



ST. SEBASTIAN SCHOOL

Celebrating Over 100 Years of Catholic Education

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NO SCHOOL – No School on Thursday October 8 and Friday, October 9 for teacher convention days.

POWERSCHOOL TIME! – We are ready to provide PowerSchool access for parents. Mail carriers are bringing home a letter *TODAY* with complete details on both how to log in to PowerSchool and what data you can find there, including student achievement grades, tardy/attendance and lunch spending and balance. Parents need access to the internet and a valid e-mail address, then you will follow the directions to create a PowerSchool account.

Need help or sound complicated? We have set up 3 convenient sessions in our computer lab where we will walk you through the PowerSchool set-up process. No RSVP needed – just show up!

- Thursday October 1 in the evening from 6:00-6:30
- Friday October 2 in the afternoon from 3:15-3:45
- Tuesday October 13 in the morning from 7:30 – 8:00

TRAINEE WANTED - Carrie Pruhs, parent of 7th and 5th grade girls, maintains much of the school's website on behalf of the school office and is looking for one or two people to take over when her kids graduate. It took a few years to really get comfortable with the techniques and get to know the contacts; getting someone started now would help preserve consistency. If you are interested in learning what goes on behind the scenes with the posts on the website and like working with computers, this volunteer position is for you. The program, WordPress, is easy to use and is web-based, so you could work from home. Contact Carrie at cpuhs@sbcglobal.net or call 414-302-9551 for more information.

CONE PATROL – Room 207 is on cone patrol duty the week of 10/5.

DESPERATELY SEEKING PHOTOS FOR THE ST. SEBASTIAN SCHOOL FOUNDATION'S ANNUAL REPORT AND CALENDAR!

Parents and teachers: We need your help to continue to make the calendar a successful fundraising tool and an enjoyable calendar for our school's families! Do you have photos from GRADUATION, FIRST COMMUNION, school play, school concerts, High Interest Day, field trips, sports or daily activities in the classroom from the 2014-2015 school year or from the current school year? PLEASE SHARE! In addition to the activities listed, we are especially in need of photos that include the 6th, 7th and 8th grade students.

Please email full size photos to trish@flourishdesignworks.com before October 12. Photos from your phone can work. Please do not reduce the size when you email them. If photos are too large for email, or you would like to make other arrangements to transfer photos, please contact Trish at the above email or call 262-349-4339 to make arrangements. We can't make the calendar without your help. THANK YOU!

BASKETBALL SIGN UP - If you are a St. Sebastian parish member or day student in grades 5-8 and you would like to play basketball, registration forms are due by October 23rd. Forms are available in the school office or on line: <http://saintsebastianonline.net/community-life/sports/youth-athletic-council-2/>

Contact Michael Lehmann at 745-9987 if you have any questions.

TRIVIA NIGHT IS BACK! – See the on-line Trivia Team Registration form and get your team together for a night of fun. We had 17 teams at our Trivia Night in the spring, and we have a limit of 25 teams, so get your team in early. All proceeds will benefit the St. Sebastian School Library. Ask someone who attended last year how much fun it was & we will see you October 17. Enjoy the Catholic Schools Walk as a family in the morning then get a babysitter for an adult night out later.

MAGAZINE SALE - We have 50 out of 321 students registered who qualify for the \$5,000 vacation drawing. Please try and register and send out one email. This money is a big help at school to keep our school great for students, parents and teachers. Focus on selling at least one item to help out. Just ONE item will make a big difference! All paper copies of the order forms, along with the money, is due on October 2nd by 8:00 AM. This is also the last chance to earn the cool prizes in the sale, especially the VIP Family Fun Pack.

If any questions please contact Colleen Poggenburg at cfitz@mcw.edu<<mailto:cfitz@mcw.edu>>. Thank you for your help.

Final Turn-In day is this Friday, October 2!

HOME & SCHOOL MEETING THURSDAY - All are welcome to attend our upcoming Home & School committee meeting on Thursday October 1 from 6:30 - 8:00 in the Multi-Purpose room. (Enter doors near tot lot.) Enjoy some snacks, meet some great parents and be the first to hear about the upcoming events and activities. If you have any questions about Home & School, please contact Committee Chair Lena Stephenson at 414-259-5012 or roblena@sbcglobal.net.

