

The LCA Weekly

October 29, 2009 Edition



Calendar

- November 2** Newspaper Meeting, 3 – 3:40 p.m.
- November 3** Spelling Bee Practice, Grades 6-8, 7:30 – 8 a.m. and 3 – 3:30 p.m.
Drama Club, 3:15 – 4:30 p.m.
Extended Curriculum Meeting, 6:15 – 7:15 p.m. (Current parents only)
- November 5** Preschool Parent Meeting, 7 p.m.
Market Day Pick-up, 7 – 8 p.m.
Choir, 2:45 – 3:30 p.m.
- November 6** Report Cards Sent Home
- November 9** Newspaper Meeting, 3 – 3:40 p.m.
Green Team, 3:10 – 4:30 p.m.
- November 10** Spelling Bee Practice, Grades 6-8, 7:30 – 8 a.m. and 3 – 3:30 p.m.
Drama Club, 3:15 – 4:30 p.m.
- November 12** **CONFERENCES, 3 – 7 p.m., EARLY DISMISSAL AT 1:30 p.m.**
- November 13** **CONFERENCES, 2 – 6 p.m., EARLY DISMISSAL AT 1:30 p.m.**
- November 14** Green Team, 1 – 3 p.m.

News

All Saints' Day Mass is Tomorrow: Limited Seating Available for Parents

We are holding a very special Mass for LCA students in grades one through eight at 9:30 a.m. tomorrow, Friday, October 30th. The children will walk together from the school to St. Luke Church, where the Mass will be celebrated by priests from each of our founding parishes. Parents are welcome to attend, but seating will be limited, and parking will be primarily on the street, as the St. Luke school building is in use by an outside group on Fridays. For those who can't make it, look for a display of the children's saint projects at each of the parishes at this weekend's Sunday Masses. You'll also hear presentations by select students during the Masses, who will talk about their saints!

LOFT Directories are Heading Home Today...

The 2009-10 LOFT Directory is complete and is headed home to paid LOFT members! The Directory is one of the most valuable items an LCA parent can have. You'll find contact information for nearly every LCA family, both in alphabetical order and divided up by homeroom. There are extras available in the Main Office at a cost of \$5 each.

Pictures Coming Home Today; Retake Day Set

Your child's school pictures are coming home today. We have set Thursday, November 19th as "re-take" day.

Holy Name High School Sets Open House for November 8th

Holy Name High School will hold an Open House for prospective students and their families on Sunday, November 8 from one to 4 p.m. The Open House coincides with the grand opening of the Holy Name Fitness and Wellness Center, and will provide an opportunity to tour the campus, meet teachers and administrators, and learn more about what Holy Name has to offer! There will even be a drawing for three grand prizes: a Nintendo Wii, an Apple I-pod, and a gift card. Reservations are not needed.

St. Luke Chili & Cheese Cook-Off is This Sunday, November 1st

The third annual St. Luke's Chili & Cheesecake Cook-Off has been scheduled for Sunday, November 1st at 1:00 during the Brown's game in McBride Hall at St. Luke's. The event is open to all LCA families. This year a cheese cake baking contest has been added to the festivities. Bring your best chili or cheesecake to enter or just come watch the game, meet up with other LCA families and taste the best food in the diocese. Everyone will have the chance to judge and the winner will be announced at halftime. Cost is \$5.00 per family. RSVPs are by e-mail. If you are interested in volunteering or have any questions, please call or e-mail Jamy Bulan at 216-227-1100 or bulan_jamy@hotmail.com.

Kudos Corner: Congratulations to our Musicians of "Note"!!!

Recent LCA Band graduates have distinguished themselves as members of prestigious Cleveland instrumental ensembles. Thomas Yarcusko, trumpeter, is a member of the Cleveland Youth Wind Symphony (CYWS), which rehearse at CWRU and perform their first concert at Severance Hall on Sunday, November 1. Next June this orchestra will tour Spain and Portugal. Louis Rispoli plays bassoon with the Cleveland Orchestra Youth Orchestra (COYO). They perform three annual performances at Severance Hall as well as three outreach concerts throughout Greater Cleveland. These high school musicians also have the unique opportunity to sit side-by-side next to Cleveland Orchestra members! Congrats to our accomplished musicians!

