

LIFETIMES

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KENT

Open house set at St. Patrick

St. Patrick School in Kent will be hosting its annual open house from 12:30 to 2:30 p.m. Sunday.

The school has been educating children from kindergarten through eighth grade for more than 100 years. The school first opened its doors in 1886. Today, St. Patrick School boasts small classes with a more individual approach to education. The technique has been paying off with ITBS test scores that are 90 percent or higher.

"We're really proud of that accomplishment," said Principal John Mazan, "but in addition to that, we have numerous other scholastic and character building programs."

St. Patrick School offers before and after school care and bus transportation from Kent, Brimfield, Ravenna, Rootstown, Streetsboro, Tallmadge and Stow. Additionally art, music, media and even Spanish classes round out the curriculum.

After-school clubs such as skiing, bowling, ice skating and fitness provide an opportunity for safe recreation activities that students enjoy



Second-grade teacher Laura DiBarto helps her students, from left, Connor Lovejoy, Grace Yupa, Carter Troyer and Katie Stephan.

with fellow classmates.

Holding an open house gives the school a chance to showcase its many attributes. Visitors will be able to see and judge St. Patrick School's offerings on a first-hand basis.

Faculty and staff will be available to answer ques-

tions and provide additional information. Visitors will also be able to speak with current students and their parents while visiting the classrooms.

"It's great when your child is not only doing great but really enjoys going to school," said Anna Yupa whose

daughter is a second-grade student at St. Patrick.

St. Patrick School is located at 127 Portage St. in Kent. Children of all faiths may attend. For more information, call the school office at 330-673-7232 or visit the school's Web site at www.stpatrick.org.

AROUND GARRETTSVILLE

Congratulations to the following winners of the Boy Scouts 2010 Pinewood Derby: Tiger Cubs (first grade) — first, **Jacob Desimio**; second, **Jason Schaefer**; third, **Harper Lyons**. Wolf Cubs (second grade) — first, **Owen Cmunt** (also the "track champion" between Tiger and Wolf winners); second, **Eric Schaefer**; third, **Josh Kent**. Bear Cubs (third grade) — first, **Travis Criblez**; second, **Evan Pawlus**; third, **Chad Angermeier**. Webelos (fourth and fifth grades) — first, **Kyle Lambert** (also the "track champion" between Bear and Webelos winners), second, **Kevin Splinter**; third, **Alan Ataman**. Parents and Siblings Fun Bracket — first, **Jessica Lambert**; second, **Roy Lambert**; third, **Katie Synnestvedt**.



JACKIE LORETA-RINEARSON

Best in Show (judged to be the best car showing the most work done by the Scout) — **Harper Lyons**.

KRAMM comedy group will be performing at The Candlelight Winery at 7:30 p.m. Feb. 19. The cost is \$4 per person. Come enjoy an evening of wine, cheese and fun. Non-alcoholic beverages available.

The G-men foundation will be hosting its annual Murder Mystery evening on Feb. 13. The doors open at 6:30 p.m. with dinner starting at 7 p.m. inside at the Sugar Bush Golf Club. The cost is \$40 per person and includes food and the mystery event. 1930s attire is suggested but not required. To reserve your tickets, call **Jeanette Perme** at 330-527-7330 or **Sherri Collins** at 330-527-8046.

Registration for kindergarten at James A. Garfield Elementary School will be held March 2, 3 and 4 in the elementary school's lobby. For more information and to reserve your time, call the school at 330-527-2184.

The Garrettsville Curtains Up Theatre will hold its annual Scotch Double fund-raiser on Feb. 6 at the Sky Lane Bowling Alley. Registration starts at 8:30 p.m. and bowling begins promptly at 9 p.m. Enjoy an evening with friends and take your chance with a 50/50 raffle and a Chinese auction. The cost is \$40 per couple and includes beer or soda and pizza. To reserve your spot, call 330-527-5670.

Auditions for "The Wedding Singer" will be coming in February. Keep your eye out for dates and times.

Our deepest sympathy goes out to the family and friends of **John A. Demma**. Mr. Demma passed away on Jan. 15. Our thoughts are with you and your families.

The Rotary Club of Garrettsville-Hiram will once again be hosting its Family Week. The Music Festival will be held at 2 p.m. Sunday in the Iva Walker Auditorium. Grandparents Night will be held from 5 to 6:30 p.m. Tuesday at the Garrettsville Branch of the Portage County District Library. Family Night Out will be held on Feb. 5. Local vendors will host various events for the family. On Feb. 6 is the Family Fun Festival/Carnival from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. There are various contests also available for entry — photo contest, art contest, essay contest and Family of the Year and Longest Married Couple. All entries are due Friday. For more information on the event and contest, call 330-527-4415.

For your information to appear in this column, contact Jackie at rinearson05@verizon.net or 330-527-5670.

NEW ARRIVALS

Breidenbachs welcome Andrew

Scott and Rebecca (Cress)

Breidenbach of Sylvania are the parents of a newborn son. Andrew James Breidenbach arrived Dec. 23 at Flower Hospital in Sylvania, weighing 6 pounds, 1 ounce at

birth.

James and Molly Cress of Brimfield are the maternal grandparents.

James and Diana Breidenbach of Tiffin are the paternal grandparents.

Logan Andrew is newest Dean

Logan Andrew Dean was born to Annette (Dezort) and Darrick Dean on Dec. 24 at Jameson Hospital in New Castle, Pa. He weighed 5 pounds and 11 ounces.

Maternal grandparents are Julianne and Tom Dezort of

Ravenna and paternal grandparents are Jacki and Robert Dean of New Castle. Great-grandparents are Francis and Marie Meloy of Kent, Vera Dezort of Ravenna, and Helen Dean and Helen Fazalare, both of New Castle.

