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Senior Panoramic Picture, 11 a.m. Formal Uniform for seniors. Cost to order: $16. Forms will be in the front office.

45 Juniors and Seniors Inducted into National Honor Society

Forty-five juniors and seniors were inducted into the National Honor Society (NHS) this week, standing before fellow students, faculty and family as they pledged to continue maintaining a high scholastic standing and to be compassionate and courageous leaders.

Full Story

Student Wellness Survey to be Conducted on Thursday, April 24

Because Saint Joseph Academy recognizes the need to care for and educate the whole student, we will be conducting a Student Wellness Survey on April 24, Principal Jeff Sutliff announced.

"The data from this survey will be used to identify areas of student and school community concerns and needs, including the role and influence of spiritual, moral, family and community support in our students' lives. The information will help us take steps to better meet the needs of the young women in our care," shared Mr. Sutliff, who today sent a letter to all parents explaining the survey.

The survey will be comprised of about 100 multiple choice questions and is based on the Independent School Health Check, in collaboration with partners from the National Coalition of Girls' Schools. About a third of the questions on the survey are identical to questions asked in the Youth Behavior Risk Survey being administered by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention to public school students.

"Some of the topics to be addressed will be charism of Saint Joseph Academy, prayer life, academic pressure, academic achievement, homework and multi-tasking, sleep, internet use, and attitudes about school, teachers and parents,"
April 30
Early Dismissal, 2 p.m.
Talent Show, 7-8 p.m., in the auditorium.

May 1
Paws for Pride walk-through for family and friends, 6-8 p.m.

May 2
Paws For Pride day (students only), 8 a.m.-3 p.m.

May 6
Save the Date to hear the Academy Chorale perform the National Anthem at the Indians game against the Minnesota Twins. Starts at 7:05 p.m. Tickets are $20 (face value $26). Order them here. Deadline: May 1.

Parent Events:

2014-15 Calendar
Here are the important dates for the 2014-2015 academic year. If you have questions, please email Dean of Women Marie Ciolek.

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May 1

Don't Miss Spring Play "Little Women" This Weekend, April 11, 12 and 13

Be sure to attend the spring play "Little Women," being performed tonight, tomorrow and Sunday at SJA. The production, starring senior Karianne Stanton as Jo, illustrates how a family of strong young women survive adversity and thrive by being true to themselves.

Performances are at 7:30 p.m. today, April 11, and tomorrow, Saturday, April 12; and at 2:30 on Sunday, April 13. Tickets are $10 General Admission, $5 Seniors and Students. Tickets can be purchased at the door.

To all the cast and crew ... break a leg!

Spring Open House Is This Sunday
Do you know any 6th or 7th grade students interested in attending Saint Joseph Academy? Our Spring Open House is being held this Sunday, April 13, from noon to 2 p.m. Guided tours of campus will be provided, as well as an opportunity to meet our faculty, coaches, and current students. All are welcome! Registration link is here.

Teacher Attends NASA Event With Astronaut, Other Science Instructors

Thanks to a lesson plan on aerospace engineering that set her apart from hundreds of other candidates nationally, science teacher Mary Ellen Foley Scott '76 was one of only 30 teachers awarded a grant from Northrop Grummon Corp., to attend a luncheon in Boston with NASA astronaut Joseph Acaba.

"One of the many highlights of the trip was the opportunity to meet Mr. Acaba, a former science teacher and astronaut," shared Mrs. Scott. Full Story

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Visit the SJA booth at the fifth annual Hooley on Kamm’s Corners, noon to 8 p.m! Bring the little ones to enjoy face-painting and balloon characters by SJA students.

Admissions Events:

Today
Don't miss "Easter at the Academy" for girls in grades 2-5, 6-7:30 p.m. $5 fee per girl. Crafts, games ... and maybe a visit from the Easter Bunny or Josie the Jaguar?! For more information, go here.

Sunday
Spread the word! SJA's Spring Opener House is this Sunday, noon-2 p.m. Join us to learn more about Saint Joseph Academy. Guided tours of campus will be provided, as well as an opportunity to meet our faculty, coaches, and current students. All are welcome. Registration link is here.

May 9
Learn to be a leader while having fun! Let friends and family know about Leadership, 8:30 a.m.-2 p.m. 6th & 7th grade girls spend a day at the Academy learning what it takes to be a strong leader in today's world. $10. Lunch included. Register here.

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As Christians get closer to the solemnity of Holy Thursday, Good Friday and Holy Saturday, it is important that we reflect on the true meaning of Easter. Please join us for "An Evening of Reflection for Women," being held this Monday, April 14, from 6-9 p.m. at SJA. The topic is "Sacred Wounds." The presentation and discussion will be led by Sister Phyllis DiUccia, SSJ, the Vice President of Mission at SJA. Conversation will focus on the quote "By his wounds we are healed." Isaiah 53:5. Sister Phyllis is a talented and insightful presenter and the evening is guaranteed to be inspirational.

"We learn from Jesus that wounds and pain can become pathways to new life," shared Sister Phyllis. "Even in resurrected life, the disciples recognized Jesus by His wounds. Because of Jesus, wounds can become sacred, true gifts for our lives, and channels of transformation for us and our world."

Cost to attend is $20 and includes supper. Please join with other women for an evening of input, reflection and conversation as they explore the Paschal Mystery during this holiest of seasons.

Please RSVP by Sunday, April 13 here, or contact Alumnae Director Mary Ann Fischer ’66 at 216.619.1653, email her at maf@sja1890.org.

