Art Students Winners in Citywide Graphic Arts Competition

Three SJA students were awarded honorable mention this week in the annual Graphic Arts Council of Cleveland competition in graphic design and printing. The competition, called the Benny Awards, is open to any high school student involved in commercial art, graphic design, computer graphics, printing, journalism or communications programs in the Northeast Ohio area.

The three students receiving honorable mention are Lizzie Essi '15, Emily Skodny '15 and Victoria Smith '17, all working under the direction of Visual and Performing Arts teacher Mrs. Beth Pleban.

A ceremony honoring the winners was held Thursday at the Cuyahoga Valley Center in Brecksville.

"This was such an honor. I was very excited when I found out I had received an Honorable Mention," shared Lizzie, who won for a work titled "Letter Bird."

'Senior Silent Retreat' Resets Priorities, Brings Students Closer to God, Stronger in Faith

The second annual 'Senior Silent Retreat' was difficult at first, but spiritually rewarding at its completion, shared the eight seniors who made the retreat held last weekend at the Congregation of St. Joseph Center.

Parent Events:

FYI

PowerSchool will not show third quarter grades for one week after Semester 1 (finals were this week), so parents may still check their daughter’s progress for the last week of Quarter 2, the exam grades and the Semester 1 final grades. Once report cards are

Full Story

L-R: Caroline Mills, Alyssa Zieleniewski, Liz Millar, Emmy Ernst, Alison Rogozinski, Emily Maxwell, Shannon Stauffer, Stephanie Gorsek and CORE Ministry theology teacher Miss Elizabeth Pillari.
Parents: Please Join Us for 'National Catholic Schools Week' Mass

Parents, join us for mass on Wednesday, January 29, at 1:30 p.m. as we celebrate all who make the SJA community special - parents, students, Sisters from the Congregation of St. Joseph, faculty and staff. The mass is part of the celebrations of Catholic Schools Week, held from January 26 to February 1, 2014. The theme is "Catholic Schools: Communities of Faith, Knowledge and Service."

SJA's celebrations include focusing on service on Monday; parent appreciation on Tuesday; the mass on Wednesday; student appreciation on Thursday; and on Friday, giving thanks for SJA's adult community.

If you would like to attend, please RSVP for the mass at rsvp@sja1890.org. For more information on the national celebration, including the daily themes, please go here.

SPOTLIGHT
Sophomore Honored for Volunteer Service

Unity Catholic Federal Credit Scholarship Applications Being Accepted

Applications are currently being accepted for the James E. Flynn Memorial Scholarship, sponsored by Unity Catholic Federal Credit Union. This scholarship awards $7,000 to support Catholic Education within the Diocese of Cleveland. Awards are:

- Four $500 Scholarships to students Kindergarten through 8th grade
- Five $1,000 Scholarships to students 9th - 12th grade

The student must be a member of Unity Catholic Federal Credit Union. If you don't have an account, one may be opened for only $5.

The deadline for the Scholarship is April 1, 2014. Applications may be picked up at any Unity credit union office or at www.unitycatholiccu.org.
Who: Sophomore Olivia Rivard
What: Youth Challenge Volunteer of the Month.

Fun facts: Youth Challenge is a sports and recreation program for about 160 youth with physical disabilities between the ages of 4 and 18. The program brings together those participants with youth volunteers, enriching everyone through one-on-one participation in adapted sports and recreational activities.

Olivia has been a volunteer since the fall of 2010. She was honored as the October volunteer of the month for the West Side.

"I love working with Youth Challenge and really enjoy all the people I meet," shared Olivia, who also is involved with SJA's Cooking Club, ECO and art activities.

Congratulations, Olivia!

SPORTS

Basketball
On January 18, the Jaguars defeated Youngstown Ursuline 52-19. Junior Brittany Morrison led the way with 14 points, 8 rebounds, and 3 steals. Senior Grace Mullen, although scoring only 2 points, added 6 rebounds, 2 assists, and played a solid floor game.
On January 20, the Jaguars defeated Gilmour Academy 63-52 before a large crowd at St. Edward High School. The Jaguars controlled the game from start to finish. Senior Greta Burry led the way with 17 points, 7 rebounds, and 3 steals. Sophomore Natasha Martinez had 13 points, 6 rebounds, and 2 steals. Senior Nicole McManamon added 11 points, 4 assists, and 2 steals. Junior Brittany Morrison dominated the glass with 16 rebounds.
Click here for the full 2013-14 schedule.

Swimming/Diving
Click here for the full 2013-14 schedule.

Rugby
There will be a meeting on Thursday, January 30, at 7 p.m. in the auditorium for all those interested in playing on SJA's rugby team.

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