Austin joins the Arrington family

Adam and Tia Arrington of Cuyahoga Falls announce the birth of their second son, Austin Cole. He arrived Dec. 26 at Robinson Memorial Hospital in Ravenna and weighed 7 pounds, 9 ounces.

Big brother, Mason, is 4.

Austin's grandparents are Kimberly and Micheal Long of Ravenna and David and Vicki Arrington of Kent.

Betty Bush of Kent and June Arrington of Oklahoma are the baby's great-grandmothers.

Abigail Coy arrives at Robinson

Abigail Elizabeth Coy was born Dec. 26 at Robinson Memorial Hospital in Ravenna to Ryan and Nicole Coy of Streetsboro. She weighed 8 pounds, 2 ounces on arrival.

Abigail's grandparents are

Patrick and Linnea Ray of Kent and Richard and Jan Coy of Amelia. Great-grandparents are Betsy Grimm and Russell Ray, both of Kent, Eileen Pearson of Cincinnati and Phyllis Coy of New Castle, Ind.

Cheyenne Faver is born Dec. 27

Cheyenne Marie Faver was born Dec. 27 to Sarah Bianca and Tommy Faver of Kent. She arrived at Robinson Memorial Hospital in Ravenna and weighed 6 pounds, 10 ounces.

Big sister Savannah Hopper is 8.

Cheyenne's grandparents are Ravenna residents, Frank and Elizabeth Bianca and Edward Kopas, and Sheila and David Jenkins of Kent.

EIGHT INDUCTED INTO JUNIOR BETA CLUB



St. Joseph School in Mantua held its fifth Junior Beta Club induction in order to add eight new students, bringing their total membership to 29. The new members are, seated from left, Jacob Crane, Alex Geraci, Clare Villegas, Emma Kotkowski, India Anderson, John Burns, Robert Testa and Sydney Kulla. Their moderator is Principal Beth Frank. This national organization began in 1934 with the purpose of promoting the ideals of character, service and leadership for students in grades five through eight. Students must maintain a 3.2 grade point average, be of service to their family, school and community and display leadership abilities. At St. Joseph School, these students have already been involved in working the concession stand at the Garden Tractor Pulls in order to get start-up money for a community spaghetti dinner which will be held from noon to 3 p.m. Sunday at the school. The proceeds will be used for St. Joseph School. Additional leadership responsibilities included the Grandparent Mass and Luncheon, the reception for the Junior Beta Induction, the upcoming Wellness Walk, etc.

AREA HAPPENINGS

Craft, rummage sale in Ravenna

The Roberts Conservatory of Dance will host a craft and rummage sale fund-raiser from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Feb. 27 at the studio, 232 W. Main St. in Ravenna. There will be crafts for sale, household furnishings, clothes, baby items, books, movies, baked goods and more.

Space is available for craft

vendors. To reserve an 8-by-4-foot spot, call 330-842-014 or send e-mail to Robertsconservatory@yahoo.com for prices and more information. Vendors supply their own table and chairs.

The large heated indoor facility features restrooms. Roberts will supply refreshments and advertising.

Cookbook fund-raiser under way

St. Joseph Church in Mantua is offering a cookbook, "Taste and See — St. Joseph's Labor of Love," a collection of nearly 500 family recipes.

This fund-raising effort features a padded three-ring cover in full color, eight category tabbed dividers, hints and an alphabetized index.

Proceeds will benefit St. Joseph's Appalachian Experience group and its work with the Housing Repair Program in Clintwood, Va.

A limited number of copies of the cookbook are still available for \$15 each. To purchase, call the parish office at 330-274-2253.

To have it mailed, add \$4 for shipping and handling.

Class of 1980 planning reunion

Members of the reunion committee of the Streetsboro High School class of 1980 are looking for fellow classmates to organize a 30-year reunion to be held on July 17.

Those who are interested in attending the reunion and/or being part of the planning committee are asked to send e-mail to TomVasko@yahoo.com or call 330-431-2696.

CLUB NEWS

Ravenna Kiwanis meetings slated

The Ravenna Kiwanis Club meets at noon on Tuesdays at the Ravenna Elks Lodge, 776 N. Freedom St.

The next meeting will be held Tuesday and the guest speaker will be Record-Courier Publisher David Dix discussing the top 10 stories in Portage County in 2009.

The Feb. 9 meeting will be held at the Woodlands at Robinson nursing facility in Ravenna with a story by Denny Eberhart and a sing-along with Bob Winkler.

On Feb. 16, Michael Seman will discuss the VISTA, Fos-

ter Grandparents and Senior Companion programs.

For the Feb. 23 meeting, Chris Verich of the Ohio Consumer's Council will discuss consumer protection issues.

On March 2, Joyce Dyer, author of "Goosetown," will talk about growing up in Akron.

"Motivation" is the topic for Leslie Yerkie at the March 9 meeting and on March 16, Tom Mock of General Motors will discuss the effect of the economy in Northeastern Ohio.

Beta Sorosis installs new officers

Members of Beta Sorosis Club met for their Christmas luncheon at the Sugar Maple Inn in Ravenna. Jan Parkinson and Pam Fleishman were hostesses.

Fifteen members answered roll call with a Christmas memory, many of which revolved around searching for just the right Christmas tree.

During the business meeting, Jan Parkinson was installed as president, Reba Cook as vice president, Bar-

bara Brode, corresponding secretary, Pam Fleishman, recording secretary, and Katie Pangallo, treasurer.

Outgoing president Betty Jo Szuch presented each new officer with a yellow flower. Ann Polichene, Lori Coll and Jeanette Jones will serve on the executive board for the new year.

Beta Sorosis does not meet in January, February or March but will resume meetings on April 20.