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Yearbook Class Field Trip
Columbus Zoo and Aquarium, 6:45 a.m.-4:15 p.m.

Wednesday, October 3
Early Dismissal, 2 p.m.

Thursday, October 4
Parent Teacher Conferences, 3:30-8:30 p.m.
Click here to register.

Friday, October 5
No School/Office Open

Seniors Become One with Nature

This week, Seniors had the chance to "get away from it all" and spend a day in God's reflection. While on retreat, the Seniors reflected, prayed, listened and hiked through the picturesque Rocky River Reservation - Cleveland Metroparks.

"In the Christian tradition, nature has often been a place of encounter with God and with ourselves. Our lives are so filled with noise that we rarely pause to listen to the sounds of creation and to the voice of God," shared CORE Ministry Department Chair and teacher Ms. Alison Barberic '01.

"My favorite part of the retreat was how much freedom we had in learning about our personal growth. It was focused on finding ourselves and using nature to benefit our personal growth. I learned that if you ever need inspiration or a break from school or work, nature is a really beautiful way to destress and gain new ideas," voiced Kara Whalen '19.
Name: Julia Hontaruk-Levko ‘19

Accomplishments:
Julia Hontaruk-Levko is a Semifinalist in the 64th annual National Merit Scholarship Program, with the chance to receive 7,500 National Merit® Scholarships worth nearly $32 million that will be offered next spring. Julia has already completed five Advanced Placement (AP) classes, adding two more this year. She also recently earned the AP Scholar with Distinction Award, the program’s highest recognition. This past summer, she attended the Yale Young Global Scholars (YYGS) Program, where she was selected and attended the Politics, Law and Economics session at Yale University. Julia was also the only high school intern with Nurenberg Paris Nurenberg, Paris, Heller & McCarthy law firm over the summer.

“My favorite classes have been my social sciences and English courses because of my teachers and the ways they enable me to engage with the material. Because of this personal connection, I am inspired to pursue law, economics and public policy, all of which are areas where social science and English combine to communicate ideas and change the world.”

Activities & Interests: Julia is a member of Model United Nations (UN), Concert Band, $25,000 is Just a Ticket Away!
We are almost to the halfway point in the Jaguar Jackpot raffle! Congratulations to all those students who have already sold 30 or more tickets and are wearing “Joe’s Clothes” and being entered in our daily drawings for great prizes.

These students who have sold their 30 or more tickets are now entered in our drawing for a $2,500 tuition credit for the 2018-2019 school year. Every 30 tickets sold gives you an extra chance to win! Don't let your daughter to miss out - keep encouraging her to sell her Jaguar Jackpot tickets!

Tickets may be turned in during Activity Blocks in Room 041 through Friday, October 12 at noon.

Only Ohio residents may purchase online tickets through Sunday, October 14, 11:59 p.m. (EST).

Grand Prize drawing to be held on Monday, October 15. Good luck!

Please contact Special Gifts Coordinator Mrs. Michelle Rattay Tarr ‘75 or Advancement Assistant Mrs. Donna Corrigan Ernst ’80 with any questions.

Reminder: This is the only required fundraiser for the 2018-2019 school year. You will be billed for the balance of unsold tickets after the drawing.

Parent Teacher Conferences: Thursday, October 4
Parent Teacher Conferences will be held on Thursday, October 4 from 3:30 p.m.-8:30 p.m.

An online appointment system will be used for these conferences. Parents/guardians are invited to sign up for ten minute appointments with any or all of your daughter's teachers. If you feel that you need more than ten minutes to meet with your daughter's teacher(s), please email them directly to set up a conference for another day.

Please note conferences are not mandatory. You only need to schedule appointments with teachers you feel it necessary to see.

To sign up for an appointment please click here.

You will be asked to select your daughter's teachers and enter your information including an email address.

If you do not have internet access or you have any questions, please contact the Main Office at 216.251.6788 or email Dean of Women Ms. Marie Ciolek.

Model UN Students Hear Presentation on Women in Peace and Security

Last Friday, seven students who participate in Model United Nations (UN) attended the Friday Forum at the City Club of Cleveland to hear Ms. Sanam Naraghi-Anderlini speak about the role of women in peace and security. Ms. Naraghi-Anderlini is the Co-Founder and Executive Director of International Civil Society Action Network (ICAN). She spearheads the Women's Alliance for Security Leadership (WASL) with
Model UN students meet with Sanam Naraghi-Anderlini at the City Club of Cleveland

"The purpose of this trip was to learn about the role women have in peace negotiations and how women around the world have been mistreated and looked down upon in societies around the globe. Ms. Naraghi-Anderlini's presentation was on how women around the world have been pushed aside in dire situations of peace and conflict for so long. This was important because many people don't realize that women make up such a small percentage of negotiators in peace talks (9% between 1992 and 2011)," shared Frances Marshall '21.

Students Celebrate Hispanic Heritage Month

On Tuesday, the Saint Joseph Academy community celebrated Hispanic Heritage Month in the Arcade, complete with Spanish music and dancing, coloring, jewelry making, lots of food and homemade guacamole by Señor Saurwein.

"The reason this event is so important is because the Academy is so diverse, and we wanted to give students an insight into the culture," shared Nicole Correa '19. Click here for more photos.

All-School Test Day: Wednesday, October 10

Wednesday, October 10 is an all-school testing day at Saint Joseph Academy. Students in Grades 9, 10 and 11 will take standardized assessments, while the Seniors will use this day for college planning. Click here to read the letter sent to parents/guardians.

