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Welcome to St. Xavier Catholic School's Newsletter published by the High School Mass Communication Class. The newsletter will be published several times a year with our purpose to inform you concerning personnel, students, and events at St. Xavier Catholic School.

St. Xavier Auction
Running for the Roses!—April 20, 2024, 5:00 pm

Running for the Roses!



This year the St. Xavier School Auction is on April 20th. It will be held in the school gymnasium. The theme for this year is "Running for the Roses."

One of the big items in the auction is the "Name the Parish Drive." The class baskets are also very important in the auction because they help kick off the live auction. People get excited for the class baskets. The funds from the auction will go towards the general operating costs of the school.

This year the students are helping out with decorations. They will also be putting down mats, chairs, and tables.

New this year, we are selling Winners Circle tickets. Each ticket costs \$50 and the drawing will take place at the beginning of the auction.

The winner will have the choice of \$1000 in cash or one item of choice from the auction (exclusions may apply).

Come join in the fun and support our school! –Hana M.

St. X Scholars Bowl Goes to State!



The Saint Xavier Catholic School scholars bowl team reached state this year. They managed to place 3rd in the regional tournament which allowed them to participate at State. The event took place on the 10th of February at Central Christian High School in Hutchinson. The members of the team were Janis C., Charles Q., Jayden L., Miguel W., Tobias G., and Becky

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The team fought hard and went 3-2 in round robin to advance to the championship round. They ended up placing 6th in the championship round, losing games on close tiebreakers.

When asked what it meant to go to State, a team member said that it was a great honor to get to participate, and the underclassmen look forward to next year. The seniors were thankful to reach state in their last year before graduation. –Jayden L.

Come Join Our Auction Mailing Pizza Party



The Auction Committee invites volunteers to stuff envelopes and put on labels for the auction mailing. It is March 4th from 3:45 pm to 7:00 pm in the school cafeteria.

The purpose of the auction mailing pizza party is to give out all the information about the auction, the raffles, and information on the

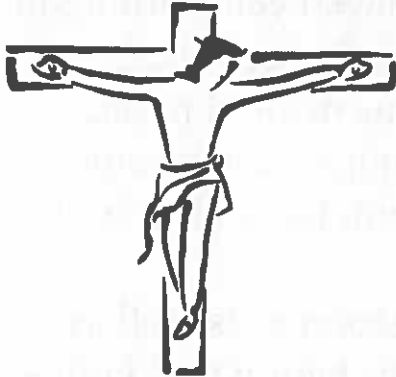
“itemless item.”

St. X families, the parish, the parishioners, alumni, and community are invited to the auction on April 20th from 5:00 to 9:00 pm. Seniors,

adults, and faculty members can participate in the auction mailing pizza party.

Mrs. Jahnke stated, "The mailing party gets many people excited for the auction!" –Dani E.

St. X Students Follow the Way of the Cross



The Stations of the Cross's purpose is so that we can follow Christ in the journey of his passion: from his trial to his death on the cross. We attend the Stations of the Cross, so we can partake in this journey.

During this time in Lent, we all participate in the Stations of the Cross so we can hopefully grow closer to Christ, and to help rebuild our relationship with him.

The Stations of the Cross can be performed at any time of the year, though it is most often performed during Lent. Those who can lead the Stations of the Cross can include the Priest or the Church Ministry.
–Noah F.

Future Business Leaders of America's Plans



FBLA has had several guest speakers during the month of February. Three of the speakers were Mike Harris, Emily Fawcett, and Lisa Smith.

Mike Harris is the owner of Acorn Resort in Milford. Emily Fawett is the founder and director at Friends of the K9 Vest. Lisa Smith helps the law enforcement with her search dogs.

FBLA is also doing several trips and activities in March. They will take a tour of C.L. Hoover Opera House. FBLA is getting their service hours in by helping with the Scholastic Book Fair. Each member will work a minimum of two hours.

FBLA members are completing the school year with many events.
–Sierra S.

Join Us for Presentations and Pasta!



On February 29th, 2024, from 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm, the Presentations and Pasta event at St. Xavier's will be held.

The Presentations and Pasta event is a night where students show what they have been learning in class, through presentations like the wax museum, and other presentations, and families can get a delicious meal of pasta.

