

SOAR WITH THE SPIRIT!
Our Lady of Victory Catholic School - Weekly Update –January 19, 2010

Second Century Scholarships – Now is the time to apply for scholarships for the 2010 – 2011 school year. An information flyer was sent home last week with more detailed information. Please note that the deadline is Friday, February 19 to submit applications. This year, 24 students received over \$32,000 in scholarship money. This could be you next year. More money has been designated for this program! For more details, contact the school office.

Needed - Photos of extracurricular activities and other school activities – Please send in your photos of your team, cub scouts, brownies, choir, band, etc or other candid photos of school activities for inclusion in the Memory Book. Please forward your digital photos to Eileen Clarke at ipobilling@yahoo.com. Your photos will make it a great yearbook this year!!

Thank you, Father Charles! On Friday, January 15 after the 9 am Mass, Father Charles visited with all of the classes to speak to them about vocations to religious life. Each child received a “Let Christ light your way.” light. We are suggesting that all of our students keep this light and bring it back to school on Thursday, February 4 during Catholic Schools Week. On that day we will be proudly showing everyone that “Christ is our Light”. More details to follow about this and other Catholic Schools Week Activities.

Counselor’s Corner - Happy New Year! - This month in Friendship Circle the theme will be “How Can We Change?” Focusing on thoughts, words and deeds that will coincide with the Catholic Schools Week theme for 2010: Catholic Schools Dividends For Life - Faith – Knowledge – Morals – Discipline. I hope to see many of the OLV friends and family during the Catholic Schools Week activities. - Marjorie Plosky, LCSW, Parent Assistance/Student Support

Annual Scholastic Book Fair - MARK YOUR CALENDARS!!!!!! The annual OLV Book Fair is scheduled for the following dates:

Sunday, January 31st Open House following the 9:30 am mass

Monday, February 1st - 5th 8:00 am to 2:20 pm

Friday, February 5th - Family Fun Night 6-8 pm

Saturday, February 6th - during Hoops games throughout the day (8:00 am until ??)

If you are available to volunteer during any of these time slots, your help would be greatly appreciated. Please contact or e-mail Jennifer Scanlon (769-6217) or jscanlon68@yahoo.com if you are interested. More information about the Book Fair will be forthcoming! Thanks, OLV PTG Officers

Magazine Sale - Information regarding the Magazine Sale was sent home on Thursday, January 7. This annual program is sponsored by our School Council. **Your participation is completely VOLUNTARY.** We hope that you take advantage of this easy way to renew and/or order new magazine subscriptions and help our school at the same time. If you do not plan to participate, please return the materials to school or recycle them. More details are included in the magazine sale packet. Returns are due Thursday, January 21.

ATOMS Program - Appalachia IU 8 is conducting the Advanced Training for Outstanding Mathematics and Science (ATOMS) Scholars Program again this summer. These are hands-on, high level, intensive science and mathematics experiences for very able mathematics and science students who will be completing grades 2 through 8 this school year. **Applications must be submitted to OLVCS by Thursday, February 11 for teachers to complete their portion of the application.** The application will be returned to you for submission to IU 8 by their deadline of Wednesday, February 24. For more information and application click on the following link. <http://www.iu08.org:9080/iu8/departments/curriculum/programs/special-projects/atoms>

Centre County PAWS Collection Boxes: The collection boxes in the library are currently empty. The folks at PAWS were very pleased to receive the last two donations that I delivered. They are in need of dog chew toys as well as anything else on the PAWS list, which is featured under the Library Media Center section of the OLVCS web site. Please remember the cats and dogs at PAWS that are in need of donations as well as good homes. Thank you. Mrs. DeMetrick

Upcoming events:

Tuesday, January 19 – End of Second Marking Period

Wednesday, January 20 – Dress Down Day – Theme is Super Heroes

Friday, January 22 – School Mass @ 9:00 am – sponsored by grade 1

Tuesday, January 26 – Report Cards distributed

Sunday, January 31 – Catholic Schools Week starts with 9:30 am Mass and reception in the gym.

