



REITZ MEMORIAL HIGH SCHOOL Parent Newsletter

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MISSION STATEMENT



Reitz Memorial High School is a Catholic Community that strives to educate all students to their highest human potential through quality education, a commitment to service, and the development of religious values.

Calendar of Events

2010 - 2011 School Year

March 12 - End of 3rd Grading Period

March 22 - 26 - Spring Break

April 2 - Good Friday
School in Session - Make-Up Day

April 5 - Easter Monday
School in Session - Make-Up Day

April 21 - Orientation Meeting
Class of 2014 - auditorium

April 23 - School in Session, Make-Up Day

May 21 - End of Second Semester
Baccalaureate - 6:00 p.m. - St. Ben's

May 22 - Commencement
4:00 p.m. - The Victory Theatre

GRADUATION EXERCISES

For those of you who would like to plan ahead, **Commencement** will be held at **The Victory Theatre** on Saturday, May 22, 2010 at 4:00 p.m. **Baccalaureate Mass** will be celebrated on the evening of **Friday, May 21, 2010 at St. Benedict Cathedral**. The tentative time is 7:00 p.m.

CONGRATULATIONS to the students who had artwork selected for the Annual High School Art Show at the Evansville Museum. The Art Show will open on Thursday, March 18th at 7:00 p.m.

Those students whose art was selected are **Eric Shoemaker, Lauren Fuchs, Ashley Denning, Elisa Garrison, Kristen Bitter, Katie Loehr, Sarah Blanchette, Lauren Whitney, Tiffany Feistel, Email David, Chelsea Patton, Rachel Davidson, Jennifer Marx, Marty McCool, David Sexton, Lacey Wolford and Holly Hordynski.**



FROM THE OFFICE OF THE CHAPLAIN, Fr. Alex Zenthoefner



Dear Parents,
We began the season of Lent on Wednesday, February 17 and I reminded the students that all the things we do during this season make absolutely no sense if we don't have a relationship with God. If we are giving things up or taking things on because people tell us that we have to, then we are missing the point. All of what we do in this season is meant to help us in our own relationship with Christ. To be honest, if we miss this point, then we also miss the beauty of having the opportunity to study in the environment of a Catholic school. Without a relationship with Christ much of what we do in our school doesn't make much sense.



With this focus on relationship, we will be having penance services for the students on March 17 and 19 to provide opportunities for them to strengthen and renew their relationship with the Lord. I would also encourage you to take advantage of this sacrament in your parish. I hope that this season gives every family the chance to heal wounds that need to be mended. Life is too precious to be burdened by unnecessary baggage – there are things that we all need to let go of in order to experience the freedom that God desires for each of us. If I can help in making this a reality please let me know.

I wish you all a very happy Lent.

~ **Fr. Alex Zenthoefner**

SNOW MAKE-UP DAYS

Due to classes missed for snow, **we will be in school on Good Friday, April 2nd; Monday, April 5th and April 23rd** which were set as potential make up days in the school calendar.

CLASSES RESUME

Classes will resume after Spring Break on **Monday, March 29th.**

THIRD QUARTER REPORT CARDS

The third quarter will end on **Friday, March 12th.** Report cards will be distributed to students on **Tuesday, March 16th.** Please be sure to ask your student about report cards at this time.

NOTES FROM MRS. LISA POPHAM
Assistant Principal for Curriculum & Instruction



WELCOME CLASS OF 2014

We would like to welcome parents on incoming **Freshmen** who will be in the **Class of 2014**. This is the first of many newsletters to be sent your way. Please take the time to read it each month so that you can keep abreast of school activities.

On **Wednesday, April 21**, we will be holding the **ORIENTATION MEETING** for parents of all incoming **Freshmen**. The meeting in the auditorium will begin at **7:00 p.m.** Information packets will be provided for each student; they should be picked up between 6:45 and 7:00 p.m. in the main hallway. Please make every effort to attend this meeting. For those who have an unavoidable conflict, packets may be picked up from secretary, **Barb Klein**, beginning **April 22nd**.

GENERAL FEE & TUITION REMINDER

The general fee of \$180 for students returning to Memorial is due on **April 23rd**. If your son or daughter will not be returning, please put this in writing and mail to the attention of **Mrs. Lisa Popham** as soon as possible. It is important that we know this information to prepare for class sizes for the next school year.

A \$300 tuition installment is due in the Business Office on March 12th for the incoming **Freshman Class of 2014**. Families who are registered members of an assessed parish who are unable to meet this deadline may seek a letter of reference from their parish pastor for delay of the payment. The reference letter will be due by this same date.

APRIL NEWSLETTER DEADLINE and ADDRESS INFORMATION

The deadline for the **April, 2010** newsletter is **Friday, March 19th**. Please have all submissions in to **Mrs. Klein's** office by the end of that day. You may email an attachment to **Mrs. Klein** at bklein@mhs.evansville.net or drop it by her office.

Please inform our office if you have a change of mailing address, email address, or phone number, so that we can keep our database current and our communication with you uninterrupted.

STUDENT ACADEMICS ONLINE

Are you checking your student's grades online? Memorial offers a wonderful opportunity for you to have the chance to view many aspects of your student's academics. You no longer have to wait until mid-term or Report Card time to check your student's progress. If you need help in using the Parent Connection or have misplaced your user name / password, please call **476-4973**, **Mrs. Lisa Popham** at **Ext. 205**, or **Mrs. Barb Klein** at **Ext. 221** and they will help you.

FROM THE OFFICE OF MR. RICK WILGUS,
Assistant Principal for Student Services



SUMMER DRIVERS EDUCATION

Driver Education classes will be offered to Memorial students during the summer of 2010. Information packets may be picked up in **Mr. Wilgus'** office beginning on Monday, March 1st.

