

# Ss. Philip and James School News



*Thirty-first Week of School*

*March 30, 2017*

## SPJ Chess Club "One of the Strongest in Years"

## SPJ Students Compete at Power of the Pen Regional Tournament at Wooster H.S.



The SPJ Chess Club, led by Coach Koch and Father, features many students with great skills in chess; Mr. Koch recently noted that this year's group is very talented and exceptionally strong in their chess strategy!



Kayla Johnson and Amanda Varacky traveled to Wooster last weekend and competed against hundreds of other writers; they qualified for this competition through victory at the District level last month!

## SPJ Wins Annual Crusader Challenge!



SPJ's 5-7 graders competed in challenges against all of the other Holy Cross Academy Schools at Central Catholic last week, and came home with the first place trophy!

Student Council is asking for donations of candy, trinkets (small toys) and plastic Easter eggs to be used for an all school Easter egg hunt planned for April 13. All donations will be greatly appreciated. Please send all items to Mrs. Montgomery.



*Funny Name. Easy Fundraising.*

***The Scrip order this week will not be placed until Monday morning, since it falls on a Thursday. All paper orders can be turned in until Friday this week and electronic orders until Sunday at midnight.***

## Spring Auction – "Luck of the Irish" Update

This year's auction was absolutely awesome, with great attendance, delicious food, and a ton of fun! We will be doing a large write up in the upcoming newsletter with thanks to all of the organizers and participants and many more specific details regarding the event; however, **we need pictures of the event!** If you have any, please e-mail them to [dmitchell@youngstowndiocese.org](mailto:dmitchell@youngstowndiocese.org).



## Report Cards Come Home Today

Parents – watch for report cards in today's Thursday Folder. For parents of students in grades 6-8: note that your son/ daughter's Spanish grade is a numerical percentage this quarter; this number is more "for your information" than for records, as the Spanish program is still developing; for the purpose of academic records, Spanish will be recorded as "S" or "U" for quarters 3 and 4. Spanish will also not be calculated into GPA this year.

## Upcoming Events

**Mar 27-31:** \*Grades 3, 5, 8 Writing Assessments.  
\*Grades 2, 4, and 7 COGATs.

**Apr 3-7:** \*IOWA Testing

**Apr 7:** \*Honor Roll to be announced after Mass

**Apr 9:** \*Archery Day at SPJ

**Apr 12:** \*School Mass today

\*Passion Mime – 1:30 & 7:00

**Apr 13:** \*Easter Egg Hunt – 1:00

\*Livery Art Contest Assembly – 2:40

**Apr 14-21:** \*Easter Break

**Apr 30:** \*EdChoice Paperwork Due Today

**May 2:** \*Physics Night – 6:30-7:30

\*Dairy Queen Fundraiser – 7:30-9:00

**May 5:** \*Kindergarten Screening

**May 6:** \*First Communion @ 1:00

**May 8:** \*HCA Band Concert @ St. Michael's

**May 16:** \*Confirmation @ St. Mary's – 7:00

**May 21:** \*SPJ Day at the Livery.



### Attention Pancake Fans!

The proceeds of the Knights of Columbus pancake breakfast on **April 23** will go to the 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> grade trip to Cedar Point for

Engineering Day to help offset costs. Please come and enjoy breakfast with us!



## PASTA DINNER TIME

Fridays during Lent

3/3, 3/10, 3/17, 3/24, 3/31, 4/7

Dinner is Served 5 to 7

SS Philip and James Catholic Church  
Canal Fulton

Selection of Pastas, salad, vegetable, roll,  
drink and dessert

\$6.50 per adult, children 4 to 12 \$4.50  
3 & Under Eat Free

Benefits the High School and Young Adult Mission Trip



**Basketball:** SPJ 4<sup>th</sup> grade basketball athletes competed in St. Mary's annual 3 on 3 tournament; one of the teams placed 2<sup>nd</sup> overall!

**Cheerleading:** Bella and Addison Burgess won a bid to the Summit in Disney for cheerleading - this is the Superbowl of cheer! Last weekend, they also won Grand Champs at nationals in Detroit! Way to go, girls!

## 2017-2018 Enrollment Drive

Thank you for reregistering your students at SPJ; SPJ had the highest student retention rate of all Holy Cross Academy Schools between last year to this year, and we hope to be on top again going into next year!

Now that we have secured the vast majority of re-enrollments, **we're looking to grow the school from the outside through referrals.** SPJ parents are the best spokespeople the school has available to us. If you are pleased with the school, spread the word to friends and neighbors, so that we can then spread the Good News of the Lord each and every day to their children!

**Some referral programs for 2017-2018 are as follows:**

**REFERRAL BONUS:** Any families who refer another family to SPJ School, resulting in enrollment, will receive a **\$250.00 tuition waiver for the coming year.** Families who successfully refer more than one family can accrue multiple waivers!

**SWITCH BONUS:** Any family moving from public school to SPJ will receive **\$500.00 off** of their tuition upon their enrollment.