

**FEBRUARY 3, 2010**

**Mass Dates: Feb. 5<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, 17<sup>th</sup>, & 26<sup>th</sup> at 1:15**

**Catholic Schools Week  
Mon., Feb 1<sup>st</sup>-5<sup>th</sup>**

**Tues., Feb. 9 Pizza Hut  
Night**

**Thurs., Feb. 11 CLO  
Assembly  
“Pioneers of Flight”**

**Fri., Feb. 12 Valentine  
Day Party**



**Mon., Feb. 15 NO  
SCHOOL President’s Day**

**Wed., Feb 17  
Ash Wednesday Mass**

**Sun., Feb 21  
OPEN HOUSE 1-3pm**

**Upcoming Basketball Games**

2/3 JV Boys 6:00pm

Varsity Boys 7:15 pm

2/5 JV Girls 6:30 pm

Varsity Girls 7:45 pm

2/6 3rd Grade Girls 8:30 am

2/9 4th Grade Girls 6:00 pm

2/10 JV Boys 6:00 pm

Varsity Boys 7:15 pm



**February Provident People**

Carena Allen K, Matthew Luckiewicz 1<sup>st</sup> Grade,  
Shrena Punj 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade, Anna Wisniewski, 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade,  
Mark Butorac 4<sup>th</sup> Grade, Dane Colaizzi 5<sup>th</sup> Grade,  
Alexandra Runser 6<sup>th</sup> Grade, Haley Heusey 7<sup>th</sup> Grade, and  
Meghan Bayer 8<sup>th</sup> Grade

**Forensics Team Results**

The Alpha Forensic team had their second meet on Saturday, January 30<sup>th</sup> at St. Teresa of Avila. Every member of the team placed in both rounds. Congratulations to a job well done!! A special thank you to Eileen Baranowski and Jennifer Bayley for coaching the students, and to all the parents who support the forensics program. The next meet will be on Saturday, February 13<sup>th</sup> at Assumption School in Bellevue. Registration begins at 8:30 am.

| Name   | Category         |
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| Elizabeth Soller   | Poetry           |
| Nathan Smith   | Poetry           |
| Thomas Nash  | Declamation      |
| Paige Hurbanek   | Drama            |
| Team of Megan DeArmit, Kaetlyn Conner, and Hannah Baranowski | Multiple Reading |

From Sr. Paulita

### Sports and the Honor Roll

Over the past week, I have been reading Alpha's Handbook, the Bylaws of the Alpha Parent Teacher Association and the Athletic Association. This came about because of my desire to update myself on Alpha's present policies as well as the fact that report cards went home last week. According to policy, students must produce satisfactory grades and observe school rules to participate in sports. Because this policy had not been active in the recent past, I felt it would be unjust for a child whose grades and conduct did not meet standards to be removed from participation for this report period. However to participate in sports in the future, students **must reach** this standard. Alpha also has an Honor Roll but to be placed on the Honor Roll, students must have acceptable behavior which means that they cannot be given a Discipline Report by any teacher during the report period. Students understand that this policy is now in force and will be followed.

### Traffic Flow

The Morning Traffic Flow has been greatly improved due to the teamwork of Mr. Hubbs, Mr. Bileck and 8<sup>th</sup> grade student Zolten Glasso. Everyone is now in class by 7:40 and parents are well on their way to work or home. Thank you gentlemen!

Pick up at 4:30 is somewhat of a problem. Parents are not to park in the drive by the playground. When you do, this prevents the people who work here from exiting the property. Please use the parking lot for pick up or call the Day Care number if you have small or sleeping tots in your car for help.

### Entering Alpha During Weekend/Afterschool Hours

Students and parents **are not** to enter the Alpha building during the weekend. Also, unless you are picking up your child from daycare **no one is to enter the building after 6pm during the school week**. Please respect the Sisters' request.

### Welcome!

Sister Margie Walsh has joined the Alpha School community. Her office will be located in the Ketteler Arts Center. She will be responsible for the supervision and safety of the students along with other duties.

Welcome Back!

### CONGRATULATIONS!

**Samuel and Christian Farls**, Alpha third and first graders, are in the current issue of *North Hills Magazine*. You will find their photo in the *Hair Peace* article about the program that assists women who have lost their hair due to cancer treatments.

## **4TH GRADER, LUKE BARRANTE, SHINES AT NORTHLAND LIBRARY CHESS TOURNAMENT**

Last Saturday, Luke competed in the annual Northland Library Chess Tournament and won a first place trophy in the K-4 division. The 1st place winners are then invited to participate in the finals competition, The Carnegie Library Chess Tournament, where they competed against the winners from all the other participating 40 branch libraries throughout Allegheny County. This tournament will be held at the end of March. So, if you see Luke, wish him luck!

