

Seton Catholic Central
October, 2014
Newsletter

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.

From the Principal's Desk

Richard A. Bucci

Blessing of the Animals / October 5 - In honor of the Feast Day of St. Francis of Assisi Seton Catholic Central will be hosting a Blessing of the Animals on Sunday, October 5 at 1:00 p.m. in the school's parking lot. If rain, the ceremony will take place in the gymnasium. The blessing will be performed by Father Corey VanKuren, Chaplain at Binghamton University's Newman House. Creatures large and small are welcome. St. Francis of Assisi, whose Feast Day is celebrated on October 4, is the patron saint of animals and ecology. The centuries old custom of the Blessing of Animals is conducted in remembrance of St. Francis' love for all creatures. For information contact Rich Bucci at 723-5307.

Service Academy Night / October 7 – There is an informational night for students interested in attending any of the nation's military service academies on Tuesday October 7 at Onondaga Community College in Syracuse at 6:00 p.m. Interested students should RSVP to Jacqueline at 315-448-0470.

Post Prom Parent Meeting / October 8 – There is a Post Prom Parent Meeting on Wednesday, October 8 at 7:00 p.m. in the library.

Superintendent's Conference Day / October 10 – There is no school on Friday, October 10. Faculty will be traveling to Syracuse for a day of professional development activities.

Columbus Day / October 13 – There is no school on Monday, October 13 in celebration of Columbus Day.

PSAT Exam / October 15 – PSAT Exam is Wednesday, October 15. Juniors are automatically registered and sophomores are required to turn in permission slips and \$14.

Greater Binghamton College Day at the Arena / October 15 – College Day is Wednesday, October 15, 6:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m. Over 175 colleges, universities, tech schools, prep schools, military representatives

and financial institutions will be present to welcome parents, students and community members looking for an opportunity to get valuable information about program offerings, financial assistance and post-high school graduate possibilities. <http://www.greaterbinghamtoncollegeday.org/>

Bishop Cunningham to Visit Seton / October 15 – Bishop Robert Cunningham will be visiting Seton on Wednesday, October 15. At 1:45 p.m. he will celebrate Mass in the auditorium. Parents are welcome to attend.

Seton Catholic Central Oktoberfest 5K and 10K Race / October 18 - Seton's Oktoberfest 5K and 10K Race is Saturday, October 18th at Highland Park, Endwell sponsored by Visions Federal Credit Union. The events are certified 5K and 10K races. 5K run and 5K walk begin at 9:00 a.m., the 10K run begins at 9:45 a.m. There is also a free kids 1/4 mile fun run. Contact: Tom Carter @ 349-3536 for more details, including course map and race application, go to www.triplecitiesrunnersclub.org

Grades 7 & 8 Bottle Drive / October 18 – Grades 7 and 8 students will be hosting a Bottle Drive in the lower parking lot at St. John's school on Saturday, October 18 from 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.

Little Shop of Horrors / October 23-26 – Seton Catholic Central high school students will be performing The Little Shop of Horrors Thursday, October 23, Friday, October 24 and Saturday, October 25 at 8:00 p.m. and on Sunday, October 26 at 3:00 p.m.

Senior Class Bottle Drive / October 25 – The Senior Class will be hosting a Bottle Drive on Saturday, October 25 from 10:00 a.m. to noon in the parking lot.

Winter Sports / November 3 – Winter Sports begin on Monday, November 3rd for Varsity and JV athletic teams. ***Modified teams will begin on Monday, November 17th.*** All students must have a physical and have paid athletic fees in order to participate. Our Winter Sports Parents Meeting will be held on Sunday, November 9th at 6:00 p.m. in the cafeteria.

National Merit Scholarship -- The National Merit Scholarship Corporation has named the 2015 semifinalists. Among the students named nationwide are three Seton Catholic Central students: Samuel J. Breese, Samuel E. Crowley and Catherine A. Daly. These academically talented high school seniors have an opportunity to continue in the competition for some 7,600 National Merit Scholarships totaling \$33 million that will be offered next spring.

Sustainability Club Apple Sale – Seton Catholic Central's Sustainability Club is conducting an Apple Sale to raise funds for their activities. Apples are \$1.25 per pound. Orders can be emailed to sustainability@setoncchs.org. ***Orders can be picked on October 6 from 3:00 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.*** at Seton's parking lot entrance. Apple choices are: Gala, McIntosh, Honey Crisp, Cortland, Macoun, Liberty, Jonagold, Red Delicious, Mutsu, Northern Spy, Jonathon, Granny Smith, Arc Black and New Scarlet.

Yearbook News -- Planning for the 2014-2015 High School Yearbook is underway! Senior pictures are due to Mrs. Schmidt by Friday, October 30th. Check with your studio about the picture you want selected for the Senior Section as well as their delivery to the school. Most studios will send a CD, with all Seton students who had their portraits taken there, to the school before the deadline.

Seton Catholic Central has a full-color yearbook. The early bird price of \$65.00 runs from October 26 through December 23rd. Yearbooks may be ordered during homeroom period in the library with cash or check made out to Seton Catholic Central. Credit card purchases may also be made online by going to yearbooksonsale.com or jostens.com.

