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October 10
There will be a Mass and a March from the Cathedral of St. John the Evangelist to Public Square in support of October "Respect Life" month, from 9:15 a.m.-1:30 p.m.

Pride Bowl & Bonfire: Starts at 3 p.m. and concludes at 7 p.m.

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There is no school on this date.

Engineering Students Participate in GE STEM Conference
On Wednesday, October 2, seven students joined 140 other students from the Cleveland area for GE Lighting's Third Annual Women in STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Math) Conference, held at the Cleveland Botanical Gardens.

Students listened to such prominent speakers Ms. Maryrose Sylvester, GE Lighting President and CEO, and Ms. Kali Taylor, Student Energy Executive Director. They were also able to participate in a question-and-answer session with a panel of current college students who are majoring in STEM fields. FULL STORY

Upperclass Ceremony Formally Welcomes Juniors to Higher Rank
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There is no school on this date. Faculty and Staff are attending an all-day retreat off campus.

**October 23**
The [all-school test day](http://archive.constantcontact.com/fs137/1111082143500/archive/1115122380062.html) is being held on this date. For specific information on rooms and times, please [click here](http://archive.constantcontact.com/fs137/1111082143500/archive/1115122380062.html).

**Attention Students:** If you would like to earn service hours by serving a meal at [Laura's Home](http://archive.constantcontact.com/fs137/1111082143500/archive/1115122380062.html), please sign up outside the Core Ministry Office. Laura's Home serves women and children who are in-crisis by providing safety, food and shelter.

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In a room packed with family, friends and fellow classmates, the 174 members of the junior class formally became upperclasswomen on Wednesday, October 2, during an afternoon ceremony that included pomp, circumstance and prayer. The junior leadership team of Sarah Reardon, Mary McKenna, Halle Armstrong and Grace Hendryx were joined by Senior Leadership Team members Bella Koussa, Caroline Mills and Julie Minich. Students solemnly lit candles representing the community of SJA (a purple candle), building a caring community (white), the senior class (blue) and the junior class (a red candle).

Principal Jeff Sutliff and President Mary Ann Corrigan-Davis ’71, handed each junior a red rose and her class ring.

Audrey Rieman’s ring has special meaning: the gold band with a sparkling purple stone is her mother’s SJA ring. Her mother, Sharon Ward Rieman, graduated in 1972. Her grandmother, Corinne Zurlinden Ward was a 1936 graduate.

“It has meant a lot to me to share in the SJA legacy,” shared Audrey.

Congratulations to all the juniors. Or should we say, all the upperclasswomen!

**Mandarin Chinese Students Celebrate Confucius's Birthday!**

[L-R: Juniors Elise DeGidio, Alexis Bloor and Ally Curtin.](http://archive.constantcontact.com/fs137/1111082143500/archive/1115122380062.html)

Audrey Rieman ‘15 and Sharon Ward Rieman ’72.
On this day, conference times are available from 3:30-8 p.m. Meetings are by appointment only. An email with details on how to register online is being sent home this week by Dean of Women Marie Ciolek. Questions? Please contact Ms. Ciolek at mciolkek@sja1890.org.

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**October 20**
*Academy Parents* is holding a "Terrace Tailgate" party at 3:30 p.m. on the Howley Terrace. RSVP by Wednesday, October 16, to: Colleen Stanton Hecht.

Maryann Violand or Annmarie Pahler. Adults only, please. All are welcome! Come get involved.

**October 23**
This is the second of two days available for Parent-Teacher conferences. On this day, conference times are available from 1:30-3:30 p.m. Meetings are by appointment only. An email with details on how to register online is being sent home this week by Dean of Women Marie Ciolek. Questions? Please contact Ms. Ciolek at mciolkek@sja1890.org.

The all-school test day is being held on this date. For specific information on rooms and times, please click here. Parents, special arrangements may have to be made for transportation.

**Admissions Events:**

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A Visit Day for girls in the 5th, 6th and 7th grades is being held from 9 a.m.-noon. See story in this issue. For more information or to register, visit www.sja1890.org/admissionevents.

**October 17**
The SJA Basketball Team is hosting its annual "Father/daughter basketball night" for 5th-8th grade students. The clinic is $20 and all participants will receive an SJA basketball T-shirt.

Chinese II and Honor Chinese IV students were among 600 students and teachers who last week attended the Teacher Appreciation Day & Celebration in Honor of Confucius’ Birthday event. The cultural celebration, hosted by the Confucius Institute at Cleveland State University, was held at CSU’s Waetjen Auditorium. Students were accompanied by World Languages teacher Megan Hsiao.

The Confucius Institute presented appreciation awards to participants. Highlights of the visit were the performances from 14 area schools that focused on the Chinese culture.

"We are planning next year to be among the performers," shared Pilar Yesares ’16. "This was so much fun!"

