



# Shamrock News

4/26/19

## **Announcements:**

**Reminder:** We wanted to offer you a gentle reminder to please register your student for the 2019-20 school year as soon as possible. It is extremely important to have registrations turned in to the office in a timely manner to help with our planning and staffing for the upcoming school year. All returning students in grades K – 12 must have their registrations turned in by 4:00pm on Friday, May 3 or the registration fee doubles. Please also return emergency records with a signature on the back with your enrollment forms. Thank you for your attention in this matter.

**Thank you:** To Audra and Penny for preparing the hot dogs for our annual Rice Bowl luncheon. Thank you to Mr. Russman for doing all the background work on this project and to all the staff and students who helped. A special thank you to Mrs. Ingraham and Jerika Kihn for assisting Mr. Russman with sorting the money that was donated.

## **Congratulations:**

- To our Students of the Month for the month of March:
 

Lower Elementary:	Joesie Russman
Upper Elementary:	Olivia Martin
Middle School:	Martin White
High School:	Nathaniel Leahy
- Congratulations to Kara Shaw and Marian Pearson who were named to the Lansing State Journal Division IV All Area Girls Bowling team.
- Congratulations to Zak Arwood and Cole Fedewa who were named to the Lansing State Journal Division IV All Area Boys Bowling team.
- To Brandon Scheurer who named to the Basketball Coaches of Michigan "BCAM Best" Boys All-State Team.

**MAPS Testing:** Spring MAPS testing is taking place over the next couple of weeks. Please make sure students eat a good breakfast and get a good night's sleep.

**PTO:** The PTO sends out emails with information about upcoming events and when they are seeking volunteers. If you are not receiving these emails and would like to be included, please send your email address to [jackiemattmorris@yahoo.com](mailto:jackiemattmorris@yahoo.com).

**Sports Physical Forms:** In order to participate in practices and play games on a St. Patrick School team, a sports physical must be on file in the school office for all athletes in grades 5-12. The forms can be found on the school website under the About Us tab (in Documents/Forms), on the Michigan High School Athletic Association website, or in the school office. Plan ahead and schedule a physical now. The form will be good for all sports throughout the 2019-20 school year when dated after April 14.

**New Website:** The newly designed St. Patrick School website is now online. We have done our best to make it look and act like the old site. If you are having problems getting to our website try using this link [m.portlandstpats.com](http://m.portlandstpats.com) or use a different browser. If you are still having problems, please contact the webmaster for assistance at [stpatrickshamrocks@gmail.com](mailto:stpatrickshamrocks@gmail.com).

**High School Yearbooks:** High school yearbooks are now on sale. Buy the 2017-2018 yearbook for \$45 and the 2018-2019 yearbook for \$45. There is a \$5 discount per book for those who buy both (\$80 total--The discount is available to those who pre-ordered the 2017-2018 yearbook.). In-school sales during lunch have started. Please contact a high school yearbook staff member at [2019spsyearbook@gmail.com](mailto:2019spsyearbook@gmail.com) for more information.



## Calendar of Events



4/27	Shamrock Auction at Knights Hall 6p PROM 6:30-10:30p		Var. Track CMAC Tri @ Laingsburg 4:30p
4/28	8th Grade Confirmation at St. Andrew Cathedral 3p	5/2	Mass for grades K-8 9:30a
4/29	Play Practice Grades 6-12 2:30p Var. BB & SB vs. P-W @ FFF 4p		Coding Club in room 200 2:20-3:45p
4/30	PFCU - Student Branch open during lunches MS Track vs. Laingsburg/Potterville @ Potterville 4:30p Drama Club Grades 3-5 5:30-6:30 Junior/Senior Banquet in Parish Hall 6:45p	5/3	Play Practice Grades 6-12 2:30p Var. BB & SB vs. Saranac @ FFF 4p
5/1	Mass for grades 9-12 9:30a Var. Golf @ Portland Country Club 1p Art Club grades 6-12 2:30-4p JV BB & SB @ Saranac 4:30p	5/4	Senior Open Campus Lunch Play Practice Grades 6-12 2:30p Var. Golf vs. Dansville @ Eagle View 3:30p
		5/5	MS Track @ Webberville Invitational Var. BB & SB @ Lake Leelanau Invitational Var. Track @ Portland Invitational 10a
			Athletic Association Meeting in Parish Hall 6:30p

## PTO Color Fun Run/Walk

Please join the St. Patrick School PTO for their first annual color fun run/walk. The event will be held Saturday May 18th at the Red Mill Pavilion. Event starts at 9:00am. Late registration starts at 8:00am. The course is 1.5 miles. Each participant will receive a white shirt to wear for the event. Cost is \$15 if you register before May 10th and \$20 on race day. Maximum cost to a family is \$50 regardless of the number of participants (must register prior to May 10th). Awards will be given for the most festive dress, most school spirit, most colorful, oldest participant, and youngest participant. The SPS class with the highest percentage of class participants will receive an out of dress code day. Event packets can be picked up on Friday, May 17th from 4-6pm at the Parish Hall or the morning of the event. Minimum of 30 participants required for the event to take place.

