

FEA FYI



The newsletter of the St. Dominic School Family Education Association

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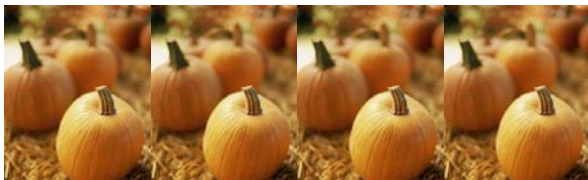
NEXT FAMILY EDUCATION ASSOCIATION MEETING: October 20th at 7:00 p.m. in the Large Meeting Room. Please join us – all St. Dominic School parents are members of the FEA! Special thanks to Carole Wilson, Bobby Shepherd, Stephanie Ashford, Melanie McDonald, Demone McNitt, Melanie Murphy, Noreen Zetzer, Tammy Jackson, Odette Hankins, Ted Jordan, and Kelly Marcelletti who participated in the August and/or September meetings!

Hospitality Committee Hits the Ground Running

The FEA Hospitality Committee has been hard at work creating opportunities for students, parents, faculty, and staff to get to know each other, or catch up after the summer break:

- Back to School Night (September 3rd) – The FEA provided parents with cookies and coffee in the school lobby.
- Ice Cream Social (September 5th) – Despite a rainy evening, many families turned out to enjoy frozen treats at the school.

Don't Miss Patterson's Hayride



Join us this Friday, October 10th, for the St. Dominic Parish Family Hayride! This eagerly anticipated event includes hayrides through the corn field, a warm bonfire, and tasty snacks and cider. Don't miss the opportunity to meet new friends in the St. Dominic community.

The event runs from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. at Patterson's Barn (8765 Mulberry Road in Chesterland). If you haven't had the opportunity to pay in advance, don't forget to bring \$6/person and a few sticks for roasting marshmallows. We hope to see you there!

The Boo Bazaar Is Sure To Be A Real Scream



Mark your calendar and plan to attend the Boo Bazaar on Saturday, October 25th from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m. in the school gymnasium. Several school parents have joined together to produce this fun afternoon of fair games, crafts, and activities.

Once again, the eighth grade class is excited to present a "Haunted Hallway" at the Boo Bazaar – an only slightly scary journey through the backstage area of the gym.

Don't forget to dress your children in their Halloween costumes, and come out for an afternoon of thrills and laughter. If you are interested in volunteering to help out at this event, please contact Carole Wilson.

What is the FEA?

All St. Dominic parents are members of the Family Education Association, and all are encouraged to participate in the monthly meetings. The FEA was created to:

- Develop a united effort between faculty and parishioners in support of the school
- Raise funds for the benefit of the school
- Assist the school administration and support improvement in education

Join the Safari! Scholastic Book Fair Coming in October



This year's Scholastic Book Fair will run during school hours from October 22nd through the 24th, and also during the Boo Bazaar on the 25th. This year's safari-themed book fair gives you and your children the opportunity to buy carefully selected, quality books and other products at very affordable prices. Plus, a portion of your purchases is donated to the school and a number of books (selected by the teachers) are also donated. Look for more details in the Thursday newsletter. Liz Aragon-Murray is looking for volunteers who can help children select their purchases during school hours and during the Boo Bazaar. Please contact her if you would like to help.



We're Looking For A New Leader- Is It You?

Ordering food from Market Day is a terrific way to get quality food on your family's table, while raising funds to support St. Dominic School. Throughout the school year, you will receive order forms with the Thursday newsletter. You can complete the form and submit it to the school office, or place your order at www.marketday.com. Orders are picked up in the Large Meeting Room on scheduled Thursdays from 5:15 to 6:15 p.m.

Our current Market Day coordinator, Marlene Robinson-Statler, graciously agreed to this final year of service, despite the fact that her youngest daughter graduated from St. Dominic last fall. If you have any interest in heading up this effort next year, or volunteering to help this year, please contact Marlene.

Get Involved! Join the New Family Orientation Committee

In order to help new school families feel welcome, a "New Family Orientation Committee" is being formed and we are looking for members. The general responsibilities of this group will be:

- Meet in early May (2009) to begin matching current families with new families
- Contact both families of each match with contact information (address, phone, email)
- Check in with school office regularly throughout the summer for additional new family information
- Coordinate letter home to all pairs of families, with information about new family orientation day (tentatively 8/1609)
- Make phone calls in the fall to remind new families of FEA meetings

If you are interested in being part of this new committee – and welcoming new school families to our community - please contact Kathy Cherney for more information.

FEA Board Members & Committee Chairs

Please contact us with your questions or suggestions for the FEA – we want your input!

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