

The Royal Herald
A Weekly Newsletter for Regis Families
February 8, 2019

Explore Regis THANKS

Many thanks to those of you who helped or assisted with Explore Regis on Saturday, Jan. 26th. It was a chilly day, but we had excellent 5th grade family attendance and wonderful support from Regis staff, parents and students. We are particularly grateful to Dr. Nora Royer, who shared with us her and her husband's "Parent Perspective" on Catholic education. Thanks to those of you who helped with jazz band, FTC, and show choir as well. While our turnout was good, we do ask you to please be willing and able to share the Good News of being enrolled at Regis with families you know. YOU are our best "marketing" tool to incoming and prospective families so be sure to share #WhyCatholicSchools with all of your friends!

Congratulations February Of The Month Recipients!

Staff Member of the Month - Ric Thomas & David Miller- Our Regis maintenance guys have worked VERY hard this winter to keep our building warm, shovel snow, and chip away the ice. And all of this is on top of their "regular" responsibilities! They have done an incredible job this winter and we are very appreciative of their hard work!

Parent Volunteer of the Month - Dr. Nora Royer - Dr. Royer was our parent perspective speaker at Explore Regis in January, and we appreciate her help in promoting our school.

6th Grade - Quinlan Akin - Quinlan's teachers said this about him: He always does his best in class, he is always friendly and respectful, he is excited to learn and is always willing to work hard and try new things. He also was the winner of the Religion Bee and will represent Regis well!

7th Grade - Elizabeth Renner - Lizzie's teachers said this about her: She always comes to class with a positive attitude and a smile! She never has late or missing work and is willing to help out her classmates or demonstrate a skill she knows or has learned to the class.

8th Grade - Emma Arnold - Emma's teachers said this about her: Emma is supportive of her teammates and fellow students and works to support our school and programs. On many occasions, she has been positive and enthusiastic even in situations where others around her were not. She leads with positive energy and is very respectful and hard working! She is always willing to help anytime in setting up for basketball games, from chairs to pop cooler to organizing Mr. Halter's equipment room, and always with a smile.

Catholic Schools Week Liturgy Celebrated on Tuesday

Despite the challenges with weather during Catholic Schools Week, it was a joy to celebrate Liturgy on Tuesday with our friends from LaSalle, St. Joseph's, and Xavier. Many thanks to our friends at Xavier who hosted the Liturgy. Thanks to everyone who brought in toilet paper and laundry pods for our service project with the Catholic Worker House. We will be delivering those next week to Catholic Worker House.

Low Grade Spreadsheet Resumes Monday, Feb. 11

With the many canceled school days we've had, we put off sending out Low Grade notices. While the upcoming weather is still sketchy, we thought it was important to resume sending these notifications, so if your student has a low grade in one or more classes, you and they can expect to receive a Low Grade & Study Table Notification beginning **Monday, Feb. 11**. This weekend is a great time to sit down with your student to review their progress in PowerSchool.

Freshmen Scheduling Night at Xavier High School

Xavier High School will host their Incoming Freshman Scheduling Night on **Monday, February 11th** from 7 - 8 pm. Students and parents will meet with Xavier counselors and staff to register for Freshman classes at Xavier.

Course recommendations from the 8th grade team were emailed to parents Monday, February 4th. If you have a question about the recommendation made by the 8th grade teacher, please contact the 8th grade teacher. If you have a minute to go over the recommendations with your child prior to Monday evening, it would be beneficial. If you have a question about a class or what the Xavier class levels mean, please contact Xavier Counselor Dave Schemmel at dave.schemmel@xaviersaints.org.

Deadline Extended - Taking the Road Less Traveled- 8th Grade Girls

We have extended the deadline for the Taking the Road Less Traveled conference (Iowa State University's Program for Women in Science and Engineering) to **Monday, February 11th**. If your student is interested please have her bring a check for \$15 to reserve her spot to the conference.

Regis Spring Musical Auditions

Regis' Spring Musical is upon us! This year Regis will be performing the classic musical, Oklahoma. Auditions will be held in the choir room on **Monday, February 11 and Wednesday, February 13** starting at 3:10 pm. Sign up outside Mrs. Whipple's classroom starting Wednesday, February 6. The musical is open to everyone, even if you are not in choir. You **MUST** attend ONE audition in order to participate. The first rehearsal for EVERYONE will be on Monday, February 18 from 3:15-5 pm in the choir room. If you have any questions, please contact Mrs. Andrea Henley.

