



## March 2010 Dove Newsletter

### From the Principal

March holds the main part of Lent within its dates. It brings a major fund raiser for our school. It brings yet another exam time and Recognition Assembly. It brings a wonderful celebration in terms of one of our sports teams. It brings, hopefully, the beginnings of a long-awaited spring.

Lent is a very special liturgical time within our Church. We are asked to pray, fast, and give alms or do acts of charity. A publication called *The Little Black Book* presents 6-minute meditations on the Passion of Mark, based on the writings of Bishop Ken Untener; it is a wonderful way to some brief time with God each day.

Fasting is self-explanatory, but maybe we could add a twist by using the Rice Bowls that the girls received for that weekly meal that we might deliberately plan to be meager. I recently learned that in very poor countries, maybe one fifth of what we might spend on food for the month can feed a family for a year. When we put all of our Rice Bowls together, we will be able to feed many families whose children at this point in time can only eat on certain days out of the week because the food there is so very limited.

Charity can mean alms (like in our Rice Bowls) or it can mean just doing something out of the ordinary for someone in a deliberate fashion. That type of selfless act causes us to think about this kind of generosity, making us more aware of a need, and perhaps staying with it brings about a conscious decision to make that selfless act a continuous one.

Falaya Fling is March 13. Many of our parents and the Advancement office have been working so hard to put on this absolutely fun night at the Castine Center. We are fortunate this year to have as our celebrity auctioneers two of our incoming parents Beth and Sean Payton. Coach Payton and the Saints have been incredibly inclusive to their fans in terms of sharing the stupendous Super Bowl win just a month ago. It was fun to have been even a passive participant in that experience. The Paytons are again very generous to share their time and talents with us, their new scholastic family at the Fling. As principal I would like us to welcome them and allow them to experience our SSA family as any of you have also experienced it. As a celebrity, I know that their lives are often very different, and that comes with being who they are. They are, however, as of February 17<sup>th</sup> incoming parents and they would like to celebrate and have fun with us. I thank everyone who will attend the Fling for supporting SSA, and I would ask all of us to remember that this is not a night for pictures and autographs with the Coach. Could we as a school

community provide an environment where they could relax and be, as much as possible, an SSA parent? If we can do that, perhaps that is a small gift that says "thank you" for all that they have done for our community and the larger metropolitan community of New Orleans and the Gulf Coast. I hope that many of you will be able to come and have a good time with us.

Exams are occurring this week on Thursday and Friday. Counselors, the Academic Dean, and teachers have been working with students on learning plans for better success. In many instances parents have been part of those learning plans. If after exams your daughter is still experiencing difficulties, please call her counselor so that those plans can be adjusted or a new one created. The school adults are trying many different strategies for student success, even in the assessment process itself. Your feedback would be helpful and appreciated.

Our soccer team is representative of the ultimate joy of playing sports. They, like the cross country team last sports season, achieved the status of State Champions in Division I (5-A schools). They are the best in the state. The girls and their coaches (Mike Ortner and Keith Duet) worked very hard this season especially as defending state champions with the proverbial target on their back in each and every game. This was supposed to be perhaps a building year, but our student athletes did not acknowledge that and played each game, especially all of the playoff games leading to the final game in Shreveport. The SSA community is very proud of these girls and very appreciative of the efforts of their coaches and the support of their parents.

We have informed you as this school year progressed of the five students, who earned the title of National Merit Semi-Finalists – Holly Toups, Amnah Rahman, Alexis Scheuermann, Bristie Smith, Hannah Lomzenski. These girls out of 1.5 million entrants earned a qualifying score as National Merit Semi-Finalists earlier in the year and have now advanced as one of the 15,000 entrants to finalist standing. We congratulate these young women and their parents. As usual, there are many more school activities to read about and hopefully participate in during the upcoming weeks. Rehearsals for the spring musical (*The Wizard of Oz*) is in full swing. The choir is readying for their spring concert. The various sports teams are competing well. Campus ministry events are in the planning stages preparing for student involvement. School is very busy. Please read the newsletter for additional student accomplishments and upcoming student activities.