Elementary and high school teachers will be running the academic portion of the event, while the Activities Committee will be in charge of the meal part of the event.

All activities will be taking place within the classrooms, as well as the cafeteria where spaghetti will be served. The grades taking part in this event are Pre-K and 1st through 11th grade. Mrs. Baseley says it "Should be a good time." –Janis C.

Cheer is Awesome!



The purpose of the cheer clinic was to teach students a few of the basic principles/techniques of cheerleading and to promote school spirit. In addition, it is the main fundraiser for the high school cheer team.

There were 30 participants. They were taught the basic fundamentals of cheerleading, four chants, as well as jumps, tumbling, and the use of pom poms and signs.

The participants showed their new knowledge by performing at the final St. Xavier basketball home game. So much fun for all! –Taylor S.

Time to Run

This year the track season for middle school and high school starts March 4th. The practices will be organized with the middle school and high school practicing together.



The track teams will have a fresh start with coaches Mrs. Fields and Mr. Wiseman.

The track team is going to be involved in multiple events ranging from 100m, discus, javelin, shot put, and 4x100.

It is time for track season! –Naythan H.

Manhattan Tech Hosting Open House



The freshmen class is attending the Manhattan Tech Open House on April 25, from 9 am to 1 pm. They are attending this event to familiarize the class with opportunities available at a technical college.

They will explore the different fields of adult education, associate degree nursing, business accounting, welding, nursing, and so much more.

This is to be sure our students are aware of opportunities in a variety of post-secondary areas including technical schools, military, colleges, and different career paths.

Mrs. Becker stated: “The staff and faculty at St. Xavier are continually striving to be sure our students have a well-rounded education. This is one of the ways we can prepare our students for the future.” –Alyssa E.

Forensic/Drama Team Takes Center Stage

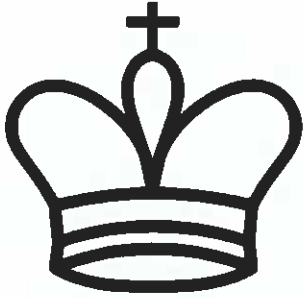


The members of the St. Xavier Forensics/Drama team have been practicing their pieces for the season and have participated in two tournaments. They will be competing in more tournaments as the season continues.

Sierra S. and Crissy S. placed 2nd with their duet to qualify for the state tournament in May. Other team members Tobias G. and Miguel W. are competing in the humorous solo category.

The goal for each member of the team is to qualify and participate in the state tournament. They will also perform their pieces at the St. X Fine Art Showcase on May 14. Mrs. Becker and Mrs. Salazar are the coaches. Mrs. Becker commented: “I am so proud of our students in the program. They are so talented. It is a pleasure to work with them.” –Mrs. Becker

The Chess Season is at its Final Act!



After another very successful year of chess, the end of the season draws near. There are only a few tournaments left, ending with the State tournament.

This year, the State Chess Tournament is on March 9th at Emporia State University. It is by far the biggest tournament and is the most important one of the year.

To qualify, one must participate in at least one other tournament in that year. Out of the six chess club members, Miguel W. and Phann B., are excited to participate in the state tournament.

The goal for this year is to place higher than we did last year and bring home a medal. –Miguel W.

Salina Diocese Motto for this School Year:

"Lord it is good that we are here." –Matthew 17:4

Outstanding Rams—February



Congratulations to our February teacher of the month, Ms. Hagge! Parents shared that Ms. Hagge goes above and beyond for her students. She is a positive light, and children love her. Ms. Hagge has great communication and can be reached no matter what day or time in regard to her students. Besides working with parents in helping students be successful, she serves on different school committees to help organize projects as well as provides staff with professional development leadership. Way to go, Ms. Hagge!

Congratulations to our February middle school student of the month, 8th grader, Irelyne Smith! Irelyne has really grown over this past year. She continues to gain confidence when it comes to academics and getting involved in school activities. Irelyne has also been an integral part of band and has played in the pep band throughout the basketball season. Keep up the good work, Irelyne!

