



**HOLY CROSS HIGH SCHOOL
PARENT CONNECTION
MAY 2014**



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ACADEMIC RECOGNITION

Holy Cross High School Juniors Receive Statewide Academic Honors

Congratulations to two of our Holy Cross juniors who have been honored as Governor Scholars. Michael Groeschen and Natalie Jehn were selected from 1,900 statewide applicants. To be eligible, students must be in the 11th grade, a Kentucky resident, and must have taken the PSAT, ACT, or SAT test.

The Governor's Scholars Program is a stimulating, five-week, residential summer program for outstanding Kentucky students completing their junior year in high school. Established in 1983, the program provides academic and personal growth through the balance of a strong liberal arts program with a full co-curricular and residential life experience. The 2014 program will be held on the campuses of Bellarmine University in Louisville, Morehead State University in Morehead, KY, and Murray State University in Murray, KY. In addition, most state universities offer either full or partial college scholarships to those selected. **CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR GOVERNOR SCHOLARS!!**

Over 30 Club

Congratulations to Tori Bunton , Donovan Finan, Michael Groeschen, Joe Hock, Bailey Keith, Kylie Schaefer, Nick Scheper and Jacob Williams for becoming the newest members of our "30 Club". Each of these students scored 30 or higher on their most recent ACT test placing them in the top 4% of students nationally.

Congressional Art Competition Winner

Congratulations to Celeste Bergman, whose art piece, titled "Tools of the Trade" was selected as The 4th District of Kentucky's Congressional Art Competition winner!! There were a total of 47 entries in the competition, and after narrowing them down to a top three, Celeste's piece was chosen. Celeste and a guest will be flown to the National Reception in Washington, D.C. in June and her art piece will be on display in the Capitol for a full year. Congratulations Celeste

Diocesan Recognition

Five Holy Cross High School teachers, Mr. Ryan (35 yrs), Ms. Thiel (20 yrs), Ms. Julian (15 yrs), Mr. Kozerski (15 yrs) and Ms. Listerman (10 yrs) will be recognized by the Diocese of Covington for their outstanding and ongoing service to the Diocese at an Appreciation Luncheon on Friday, April 30.

GENERAL ITEMS

2014-15 Scheduling

Counselors and staff of Holy Cross High School have met individually with students to discuss courses for next year and preferences for electives. A schedule Request form was sent home with the students before spring break. We ask that each parent sign the scheduling form and return the bottom portion to the high school office with the \$200 registration fee by Wednesday, April 30. If you have any questions, please contact Mr. Kues at 859-815-6005 or rob.kues@hchscov.com.

Senior Transcript Requests

Seniors planning to attend college must sign up for final transcripts. Students must supply the mailing address of the college to which the transcript is being sent if other than NKU or Thomas More. The sign up list is available in the office. NO transcripts will be sent unless the student has placed his or her name on the list.

Flying Pig Marathon Volunteers

The Parent's Club would like to recruit 10 more parents and/or students to work at the Flying Pig Marathon check-in on Saturday, May 3 from 9:00 am – 1:00 pm. The work would consist of meeting and greeting participants INDOORS at the Duke Energy Center in Cincinnati. Proceeds from this fundraiser can fund the Parent Club activities for an entire year. Please contact katie.wesseling@hchscov.com or gdayirene@fuse.net for more information or to volunteer. **Student volunteers are able to use this opportunity for service hours for this school year or next. Volunteer registration must be completed by TODAY, Tuesday, April 29.** To register, go online to www.flyingpigmarathon.com and choose volunteers from the top bar. Choose volunteer registration and then sign up with a registered group. Your choice then will be Holy Cross High School at which time you will complete the form. It will ask for the group password - it is Indians. **If you have trouble registering on line, please contact katie.wesseling@hchscov.com to get registered.**

Fundraiser Reports

Thanks to all who supported all of the Holy Cross fundraisers last month. Those involved with the mulch sale delivered over 41,000 bags of mulch.

The weather for the Walk-a-thon was beautiful this year! The day ran very smoothly, and fun was had by all. Students raised \$19,200! Special recognition to senior Christian Venneman and junior Audrey Barth, each raised over \$400 and to the additional 30 students who collected over \$100 each. Just a reminder that all debts – including lunch money, book money, walk-a-thon and mulch money must be turned in before exams for underclassmen and before the seniors' last day (May 14) for seniors. Caps and gowns will not be issued to seniors until all money is turned in. Thanks to everyone for your continued support.

Alumni and Friends Hall of Fame Induction/Pre-Derby Luncheon

Holy Cross Alumni Association inducted its newest members, John Fortner '75, Mary Guidugli and Tim Bockweg into the Holy Cross Alumni and Friends Hall of Fame on Saturday, April 26th. Congratulations and thanks to these outstanding individuals!