Xavier Catholic Schools Choir Festival - Thursday, Feb. 14th

On **Thursday, Feb. 14th**, at 7 pm our Regis 7th/8th Grade Choir will be participating in the Xavier Catholic Schools Choir Festival with St Joseph's, LaSalle, and Xavier choirs at Xavier High School. For families of choir students, please remember:

- 7th & 8th grade choir students will be bussed from Regis to Xavier at 2:30 pm to practice with all the choirs.
- Choir students should plan to wear their regular "Concert White and Black" dress which requires our students to wear a white shirt (Christian modesty please - no bare shoulders and nothing low cut or see-through!) and black bottoms (pants or

long skirts preferred. If a skirt/dress is above the knee, then students should wear black opaque tights underneath). Black shoes (socks too for boys!) are required. Also note that due to the concert on Thursday evening and the fact that our students involved are at Xavier from 3 pm until 8 pm, Thursday evening is a NO HOMEWORK NIGHT for students in 7th & 8th Grades.

Spirit Day Next Friday, Feb. 15th

Next Friday, February 15th will be a SPIRIT DAY! Please be sure to note that on spirit days, students are expected to wear Regis or Xavier apparel.

Rock The Bleachers With Us at Royal T Night 2019 -- Friday, April 5th!

Friday, April 5th, we're gonna ...

ROCK THE BLEACHERS

Friday, April 5, 2019
6:30—10:30 pm
Regis Middle School
Richard J. Breitbach
Gymnasium
Tickets: \$50 Per Person
Available at Regis or call 319-363-1968

Help Regis raise funds for new gym bleachers!

- Drinks • Appetizers • Auctions • Music
- Dancing • Games • Casual Dress

How do YOU Rock The Bleachers?
As a Sports Fan? A Fine Arts Patron?
A Participant at Liturgies? Or A Member of
the Regis Community? Then JOIN US for
ROYAL T NIGHT!

Save the date **Friday, April 5th** for to **ROCK THE BLEACHERS** with us at Regis' annual fundraising event, Royal T Night! This is a fun, adult-only, casual evening of great food and drink, silent and live auctions, raffles, games and fellowship with the Regis community. Proceeds raised from this year's Royal T Night will go toward replacing the gymnasium bleachers, which are original to the building when Regis High School opened in 1957. These upgrades will modernize the Richard J. Breitbach Gymnasium and will provide seating that is safer and easier to access with aisles and railings. **How do YOU Rock The Bleachers?** If you support Regis sports teams, enjoy Regis music concerts and drama productions, honor God at Regis liturgies or are a Regis Middle School supporter, plan to attend Royal T Night!

Bleacher Materials For Sale: Replacing the current gym bleachers means we will be offering the wood from the bleachers for sale. If you have an interest in purchasing a portion of the bleachers please contact Dianne Clarke at dclarke@regisroyals.org.

Silent and Live Auction Items Needed! Do you have a vacation home or condo that you could part with for a long weekend or a week? Does your business provide a valued service that may be of interest? Does your family have tickets to "the big game" or a suite that could be shared? Please prayerfully consider making a donation to Regis Royal T Night as a way to contribute to this great event! Contact Dianne Clarke at dclarke@regisroyals.org.

Financial Aid Applications Are Now Available

Applications for Financial Aid for the upcoming 2019-20 school year are now available. Financial aid will be available to families through the Archdiocesan STO Fund and/or Regis Local Tuition Assistance. The application process will be completed through FACTS at

www.online.factsmgt.com/aid. The application must be completed by April 15, 2019; applicants will be required to submit tax documents for the 2018 tax year. Additional information is available on the Regis website at http://regisroyals.org/?page_id=328. Please contact Mary Carey, mcarey@regisroyals.org, in the Business Office if you have any questions or concerns.

From the Business Office

Thank you to all Regis families for your patience as work has been done to produce the Tuition Tax Credit Forms for Tax Year 2018. **Today, Feb. 8**, one form per student was sent via email to the parent/guardian email addresses on record with the Business Office. Please accept our apologies for the lateness of this information. Please contact Mary Carey, mcarey@regisroyals.org, in the Business Office if you have any questions or concerns.

Yearbook News!

Do you have a camera? Are you unafraid to use it? Have you attended any Regis activities in the past or plan to attend some in the future? Then the yearbook crew needs your help! You can upload photos directly to the yearbook website or send them to Nancy Johnson at njohnson@regisroyals.org. The crew is particularly interested in any photos of sporting events from the past and future as well as any show choir competitions that will be happening in the future. The yearbook site can be found by clicking on the yearbook link on the Regis web page. While there you can order your 2018-19 yearbook if you haven't already!

Help Wanted: Positions Available at Regis

After School Bus Driver: Do you enjoy driving and want to work a few hours a week? Regis is currently seeking a part-time bus driver for after-school activities. Driving time is variable and will be in the Cedar Rapids/Marion area with occasional trips to Iowa City/Coralville. This position also would include some hours each month for maintaining the buses. Potential drivers should have a valid Class CDL license with passenger and air brake endorsements. If interested please contact Tracie Chute at tchute@regisroyals.org.

2019-2020 Xavier Cheerleading Information

Students who will be enrolled at Xavier next year and are interested in trying out for cheerleading for the 2019-2020 school year should plan on attending the following workshops & tryout:

- Parent Meeting – March 4th at 5 pm
- Cheer Workshop – March 11th from 3-5 pm
- Cheer Workshop – March 12th from 3-5 pm
- Cheer Tryouts – March 13th beginning at 3 pm

All cheerleading workshops/tryouts will be held in Xavier's main gym or practice gym.