Acceptance in the classes will be based on the return date of the completed application form accompanied by the required deposit of \$50.00. Check should be made payable to Memorial High School. These materials are to be returned directly to **Mr. Wilgus**. Two sessions of class will be offered. The first session will meet from May 25th through June 14th, from 8:00 a.m. until 10:00 a.m. The second session will meet from June 7th through June 25th from 11:30 a.m. until 1:30 p.m. each day. Practice driving will be scheduled during each session. The cost for the class is \$300.00. Students must be at least 15 years of age to be eligible to enroll in either session. Incoming **Freshmen** may apply. Classes do NOT meet on Saturdays and Sundays.

Summer Driver Ed students will need to attend an informational meeting at Memorial. This meeting will be scheduled in May. Paperwork will be issued at the meeting for the Learner's Permits. This meeting is for students only.

UNIFORM PANTS REGULATIONS FOR SCHOOL YEAR 2010-2011

The uniform **pants** are khaki in color. They are pleated or plain front. Parents need to purchase pants from Artex, Lands End or Dockers. Be wary of other brands that may be marked "uniform approved".



2010 - 2011 TUITION GRANT APPLICATIONS FOR CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS

Catholic Education Foundation Grant Applications
The Catholic Education Foundation provides tuition assistance for students wishing to attend either Reitz Memorial or Mater Dei High School. Hard copies of grant applications for the 2010-2011 school year are available at both Evansville Catholic high schools, and at Evansville parish offices and grade school offices where middle school students are enrolled.

The 2010-2011 grant application is available on the Reitz Memorial High School website. To download, type and print the application, go to www.reitzmemorial.org. Select "**Admissions**" then "**Tuition Assistance**". **Completed applications should be mailed or delivered to the CEF office, but cannot be emailed.**

Parents of students currently in grades 8, 9, 10 and 11 may apply. **CEF tuition grants are awarded on the basis of financial need. Applications should be submitted by March 12th, 2010 with most recent 1040 tax form. Most available funding will**

be awarded to those who submit applications on time. Late applications and appeals will be accepted until July 1, 2010 provided funding remains available. Grants are for **partial** tuition assistance. All inquiries, names of applicants and awards are completely confidential.

CEF funding depends upon the generosity of individuals and businesses within the community. **If you would like to make a contribution, or if you have questions, please call Margaret Angermeier** at the CEF office, 402-6700, ext. 302 or email cef@evdio.org.

MEMORIAL HIGH SCHOOL ACADEMIC DECATHLON TEAM - 4TH STRAIGHT STATE CHAMPIONSHIP

The Memorial High School Academic Decathlon team won its 4th straight state championship this weekend. The competition was held at Purdue University on Friday February 12th and Saturday February 13th. In addition to the team honors four individuals placed in the overall competition. **Tom DeCasta** won **Gold**, **Katlynn Loschen** won **Silver**, **Stephen Collins** and **Jillian Belmonte** won **Bronze** in the overall. Overall championships are determined by combining the scores from all ten events, and represents a major accomplishment by these outstanding competitors.

As a team Memorial won 5 of the ten events outright in competition against 9 other teams. Those events were Science, Art, Music, Economics, and Superquiz (a special category that features an in-depth look a specialized topic each year, this year it was the French Revolution).

In addition to team competition, each of the 9 team members compete as individuals in each of the ten subjects covered in the competition. Those awards follow.

Speech - Tom DeCasta, Gold

**Interview - Kevin Thomas, Gold
Corinne Casino, Silver**

**Science - Tom DeCasta, Gold
Katlynn Loschen, Gold**

**Math - Sam Dippel, Silver
Stephen Collins, Silver
Corinne Casino, Silver
Katlynn Loschen, Gold**

**Art - Jillian Belmonte, Silver
Tom DeCasta, Silver
Danielle Harpe, Bronze**

**Music - Kevin Thomas, Silver
Tom DeCasta, Silver**

Economics - Tom DeCasta, Gold

**Language & Literature - Danielle Harpe, Silver
Jillian Belmonte, Bronze**

**Essay - Jillian Belmonte, Bronze
Katlynn Losches, Bronze**

Individual Awards in SUPERQUIZ are:

Jillian Belmonte, Gold

Tom DeCasta, Silver

Katlynn Loschen, Silver

Memorial won the right to compete at state by winning a regional competition at Madison High School on January 23rd. Overall competition place winners at regionals were:

Gold - Drew Reising and Tom DeCasta

Bronze - Stephen Collins and Corinne Casino

Detailed results of the regional competition are available upon request.

Indiana has participated in this nationwide competition for 25 years, and Memorial High School is one of two teams that has qualified for state competition in each of those 25 years.

The team is coached by **Bob Exline, Carol Exline, Laura Ackerman** and **Kristi Carroll**. For more information, contact **Bob Exline** at 449-5977.



ACADEMIC DECATHLON FACTS

The first Indiana Decathlon Contest was held in 1985. Memorial High School is one of two teams that have participated in the state championships every year in which they have been held. We have been state champions in 2007 and 2008.

The competition consists of 10 subjects. They are Speech, Interview, Essay, Language and Literature, Social Studies, Science, Math, Art, Music, and Economics. Each year either the Social Studies or the Science subject is identified as the Superquiz subject, a very in-depth look at one particular subject that much of the rest of the contest is centered around. Samples from recent years include The Civil War, Climatology, Ancient Civilizations, and Biotechnology.

In the Speech portion of the contest each participant gives two speeches. One is a three and one half to four minute prepared speech; the other is a one and one half to two minute impromptu speech.

The Interview is set up much like a job or college interview. Each student is evaluated on how well he presents himself.

In Essay, each student is given 50 minutes to write an essay based upon their choice of three topics related to the materials studied for the competition.

