

Heart to Home Newsletter

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Principal's News from Jim Opelia, Principal

Something to Ponder

As a parent, I would like to share my thoughts on one of our current centennial projects. At the beginning of this school year the SHAS Centennial Committee was formed to help our school best celebrate its upcoming centennial with an admiration for our school's past accomplishments and a view toward its future. This group made up of parents, grandparents, and alumni, took it upon themselves to start a fund drive to improve our school's playgrounds for our children and those in the future. This is for the kids. As parents of SHAS, Lisa and I took on the challenge, along with several other parishioners, alumni, school parents and grandparents. Those of us, who have done so already, encourage you to join us on this challenge. If you have not yet participated in our "Dollar a Day" Centennial Fund Drive, please consider doing so. Participants keep their cans or boxes at home with the intent of donating \$1.00 each day for the family. If this seems to be too much, consider taking it on with another family, or passing your can around to those around you who also believe in your Catholic school. "Dollar a Day" cans or boxes are available at the school. Stop by or call Sandy if you are interested and willing.

Think Spring

Today, March 19th, is the last official day of winter. "Hooray!" The SHAS 5th and 6th Graders planted tomatoes during science class on Tuesday. They are currently in their life science unit learning about cells, and animal body and plant systems. Hopefully the seedlings will be ready to transplant in the next weeks as we see our natural world spring back to life.



Jack and Emmitt planting tomatoes in science class

Mission Focus

Sacred Heart Area School has an extremely important mission to carry out in our faith community. It is equally important that this mission is communicated effectively. The school advisory board as parent representatives, along with school staff have evaluated and modified our school's mission statement to communicate the same mission in friendlier, Christ centered, and more inclusive terminology.

In sharing our Catholic faith in Christ, we foster spiritual and academic formation in a positive welcoming atmosphere that reflects love and respect for all.

(SHAS Mission Statement with revisions)

SHAS Spring Blast "Redneck Picnic"

We are excitedly preparing for our May 3rd, 2014, Spring Blast dinner and auction. This is promising to be our most fun spring blast yet with our wacky redneck theme. Don't miss out! Be sure to save the date! We strongly discourage parents bringing your children to this event for reasons of liability and the festive atmosphere. This event will also be a great opportunity for those of you who have a remaining balance of volunteer hours. We certainly will need plenty of parents to help out this night. Please consider working a shift for this fun auction and dinner night out for adults.



Dance

Don't forget! This Thursday (March 20th), is Dance Night. We chose this night since the children won't have school the next day. We hope your family can make it from 6-8pm for a lot of fun.

Cookbooks are Here!

The cookbooks are here. They turned out wonderfully! Thank you to all who shared recipes. SHAS Mom, Missi Birkholtz, along with her mom, Rita Stracek, compiled and created this cookbook over the past several months. Thank you so much to both of you for this centennial memento.



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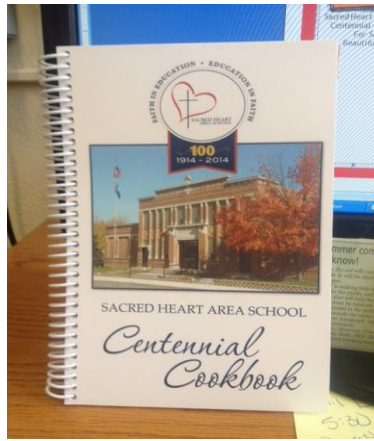
Lenten Fish Fry-days!
**Come and enjoy a
delicious dinner. The
meal includes**

- All you can eat fish
- Potatoes
- Baked Beans
- Cole Slaw
- Bread
- Homemade Deserts
- Beverage

**\$9.00 adults, \$5.00
children 4-12, 3 and
under are free!**
**Serving from 4:30-
7:00pm!!**



- Mar 20 End of 3rd Quarter
- Mar 20 School Dance
- Mar 21 No School
- Mar 21 Fish Fry
- Mar 24 No School
- Apr 2 Family Appreciation Night
- Apr 4 2 Hour Early Out
- Apr 8 Pre-K & K Roundup
- Apr 17 – 21 Easter Break
- Apr 24 Mid-Quarter 4
- May 2 2 Hour Early Out
- May 3 Spring Blast
- May 4 First Communion
- May 5-9 Scholastic Book Fair
- May 7 Parents Night – Triple A
- May 26 No School
- May 30 Last Day of School



**Sacred Heart School
Centennial
Cookbooks for sale!**
Over 150 pages of recipes and helpful hints. There are a limited amount available so be sure to stop in the office to purchase yours!
Only \$10.00 each.



So here we are in the middle of March and the end of the 3rd Quarter is only days away. Of course it would not come easily, God likes to challenge us, one more snow storm! So, kick off your snow shoes and grab your dancing shoes and join us for the Spring dance this Thursday night. Last Thursday, we enjoyed the play "Sahara Nights" put on by the middle school students. It was really nice to enjoy a warm walk over to the auditorium. Remember there is NO SCHOOL this Friday and next Monday. We look forward to starting our fourth and final quarter of our school year! Hopefully March will go out as one of Jesus' lambs and grant us a nice spring season.



*The cross –
God's answer to sin;
Our way to freedom!*

*"It is by grace you
have been saved."
Ephesians 2:5*



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You are Invited!!!
To our 2014 Sacred Heart Area School
**Preschool / Kindergarten
Round-Up**
Come and see what SHAS has to offer!



**Tuesday, April 8, 2014
6:30-7:30 p.m.
Sacred Heart Area School
Gym**



The school district offers our children a wonderful free breakfast, if your child is going to eat breakfast here they need to be done eating and in their classroom at 8:10! This is what time school officially starts!



Preschool and Kindergarten are in need of empty toilet paper rolls for art projects. Feel free to send in as many as you would like! Thank you