



Paw Prints

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September 18, 2014

“Seek to please Me above all else.” – Jesus Calling 9/18

Spotlight on Teachers! This year we will be randomly selecting a teacher/staff member each week and ask the rest of the staff and students to write positive comments on their “wall” we create in the faculty room and their doorway. This week we spotlight Mrs. Jenny Lonneman, 3rd Grade Teacher!

Thank You to the parents who sent in items for the faculty/staff Italian Feast provided by PTG on Monday! All of us really enjoyed it and appreciate your time and talents!

Chess Club started today and continues on the first and third Thursday of each month through March, 2-3pm, in the parish meeting rooms. Chess Club is for students in grades 1-8 that already love chess and those that want to learn how to play. According to USA Chess, Inc., chess teaches patience, decision-making skills and good sportsmanship. Online registration is at <http://bit.ly/spxchess>. Registration fees are \$20 per child; additional students in the same family are \$15 each with a family max of \$50. For more information or help with the registration process please contact Mark Romer, romer.mark@gmail.com or Gretchen MacKnight, gmacKnight1@aol.com. Any parent with chess knowledge that s/he would like to share with the children is encouraged to contact Mark or Gretchen.

NDA 6th Grade Scavenger Hunt is Friday, September 19, from 3:30 - 5:30 p.m. This is an afternoon full of fun, friends, and food. The event is FREE but a donation of 2 canned goods per participant for Be Concerned will be accepted. Please send in your registration form, found at www.ndapandas.org, by Wednesday, September 17. If you have any questions, please call 292-1829 or email Katie Caccavari at caccavarik@ndapandas.org.

PTG Fundraiser - Let's sell trash bags and zip-close baggies!! Remember to ask family and friends this weekend if they will support St. Pius X with our new fundraiser. The second and final turn in day is this coming Tuesday, Sept. 23. Five more orders gets your child an out of uniform pass for Friday, Sept. 16. Any student who has a total of ten orders will receive the pass. If you have any questions about the fundraiser, contact Angie Clifton at vball2at@yahoo.com.

Picture Day is on Wednesday, Sept. 24. Students may dress out of uniform for their school picture. Please have your child dress appropriately and wear closed toe and closed back shoes. Life Touch is looking for a couple of parent volunteers to help on Picture Day from 7 am until noon. Please call the school office if you are able to help. Go to www.mylifetouch.com and use our ID number: TF014032Q0 to look at online options. They have some great choices, including the collage.

Birthday Club News - The first meeting of the St. Pius X Library's Birthday Club will be on Wednesday, October 1st, from 2:00-3:15 pm in the Library. Students who have celebrated or will celebrate their birthdays during the months of August, September, or October will receive an invitation. We hope you will meet your children after school in the Library to make a selection, have some refreshments, and be a part of our Birthday Club. Thank you in advance for continuing to help us add wonderful new books to our library shelves!

Basketball Signups for 2014 -2015 are underway! First through eighth grade girls and boys registration are due September 30th. They will take place via the website below. All transactions will be done by credit card. If a check is preferred, you can mail it to Mark Zimmerman at 2467 Legends Way, Crestview Hills KY 41017. There will be a \$10 late fee after Sept. 30. Please note we are having 1st and 2nd grade teams this year that will play in the MQH league. If you already used the website for Volleyball signups, please use the same login. If not, parents will need to create an account. <https://sports.bluesombrero.com/Default.aspx?tabid=597338&isLogin=True&%2fDefault.aspx%3ftabid%3d597328>. For any questions please contact Mike Smith (Girls) smittymjs@fuse.net or Mark Zimmerman (Boys) mnz@schrudde-zimmerman.com.

PTG needs your help! Teachers need help on the playground during recess. Please sign up to be a recess monitor at <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0E4AA5AF22A6FE3-recess>

Health Screening Volunteers - Seeking parents to help with our annual health screening on Thursday, November 20. All students in grades K through 3 will undergo a hearing screen. Students in grades 1, 3, 5 and 7 will undergo vision screening. Absolutely no medical background is necessary! We need as many volunteers as possible to help this day run smoothly. Day starts at 7:15 am with breakfast provided by PTG. Students begin screening at 7:30 am. Day typically runs until around 1:30 pm. Quarter, half or full day help welcome! Contact Holly Danneman with questions, concerns and/or willingness to help at hgdmd6@gmail.com. Thank you.