Mulch

It's not too late to order mulch. The cost is \$4.25 per bag which includes delivery. We have a few hundred extra bags of mulch left to sell and are only accepting orders online at www.hcmulch.com, with prepayment required, while supplies last. If you know anyone wanting to order mulch, please have them contact us as soon as possible. We still have about 50 orders left to deliver that were preordered, which are mostly from Villa Hills, Boone County and Independence. These will be delivered as soon as possible. If you know of anyone who ordered mulch before April 23rd and has not received it, please send me their name, address or phone number and we will deliver it as soon as possible. Orders placed after April 23rd, we will try to deliver within a week. We would like to thank everyone who helped with the mulch sale deliveries. Over 41,000 bags of mulch was sold and delivered to over 1,700 customers in just 2 weekends.

Junior Class Meeting

A representative from Prestige Portraits will meet with the Junior Class on Thursday, May 1 during Enrichment regarding senior pictures. Each junior student will receive a packet to take home to their parents. Please look for this packet and follow the instructions.

Holy Cross Night at Chipotle in Crescent Springs & Golfathon "Send Off"

Come out and support Holy Cross High School at Chipotle in Crescent Springs on Thursday, May 1 from 3 – 9pm. Holy Cross will receive 50% of the evening's sales that will support Rob Knox and Alex Wesseling in the golfathon. This is the night before the Holy Cross Golfathon and many of the golfers and Celebrity Golfers will be on hand throughout the evening. Come out and offer your support as the golfers prepare to play 100 holes of golf on Friday morning. Thanks for your support!

GOLF-A-THON

The Holy Cross Golf-a-thon is a one-time special event to provide funds to air condition the Holy Cross Gymnasium. On Friday, May 2, 33 golfers who have been soliciting sponsorship from businesses, family, alumni and friends will play 100 holes of golf at Fairway Golf Course in Wheatley, KY. If you have already sponsored a golfer, thank you. If not, it is not too late! Go to www.hchsgolfathon.com and sponsor a golfer. Please also get the word out to your family and friends and ask them to support this cause as well. Be sure to check out <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TRKkajvqM5I> for the latest golfathon youtube video. Future videos will be shared on the websites.

Alumni & Friends Flower Sale

The Annual Alumni & Friends Flower Sale will be held THIS Saturday, May 3rd from 9 a.m. to noon in the school yard. The sale will be held rain or shine and is a great opportunity to purchase flowers for the yard and/or Mother's Day gifts. For additional information contact Kelly Fisk at 859-322-3990.

Faculty Meeting

The May faculty meeting that was originally scheduled for Monday, May 12 is changed to Monday, May 5. Dismissal on Monday, May 5 will be at 2:00 pm.

School Awards Ceremony

The Academic Awards Ceremony will be held on Tuesday, May 6th beginning at 7:00 p.m. in Holy Cross Church. We ask that individuals receiving awards arrive on time and dress appropriately.

Scrip Order Deadline

The next Scrip order deadline is Thursday, May 8th. Delivery will take place the following Tuesday or Wednesday. Please consider using this program that has raised a considerable amount of money for the school. The only "hitch" is that you have to plan ahead for purchases that you will be making anyway. Scrip order forms are being sent home with the students this week or can be downloaded from the website at <http://www.hchscov.com>.

"Spring Fling"

The format for the last school dance of the year will feature a DJ, cornhole tournament, a euchre tournament, snacks and drinks. The event will be held in the gym on Friday, May 9th from 7 – 10 pm. All Holy Cross High School students, along with incoming freshmen, are invited to attend. As with all high school dances, Holy Cross High School students are allowed to bring a guest from another school but must sign them in at the door. They are also responsible for the conduct of their guests.

Parent Club Meet and Greet

Please join members of the Parents Club as we meet and greet the parents of incoming freshmen for the 2014-15 school year. The event will be held in the Arlinghaus Haus on Friday, May 9 from 7 – 10 pm. Drop off your students at the gym for the "Spring Fling" and join the Parent Club for a relaxing evening and welcome the parents of the class of 2018! Bring an appetizer to share – drinks will be provided. (The Arlinghaus Haus is located on the corner of Church Street and Southern Avenue – across from Catholic Charities.)

Academic/Athletic Signing & College Fair Assembly

On Tuesday, May 13th, Holy Cross High School will have an Academic Signing/College Fair Assembly at 2pm in the gymnasium. All Parents and Families are invited. All seniors accepting academic/athletic scholarships to college will be recognized. Representatives from their respective universities will be in attendance as well. Information on the admission process and scheduling of college visits to these colleges/universities will be available. All National Honor Society members will be inducted and the Governors Scholars for the Arts & Academics will also be recognized. For more information contact Amanda Reed at Amanda.reed@hchscov.com

All School Mass

The May all-school Mass will be celebrated on Wednesday, May 14th. All-school masses are held once a month.

