish! This year's bake is set for Saturday, October 8th from 5 to 9 p.m. Be sure to check out the flyer in today's envelope for more information and instructions for getting tickets.

St. Clement Children's Choir is Looking for Voices!

The St. Clement Children's Choir, targeted for boys and girls aged 8 through 12, is looking for new members. It's an excellent opportunity for your child to learn vocal technique, sight-singing skills, music theory, and part singing. Rehearsals are just once a week and the choir sings for Mass once a month from September through May. If you are interested, contact St. Clement Director of Music James Flood at 216.224.8578.

Fallen Firefighter Memorial is September 11th at 9:11 a.m.

The Lakewood Community will gather with members of the Lakewood Fire Department to reflect on what has been both gained and lost in the heroism of those who made the ultimate sacrifice on September 11, 2001. A new sculpture, constructed with steel beams from Ground Zero, will be unveiled at Station #1, located at 14601 Madison Avenue. Public parking will be available at 5/3 Bank, Charter One Bank, Sherwin Williams, and Walgreens for the duration of the ceremony. Madison Avenue will be closed from Belle Avenue to Warren Road.

In This Packet:

- LCA Directory Form
- SSO Room Parent Volunteer Form
- SSO General Volunteer Form
- SSO Volunteer Fair and Dessert Flyer
- Book Fair Volunteer Letter
- Run for Excellence Race Flyer
- St. Luke September 12 Confirmation Meeting Letter (Eighth Graders Only)
- St. Clement Clambake Flyer