Students are required to read one or two longer works, usually novels but sometimes plays or other types of literature; and several shorter works, such as poems or short stories, for the Language and Literature portion of the contest. The reading materials are related in some way to the Superquiz topic. Detailed questions about the works read, the authors, and the cultural context of the works form the majority of the test in this subject. A portion of that test also measures reading skills on a selection not previously read, much like an ISTEP or SAT test.

For Social Studies the students usually study one historical subject in great detail. In addition to the facts, they must also learn about various ways those facts have been interpreted by historians.

In Science, the students must master a detailed subject. In addition to facts, the students are also forced to examine the subject in historical context, and frequently look at broader implications related to the subject.

The Art and Music categories each focus on up to two dozen visual or musical pieces related to the Superquiz topic in some way. As stated above for other subjects, the cultural context and the details of the pieces or musical selections are important to know as well as the technical construction, general knowledge of visual and musical fundamentals, and the historical information for each artist and composer.

In Economics about 90% of the test is based upon knowledge of classical economics. Students must understand Microeconomics, Macroeconomics, and the basics of International Economics. The remaining 10% is related to the Superquiz topic.

The Math portion of the contest does not generally change much to reflect the focus of the competition. It does cover all subjects a good student will cover in four years of high school, including Algebra, Geometry, Calculus, and Trigonometry.

The breadth and depth of these subjects make successful participation in Academic Decathlon very much like taking an extra semester of school on top of keeping up with regular school work.

Each team in Academic Decathlon consists of nine students. Three of them must have an A average, three a B average, and three a C average. Each student competes against others in her own category. The team score is based upon the top two student scores in each category. The scores counted in the team score are the overall scores from all ten subjects, so all nine students must master all ten subjects. There is no advantage in having students specialize in particular subjects; in fact it would work against team success.

Awards are given for a variety of team and individual accomplishments. The first place team in each subject wins a plaque. There are also team awards for first, second, and third place in the overall competition. The individual student can win gold, silver, or bronze medals in each subject, as well as for the overall competition (within their competition category).

BOY'S TRACK AND FIELD - 2010

Parent/Athlete Meeting

There will be a meeting for **all** parents and athletes of the boys' track and field team on **Wednesday, March 3 at 6:00 pm in the Memorial cafeteria**. We will be discussing team expectations, meet procedures, practice, home track meets, fundraiser, transportation, and roster selection process. I look forward to seeing you on March 3rd.

Coach Schuler's contact information: **629-0080** or by email at mschuler@gsparrish.org. Keep informed at www.gsparrish.org >> **athletics** >> **track and field**.



SPECIAL NEEDS TRANSITION FAIR

If your student or someone you know has special needs such as a learning or physical disability, you might like to attend the 5th Annual School to Work Transition Fair. Anything relating to the transition from high school to college or employment for students who have special needs will be available. Seminars and booths will be available where you can learn about Medicaid waivers, programs, employment services, vocational rehab services, residential and day programs, college and university programs, guardianship and more.

The Fair will take place on Thursday, March 11 from 2 to 7 p.m. at the EVSC Southern Indiana Career and Technical Center located on Lynch road near U.S. 14 behind the Drury Inn.

For more information, call **Crystal Sisson** at **492-1206**.

2010 TRADITION LOTTERY

Congratulations to the February, 2010 winners!

\$10,000 - Melissa Harter

\$1,500 - Gary and Ben Wagner

\$1,000 - Nick and Paul Bragin

\$500 - Barrie Hughes

There's still time to get in on the winnings! Tickets are still available by calling **812-474-2943, ext. 300** or by visiting school websites.

BIG BINGO IS JUST AROUND THE CORNER

Sunday, March 14, 2010

Get your "gaming" face on! That's right, it's Big Bingo time! Gather the family, friends, and co-workers and join the Evansville Catholic High Schools for a St. Patty's Day celebra-



tion. The event takes place at The Centre in downtown Evansville on Sunday, March 14. Doors open at 4:00 p.m. Dinner begins at 5:00 p.m. followed by a night of big wins and a lot of fun. Be watching for details on how to purchase tickets or a table.

TOMORROW'S WORK FORCE ESSAY CONTEST

Attention **Juniors!** Tomorrow's Work Force Essay Contest begins soon. Be watching for details about Tomorrow's Work Force Essay Contest/Leadership Awards. **Junior** class members will soon be receiving a packet which will include the essay question along with other "need to knows". Fine hundred dollars will be given for the winning essay from both Memorial High School and Mater Dei High School. Winners will be recognized at a special event during the spring.

If you have any questions about the lottery, Big Bingo, or Tomorrow's Work Force, please contact **Amy Smith** at asmith@mhs.evansville.net or call **474-2943, Ext. 300**.

ATTENTION SENIOR PARENTS - CLASS OF 2010

Plans are underway for the traditional **After-Baccalaureate Party** that will follow the Baccalaureate Mass on **Friday, May 21, 2010**.

The Patron's Club After Baccalaureate Committee is organizing the party. It will include food, games, music, reminiscing and prizes for all graduating **Seniors**. Help is always appreciated! We need help with set-up, clean-up, soliciting prizes, food, games, etc. If you would like to volunteer or have questions, please contact chairpersons **Leslee Gribbins** at **480-9086** or **Caroline Sexton** at **459-2525**. You should have recently received a letter with the details and cost per student. Just as in past years we are requesting **\$30 per Senior**. If you did not receive the information in the mail, please contact **Roseanne Blubaugh** at **430-8823** or **473-0694**.

Photos: Photos are needed for the After-Baccalaureate video! Please submit three photos: one of baby or toddler years, one pre-teen or grade school age, and one with high school friends. Walker Studio will provide a **Senior** photo. Pictures should be no larger than 4 x 6. **Please put the name of the student on the back of each photo** (return address labels work well) so that the photos can be returned to you. Photos should be sent in an envelope marked "Baccalaureate Photos" to the school office by **April 1st**.

