

# Seton Catholic Central

## January, 2015

### Newsletter

#### From The Principal's Desk

#### Richard A. Bucci

The United States celebrates Catholic Schools Week January 25 – 31 recognizing the 7,000 Catholic schools that span our nation educating over 2.1 million students. Since that week is mid-term exam week at Seton we will be celebrating Catholic Schools the week of February 1 - 7. The Catholic Schools of Broome County offer a values-centered education that enables each student to realize their full potential. Our schools are places where religion and science, faith and reason are in dialogue, a tradition that dates back centuries to the great intellectuals St. Augustine and St. Thomas Aquinas. They are places where academics are complemented by art, music and athletics. We are preparing a number of events within the community and at Seton to celebrate the significant role Catholic schools play in the life of our community. I will be emailing you a schedule of events when it's finalized.

**MISSION STATEMENT** - The Catholic learning environment at Seton Catholic Central is inspired by our ever-present teacher, Jesus Christ. Our students are encouraged to develop a love of learning which will serve them throughout their lives. Our mission is to meet each student's needs -- spiritual, academic, physical, social, and emotional -- through a fiscally responsible program that recognizes the importance of stewardship in all its forms.

**Senior Class Bottle Drive / Saturday, January 10** – The Senior Class is holding a Bottle Drive Saturday, January 10 from 10:00 a.m. to noon in Seton's parking lot.

**6<sup>th</sup> Grade Visit to Seton / January 13** - The 6th grade students from All Saints, St. John, St. James, and St. Patrick's (Owego) will be visiting Seton on Tuesday, January 13 from 9:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. They will go on tours, visit classrooms, and spend time getting to know their fellow classmates.

**Post Prom Party Committee Meeting / January 14** – There is a Post Prom Party Committee Meeting Wednesday, January 14 at 7:00 p.m. in the library.

**5<sup>th</sup> Grade – 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Night at Seton Basketball Game / January 16** - We are inviting all 5th-8th Grade students and teachers to attend a night at the boys' basketball game on Friday, January 16, 2015 against Owego. We will be hosting a pizza party before the game.

**Celebrating the Legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. / January 19** - There will be no school on Monday, January 19 in honor of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

**Grade 7 & 8 Bottle Drive / January 24** - The date for the 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> Grade can and bottle drive has been changed from January 17 to the **January 24**. It will be held in the lower parking lot at St. John's School from 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.

**Midterm Exams / January 26-29** – Midterm exams will be administered January 26 -29 at Seton. The exam schedule is attached. Students are required to follow dress code guidelines for exams. -***The Second Academic Quarter ends January 29.***

**Green Tie Dinner / March 13** – The Catholic Education Foundation's Green Tie Dinner is March 13, 2015 at Traditions at the Glen. It's an evening of Music, dancing, raffles and dinner! Invitations are forthcoming! For tickets or more information, please contact Shannon Fallon or Camille Muscatello at 607-348-0337.

**Financial Aid & Re-Admission Paper Work for 2015-2016 School Year** - Any family that received Financial Aid last year will be automatically sent 2015-2016 SMART Financial Aid and Seton Financial Aid paperwork in the next few weeks. Families who have not applied in the past but would like to this year must request aid information from The Office of Admissions at 607-748-7423 X 3 or pick up the information at the Seton Main Office. All families may apply online for the SMART Aid [www.smarttutionaid.com](http://www.smarttutionaid.com). Please use the following school ID code for Seton -11513. The separate Seton Financial Aid paper work will also be made available on the SCC website or available in the SCC main office. Re-Admission enrollment paper work will be mailed home separately to all families by February 1st. If you have any questions please call the Office of Admissions at 607-748-7423 X3.

**Tell Governor Cuomo: Don't let us down on Education Tax Credit** - Governor Cuomo assured us he would fight to enact the Education Investment Tax Credit which is designed to generate desperately needed scholarships for tuition-paying families as well as additional funding to public schools. The measure is strongly supported by the vast majority of legislators. Now we need Governor Cuomo to lead on the issue. As the Governor prepares his Executive Budget, it's critical that you contact the Governor immediately and urge him to include the Education Investment Tax Credit in the Budget. Contact by phone 1-518-474-8390 or mail The Honorable Andrew M. Cuomo, Governor of New York State, NYS State Capitol Building. Albany, NY 12224. You can also send an email message through the New York State Catholic Conference <http://www.nyscatholic.org/nys-catholic-conference-action-center/> . Please make your support known!

**Successful Blood Drive** – In December Seton hosted a Red Cross Blood Drive. The goal was 11 units, 28 were collected. It was an impressive effort that was covered by WICZ TV and WIVT TV.

**All State Girls Soccer Recognition** – Congratulations to Seton Girls' Varsity Soccer players Genna Michitti and Mallory Fox named All State – 2nd Team and to Emily Purtell named All State – 3rd Team.

**Cross Country Honorable Mention** - Jamie Farrell was a Class D All State Honorable Mention for cross country this season.

**Grades 9 - 12 Yearbook** - Yearbooks may still be ordered online at Jostens.com or purchased at school with check (made out to Seton CC) or cash. Orders may be placed through Mrs. Schmidt in Room 209. The cost is now \$80.

**Senior Baby Pictures** - Seniors are asked to bring in baby pictures to be scanned or sent by email to [mschmidt@syrdiocese.org](mailto:mschmidt@syrdiocese.org) by January 12. Ads are now being collected, including ads for seniors from family and businesses. Ad forms may be picked up from Mrs. Schmidt in Room 209 or found on Seton's website under **Forms**. Space is limited and on a first come, first served basis. Please email Mrs. Schmidt with any questions.

**7th & 8th Grade Yearbook** - The 7th and 8th grade yearbook is now on sale! If you pre-order by January 16, 2015, you are eligible for a reduced price. Yearbooks are \$28 before January 16, \$35 after January 16. All personalized yearbook orders must be submitted by January 16, 2015. Order online at <http://jostensyearbooks.com?REF=A01119149>. Forms are also available on the SCC website.

**7th & 8th Grade Yearbook Ad Orders** - Purchase an ad in honor of your student or to promote your business! Ad prices are as follows: Full page \$60, 1/2 Page \$40, 1/4 page \$25. All ad orders must be submitted with payment by March 6, 2015. Ad order forms are available on the SCC website at <http://setoncchs.com/students/7th-8th-grade-information/>