# GO FOR THE GOLD

*A Weekly Newsletter for St. Eugene School Parents*

**March 9th, 2017**

## DATES TO REMEMBER

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| Mar 11 | Trivia Night 7:00 - 9:00 p.m. |
| Mar 12 | Children's Liturgy of the Word, 11 Mass |
| Mar 13 | Parish Mission, PJ Anderson, 7 p.m. St. Eugene Church |
| Mar 14 | Parish Mission Talk, Immaculee Ilibagiza, St. Monica Church, 7:00p.m. |
| Mar 15 | North Shore Reconciliation, 7:00 p.m. St. Eugene Church |
| Mar 16 | Mass, 8:15 a.m. |

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| **Matilda Varner** | **Mar 12** |
| **Diego Beisser** | **Mar 16** |

## Principal's Corner

**So Proud!**
On Friday, March 3rd St. Eugene sent three teams (6th grade team, 7th grade team, 8th grade team) to compete at The Dominican Challenge 2017. We competed against schools from the Northshore, Grafton, and Cedarburg. St. Eugene School took **First Place – Best School Overall** and our eighth grade team was named, **Best 8th Grade Team!**

The teams were asked to build a device that could propel up to eight dice toward a target. The device had to be made out of materials sold at the Knights' Marketplace. Each team had $200 to spend but could earn more money. They were given several options for earning more money including opening credit, designing and printing ads, or investing in a company. Teams could also complete up to three Research and Development Lab reports to move closer to the target. All three of our teams completed all three Research and Development Lab reports.

Kaitlyn Luangrath, who chaperoned our students, reported that our three teams got right to business and came up with a game plan. They worked well together and their teamwork clearly paid off!

The competition utilized math, marketing, scientific research, financial knowledge and engineering. So proud of how well our students were able to work together using their many skills and knowledge.

| 6th Grade Team | 7th Grade Team | 8th Grade Team |
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| Peter Manning | Paul Firsan | Sean Moore |
| Ellie Repinski | Alex Gould | Maria Richmond |
| Patrick Firsan | Anna Andres | Lily Stebnicki |
| Thomas O'Byrne | Inge Kozinski | Mary Kate Denton |
| Jacob Williams | Henry Haverty | Johnny Albrightson |

**Report Cards**
Report Cards for the 2nd Trimester are coming home today for students in grades 1-8. The students worked very hard and their grades reflect their effort and skill development. Be sure to sign the report card envelope and return it to school.

**MAP Test Results**
The Winter MAP test results are complete. These will be mailed to families next week.

**School Calendar 2017-18**
Included in this week's Thursday folder is the abridged school calendar for 2017-18. The first day of school will be August 28, 2017.

Rebecca Jones

# Calendar Of Cash — Daily Winners

**Congratulations to the following Calendar of Cash drawing winners!**

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| **Thursday, March 2nd** | $40.00 | Margaret Miller | River Hills |
| **Friday, March 3rd** | $40.00 | Calvin Greguska | Glendale |
| **Tuesday, March 7th** | $40.00 | Caryn Rozmenoski | Waukesha |
| **Wednesday, March 8th** | $40.00 | Stacy Miceli | Glendale |

# Lenten Theme

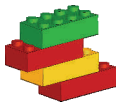
During the weeks of Lent St. Eugene School will follow the theme, "Were You There . . . ?" Teachers will be connecting the theme to scripture passages for reflection.

The theme for Week 3 is: "Were You There . . . as a Confessor?"
Scripture tie in: "Two robbers were crucified with him." Matthew 27:38
Visual: Two hands bound together

# Parish Mission

Our Parish Mission is coming up March13 – 15. Click on this link for a preview: https://vimeo.com/205709407. Of special note is the internationally known speaker, Immaculee Ilibagiza whose memoir chronicles how she survived the Rwandan Genocide.

# Lego Team News



This Saturday, March 11, all 4th-grade through 8th-grade students are invited to join the Cat Can Do team members in a robot workshop in the Faculty Lounge from 10:00 AM to Noon. This is a great no-commitment, no-cost opportunity for students to experience FIRST Lego League fun for themselves. Please contact the team's coach, Kevin Kozinski (Kevin@TheKozinski.com 414-236-2702), with any questions or concerns.

# Shrek Jr. Tickets Now on Sale!

Please see the ticket order form link in order to reserve seats for any of the show's performances. It's great show for all ages!