Mary Kathryn Villere



## From the President

Getting right down to the practical side of life here at SSA, many great things are happening. Recently our Juniors and Seniors took part in Career Day, an annual event sponsored by our Alumnae Association. Traditionally the speakers are SSA alumnae representing a wide variety of careers, professions, and walks of life. These women are a fine example of the "fruits of our labors." Seeing what our alumnae become and their growth and development after they leave us gives us great satisfaction and reward for our work. These women bring our students valuable insights into their careers as well as the journey they took to get where they are today. Our students had the opportunity to hear numerous speakers such as physicians, dentists, attorneys, retail, advertising, teachers. Particularly notable was our keynote speaker, Dr. Mary Anzalone Gerwitz '82, a forensic pathology specialist with Harris County Medical Examiner's Office in Houston, Texas. Her words to the students were inspiring and challenging. She exuded confidence, success, and gratitude as she spoke about the role SSA played in her career path. We are proud of all these speakers and grateful for their service to our students on Career Day.

We look forward with great anticipation to *Falaya Fling*, our 26th annual auction, gourmet buffet/dinner dance to be held on Saturday, March 13 from 6 p.m. - midnight in the Castine Center at Pelican Park. As you know we are very blessed and privileged to have Coach Sean Payton as our celebrity auctioneer. The Fling is very important to us as it is the major fund raiser for our girls and our school.

The proceeds from this year's Falaya Fling will be dedicated to the construction of the prayer garden located by Our Mother of Perpetual Help Chapel. In addition, a portion of the proceeds is dedicated to an endowment fund for SSA's future needs. SSA's selected charity for 2010 is the Food Bank of Covington will also be the beneficiary of a portion of the proceeds, to fulfill our strong belief in our Benedictine tradition of prayer, work, study and community. Again, we thank all of you for making these things possible.

There will be plenty of food provided by over 55 restaurants from our area. The band "The Blue Meanies" will help us get in the mood to have a good time as we dance the night away. I would like to extend special thanks to the team of women chairing the auction as well as their committee chairs who have given their time to make this event a success. **THE REST IS UP TO YOU!!!**

We ask every family to support this event in some way... by becoming a sponsor, attending the Fling, purchasing a raffle ticket or making a donation of an item. Attending the Auction is a great "community builder", "fun" raiser, and "friend" maker. It is a great way to have a good time all the while benefiting our students and faculty in a specific way. Bring your friends and relatives, maybe even a prospective SSA parent. Come join us and "pass a good time."

Many hands are needed to make the Fling a success. Volunteers are needed on Friday, March 12 to set up as well as on Sunday, March 14 to clean up! These events don't just happen by themselves. They happen because people give generously of themselves to assist. We need your partnership for this event. Join us as a volunteer to make the Fling a great success.

As the season of Lent unfolds, we are invited to not simply hear the Message of Salvation, but live the Gospel in our daily lives. Rather than "giving something up" (which can be negative), it may be better to DO SOMETHING (positive action)! Perhaps it is to pray the rosary once a week or daily in a slow, meditative, prayerful way rather than seeing how fast we can get through it. Or it may be to attend Mass more than once a week, or to take some time to pray the scriptures other than on Sunday at Mass. Or it may be to do something active to build up the community, like giving some service such as the Food Bank or helping someone clean out their house, or picking up trash around the community. Our community has an abundance of opportunities for service that can be beneficial and helpful.

The whole reason for denial and sacrifice is to grow closer in our relationship with the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. In the 2<sup>nd</sup> reading on Ash Wednesday, we are called to be "ambassadors" for Christ. In order to be ambassadors for Christ we must be reconciled to God and to our neighbor. This is the real reason for the penances we do during Lent.

I encourage you as parents to help your daughters to understand and practice this form of self-denial and action during this Lent of 2010.

Every Monday in March in homeroom our students have a **LENTEN PRAYER SERVICE**. On **Tuesday**, March 16, we will have a **LENTEN MASS** at 9:15 a.m. in the Gym for the entire student body. You are always welcome to join us for our school Masses as well as to come anytime to Our Mother of Perpetual Help Chapel in the heart of our campus. You are in our school prayers in a special way during these Lenten prayer times. May Jesus' Passion, Death, and Resurrection call us to greater love and conversion. May God's blessings fill each of you with Peace during this holy season.

*Marquerte S. Celestin*

*SSA's Benedictine Players  
present*



*St. Joseph Abbey  
Benet Hall*

(Tickets will be sold at the Front Office  
after March 15, 2009 )

April 14, 15, 16 and 17  
at 7:30 p.m.

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April 18 -  
Matinee at 2:00 p.m.

