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The Lakewood Catholic Academy Newsletter November 14, 2014 Edition

Night at the Races is This Saturday in the LCA Gym – Walk-Ups Welcome!

We are pleased and proud – and thankful – to tell you that all horses and all sideboard numbers have been sold! We are ready for a great night at our annual Night at the Races SSO fundraiser. Both the dress down day and pizza party student prizes WILL be awarded. We'll be announcing a dress-down day for the entire school, as well as the winner of the class pizza party soon!



NIGHT AT THE RACES

Doors will open at 6:30 p.m. and race action will get underway at 7:30 p.m. **WALK-UP TICKET PURCHASES WILL GLADLY BE ACCEPTED.** Grab your friends and join us for a night of fun, betting, and beverages! SSO will provide heavy appetizers, beer and soda. Feel free to bring along any additional snacks or beverages for your own table enjoyment!

Any questions about Night at the Races can be directed to race chair Mary Wirtz by phone at 216.906.4148. Thank you for supporting SSO!

***With Winter Arriving, Consider
Signing Up to Receive Text Messages
from School...***

CALENDAR

[what's going on around LCA]

November 13

Final Day for Book Fair -
Through 7 p.m.

November 14

NO SCHOOL

November 15

**NIGHT AT THE RACES:
Doors Open at 6:30 p.m.**

November 16

St. Clement/St. James
Confirmation Meeting, 7 p.m.

November 17

Student Savers,
7:45 - 8 a.m.

November 19

**Faculty Meeting - Early
Dismissal at 2 p.m.**

November 20

Grade 7 & 8 Field Trip

Full Choir Practice,
3 – 3:45 p.m.

Literati Society,
3:15 – 4:15 p.m.

November 23

Pre-K and Kindergarten LCA
Open House, 2 – 4 p.m.

November 24

Student Savers, 7:45 – 8 a.m.
Art Club, 3 – 4 p.m.

November 25

Winter weather is upon us, and with that weather comes the potential for school closings. For the second year, LCA families have the option to receive text messages when school is closed. The service is optional, but highly recommended. This year our communication has been expanded to include reminders for early dismissals and special events -- parents already enrolled received a reminder in regard to this week's parent-teacher conferences. If you would like to receive these messages for the 2014-2015 school year, simply text "@lcasaints" to 571-765-3725.



Registration must be completed annually, so even those parents who received messages last school year must enroll again.

Please direct any questions to Mr. Fletcher at mfletcher@lakewoodcatholicacademy.com.

Mass Schedule Update...

Please note that the mass originally scheduled for Friday, November 21st has been moved to Tuesday, November 25th. The entire school will join as a faith community at 1:45 p.m. to celebrate mass before heading home for Thanksgiving break.

2014 Band Patron Drive Begins!

One of the things that makes Lakewood Catholic Academy special is its very exciting instrumental music program, with two excellent concert bands plus a jazz band. It is a program that is definitely worthy of support, and we hope you will offer your support for the 2014 Band Patron program.



Every year we like to purchase current new music to challenge our students with modern works. In addition, with the support of donations, LCA has been able to offer instrumental music scholarships to families who would otherwise be unable to participate in LCA's band program.

Some of our LCA instruments are worn, but still valuable, and with refurbishment, they can continue to be used. Other

All School Liturgy, 1:45 p.m.

Juggling Club, 3 – 4 p.m.

SSO Meeting, 7 – 8:30 p.m.,
Teacher's Lounge

November 26-28
NO SCHOOL -
Thanksgiving Vacation

November 30
Advent Begins

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instruments are not worth repairing and need to be replaced. We hope to use the fundraiser proceeds to overhaul worn instruments and to purchase new equipment. In addition to instrument repairs, past fundraisers have paid for expensive specialty instruments like the tuba, timpani, orchestral tubular chimes, drum set, gong, and baritone saxophone. These instruments are too expensive for individuals to purchase and are generally owned by schools. We strive to maintain top quality equipment and current music to provide our students the best possible music education. We continue to offer scholarships on various instruments so that the program remains affordable to all.

