



THE BLUE AND GOLD

Bethlehem High School Newsletter

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Important Sept. Dates

Monday, Sept. 3

Labor Day
NO SCHOOL

Tuesday, Sept. 4

Magazine Drive ends

Wednesday, Sept. 5

Speech Team Parent meeting

Thursday, Sept. 6

Magazine Drive closing

Monday, Sept. 17

Senior Portrait make-up

Thursday, Sept. 20

Grandparents Mass
with Archbishop Kurtz

Friday, Sept. 21

ACT registration deadline

Sept. 23-25

Senior Retreat

Friday, Sept. 28

End of First quarter
Football Homecoming

Saturday, Sept. 29

Battle of the Bands

Dear Students and Parents:

Bethlehem Catholic High School is a Christ-centered, college preparatory, co-educational high school that challenges students to develop spiritually, academically, morally and socially in the Catholic tradition. This mission statement was developed in May, 2007 as the faculty and staff of Bethlehem most recently examined the reason for our existence. In light of our mission, I want to speak about personal discipline, academic achievement, personal responsibility and behavior, and attendance. There is a common element in each of these expectations, which requires an individual to have some will power, some personal integrity, and some sense of purpose. We believe that the self discipline that we aspire to impart, together with the belief in something bigger than ourselves, is the integral key to success, humility, and personal fulfillment in life. Thus, the spiritual experience that our students have combined with a challenging and rigorous academic experience shapes our students in these formative years for what they will encounter in their adult lives.

With regard to discipline, I would like to point out that we have changed several things beginning this year. Because none of us, student or adult, is particularly attentive to what may happen 6 or 8 months in the future, students in August find it difficult to see the inevitability of accumulated offenses leading to elevated disciplinary measures much later in the year. Also, considering that our discipline policy exists *to teach* young people how to behave properly, it makes sense to have more immediate consequences. In attempt to remain attentive, along with teaching accountability the entire school year, we will assign a Saturday school detention (from 8:00 a.m. 'til noon) after a student has received three detentions in one quarter. When a new quarter begins, the slate will be cleaned and the accumulation process will begin again.

We have also changed the Bethlehem attendance policy this year. Not only do we believe that self discipline is vital to academic success, we know that attendance is as well. Please refer to page 15 of the handbook for a complete description, especially noting that students will be allowed only three parent notes per quarter without a doctor's statement. Again, our goal is *to teach* accountability to our students. We are certainly aware that there may be extenuating circumstances from time to time that may impact this expectation. I am certain that you will agree with our goal: to teach students responsibility. Should there be a circumstance that requires a student to be unable to meet this expectation, please feel free to contact me.

Trusting that personal discipline and accountability are keys to any individual's success and believing in a purpose beyond our immediate understanding are, in part, the ingredients for an outstanding high school experience. We value the fact that you share this sacred process with us. And, as always, if I can be of any assistance to you, please give me a call.

Sincerely,

Dr. Paul A. Schum

Congratulations to

Senior **David Patrick** on the publication of his novel, [Nero Demare and the Legend of the Vampires.](#)

Senior class officers

David Seelye, president
James Dawson, vice-president
Kati Browning, treasurer
Elizabeth Brady, secretary

Junior class officers

Sara Wigginton, president
Jacob Allgeier, vice-president
Rose Newcomb, secretary
Tommy Manion, treasurer

Sophomore class officers

Elizabeth Zarantonello, president
Hannah Sprigg, vice-president
Corey Monin, treasurer
Kaelin Cecil, secretary

Freshmen class officers

Joe Peake, president
Emily Martin, vice-president
Josh Hutchins, treasurer
Kate Spaulding, secretary

From Mr. Hall ACT test dates

The ACT test for college admissions will be offered next on Oct. 27. Deadline for registration for that test is Sept. 21. Students may register after that date but there is a late fee attached.

ACT dates for the rest of the year are Dec. 8, Feb. 9, April 12 and June 14. REgistration is approximately one month prior to the test date.

Students may pick up ACT registration packets in the counselor's office.

College Fair Sept. 21

All seniors will be attending a College Fair hosted by St. Catharine College on Friday, Sept. 21. Students will travel by bus to St. Catharine where they will be able to talk with college representatives, gather printed information, and learn more about college opportunities. Both in-state and out-of-state schools will be represented at the fair.

Archbishop Kurtz to attend Grandparents Day Sept. 20

Bethlehem is hosting a new event this year, Grandparents Day.

Archbishop Joseph Kurtz will be here Sept. 20 to celebrate Mass at 11 a.m. with the Bethlehem family.

An Open House will be held in the library from 9 a.m. until 10:30 a.m. Refreshments will be served.

Parking will be available in the St. Joseph Church parking lot and in the front parking lot at Bethlehem. A shuttle service will be provided between the church and school.