More Kudos: Fall Festival Kudos!

Our Fall Festival was a big hit! Thanks to Event Chair Lisa Woike and to all who donated items and volunteered to make it a big success! A special tip of the hat goes to the "gentleman in the cafeteria" who won the 50/50 Raffle and promptly donated the entire pot back to LCA. This selfless act, even more noteworthy considering the amount of Halloween candy he could have purchased, is a wonderful example for all.

8th Grade Pasta Dinner Update & Thank You

On behalf of the LCA 8th grade students, we wanted to thank everyone who participated in our semi-annual pasta dinner fundraiser. Thanks especially to those early arrivers - Unfortunately, we experienced an unanticipated issue with the first batch of the evening's pasta output. We wanted to be sure to thank all of you for your patience and understanding. On behalf of the Class of 2010, we truly appreciate your support!

A Lost & Found Note...

Two masks were found during clean-up at the Fall Festival. If you've misplaced yours, check with the Main Office!

Service Day Planned for LCA Students on November 24th

Details are being worked out, but we wanted to let you know that we are planning a day of service for our students on Tuesday, November 24th. Watch next week's newsletter for more information!

In This Week's Packet

- Principal Letter on Ohio Budget Action
- LOFT Directory (for paid members)
- School Pictures
- Conference Night Teacher Dinner Flyer
- Rocky River Ice Rink flyer (electronic only)

Don't forget to complete the Lakewood Catholic Academy On-Line Census for YOUR family! To date, we have had 75 families complete the simple online survey. You'll find a link to the survey on the LCA web at www.lakewoodcatholicacademy.com/census.htm.



October 28, 2009

To Our Lakewood Catholic Academy Families,

As you likely are aware, the state budget bill, as passed by the House and Senate and signed by the Governor earlier this year, cut \$59 million over the biennium in aid to students attending chartered nonpublic schools. The cuts were in:

- Direct reimbursement to our schools (Administrative Cost Reimbursement)
- Resources and services such as guidance counselors, remedial assistance, and textbooks (Auxiliary Services).

The Catholic Conference of Ohio, which represents the bishops in matters of public policy, has strongly advocated that our school students be treated as equitably as other students during these difficult economic times. In previous budgets, funding support for chartered nonpublic students rose or fell proportionately with basic aid to public school students.

In this budget, aid to Catholic school students was reduced by 15 %, while aid to public schools was reduced by only 0.25%. In addition, public schools received federal stimulus monies.

The legislature is reconsidering budget revenues. Two bills currently under consideration propose restoring funds to students in our schools. Our message, irrespective of the funding mechanisms in these two bills, is this: "Find common ground for restoring funding to Catholic school students."

We urge you to contact our Ohio political leaders to share this message with them. You will find a link to an advisory sheet published by the Catholic Conference of Ohio on the web here:

<http://www.ohiocathconf.org/I/ED/edactionalert1009/bwparentactalertbudget1009.pdf>

Please consider taking a moment to call, write, or email the governor and legislature today!

Sincerely,

Maureen Arbezniak
Principal

NOVEMBER 2009

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
	<p style="text-align: center;">Grade 1 Cognitive Ability Testing</p> <p>Newspaper Mtg. 3-3:40</p>	<p>Spelling Bee Practice Grs 6-8 7:30-8AM & 3-3:30PM Drama Club 3:15-4:30</p> <p>Extended Curriculum Meeting. 6:15 - 7:15 (Current Parents Only)</p>	all week ⇒	<p>Preschool Parent Mtg. 7PM</p> <p>Market Day Pick Up 7-8PM</p> <p>Choir 2:45 – 3:30</p>	<p>Report Cards Sent Home</p>	
	9	10	11	12	13	14
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15	16	17	18	19	20	21
	<p>Newspaper Mtg. 3-3:40</p>	<p>Spelling Bee Practice Grs 6-8 7:30-8AM & 3-3:30PM</p> <p>H₂O Meeting 3-4:30</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Faculty Meeting Early Dismissal 2:30</p>	<p>Picture Retake Day 8:30AM</p> <p>Choir 2:45 – 3:30</p>	<p>Gr:7&8 French Class Field Trip</p> <p>Night at the Races Doors open at 6:30</p>	
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
	<p>Newspaper Mtg. 3-3:40</p>	<p>Saints Service Day & Thanksgiving Prayer Service</p> <p>Spelling Bee Practice Grs 6-8 7:30-8AM & 3-3:30PM</p>	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; text-align: center;"> Theater Troupe ⇒ *** *** *** *** </div>	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; text-align: center;"> Thanksgiving Vacation NO SCHOOL. </div>		
29	30					
	<p>Newspaper Mtg. 3-3:40</p> <p>Green Team 3:15 – 4:30</p>					

