

**The St. Ursula Academy Parent Bulletin**  
**Craig Maliborski, Principal**  
**Week of November 7-13, 2011**

**Monday, November 7, 2011 GOLD/A**

- 7:45am Faculty/Staff Meeting
- Freshmen: Group Guidance (Theater)  
Sophomores: Reconciliation (Chapel)  
Juniors: Canned Food Speaker (Gym)  
Seniors: Canned Food Speaker (Gym)
- 3:00pm Demerits Served
- 3:15pm Make-up Test Day
- 5:00pm Diversity Committee

**Tuesday, November 8, 2011 BLUE-95/C**

- Club Lunch: Anthropology, Astronomy, Library Book, Yoga
- 3:00pm SICU

**Wednesday, November 9, 2011 BLUE-95/B**

- Club Lunch: Senior Book, Classic Music, Harry Potter, World Affairs, Vegetarian

**Thursday, November 10, 2011 BLUE-95/D**

- Club Lunch: Bridge, Culture, EARTH, LIFE, Through the Lens
- 3:00pm Demerits Served
- 3:15pm Make-up Test Day
- 7:00pm *Radium Girls* SET Fall Play in the Theater

**Friday, November 11, 2011 BLUE-95/A**

- Graduation Announcement Orders taken during Lunch in the Keller Center
- Club Lunch: French Honor Society, Spanish Honor Society, Latin Honor Society/Classics
- 7:00pm *Radium Girls* SET Fall Play in the Theater

**Saturday, November 12, 2011**

- 11:00am SUAVE performs for Mu Phi Epsilon at The Seasons
- 2:00pm *Radium Girls* SET Fall Play in the Theater
- 7:00pm *Radium Girls* SET Fall Play in the Theater

**Sunday, November 13, 2011**

- 2:00pm *Radium Girls* SET Fall Play in the Theater

## NOTES FROM THE PRINCIPAL

This past Thursday was certainly an eventful day! In addition to the normal excitement that occurs in the classroom, there was a celebration at lunch for the Field Hockey team and an assembly at the end of the day to kick-off the upcoming Canned Food Drive. Although very different, these two events help create the spirit that so many of your daughters feel as “St. Ursula women.” While we cannot all travel to Columbus to cheer for the Field Hockey team, the spirit and excitement of the “final four” was present in the gym during the student-led presentation about the Canned Food Drive. The theme for the food drive this year—“*We Can Do It*”—uses the image of the 1940’s icon Rosie the Riveter. The students did an excellent job of not only describing how they choose this theme, but also explaining the current situation of the families that we are hoping to help. Thank you for your efforts in helping your daughter as she supports this school-wide effort.

The students are very excited to end the first semester before Christmas. Of course, by doing this, we open ourselves to the possibility of school being canceled on one of the exam days due to inclement weather. On the calendar, Thursday December 22<sup>nd</sup> is listed as an “Exam Make-Up Emergency”. We will only use that day if we are forced to cancel school due to weather on one of the previous exam days. If we do not have a closure due to weather on one of the previous days, then we will not have school that day. As a native Wisconsinite, I am always hopeful that we have a white Christmas. This year, I will be praying that the snow holds off until December 23<sup>rd</sup>!

Over the summer, you should have received an email explaining who is required to purchase the uniform cardigan sweater. The Class of 2015 is required to have the sweater this year, while the Classes of 2014 and 2013 are required to have the sweater next year. The Class of 2012 is not required to purchase the sweater.

Craig Maliborski

## FROM THE ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL

***A leader serving the community*** is a characteristic of the academy alum. A woman of service to others is something that we hope each girl grows to be.

As I was walking around the campus during lunch one day, I stopped by a classroom where I saw two girls working together. One was explaining a mathematical problem as the other was working the problem on her tablet. For a brief moment, I wasn’t sure who was helping whom because both girls were so very engaged. I watched for a few minutes until they realized I was standing there. In talking with the girls, I discovered that one was a peer tutor to the other. The peer tutor was sharing her lunchtime helping a sister student work through some math concept that she was having difficulty understanding.

We have a number of students who are receiving peer tutoring in various classes. Our peer tutors are often very effective in giving assistance to students who are experiencing difficulty in a class. Peer tutoring is *not* a substitute for extra individual work or for teacher assistance outside of the classroom. Often times, however, the girls say that it is very helpful for another student to help them. *She just understands how to help me*, was the message given to me that lunchtime session.

