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Monthly Newsletter

November, 2011

MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

*Be joyful always, pray at all times,
Be thankful in all circumstances.*

1Thessalonians 5:16-18

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

For more than thirty years, I have had the privilege of calling St. Joseph Fullerton my home parish. This is my 8th year as principal and I greatly appreciate the sense of family that you have created here for me. Over the years, I have been touched deeply by so many of you. You have stepped up when a child needed major surgery, helped out one another in times of illness, offered forgiveness when you have been wronged and mourned the passing of our loved ones.

I am so blessed to do what I do for a living. You have allowed me into your lives in personal ways that I will never forget. Your open communication and sharing of your children help me to do my job with ease and effectiveness. I am so thankful to be part of your families and I deeply appreciate the confidence you place in us when you send your child to St. Joe's. I thank you for your incredible support

Finally, I am thankful for the sacrifices you are making financially to insure a solid foundation for your child. Catholic schools in Maryland are very expensive because, unlike most states in this country, we receive very little support and funding from state and local programs. Maryland ranks 41st in the nation in government support of non-public education. The bulk of the cost of sending your child to school is paid for by the parents. I want to thank you for valuing St. Joseph School enough to give up other things to send your child here.

I found this prayer in My Personal Daily Prayer Book. Since my family thinks I am the closest thing to a preacher, I plan on reading it on Thanksgiving as part of our grace.

Dear God, from whom every family receives its true blessings, we pray for all the members of this family:

*for those growing up, that they may increase in wisdom;
for those facing changes, that they may meet them with hope;
for those who are weak, that they may find strength
for those with heavy burdens, that they may carry them lightly
for those that are old and frail, that they may grow in faith.*

-Author unknown

I am thankful to be among you and honored to serve you. May you have a Happy Thanksgiving. You and your families are in my prayers.

Peace,
Mrs. Phyllis Karko

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

November

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| 1 | All Saints Day – Parish Liturgy 8:15 All Welcome |
| 2 | Joe Corbi order form due, Market Day orders due online |
| 3 | HASA General Meeting – Guest Speaker & Conference Sign up 7:00 PC |
| 4 | School Closed – AOB Faculty Professional Day (Catechist Training) |
| 7 | Race for Education (see class schedule in packet) |
| 8 | <i>Flumist</i> second dose distributed, Market Day delivered |
| 10 | Open House for Prospective Parents 8:30 to 11:30 |
| 14 | Cross Country meet held at Curley High School 3:00 |
| 15 | Ident-A-Kid Program (siblings welcome) |
| 16 | Joe Corbi delivered |
| 18 | Pre K Show, Parish Center |
| 21 | Thanksgiving Mass 8:15, Progress Reports sent home with students |
| 22 | School Closed, Parent Conferences 9:00 am to 7:45 pm |
| 23 | School Closed, Parent Conferences 7:30 to 10:00 am |
| 24 | School Closed - Thanksgiving Holiday |
| 25 | School Closed – Thanksgiving weekend |
| 28 | Fr. Kevin’s 30 th Anniversary as a priest, Pizza for students (Thanks Fr. Kevin) |
| 29 | Loyola High School Jazz Band Concert 1:30 Parish Center |

UPCOMING ACTIVITIES

HASA General Meeting

The fall General Meeting of the Home and School Association will be held on Thursday, November 3rd beginning at 7:00. After the business portion, we will have a guest speaker, Ms. Gail Liss. She is a highly recognized expert on child development who will assist our parents in how to teach organizational skills to their children. This important skill (or lack thereof) seems to be the root of a child’s success in school. All ages will be addressed. Immediately following her talk, parents can sign up for their choice of time for the Parent Conferences that will be held on November 22nd and 23rd.

School Closed November 4th

The Archdiocese has required that all teachers participate in the new Equip for Ministry training program. You may recall that Part 1 of this program was held on October 10th. Part II, is scheduled for Nov. 4th professional day in-service for all elementary and AOB high schools. As a result, St. Joseph School is closed on November 4, 2011.

Let the Race Begin!

