

THE KNIGHT TIMES

MARCH 4TH

2008-2009 EDITION

Monday March 2 nd	Tuesday March 3 rd	Wednesday March 4 th	Thursday March 5 th	Friday March 6 th
Student Council Officers meet @ 11:30 5 th Grade Science Club meets from 2:45-3:45pm.	BOB Club and Jr. Great Books group meet after school	\$1.00 Dress Down Day 1:45pm. Dismissal	5 th Grade Science Club meets from 2:45-4:00pm.	9am. Tour 8B Mass and Mission Day; 7 th Graders present Africa Night; Fish Fry 5-8pm. In the gym
March 9 th	March 10 th	March 11 th	March 12 th	March 13 th
	BOB Club meets after school H S A meets @ 7pm.		First graders present their program@ 1:30pm. 5 th Grade Science Club meets from 2:45-4:00pm.	9am. Tour 7B Mass BOB Competition

➤ FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

Dear Parents,

Monday, when we finally arrived at school, we had a guest speaker from Habitat for Humanity. She talked to the children about how the money they are earning during Lent will go to help build the next house. The family receiving this house is a member of our STM community. We are always trying to "Think Globally and Act Locally."

We had Stations of the Cross last Friday with the children and they were most reverent during this time. We followed it with Meditation...

This Friday after Mass we will be honoring Mary Coyle who has been with us since 1998. She began as a part-time teacher assistant and has recently been a part-time secretary in the upper school. She has endeared herself to the staff and students as a model for being willing to try new ideas and as she often said, "If you are going to do something, do it right." We want to say, "Thank You" to her and give her our blessing as she looks forward to "coming and going" at her leisure.

God Bless,
Sister Catherine

➤ 2009 - 2010 FACTS TUITION PAYMENT FORMS

- ❖ Please remember to return the 2009-2010 FACTS tuition payment forms you received in mid February. The person listed at the top of the form must be the person who signs as the responsible party.
- ❖ Send the completed forms into the office to the attention of Jane Kyle.
- ❖ For those of you paying in one payment directly to the school, please return your signed form to the office for our records.
- ❖ Your one time payment will be due by May 5th.
- ❖ Thank you for your promptness.

- ❖ Any families who are paying for additional children for re-enrollment, and have delayed payments, please remember that the second payment was due February 27th.

➤ **KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS**

- ❖ Annual Lenten Fish Fries are on the following Fridays: March 6th, 20th, and April 3rd in the school gym.
- ❖ Serving time is from 5-8pm. Menu includes Whiting, Hush Puppies, French Fries, Coleslaw and a beverage.
- ❖ Cost is only \$8.00(Buy a Family Special and save \$1 for the second plate when your family buys two or more!) Plate servings can be split for small children
- ❖ Take-Out Available
- ❖ Fish and Fixin's are from Cap't John's Dockside Seafood Restaurant Cole Park Plaza–Chapel Hill.

➤ **VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL 2009**

- ❖ This year school will be ending earlier than usual because new building construction will be underway. This also means that we cannot hold Vacation Bible School as usual in the Elementary School in June. Please note the following change:
- ❖ **Dates:** Monday, June 15th - Friday, June 19th
- ❖ **Location:** [Chapel Hill Bible Church](#), 260 Erwin Road, Chapel Hill, NC 27514
- ❖ **Cost:** Full Price \$70 per child (reduced price for volunteers \$20 per child) *
- ❖ **Program:** [Rome, Paul and the Underground Church](#)
- ❖ **More Information:** [VBS page](#) on the Parish Web Site.
- ❖ No child will be excluded from the program because of inability to pay.

➤ **UNDER CONSTRUCTION**

The St. Thomas More New Building Committee anticipates final approval from the Town of Chapel Hill. Here are some things that you'll soon be seeing:

TREE PROTECTION & SILT FENCING IN FEBRUARY

1. There will be no net loss of trees at the conclusion of our work.
2. Tree protection areas will be identified by orange fencing that will go up all over our campus - from the north entrance to the school, to the south entrance to the church.
3. Tree protection fencing insures that every tree and bush within the fence stays where it is.
4. New trees will be planted and our campus will be reforested as part of the scope of the building project.
5. We will do a minimum of clearing for the new buildings. Ever mindful of good stewardship of our environment, we will harvest the timber, using pine and as much of the hardwood as possible. Sale of this timber will keep the wood out of the landfill, and put funds back into the project.
6. Unmarketable wood we hope to save as firewood.

