

The St. Ursula Academy Parent Bulletin
Craig Maliborski, Principal
Week of August 22-28, 2011

Monday, August 22, 2011 GOLD/A 8:30am Start

- 7:45-8:30am Faculty Meeting
- Class of 2012 Senior Rafting Trip, meet in Keller Center 8:30am

Tuesday, August 23, 2011 BLUE/C

- Club Lunch

Wednesday, August 24, 2011 BLUE/B

- Club Lunch
- 6:30-8:00pm Seniors and Parents College Application Workshop, Keller Center

Thursday, August 25, 2011 BLUE/D

- Club Lunch
- 3:00-4:00pm National Honor Society New Members Meeting, Theater

Friday, August 26, 2011 BLUE/A

Saturday, August 27, 2011

Sunday, August 28, 2011

- 2:00-4:00pm National Honor Society Induction Ceremony, Harold C. Schott Gym and Convocation Center

NOTES FROM THE PRINCIPAL

While this week marked the start of the academic classes, it also marked the beginning of some new programming in the school day. Your daughter spent time this week in her *5th bell* with students from other grades. The advisory work that the students will do during the *5th bell* is designed to support the sisterhood that our students feel as part of our community. This past week the advisory work centered mainly on getting to know each other. On Tuesday, it was great to see each freshman being given a “walk through” of her schedule by her senior big sister. On Thursday, before the Opening Liturgy, students who participated in mission trips this past summer shared their experiences with their classmates on how their work is helping to build a better world. It is important for the students to learn that the support and love that they feel within the walls of St. Ursula must be shared with the community outside of St. Ursula. Through the work that our students do in the community service program, the work that they do in classes that tackle real-world problems, and the work that they do volunteering for organizations outside of St. Ursula, they are supporting the work that St. Angela Merici did five hundred years ago to “esteem one another, help one another, support one another is Christ Jesus.”

Meet the Teacher Night will be on Tuesday, August 30th. We will start at 7:00pm in the gym. You will have an opportunity to walk through your daughter’s schedule and attend 10-minute classes. We look forward to seeing you then!

Clubs and student organizations will meet this upcoming week to prepare for the Co-Curricular Fair, which will be held on Wednesday, August 31st. During the fair, all students will have the opportunity to learn about the different student groups that are available this year.

Craig Maliborski

FROM THE ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL

I was excited about my new position this year, but not until Tuesday did I realize *how* excited I was. From the “parking lot welcome” to the final prayer of the day, the building was filled with the energy and excitement of your daughters.

As the Assistant Principal it was my job this week to review procedures, attendance policies and St. Ursula's code of conduct with your daughters. One of the core values of SUA is integrity, so I tried to frame my thoughts with the girls around this. I told the girls that integrity simply means doing the right thing because it is the right thing. Sounds easy enough, and yet as adults we know that integrity is not always so simple. It is something that always demands our attention and our commitment. Your daughters will be forced to make many decisions about many things during this school year – everything from deciding how much time to spend on a class paper to whether or not to stay at a party - again, not always so simple. As parents and educators our best help to the girls is the example of our own lives, so let's pray for each other as we continue to work together to help the girls on their daily journey of becoming women of integrity.

Mary Ann Meyer

Additions...

Dear Parents,

Welcome to a new school year! I hope you had an enjoyable summer. It is this time of year when the Parents' Board needs to identify volunteers for many activities throughout the year. Parent volunteers help us immensely in making various programs and events happen throughout the year. Please take a minute to look at the volunteer opportunities and see if you are able to help in any way. We would like your response by Monday morning, August 22, 2011. All positions are important to the success of SUA. Again, thanks for your time and talent. It is sincerely appreciated by all.

Here is the link to the Survey Monkey: <http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/WPQQBGC>

In Angela Merici,
Lelia Kramer

POWERSCHOOL PARENT LOGIN

PowerSchool parent logins have been set up for the incoming freshmen and transfer students.

Parent IDs are the student's email name (without the @saintursula.org) and the password is the student's birthdate x/x/xxxx. A preceding zero is not needed for single digit numbers.

For example: Student birthday February 8, 1996 would be 2/8/1996.

If anyone is still having trouble logging in, please e-mail helpdesk@saintursula.org and describe your problem and someone from tech will get back to you.

STUDENT PARKING LOT PASSES SOLD OUT

All parking passes in the Bell Street lot have been sold. If any become available we will put a notice in the bulletin.

SUA ITALY 2012

There are still 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.

There will be an **information-sharing meeting** for parents and daughters interested in the **SUA Italy 2012** trip on Wednesday, August 31st at 5:00pm in the Art Classroom in FAB. In this meeting, we will discuss the trip highlights, itinerary, registering, and fees.

Please RSVP to knicaise@saintursula.org if you plan to attend.

SUA STUDENTS IN THE NEWS

In June Emily Mosher was once again honored by the NISCA as a 2011 ALL-AMERICAN. She has spent many weeks this summer competing across the country with USA Diving. In late July she won a bronze medal at the Speedo Nationals at the University of Tennessee. Congratulations, Emily!