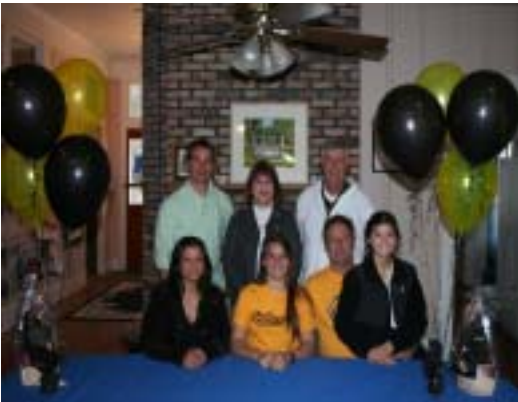
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It's that time of year again. At the March 9 Parent Club General Board Meeting, nominations will be accepted for next year's Executive Board (Vice President, Treasurer, Recording Secretary and Corresponding Secretary). The Board will also be accepting nominations for committee chairs.

If you or someone you know is interested, please attend the meeting on March 3, 8:30 a.m. in the Advancement House. Nominations will be handled by a silent process, submitting candidates' names on a piece of paper to the President, Susan Loveland.

**School Board nominations** are now being accepted. If you are interested, please send a letter and resume to SSA, attn: Heather Klechak by March 17. If you have any questions, you may contact any member of the School Board (listed in the School Directory) or call Marguerite Celestin at 892-2540, ext. 125.

## CONGRATULATIONS



Danielle Beatty with proud parents Stephen Beatty and Laura Guerrero and sister Rebecca signing with USM for Soccer. Back Row: Coach Mike Ortner, Principal Mary Kathryn Villere and Athletic Director Art Lyons.

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....Kim Belmont with proud parents Chris and Belmont signing with USM for Soccer. Back Row: Coach Mike Ortner, Principal Mary Kathryn Villere and Athletic Director Art Lyons



# 26th Anniversary of SSA's Falaya Fling Celebrity Auctioneer Coach Sean Payton

We look forward with great anticipation to *Falaya Fling*, our 26th Anniversary auction, buffet/dinner dance to be held on Saturday, March 13, 7 p.m. - 11:30 p.m. in the Castine Center at Pelican Park. Entertainment by The Blue Meanies will start promptly at 7:30 p.m. You will be delighted by the student art and the following items: ten-day stay at Puerto Vallarta; New Orleans Saints Electric Guitar signed by Coach Sean Payton, Reggie Bush, Deuce McAllister, and Marquis Colston; John Besh will cook a dinner for eight at your home; jewelry from Adler's; artwork; dinners; jewelry, and an array of items which will appeal to everyone. There will be plenty of food provided by over 50 restaurants from the north and south shores. Blingtini is back - find the 1/2 carat diamond donated by Boudreaux's Jewelers. We would like to extend special thanks to 2010 Auction Chairs Laure Rooney and Rhonda Sceroler and our 2011 Chairs Stephanie Bachemin and Rose Beau and their committee chairs who have given their time to make this event a success. The Patron Party will start at 6 p.m. the night of the Fling at the Castine Center. Take a break from the worries of today's world. Join us for fun with our SSA parents, friends and community.

## FALAYA FLING VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR THE FOLLOWING DATES:

*FALAYA FLING* - LOAD TRUCK, 1-4 p.m. at the Advancement House on Thursday, March 11.

*FALAYA FLING SET-UP* - Friday, March 12 at the Castine Center from 9 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

*FALAYA FLING* - Saturday, March 13  
9 a.m. - Noon - finish set-up at Castine Center  
6 p.m. - 11:30 p.m. at the Castine Center - volunteer to help with various duties throughout the evening.

*FALAYA FLING CLEAN-UP* - Sunday, March 14 at the Castine Center from 9 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. We can use all the help we can get. Please come out and help us clean up after the event.

Try your luck at the Blingtini Game - 100 glasses - a 1/2 ct. diamond from Boudreaux's Jewelers can be found in one of the glasses - \$20/glass

# Events - March

## ELECTIONS FOR SC EXEC

\* **EXEC LEADERSHIP WORKSHOP** - March 4 at 3:15 p.m., Cafeteria. All students who are planning to run for office next year must attend.

\* **EXEC INTENT FORMS DUE**-March 16

\* **EXEC CAMPAIGN BEGINS** - March 22.