## Great Lakes Scrip Program

Save for your child's education without spending ANY extra money!

St. Patrick Parish participates in the Great Lakes Scrip Program. You create an account, then through the program you buy gift cards at face value to use when you shop. A portion of every purchase goes into your account, to be used for your child's Catholic education. Your scrip earnings are applied to your tuition account two times a year. You can begin saving before your child starts school.

### SIGN UP with just a few easy steps!

- Go to: [www.shopwithscrip.com](http://www.shopwithscrip.com)
  - Click on *JOIN EXISTING PROGRAM*
  - Our code # (case sensitive) 7A4F6C3B186
  - Create a user name and password
  - Enter your own personal information
  - Click on *REGISTER*, and you are done!
- SIGN IN* and begin shopping!

The Savings add up fast! It's easy to do from home or on-the-go!

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## Shamrock Auction



Don't forget - the Shamrock Auction Luau will take place on Saturday, April 27th at the Knights of Columbus Hall. Doors open at 6 p.m.

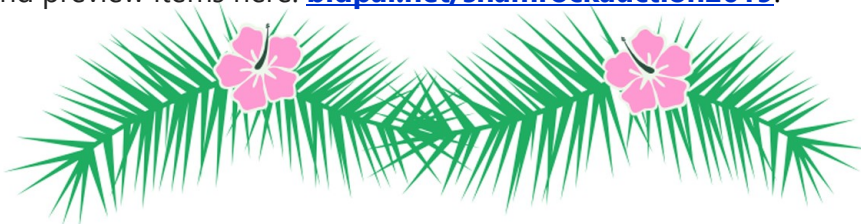
\$20 gets you entry and all-you-can-eat/drink. Sweet Caroline's will be preparing BBQ pork and Joan Tichvon will be providing desserts and other Luau-themed dishes for dinner.

### New for 2019

- **An online bidding software - bid online during the silent auction and check out with ease after the live auction.**
- **Entertainment following the Live Auction. Feel free to stick around and dance to music performed by Skip & the Dude!**
- **Classes with the highest representation will win a pizza party and out-of-dress-code day.**
- **New raffles sure to entertain, along with many new prizes you don't want to miss out on!**

The Auction Committee encourages the families of SPS to attend and take part in this valuable fundraiser for the school and Athletic Association. Feel free to wear your Hawaiian attire!

Order tickets and preview items here: [bidpal.net/shamrockauction2019](http://bidpal.net/shamrockauction2019).



# St. Patrick High School and Middle School Drama Club

Presents



Directed by Delia FoxElster and Jenna Pung

**Saturday, May 11 at 6 pm**

**Admission is free.**

**St. Patrick School Gym**

**Donations are welcome.**

Presented by Special Arrangement with Dramatists Play Service, Inc., New York

# S<sup>3</sup>= Summer Skills Sharpener



## Summer Skills Program

Summer Skills Sharpener (S<sup>3</sup>) is for those students who traditionally participated in the GRASP program through GRPS.

The objective behind this program is to provide a 20-day review packet of essential academic skills in: Math, Reading, and more! (5th - 8th grade program also includes Science). The program serves grades K-8<sup>th</sup> grade. This is a parent-friendly program allowing parent(s) and child(ren) to set the pace for this review and maintenance program, as well as providing answer keys for parent use.

Every grade level packet includes reading comprehension questions for at least one book (can be purchased at most bookstores or borrowed from local libraries), and basic math skills reinforcement.

## How to Order: (must complete BOTH steps- Weebly step and Payment step)

### 1. Weebly step:

Go to [www.summerskillssharpener.weebly.com](http://www.summerskillssharpener.weebly.com)

Click on "How to Order"

Fill in the Family and School Information Form (click submit)

Click "Buy Now" and proceed to fill in your credit card information

### 2. Payment step.

The cost of this program is \$17.50.

*If order is placed **by May 17th at 8am**- packets will be delivered to your child's school.  
(deliveries will be made from May 20-May 24)*

*If order is placed **after May 17th at 8am**- packets available for pick up at Holy Spirit School.  
(pick up available from 8:00-4:30pm from June 3-June 28)*

*Last date to order will be **May 31st at 8am**- There will be no late orders.*



*Any Questions...*

*Feel free to contact me:*

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