The children can hardly wait to get out there on the course, the road around the new cemetery land, to compete in our Race for Education. Classes will head to the course at their designated time to complete laps and show their spirit. Students are reminded to wear their winter PE uniform to school that day. Thank you for submitting the labels with the names of people who could sponsor your child. Donations have already begun to come in. The Race has funded our Playground and then Sports Court Construction. This year proceeds will be used for technology and to offset some of the rising cost of tuition.

Open House for Prospective Parents

Please help us spread the word that St. Joseph School will be conducting small group tours on Thursday, November 10th from 8:30 to 11:30. We ask that prospective parents call us in advance so that we can tailor their tour somewhat to the grades that they are most interested in learning about. If you know someone who might be interested in finding out about our school, please ask them to call 410-256-8026 or email office @stjoefullerton.org. You are our best means of advertising. Remember, our steady enrollment is the reason our tuition increases have been held to a minimum.

Cross Country Meet

For years, Archbishop Curley High School has sponsored a cross county meet for the Catholic Elementary school children in grades 3 to 8. Our school always has good participation with runners in all grade levels finishing the run. We are proud of our runners for the sportsmanship they have shown and for 'hanging' in there to complete the course, and for their accomplishments. Come out to join us to cheer on our kids.

Ident-A-Kid Program

IDENT-A-KID will be at our school for the Child Safety ID Program (PK – 5th graders) and the Pre-Driver ID program for 6th – 8th graders on November 15th to PHOTOGRAPH, FINGERPRINT, WEIGH and MEASURE children. To participate, please fill in the Application Envelope which will come home with your child and have your child return it to school. Applications are also available on line at www.identakid.com. Participation in the program is at the individual Parents' option. An eKid ID is the electronic Ident-A-Kid card sent to your cell phone via text/picture message and is free when ordering multiple cards. The cost per child is \$8

for one card, \$10 for two cards (includes eKid-ID), and \$13 for three cards (includes eKid-ID). Please feel free to contact your local program director, Donna Aversa-Smith at daversasmith@identakid.com or at (443) 275-1543, with any questions.

Parent – Teacher Conferences

Progress Report Cards will be going home with the students on Monday, November 21st. Parent Conferences are scheduled for the following two days: Tuesday, November 22nd from 9:00 AM to 7:45 PM and on Wednesday, November 23rd from 7:30 AM to 10:00 AM. In Catholic schools, all parents are strongly encouraged to meet with the teachers after the first marking period. For the second year, we have moved conferences to the two days before Thanksgiving break. This will allow those families who want to go out of town an extra day for travelling. Conference sign up will occur immediately after the HASA General Meeting on Thursday, November 3rd. Please make every effort to sign up and meet with the teachers during this reserved time.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Parking Lot

It has been several weeks since we made the change in our parking lot dismissal procedure. So far, we have accomplished our objective in getting all the cars on the lot, avoiding a back-up on Belair Road. While most drivers are following the directions to a 'T', we still have a few drivers that need to park differently. Please note:

- 1) Cars should fill in all the lanes as marked by the parking spot white lines.
- 2) Pull up as far as you can. Do not leave more than a few feet between cars.
- 3) All cars must fully face **south**. That means that you are facing the playground.
- 4) The row of parking spaces that are furthest **north** is now the access road. **Do not park your car in any way to block these spaces.**

Please pass these expectations on to anyone who may be picking up your child. It is difficult for school personnel to be present every day to monitor the lot because we are with the children. If anyone would like to volunteer to lend a hand each day at dismissal, please see me.

Scrip is Here!!!

Our newest program to help you with the cost of tuition is underway. As of October 26th, we have 61 ShopWithScrip family accounts established...(but that is less than 20% of the families at SJS!) 17 of those families have placed orders and received their gift cards. We've collectively ordered gift cards valued at \$9,735... and earned \$469.85. Of that, the families have banked \$323.82 and HASA has earned \$146.03....! One family already has \$89 to apply to next year's tuition!!

To start your family's savings account now, go to the www.shopwithscrip.com website and our SJS enrollment code: LD4BL1393L119. And of course the email address to contact us with any questions: sjsscrip@gmail.com

Come to the HASA meeting on November 3rd to find out more!

Inclement Weather – Here all about it!