"It was so interesting to learn about Confucius and watch the performances," added Mary Beth Keck ’15.

**SJA+ Google Chromebook Insurance Offered at Group Rate**

Parents or other adults interested in third-party insurance for students’ Google Chromebooks, distributed as part of the SJA+ Digital Learning Initiative at the start of the school year, now have an easy option, according to Information Technology Director Kyle Laauser.

"Many parents contacted Worth Ave. Insurance and that company has reached out and offered a special plan and group rate for Saint Joseph Academy families," shared Mr. Laauser. Full Story

**Blood Drive Held in Conjunction With American Red Cross**

The auditorium was filled with slightly nervous students - and adults! - Thursday as the Key Club held its annual Blood Drive in partnership with the American Red Cross.
Go to www.sja1890.org/admissionevents to register.

"I am so proud of all the students who volunteered!" shared Math Teacher and Unity Club moderator Courtney Koz.

Tayler Valentine '15, "couldn't wait" to donate blood.

SPOTLIGHT

Junior Is Volunteer at Playhouse Square

Who: Julia Heidler '15

What: Julia is one of a select group of high school students chosen to participate in the STARS program through Playhouse Square. This is her second year in STARS. Julia ushers and answers patrons’ questions about the Playhouse Square theaters and the Broadway Series. "I like watching plays and am looking forward to seeing the amazing shows in the Broadway Series, including 'Wicked,' 'Sleeping Beauty' and 'Once,'" shared Julia, who also finds time to be in SJA’s Concert Band and Jazz Band.

Fun Facts: Julia plans on studying to be a pediatric nurse. "Volunteering at Playhouse Square was such an amazing experience that I wanted to find more places where I could spend my time helping others. I ended up volunteering at Fairview Hospital. I discovered that I truly enjoy helping others and being in a hospital setting."

SJA Visit Day Is October 11

Jaguars! Spread the news about the Visit Day on Friday, October 11 from 9 a.m.-noon for girls in 5th, 6th and 7th grades. The day features classes taught by SJA faculty, including "Puzzled by Math?," "United States Bingo," "World Language Jeopardy," "Do and Don't Poems" and "Who Am I in the Bible?"

Visitors will also receive a tour of the SJA campus, the new Dining Hall, the Howley Terrace and The Scholars’ Porch.

For more information or to register, visit www.sja1890.org/admissionevents or contact Vice President for Enrollment & Marketing Diane Kanney.

This Week’s Winners Announced; October 10 Is Next Jaguar Jackpot Deadline

The following are winners for the first Jaguar Jackpot raffle drawing:

Kris Carroll sold by Maggie Carroll - Ticket #08109
Sara Perez sold by Chase Perez - Ticket #17676
Greg Waltos sold by Melissa Waltos - Ticket #01680
Marino DiMarco sold by Ashley DiMarco - Ticket #01301

Each winner will receive $500 and each student seller will receive $50. These payments will be made by the Finance Office next week. Congratulations to our sellers and winners!

The second Jaguar Jackpot drawing will be on Thursday, October 10. To participate in the third Jaguar Jackpot drawing on October 17, please make sure to bring your tickets and money by Thursday, October 10, to the Finance Office in order to be included.

All tickets and money for the raffle should be returned to the Finance Office, Room 126, from 7:30 a.m. until 4 p.m. Monday through Friday. Make sure to wait for a receipt!

Questions? Call or email Mrs. Beverly LaPolla at 216.251.6788
October 27 Is Our Fall Open House

Spread the news that Sunday, October 27, is the Saint Joseph Academy Fall Open House! The open house is being held from 1-4 p.m. and prospective Jaguars and their families will be treated to tours by current Saint Joseph Academy students. Additionally, tourgoers will have the opportunity to attend an academic session led by Principal Jeff Sutliff. Members of the faculty, athletic coaches and administration will be available for questions.

In order to be matched up with a student tour guide with similar interests, we recommend that prospective students sign up in advance at www.sja1890.org/openhouse.

Go Jaguars!

SPORTS

Soccer
Last week, both Varsity and Junior Varsity lost to Kirkland High School. Goals were scored by senior Ali DeCrane, assisted by junior Amanda Burns. Senior goalie Courtney Kuntz had 12 saves.

On September 28, Varsity won 5-1 against Elyria High School. Goals were scored by junior Grace Reinhold, junior Isabella Morini, senior Nicole (Coco) Rave and junior Amanda Burns (two goals). JV won 3-0 against Elyria. Goals were scored by freshmen Kayla Tomm, Liz Heneghan and Bailey Brogan, assisted by sophomore Hanna Simmerly and freshman Serena Russo.

Volleyball
Varsity went 2-2, losing to Gilmour Academy and then winning 2 out of 3 matches at the Elyria Quad, beating Elyria 25-16, 26-20 and Avon High School 25-19, 25-19, but losing to Olmsted Falls. Emily Maxwell '14 led the team with 26 kills. Jordan Kortowich '15 led the team in digs with 35. Alison Rogozinski '14 had 81 assists to lead the team.


