

# St. Michael Swords News

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and Christ-like*

## ***HSA Good News***

We have preliminary results for some of our recent fund-raising efforts. The gun raffle sold all 1,500 tickets. The total profit for the gun raffle is **\$23,740.00!**

The news is even better for our *Night on the Terrace!* We are still waiting for a couple of small bills to arrive as well as some auction money. But we anticipate that our profit will be **\$33,000.00!**

Thank you to everyone who worked on these two events! Thank you especially to the NOTT chairpersons Lacy Banse and Elizabeth Jones and the HSA Board of Directors: Angela Wied, Chamik Bentley, Amy Brandt, Kim Brandt, Jessica Fogleman, Jennifer Pesak, and Ana Rubio.

It takes a village to put on a successful fund-raiser, so thank you to everyone who worked, sold tickets, donated items, solicited sponsorships, purchased items or tickets, or simply came to pick up a plate. We could not have done this without each and every one of you.

Thanks to your hard work and dedication, the HSA presented a check in the amount of **\$60,000.00** to the school as part of their school subsidy. It is wonderful that this amount was received so early in the school year.

## ***No Time for Rest***

The next fund-raiser is the drive-thru meal previously scheduled for November 15<sup>th</sup>. We have moved this date tentatively to December 6<sup>th</sup>. The meal will include stew with potatoes and carrots. Tickets and the sign-up genius will be available soon. This is your last opportunity to earn working points for this semester. We will also begin the Catholic Life Sweepstakes soon which involves selling points.

## ***Red Ribbon Week***

St. Michael Catholic School will celebrate Red Ribbon Week next week with both educational and fun activities. See the enclosed list of “dress up” days. **Keep in mind that Grades 1-8 will attend mass on Friday so those students must come dressed in his or her mass uniform. They may change into costumes at morning break.** Pre-K and Kindergarten students may come in costume, but please be sure it is comfortable enough for them to wear all day, and easy enough for bathroom breaks.

***Thank you to Steve and Landa Bosley of Landa's Back Porch Gardens for donating red Amaryllis bulbs for each student to plant next week. The bulbs were given in memory of Ernie Kloesel and Valeria Brandt.***

The Student Council will sponsor a modified Halloween event that afternoon. They have gone to great lengths to make sure social distancing and other safety measures are in place. There is no charge for this event. Bags for “goodies” will be provided.

## ***Eye and Ear Screening***

Melinda Ramirez and Cheryl Pekar from the Stanzel Family Foundation will be here next Tuesday, October 27<sup>th</sup> to screen students for vision and hearing. Students in grades 1, 3, 5, and 7 will be screened. Parents will be notified if problems are detected.

### ***Time to Give Back***

The Weimar Ladies Encore have invited us to participate in their shoe drive. There will be a box available here at school for nice, gently used or new shoes for adults and children. The shoe drive begins November 1<sup>st</sup> and lasts throughout the month.

### ***Mass Reminders***

Our second graders will present the saints for the mass on October 30<sup>th</sup>. This mass will be live streamed at [www.stmichaelweimar.org](http://www.stmichaelweimar.org).

Grades 1-8 will attend mass on Monday, November 2<sup>nd</sup> for All Souls Day. These grades will go during their usual Religion time to visit the Catholic cemetery and pray a rosary for those who have died. Students are invited to bring a bouquet of artificial flowers to put on graves that have no flowers. Permission slips are being sent home today.

Grades 1-8 will also attend mass on Friday, November 6<sup>th</sup>. We will be celebrating Veterans' Day with those veterans who attend the mass.

### ***Altar Servers***

Friday, October 23<sup>rd</sup> – Lily Berger, Dayson Mace, and Chloe Brandt

Saturday, October 24<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 – Dawson Brandt, Emily Wied, and Emma Koeth

Sunday, October 25<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 – Huxton Kloesel, Hudson Rowland, and Joseph Rowland

Sunday, October 25<sup>th</sup> at 10:30 – Layne Schimcek, Hannah Hillje, and Chloe Brandt

Please remember you are responsible for finding a replacement if you cannot serve your mass time.

***Grade 4 will lead us in the rosary next Thursday, October 29<sup>th</sup> at 12:55 p.m.***

***Grade 5 will lead the liturgy for the mass on October 30<sup>th</sup>.***

### ***Sports News***

Our Swords football team will play their final game of the season next Wednesday, October 28<sup>th</sup> against Nazareth Academy in Victoria. The game will be played at the Field of Dreams at 5:30 p.m.

We are looking forward to a fast and furious basketball season with practices beginning next Monday. We will have Boys A and B teams and Girls A and sometimes B teams. Please be patient during basketball season. The rules currently followed by the diocesan schools include: following each game, the gym will need to be cleared so it can be disinfected between games. Only one team will be allowed in the gym at a time. Teams waiting to play the next game will need to wait outside. Please keep this in mind when you make plans to attend. Also, remember that seating in the gym is limited. St. Michael, pray for us!

The first basketball game is against Our Lady of Victory on November 9<sup>th</sup> in our SMCS gym at 5:00.

### ***Job Opening***

We have an opening for a part-time employee in the cafeteria. This person will work Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays for 4 hours each day. If you are interested, or know someone who is, please come by the school office for an application form.

***Thank you to Ralph and Linda Schmidt for providing the opportunity for us to be entertained and moved by concert pianist Eric Genuis and the other musicians he brought. It was a wonderful performance and motivational talk that we all appreciated.***

You are called to stand up for life! To respect and defend the mystery of life always and everywhere, including the lives of unborn babies, giving real help and encouragement to mothers in difficult situations. You are called to work and pray against abortion.

Pope St. John Paul II