You may recall that in September we presented a change in the way Catholic Schools will announce that they are closed due to weather. Please listen to the television or radio to learn the status of Baltimore County Public Schools. If they are closed, opening late, or dismissing early due to inclement weather or other natural disaster, we will do likewise. There will not be a separate announcement for St. Joseph School.

Too Much Information! – School Rack

If you are still receiving email notifications from School Rack about previous teachers updating their sites, you can disable those notifications. Open one email from each of the prior teachers, scroll to the bottom of the message, and click the unsubscribe link. You might receive an email confirming that you wish to unsubscribe.

Fr. Kevin Anniversary

Our Pastor, Fr. Kevin Schenning will celebrate his 30th year as a priest on Monday, November 28th. Every Thursday, Fr. Kevin speaks to our child directly in the homily at Mass and reminds them of their homework (to pray an Our Father, Hail Mary and Glory Be). Each year he has treated the children to a Pizza Lunch to celebrate his anniversary and this year proves to be no exception. Pizza along with the usual milk orders will be served. Please send in fruit, snacks or other drinks if your child wants them.

CLASS NEWS

Student Retreat Committee/ Bully Prevention Committee News

In preparation for our Student Retreat on March 9th, the faculty has set November 2nd as a kick-off day for our Bully Prevention Program. To make the impact of the Student Retreat relevant and age appropriate, different preparation programs have been established for various grade levels.

Pre-K and Kindergarten will be introduced to *Bucket Filling*. Essentially they will go throughout their day with an invisible bucket that needs to be filled and shared each and every day. They fill and share their buckets when they have thoughts and happy feelings. (“Please and thank you”,

“Will you be my friend?”, “I like the way...., you did a great job”... etc.) When their Buckets are full they feel great.

First through Fifth grade will revisit Bucket Filling and expand on the rules of Bucket Fill-Osophy,

- FILL YOUR BUCKET and that of your neighbor,
- NO DIPPING (we dip when we are negative, or take credit from someone else)
- Use your LID. (You are using your lid when you do not allow anyone to dip from you and you help others from losing from their buckets.)

Grades 1 through 5 will teach these concepts through stories and activities that are designed to build community and minimize the effects of negative behavior.

Grades Pre-K –K will use the story book Fill a Bucket by Carol McCloud, Grades 1 and 2 will read Have You Filled A Bucket Today? by Carol McCloud, Grades 3-5 will read and do the activities with the book Growing Up with a Bucket Full of Happiness by Carol McCloud. Each grade Pre-K through grade 5 will work in their homeroom for these stories and activities.

- Feel Free to look at the web sites bucketfillers101.com ;
<http://cherokee.polk.schooldesk.net/Links/BucketFilosophy/tabid/2362/Default.aspx>

Grades 6-8 will carry over this positive environment into our middle school with a Pep Rally using the FISH! Philosophy. (F- Fun, I-Inspire others, S-Select, H-Heed what you need to do.)

The FISH! Philosophy is a way of looking at life based on the work of some fish sellers located in Seattle, Washington. From their work the philosophy has been formed that includes these components: BE THERE, PLAY, MAKE THEIR DAY, and CHOOSE YOUR ATTITUDE.

BE THERE means to be aware of your surroundings, what is expected of you, and how you fit into the situation. This is perfect for students because they need to be physically and mentally present in the classroom, at play, and in all aspects of the school environment.

PLAY is a reference to approaching work and responsibility in an uplifting and energized way. For students this means that they need to realize what work they have and to seek the positive in all they do. I have made the promise to the students that we will approach this year's work with a light-heartedness and with fun wherever we can.

MAKE THEIR DAY means that everyone of us can identify different ways we can make life better for others, in both small and large ways. The students can find innumerable opportunities throughout their days to do "random acts of kindness" as well as to participate in major charitable acts that the school plans.

CHOOSE YOUR ATTITUDE refers to each of us having control over the way we view all that happens to us. It does not mean that we look at everything positively. There are times when a negative response is the proper one. For students they need to realize that each of them can decide how he or she will react in various situations. No one or no thing is making them act or react a certain way. It is all up to each individual!

See how this philosophy is perfect in a school setting, especially a Catholic school setting!