Please review the approximate dismissal times as you arrange transportation for your daughter. Freshmen will be dismissed at approximately 11:30 a.m. Sophomores and Juniors will be dismissed at 12 p.m. The Dining Hall will be closed on all-school testing day.

Seasonal Flu Vaccine Clinic Available to Students: Wednesday, October 17

Healthy Schools will be visiting on Wednesday, October 17 to administer seasonal flu vaccine to students at no cost.

The flu shot will be given to all students who turn in a consent form. Your daughter has been given information...
regarding the program, along with the consent form. If you wish for your daughter to participate in the flu shot program at school, please complete the consent form and return it to the Main Office at your earliest convenience. For more information, please contact Healthy Schools at 1.800.566.0596.

Register for Raising Financially Responsible Children Event: Thursday, October 18

Join us for a special evening of conversation Thursday, October 18, 6:30 p.m. at Saint Joseph Academy as we kick off our series of complimentary educational events for our alumnae, parents and friends.

In this popular seminar, Luna Wealth advisors Heather Ettinger and Christopher Isabella P’19 provide valuable tips and money lessons to parents/guardians and grandparents to help guide their children's management of money at any age. They'll offer ideas about giving your children an allowance, teaching them about saving for the future and keeping their money safe.

In a fun and interactive session, you will learn:

- Why teaching your children about money is important
- The keys for successful conversations
- Money lessons for every age
- Tools and resources for support

Admission is free; however, space is limited so reservations are required. Click here to register.

Do You Know an 8th Grade Girl Considering Attending Saint Joseph Academy?

Help us spread the word that shadowing is a great way for an 8th grade girl to experience what it is like to be a student at Saint Joseph Academy. The experience provides an opportunity for a shadow student to spend a full school day at the Academy, attending classes alongside a current Academy student, touring the beautiful campus and meeting our amazing teachers and students.

There are select dates for shadowing through Thursday, November 29. Click here for shadowing day registration.

Also, our Open House will be held on Sunday, October 21, 1-4 p.m. Guided tours of campus will be provided, as well as an opportunity to meet our amazing faculty, coaches and current students. Upon arrival, prospective students will matched with a current student who shares similar interests. Please arrive anytime between 1 and 3:45 p.m. for a tour. No advanced registration is required.

Athletics

Cross Country Captures Title at JB Firestone Invitational

The cross country team captured the team title at the JB Firestone Invitational last Saturday. The meet was held at Black River High School and marked the second straight year the Jaguars came home with the title. The Jaguars’ depth led the team with runners finishing in spots 8-11.

Leading the way for the Academy was Elizabeth Starck ’21 (8th), Carlee Blankenship ’22 (9th), Colette Conway ’21 (10th) and Lizzie McGuire ’21 (11th). Bridget Boland ’21 also placed for the Academy in 17th place. The team races on Friday, September 28 in the Paul Primeau Gilmour Invitational at Gilmour Academy.

Tennis Sweeps Lake Ridge Academy

The Jaguar tennis team picked up win #10 on the season with a 5-0 home victory over Lake Ridge Academy. The doubles teams didn't drop a game of Cassie Van Etten '19 and Abby Weaver '19 picked up their team-leading 20th win of the season. Kerrigan Ponsart ’20 finished strong by winning the final nine games of her match after trailing 4-5 in the first set, while Mary Kate Kahl ’21 also cruised to a straight sets victory. The match of the day was at first singles where Melissa Martin ’20 defeated Division II district qualifier Ally Cui 1-6, 6-1, 10-8. The Academy is now 10-5 and returns to Northeast Ohio Tennis Association (NEOTA) league play on Monday, October 1 with a match at Aurora at Barrington Country Club.
Varsity Sailing Places Eighth in Foundry #2 Regatta
The Junior Varsity (JV) and Varsity Sailing teams competed in The Foundry #2 regatta at the Historic Coast Guard Station last weekend. There were eight races set up for each Varsity group division and four for the JV division. The Varsity team placed eighth out of 18 teams with a score of 147 points. JV placed second out of seven teams with a score of 20 points.

This past weekend was also the Cressy Singlehanded National Qualifiers in Holland, Michigan. Saint Joseph Academy was represented at this regatta by Grace Quasebarth ’20. Although wind conditions made it a challenge to sail, she ended up placing 35th overall, which was around mid-fleet. The Jaguars will be back in action this Saturday, September 29 and Sunday, September 30 competing at the MISSA Great Oak Qualifier in Westerville, Ohio.

Volleyball Drops First North Coast League Match
The volleyball Jaguars dropped their first North Coast League (NCL) match of the season as they fell to #3 ranked Padua Franciscan High School on Wednesday, September 26 27-25, 25-13, 25-17. The Jaguars will get right back on the court as they host Villa Angela-St. Joseph tonight, Thursday, September 27 in another NCL match. The Academy is currently 13-4 overall and 7-1 in NCL play.

Varsity Golf Defeats Padua Franciscan Bruins
The Varsity Golf team was led by Seniors Maddy Macalla's 49 and Mollie Tirpak's 49 including holing out her second shot on #8 for a birdie! The team takes on Bay and Rocky River High Schools for a tri-match tonight, Thursday, September 27 at Westwood Country Club.

Varsity Soccer Falls to Walsh Jesuit Warriors
Jaguars fall 6-0 to the Walsh Jesuit Warriors. Next game for Saint Joseph Academy is Saturday, September 29 vs Villa Maria Academy at Saint Ignatius High School.

Congratulations to all of our teams and good luck at their upcoming athletic events!

To view photos, check out scores or to see the schedules for upcoming games and important meetings, click here.