\* **DURING HOMEROOM IN GYM - ELECTION SPEECHES** - March 22.

**SC EXEC ELECTIONS** - March 29.

**LENTEN PRAYER SERVICES** - Every Monday in Homeroom, March 1, March 8, March 15, March 22, and March 29.

**SPRING MID-TERM EXAMS** - March 11 (E,F) and March 12 (G, H). Dismissal will be at 11:30 a.m. on both days for 10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup> and 12 grades. On March 11, the 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> graders will stay for a meeting in the gym about the Secret Life of Girls performance; the meeting will end at 12:15 p.m.

**ALUM TREAT DAY** - March 11 at Break.

**PARENT CLUB TREAT DAY** - March 12 at Break.

**DETENTION** - March 13 at the Castine Center from 9-11 a.m. and March 20 from 8-10 a.m. at SSA.

**JUNIOR RETREAT** - March 15.

**LENTEN MASS** - March 16, 9:15 a.m. in the gym. Parents are invited.

**UNIFORM VARIATION (9TH)** - St. Patrick's Day - March 17. Green shirts with school skirt and the rest of regulation uniform because we are celebrating Mass on the 17th. Cost is \$1 to participate. **THE SECRET LIFE OF GIRLS PERFORMANCE** - March 17 at 1 p.m. - 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> graders will attend this production, Fuhrmann Auditorium in Covington.

SSA Parent Club Dove Ministries invites parents to LENTEN BIBLE REFLECTION on the book Strength of a Woman - Forgotten Heroines of the Bible by Amy LeBlanc on three Wednesdays - March 17, 24, and 31 from 9:30-11:00 a.m. at Our Mother of Perpetual Help

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## Easter Holidays

April 2-9

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Chapel. The cost is \$20 and includes the book and study guide. Please complete the form emailed to you and return to the SSA Front Office by March 10 with \$20 payable to SSA in an envelope marked "Lenten Study". For more information, call Susan Loveland, 626-7577 or email [susanloveland54@msn.com](mailto:susanloveland54@msn.com). Registration form available on Edline under 2009-10 Forms folder.

**PARENT CONFERENCES BY APPOINTMENT ONLY** - March 18, 4:30-6:30 P.M. Call Heather to make your appointment-892-2540, x125.

**8<sup>TH</sup> GRADE PARENT NETWORKING** - All current 8<sup>th</sup> grade parents are invited to attend this networking session, March 19 from 9-11 a.m. at the home of Missy Gensler, 29 Eagle Trace, Mandeville. Please RSVP to Susan Loveland at 626-7577 or [susanloveland54@msn.com](mailto:susanloveland54@msn.com) by March 11.

**OSIRIAN CLUB BAKE SALE** - March 19 at Break.

**SPANISH CLUB CONVENTION in Baton Rouge** - March 19-21.

**ALUMNAE EASTER EGG HUNT** - March 20 from 10 a.m. - Noon, SSA Gym. Cost is \$5/child and includes refreshments, picture taken with the Easter Bunny, Easter Egg Hunt and games for ages 0-12 years. For more information, call ext. 140. Tickets should be purchased in advance. Accessible proceeds will benefit Hillary Lanaux Greve (SSA '99) Memorial Scholarship Fund. All SSA families are invited.

**SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT SESSION** - March 22. 12<sup>th</sup> grade report for 8:45 a.m. to the Cafeteria; 9<sup>th</sup> report for 9 a.m.; all other students report for first class at 10:30 a.m.

**RECOGNITION ASSEMBLY** - March 24, 8 a.m., SSA gym. Athletics Awards for Basketball, Indoor Track, Soccer, SSA Cheerleaders, and Royalettes will also be given out.

**SSA-SPS CHALLENGE** - March 24

**DOVE EXPERIENCE for NEW STUDENTS** - March 25, 4-5:30 p.m. in the gym. **DOVE EXPERIENCE FOR PARENTS OF NEW STUDENTS** - March 25, 4-5:30 p.m. in the Cafeteria.

**JUNIOR PARENT MEETING** - March 25, 6 p.m., SSA gym.

**JUNIOR/SENIOR PARENT MANDATORY PROM MEETING** - March 25, 7 p.m., SSA gym.

## ELECTIONS FOR SC CLASS OFFICERS

\* **SC LEADERSHIP WORKSHOP** - March 4 at 3:15 p.m., Cafeteria. All students who are planning to run for office next year must attend.

