

## St. Brendan School

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## September 2013 News Letter

### **Welcome Back Mass & Extracurricular Open House**

St. Brendan School families are invited to the annual Welcome Back Mass at 5:00pm on Saturday, September 7<sup>th</sup>. Following Mass, there will be light refreshments in the Fr. Kenny Center, along with an Extracurricular Open House. School clubs, activities, and other extracurricular opportunities will each have a display (in the Kenny Center) and a representative to answer questions.

### **PTU Welcome Back to School Lunch**

The PTU will be hosting a lunch for all students K-8 on Wednesday, September 4<sup>th</sup>. Lunch will include pizza, salad, chips, a cookie and a drink. Parents do not need to pack their child a lunch unless they do not eat pizza. No milk or hot lunch will be sold from Central Kitchen.

### **Chik-fil-A Spirit Night**

Join us next Wednesday, September 4<sup>th</sup> from 6-8 pm at the North Olmsted Chik-fil-A (4779 Great Northern Blvd) for a St. Brendan Spirit Night to support the efforts of the Navigators on the Move Walk-a-Thon for Education and raise funds for technology and safety equipment in the school. 15% of all dine-in or carry-out sales between 6 pm and 8 pm will go to St. Brendan School.

### **Walk-a-thon Reminder**

Remember, if you wish to receive a walk-a-thon t-shirt, pledge money and t-shirt order forms must be turned in by this Friday, September 6<sup>th</sup>. Only a very limited number of shirts will be available on the day of the walk. We hope everyone can join us for the Walk for Education on Saturday, September 14<sup>th</sup>.

A few parent or teen volunteers are still needed to help on the morning of the walk with registration, refreshments and raffle tickets. Please contact the school office, if you are able to help.

### **School Safety**

Those entering the school building must ring the doorbell on the right side, of the front doors and wait to be "buzzed" in. You are asked to go directly to the school office. Please do not ask students or staff to let you in. They have been instructed not to do so. The safety and well-being of everyone is a major concern for all of us.

**School Advancement Team Committee Meetings** have been scheduled. Parents/parishioners are welcome to attend any/all of the meetings that they are interested in learning about the role that they play in the school's growth and development. If you have questions, please contact the committee leads.

Facilitator	Keith Smith	<a href="mailto:smithke@tiffin.edu">smithke@tiffin.edu</a>	
Fundraising Lead	Gina Coyle	<a href="mailto:clevelandcoyles@wowway.com">clevelandcoyles@wowway.com</a>	Sept. 25 <sup>th</sup> / 7:00pm
Marketing Lead	Jennifer Krzemien	<a href="mailto:jakrrt@sbcglobal.com">jakrrt@sbcglobal.com</a>	Sept. 9 <sup>th</sup> / 7:30pm
P.R.	Mary Welch	<a href="mailto:towelch@wowway.com">towelch@wowway.com</a>	Sept. 23 <sup>rd</sup> / 7:00pm

**Sign Language** will begin on September 10<sup>th</sup> & 12<sup>th</sup>. Information will be sent home on September 3<sup>rd</sup> for those in grades K-8 that are interested. Parents are welcome to attend as a student or in a volunteer capacity.

**Jr. High Drama Club** -If you are interested in helping to fundraise, by selling Malleys candy bars, please send in the clip and return below. There are 36 bars in a box / \$1.00 each.

**Student offertory envelopes** will soon be available. See the form below if you would like a box(es) for your child(ren).

### **VIRTUS Program**

Any adult who works with or volunteers with children in the Diocese of Cleveland must complete the requirements of the VIRTUS® Program, which includes fingerprinting, / background check, reading the Diocesan Policy manuals, and attending a VIRTUS® Live Training Session. There is no cost for the 2-hour course. Classes are offered all through the diocese. You can go to: [www.virtusonline.org](http://www.virtusonline.org) for a nearby training session. We are working on an efficient way to transfer records, for those who already have an account, at another diocesan parish.

### **Dads & Donuts**

Dads (grandfathers and uncles) are invited to attend a special breakfast with their child(ren) on Friday, September 20<sup>th</sup>. The occasion will be held from 7:00-7:50 A.M. Come and enjoy a light breakfast with family and friends. Raffles will also be included in the morning's festivities! A flyer and RSVP form is attached to the end of this email.

If you are interested in volunteering with this event, please see the end of the newsletter for more information.

### **North Olmsted City School Lunch Program**

An application form was sent home in a school folder at the beginning of the school year with information on receiving free and reduced lunches from Central Kitchen (North Olmsted). Please review the form to determine if you might qualify. The regular cost of lunch per day is \$3.30 a day and reduced lunch costs .40 per day. Submit the form, in a sealed envelope, marked to the attention of the "FOOD SERVICE OFFICE". Applications are processed at the Central Kitchen Office. You will be notified if you qualify for the program or not. This is all done in a discreet manner. Also, the free/reduced lunch tickets look the same as the others. If you have questions or need assistance, call 440.779.3539.