Reading Buddies Excitement

The Second Grade and Pre-K have teamed up for the 4th year as Reading Buddies. Once a week, the classes A and B visit Pre-K AM and PM respectively, to share a book and some friendship. The second graders love the opportunity to help the Pre-K become better listeners as the 2nd graders practice their reading skills. What great role models 2A and 2B have become!

CONGRATULATIONS

Math Olympiad

Congratulations to the four teams of middle school girls from St Joseph School who recently participated in Catholic High's Math Olympiad. Area schools had a total of 39 teams involved this year and St Joseph's Team #1 finish **THIRD** all around and three teams in the top 15! We are also very proud to announce that 8th grader Jordan Mosco was a **SECOND** place winner out of all 156 contestants! Way to go girls!

The team members were:

Team 1 – Jordan Mosco, Chrysoula Vasilakopoulus, Maria Estaban, Ianna Pirozzi

Team 2 – Cari Middlecamp, Bhakti Panchal, Rebecca Vincent, Alyssa Doverte

Team 3 – Arnelle Fonlon, Shannon Czapla, Alexis Coballes, Taylor Rekus

Team 4 – Angela Estavillo, Rhea Santos, Brooke Menikheim, Janelle Sangalang

THANKS TO...

Red Ribbon Week Parade

On Friday October 28th we held our 11th annual Red Ribbon Week parade. This year's theme was *'Blast Out Drugs'* with students wearing their sports jersey or red shirt and our guest Tarik

Walker former Blast player. It seems that every year there are more and more participants with clever ideas and creative messages on how child can say no the drugs. This year we had over 200 students participate with 44 fabulous entries. Each group, with their own unique style, creatively conveyed their Anti-Drug messages. The judges felt this was the hardest year yet to choose but choose they must.

The top three picks this year were:

“Life’s a Blast” with Mitchell Wilson 4B, Martin Wilson 8B, and George Carey 4B

“Don’t Go Fishing for Drugs” with Ava Della Rocco KB, Tyler Della Rocco 3B, and Miguel Nankishore 3B

“Follow the Drug Free Road” with 7th graders; Bryn Daly, Sarah Meyerl, Megan Ellis, Lauren Tyler, Melissa Hedding, Megan Young, Lauren Wolford, Gina Liberto, Paula Protani, and Sarah Jasinski.

The students in these winning groups will receive an out of uniform day and ice cream treat!

A thank-you goes out to our Student Social Awareness Committee for supporting the theme. All the students give a huge round of applause to Mrs. Michaud and Mrs. Collins, their moderators, who handled every step of this huge event. We know that this takes an enormous amount of effort and we deeply appreciate that you continue to keep the anti-drug message in front of our students.

Thanks, also, to everyone for helping spread such an important message. A big thank you to Tarik Walker, former Baltimore Blast, for taking the time to join us and make this a very special “Blast Out Drugs” event.

Innisbrook Wrap up

Thank you to all of our awesome St. Joseph's Families that supported the Innisbrook Fundraiser. It is because of all of your efforts that we raised \$20,000.00 profit for our school! Way to go! Thanks to our parent volunteers who counted, sorted, and delivered with us: Paula Fiorucci, Holly Turska, Katie Disney, Renay Grasso, Jenn Brown, Amy Meyerl, Lisa Thomas, Gerri Reitz, Julie McKay, Brian Petr, Lori Cover, Manuel Christou, and Cecil Daly. And a big Thanks to all our teachers that helped to support e sale as well! Congrats to 7A for being the Top Homeroom with the most Sales (they enjoyed an ice cream party last week) and to Ms. Loraditch for winning the teacher basket prize!

Father’s Club Helps our Children

The Fathers' Club would like to thank the following fathers who assisted with raking the mulch on the playground on Saturday, October 1st:

John Smith, John Altman, Adam Kemper, Steve Harry, Rich Dooley, Brian Petr, Andy Szczybor, and Nigel Nankishore.

By raking and spreading the mulch more evenly, it allowed the mulch to dry more thoroughly after weeks of rain, so that Mrs. Karko could order a new shipment of mulch for the playground to finalize the sports court project:

The Fathers' Club would also like to thank Mark DiIorio for installing 2x6 beams at the entrance to the playground and sports court to help retain the mulch inside the playground.