Congratulations to our February high school student of the month, sophomore Kassidy Jahnke! Kassidy has been a fantastic student all year long. She is a caring person who looks out for others. She is very conscientious about not only her grades but learning. Kassidy had a fantastic volleyball season and demonstrated faith and

strength as she was able to persevere through the injury she suffered in basketball. Her faith never appeared to waver. Nice job Kassidy! –Mr. Augustine

St. Xavier Catholic School's Photo Gallery



Students enjoying band.



Students delivering candygrams.



Preschoolers enjoying school!



One of the auction items-- beautiful jacket--Go Chiefs.



Students learning about search dogs.



StuCo getting their group photo taken for the 2024 yearbook.



Enjoying P.E.class.



Yearbook students working on projects.



Sierra S. and Crissy S. and Tobias G. practicing for forensics tournaments.



Scott W. and Charles Q helping out with the food drive.



Loving their reading time.



Having an FBLA business lunch at Stacy's.



Heading to the Food Pantry with the St. X donations.



Jacob P. working hard in Spanish class.



Mahomes' fan are everywhere! 7th graders working in Mrs. Dinsmore's English class.



Coach Cameron receives a candygram.



The St. X Ramily has members of all ages!



Pre-K enjoying watching Winnie the Pooh!



Band class listening to songs for their March Madness brackets.



Rams dominating Peabody on their home turf.



Enjoying their Mardi Gras party.



Cheer clinic Performance.



Mr A. posing for a picture with cheer clinic kids.



A presenter for the sophomore historic wax museum.



Starting on a puzzle!



The St. X Forensics Team all made it to Finals!



Kids playing Twister.



Emily Faucett taking a picture with PreK.



Mr. Pua posing with his family.



Eating ice cream at parents' night out.

**EDUCATING FOR ETERNITY
THROUGH
FAITH & REASON**

March 2024

Religious Theme: St. Joseph

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
3 *Scholastic Book Fair *Read Across America *11:00am – Junior Optimist Club Fundraiser @ Freddy's	4 *Scholastic Book Fair *Read Across America *3:45pm – Auction Mailing Pizza Party *4:00pm – JH Scholars Bowl @ FHC	5 *Scholastic Book Fair *Read Across America *End of 3 rd Quarter *HS Forensics @ Burlington *6:30pm – Elementary Spring Program	6 *Scholastic Book Fair *Read Across America *8:30am - School Guided Holy Half-Hour	7 *Scholastic Book Fair *Read Across America *8:20am - StuCo Meeting *4:00pm – P/T Conferences	8 *Scholastic Book Fair *8:00am – P/T Conferences	9 *Chess Club State
10	11 *SPRING BREAK – NO SCHOOL	12 *SPRING BREAK – NO SCHOOL	13 *SPRING BREAK – NO SCHOOL	14 *SPRING BREAK – NO SCHOOL	15 *SPRING BREAK – NO SCHOOL	16
17	18 *Open Enrollment Begins *State Assessment Window Opens *5:00pm – Recruitment Meeting *5:30pm – School Council Meeting	19 *Spring Picture Day Out of Uniform *Track Picture Day	20 *8:30am – K-6 th Student of the Quarter & 3 rd -6 th Honor Roll *3:45pm – Activities Committee Meeting	21 *8:30am – FBLA Trip to Opera House *3:10pm – Ice Cream Thursday	22 *7:50am – Rosary Club *8:30am – Mass *9:15am – School Lenten Penance Service *2:55pm – Stations of the Cross	23
24	25 *3 rd Grade ELA State Assessment *4 th Grade ELA State Assessment *4:00pm – JH Scholars Bowl @ Emporia *5:30pm – Auction Meeting	26 *3 rd Grade ELA State Assessment *4 th Grade ELA State Assessment *6 th Grade ELA State Assessment *5 th Grade Science State Assessment *Forensics @ Halstead	27 *3 rd Grade Math State Assessment *4 th Grade Math State Assessment *6 th Grade ELA State Assessment *5 th Grade ELA State Assessment *7:40am – Junior Optimist Club Meeting *8:30am – School Reading of the Passion	28 *3 rd Grade Math State Assessment *4 th Grade Math State Assessment *5 th Grade ELA State Assessment *8:20am – Art Club *2:00pm – MS Track @ Tescott	29 *NO SCHOOL – Good Friday	30
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