**Crisp Air, Cool Breezes,
Falling Leaves.....**

**Time for Sharing Some of Your
Best Comfort Food with our
Teachers!!!**

When: November 12, 2009

Where: Drop off by 1:00 pm to Home Ec. Room

What: Soups, Stews, or Favorite Secret Recipe

**Why: It is Parent Teacher Conference Time
Again!**

**Please consider sharing your dinner with our
teachers on Thursday night.**

**If you can help out, please call or email: Kathy Petrick 521-4754 or
kpetrick@samselsupply.com**





Hamilton Ice Arena 356 -5656 #2

Located in the Rocky River Recreation Center, 21018 Hilliard Blvd., Rocky River, OH 44116

Open Skating Sessions

Begin October 1

- Tues. & Thurs. 3:30-5:15 PM
(October)
- Tues. & Thurs. 4:00-5:15 PM
(Beginning Nov. 10)
- Friday afternoon 3:30-5:15 PM
- Friday night* 7:30-9:30 PM
- Sat. & Sun. 2:00-4:00 PM

Parent & Tot Skating Session

Begin October 7

Wednesday 1:00-3:00 PM

Your child 5 & under skates free with paying adult

All sessions subject to change or cancellation.

DAILY ADMISSION		
Morning & Afternoon Sessions	Mon-Fri	Weekends & Holidays
Students, ages 6-18	\$3.50	\$4.00
Adults	\$4.50	\$5.00
Seniors, age 60+	\$3.50	\$4.00
Child 5 & under with paying adult	\$1.50	\$1.50
<i>Nov.-Feb., deduct \$.25 students, \$.50 adults T & TH 4 PM Open Skate</i>		
Evening Sessions	All days	
Students, ages 6-18	\$4.50	
Adults	\$5.50	
Seniors, age 60+	\$4.50	
Child 5 & under with paying adult	\$1.50	
Skate Rental	\$2.50	
Skate Sharpening	\$4.00 (overnight)	
Coupons books—\$10.00 Book of 12, \$1.00 Coupons to use towards admission.		
Group Discounts—\$1.00 off for 10 or more with advance reservation; call 440-356-5666 for information.		

Parent & Tot Skate Wednesdays, 1:00-3:00 Skating, Snack, Games or Crafts

- Oct. 28 "Halloween Tot Skate"

Preschool
Specials!

Learn to play Hockey (ages 5-8)

Registration Sept. 17th 6-7:30pm in the Rink Lobby.

Late Registration: Call 356-5657

Program meets 2 times per week Oct-Mar.

Resident—\$215.00

Non-Resident—\$320.00



SCHOOL'S OUT PIZZA SKATES!

Come & skate at these extra "Pizza Skates" on the following days (free pizza with admission)

- Thursday Nov. 12 3:30-5:15 PM
- Friday Nov. 13 3:30-5:15 PM



SCHEDULE YOUR NEXT PARTY AT THE RINK!

Birthdays—Teams—Families!

\$8.00 per person — Weekdays

\$9.00 per person — Weekends

Party includes admission to skating, skate rental, choice of pizza or hot dog, and small drink plus use of the pavilion or private room. You may bring your own cake & ice cream! Must reserve in advance.

Available sessions:

Saturdays & Sundays, 2:00-4:00 pm

Tues, Thurs, Fri, 3:30-5:15 pm

SCOUT TROOP SPECIAL!

We have a meeting space and activity for various size groups.