Principal's Scholars Dinner

Thanks to Mrs. Joanne Richards, our families and their students enjoyed a wonderful dinner and evening of proud moments at the annual Principal's Scholars Dinner. For several years, Joanne has served as our chairperson and hostess, planning and preparing all details to offer this outstanding event to our honor roll students. We are very grateful for all your years of serving and wish you the best as Steven continues in Loyola High School.

BITS AND PIECES

Information on the annual Knights of Columbus High School Scholarship is available at the end of this newsletter or on their website <http://www.kofc-md.org>

HOME AND SCHOOL ASSOCIATION NEWS

Please join us for some football & family fun at Amped-Up Family Amphitheatre on Sunday December 4th from 12:30 pm - 4:30 pm. Wear your best Raven's attire and enjoy a day that will include watching the game in stadium seating on a 240' HD screen, playing Wii/X-Box on giant screens, basketball, air hockey, football throw, ping-pong, pool, raffles, and giveaways. Catering will be provided by Bill's Seafood. The whole family is invited, \$20 adults/\$15 for children. For any questions, please contact Lori Cover at coverlori@yahoo.com or 410-952-2570.

Look for Home and School Association news in the Constant Contact weekly correspondence.



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October 24, 2011

Dear Parents:

We are pleased to inform you that AdvancED, an independent accreditation firm, will award the Archdiocese of Baltimore Catholic school system with full accreditation as a result of a comprehensive assessment that included on-site visits to schools and interviews with stakeholders at every level of our school system.

The accreditation affirms that both our individual schools and the Superintendent's office are meeting standards for organizational effectiveness, engaging in continuous improvement and demonstrating quality assurance.

In announcing its findings, AdvancED commended our school system for:

- Reflecting and modeling our "rich heritage of Catholic identity at every level of school life";
- The dedication and commitment of leadership at the system level and in our schools, as well as all stakeholders, to ensuring "a student learning environment permeated by high expectations, academic excellence, and Catholic values enabling them to reach their personal and spiritual potential;
- Our Strategic Plan, which "provides focus and direction for Archdiocesan and school level leadership."

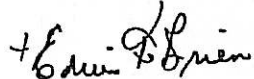
We are proud of this affirmation of our schools and of our Strategic Plan which we have begun implementing to strengthen our schools and help them operate more efficiently and effectively. In particular, AdvancED pointed to our new Archdiocesan Collaborative School model of governance as "cutting edge" evidence of our Plan's creative approach to addressing some of the challenges before us.

Further signs that our Plan has us on the right course can be seen in this year's enrollment numbers, which show our smallest decline in four years and a 50 percent improvement over last year's decline.

This accreditation provides us with renewed energy and an impetus for continuing improvement at every level of our school system and in finding ways of making our schools more accessible to the children of our Archdiocese.

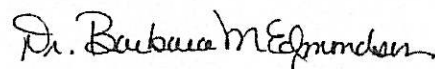
We extend our gratitude to everyone whose service and generosity contribute to the success of our schools: principals, teachers, students, parents, pastors, donors, and countless individuals in central Services, our parishes and the wider community. May we be encouraged and energized by this news, and by the thousands of young lives our schools are helping to transform each year through Catholic education.

In the Lord,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "+Edwin F. O'Brien". The signature is written in a cursive style with a cross at the beginning.

+Edwin F. O'Brien
Apostolic Administrator

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Dr. Barbara McGraw Edmondson". The signature is written in a cursive style.

Dr. Barbara McGraw Edmondson
Superintendent

Scholarship Program

Sponsored by the Maryland State Council of the Knights of Columbus

The Maryland State Council of the Knights of Columbus is the sponsor of two High School Scholarships for its members and for Catholic Students in general. Below is a brief summary of these scholarships and information regarding eligibility for scholarship awards.

