

**St. Brigid School Parent Newsletter**  
**Friday, March 5, 2010**

**Communities:** Students met in Communities on Tuesday, February 23, and read Shel Silverstein's classic children's novel, *The Giving Tree*. Students used this book to spark discussion about what it means to give selflessly to others and wrote their ideas on hand-shaped leaves. Each Community used these leaves to create their own "giving tree" which are on display in the hallway.

**Stations of the Cross:** On Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays the students meet in the lunchroom at 7:50 to pray one Station of the Cross. Each class has been assigned a station and leads the student body in prayer.

**Snack Angels:** The boxes outside the office are filling rapidly with items for the Snack Angels Project. Many people will benefit from your generosity.

**Wednesday, March 17: The Feast Day of St. Patrick**

The Richens-Timm dancers will be at St. Brigid at 11:00 A.M. and will perform Celtic dances. Please join us!

Students may wear green shirts, sweatshirts, etc. OVER their uniform shirts.

**Fish Fry: Friday, March 26, beginning at 6:00 P.M.** Recently, I forwarded a letter to you from the Fish Fry Committee which asks for your help. If the letter did not open properly, please let me know. Also, if you are able to help at the Fish Fry, please call/e-mail me, and I will pass this on to a committee member.

**One Call!** Just a few more families need to send in the information form even if you do not plan to have your phone number on the call list. Thanks!

**St. Jude Math-a-thon:** Our students collected **\$2,053** for the St. Jude Children's Hospital!! If your child still has his/her donation envelop, you may send it in to school next week.

**Ohio Arts Council Grant:** Kathy Anderson and Randy Johnson, Traditional Arts and Dance, will be guests at school during the weeks of April 12 and April 19. Ms. Anderson and Mr. Johnson will work with the 5th graders as the core group; but all other classes will have the opportunity to learn from our visiting artists. Thanks to PIE for helping to fund this program along with a state grant. Over the years we have been enriched by having the opportunity to experience a variety of artists.

**Mark Your Calendars!** On Friday, April 23, there will be a family night with the Artists in Residence, Kathy Anderson and Randy Johnson. The evening will begin at 7:00 P.M. and will end around 8:30 P.M. This will give

**all parents the opportunity to see what the students have learned during the two-week teaching sessions with the artists.**

**Mark Your Calendars Again! St. Brigid Night with the Dayton Dragons on Saturday, May 1, at 7:00 P.M.** More information will be sent home next month.

On Thursday, February 26, **our sixth graders** performed for the residents at Liberty Nursing Home. They sang with all their hearts for thirty-five minutes without one piece of music in front of them!!! One resident is a former professional tap dancer, and he was so enthralled with the students' singing that he rose from his wheel chair and did a little dance! After the performance, the students went around and greeted the residents who showered them with words of praise. I was very proud of their singing performance and of their confidence and friendliness with the residents. Thanks to Miss Shoup for developing this fantastic service project for our students.

**Carroll High School Alumni Scholarship:** The Carroll High School alumni Association is currently accepting applications for their annual scholarship. Scholarships in the amount of \$500-\$1,000 will awarded this year. All 8th, 9th, 10th, and 11th grade students *who will be attending CHS next year **and** have parents/guardians who are graduates of Carroll High School are eligible.* (If a student is currently receiving an Alumni Scholarship but does not have a parent/guardian who is a graduate, that current student is still eligible to apply.) Applications for this scholarship can be obtained through the Carroll High School Advancement Office, 937-253-3338 or at [http://www.carrollhs.org/alum\\_scholar.htm](http://www.carrollhs.org/alum_scholar.htm). Completed applications must be returned to CHS no later than **March 31, 2010.**

**Third Quarter Straight A's for Grades 7 and 8: Students who receive straight A's for the third quarter will receive Reds Baseball tickets!**

**Calendar:**

**Friday, March 5: Stations of the Cross with the Jubilee Singers at 7:00 P.M. in church**

**Saturday, March 6: Teacher/Aide Retreat Day at Mount St. Joseph, Cincinnati**

**Tuesday, March 9: 5th Grade trip to the Philharmonic**

**Friday, March 12: Teacher Professional Development Day: No School**

**Sunday, March 14: Confirmation at the 11:30 A.M. Mass**

**Monday, March 15: No School for students: Waiver day for school accreditation...teachers report to school**

**\*\*\*\*\*(Four-day weekend: Fri., Mar. 12-Mon., Mar. 15)\*\*\*\***

**Wednesday, March 17: Irish Dancers at 11:00 A.M. in the PAC  
PIE meeting at 7:00 P.M. in the teachers' lounge**

Friday, March 19: End of Third Quarter  
Thursday, March 25: 5th Grade to perform for residents at Elmcroft at 10:00 A.M.  
Friday, March 26: The 8th graders will go to Wright State University for a chemistry show.  
**Friday, April 2-Sunday, April 11: Easter Break**  
Tuesday, April 13: 5th to visit Victoria Theatre  
Thursday, April 15: Spring Concert at 7:00 P.M. at Paul Robeson Auditorium  
Friday, April 16: Sister of Charity Day  
Friday, April 17: Jesus Day for Second Graders and Their Parents  
Thursday, April 22: 6th Grade Philharmonic Preview at 9:30  
Friday, April 23: 7th and 8th visit Victoria Theatre  
1st Grade to Cincinnati Zoo  
Saturday, April 24-Sunday, April 25: First Communion at weekend Masses  
Monday, April 26: Leap Day at School  
Tuesday, April 27: 8th graders go to Columbus  
Thursday, April 29: 3rd Grade to perform for residents at Hospitality Home at 10:00 A.M.  
Friday, April 30: Kindergarten Screening at 8:00 A.M.  
May: date to be determined: Kindergarten at Elmcroft  
Wednesday, May 5: 6th to visit Philharmonic at 10:00 A.M.  
Friday, May 7: May Crowning at 1:30 P.M.  
Friday, May 21-Sunday, May 23: Parish Festival  
**Monday, May 31: No School: Memorial Day**  
Thursday, June 3: Field Day  
8th Grade Graduation Mass at 7:00 P.M.  
Friday, June 4: Last Day of School!

Be sure to look at the school's bulletin board display in the church lobby. Make regular visits to the school's website at [www.stbrigidxenia.com](http://www.stbrigidxenia.com)

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