Morning Drop Off – Parents are still turning left at the school entrance past the rectory and causing a back up in traffic on Dudley Rd. Please use the rectory lot if you are coming from the direction of Turkeyfoot. Also, please make sure your children are ready to exit the car when you reach the curb and do not let them out until you reach the sidewalk. This is especially important in the rectory lot. Thanks for your cooperation!

Schoolbelles Sale going on now! Click [here](#) for a flyer.

Does your child like to sing? - St. Pius X Schola Choir is open to all children of the parish in grades three to seven. Please click [here](#) for more information and look for a flyer coming home in the Tuesday folder next week.

Halloween Writing Contest sponsored by Kenton County Public Library! This contest is for elementary students starting this week through October 10. Click [here](#) for details.

Panther Pulse! Click [here](#) to check out pictures of activities that have been happening at SPX! You can also access the link through our website by clicking on the Panther Pulse heading.

Yearbooks For Sale - We only have five soft cover yearbooks at \$20 each and seven hard cover yearbooks at \$25 each available for purchase in the School Office. Last day for the sale of

2013/2014 yearbooks is Friday, September 19. If you are interested in purchasing one, please send cash or your check made out to St. Pius X School before they're all gone! Thanks!

Used Shoe and Purse Collection is going on now! The Sisters of Notre Dame along with the Justice, Peace and Integrity of Creation Commission of Covington is sponsoring this [drive](#) to raise money for a water collection and purification system for the village in Buseesa, Uganda. Please send in used, wearable pairs of shoes and/or purses, duffel bags, swag bags or backpacks – no wheels, please.

Panda "Sneak Peek" Informational Coffee - Parents are invited for a "Sneak Peek" at Notre Dame Academy on Wednesday, September 24 or Wednesday, October 8 from 8-9:30 a.m. Find out who we are, what we value, and how we will prepare your daughter to make a difference in the world! Please RSVP to Katie Caccavari, Director of Admissions, at caccavarik@ndapandas.org if you plan to attend either date.

Collecting Household Items and Clothing! The St. Pius X Boys Conquest Club is accepting donations of household items & clothing for The Catholic Church of the Good Shepherd in Campton, Ky. (Campton is near Natural Bridge State Park). Items especially needed include: furniture, beds, mattresses, electric appliances, bicycles & clothes (especially fall & winter items – jeans, gym shoes, boots, etc.). Appliances must be in working condition. If you have any items to donate, arrangements can be made for pick up before October 4. Please call Ken Doggett (344-1235) or Gary Stegman (801-1818).

Camp Joy Harvest Fest is Sunday, September 28, from 1 – 5 pm. Bring the whole family for outdoor fun! Click here for a [flyer](#) with more information.

Religion Courses Offered through the Diocese are open to all parents. Go to www.covingtondiocese.org for a complete listing and directions on how to register.

Prayer Group Forming! Please join school families in the small chapel on the first and third Tuesdays beginning in September and going through May from 10:30 – 11:45 am. Children welcome!

Share the Good News! Help us celebrate the accomplishments of our current and former St. Pius X Panthers. If you come across any articles highlighting current or past students' accomplishments, please send them to the school office or email them to kbrunot@teachers.stpiusx.com.

Easy Ways to Earn Money for SPX - Remke Reloadable Gift Cards are available at the school or church office. Kroger Community Rewards program is available by registering your Kroger Plus Card and designating SPX at www.krogercommunityrewards.com.

Lunch Menu – Click [here](#) for a copy of the lunch menu.

Diocesan Facebook Page! - The Diocese of Covington has a Facebook page that shares the good news of our schools with everyone we can. Check out all the exciting things happening in our schools at <https://www.facebook.com/faithfillededucation?ref=hl>. And don't forget that we should only post good things about our school!

Looking Ahead

September 19

EXPLORE Test – 8th Grade

- 6th Grade Scavenger Hunt at NDA 3:30 pm
- 21 Catechetical Sunday
- 22 Girl Scout Informational Meeting 7 pm (cafeteria)
- 23 Final Turn In Day for Trash Bag Fundraiser
- 24 Picture Day!
- 26 First and Seventh Grade Buddies and Second and Eighth Grade Buddies Meet

I hope you have a great week! Mrs. Gerwe