We are also accepting ads at this time. Staff members have ad forms and are looking for personal/business ads. We also need candid sports photos for all fall sports. Thank you for your support!

Magazine Drive -- This year's drive will run from October 8-October 24. Our hope is that each student will try to sell at least three subscriptions to family, friends and local businesses. New this year are coupons to create photo books, calendars and cards, much like Shutterfly or Snapfish.

The profit from this drive helps to fund tuition assistance as well as most Student Council activities such as: Freshman Welcome Activities, Yuletide – a Christmas dance and service project we have run for several years -- Catholic Schools Week activities and Saints Day.

Students will receive rewards for their efforts such as: Dress Down for the duration of the sale for 7 sales, 12 for a family of two, 15 for a family of three or more, free yearbook for 20 sales, free cookies from the cafeteria, Sainly Grounds Bucks, candy, etc. The top seller will receive \$200 in cash, 2nd will receive \$125 and 3rd \$75. Please consider renewing a current magazine or give a gift subscription

Supporting Catholic Education -- At Seton Catholic Central we collect the following items to help fund various activities as well as obtain free equipment for students' educational needs.

Campbell Soup Labels -- Please collect the UPC labels from all any Campbell's Soups. Labels for Education are also on located on the various foods manufactured by the Campbell Foods including many Pepperidge Farm products.

Box Tops For Education -- These little pink labels are located on a huge variety of products including Pillsbury Food products, Avery office products, many cereals, yogurts, and snacks Those little pink labels really add up. Last year Seton received a check for \$167. Our goal this year is \$300. You can send these items in with your children. They can drop them off in the school office; the secretarial staff will see they get to the school coordinator.

Price Chopper Tools for Schools -- Seton also participates in the Price Chopper Tools for Schools program. If you are an AdvantEdge card member please enroll your card at the following website www.pricechopper.com, click the Tools for Schools icon and register...it takes less than a minute to register. Seton School Code is 17152.

7th & 8th Grade Yearbook - The 7th & 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/>.

7th & 8th Grade Counselor Meetings -- In an effort to connect with all 7th and 8th Grade parents and students, Miss Curtin will be scheduling appointments for 15-minute parent/student meetings during the school day, typically during the child's study hall, throughout the months of October and November. Arrangements can also be made to meet before or after school. This meeting is to introduce the role of the school counselor to you and your child and to discuss any questions or concerns you may have about the school year. Please call 607-723-5307 x142 or send an e-mail to ccurtin@syrdiocese.org to schedule a meeting.

Mr. Gilligan's Art Classes -- Incredible! The first month of school is already in the books. Mr. Gilligan's high school photography class has been busy! Students have completed one assignment and are about



**Golden camera award winner:
Worm's eye view of chairs: By
Lexus Levv**

to turn in another. The first photography assignment this year was designed to train the student's eye and offer a new perspective of the world. Students took photographs from two different perspectives, a worm's eye view (making the world look massive) and a bird's eye view (making the world seem tiny). The results were outstanding!



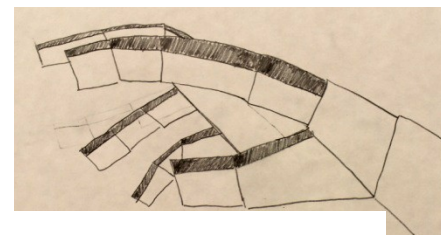
**Samantha Nicolich's worm's eye
view of a tire swing**

7th grade art students were also busy this month. They have been through extensive instruction on how to draw their own hand. Students have been

examining all of the intricate details of their hand and drawing their hand using realistic value. Throughout the past few weeks students were instructed to break down their complex hands into more manageable shapes such as 3D rectangles and squares. From there students have been busy learning multiple shading techniques and discovering the wonders of the paper tortillon (which is an instrument used for blending pencil lines). Every student has been working hard and the drawings reflect their hard work.



**Emma Benson's initial hand
drawing attempt**



**Emma Benson's 2nd drawing of her hand
broken down into rectangles and squares**

Saints Varsity Girls Tennis Clinches Central Division Title --The Girls Varsity Tennis Team clinched the Central Division Title on Monday, September 29 with a 6-1 win over Owego. The Saints are the lone undefeated tennis team in STAC with a 12-0 record.

In 12 matches so far this season the Saints have won 80 points and lost only 4. Maya Haykal and Lauren Miller remain undefeated in singles. The doubles teams of Claire Loughlin and Ava McCann, Iderase and Itunu Ademoyo, and Rusna Dhillon and McCayla Kenny are also undefeated.

The Saints finish out the regular season with home matches on October 2 and 3 at Recreation Park at 4:00p.m. STAC playoffs and sectionals will follow. Go Saints!



Seton Catholic Central
Booster Club

cordially invites you to

"Bids for Boosters"
Holiday Auction

Saturday,
November 22, 2014

at SCC

Silent Auction at 6 pm
with appetizers and beverages
followed by a delicious dinner buffet at 6:45.
Live Auction begins at 7:30 pm

\$25 per person

For our planning purposes,
reservations are preferred by November 12th.
You may also pay at the door but only if seating allows.

For information call
723-5307 or
go to www.setonccchs.com/athletics.asp