The Frederick M. Gossman Memorial High School Scholarship

Designed to assist members of the Knights of Columbus holding membership in councils within the jurisdiction of Maryland in paying tuition for their sons and daughters at accredited Catholic High Schools; two grants of \$1,500.00 per year for up to four years; and one additional grant of \$1,500.00 per year for up to four years, funded by the Maryland Knights of Columbus Insurance Advisors, will be awarded. Awards will be made on the basis of academic excellence, personal qualifications, and financial need. The children of deceased members are also eligible, provided the member was in good standing at the time of death.

The William J. O'Brien Jr., Memorial Catholic High School Scholarship

Three grants of \$1,500.00 per year for up to four years will be awarded. Eligibility for a grant under this program is open to Catholic students who are residents of the State of Maryland, and to children and grandchildren of a member of a Knights of Columbus council within the jurisdiction of Maryland. Applicants must have been officially accepted at or must be students at accredited Catholic High Schools. Applications will be judged on academic excellence, personal qualifications, and financial need.

Application period is from **October 1, 2011 to February 1, 2012**. All applications must be received by the Scholarship Committee no later than **February 1, 2012**. For scholarship information or applications go to: www.kofc-md.org and click on the Scholarship Opportunities link, or write to:

Maryland State Council
Knights of Columbus
10815 Stang Road
Owings Mills, MD 21117



October 14, 2011

Dear Presidents and Principals:

I hope the school year is off to a good start for you. To date, it has been a challenging one with earthquakes, tornadoes, hurricanes, and floods.

I am writing to you today to ask for your school's participation in a wonderful opportunity. On Saturday, November 12, 2011, Dominican, Sister Nancy Murray will present a one woman play on St. Catherine of Siena in the LeClerc Auditorium at Notre Dame of Maryland University. Sister Nancy, the sibling of actor, Bill Murray, will do two performances. The morning performance at 11:00 a.m. is geared toward families – parents and middle school aged children. The evening performance is geared toward adults, older teens (high school age), and college students. These performances benefit the mission and ministry of the School Sisters of Notre Dame, Atlantic-Midwest Province.

Sister Nancy performs across the United States and around the world. She is very entertaining. She involves the audience as she makes Catherine come alive for today.

The student price for either performance is just five dollars. Faculty accompanying groups of students will be admitted gratis. Parents may bring children for just \$20 a family to the morning performance only. The price for adults is twenty dollars for the evening performance.

I hope you will encourage your religion teachers and drama teachers to take advantage of this opportunity for an educational field trip at a very reasonable price. To purchase tickets, simply return the enclosed form to my attention with the payment check. The tickets will be held at the reception table for your group to pick up on the day/evening of the performance. Interested adults may also register for tickets on-line at www.amssnd.org. Click on the picture of Sister Nancy as Catherine of Siena and follow the prompts.

I am enclosing flyers for posting in your school. If you would like more, please contact me at the number below and I will mail them to you.

Thank you. I look forward to seeing you and a group from your school at one of the performances.

Sincerely,

Sister Mary Fitzgerald, SSND
Sister Mary Fitzgerald, SSND
4701 N. Charles St.
Baltimore, MD 21210
410-532-5126
Mfitzgerald2@ndm.edu

St. Catherine of Siena
Starring: Sister Nancy Murray, O.P.
Notre Dame of Maryland University
LeClerc Auditorium
4701 N. Charles St.
Baltimore, MD 21210
Saturday, November 12, 2011
11:00 am Family Performance
7:00 pm Evening Performance

Ticket Order

Name of School: _____

11:00 am Family Performance

Number of Tickets at \$5 per student: _____

7:00 pm Evening Performance

Number of Tickets at \$5 per student: _____

Number of Tickets at \$20 per adult: _____

Total Enclosed _____

Please make checks payable to: School Sisters of Notre Dame

Mail order form and payment to:

Sister Mary Fitzgerald, SSND

Notre Dame of Maryland University

4701 N. Charles St.

Baltimore, MD 21210

Thank you.

