

# Shamrock News

1/18/19

Welcome: Welcome to new 9th grade student Emily Rhoden.

**Protecting God's Children**: Ss. Peter and Paul in Ionia will be holding a Protecting God's Children session on Monday, February 18 at 6:00 pm. Please register online at <u>www.virtus.org</u> prior to the session. You must attend one of these sessions before you can volunteer or be a chaperone at St. Pats.

<u>Congratulations</u>: Congratulations to Zak Arwood, who is the Heartlands January Student of the Month.

**Dressing for the winter weather**: Elementary students should wear boots to school every day from the Monday after Thanks-giving until March 4. This date may be extended based on the weather. When wearing skirts, girls should wear tights or snow pants for recess.

<u>Knights of Columbus Free Throw Contest</u>: Will take place on Sunday, January 20 at 1:00pm in St. Pat's gym. This is for boys and girls from 9-14 years of age. Free for all and no membership required.

**Subs are needed**: We are always looking for substitute teachers for our school. Prospective candidates need to have 60 credit hours of college level classes. If you are interested or know someone who is interested please sign up through WillSub at willsub.com. We recently increased the full day payment to \$90 a day.

**Chess Club**: Chess club will start up again on Tuesday, January 15. This year we will have a Middle School Chess Club from 2:30-3:40 and an Upper Elementary Chess Club for grades 3-5 from 3:50-5:00 every Tuesday. Mr. Tom Jandernoa will be the advisor and he will be assisted by Mr. Timothy Dugan and Mr. Todd McElmurry. Permission forms were emailed to parents, placed in elementary Friday folders and handed out to middle school students.

#### Monday, January 21

No School - Martin Luther King Jr. Day



#### Youth Stewardship Contests

The St. Patrick Stewardship Committee is sponsoring two competitions for our students. There will be a poster challenge for all 4th and 5th graders of our parish. The students will work in teams of two. The poster theme is "Stewardship is.....". The poster (22" x 28") may consist of a drawing, picture collage, painting, poem, etc. Prizes: first place = \$25/per person, second place=\$15/per person, third place = \$10/per person.

The middle school students of the parish will be doing an "art prize" competition. The entries may be completed by 1-2 people and consist of a sculpture, collage, painting, poem, drawing, etc. portraying stewardship. Use your imagination!!! Prizes: first place = \$100/per team, second place = \$50/per team, third place = \$25/per team.

All entries are due by Wednesday, January 23. They can be turned into the Parish Office or Mrs. Weems' classroom.

#### **ALOHA**

Reminder to return your Shamrock Auction donation slip



along with \$25 or a note of what you'll be donating. If you are unable to donate at this time, please return the slip and note it at the bottom. The Shamrock Auction is on April 27 at 6 p.m. in the Knights of Columbus Hall. For more information,

visit: <u>http://bit.ly/shamrockauction</u>.

#### **Calendar of Events**

- 1/19 Students return from March for Life 10p
- 1/20 K of C Free Throw Contest in the gym 1p
  1/21 No School—Martin Luther King Jr. Day Bowling vs. Dansville @ Meadow Bowl Lanes 3:30p
  JV & Var. Girls BB @ Vestaburg 6p
- 1/22 Protect Life Students to host "Silent Day" NHS Blood Drive in Parish Hall 10:30-5:00p PFCU Student Branch during lunches Chess Club MS 2:30-3:40p Chess Club Grades 3-5 3:50-5:00p 7/8 Grade Girls BB vs. Saranac @ SPS 5:30p
- JV & Var. Boys BB vs. Fulton @ PMS 6p 1/23 Mass for grades 9-12 9:30a JV & Var. Girls BB @ Fulton 5:30p JV & Var. Boys BB @ Vestaburg 6p 1/24 Mass for grades K-8 9:30a Coding Club in room 200 2:20-3:45p Bowling @ Fowler E-Lanes 3:30 7/8 Grade Girls BB @ Fowler 5p 1/25 Jean and Spirit wear day Senior Open Campus Lunch 1/27-2/2 Catholic Schools Week

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NHS Blood Drive

Come and save a life at the NHS Blood Drive on January 22, 2019! It will take place at the Parish Hall 10:30 am and the last appointment will be at 5:00 pm. For more information on how you can donate visit <u>www.redcross.org</u> or speak with an NHS member.



School closing phone calls: Portland Public Schools has an automated phone system that automatically calls parents to inform them of school closings. St. Pat's students enrolled in shared time classes were automatically placed in their system. Calls will be made when Portland Public Schools will be closed. If the call is due to inclement weather, St. Pat's is automatically closed as well. Please be aware that there may be occasions when you may receive a call when it does not affect our students. For example, if St. Pat's is not in session and PPS cancels due to a snow day. Or PPS is closed for a reason that would not close St. Pat's such as a power outage. Please be conscious of what the closing is for and if it affects St. Pat's. Phone calls will go out to all people in their system. If you do not want to receive the phone calls, please call our office and we will have you removed from their system. If you do not receive a call, and would like to, let the office know and we can verify your phone number with PPS.

## **STEWARDSHIP CELEBRATION**



The Stewardship Committee would like to take this opportunity to thank the many Stewards that give of their time, talents and treasure for the good of the Parish. All are welcome!

When:Saturday, February 2, 2019Time:After 4:30 p.m. MassWhere:St. Patrick's Parish Hall

Come enjoy some delicious food and get a chance to win a door prize while sharing in conversation and fellowship!

Also, the winners of the Youth Stewardship Contests will be announced.

Attention SPS Parents, Family & Friends!









### Saturday, April 27 @ the Portland K of C Hall Begins at 6:00 p.m Tickets are \$20 / person

Don't miss this night of fun!

Tickets include delicious food, drinks, and entry into the Shamrock appreciation raffle, as well as a live and silent auction, raffles, 50/50, entertainment and more!

The Shamrock Auction fundraiser was implemented in 2003 in an effort to boost fundraising profits. It has become one of the largest fundraisers for the school with proceeds split 50/50 between the school and athletic association. <u>With your help, we hope 2019</u> is the year we surpass **\$1,000,000** in total funds raised to date.

To reach this goal, we are asking every St. Patrick School family to donate \$25 cash or an item that will bring at least that value at the auction. Please complete the donation commitment form attached at the bottom of this letter no later than Friday, March 1, 2019.

All donations can be turned into the School Office between the hours of 9:00-3:00 and <u>must be dropped off by April 1, 2019</u>. Questions? Contact Mike or Ann Kissane @ <u>kissanes@hotmail.com</u>

As always, thanks for your continued support for St. Patrick School.

Mike & Ann Kissane and Jason & Jennifer Chamberlain, Shamrock Auction Co-chairs

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Family Name:	Donation:	Unable to donate