WALK FOR CATHOLIC SCHOOLS - On October 17, 114 schools in the Archdiocese of Milwaukee will walk together at Mount Mary College to raise awareness about the impact of Catholic education. Students and their families, as well as faculty, parish members and alumni are invited to participate. The free **Registration is over, so a \$10 per person registration fee will be charged.** Donor envelopes are being sent home with mail carriers today. Send those envelopes back to the office with any donations by Oct. 17.

This celebratory event is also a wonderful fundraiser for our school. ***All donations and pledges raised by our team go directly to St. Sebastian School.*** This fundraiser will help offset the cost of the educational program service fee and to purchase a SMARTboard. If you are required to pay an educational program service fee, whatever amount of money you personally raise will be deducted from your educational program service fee during registration in the Spring. This is similar to the Scrip program. If you raise more than your program fee, or any amounts raised by those who are not required to pay the program fee, the donations will go into a general fund to raise money for a SMARTboard. Our goal is to raise \$4,000 in order to purchase a SMARTboard. We strongly encourage making a donation to support Catholic education, specifically our school. Participation is very important, so any amount is appreciated. Feel free to share this with family members and friends to pledge on your behalf, and don't forget to invite them to walk with you. Everyone is welcome to join us.

Walk information, as well as registration can be found at catholicschoolswalk.org. We look forward to you joining the St. Sebastian Team!

Thank you in advance for your support!

ROCK THE CLOCK AUCTION 2015!

Thank you school families for turning in your donation envelopes & donating items! We much appreciate your strong support of our parish auction!

Auction 2015 Registration is Open! We hope you'll join us!

- **Register Now!** <http://bit.ly/SebAuction2015>
- **Early Bird Pricing!** \$100 per pair of tickets or \$55 per person until Oct 1, 2015. After Oct 1, ticket prices increase to \$110 per pair or \$60 per person.
- **First Timer?** Special promotion this year only! Anyone coming to the Auction for the first time will receive a complimentary voucher to join in our Heads/Tails game!
- **Be a Table Captain!** One of the easiest ways to get involved with the Auction is by becoming a Table Captain. All you do is find seven other people to sit at your table, and you're eligible for a drawing! Just go to <http://bit.ly/SebAuction2015> to register, then invite others to register at the same site. They just indicate you're the Table Captain on the registration form. Contact Laura Mullen mullenlaura@att.net or (414)456-9428 – if you have questions.
- **Small groups, pairs, or singles?** All are welcome at the Auction! We'll find a fun table for you!
- **Business donations, advertisements & sponsorships!** We have several opportunities! See the parish website, or <http://saintsebastianonline.net/community-life/parish-auction/>

Any questions? Contact Terese & Rob Shelledy – shelledy@execpc.com or (414)475-1222

CYM CO ED VOLLEYBALL – Registration deadline is fast approaching. The CYM Volleyball League gives high school teens an opportunity to reconnect with old grade school friends and to meet new ones. All parish members, grades 9 – 12 attending a Catholic high school or St. Sebastian religious ed are eligible to play. Games are against other parish teams on Sunday afternoons beginning October 25th ending with a tournament the weekend of December 12-13. Player and team forms, rules and schedule information are available at cymvolleyball.com. Please download the forms and turn completed forms into the parish house as soon as possible, but no later than October 1st. Call Chris Marcoux at (414)258-1734 with questions.

DSHA WELCOMES DR. KENNETH GINSBURG - DSHA, in partnership with [REDgen](#) and Marquette University High School, will be welcoming nationally-renowned author [Dr. Kenneth Ginsburg](#) to DSHA on **Tuesday, October 6** for an evening Parent Education session. Dr. Ginsburg, author of **"Building Resilience In Children And Teens"** and **"Letting Go With Love And Confidence,"** will be speaking to parents of grade, middle, and high school students on the subject of his best-seller **"Raising Kids To Thrive: Balancing Love With Expectations And Protection With Trust."** He will be speaking with DSHA students earlier in the day, offering families a great opportunity for conversation over the topic of unconditional love coupled with high expectations – and the balance needed to succeed!

This program is **FREE and open to the public**. We ask that you pass along this information to any friends (DSHA or otherwise!) who might find Dr. Ginsburg's presentation to be helpful. Books will be available for purchase at the event, and Dr. Ginsburg will be signing copies at the end of the evening.

Dr. Heather Mansfield, DSHA's Academic Dean and member of REDgen, has created a "Book Club In A Box" for any parent who is interested in reading "Raising Kids To Thrive" individually or in a group setting.

We look forward to seeing you on Tuesday, October 6, at 7 p.m. The program will be held in The Robert and Marie Hansen Family Fine Arts Theatre at DSHA.