ATTENTION PARENTS OF THE CLASS OF 2011! IT'S TIME TO HELP PLAN AFTER PROM!

Spring is around the corner and PROM will be here before we know it! This year the Prom will be held on Saturday, April 17 at the Centre.

Each year, the **Junior** class parents sponsor and organize a substance free party after the Prom called, cleverly, After Prom! Since this event is sponsored by the Junior class, we are asking for support of ALL **Junior** parents to make this a success.

We are asking for a monetary donation of at least \$30 from each **Junior** class family. Any amount you are comfortable with donating will help make this a memorable party for all the students. Please make checks payable to Memorial High School with the notation "After Prom" on the check. Checks should be sent to the school by April 3rd.

JUNIOR PARENTS!!

Our next meeting for planning the After Prom is March 3 at 7:00 p.m., and we'll have one on April 7 at 7pm as well. Both meetings are open to all **Junior** parents, and we can use a lot of parents!! The meetings will be held in the Media Center at MHS.

AFTER PROM PARTY!

All **Juniors** and **Seniors** are invited to attend the After Prom Party following Prom April 17. The party is being held at Ground Zero in Newburgh, from midnight to 3am.

Father Alex will celebrate Mass at Holy Rosary Church at 11:30pm after Prom. Students who attend this special Mass will receive a free dress pass!

Prom attendees can go the After Party for free. If your student doesn't go to Prom, he or she can still catch all the fun at the After Party for only \$5!

The After Party is a substance free event, so once students leave, they can't come back into the party. If they need to go to their cars, they will be accompanied by an adult.

Plans are already underway to make this year's After Party the best one ever! The committee is working on great prizes, a DJ, games, tons of food and more to be announced in April! We hope all **Juniors** and **Seniors** make this party the one to attend!

Submitted by: **Debbie Faupel, Promotions Chair**

ASK DONNA - DON'T BE A PUSHOVER PARENT

It's that time of year when many of our students will be in Florida during Spring Break and some without any adult supervision. Remember you are not your teen's best friend; you are their parent. If you let them go unchaperoned, you are opening the door to all sorts of problems. Some of these could end up changing your teen's life forever!

The last part of our brain to develop is the rational, logical part. This does not happen until we reach our mid to late twenties. When teens drink or do drugs, this impairs their judgment even more. Often a teen's first sexual experience involves the use of alcohol or drugs. This experience can lead to numerous negative consequences like the spread of sexually transmitted diseases, pregnancy, and violence.

When a parent grants a teen's every wish, the teen grows up with an unrealistic sense of entitlement. A teen who never experiences disappointment will have much more difficulty dealing with everyday challenges. Limits placed on teens help make the world a more predictable

MEMORIAL Tigers

Athletic Department



FROM THE WORLD OF SPORTS

Submitted by: *Mr. Bruce Dockery, Athletic Director*

CONGRATULATIONS to *Memorial Girls Basketball* for winning the IHSAA Sectional and Regional Basketball Championships. Good Luck to the girls as they move on toward the IHSAA State Tournament.

CONGRATULATIONS to *Coach Bill Vieth* for being named the 2009 Sectional Coach of the Year in Boys Soccer by the National Federation of High School Coaches Association. *Coach Vieth* was nominated for this award by the IHSAA in recognition of his many successes as a coach in boys soccer. IHSAA Assistant Commissioner *Bobby Cox* states that it is truly a pleasure to have the opportunity to acknowledge *Coach Vieth's* outstanding service and congratulate both he and the Evansville community for this accomplishment.

CONGRATULATIONS to these student athletes who have signed with the following schools: *Clay Willis* – Cross Country at USI, *Courtney Deem* – Soccer at East Tennessee State, *Tyler Vieth* – Soccer at Missouri State, *Andy Diehl* – Soccer at Bellarmine University.

CONGRATULATIONS to the following who were named 2009 Academic All-City for Volleyball.

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| <i>Claire Church</i> | <i>Megan Miller</i> |
| <i>Jessica Durcholz</i> | <i>Haley Ulrich**</i> |
| <i>Anna Hackert</i> | <i>Renaye Wahl**</i> |
| <i>Marie Hackert</i> | <i>Lindsey Will</i> |
| <i>Elisha Hoffman**</i> | <i>Paige Zint</i> |
| <i>Mallory Ladd</i> | ** indicates a 6.0 GPA |

WRESTLING NEWS

The Tiger grapplers just wrapped up their 15th consecutive winning season with a 20-5 record. The Tigers won the Memorial and Madison Tournaments and also defeated Kentucky State Champ Louisville Trinity in a dual meet.

Two wrestlers, *Jordan Adams* and *Roy Whetstone* Were Sectional champs. These two were joined by *Matt Prasek*, *Logan Wedding*, *Ryan Sandwith*, *David Hodge* and *Ryan Quinton* as the Tigers sent a school record seven wrestlers to Semi-State. *Prasek* finished 4th at Semi-State to qualify for the IHSAA State Finals. *Senior Ryan Quinton* made the Academic All-State Wrestling Team.