\* **SC INTENT FORMS DUE** - March 30

\* **SC CAMPAIGN BEGINS** - April 12

**SC ELECTIONS** - April 19

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# DOVE SPORTS PAGE

## CONGRATULATIONS TO SOCCER FOR BEING BACK TO BACK STATE CHAMPIONS

The Soccer Team defeated Mount Carmel late this afternoon to win the State Championship. The game went into four overtimes, one shootout and then sudden death with four kicks. The final score was 2-1. Congratulations to our girls and Soccer Doves Coaches Mike Ortner and Keith Duet!!!! Thank you to the team, parents and coaches...JV soccer for an outstanding season and also defeating Mt. Carmel.

It is MANDATORY for all students to attend the tryout clinic in order to participate in evaluations. Students must be registered for the 2010-11 school year.

### SPS CHEERLEADERS

... Tryouts for the 2010-11 SPS Cheerleaders will be held Saturday, March 20 in the SSA gym – clinic from 2-4 p.m. and tryouts will begin at 4:30 p.m. There is a mandatory parent and student meeting on Thursday, March 18 at 6 p.m. in the SSA gym. One parent and student trying out MUST attend this meeting to be eligible to tryout.

### SSA/SPS GOLDEN BLUES

Tryouts for 2010-2011 Golden Blues will be held Saturday March 6 in the SSA gym! Tryout clinic will be 9 a.m. – 12 p.m. (you will learn a short jazz routine and short kick routine) and tryouts will begin at 1 p.m. Any questions please contact [kristinlagraize@gmail.com](mailto:kristinlagraize@gmail.com). A MANDATORY parent and student meeting will take place Monday, March 1 at 7 pm. in the SPS Band Room. One parent and the student trying out MUST attend to be eligible to tryout!

### SSA CHEERLEADERS

...SSA cheerleader tryout clinic on Tuesday, March 30 at 3:30 p.m. in the gym; evaluations begin at 3:30 p.m. on Wednesday, March 31.

### SSA ROYALETTES

...Royalette tryout clinic on Saturday, March 27 in the gym; evaluations are Monday, March 29 beginning at 3:30 p.m. in the gym.

The SSA and SPS Cheerleading End of Year Celebration will take place on March 18 at 7 p.m. in the gym. The girls will also be recognized on Wednesday, March 24 at the SSA Recognition Assembly.

## SOFTBALL

... The softball team has started the season with a 2-3 record. We have 18 Varsity and JV players and 10 8th graders entering the program.SSA Classic March 12 & 13at Covington Recreation Fields.

## TENNIS

...started practice at PAC.

## INDOOR TRACK

..the indoor track team finished fifth at the state meet. Angela LaBorde was state champion in the 3200 meters. The 4 x 800 relay team (Lauren Salles, Angela LaBorde, Catherine Pereria, and Carley Boyce) was second. Catherine Pereria was fourth in the 3200 meters. The 4 x 400 relay (Lauren Salles, Catherine Schroeder, Carley Boyce, Sophia Courcelle) was ninth. Carley Boyce was seventh in the 1600 meters. Hadley Modeen was tenth in the high jump. Mary Grace Gitz was twelfth in the high jump. Kellie Blanchard was twelfth in the shot put. Catherine Schroeder was fifteenth in the long jump.

## BASKETBALL

..our 8<sup>th</sup> grade Basketball team on a successful season. Their final record was 9-0 for the regular season and overall record of 11-5.....to the SSA varsity basketball team for improving over last year by finishing 5th in District...to the JV for the improvements they made this year.

## BOWLING

...to the Bowling team, for beating Cabrini. The Doves have moved to second place: Melanie Dutel had a game high 179; Alix St. Pe' – 163; Michelle Lawrence – 165; Natalie Spedale – 149; Christina Melancon – 139. The team also defeated Academy of Our Lady with a score of 20-7: Michelle Lawrence had a personal best score of 192 and Natalie Spedale – 162; Alix St. Pe' – 178.

## GOLF

...to the SSA Golf team came in first place defeating Mandeville and Northshore at the tournament at Money Hill on March 3. The girls are undefeated this season. Monica Caire led the team with a 46 and placed second overall. Lauren Barattini posted a 54, Margaret Day – 62, Annalise Killgore – 65, Anna McCulla – 67 for a team score of 100. SSA's golf team also won their first meet at Royal Golf Club in by 3 strokes over Mandeville and that was the first time ever that SSA's golf "team" won a meet. In that meet SSA's Monica Caire and Annalise Killgore led the team win with a score 53.