Golf
On Monday, September 23, the team played against Rocky River High School at Big Met Golf Course. The Jaguars were victorious with a score of 186 to 214. Kaitlin Rose '15 was the medalist with a 42 and Lauren Zawie '17 was second with a score of 46. Emily Skodny '15 and Rachael Barendt '15 helped the team effort by playing in the 5th and 6th spot.

In the last match of the season on Thursday, October 26, the Jaguars played at the Westwood Country Club against Bay and Rocky River high schools. The team came out on top with a score of 184 to 210 for Bay and 214 for River. Lindsey Keefe '14 was our medalist with a score of 41. She scored a birdie on the 9th hole to help her win the match. Hannah Hill '16 and Clare Tirpak '15 helped the team win by scoring in the 5th and 6th positions.

Tennis
Varsity went 1-2 over the past week, falling to Beaumont and North Canton Hoover, and beating Revere on Senior Night at Jefferson Park. In their final home match, the Jaguars took on a strong Revere team. Brooke Kahl '14 got the Jaguars off to a strong start with a 6-1, 7-5 victory at second singles. After dropping the other singles matches, the second doubles team of Grace Powers '14/Allison Saracina '15 pulled out a tough 6-4, 7-5 win to knot the match at two courts each. The team match came down to a pair of Jaguar seniors playing their final home match at first doubles, Emily Rouse '14 and Sidney Ruebensaal '14. After dropping their first set in a tiebreaker, Emily and Sidney played two of their best sets of the season to rally for a 6-7, 6-2, 6-2 win and give the team the deciding court for a 3-2 win.
JV went 2-1 during the week, with wins over Beaumont and Revere, and a loss to Brush. In a 3-2 victory over Beaumont, Angela Cicero '17 led the Jaguars with a 6-0, 6-2 win at first singles. The teams of Molly McAfee '15/Brittany Hegeman '15 and Grace Hendryx '15/Caroline Saracina '17 added doubles victories. Grace and Caroline rallied for a 2-6, 7-5, 12-10 (tie-break set) victory to pull out the team win for the Jaguars. In a 5-0 victory over Revere, Abigail Riley '15 rallied for a 2-6, 7-6, 10-6 (tie-break set) victory at third singles. Shaikara Stephens '14/Brittany Hegeman '15 won 6-3, 6-2 at first doubles and Ciara McGlynn '14 won 6-2, 6-2 at first doubles. Shaikara and Halli Grunder '14 also picked up singles wins in a 3-2 loss at Brush.

**Cross Country**

On Friday, September 27, the team traveled to Gilmour Academy for the Paul Primeau Invitational, heralded as the "state's oldest cross country meet." In a field of 18 teams, the Jaguars came home with a 3rd place trophy.

Employing a team strategy of starting together for a mile, then trying to catch people the last two miles, freshman Maggie Wagner moved all the way from 51st place to 6th place in the last two miles, to tie her lifetime best of 19:51. Seniors Rachel McGuire and Alesha Vovk also moved up from the 50s to 14th and 21st places respectively. Running in her first Varsity race in three weeks, senior Maddie Zimmerman finished 4th for the Jaguars in 45th place. Junior Lauren Marconi was 5th in 49th place.

JV defended its title from last year, dominated the race with 30 points vs. 82 points for runner-up Bay. Junior Mallory Fahey and freshman Mary Hyland finished 2nd and 3rd overall, followed by sophomore Bridget McGuire (6th), seniors Shannon Stauffer and Molly Moore (9th and 10th), and freshmen Katie Pellegrino, Alana Vovk, and Ellen Vichell finishing 11th, 12th and 15th.

Freshman Annie Wolodzko was voted Team Runner of the Meet for her big break-through. Annie took nearly two minutes off her all-time best and broke the 30-minute barrier (and the 29-minute barrier) for the first time ever in 28:59.

The team next competes at the Legends Invitational on Saturday, October 5, at the Trumbull County Fairgrounds.

**Crew**

Crew traveled to Toledo on October 28 and 29 for the Frogtown Regatta. The Novice 4+ Crew of Maggie Sullivan '17, Becca Gentile '15, Emily Barni '17, Molly Miller '17 and coxswain Makenna Hickey '17 won their event with a commanding 61-second lead over second-place Ann Arbor Huron (Mich.) High School. The Novice 8+ had another strong race, but a buoy violation dropped the crew to 5th overall. The Second Varsity 4+ found the podium for the second straight week. The crew of Julia Herrel '15, Sarah Johanek '15, Kelsey O'Donnell '14, Anne Grove '14 and coxswain Mackenzie Schoenherr '15 finished second behind Dublin Crew (Ohio).

The next Regatta is Saturday, October 12, in Columbus.

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