To meet these needs, our program conducts an Annual Band Patron Drive to raise much needed funds for our program. **To raise funds this year, we plan to sell Band Patron memberships for the next two weeks - now until December 3.**

Our band patrons will be listed in the Christmas and Spring Concert programs. There are five levels of contribution, ranging from \$25 to \$1,000. The \$55 level will pay for one new band arrangement. The \$1,000 St. Cecilia level will provide new spring concert music for all bands.

- **White Level**

\$25 contribution (buys three solo-ensemble books)

- **Navy Level**

\$40 contribution (buys one new concert band arrangement)

- **Burgundy Level**

\$55 contribution (buys one new jazz band arrangement)

- **Special Friend** \$100 and over (Contribute towards new \$700 sound system)

- **St. Cecilia Patron**

\$1,000 (covers all new spring concert music for all bands)

Click here to download an introductory Band Patron Drive letter and donation form.

And THANK YOU for supporting our instrumental music program!

***LCA Fall Open House is One Week
From Sunday – Spread the Word!***

In the end, it's the beginning that counts! If you have friends or

family members who may be interested in attending Lakewood Catholic Academy, tell them to mark their calendars for Sunday, November 23rd. That's when we'll have our first Open House event for the 2015-16 school year. The event will begin at 2 p.m. with a presentation in the Chapel, followed by a visit to classrooms to meet our faculty, and will conclude with full campus tours. To pre-register or for more information, contact Director of Admissions, Terri Richards, at 216.521.0559, extension 3028, or by email at trichards@lakewoodcatholicacademy.com.

Grade Us! Please Take the Time to Complete our Parent Survey Online...

Believe it or not, we have reached the end of the first quarter of the 2014-15 school year! This has been a time of significant change for our school, with the arrival of new leadership, the debut of a new dining hall program, and the announcement of some major new initiatives to come for this year and beyond.



We'd like to know how you feel things are going! We have created a brief online survey for your feedback. The survey will only take a few minutes to complete, and it is anonymous. There are no restrictions on participation – one or both parents or guardians may complete the survey – and we hope to hear from all of you.

Click here to view the survey now.

Should you have any questions, feel free to email Paul Nickels at pnickels@lakewoodcatholicacademy.com.

The survey will be open until Monday, November 24th.
Thank you in advance for your participation!

Holiday Concert Schedule Announced

We are entering the season of Christmas music, and the 2014 holiday concert schedule is now available. A comprehensive calendar including choir, band, and young childrens' concerts begins on Tuesday, December 9th.

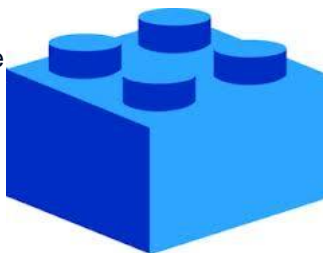


Click here to download a concert schedule now.

We hope to see you at a show this holiday season!

Attention Fifth & Sixth Grade Builders: Holiday Lego Club is ON

Holiday Lego Club for fifth and sixth graders is back! Mrs. McGuire and Mrs. Votypka will be moderators for a four week holiday themed building adventure! Club members will meet in room B105 from 3:00 to 4:15 p.m. on the following dates:



- Thursday, November 20
- Thursday, December 4
- Thursday, December 11
- Thursday, December 18

We will serve Christmas cookies at the December 18th meeting (donations welcome!), and family members are invited to view the holiday creations beginning at 3:45 that day.

Come join us and get into the creative spirit of Christmas! Parents will be required to complete the permission slip. **Click here to download one now.**

The signed form can be brought by the student to the first session.

Football Equipment Return is This Sunday at LCA...

Students who played football this year are asked to bring their uniform items to school this Sunday, November 16th, between 10:30 and 11:30 a.m.

Lost & Found is Filling Up – Check Before Christmas Break!

Is your child missing that nice fall jacket, or a pair of shoes, or even a lunch box? Our lost and found collection, located near the elevator & gym entrance to the school, is getting full! Be sure to stop by to see if you spot anything that may belong to your family, or ask your child to do so. We will empty the area during the Christmas break and donate any remaining items to charity.



Support Our Cub Scout Troop and Decorate Your Home at the Same Time!

