

# THE KNIGHT TIMES

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## Week of November 26th

Monday 26th	Tuesday 27th	Wednesday 28th	Thursday 29th	Friday 30th
School resumes following Thanksgiving Break	Battle of the Books and Jr. Great Books groups meet after school School Board meets at 7:00 p.m.	4 <sup>th</sup> and 8 <sup>th</sup> graders go to Raleigh in the a.m. (Museum of History)	4 <sup>th</sup> and 5 <sup>th</sup> Graders meet at 7:30 a.m. for Recorder Club	3A Mass at 10:30

Applications for siblings are being accepted for the 2008-2009 school year. You can either find the applications on the website or obtain them from the lower school office.

### ➤ FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

Parents and Guardians,

Our prayers go with all of you as you or your loved ones travel to be together for Thanksgiving. We have much to be thankful for here at St. Thomas More. We are most appreciative to all of you who give of your Time, Talent and Treasure on a daily basis to come and be a part of our school. We are grateful for all the happy children that come each day to fill each others' buckets and mine too!

Mrs. Landi continues to get stronger each day and we look forward to having her back after Thanksgiving.

Mrs. DiGiovanni, 4A teacher, is recuperating from surgery and intends to return after Christmas. Keep your prayers coming.

How do you like the new format? We are scaling down our newsletter so that it is **more concise** and **easier to follow**.

If you have read this far down, and finish reading through *The Knight Times*, send me an email with the secret password, Trina, and your name will be entered into a drawing for a gift certificate to Harris Teeter. I will announce the winner in the next Knight Times.

Happy Trails to all, Sister Catherine

### ➤ SHOP 'TIL YOU DROP AT "HOLIDAYSHOPPE"

- Don't miss the 4th annual "Holiday Shoppe" craft show on **Saturday, December 1<sup>st</sup> from 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.** Our 70 vendors, (that's right! 70 vendors!), will offer a wide variety of unique, handmade gifts and specialty items sure to delight everyone on your holiday shopping list. "Holiday Shoppe" also will include fun craft activities for children, free gift wrapping, a raffle and a bake sale. Be sure to stop by our new "Reindeer Cafe" and enjoy a hot lunch. Bring a friend or two! We look forward to seeing you!
- We can always use more volunteers! Contact Cathy Elmore at [celmore@nc.rr.com](mailto:celmore@nc.rr.com) if you'd like to help out. We can use more baked goods, too! Cathy Elmore and Joanne Vance, "Holiday Shoppe" Co-Chairs

### ➤ PARTNERING WITH CRANBERRY TREE FARM

- It's not too early to be thinking Christmas Trees! In an exciting new partnership with Cranberry Tree Farm, St. Thomas More School will be conducting the first year of its new and improved Christmas Tree Fundraiser.
- Unlike past years where parents have sold the trees, this year, Cranberry Tree Farm will do all the selling. Cranberry Tree Farm has been selling high quality trees to the Chapel Hill community for many years. They have provided us with coupons worth \$20 toward the purchase of Christmas trees, wreaths, garlands, bows, and tree stands. The coupons are to be pre-sold. Customers then go to one of the two Cranberry Tree Farm lots and use their coupon toward their total purchase. STM will receive 20% of all coupons sold.
- Tree lots will be located at Meadowmont Village and at the corner of MLK and Weaver Dairy Roads. What could be easier? Sell the coupons to your family, to your co-workers, to your neighbors. Coupons will also be sold on December 1st at the STM Holiday Shoppe Craft and Art Show, with a sampling of the trees, wreaths, etc. available. If you are interested in purchasing a coupon or getting a stack of coupons to sell, please contact Joanne Vance at 490-8493 or [jwvance@nc.rr.com](mailto:jwvance@nc.rr.com).

### ➤ ART NEWS

- Thanks to everyone who participated in the Original Works magnet project. It was a great success and the artwork was magnificent this year. The students' art gets better every year. Thanks for all your orders. If you have not sent in your \$5.50 for the magnet please do so as soon as possible.
- This past Tuesday I sent in all our entries for the Pentel International Children's Art Exhibition. All the students have worked very hard on their wonderful pictures. Good Luck to everyone.
- Please stop by any time and visit us in the art trailer. We'd love for you to see what we are doing in Art.
- I am having my Annual Mrs. Ives Christmas Art workshop again this year on Saturday, December 1<sup>st</sup> in the Art trailer from 9:30-3:00. Students in grades 1-8 are welcome to participate. We will be making Christmas gifts, ornaments, and cards. Drop your child off for a fun-filled day of creating one of a kind surprises. The cost is \$60 for the day. Please send a check and note to my box at school, email [barbara@maplemeadows.com](mailto:barbara@maplemeadows.com) or register online at [www.maplemeadows.com](http://www.maplemeadows.com)  
Thanks, Barbara Ives

### ➤ UPPER SCHOOL HOLIDAY DANCE "LET IT SNOW!"

- Mark your calendars for the STM holiday dance, themed "Let It Snow!" to be held Friday, December 14<sup>th</sup>, from 7-9:30 pm in the St. Thomas More gym .If your Upper Schooler would like to request specific songs or music for the dance, please send his or her requests via Kid Mail to Beth Deacon, c/o Lane Deacon (8A).
- No song requests will be accepted by the DJ the evening of the dance. (All music will be screened for appropriate content.) Dance Admission is \$4.00 at the door.

### ➤ STM AUCTION UPDATES (Lights, Camera, Auction)!

**Tuition Raffle:** Take advantage of this great opportunity to win **FULL TUITION at STM for 2008-2009 or \$4000 CASH. One ticket is \$25 or 5 for \$100.** Contact Chris Katz at [katzNC@aol.com](mailto:katzNC@aol.com) for ticket information. The winning ticket will be drawn at the Auction on 3/1/08. You need not be present to win.

**Chapel Hill Magazine:** Looking for the perfect Christmas gift for your neighbor or the friend who has all? Look no more. STM School's Auction Committee and **Chapel Hill Magazine** have teamed up with a great idea! For every one-year subscription (\$24 - 6 issues), received from St. Thomas More families, Chapel Hill Magazine will donate \$5 cash back to STM School. Subscribe Today and Support the "stars" of our School! Go to [www.chapelhillmagazine.com](http://www.chapelhillmagazine.com) to subscribe. Please note in the "comments" box that you are a member of St. Thomas More

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