Get your orders in! Magazine Drive ends Sept. 4

The kick off for the annual magazine drive was held Thursday, Aug. 23 and will conclude with the prize ceremony Thursday, Sept. 6. Orders must be turned in by Sept. 4 for students to qualify for prizes. Students can win individual and class prizes. Emphasis this year is on using QSP.com to send e-mails to friends and family as an easy way to make sales. This website can be used year-round with all sales credited to Bethlehem.

The magazine drive continues to be a profitable and fun fundraiser for Bethlehem after 30+ years.

Drama Club to perform "Greater Tuna" Nov. 2- 3

Rehearsals are underway for Bethlehem's fall drama production of "Greater Tuna." This is the original quick change farce that spawned the popular holiday sequel "A Tuna Christmas," so be sure to mark your calendars to see how it all began! Bethlehem students Nick Rogers and David Seelye create the entire population of Tuna, the third smallest town in Texas, in a tour de farce of quick change artistry, both of costumes and of comic characterizations. "Howlingly funny." *Variety*. "The audience ... all but exploded the theatre with laughter." *New York Post*. Performances are at 7:30 at a location to be announced.

Speech Team parent meeting Sept. 5

There will be a meeting for parents of all students interested in participating on the Speech Team this year. The team is undergoing a reorganization with the departure of Mr. Lasure, its long-time coach. Jan Ballard and David Goodlett will be sharing responsibility for the team. Tournament dates, parent volunteer opportunities, fundraising and other topics will be discussed. Students are welcome to attend.

Senior Portrait Make-up Sept. 17

Seniors who have not yet had their portraits made for the yearbook are encouraged to participate in a senior Portrait Make-Up Day Monday, Sept. 17. Lifetouch Studios will be here to take formal portraits only, tux or drape, for a \$5 sitting fee. Only Lifetouch Portraits are used in the yearbook. There is no obligation to purchase any pictures. Don't be left out. Bring \$5 on Sept. 17 and guarantee your place in the yearbook.

Don't miss the boat!

Make plans to attend Lights, Camera, Auction! Titanic Nov. 17

Hard to believe but preparations are well underway for the 8th annual Dinner/Auction to be held Saturday November 17th. The theme for this year's event is Titanic and an elegant evening is being planned. The Auction committee has been meeting since last spring but it takes many people to make this event successful, if you would like to be a part of this FUN fundraiser contact the school for ways you can help. In the past seven years over \$350,000 has been raised to benefit our technology, tuition assistance and facilities.

September Athletic News

Thanks to all for the great job on selling cookie dough!! \$4215 will be the net for athletics from the sales. This money goes into the budget, and benefits all athletes. Cookie dough pick-up is set for Monday, September 10 from 3:00-6:00 PM. Please check the web, in the event there is a change, but for now mark this date on your calendar.

The baseball/basketball teams will have a golf scramble on Sunday, September 30 at 8:00. \$50 entry fee includes green fees, cart, and a pork chop lunch. Contact David Clark at 348-4451 or Roger Robinson at 349-6363 or more information. Support the Eagles in this golf tournament.

The soccer boosters will be parking cars at the Bourbon Festival, and the basketball boosters will be working for the Rotary Club during the Bourbon Festival. Contact Dee Clark for soccer parking, and either Belinda Monin or Susan Hurst to help with basketball fund-raising.

Our next big “all athletic” event is the Crafts Fair held the second week in October. More information will appear on the website the middle of September. We will need a lot of help, and this is the last major fund-raiser for the athletic department. All sports benefit from athletic fund-raising.

Athletics are responsible for the 5th Sunday bingos. The Senior athletic parents worked the 5th Sunday in July, the Junior athletic parents will work the 5th Sunday in September, the Sophomore athletic parents will work the 5th Sunday in December, and the Freshman parents will work the 5th Sunday in March. The rotation then will start over. Thanks for your help.



Scrip Information & How it works!

Scrip is a great way to earn money towards your child's education, at any age! You can even get family members to participate by using scrip. All you have to do is fill out your form and send it in with your payment. Scrip makes great gifts for all occasions. Remember half of the percentage of the retailer goes toward your Book bill/Tuition and the other half to the school. You can pick up a form in the office or print one off of our website www.bethlehemhigh.org. Please don't forget to mark on your form if you will be picking your order up or you would like it sent home with your child. Orders are called in by Wednesday at 11:00 to insure delivery by Friday morning. Thanks! And have fun shopping!

Please notice the following changes:

New Retailers Added:

GameStop	\$25	3 %
iTunes – Has returned!	\$15.00	3%
Subway	\$10.00	3%

Gift Card wrappers are now available on your order form for .50 each

No Longer Available/Changes:

A & W no longer available

Chili's will be changing from a \$20 card to a 25.00 card.

Any questions please call the Bethlehem High school office at (502) 348-8594