## VOLLEYBALL

...is offering three sessions of Summer Camp starting the first week in June.

## CONGRATULATIONS TO...

...Kayleigh Chiasson was voted to the All-District second team and Sarah Bagley and Carly Keller were named to the Honorable Mention All District team...Angela LaBorde for signing with Lamar University in Texas....Jordan Walkenford who made the University of Incarnate Word cheerleading squad!!

## ADORATION

Friday, March 6 , 7:30 a.m. (after the Communion Service) to 3:00 p.m. in Our Mother of Perpetual Help Chapel. Adoration is open to all parents, alumnae, and friends of SSA. You do not have to sign up beforehand. You can simply come for five minutes or for an hour if you wish just to spend time with Jesus in the Eucharist. The prayers offered for our SSA community during Eucharistic Adoration are very powerful, for we are praying before the presence of Christ, Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity in the Eucharist. Please come take part in this incredible opportunity to lift our school up in prayer. If you would like to schedule a time, please call Lisa Rapier 985-674-0557.

## ROSARY

The Rosary is recited every Thursday at second lunch by the Grotto.

## COMMUNION

COMMUNION SERVICE will be held in the SSA chapel every Friday at 7:30 a.m.

## BALLOON SHOP

Valentine's Day was a success! Thank you to our volunteers who helped us fill all the orders on Thursday. We would also like to thank all the parents, family and friends who sent in orders. The Balloon Shop operates on a volunteer basis only to help raise money for Campus Beautification Projects and of course, to provide smiles to our students through the cheerful gift-giving of balloons. Without your orders and the help of our dependable volunteers, the Balloon Shop could not operate. All of our volunteers have done a terrific job so far this year. Thank you for being there when we need you!

We will be offering GRADUATION BALLOON ORDERS this year for the Class of 2010. They can be sent from family, friends, or even SSA little sisters. Look for more information soon. Balloon Shop Co-Chairs: Renee Silva, Anna Huval, Melissa Frosch and Suzie Frosch.

**GRANDPARENTS DAY** - Friday, April 23 at the SSA Gym from 8:30 -11:00 a.m. Grandparents will be entertained by the performances of the SSA choir, handbell orchestra, SSA cheerleaders, SSA Royalties, SPS cheerleaders and SPS Golden Blues. The cast of "The Wizard of Oz" will perform one act from their successful play. There will be NO SCHOOL for students who cannot bring their grandparents to this event.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### April

- 1 Holy Thursday Prayer Service
- 2-9 Easter Holidays
- 10 ACT Testing
- 11 Classes Resume
- 14-18 The Wizard of Oz
- 17 Alumnae Luncheon
- 17 Detention
- 19 SIPS Session
- 20 Mass - BD
- 21-22 IOWA Testing
- 23 Grandparents Day
- 23 Jr./Sr. PROM
- 26-30 SC Campaign for HR Officers
- 29 Spring Concert - 7 p.m.
- 29 Vote for HR Officers
- 29 Seniors Last Day

## SSA COLLEGE TOUR 2010

June 21-25, 2010

College Tour 2010 will visit nine universities in five days. We will visit both public and private institutions in a variety of settings with different student populations. The tour is designed to teach the students what type of school they are interested in, what questions to ask while on a campus and what types of things to look for while on campus. Students will enjoy a campus tour, lecture sessions on the admissions process and financial aid, and dorm facilities tour. Students will have the opportunity to meet with faculty members, visit classrooms, and speak with students on the campus of each school. They will learn about the study locations on campus and the local hang-outs. This combination of activities provides the student with a thorough understanding of college life. Students are encouraged to take notes and keep a journal while on the tour. This is an extremely important opportunity for our students. Ms. Capps will be traveling with the students assisting them with the process and providing additional information during the tour. Students should visit several college campuses before they begin the application process. The cost of the tour is \$500. Newsweek quotes the average cost of a college tour for two people for a period of two days as \$2,476, so you can see that this is a wonderful and inexpensive opportunity for our students. Application forms are available in Ms. Capps' office.