GRADUATION PRACTICE

Graduation practice will take place on Monday, May 19. All seniors MUST attend graduation practice at Thomas More College from 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. and MUST BE ON TIME.

Athletic Booster Meeting

The final Booster Club meeting of the school year will be held on Monday, May 19th at 7:00 Arlinghaus Haus (on the corner). The meeting will wrap up the '13-'14 sports seasons and election of officers will be held. If you would like to nominate someone please e-mail anne.julian@hchscov.com.

Graduation

The Baccalaureate Mass will be at St. Cecilia Church at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, May 21st and Graduation will be at Thomas More College at 7:00 p.m. on Friday, May 23rd. Additional information has been sent to senior parents.

Holy Cross Summer Sports Camps

Summer camp season is almost upon us! Information can be found on the Holy Cross website.

Holy Cross Legacy Major Raffle

The Booster raffle is now called the "Holy Cross Legacy Major Raffle". Tickets are still on sale. For only \$5 per chance you can enter to win for the year! Additional prizes are given away at the end of the raffle "Night at the Races". To enter, send a check for \$5 per chance or 5 for \$25 made payable to Holy Cross Boosters to the office in an envelope marked "HC Legacy Major Raffle" or mail it to Holy Cross High School, 3617 Church St., Covington, KY 41015. Thanks for your support.

Buddy Cards

The Parents Club continues to sell LaRosa's Buddy cards. They can be obtained by contacting Katie Wesseling at katie.wesseling@hchscov.com or they can be purchased in the school office. LaRosa's Buddy Cards sell for \$10 and can be used 14 times for "buy a large pizza, get a large cheese pizza Free". The offer can be used for dine in or pick up.

Sports Physicals

Please remember to schedule an appointment for your child's annual physical if they intend to participate in sports during the 2014-15 school year. A current physical must be presented to the coach before an athlete is permitted to participate. Physicals can be received through St. Elizabeth Sports Medicine for \$25. Call 859-301-5600 for details or to schedule an appointment. The physical form can be found on the website.

Virtus Info for Volunteers, Coaches & Employees

All volunteers, coaches and employees at HCHS must be Virtus compliant and current with the monthly online bulletins. If you have not already done the online bulletin this month, please do so as soon as possible. If you have any questions, please contact our Virtus Coordinator, Tina Feldman at tina.feldman@hchscov.com or at (859) 291-8588

Amazon on the Website

With the introduction of the new website, a link is available for Amazon. If you already shop on line or would like to try it out - Just click on Fundraising Options at the bottom of the home page and it will take you to a page with an Amazon link. All you have to do to support Holy Cross is to use this link and HC will receive a percentage of your purchases. If enough shoppers use this link, Holy Cross can receive up to 7% of purchases! Please spread the word to family, friends and co-workers. This can be a huge fundraiser for Holy Cross.

Annual Appeal

You should have received information regarding the 2013-14 Annual Appeal. To date, the response has been great. If you did not get a chance to look over the information that was sent, I ask you take the time to do so and consider a gift to this year's Annual Appeal. A pledge

envelope is included in the pamphlet that you received or you can donate online through the website hchscov.com. We are counting on your support.

Holy Cross Grade School Quarter Auction

Holy Cross Grade School PTO will host a Quarter Auction on Thursday, May 8 from 7 -9pm in the cafeteria. Admission is \$5 and includes 2 paddles. Additional paddles are \$1. Bring lots of quarters!!!

Exams

Final exams will take place the week of May 20th. The exam schedule is as follows:

Tuesday, May 27th

7th Period Exam

- School Begins at 7:55 a.m.
- School Dismisses at 2:48 p.m.
- Lunch will be served at school

Wednesday, May 28th

6th & 5th Period Exams

- School Begins at 8:55 a.m.
- School Dismisses at 12:15 p.m.
- Lunch will **not** be served at school

Thursday, May 29th

4th & 3rd Period Exams

- School Begins at 8:55 a.m.
- School Dismisses at 12:15 p.m.
- Lunch will **not** be served at school

Friday, May 30th

2nd & 1st Period Exams

- School Begins at 8:55 a.m.
- School Dismisses at 12:15 p.m.
- Lunch will **not** be served at school
- THIS IS THE LAST DAY OF CLASSES FOR THE 2013-14 SCHOOL YEAR

OTHER SCHOOL EVENTS

Upcoming

July 15	Fall Sports Practices begin – students must have physicals before practicing
August 8-9	Boosters Golf Outing – Twin Oaks Golf Course
August 18	First day of classes for 2014-15 School Year
August 22	School Pictures
Sept. 5/6	Holy Cross Indian Summer Festival