Former Memorial wrestler *Matt Powless*, a red-shirt **Sophomore** at IU, just completed a very successful season for the Hoosiers. *Matt* had an overall record of 27-11, 5-3 in the tough Big Ten. He best two top-10 ranked opponents to help the Hoosiers to their best season in 14 years and a national ranking of 14th. *Matt* is ranked 15th in the nation, at 197 lbs., and now tries to qualify for the NCAA National Championships in March in Omaha, Newburgh. Congratulations and good luck, *Matt!*

Submitted by: *Mr. Larry Mattingly*
Wrestling Coach

DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION (DAR)

Senior, Thomas DeCastr, son of *Nancy* and *Dan DeCastr*, was honored by the Capt. Henry Vanderburgh Chapter of the National Society of DAR. He was selected by the MHS faculty as strongly exhibiting qualities of Dependability, Service and Leadership and Patriotism which earned him the Good Citizen Award from Memorial. *Tom* then had to write an impromptu essay on a topic selected by the DAR. His essay was selected by the Chapter to submit to State. Congratulations, *Tom!*

LILLY SCHOLARSHIP

This year Memorial submitted several applications for the Lilly Endowment Scholarship. The Scholarship Committee relayed to the Counseling Office that they were impressed by the quality of each applicant. As always, the competition was tough. Of the 10 Vanderburgh County **Seniors** who will interview with the Foundation to determine the County's winner, four were from Memorial this year – *Caitlyn Hammack*, daughter of *Rashelle* and *Chadwick Hammack*; *Andrew Kasha*, son of *Rebecca* and *Edwin Kasha*; *Olivia O'Dell*, daughter of *Tim* and *Barbarina O'Dell* and *William Sievern*, son of *William* and *Luann Sievern*.

DEADLINES!

Please pay close attention to deadlines and have your student bring applications BEFORE the actual deadline date. "Snow Days" can still happen in March and students can become ill with a cold or the flu. Our four snow days in January caused a problem for some students who didn't request letters ahead of time. It is important to get applications and requests for transcripts and letters of recommendation to the Counseling Office at least **48 hours before** they need to be in the mail. Don't count on a "snow day" or to extend a deadline.

FINANCIAL AID

The CSS Profile (required by some schools) is available in the Counseling Office. The U.S. Department of Education will no longer supply paper copies of the FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) to Counseling Offices. Worksheets for applying on-line are available in the Counseling Office. The Federal Student Aid Center encourages students and parents to apply on-line. Well over half of the applications are now done this way. If a paper copy is preferred, you may request up to 3 copies by calling 800-433-3243. A PDF of the application is also available at the website (www.fafsa.ed.gov). If application is made on line, parents, as well as students, will need a PIN. The PIN serves as a signature. The FAFSA must be received by the government by March 10, 2010 either through the mail or on line. Do not wait until the last minute to file on line. The website could become clogged with last minute filers and shut down. You would be out of luck for a whole year!

SAT Dates

(online registration available at www.collegeboard.com-- \$45.00)

| <u>Test Date</u> | <u>Registration Deadline</u> |
|------------------|------------------------------|
| March 13, 2010 | Too late to register |
| May 1, 2010 | March 25, 2010 |
| June 5, 2010 | April 29, 2010 |

ACT Dates

(online registration available @ www.actstudent.org)

ACT --\$32.00 or **ACT Plus Writing** --\$47.00

Late Fee = Fee + \$20

| <u>Test Date</u> | <u>Registration Deadline</u> |
|----------------------|------------------------------|
| April 10, 2010 - MHS | March 5, 2010 |
| June 12, 2010 - MHS | May 7, 2010 |

Memorial will be a test site for the ACT April and June, 2010 test dates. Since only 100 testers can be accommodated, please register as soon as possible.

If you don't wish to register on-line, materials are also available in the Counseling Office.

It is important to include Memorial's school code (150980) on all registrations whether on line or through the mail to ensure that we receive labels to include on each student's transcript.

It is possible to obtain a waiver for the ACT and SAT to cover the cost of taking the test. Contact Mrs. Mundy to see if your family meets the financial criteria set by the College Board and/or ACT.

Most students will take the SAT I (Reasoning Test). Only a few students each year take the SAT II. This tests particular areas of knowledge like foreign languages, history or biology. Some schools require up to 3 SAT II tests. You can discover which schools require SAT II testing by visiting a school's web-site or call the Counseling Office.

FALL SAT AND ACT TEST DATES

If you want to plan ahead for the fall SAT and ACT test, the early dates are **October 9th** and **November 6th** for the **SAT** and **September 11th** and **October 23rd** for the **ACT**. It is not yet possible to register for these test dates, but you could put them on your calendar. It is highly recommended that the **Class of 2011** test in May or June so that they can apply early in their **Senior** year for Colleges. Since the tests are on Saturday mornings, it is important to be aware of sport and other school function dates and times that may affect a student's concentration.

TEST PREP

Joel Claycomb of Mater Dei through SAT Maxx offers a series of classes to prepare for the SAT. The cost is \$200. Students will need a commitment of Monday, Wednesday and Tuesday evenings 6:00 – 8:00 (and sometimes 9:00) from April 7th through April 29th. These classes coincide with the SAT May 1st. You can

e-mail **Joel** at j.claycomb@insightbb.com. You can call him at **453-9684**.

SCHOLARSHIPS

A detailed description of each scholarship application currently in the Counseling Office can be found at the Memorial web site – www.mhs.evansville.net. Click on Counseling/Guidance and then on Scholarships. If you do not have access to the Internet, a copy of the scholarships and their description is available to you through the Counseling Office. Most of the listed scholarships are available to current **Seniors** only. If other classes are eligible to apply, it is denoted in front of the scholarship name.

Encourage your student to stop by the Counseling Office regularly to see the list of current scholarships available. Notice is put in the Announcements when applications are available in the Counseling Office. However, students don't always listen to the Announcements and may miss out on some scholarships that they are eligible for.

SUMMER OPPORTUNITIES

Check the MHS website for specifics on "Summer Opportunities" Listed are several college and university opportunities that charge fees. But there are also details of FREE summer opportunities. Frequently applications are available in the Counseling Office as well as on-line.

ATTENTION JUNIOR HIGH GIRLS!



Memorial Girls Golf is offering a 7-week golf clinic during the months of April and May for all Junior High girls interested in learning the game of golf. The Memorial Girls Golf Team has established a winning tradition in Indiana through various wins in the IHSAA tournament, and this spring program offers girls a chance to get involved in this successful program. Weekly lessons and fun competitions will be centered around learning the game of golf - for ALL abilities. For more information, please contact **Coach Jenny Effinger** at Memorial High School. Call **476-4973, ext. 280** or email jeffinger@mhs.evansville.net.

