

St. Peter School PTU News

The Spirit

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Upcoming Events

- September 11th - Mass at 8:15
- September 17th - End Magazine Drive
- September 22nd - Room Parent Meeting
- September 25th - Mass at 8:15
- October 1st - Progress Reports
- October 7th - Writing Proficiency testing
- October 4th - Market Day
- October 14th - PTU Meeting
- October 16th - Mass at 8:15
- October 17th - No School
- October 24th - 1st Quarter closes
- October 30th - Mass at 8:15
- October 30th - Report Cards & Honor Assembly
- October 31st - Halloween parties 12:45 - 1:45 pm
- November 3rd - Cognitive Abilities Testing for 1st grade
- November 3rd - 6th-Parent Conferences



President's Corner



Welcome to the 2008-2009 school year! It's certainly hard to believe another summer has come to an end, but a new school year brings many things to look forward to!

I'm honored to be serving as your PTU President for another year! It has truly been a joy meeting and working with all of you. You are blessings to me and our wonderful school. Thank you for giving of yourselves in so many ways throughout the year.

The PTU has many exciting things planned! Our goal is to provide:
Music books for Miss Harasym and our music program
Funds for the technology program
Classroom parties
And much more...

We are working on a new PTU web page that can be accessed via the school's website at www.stpeterschoolnr.org. It will include many new things for you including volunteer opportunities, news, forms, meeting agendas, & minutes as well as a calendar of events. We will let you know when it is up and running and hope you find it to be a helpful tool. If you

have any suggestions or ideas to improve the site, please feel free to contact me. Special thanks to Jami Knoth for working hard on this website for us!!

I look forward to working with and meeting all of you this year! I would love to see you at our next PTU meeting on Tuesday, October 14th at 7:00 p.m. in the church basement. Everyone is welcome - moms, dads, even grandparents! What a difference we can make if we all work together!

As always, if you have any questions, concerns or ideas, please feel free to get in touch with me.

Yvonne LoPresto
PTU President
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**"Coming together is a beginning.
Keeping together is progress.
Working together is success."
~Henry Ford**

PTU Membership

Every year, the PTU kicks off its annual Membership Drive on Spirit Sunday. Thanks to those who visited the Membership Table in the gym and joined PTU.

In case you missed us, enrollment forms will be sent home in the family folder. Please support St. Peter's PTU by joining us for the first time or renewing your membership. Membership dues are still only \$5 per family.



School News



The *St. Peter School Spirit* is published 5 times a year and is distributed to all of the families who have school children, the teachers and school staff and occasionally to the St. Peter Church parishioners. The goal of the newsletter is to share news and information, publish important dates and reminders and to recognize accomplishments and achievements of our students, staff and school community.

You can help the PTU by submitting information, articles, photos, or input that you think may be of interest to our readers.

Is something happening at the school? Is your child working on something new or interesting in his classroom? Do you know of a child, teacher or volunteer who deserves recognition? Do you have late breaking sports scores?

If so, pick up the phone and call Yvonne Lopresto at 353-0777 or me at 327-6358. You can also contact me by sending information to my daughters, either Alex in 7A or Jackie in 4A or email me at tkvoytko@oh.rr.com.



School Uniform Reminder

From Sister Patricia



Kids say the darndest things

As last year was coming to a close, the "then" fifth-graders filled out a questionnaire. Below are the most numerous (and some most interesting) responses.

What do you think is . . .

The worst tasting food? spinach, broccoli, Brussel sprouts, my mom's meatloaf

The best pig-out food? pizza, ribs, tacos, ice-cream

The hardest job in the world? Surgeon, working outside in the sun, the President, Teacher, cleaning my room

The best way to make a lot of money? Doctor, pro ball player, win the lottery, garage sale

The difference between a 4th and 5th grader? Fifth graders are smarter!

The best way to cure hiccups? Count to 10, put your head upside down, drink sugar water

One thing that makes people sad? Death of someone you love, when a pet dies, knowing you told a lie, being made fun of, loving someone who doesn't love you

I can't wait until I am 18 so I can . . . drive (lookout world!), vote, own a house

I wish my parents named me . . . Brandy, Cooper, Bill, Josh, Jenna, Nadia (most liked their name)

Why do bad things happen to good people? Fate, bad luck, they did something dumb, the devil

What makes you believe there is a God? The bible, faith, the existence of us, miracles

THE PTU NEEDS YOU

The St. Peter PTU is always looking for new faces (Moms and Dads) to get involved in their many fund raising programs and activities. Sometimes it only take an hour or two to make a big contribution. There is always something that needs to be done—daytime, in the evening, or on weekends-whenver you can spare the time. Clip and save the following list of PTU board members. If you have time during the year to help out, give them a call and they will put you to work. Thanks for your help!