The parent meeting for all interested in trying out for 2019-2020 Xavier cheerleading squads will be held at 5 pm in the Schubert Commons at Xavier on Monday, March 4th (at least one parent is strongly encouraged to attend). This meeting should last about 30 minutes. If at least one

parent is unable to attend this meeting, please contact XHS cheerleading moderator, Erica Rheinschmidt, and information shared at the meeting will be emailed to the parent(s).

Please contact Erica Rheinschmidt (XHS Cheerleading Moderator) with any questions. erica.rheinschmidt@xaviersaints.org. Click [HERE](#) for more information.

Do I Really Matter to This World?

Mike Goldsmith seemed to have it all...a great family, a faith community and a job as a teacher at Xavier High School that he loved. Then he found himself almost inexplicably at a level of spiritual depression he had never before experienced. The joy of his faith was leaving him. He was in the middle of a spiritual dryness when God's grace reached down in a special way to bring him back to true joy. Come hear how God helped Mike "Reclaim the joy of being Catholic".



Speaker: Mike Goldsmith

Date: Monday, Feb 11th

Time: 6:30 – 8:00 PM

Place: St. Matthew Catholic Church

Address: 2310 1st Ave NE, Cedar Rapids, IA

A light meal will be served and free child care will be provided. There is no charge and all are welcome.

St. Matthew Mardi Gras – March 2, 2019

Get your ticket online today! Join us at this year's St. Matthew Mardi Gras event at Elmcrest Country Club on Saturday, March 2, 2019, from 6:00 PM to Midnight. The event will include a Live and Silent Auction, Raffle and Cajun Cash, Pick-A-Pack and Pick-A-Cork, and more! All profits will go toward various projects to beautify the St. Matthew Community. Purchase your event tickets, raffle tickets and sponsorships TODAY on our website at charityauction.bid/mardigras2019.

NEW for 2019! Can't make this year's event but have your eye on something? Once you register and receive a bid number for FREE, you can bid on silent auction items from the mobile app or by text bidding! The auction will open on March 1.

Contact Lauren Shovein or Laura Lipinski at mardigras@stmatthewcr.org for questions. Thank you for your support of the St. Matthew Community!

Metro Catholic Outreach (MCO) Update

Despite harsh conditions outside, clients are making their way here to receive food assistance. You are helping us serve 250 people from 90 families this week. WISH LIST-let Christine know if you could help us get a double door cabinet for our office. We're thinking a metal one similar

to the two in our pantry to keep our homeless bag items in. Here are the items we need to stock up on **Peanut Butter**, Jelly, **Soup, stew, chili, Pasta Sauce** & Tomato Products, Canned Fruit **Canned Pasta** (Spaghettios, etc.), **Potatoes** (fresh or flakes), Rice products (especially 1-2 lb bags), **Crackers, Pancake Mix**. Our clients can always use: Toilet Paper & other paper products -**thank you!**, Small/trial-size (hotel) shampoo/conditioner, soap, lotion, etc., Dental care items-toothbrushes, toothpaste, floss, Full-size personal care products (for larger families), Laundry detergent & cleaning products (we bag up laundry pods to give to more families). We treasure your partnership in serving our local neighbors in need. **If you wish to donate to MCO you may take your donations directly to them at 420 6th Street SE, #120, Cedar Rapids.**

On the Radar

Monday, February 11 (Day 1)

- Musical Auditions **3-4 pm**
- 7th Basketball @ Excelsior /8th vs. Excelsior **3:30 pm**
- Xavier Soph/Varsity Boys Basketball game **6 pm**
- Xavier Freshman Scheduling Night **7-8 pm**

Tuesday, February 12 (Day 2)

- Radiance Show Choir Rehearsal **7 am**
- Catholic Worker House Delivery **11:30-12:45 am**
- Charity Hansel to Speak to 8th Graders in the Gym at **1:30 pm**
- Jazz Band One Rehearsal **3-3:45 pm**
- Speech Practices **3-3:40 pm**
- Boys Wrestling @ North Central **3:30 pm**
- Show Choir Premiere Night **6:30 pm**

Wednesday, February 13 (Day 3)

- Speech Improv Practice **7 am**
- Liturgy **10 am**
- Musical Auditions **3-4 pm**

Thursday, February 14 (Day 4)

- Eclipse Show Choir Rehearsal **7 am**
- Boys Wrestling vs. Linn-Mar & McKinley @ LaSalle **3:30 pm**
- Xavier Catholic Schools Choral Festival **7 pm**

Friday, February 15 (Day 5)

- Spirit Day
- Jazz Band One Rehearsal **7 am**
- Art Palette **3-4 pm**
- Davenport Great River Show Choir Invitational (Radiance & Eclipse)