STUDENT COUNCIL NEWS

The "Souper" Supper was held January 30, 2010 at Mater Dei and raised money for Riley Hospital for Children. Congratulations to the Memorial Tigers and the Mater Dei Wildcats for a job well done.

On February 27th, the MHS student council hosted the southwestern Indiana District Workshop. The theme for the workshop was "All Aboard the Train of Leadership". The students attended and hosted workshops that enhanced their leadership skills that may be implemented into our Student Council.

At the end of January, Memorial celebrated Catholic Schools Week. The theme was "We Are Called". The spiritual life committee planned the week's activities which included theme days and ended with Mass.

The homecoming court was announced at the assembly by Student Council president *Olivia O'Dell* and *John Oliver*. Announcement of the king and queen, *Ryan Hatler* and *Haley Meyer* was made at the homecoming game versus Harrison. Congratulations to the 2010 basketball homecoming king, queen and their court.

The Spiritual Life Committee planned the annual canned food drive to benefit St. Vincent de Paul food bank. The drive is being held from February 17th through April 2nd. Please feel free to remind your student to donate 5 cans or \$3.00.

The Student Council is planning an exchange day with Castle during the month of March. The date of this exchange day has not been set.

For information about Student Council and its activities, contact *Ms. Murphy* at school.

ICE TIGERS WIN TITLE

Memorial athletic teams continue to dominate in 2010 and hockey is no exception. Tiger ice hockey is stronger than ever.

For the second year, Memorial had two hockey teams. The "White" team, coached by *Scot McNabb*, includes **Freshmen** and **Sophomore** players, and the "Blue" team, coached by *Dan Hengen*, is made up of **Juniors** and **Seniors**.



In the eight years that Evansville has had a high school hockey league, Memorial has won the city tournament seven times. 2010 was no exception with Memorial winning the championship. A Tiger win was a given this year, however, with the championship game pitting Memorial White (15-1-1) against Memorial Blue (11-6-0).

True to Tiger tradition, the game was an exciting one, with the lead changing between the teams throughout the game. White came out on top, winning 6-5. White players *Sam Curtis* and *Andrew Newman* scored 3 goals each for hat tricks, with **Freshman Joe DeLeo** earning a playmaker with three assists. Blue team goals were scored by *Reid Schultheis* (2), *Hannah DeLucio*, *Daniel Hatfield*, and *Adam Schofield*.

Many thanks go to Memorial parent and alumni, *David Hatfield*, who has been a leader in the continued support of Memorial hockey, as well as involved in the Evansville league for nearly 20 years. Without *David's* tireless efforts, these players would not have the opportunity to represent their beloved Tigers.

Congratulations to the White team for bringing the trophy back to the halls of Memorial. White team players are **Sophomores Brian Mason, Hayden Deem**, *Wade McNabb, Ryan Frank, Sam Curtis, Andrew Newman, Eric Miller, Jack Hubert, Robby Lamey*, *Tommy Graber*, and *Angelo Butturi*, and **Freshmen Joe DeLeo, Matt Wesley** and *Thomas Smythe*.

Congratulations also to the Memorial **Seniors** who closed out a successful four years of Memorial hockey: *Nicholas Bafunno, Hannah DeLucio, Daniel Hatfield, Ryan Hatler, Marty McCool, Adam Schofield* and *Eric Wolf*. The blue team also included **Juniors Reid Schultheis, Patrick Lamey, Tim Pietraniec, Landon Barron, Chris Ward** and **Freshman Boomer DeLucio**.

MARCH MUSIC NOTES

State Festival

Congratulations to everyone who participated in the State Solo and Ensemble festival on February 20th! The Concert Choir received a Silver rating. *Annie Baumer* and *Meghan Gallagher* received Gold ratings for their solos. *Amanda Slott* and *Carrie Woodside* received Silver ratings for their solos.

Spring Choir Concert

Celebrate songs from the 1960's along with the Concert Choir at the Spring Concert to be held on Wednesday, May 5th at 7:00 p.m.

Piano and Guitar Recital

The recital will be held on Thursday, May 13th in the Memorial Auditorium. The guitar class recital will start at 7:00 p.m. and the piano class recital will begin at 7:30 p.m.

To the Memorial Community

March marks the annual celebration of music in our nation's schools. Sponsored by the MENC, The National Association for Music Education, and first held in 1973 as a "Music in Our Schools Day", this celebration has grown to a "Music in Our Schools Month".

In honor of this event, please take some time to support your local music program. Thank your music teachers for their dedicated service. Share a story about a music class you took. Watch a video of an old production in which you appeared. Remember what music means for you in your life and celebrate that privilege.

Thank you,
The Memorial High School Music Department

MUSIC DEPARTMENT - Volunteer Needed

Ms. Savickis is looking for someone to videotape the choir concert and put it on DVD. She needs one made for archival purposes, and for anyone who wants a copy as a keepsake. Anyone interested can send an email to *Andrea Savickis* at asavickis@mhs.evansville.net. Please include your name, email, and phone number.

Thank you, *Andrea Savickis*, Choir Director

SENIOR WEEKEND: CLASS OF 2011

The date is set: **Saturday, July 31, 2010 to Sunday, August 1, 2010**. The place is set: **Camp Carson, Princeton, Indiana**, and a dynamic speaker has been



arranged. But still there is much left to do! Please attend the next planning meeting on **Wednesday, March 10th at 6:00 p.m.** in the **Media Center**. Gym doors on Bennighof will be open for entrance.



Many volunteers are needed for the success of the great event. If you are interested but unable to attend the meeting, please contact co-chairs **Sarah Gahagen** at home, **867-6772**, by cell phone, **455-0003**, or by email at sgahagen@evdio.org or **Mary Lueken** at home, **853-8322**, by cell phone, **455-0135**, or by email at m_lueken@hotmail.com. Bring one, bring all! Hope to see you there!