Spaghetti & Meatball Dinner

Fr. Burggraff Council

Knights of Columbus

4110 1/2 Pine Hill Road

(Across from the Perry Hall Fire Station)

5 to 8 PM

Friday, November 11, 2011

\$10 for ages over 12

\$6 for ages 4 to 12

Free ages 3 and under

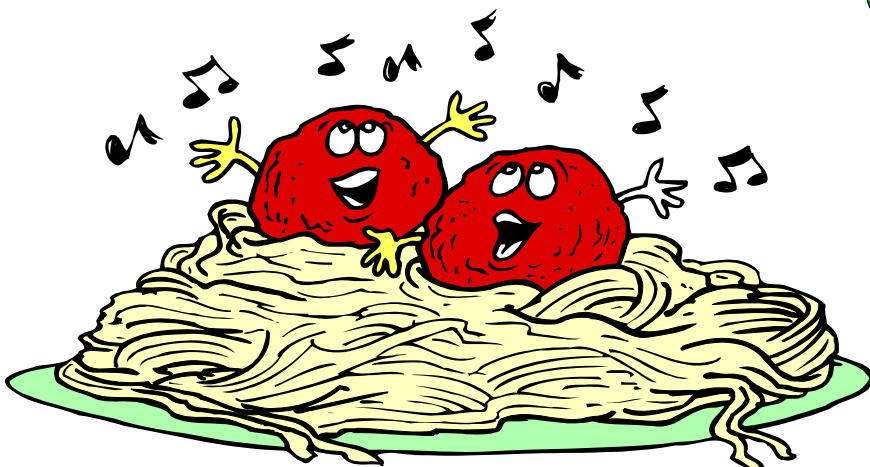
Price includes:

Spaghetti & Meatballs

Salad & Dessert

Non-Alcoholic Beverage

(Beer & Wine available
for sale)



Men joining the Council between
November 5-11, 2011 will be
reimbursed their dinner amount
after taking their First Degree.

The Mighty Macs is based on the incredible true story of the 1971-72 Immaculata College team that started in obscurity but became the original Cinderella story in women's basketball. This team of pioneers went from barely making that inaugural tournament to the first dynasty in their game. The movie is a testament to the values of Catholic education! Watch the trailer and see for yourself why you should "Back the Macs". Now playing at area movie theaters including Bel Air Cinema 14, Cinemark Egyptian 24, Hunt Valley Mall 12, Owings Mills 17, Snowden Square 14, Valley Mall 16, and Westview 16!



She Dared to Dream. They Dared to Believe.

It's 1971. Cathy Rush is a woman ahead of her time ... and she's about to embark on an adventure for the ages. As the basketball coach of tiny Immaculata College, Cathy's challenges are as imposing as the big-school teams her Macs will battle. While it appears they don't have a prayer, Cathy proves that a strong belief can go a long way.

THE MIGHTY MACS stars Carla Gugino as Cathy Rush; David Boreanaz as her husband, NBA referee Ed Rush; Marley Shelton as Sister Sunday; and award-winning actress Ellen Burstyn as Mother St. John. The film was written, directed, and produced by Tim Chambers.

Get ready to cheer on a true Cinderella team when **THE MIGHTY MACS** opens in theaters on October 21.

» [Watch the trailer at TheMightyMacs.com](http://TheMightyMacs.com)

» [Back the Macs on Facebook](#)

Find a Theater

Where can you see **THE MIGHTY MACS** when it opens on October 21? There is a list of theaters that is being updated regularly and you can purchase your tickets for the movie online. Let's Go Macs!

» [Find a Theater](#)



BACK THE MACS ON:



IN THEATERS OCTOBER 21, 2011

ALEXANDRA GRACE CURRAN PRESENTS IN ASSOCIATION WITH PAT CROCE AND OCEAN AVENUE ENTERTAINMENT A QUAKER MEDIA PRODUCTION OF A TIM CHAMBERS FILM "THE MIGHTY MACS" CARLA GUGINO ELLEN BURSTYN MARLEY SHELTON DAVID BOREANAZ
WRITTEN BY ADRIENNE STERN DIRECTED BY TERESA BINDER WESTBY PRODUCED BY WILLIAM ROSS EXECUTIVE PRODUCERS M. SCOTT SMITH AND M. SCOTT SMITH PRODUCED BY TIM GALVIN PRODUCED BY CHUCK COHEN PRODUCED BY WYNNE CURRAN JOHN CHAMBERS THOMAS KARL BUD S. SMITH PAT CROCE
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