# RECOGNITION AND CONGRATULATIONS

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## *Thank You and Congratulations...*

### FALAYA FLING

...to the 2010 chairs Laure Rooney and Rhonda Sceroler and our 2011 chairs Stephanie Bachemin and Rose Beau for all their hard work. We are so very grateful for all the committee chairs: Karen Baker, Karen Bucksberg, Alicia Byrne, Laurie Candies, Susan Carollo, Paulette Crawford, Sunny Cruthirds, Tricia Deas, Courtney Pablovich Dodson '97, Theresa Elie, Leslie Ellinghausen, Kathy Fearn, Cindy Fekete, Marla Fowler, Lorna Kotara, Lisa Lawrence, Susan Loveland, Julie McCulla, Bethany McCulla, Suzanne Myers, Rhonda Perez, Zan Prieto, Karen Redd, Penny Bates Scardulla '82, Renee Silva, Dan Simmons, Elizabeth Soileau, Cindy Sutton, Diane Vervaeke, and Susan Williams. The involvement of these current parents, alum parents and alumnae has been invaluable.

### MARCH FOR LIFE

...March for Life participants: Blakeley Brennan, Brooke Burns, Mary Claire Cazayoux, Savannah Cole, Sophia Courcelle, Madeline Cristina, Melanie Dutel, Eloise Early, Melanie Garcia, Audrey Gitz, Robin Glasgow, Taylor Harvey, Ashley Hebert, Catherine Housey, Caroline Hymel, McKay Jordan, Aubree Lacour, Emily Lambert, Hannah Langston, Laney Lewis, Hannah Lomzenski, Emily mayer, Elizabeth Mire, Hadley Modeen, Carley Nelson, Grace Noel, Merritt Parsons, Amanda Player, Demi Riordan, Ellen Rosenow, Karen Rosenow, Alexis Scheuermann, Elly Schoen, Lindsey Silva, Emma Thompson, Elizabeth Trosclair, Madeline Varnado, Emma Wellmeyer...and thank you to Colin and Aimee MacIver for organizing the trip and the girls and to Jane Harvey for helping to chaperone.

### SWEETHEART COURT

...Chardonnary Rushing who was crowned Sweetheart Queen, Angela LaBorde was senior maid, and Ariane Fabre was junion maid and Court: 8<sup>th</sup> Grade - Natalie Helm; 9<sup>th</sup> Grade - Claudia Barrios, Ana Bellini; 10<sup>th</sup> Grade - Brooks Bayer, Sophia Courcelle, Gabrielle Pitre; 11<sup>th</sup> Grade - Kristen McDaniel, Ashleigh Pichon, Madeline Varnado; 12<sup>th</sup> Grade - Alyssa Arceneaux, Emily Beau, Kristi Harrison.

...to Noel Martin, 12th grade, Queen, and Holly Savoie, 8th grade, Court Maid in the Italian American Marching Club's St. Josphe Day Parade and Presentation on March 6 in New Orleans.

...to everyone who brought in pet food for the Animal Appreciation Club drive and to the club for holding the drive.

...to everyone who continues to bring in food for the Food Bank of Covington.

### ALUMNAE:

Kathleen Harmon '09 was Queen of the Krewe of Orpheus. Maids were Jennifer Adams '00, Elizabeth Nuss '09, Erika Nuss '09 and Cameron Savell '09.

DOVE NEST is a great place to buy spirit items for your daughter and gifts for other students. The Doves Nest is open on Tuesdays and Thursdays during lunch.

**FALAYA FLING**  
**MARCH 13, 2010 - CASTINE CENTER**  
**CELEBRITY GUEST/AUCTIONEER**  
**SEAN PAYTON, COACH OF OUR NEW ORLEANS SAINTS**

Falaya Fling tickets have been sold, raffle tickets purchased, and auction items are coming in.  
Laura Iverson won the two tickets to the Saints game.

THE BLUE MEANIES will provide the live music for your dancing and fun.

We will need parents to volunteer to help with the event and would like to have each SSA family donate one auction item. Items are being accepted at the Advancement House. Thank you to those parents who have already donated items.

If you can help with any of these things, contact Elaine Simmons at the Advancement Office (892-2540, ext. 132).

**FALAYA FLING RAFFLES**

**\$50/TICKET:**

**\$5,000 CASH RAFFLE** - Only 300 tickets will be sold.

**\$50/TICKET:**

**\$5,000 TUITION RAFFLE** - Only 300 tickets will be sold.

Buy your ticket now and still have an opportunity to get your lucky number.

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