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| Friday, March 24 | 7:00 PM |
| Saturday, March 25 | 7:00 PM |
| Sunday, March 26 | 2:00 PM |

# Getting to Know You.....
# ...Q & A with Melanie Johnson, Home & School Association Co-President (2014-2017)

***Q: Why did you make the decision to serve as Co-President of the Home & School Association?***

A: My husband, Derek, and I enrolled Matilda in 4K at St. Eugene about three weeks before the school year started. Matilda was enrolled at another catholic school in the area and having recently moved to Bayside, we decided to tour St. Eugene. We knew, almost instantly, this was the place for Matilda. Principal Jones was so welcoming as were all the teachers and staff, that it made it feel like "home."

We are so blessed to have this school in our lives. Being new to the school and area, I decided that I wanted to learn more and try to help in any way I could. I decided to jump in and offered to serve as Co-President of H&S. It has been a great experience because I have had the opportunity to help the school and students in so many ways. I have made connections with other families within the school and have been able to answer their questions and encourage them to become involved with H&S events.

Currently, Matilda is in second grade and preparing for her First Communion. She absolutely loves St. Eugene and we love watching her thrive.

***Q: What will you miss most about the position?***

A: I will miss working with the H&S Executive Board and all the many volunteers. I am continuously amazed at the amount of time and effort our volunteers give back. I will also miss the in-depth involvement that being Co President offers. Being involved has given me a different perspective of the true needs and wants of the teachers and school. I have enjoyed being able to provide the much needed items for the teachers, their classrooms and the students.

***Q: What's next for you?***

A: I plan to volunteer in some capacity as Matilda continues in school, whether that be as a room parent or chairing a fundraiser/friendraiser. I feel as though volunteering at St. Eugene will always be part of our lives as a family. I will definitely continue to encourage other friends and family members to help in any way they can because giving a half hour or hour of time can make a huge difference.

# Lost and Found

Our Lost and Found is overflowing again! We will put the items on a table across from the second grade. We encourage students and parents to check it out. There are many coats, boots, gloves, etc. After March 13th we will donate any unclaimed items to charity.

# Spring Concert/Art Fair

We had originally planned to combine the annual Spring Concert and Art Fair. With the change in music teacher we will instead keep the Spring Concert and Art Fair separate. The Spring Concert will be May 17th and the time will be 6:30 p.m. The Art Fair will be Sunday June 4th, 9:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

The Spring Concert will also include all students 3K – 8. The middle school will be learning music which we want to showcase at the concert.

# Alumni News

Congratulations to the following St. Eugene Alumni attending Nicolet High School. They made the Dean's List for the first semester:

| Seniors: | Juniors: | Sophmores: | Freshman: |
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| Megan Gauss | Alex Arisso | Kate Barzyk | Mary Gatford |
| Laura Keyser | Douglas Gatford | Kiley Murphy | Matthew Gauss |
| Natalie Maniscalco | Andrew Heidenrich | | |
| Margaret Meyer | Jessica Nsubuga | | |

# More Alumni News

Congratulations to the following students attending Dominican High School. They have been inducted into the National Honor Society:

Juniors:
Michael Vecitis
George Wong

# Safeguarding Session

If you would like to volunteer in any capacity in the school or parish you must fulfill the Safeguarding requirements. We are pleased to announce that there is a Safeguarding session coming up: **Sunday, March 12th at St Monica, Donovan Hall at 9:00 am**.

# Jump Rope and Hoops For Heart

**Dear Parent or Guardian,**

A couple of weeks ago the children participated in the Jump Rope and Hoops for Heart events to raise money for the American Heart Association. In the letter sent home in the online Thursday folder, I stated that a permission slip was necessary for the children if they intend to collect donations. Permission slips can be turned in with the donation envelopes and they are due FRIDAY, MARCH 10TH . When you decide to turn in your donation envelope PLEASE DO NOT SEND CASH. All money needs to be in the form of a check and should be made payable to the AMERICAN HEART ASSOCIATION.

If you have finished your collection, please feel free to send in your money early.
If the envelope that I sent home has been misplaced just send the money in a standard business envelope with the child's name on it.

I really want to thank everyone for participating in this event. I feel that the money we collect goes to a very worthy cause and I feel that the children really have a good time doing this event. It is also a great way to teach the importance of the different ways to care for their hearts.

Thanks again for all of your support!

Sincerely,

Mr. Winge

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If you have any news you would like printed in the "Go for the Gold," submit it by e-mail to schooloffice@steugene.school by **noon on Tuesdays**