Cleveland Clinic Executive Is Keynote Speaker at Next Week's Women's Leadership Symposium

Award-winning and nationally respected health care leader K. Kelly Hancock, the Cleveland Clinic's Executive Chief Nursing Officer, will be the keynote speaker at the 7th Annual Women's Leadership Symposium, being held next Wednesday, April 16, at the school. The daylong symposium provides students with "real world" advice from females in such professions as medical, legal, engineering, science, financial and philanthropic pursuits. Mrs. Hancock is the mother of Amanda Hancock ’17.

In addition to Mrs. Hancock's keynote address, more than 50 professional women are scheduled to speak to students in "Career Breakout Sessions." They represent careers as varied as doctors, nurses, allied health professionals, accountants, attorneys, entrepreneurs, educators, judges, bankers, scientists, marketing experts and professional artists.

The keynote address start the day's activities that also include a panel discussion titled "Leadership in Action: Health Sciences." Panel participants are: Mrs. Cherrie Van Uum Friedman ’80, owner of Friedman Search Group, LLC, Dr. Debbie Ghazoul-Mills ’79 (mother of Alex Mills ’13, Caroline Mills ’14), Medical Director, Cleveland Clinic Westlake Pediatrics, and Mrs. Cheryl Hagan O’Malley ’77, Vice President of Patient Services, St. John Medical Center.

Easter at the Academy is Tonight!

There's still time to gather up your little bunnies and join us at SJA for the popular event "Easter at the Academy!" The fun starts tonight, April 11, for girls in grades 2-5, at 6 p.m. in the Dining Hall. For 90 minutes, participants will enjoy such fun events as an Easter egg hunt, Easter-themed crafts, and a coloring contest. There is a $5 fee per student.

We could say "Hop on down!" but we won't. We'll settle for ... join us!
SPOTLIGHT
Senior Becomes U.S. Citizen

Who: Mi Wain '14

What: Mi Wain came to the United States in 2008 with her family, which includes four brothers, four sisters and her parents. The family had been living in a refugee camp in Burma. The organization Refugee Response helped them move to Cleveland.

Fun Facts: Mi Wain was born in Thailand. "I feel like I belong and I am attached to this country!" she shared, adding that she still has an aunt and a grandmother living in Burma.

Mi Wain studied for the citizenship test for about a month, but has been studying English since she arrived. "My social studies courses at SJA really helped me," she added.

"Cleveland is cool. I have more freedoms and opportunities!"

Mi Wain plans on attending Cuyahoga Community College, and will be taking English as a Second Language courses. "Everyone at Saint Joseph Academy has helped me so much. I am so grateful. I love this school and hope college will have the same kind of community," she said.

Congratulations, Mi Wain!

SPORTS

Crew
The Jaguar Crew raced this past Saturday against Shaker Heights High School and the Cleveland Youth Rowing Association (CYRA). The Freshmen 8+ of Maggie Sullivan '17, Molly Miller '17, Emily Barni '17, Emily Essi '17, Anne-Marie Crawmer '17, MaryGrace Millar '17, Maxine McGuire '17, Sophia Leonard '17, and coxswain Emma Gassman '17 finished the day with a 3-0 record.

The Second Varsity 8+ of Sadie Frohnapple '16, Charlotte Rouse '15, Hannah Smith '14, Grace Rienhold '15, Abby Brunori '15, Bridget Koehl '16, Allie Palotta '15, Annmarie Brady '16, and coxswain Morgan Clark '15 raced to a 2-1 record, with one second-place finish behind the SJA 3rd Varsity 8+ entry.

The Varsity 8+ started the year with one win and two close second place finishes while the 2nd Freshman 8+ finished with a 1-2 record.

The rowers travel to Marietta, Ohio, tomorrow, April 12, for the Lindamood Cup Regatta.

The 2013-14 schedule can be found here.

Track & Field
Jaguars finished 4th of 8 teams at the 2nd annual Jaguar Invitational hosted by SJA this past Saturday. Top performers included; sophomore Monica Hahn (2nd in 100 hurdles); senior Gab Leon (2nd in the 100 dash); freshman Maggie Wagner (3rd 1600); senior Becca Sedlak (3rd 400 meter dash); senior Alesha Vovk (3rd in high jump); sophomore Bridget McGuire, who was 3rd in pole vault, 3rd in the 4 x 800m relay, 3rd in the 4 x 200 relay, 2nd in the 4 x 100 relay.

JV took on the Varsity programs from Our Lady of Elms and Akron Garfield this past Tuesday. The team performed well and won the meet on depth and distance running. The team of Alana Vovk '17, Emma Stalder '16, Lauren Marconi '15 and Victoria Bonca '15 won the 4 x 800m relay. Lauren also won the 1600m run. Freshman Mary Hyland won the 800m run, and senior Alessia Saul won the 3200m run.

There will be split squad competitions on Saturday, April 12. Varsity is at the Nordonia Relays; Junior Varsity is at Bedford High School.

The 2013-14 schedule can be found here.

Rugby
Jaguars had an outstanding win over Lakewood with a final score of 30-5 last Sunday. The six tries scored by the Jaguars were completed by Annie Rolf '17, Claire Reddy '14, Ali DeCrane '14 and Casi Manuszk '15. Maiden of the Match was awarded to Annie Rolf '17, who not only was announced as a starting rookie, but scored two tries in her first league game.

The 2013-14 schedule can be found here.

Softball
On Saturday, the Jaguars traveled to Medina Highland to take on the Hornets in a frigid double header. The Jaguars lost the first game 2-0, even though Jaguar pitcher Brenna Heffernan '15 pitched a 2-hitter. The Jaguars also lost the second game 7-2. Jaguar shortstop Marianna Caraballo '15 went 2-3, with a BB and an RBI in the game.

The 2013-14 schedule can be found here.