**Food Drive** for North Hills Community Outreach Food Bank January 25 through February 5. Bring 3 food items and earn a future jean day. Sr. Paulita will designate which day.

## **Reminders**

There will be a 1:00 pm **APTA General Meeting** Thursday, February 25 in the cafeteria. The meeting will conclude in time for dismissal.

## **Alpha Alum!**

We are updating our alumni list. If you wish to be on the list or know of former students who we can contact, please email Eileen Hughes at [ehughes@alphaschool.org](mailto:ehughes@alphaschool.org).

## **Lost and Found**

Hear ye! Is your child bumping into walls or making C's when normally he/she makes A's; there are 3 pairs of glasses in the lost and found. We also have enough items to clothe a small country.



**Presented by Providence Heights Alpha School  
8<sup>th</sup> Grade and Student Body  
April 15 and 16, 2010**

### **Chorus Costume Information for Grades K-7**

All students are asked to return the bottom of this form with \$10 for costumes. Each student needs to have his or her own form, but one family check can be written to Providence Heights Alpha School. The costume committee has been working hard to make the performers look great. To the following basic costume provided by you (see below) your child will receive a hat, and either socks and a shirt to complete an orphan costume, or a shawl or a vest to be a party guest

#### **Students in grades K-1-4-5 (orphans)**

Boys should wear: black or dark navy blue trousers, school shoes

Girls should wear: black or dark navy blue stretch pants, school shoes

#### **Students in grades 2-3-6-7 (guests for the Christmas party at the mansion)**

Boys should wear: black or dark navy blue trousers, white oxford collared shirt (can be Alpha shirt worn for mass), Alpha blue or striped tie, school shoes

Girls should wear: black or dark navy solid-colored skirt (must be knee length), white oxford collared shirt (can be Alpha shirt worn for mass), black solid, opaque tights, black, flat or low-heeled dress shoes

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\_\_\_\_\_ will perform in the school play **Annie Jr.**, on his or her previously assigned day, April 15 or 16<sup>th</sup>. **Enclosed is \$10** (checks payable to Alpha) for the costume pieces provided by the costume committee. Please return to your child's homeroom teacher by Tuesday, February 16, 2010.

(signed) \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Mrs. DeArmit with any questions [ldearmit@alphaschool.org](mailto:ldearmit@alphaschool.org).

# NORTH PITTSBURGH CATHOLIC IRONMEN FOOTBALL

**ATTENTION ALL 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup>, and 7<sup>th</sup> GRADE BOYS INTERESTED IN PLAYING FOOTBALL IN AUGUST 2010.**

The North Pittsburgh Catholic Ironmen are planning for Season 2 and expanding to include a Varsity team in 2010. We are looking for any current 2nd through 7<sup>th</sup> grade boy enrolled in one of the local Catholic schools who is interested in playing tackle football.

**WHO ARE WE:** The North Pittsburgh Catholic Ironmen is the newly developed (2009 inaugural season) football team currently servicing five area schools and expanding to Varsity level play next year. There is both an established JV program (4<sup>th</sup>– 6<sup>th</sup> grades) and a Developmental program (3<sup>rd</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup> grades) that teaches the fundamentals of the game and prepares the players for the next level.

**OUR MISSION:** The football program was developed to provide our student athletes an opportunity to unite as one team from several schools to build a strong community spirit with a strong Catholic presence. The objective of each coach is to teach with positive enthusiasm the proper techniques of the game accompanied by the reward of teamwork while respecting each other. Encouragement and enthusiastic praise are the cornerstones from which the coaches focus in the development of each player. We also like to have a great deal of fun on the way!

**OUR HISTORY:** 2009 represented our first year in the northern Catholic league, and we had a total of 38 players compete on the JV and Developmental teams. We practice and play our games at local fields 10 minutes from most of the schools we service. We are supported through St. Kilian Athletic Association. We have a governing board and we are fiscally sound. We have the best equipment money can buy and have experienced coaches and consultants.

**COME MEET US:** We are planning two events for you and your son to come and meet with us in person. The dates are **Monday Feb. 15<sup>th</sup> and Tuesday Feb. 23<sup>rd</sup>** in the St. Kilian cafeteria. The meeting will last approximately 1 hour and start at 7:00 pm. The coaching staff will be present for a general discussion followed by a Q&A.

If you are not able to come to the meeting, please feel free to contact Jim Porter (412-559-1619) or Steve Spotts ([sspotts@zoominternet.net](mailto:sspotts@zoominternet.net) 724-396-9950) to answer any questions. All coaches will be available for a one-on-one meeting, if requested. If your son is interested and you would like to sign him up at the meeting, we will have all of the necessary forms. The fee for football is \$200, and this includes all of the necessary equipment.

Thank you – The Staff of the North Pittsburgh Catholic Ironmen

Ron Balog  
Roger Roble

Andy Patsy  
Mark Schnarre

Jim Porter  
Steve Spotts