### **Magnifibot 2.0 A LEGO Robotics Day Just For Girls in Grades 5-8**

Join Magnificat High School and Great Lakes Science Center on Saturday, September 21, 10 a.m.-3 p.m. for a fun and educational day of building robots. Using LEGO NXT technology, you'll design, build and program robots. The cost is \$10.00 per student, which includes computer use, instruction, lunch and a t-shirt. Register by September 13 at [www.magnificaths.org](http://www.magnificaths.org), call 440.331.1572 x274 or send a note to your homeroom teacher for an application.

**The Windy City Players** will be presenting a production of *Cinderella* on Wednesday, September 11th for students in grades K-8. This National Touring Company provides an educational and entertaining live performance that stresses positive moral values and character traits. Thank you, PTU for sponsoring this high quality event.

### **Volunteer Opportunities:**

- Bandaides needed on M/W-F 11:15-12:30pm. This position includes taking care of minor recess/lunch ailments. Contact Mrs. Arth if you are interested in volunteering one or two days a week or month or what works with your schedule.
- Dads & Donuts Breakfast, September 20<sup>th</sup> / Volunteers are needed the morning of the event to help set up, serve, sell raffle tickets and clean up. If you have a raffle prize that you would like to donate, please drop it off at the school office.

### **Ongoing Fundraisers**

#### **Giant Eagle Program:**

The Giant Eagle Apples for Students Program has begun. This is a great way to help St. Brendan School earn rewards. To participate simply register your Giant Eagle Advantage Card in the Program. Then every time you shop and use your Advantage Card St. Brendan will earn points to purchase valuable educational tools for the school. Simply follow these steps:

- ❖ Apply for a Giant Eagle Advantage Card or use your current card.
- ❖ Register at [www.gianteagle.com](http://www.gianteagle.com) or call 1.800.474.4777.

- ❖ Provide the 12-digit number found on the back of your Advantage Card
- ❖ Enter the St. Brendan School ID# 2814
- ❖ Shop at Giant Eagle using your advantage card to support the school.
- ❖ Previously registered St. Brendan supporters do not need to re-register.

*Campbell Soup Labels/Pepperidge Farms ~ Clip, Save, Submit!* See the table at the Extracurricular Open House on September 7<sup>th</sup> for additional information.

*Heinen's ABC Donation Program*

Not yet a member? Go to the customer service desk at the nearest Heinen's and ask for a Preferred Card. Members are required to re-select their ABC School of choice every school year. Please follow the outlined steps below:

1. Go to [www.heinen's.com](http://www.heinen's.com)
2. Click on the *Tasteful Rewards* link
3. Log into your Heinen's Tasteful Rewards profile page by entering your email address and password.
4. Select "My Profile" in the upper right hand corner of the page.
5. Select a school from the pull-down list at the bottom of your profile page, and then click the "Save Changes" link.
6. Questions? Call 216.475.2300 x2337

**PTU membership dues (\$5.00) and the information for the Family Phone Directory are due on September 6<sup>th</sup>. Our first PTU meeting will be held on Wednesday, September 11<sup>th</sup> at 7pm.**

September 2, 2013

Print Family Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Please check the box and put how many needed (if applicable) if you are in need of the following, and **submit by Friday, September 6, 2013** to the school office.

- |   | # Needed |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Box of children's offertory envelopes. | _____    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Additional family name car signs.      | _____    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Box of Malles Candy Bars to sell.      | _____    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Magnifibot 2.0 Application             | _____    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Sign Language Permission Form          | _____    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Free & Reduced Lunch Application       | _____    |

I would like to volunteer to work the Dads & Donuts breakfast on Friday, September 20<sup>th</sup>. Print Name:

\_\_\_\_\_ / email: \_\_\_\_\_



Saint Brendan School  
Dads & Donuts Breakfast  
Friday, September 20, 2013  
7:00-7:50 A.M.

We welcome our dads, grandfathers, and uncles to join us for a donut breakfast on Friday, September 20, 2013 in the school cafeteria from 7:00 AM to 8:00 AM.

Come and share in the fun and fellowship and take a chance to win some great prizes in the raffle!

Please complete and return the lower portion of this form to the school office by Tuesday, September 17, 2013.

There is no cost for this event. To help defray expenses of the breakfast, a good will offering will be available at the door.

We look forward to seeing you there!

If you are interested in volunteering to assist with our breakfast, please contact Julie Onacila at [jonacila@stbrendannorthholmsted.org](mailto:jonacila@stbrendannorthholmsted.org). Thank you!



**Dads & Donuts**  
Friday, September 20, 2013  
7:00 AM – 7:50 AM

*Please return all responses by Tuesday, September 17, 2013*

Yes, we will be attending the Dads & Donuts (grandfathers and uncles) Breakfast on Friday, September 20, 2013.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Print Family Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Total Number Attending (including you and your child(ren))