Snacks available - ask for our troop special.

Available: Tues, Thurs or Fri. after school.

Special price: \$4.50/member (includes admission & skate rental)

Contact the Ice Rink Cashier at 356-5656, #2



Learn to Skate

Rink Phone # 440-356-5656 # 2 option

Ice Rink Cashier Booth Hours*

Register for Learn To Skate,
purchase coupon books,
sign-up for a birthday party.

Monday & Wednesday.....12:00 AM-3 PM
Tuesday & Thursday.....11:45 AM-7 PM
Fridays...9 AM-12:00 PM and 3:00-5:00 PM
Saturdays.....11 AM-4 PM
Sundays.....2 PM-4 PM
** times will change in March*

Monday & Friday Tots Classes

On Monday afternoons and Friday mornings, during the Tots SPS (Snowplow Sam) classes, tots can skate before or after their class for practice and fun!



CLASS DESCRIPTIONS

Ages 3-5: Snowplow Sam 1-3 (SPS) & Tot Basic 2-5
Minimum age is 3 years old by 1st day of class for all skating classes.

Small group instruction with an emphasis on having fun while learning skating skills.

An introduction for the new tot skater and a progression of skills taught for the more advanced skater.

Skills from Basic 2-5 for Tots is offered following completion of SPS 3 during the Tots classes.

Ages 6-15: Basic 1-6 & Freestyle 1-6

Group instruction following the USFSA guidelines for Basic 1-6 and Freestyle 1-6 levels for the beginning to advanced skater. Hockey or figure skates may be worn for Basic 1-6; Figure Skates for Freestyle 1-6.

Description of BASIC 1-6 skills & Freestyle skills available at Cashier's Booth and Civic Center Lobby.

Power Skating, Ages 6 & older

- **Power Skate 1:** For the Intermediate Hockey Skater; emphasis on forward skating stride and edges. Prerequisite: completed Basic 2
- **Power Skate 2 & 3:** For the Advanced Hockey Skater; emphasis on backward skating and hockey turns. Prerequisite: completed Power 1 or an advanced hockey player. Power 3 should have completed Power 2.

- ◆ All Skating Sessions meet for 6 classes.
- ◆ Tot SPS classes meet for 30 minutes.
- ◆ All other classes meet for 40 minutes.
- ◆ **Free Pass** for one open skate per week for each student

<u>Session Cost:</u>	<u>Resident</u>	<u>Non-Res.</u>
Learn to Skate, Tot Hockey	\$41	\$52
Tot Lessons	\$34	\$46
Skate Rental	\$2.50 per class	
Lessons Skate Rental Pass:	\$11	

LESSON SCHEDULE

MONDAYS

Session 2: November 9-December 14

12:40 PM Tot SPS 1-2; Tot Basic 2-5

1:20 PM Tot SPS 1-3

TUESDAYS

Session 2: November 10-December 15

5:20 PM Power Skate 1-3

6:15 PM Tot SPS 1-3; Tot Basic 2-5

6:55 PM Basic 1-6

7:40 PM Freestyle 1-6/Basic 6

THURSDAYS

Session 2: November 5-December 17 (skip 11/26)

5:30 PM Basic 1-4; Tot SPS 1-3; Tot Basic 2-5

6:20 PM Basic 1-5

6:30 PM Tot SPS 1-3; Tot Basic 2

7:15 PM Freestyle 1-6; Basic 6

FRIDAYS

Session 2: November 6-December 18(skip 11/27)

9:30 AM Tot SPS 1-3

10:10 AM Tot SPS 1-3; Tot Basic 2-5

10:55 AM Tot SPS 1-3; Tot Basic 2

SATURDAYS

Session 2: November 7-December 19 (skip 11/28)

11:40 AM Tot SPS 1-3; Tot Basic 2-5

12:20 PM Basic 1-6; Tot SPS 1

MARK YOUR CALENDERS!

**Registration for Learn To Skate
Winter Sessions 3 & 4**

Residents

Beginning: Monday Nov. 30, 9:00am -3:00; at the Ice Rink

Non-Residents

Beginning Saturday Dec 5, 8:00 am-4:00pm at the Ice Rink