

February 26, 2009

Dear Parents,

The annual Mardi Gras was the “Main Event” on February 21. The 400 plus guests enjoyed the festive decorations, delicious food, live and silent auctions, and plenty of great company!!

This major fundraiser requires many hours of hard work from parents/friends in the church and school community. A special word of sincere appreciations goes to the following:

Chair

Lana Martino

Live and Silent Auction

Lynn Kestle

Annie Barnett

Kori Hazel

Class Projects

Carolyn Dean

Craig Dean

Erin Bonk

Volunteer Coordination

Joan Ryan

Food

Jim Larson

Faculty

50/50

Michael Hilton

Michelle Hilton

Katie Morgan

Clean Up

Mike Gorrell

Brent Hughes

John Kestle

Kassi Mancini

Rich Hazel

Cody Young

Todd Hopkins

Co-Chair

Gwynne Freeman

Advertising

Connie Taylor

Laura Ables

Raffle Tickets

Aly Auer

Ticket Sales

Kathy Alderson-Peifer

Beverage

Mike Marron

Paul Cisneros

Syndicate Trip

Kathleen Brown

Katrina Rougelot

Catalog

Lindsey Keller

Development

Kayla Smith

Decorations

Stephanie Burnside

Raffle Baskets

Lori Cook

Tammie Cleverly

Check-out

Renee Strand

Scrip

Sally McMinimee

Gaming

Tommy Randazzo

Rochelle Randazzo

Auction Pay

Maggie Kearns

Thank you to the many other parents and friends who contributed their time and talents, we couldn't have done it without you!!

Please read the following:

- Starting March 2, we are going to add an exciting and important component in reading for grades K-8; the “Take Home Library”. The Take Home Library makes it possible for younger students to read to a parent 20 minutes per night on his/her independent reading level. Upper elementary and middle school students will use the lab for small group study,

reports and individualized level reading. A copy detailing this new project will be sent home today or you can click here to read about it.

- *If you are a St. Ambrose parishioner and asking for the Catholic tuition rate for the 2009-10 school year, please click here for a note from Father Bill.*
- The Lenten season began yesterday and each student has been given a Catholic Relief Service rice bowl. Students have been asked to take the bowls home and fill them with change for the month of March. During Lent, students are asked to do for others in the way of kindness, compassion, prayer and giving. Your child can fill this special rice bowl by doing chores, special jobs, and earning money to contribute to others. The motto for lent is **“Pray, Fast, Learn, Give”**.
- Acceptance letters for new applicants for the 2009-10 school year will go in the mail tomorrow.
- Thank you to the first grade parents for providing the delicious lunch to the faculty last Friday. It was very appreciated.
- Also, to parents who have provided these wonderful meals to the faculty in the past months, please check the faculty room and see if any kitchen items/utensils belong to you.
- Students are to line up with their classes outside before their bell rings. Middle school 8:10 am; rest of studentbody 8:15 am. Students are not to come through the various doors before the bell rings unless accompanied by a parent or teacher for a specific reason.
- Good luck to all the PARA basketball teams in the tournament this weekend—GO TIGERS!!
- Tomorrow, February 27, is the last day to donate money for the Heifer Project.
- There will be no school on Monday, March 9 due to Professional Educator Day for the teachers.
- Parent/Teacher conferences will take place March 18 & 19. Please click here to download a conference form.

Thank you for your support.

Sincerely,

Betsy Hunt
Principal