Lakewood Catholic Academy's Cub Scout Pack 76 can help you beautify your home for the holidays! The Pack is selling holiday poinsettias and wreaths. Orders will be due by Monday, November 24th, with pickup scheduled for Thursday, December 4th at the school.



Click [here](#) to download an order form now.

Thank you for supporting our scouts!

Ski Club Sign-Up Deadline Is Approaching...

Ski Club starts January 9th and ends February 20th. Each Friday from 4:15 until 10:00 p.m. we will take Lakefront Lines coach bus to and from Boston Mills (BM) and Brandywine (BW). We will go to BM the first five Fridays and then to BW the final two Fridays. Pricing includes a total of seven sessions at BM/BW with four hours of slope time each visit, five one-hour lessons, and four \$10 value passes that can be used towards lift tickets or snow tubing anytime and can be shared with a friend. Students in grades four through eight, as well as LCA alumni, can now register for the club.

All current and future skiers and snowboarders can **register and pay online [here](#)**. Our club login is lakewoodcath and our club password is member. (Do not include the period!)

The cost to equipment owners is \$159. The cost to equipment

renters is \$223.05. (Renters: your value passes will include equipment rental) A separate \$100 check will need to be sent in for bussing. We only have 100 seats available. After we reach capacity, we will create a wait list to perhaps add a third bus. Make checks payable to LCA, place in an envelope addressed to Hollie Nejad/ Ski Advisor, and send it to school. Students that have not submitted the bussing payment by December 5th will not be permitted to ride the bus.

Registration ends December 20th. Once we receive a final roster of all snow enthusiasts, we will send out a group reminder and further details on pick-up and drop-off. All skiers and snowboarders are required to wear a helmet when participating in Ski Club. If you mention that you are part of the LCA Ski Club, Geiger's in Lakewood and Village in North Olmsted are offering discounts. Geiger's is offering 20% off helmets and Village is offering 20% off goggles and kids' clothing and \$10 off helmets. Village asks that you bring in a flier to receive the discount. **Click here to download the flier now.**

Helmets can also be rented for \$10 each visit at BM/BW.

Questions? Email Hollie Nejad at hdellisanti@hotmail.com.

St. Luke Parish Breakfast in Bethlehem is Sunday, November 30

St. Luke Parish will hold its annual Breakfast in Bethlehem after each mass on Sunday, November 30th, 2014 in McBride Hall. The event will feature a delicious hot breakfast, a live nativity scene, musical entertainment and much more. Tickets will be available at the door, and are just \$5 for adults and \$3 for children.



Click here to view a flier with more information.

St. Luke Pilgrim Run & Michalko Mile is This Weekend!

The St. Luke Pilgrim Race and Michalko Mile event is this Saturday! Race-day registrations WILL be accepted at the site of the race in Lakewood Park beginning



at 8 a.m., with the first race scheduled to begin at 9 a.m.

Click here to view a flier with more details.

This Week's Fliers

Holiday Concert Flier

Band Patron Drive Packet

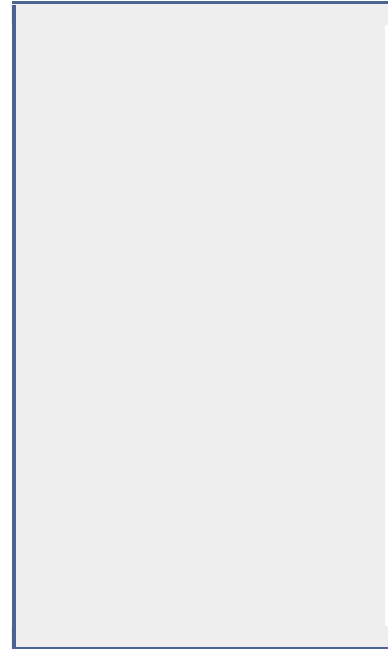
Holiday Lego Club Flier

LCA Early Childhood and Kindergarten Open House Flier

Cub Scout Pack 76 Holiday Sale Flier

St. Luke Breakfast in Bethlehem Flier

St. Luke Pilgrim Race Flier



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