BULLDOG BASH 2011- TICKETS NOW ON SALE

Be a part of St. Ursula history by attending the **Bulldog Bash Hall of Fame** dinner and ceremony on Saturday, September 24, 2011 at 6:00pm. Hall of Fame inductees this year are volleyball alumnae Beth Gillming Kamen '04, Bryn Kehoe '04, and Beth Shelton '04. The 1993 Swimming and Diving State Champions and 2010 Field Hockey State Champions will receive Academy of Champions Honors at the event. The event begins with dinner before the program, which will be hosted by John Popovich from Channel 9 News.

Order your tickets now for this great evening. Visit www.saintursula.org for more details and to order tickets. The Bulldog Bash is part of this year's Reunion Weekend events.

SUA GUIDANCE DEPARTMENT UPDATE

Greetings to all of our students and families! We want to extend a special welcome to all of our incoming freshmen as well as our new transfer students. It is truly a joy for us to have the opportunity to partner with each of our families as we work together to ensure that your daughters have a successful and enriching high school experience.

Rooted in the mission of Saint Ursula Academy, the Guidance Dept. specifically addresses personal and academic growth, career and college awareness, and the development of the whole person and her individual gifts. In doing so, the Guidance Dept. assists the school community in preparing women of faith, integrity and courage. It is the goal of the Guidance Dept. that the women of SUA will realize their gifts and use their potential as they move, empowered, toward maturity.

Students are assigned to a counselor by alpha split. If you have any questions or concerns, don't hesitate to contact your daughter's assigned counselor. Remember, we're here to help!

Freshmen and Sophomores

A - K Caroline Renneker, ext. 212 – crenneker@saintursula.org
L - Z Sara Utecht, ext. 127 – sutecht@saintursula.org

Juniors and Seniors

A - Ha Molly Roebker, ext. 188 – mroebker@saintursula.org
He - R Cathy Sherrick, ext. 189 – csherrick@saintursula.org
S - Z Lauren Williams *, ext. 126 – lwilliams@saintursula.org
 *AP Coordinator

Karen Noe, ext. 192, Department Coordinator – knoe@saintursula.org

From the desk of Mrs. Karen Noe, Guidance Dept. Coordinator:

College Representative Visits

The SUA Guidance Dept. is seeking enthusiastic parent volunteers to assist with fall College Rep Visits. This is a GREAT opportunity for SUA parents to better understand what colleges are looking for in prospective students!

This fall, between the first week of September and the first week of November, SUA will host approximately forty college/university representatives who will meet with our students to share with them information about their respective institutions. The Guidance Department facilitates these visits, which occur during the students' lunch bell (anywhere between 11:45 a.m. and 1:45 p.m.). We are seeking enthusiastic parent volunteers to act as moderators for each of these visits. This would entail greeting the college rep at the front entrance of the Keller Center, escorting him/her to the appropriate conference room where the visit will take place, presenting the rep with a gift (which the Guidance Department provides), and simply being present during the visit. Upon completion of the rep's presentation, the volunteer would then escort the rep out of the Keller Center. Interested parent volunteers will be encouraged to attend an Orientation that will be offered in late-August where all the duties will be discussed in greater detail. Please contact Karen Noe, Guidance Department Coordinator, if you are interested in assisting with college rep visit(s) this fall. knoe@saintursula.org or 961-3410, ext. 192

Transcript Requests:

Student Athletes ~ If a college or university coach asks a student to provide transcript and/or class schedule information, please send the contact information to Karen Noe in the Guidance Department. SUA's standard procedure is that all transcript requests are to be sent directly from the Guidance Department to the requesting institution. knoe@saintursula.org

"Good Driver Discounts" ~ Should your insurance company require a report of your daughter's grades in order to be eligible for a "good driver discount", please contact Karen Noe in the Guidance Department. She will provide you with a copy of your daughter's transcript to be sent to your insurance company. knoe@saintursula.org

SENIORS

MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

Please mark your calendar for the **Wednesday, Aug. 24th "Seniors and Parents College Application Workshop" from 6:30-8:00 p.m. in the Keller Center.** We will be covering all topics related to submitting your college applications. Don't miss this important evening program!

Please also note that all of the senior counselors will be available on **Sept. 18 and Oct. 23** from 12:00-4:00pm in the Keller Center for our fall **College Application Marathons.** We will be available to assist the seniors in filling out their online college applications on those days.

DON'T FORGET TO REGISTER FOR FALL SAT & ACT DATES!

SAT & ACT Test Dates – Registration deadline for the Oct. 1 SAT is **Sept. 9th** (register @www.collegeboard.com) The late registration deadline for the Sept. 10th ACT is **August 26th**. (register @www.actstudent.org) Please remember to code your registration with SUA's CEEB code: **361105**, so your scores can be reported back to the SUA Guidance Department.