

Monday Memo

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Do this in memory of Me.

Skill of the Week: Accepting Criticism or a Consequence- 1) Look at the person. 2) Say, "Okay." 3) Stay Calm.

There is **NO SCHOOL next Monday, January 16.** The teachers will be at a workshop all morning at St. Vincent de Paul School.

Extended Care January 16th-We need at least 10 students registered for Extended Care to be open. Please send your reservation to Mrs. Meysenburg by this **WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 11**, so we can plan accordingly for Monday. Mrs. Grennan will send out an e-mail on **THURSDAY, JANUARY 12** to announce if Extended Care will be OPEN or CLOSED. Thank you! Mrs. Joanna Meysenburg meysenbj@smmomaha.org

Save the date: the First Communion Parent Meeting will be Wednesday, February 1 at 6:30 in the school auditorium. At that time you will draw for the seating lottery. If you will have any special needs in terms of seating (wheelchair accessibility etc.) please let Mrs. Stryker know. lstryker@smmomaha.org

Geography Bee Winners- Congratulations to the following students for qualifying for the school bee: Margot Ricketts, Michael Svolos, Brian Kelly, Dermot Swanson, Becca Joyce, Matt Coffey, Colette Gillaspie, Charlie Kenny, Jack Hoover, Colin Duffy. 1st- Place- Colin Duffy, 2nd Place Jack Hoover, 3rd Place- Michael Svolos, 4th Place- Charlie Kenny. Colin will take a written exam to see if he will advance to the state competition.

Stage floor- -The stage floor was refinished over the Christmas break. Our deep gratitude to Tom Manly for the beautiful job!! It's been since 1986 that anything was done to the stage floor. New rules include no painting of any kind without a tarp being put down. Only blue painter's tape to be used to mark areas and removed as soon as possible.

Computer fund total so far a little over \$35,000!!

Please have your family photo taken for the parish photo directory. This week on Tues, Wed, Fri and Sat will be the last days Life Touch is here. Families can register online or call the office.

HyVee Receipts-last day to turn in receipts is this Wednesday, January 11th. Only receipts dated before Dec. 31st are acceptable. Thanks for all your support of this program.

Box Top News! We will be holding a **box tops contest** during the month of January. Each student in the classroom with the most box tops at the end of the contest will receive a free casual day, courtesy of Mrs. Grennan! Did you know??? Our goal for the 2011 - 2012 school year is to earn \$3,131 in box tops. So far, we have earned \$1,341 - we need to raise \$1,790 by May. So, clip those box tops and send them into school!

6TH-8TH Grade Speech: SMM Speech is starting.

- On Tuesday, Jan 10 3:15-4:30PM, ALL 6-8TH grade students interested in speech can come and explore the speech library to look for material. REGISTRATION MATERIAL WILL BE AVAILABLE AT THE ORIENTATION MEETING AND SENT OUT IN E-MAIL LATER THIS WEEK.

STAC

7th-8th grade STAC meets this Tuesday, January 10th from 3:10-4:15 pm. Please note earlier end time for this semester. All sessions will end at 4:15 unless otherwise noted.

Scouts

- **5th grade Cub Scouts** meets this Tuesday, January 10th from 3:10-4:15 pm in the Suneg Center. We will be working on the Arrow of Light and the good manners belt loop.
- **6th grade Girl Scouts:** Our next meeting will be Tuesday, January 17 at Creighton University. The Hawaii Club will be teaching us the hula. We will be carpooling after school to Creighton. The pickup time is yet to be determined.
- **4th Grade Girl Scouts:** Our monthly meeting is this Wednesday, January 11th from 3:15-4:45pm. Please note: We will be meeting in the GUILD ROOM at school this month. Please pick up in the school circle drive.
- **2nd Grade Brownies** will meet tomorrow, January 10th right after school in the School Cafeteria. We will finish at 4:30pm and will bring the girls out to the school circle drive. Remember cookie pickup is also tomorrow on the blacktop after 3pm.
- **Kindergarten Daisy Scouts** will meet Wednesday, January 11. The January 18th meeting has been cancelled.

Knights of Columbus Youth Free Throw Contest January 15th- The Knights of Columbus Annual Youth Free Throw Contest will be held THIS Sunday, January 15 at 7:00pm in the Raynor Center. The contest is open to all boys and girls 9-14 years of age. Winners from each age division will receive trophies and may advance to district, regional and state competitions. Registration forms will be available in the kiosks of the church, on our website or from your basketball coach. For more info. contact Ralph at [402-558-8472](tel:402-558-8472). See the attached entry form and flyer. **The contest is for 9-14 year olds. If your child is 9, you need to add that to the form. 9 year olds do not necessarily advance to state competition based on age requirements.**

SMM Soccer - New this year is online sign up. U7 to U14 Soccer is open for sign up NOW through January 18th. You may also sign up Micro, but the deadline for Micro will be later.

<http://www.smmomaha.net/2012/01/04/spring-2012-smm-soccer-registration-now-available/>

The SMM Friendship Tea

Hello Women of Saint Margaret Mary Parish, Happy New Year to you!

We invite you, your friends, mothers, sisters, daughters and women who are important in your life to join us for an event of celebrating women and friendship.

- **Saturday, January 28th from 10:30am-12:00pm we will host a Friendship Tea...a FREE event in the Suneg Center at Saint Margaret Mary.**

The event will include a yummy continental breakfast served to you while you enjoy sipping soothing tea or crisp coffee. Our **speaker will be Debbie Sheehan, Spiritual Director with Creighton University**. Her topic is focused on the power, beauty, and love found in friendship. Please see the attached document for details.

- **Reservations** are due to Kelly Gering, kellypeace@cox.net/402.968.8996 no later than January 20th.

We are in need of **Volunteers**:

- 10 women to set-up from 8:30-10:00 am
- 10 women to serve from 10:30am-12pm
- 10 women to clean-up from 12-2:00pm

And **Bakers** to prepare the following:

- 3-4 loaves of Banana Bread
- 3-4 loaves of Zucchini Bread
- 3-4 loaves of Pumpkin Bread
- 6 dozen Biscotti
- 8 dozen Mini-Scones

- 4 dozen Cinnamon Rolls
- 8 dozen Mini-Muffins

Please contact Kelly Gering if you are interested in reserving a spot and/or volunteering your time or baking for this event. We are so grateful for your participation and look forward to seeing you on January 28th!

Restaurant Partner Nights:

- 2nd Wednesday - Sam & Louie's (74th & Cass)
- 3rd Tuesday - Mangia Italiana
- 3rd Wednesday - Don & Millie's
- 1st Monday - Mama's Pizza