As planning proceeds, in March you'll notice:

THE PARISH OFFICE STAFF MOVING IN MID-MARCH

1. Most of the parish staff will vacate its current office building and move into two doublewide trailers that will be located north of the Caring and Sharing Center. Andrew Casad and Roger Petrich move to space in the church. One trailer will be the former art classroom trailer that is still usable (art classes are now held in the Mary Chapel). No other classes will move.
2. Office and staff phone numbers and email addresses will stay the same.
3. The Youth House and The Caring and Sharing Center will not be affected.
4. The north entrance to the school will be open until the last day of school (May 29).
5. The parking lot in front of the Caring and Sharing Center is not expected to change until school is out. The only "minor" change will be the relocation of the fence that runs across the parking lot, to maintain a protected play area for the school children.

In April, after years of planning, the New Building project will begin. Here is a big change you will see:

PARISH OFFICE BUILDING COMES DOWN WEEK OF APRIL 13-17

1. Before the parish office building is razed, a high chain-link safety fence will be erected around the building. It will have yellow tape and lettering identifying this area as CAUTION, and a dark color mesh screen on the inside to prevent stones and other matter from blowing through. A similar fence will be installed simultaneously at the other end of the Lower School around the area where grading will take place for the athletic field.
2. The parish office building will be taken down starting April 13, the Monday after Easter. It's anticipated this will take a week to complete and will be completed by the time students return.
3. Habitat for Humanity will be given doors, windows and other materials they can use in their resale centers.
4. This will be the site for the planned new gymnasium.

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St. Thomas More School

12th Annual Golf Tournament

Friday May 1, 2009 – Save the Date!

Shot gun start @ 12:00 Noon

The Golf Club at Chapel Ridge

For More information & to register visit the web site at:

<http://www.st-thomasmoregolf.org/>

“The essence of our effort to see that every child has a chance must be to assure each an equal opportunity, not to become equal, but to become different—to realize whatever unique potential of body, mind and spirit he or she possesses.” John Fischer

Support of the St. Thomas More Booster Club Facilitates:

- Opportunity for students to participate in organized team sports
- Additional support for the physical education program
- Hundreds of students have participated over the past decade
- 8 different sports teams supported including:

Girls	Boys
Junior Varsity Basketball	Junior Varsity Basketball
Varsity Basketball	Varsity Basketball
Volleyball	Soccer
Soccer	Baseball

In addition to playing in the tournament, please consider being a sponsor. Sponsorship opportunities include:

Sponsored By Description

1 Available - \$3000	Named Event Corporate Sponsor
1 Available - \$1500	Dinner - Includes 4 golf slots and a banner prominently displayed at dinner
1 Available - \$1500	Lunch Table/Tent, Includes 4 Golf Slots, Banner
1 Available - \$1000	Putting Green/Contest, Includes 4 Golf Slots, Banner
2 Available - \$1000	Beverage Cart Sponsorship, 4 Golf Slots, Banner
1 Available - \$1000	Chipping Contest - Includes 4 Golf Slots, Banner
4 Available - \$750	Hole In One Contests, Includes 4 Golf Slots, 1 Hole Sponsorship
1 Available - \$750	Long Drive Contest - Driving Range, Includes 4 Golf Slots
1 Available - \$750	Longest Drive Hole Contest, Includes 4 Golf Slots, 1 Hole Sponsorship
13 Available - \$600	Gold Sponsorship - Includes 1 Hole Sponsorship and 4 Golf Slots
13 Available - \$300	Silver Sponsorship - Includes 1 Hole Sponsorship and 1 Golf Slot
Unlimited	Individual Sponsorship - Includes company name on brochure, recognition in parish literature.

Please contact Don Prost for sponsorship details (919) 270-6511.

“I planted, Apollos watered, but God caused the growth,” (1 Cor. 3:6)

Please consider being one of those that “waters”. Thank you for supporting the youth of St. Thomas More!

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