

# Saint Thomas Aquinas Academy News

March 26, 2010

## Academy News

This is the **last brown envelope** before spring break. We hope everyone has a very blessed Easter and an enjoyable time off from school. Brown envelopes will be sent home again on Friday, April 16<sup>th</sup>.

The **Athletic Club** will be sponsoring a **Fish Fry** on Friday, April 2<sup>nd</sup> in the High School Gym from 5:00 – 8:00 p.m. They will also be hosting their **Annual Brunch** on Sunday, April 18<sup>th</sup> at Schussler's from 9 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. Please see the flyers in your brown envelope. Proceeds from both of these events will benefit STAA athletics.

Congratulations to the participants in the **Freezin' 4 Reasons** event that was held on March 12<sup>th</sup> which focused on the homeless in our community. Students raised over \$2,000 with their efforts. All students are members of the Youth and Young Vincentians Society of St. Vincent de Paul.

Winners have been chosen for the **Catholic Order of Foresters Poster Contest**. The theme of the contest was "My Favorite Season" and all students were encouraged to participate. Congratulations to those that participated! We would like to say thank you to the teachers that judged the posters. Posters are on display at each campus.

A reminder that **Memory Book** order envelopes are due Wednesday, March 31<sup>st</sup> for all Pre K-8<sup>th</sup> grade students. The books are \$7 each and are a great remembrance from the school year.

## **RECIPES NEEDED FOR STAA COOKBOOK!**

Enter your favorite recipe online at:  
[www.typensave.com](http://www.typensave.com). The group login is **staa** and the password is **b7ah8**.

Recipes need to be submitted by **April 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2010**.  
Cookbooks will be available for sale at Holy Family Parish's Fun Fest being held in July.  
Proceeds will benefit both parish and school.



March 29-----	Birthday Table – Elementary
-----	Campus
-----	End of 3 <sup>rd</sup> Quarter
April 1-10-----	Easter Break
April 2-----	Athletic Club Fish Fry
-----	5 – 8 p.m. H.S. Gym
April 17-----	Rummage Sale – H.S. Gym
-----	8 a.m. – 2 p.m.
April 18-----	Athletic Club Brunch
-----	9 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. Schussler's
April 26-----	Birthday Table – Elementary
-----	Campus
April 30-----	<b>Jean Day – K-8</b>



## **DON'T FORGET TO REGISTER!**

**Registrations for the 2010-2011 school year are due March 31<sup>st</sup> to receive your 5% discount! The registration fee is \$100/student or \$150/family.**



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## Elementary News

The elementary campus welcomed a St. Thomas Aquinas statue to our entrance area. Father Dorner blessed this new statue after Mass on Thursday. A big “thank-you” goes out to some generous people who donated money to purchase a St. Thomas Aquinas statue for each campus.

Congratulations to Mrs. Luplow and the 3<sup>rd</sup> Graders, and Mrs. Wozniak and the 5<sup>th</sup> Graders! Both classrooms were awarded Reading Model Classrooms by Renaissance Learning. To receive this certification, educators must demonstrate that their students are maintaining high-quality practice for a minimum of 12 weeks. In addition, educators must be actively working with individual students to meet Renaissance-recommended standards and be helping each student work at the level that promotes the most growth. Mrs. Luplow and Mrs. Wozniak are recognized as Reading Model Educators. The 3<sup>rd</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> Grade students are recognized as Reading Model Students. Students wore their Model Reader shirts last Friday and pictures were taken. Way to go!

As the weather gets nicer and you are going through your items at home for our Rummage Sale, please think about donating outside items for our Pre-K program. These little ones could use some riding toys (such as 3 wheelers and pedal cars), pushing toys (such as poppers, buggies, lawn mowers, and strollers), and pull toys (such as wagons or pull-behind animals). If you have these items, they are in good condition, and you don't have a need for them, please consider giving them to our Pre-K program. It would be much appreciated!

Elementary students will be receiving their report cards on Wednesday, March 31<sup>st</sup> before spring break begins. A reminder there is **no** brown envelope, so please check with your child.

## Middle School News

On Wednesday of this week, our 8<sup>th</sup> graders attended the **Life Skills Expo** at UW-Marquette. Our students participated in a career choice workshop and then got to test out their career and life choices in a simulated real world setting. It appeared that the 8<sup>th</sup> graders enjoyed the expo and learned some valuable lessons about life and finances as well. **Thank you** to Beverly Call for driving for this event.

Report cards will be sent home with students in 6<sup>th</sup> - 8<sup>th</sup> grade on Wednesday, March 31<sup>st</sup>. There will **not** be a brown envelope, so please check with your child.

## High School News

Windsor Players' production of *Rosencrantz and Guildenstern Are Dead* opens tonight. This is an excellent opportunity to support a worthy student group and be entertained in the bargain.

A couple of reminders as we approach fourth quarter: please observe the traffic pattern of the parking lot. Enter from Water Street and exit to Main Street. Driving the wrong way puts children as well as adults in unnecessary danger. Let's watch our speed too. If you think you are traveling at a reasonable speed, take it down a notch just for good measure.

Another fourth quarter reality: outstanding fines and detentions must be settled before a student may be promoted. For seniors that means no graduation and no diploma until accounts are cleared. A word to the wise is sufficient thereof.



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**GUIDANCE NOTES:** On Tuesday, March 30<sup>th</sup> the **ASVAB** – Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery – will be administered to all of our juniors as well as interested seniors. The ASVAB is an excellent instrument to measure interests and career compatibility. We have emphasized to the proctors that results should not be sent to recruiters, however it is still possible that recruiters might call at home at some time in the future. Parents of juniors and seniors will find an informational flyer in their brown envelopes.

Last week, our sophomores attended the **Career Expo** at NWTC. Each student got to attend 4 sessions on careers including pharmacist, law enforcement, psychologist, graphic artist, and many others. **Thank you** to the following parents and staff who helped drive our students to this event: Kathy Brofka, Sally Faucett, Mary Tandias, and Abbey Withbroe.

## Home & School News

Please check your brown envelope for a letter containing details regarding the upcoming **Rummage Sale**. The sale will be held Saturday, April 17 from 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Many volunteers are needed to help with this event. There will be a sign-up at each campus office beginning Monday, March 29<sup>th</sup>. Please consider donating even just a few hours to this worthwhile event.

The next **Home and School Meeting** will be held Wednesday, April 21<sup>st</sup> at 6:30 p.m. at the High School. We hope to see you there!