WE NEED YOU

Executive Board

<u>President</u>		<u>Treasurer</u>	
Yvonne LoPresto	353-0777	Angel Records	327-3334
<u>Vice Presidents</u>		<u>Honorary President/Principal</u>	
Christy Garapic	327-5052	Sister Patricia	327-3212
Jen Nagel	353-1868		
<u>Secretary</u>		<u>Spiritual Advisor</u>	
Carol Stofan	327-1575	Fr. Stephen Kaminski	327-2201

PTU Committees

<u>Awareness</u>		<u>Market Day</u>	
NEED CHAIR		Holly & Brian Rolfe	353-3128 (Chair)
Laurie Kortowich	327-4120	Tom Voytko	327-6358
Sr. Patricia Vovk	327-3212	Jami Knoth	353-9548
Cindy Arendash	748-3783	Laura Bucci	353-3227
Aimee Reitz	216-299-6943		
Yvonne LoPresto	353-0777	<u>Membership</u>	
<u>Christmas Craft Bazaar</u>		Marybeth Fabian	353-6924
Michelle Brusio	327-6369 (Co-Chair)	Amy Fry	327-4436
Amy Modic	327-6995 (Co-Chair)	<u>Night at the Races</u>	
<u>Giant Eagle Receipts</u>		Nancy & Matt Hedberg	327-2138 (Chair)
Chris Bak	327-6808 (Chair)	Bridget Walker	353-9507
<u>Historian</u>		Gina Oradini	353-9148
Karen Walker	327-1923	Rita Price	327-6983
<u>Hospitality</u>		<u>Room Parents</u>	
NEED CHAIR		Laura Kelling	236-6330
Bridget Walker	353-9507	Shelly Sudik	327-1733
Carol Stofan	327-1576	Terri Barlow	353-3061
<u>Little Angels Resale</u>		Amy Fry	327-4436
Amy Modic	327-6995 (Chair)	<u>School&Community Services</u>	
Carol Stofan	327-1576	JoAnn Chase	327-1125
Laurie Kortowich	327-4120	Jennifer Stopper	327-5481
Terri Barlow	353-3061	Michelle Brusio	327-6369
<u>Newsletter</u>		<u>Sunshine</u>	
Karolyn Voytko	327-6358	Carol Stofan	327-1575
Gym	327-9138	Jen Nagel	353-1868
Parish Center	327-2201	Debbie Lamolinara	353-1074

*“Connected in
Christ”*

2008-2009 theme





KEEP SAVING

- Campbell's Soup Labels
- General Mills Box Tops Flaps
- Tyson Project A+ Flaps

The redemption of these box tops adds up to several hundred dollars for the school every year. If you have saved over the summer, you can send those in now.

Don't forget to support our parish with **The Certificates of Purchase Program**. Remember to try and purchase everything your household needs with the certificates. Encourage your neighbors, friends, co-workers and other family members to "shop" at the parish center. Order forms are sent home in family folders and are available at the parish center.

Parish center is open Monday through Friday 9 am to 8:30 pm, Saturday and Sunday 9 am to 3 pm.

Thanks to the many families who make regular visits and are helping to make this program a success

FUNDRAISING CORNER

Apples For The Students program.

You simply donate your spending electronically through the **Giant Eagle Advantage Card®**. It has always helped you save money when shopping at Giant Eagle, and now the card can help your school earn points towards needed educational awards.

How the Program Works. *It's Easy!*

Each time you shop at Giant Eagle using your Giant Eagle Advantage Card®, you will earn points for your school - points your school saves and redeems for great educational tools. The points are automatically credited to your school through the Giant Eagle Advantage Card®.

Program Dates

The Giant Eagle Apples For The Students program will run 20 weeks to give you enough time to support your school. It will begin in October and will continue March 2009.

Please register. Register your Giant Eagle Advantage Card by going on line at www.GiantEagle.com or by calling the store.

Take Charge of Education® program

There is another terrific way to raise funds for our school. It's super-easy, and all you have to do is use your **Target® Visa®** or **Target® Card**. We will receive a percentage of the amount of each purchase in the form of a cash donation from Target through the **Take Charge of Education®** program. It's easy. Just visit target.com/tcoe, or call 1-800-316-6142 to designate our school. So if you're going to Target anyway, please consider using your Target® Visa® or Target® Card. Big thanks to those who are already doing their part to make a great school even better. (Our school id # 14028)

- Find out how much money our school has already received at target.com/tcoe. Since program inception, our school has received around a total of \$4600. Way to Go!

We're on the Web...
<http://stpeterschoolnr.org>