Sarah and Mary

TEENS FOR LIFE

The Teens for Life members had another eye-opening and worthwhile experience when they attended the Life Rally and March in Washington, D.C. This year we attended the Life Mass which was at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception. The Church itself was an experience for the students to see with its size, architecture, crypts, and all of the altars within it. This was a very spiritual experience with over four hundred seminarians, deacons, priests, bishops and cardinals as celebrants.

We visited all of the monuments, Arlington Cemetery, the Holocaust Museum, the Smithsonian Museums and the Bureau of Engraving. One of the biggest highlights this year was touring the Pentagon and seeing the Remembrance Room and Gardens for those who perished on 9/11.

On the way back home, we took a trip to Baltimore, Maryland where we visited the Baltimore & Oriole Railroad Museum and the National Aquarium. We continue with our meetings and our work. A group of our members will be working at the Right to Life Banquet and visiting nursing homes, etc. before the end of the school year.

Next years Washington, D.C. trip is already planned with a few deletions and additions. We are looking forward to fundraising and next years trip.

If you have any questions concerning our group and what we do, please contact **Sandy Morris** or **Annette Smallwood**, Advisers.

PROM 2010 - "WONDERLAND"

Prom 2010 will be held on April 17, 2010 at The Centre from 8:00 to 11:00p.m. "**Wonderland**" is the chosen theme. The prom decorating committee is asking for any donations that support a "wonderland" theme like the imaginary gardens from *Alice in Wonderland*.

They are especially in need of the following items: gaffers tape, twinkling (white) lights, white rope lights, chicken wire, artificial trees, large flowers and greenery, large pieces of cardboard and colored fabrics. Monetary donations as well as gift certificates to Home Depot or Lowe's are also welcomed and appreciated.

If you would like to donate an item, money, or your talent, please email **Mrs. Laura Ackerman** at lacker-man@mhs.evansville.net. All donated items will be returned to the owner if properly marked.

Keep in mind that we will also need help with set-up, chaperones, and tear-down the weekend of prom. If you are interested in chaperoning, please contact **Mr. Larry Mattingly** at lmatingly@mhs.evansville.net. If interested to help with set up or tear down, please contact **Mrs. Janell Prather** at jprather@mhs.evansville.net.

We thank you in advance for making this a "Wonderland" prom to remember for our **Juniors** and **Seniors**.

Submitted by: Mrs. Laura Ackerman, Mr. Larry Mattingly, and Mrs. Janell Prather
Junior Homeroom Sponsors

TIGERETTE NEWS!

The Tigerettes and their parents send a big shout out to **Coach, Tonya Schmitt** on her 10th Anniversary as coach. Always imitated but never duplicated!!!

USED BOOK SALE

Here are a few notes to share with everyone with some reminders for the **Used Book Sale**. We will begin making phone calls soon to those that said they would like to be a part of the Used Book Sale Committee when you joined the Patron's Club. (If you have never participated in Patron's Club we really urge you to find out all the neat and fun committees, besides ours that you can be a part of...great way to meet other parents and help the students.)

Initially we will be calling the first 50 people that sent in their request to be part of the committee, and should we need to get additional people to fill spots after that, we will go numerically to the next group. Please remember that you must work **2 different FULL shifts** as part of the Used Book Committee. We will have ample opportunities for you to do just that as we will have times for the students to turn in their books, pricing them over the summer and all the preparation leading up to the sale which will be **AUGUST 3RD**. We have been meeting to review all that needs to be done and get our calendar set of what to do when. So stay tuned for your call to work. Also, we **REALLY** want to help the incoming **Freshmen** and their parents to learn about the Used Book Sale, so we encourage all veteran parents to help spread the word to anyone you know that will be joining our Tigers next school year.

Stay tuned for more info!

Co Chairs: Roseanne Blubaugh, Sallee Barnett and Janet Schultheis

TIGERETTE AND CHEERLEADER TRYOUT INFORMATION

Check out full page flyer in this newsletter which give the workshop and tryout dates for the 2010-2011 Tigerettes and Cheerleaders.



Tigerette and Cheerleader

TIGERETTE TRYOUTS—2010

MANDATORY CANDIDATE AND PARENT MEETING

Tuesday, March 16th - 5:30 pm - Auxiliary Gym

TWO-DAY WORKSHOP

Tuesday, March 16th and Wednesday, March 17th,
6:00 pm – 8:00 pm - Auxiliary Gym (Learn skills and routine)

TRYOUTS

Thursday, March 18th - 3:30 pm - Auxiliary Gym

For more information, contact *Tonya Schmitt* at 473-0665.

CHEERLEADING TRY-OUT DATES - 2010

MANDATORY CANDIDATE AND PARENT MEETING

Monday, April 19th - 6:00 pm - Cafeteria

THREE-DAY CLINIC

Monday, April 26th; Tuesday, April 27th and Wednesday, April 28th
3:00 to 5:00 pm