I would like to thank the students who have volunteered to be peer tutors. I hope they experience the joy of teaching through their work. I know they are really ***leaders serving the community!***

Mary Ann Meyer

## **Additions...**

### **CSTAT (Catholic Social Teaching Action Team)**

Thank you to our four St. Ursula CSTAT members (Meredith Hemmer, Maria Hopkins, Hannah Myers, and Meredith Stautberg) who attended "Defending Life Against the Sentence of Death: A Conference for Catholic Respect Life Month" on Saturday 10/29. This event was sponsored by The Catholic Social Action office of the Archdiocese and was a great success. The event had educational components and opportunities for advocacy and action. Our students composed and led the closing prayer during the conference. Thank you ladies for your leadership and participation! Thanks as well to Mrs. Jane Myers (mother of Hannah Myers) who assisted our students and attended this event as well.

### **SUA Italy 2012**

We still have 2 spaces available for the **SUA Italy 2012 experience!**

STUDENTS FROM ALL CLASSES AND PARENTS ARE INVITED TO JOIN US FOR THE TRIP.

Has your daughter dreamt about touring Italy someday? Well, here's her chance. Mr. Nicaise is sponsoring a trip Italy in June of 2012. We will be traveling to Rome (including Vatican City), Florence, Assisi, Brescia (home of St. Angela Merici), and the archeological sites of Pompeii and Herculaneum. This educational and thrilling experience is sure to build a lifetime of memories for all.

Please email Kurt Nicaise at [knicaise@saintursula.org](mailto:knicaise@saintursula.org) for the itinerary and details.

### **BUSINESS OFFICE**

- FINANCIAL AID APPLICATIONS are now available for the 2012-2013 school year and must be postmarked by December 1, 2011. You must reapply for financial aid each year.

The application is available in the Student Services Office or on our website at <http://www.saintursula.org/admissions/tuition/1821%20St.%20Ursula%20Academy%20of%20Cincinnati.pdf>

Thank you,

Lucy Morgan, [lmorgan@saintursula.org](mailto:lmorgan@saintursula.org), or 961-3410 x 170.

### **COMMUNITY SERVICE OFFICE**

#### **St. Ursula Canned Food Drive**

This is the largest all-school community service activity of the year. In two short weeks, the girls are asked to collect 26,000 pounds of food that will benefit three local neighborhood organizations and

hundreds of needy families in Appalachia. The kick-off assembly for the Canned Food Drive was held on Thursday, November 3rd. We will collect donations until November 17th. We will collect all non-perishable foods, new blankets, and monetary donations. Food can be brought to the weigh-stations in the rear entrance of the Keller Student Center on November 8th, 10th, 15th, and 17th from 7:30-8:00am. The SCHOOL GOAL: 26,000 pounds – 40 pounds of donations per student (3 full brown bags of food).

Every person needs to bring in food donations in order to meet our goal! We CAN do this!

Questions? Contact Rachel Kemper, the Community Service Director, [rkemper@saintursula.org](mailto:rkemper@saintursula.org)

## **THEATRE**

### **Tickets on sale for Radium Girls!! St. Ursula Ensemble Theatre's Fall Production**

In 1926, radium was a miracle cure, Madame Curie an international celebrity, and luminous watches the latest rage, until the girls who painted them began to fall ill with a mysterious disease. Inspired by a true story, *Radium Girls* traces the efforts of Grace Fryer, a dial painter, as she fights for her day in court. Her chief adversary is her former employer, Arthur Roeder, an idealistic man who cannot bring himself to believe that the same element that shrinks tumors could have anything to do with the terrifying rash of illnesses among his employees. As the case goes on, however, Grace finds herself battling not just with the U.S. Radium Corporation, but with her own family and friends, who fear that her campaign for justice will backfire.

Written with warmth and humor by D.W. Gregory, *Radium Girls* is a fast-moving, highly theatrical ensemble piece for 16 actors who play more than 30 parts; friends, co-workers, lovers, relatives, attorneys, scientists, consumer advocates, and myriad interested bystanders. Called a "powerful" and "engrossing" drama by critics, *Radium Girls* offers a wry, unflinching look at the peculiarly American obsessions with health, wealth, and the commercialization of science.

This show is directed by Dee Anne Bryll. The cast includes McKenna Brinkman, Kieran Conway, Madison Girten, Jenna Kalthoff, Sarah Kelley, Alli Lamping, Grace Liesch, Hannah Myers, Dawn Thomas, Maria Sawma, Haley Sherman, and Aimee Ward. The cast also includes St. Xavier students Christian Conway, Keegan Doyle, and Max Stepaniak, and Villa Madonna Academy student Tyler Blincoe. Performances are November 10 at 7:00 pm, November 11 at 7:00pm, November 12 at 2:00pm & 7:00pm and November 13 at 2:00pm. Tickets can be purchased at the S.E.T. box office during lunch or through the order form on the SUA website. Don't miss this powerful show!