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### TRYOUTS

Thursday, April 29<sup>th</sup>  
3:00 to 7:00 pm



# March 2010

# School Activities

| Sun                                                                                       | Mon                                                                                          | Tue                                                                    | Wed                                                                                           | Thu             | Fri                                                       | Sat                                                                                        |
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|                                                                                           | 1<br>Senior Academic Super Bowl Invitational Through March 13                                | 2                                                                      | 3<br>Faculty Meeting<br><br>Track Parent Meeting<br><br>After-Prom Meeting                    | 4               | 5<br>Red Cross Blood Drive                                | 6                                                                                          |
| 7<br>Tigerette Banquet                                                                    | 8                                                                                            | 9                                                                      | 10                                                                                            | 11<br>Math Bowl | 12<br>All-School Mass 9:40 a.m.<br><br>End of 3rd Quarter | 13<br>SAT Test                                                                             |
| <p>← Junior &amp; Senior ISTEP+ Re-testing →</p>                                          |                                                                                              |                                                                        |                                                                                               |                 |                                                           |                                                                                            |
| 14<br>Daylight Saving Time Begins 2:00 a.m.                                               | 15<br>Canned Food Drive Ends<br><br>Senior Academic Super Bowl Invitational Through March 27 | 16<br>Report Cards Distributed<br><br>AP Biology - Genetics Conference | 17<br>St. Patrick's Day<br><br>Lenten Penance Service 9:15 a.m.<br><br>Academic Board Meeting | 18              | 19<br>Lenten Penance Service 9:15 a.m.                    | 20<br> |
| 21                                                                                        | 22                                                                                           | 23                                                                     | 24                                                                                            | 25              | 26                                                        | 27                                                                                         |
| <p><b>Spring Break</b></p>                                                                |                                                                                              |                                                                        |                                                                                               |                 |                                                           |                                                                                            |
| 28<br> | 29<br>School Resumes                                                                         | 30                                                                     | 31<br>Junior Retreat at Mt. St. Joseph's                                                      |                 |                                                           |                                                                                            |



2010

# March

## MEMORIAL HIGH SCHOOL LUNCH MENU

**MONDAY      TUESDAY      WEDNESDAY      THURSDAY      FRIDAY**

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| 1<br><b>HOMESTYLE</b><br>Chicken Stir Fry<br>Oriental Veggies<br>Fortune Cookie<br><b>THE GRILL</b><br>Breadsticks / Cheese<br>Hot Dogs / Fries<br><b>DELI LINE</b> | 2<br><b>HOMESTYLE</b><br>2 Soft Shell Tacos<br>Corn<br><b>THE GRILL</b><br>Chicken Sandwich<br>Fries<br><b>DELI LINE</b><br>Soup             | 3<br><b>HOMESTYLE</b><br>Turkey Manhattan<br>Potatoes / Gravy<br><b>THE GRILL</b><br>6" Pizza<br>Fries<br><b>DELI LINE</b>                   | 4<br><b>HOMESTYLE</b><br>Chicken & Noodles<br>Potatoes / Roll<br><b>THE GRILL</b><br>Cheeseburger/Fries<br><b>DELI LINE</b><br>Soup          | 5<br><b>HOMESTYLE</b><br>Cheese Quesadilla<br>Green Beans<br><b>THE GRILL</b><br>Grilled Cheese / Fries<br>Pretzel w/ Cheese<br><b>DELI LINE</b><br>Tuna                      |
| 8<br><b>HOMESTYLE</b><br>Walking Taco<br>Corn<br><b>THE GRILL</b><br>Mini Corn Dogs<br>Hot Ham & Cheese<br>Fries<br><b>DELI LINE</b>                                | 9<br><b>HOMESTYLE</b><br>Chicken Fried Chicken<br>Potatoes / Roll<br><b>THE GRILL</b><br>Pizza<br>Fries<br><b>DELI LINE</b><br>Soup          | 10<br><b>HOMESTYLE</b><br>Breakfast for Lunch<br>Pancakes / Sausage<br><b>THE GRILL</b><br>Bread Sticks<br>Potato Tots<br><b>DELI LINE</b>   | 11<br><b>HOMESTYLE</b><br>Salisbury Steak<br>Potatoes / Roll<br><b>THE GRILL</b><br>Spicy Chicken<br>Sandwich<br><b>DELI LINE</b><br>Soup    | 12<br><b>HOMESTYLE</b><br>Pasta w/ Marinara<br>Breadstick<br>Glazed Carrots<br><b>THE GRILL</b><br>Grilled Cheese<br>Pretzel w/ cheese /<br>Fries<br><b>DELI LINE</b><br>Tuna |
| 15<br><b>HOMESTYLE</b><br>Chili Scoops<br>Veggie<br><b>THE GRILL</b><br>Homemade Pizza<br>Sloppy Joe/Fries<br><b>DELI LINE</b>                                      | 16<br><b>HOMESTYLE</b><br>Lasagna<br>Broccoli/Breadstick<br><b>THE GRILL</b><br>Cheeseburger<br>BBQ Sand / Fries<br><b>DELI LINE</b><br>Soup | 17<br><b>HOMESTYLE</b><br>Tomato Soup with<br>Grilled Cheese<br><b>THE GRILL</b><br>Jumbo Pretzel<br>Fries<br><b>DELI LINE</b><br>Tuna Salad | 18<br><b>HOMESTYLE</b><br>Chicken Nuggets<br>Potatoes/Roll<br><b>THE GRILL</b><br>Hot Dogs<br>BBQ Sandwich/Fries<br><b>DELI LINE</b><br>Soup | 19<br><b>HOMESTYLE</b><br>Spaghetti w/ Marinara<br>Green Beans / Roll<br><b>THE GRILL</b><br>Breadsticks w/Cheese<br>Fries<br><b>DELI LINE</b>                                |
| 22                                                                                                                                                                  | 23                                                                                                                                           | 24                                                                                                                                           | 25                                                                                                                                           | 26                                                                                                                                                                            |
| <p>Have a safe, fun break!</p>                                                                                                                                      |                                                                                                                                              |                                                                                                                                              |                                                                                                                                              |                                                                                                                                                                               |
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**More Info...**

**SIDES:  
Fresh Fruit,  
Cupped Fruit,  
Pudding,  
Fries, Tots,  
Jell-O**

**We will observe Lent with Meatless Fridays.**

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## MEMORIAL HIGH SCHOOL LUNCH MENU

**We are striving to have a safe environment for school lunch. We want to thank you for your efforts in hand sanitizing.**



Menus are subject to change without notice.

