



Thursday, Aug. 20, 2015

We, the Catholic School of St. Eugene, dedicate ourselves to keeping Christ in our vision by nurturing spiritual growth and academic excellence in our students, their families and the community in the tradition of the Roman Catholic Faith.

Thoughts and Prayers

April Ferguson, sister of Tara Allison, who's battling stage 4 colon cancer. If you'd like to include someone here, please email his or her name, relation to you and what you'd like prayers for to eagleexpress@steugeneschool.org.

Dates to Jot Down

- Today: School Mass, 8:15 a.m.
- Tomorrow: Happy Birthday, Mrs. Emerson!
- Saturday, 22: Family Fun Run & Back-to-School Picnic
- Sunday, Sept. 13: Festival of the Americas
- Monday, Sept. 14: Dads' Club Kick off Night

Lace Up Those Sneakers for Family Fun Run & Picnic

Make plans to join the PTO for our first-ever Family Fun Run coupled with our annual Back-to-School Picnic from 9:30 a.m. to noon this Saturday starting in the school parking lot. The day kicks off with a Zumba warm-up in the parking lot at 9:30 a.m., a 1k Fun Run through the streets of the Village at 10 a.m. and wraps up with a DJ Street Party at 10:30 a.m. Pizza and drinks will be provided. Kona Ice will be available for purchase. There will be inflatables, face painting and other fun activities with the purchase of tickets available at the event. Registration is \$25 per family, and forms can be found online or in the school office.

Spirit Day Kicks It Up a Notch – BAM!

Bust out the new Spirit shirts and jeans! Beginning Friday, Sept. 4, students may wear jeans with their CSSE shirts if they have not had two or more uniform infractions leading up to that Spirit Day. Students with two or more infractions must wear their full regular uniform on that day, which means no spirit shirt or jeans. Parents, you will be notified if your child can't participate. If your child doesn't want to wear jeans, he or she can wear uniform shorts, pants or jumpers with St. Eugene shirts. If you have questions about the uniform policy, please review the family handbook.

It All Ads Up -- It's School Directory Advertising Time

Get a jump start on your to-do list by securing an advertisement in the 2015-2016 school directory. All ads will be placed in both the online and printed directories. If you're interested in placing an ad, please contact Lisa Rooks at lrooks@moroch.com, and an order form will be e-mailed to you. The deadline is August 31.

Dress Sharply & Speakeasy – Our Annual Auction & Gala

Planning for this year's annual gala and auction, "*Dress Sharply and Speakeasy*," is well underway. Mark your calendars for Friday, Nov. 6, at the Oklahoma History Center. Deacon Tom and Sandy Goldsworthy will be honored at this year's event for their many years of faithful service to the St. Eugene community. Step back in time and treat yourselves to a fabulous night during this Roaring Twenties-themed fundraising event. The evening will include a fabulous catered dinner and cocktails, exciting games of chance and both silent and live auctions. This event is the single largest fundraiser for the school, and in order to reach our goal of raising \$100,000, we need your help!

Start Early: Drop off a gift card, bottle of wine or bottle of scotch at the Fun Run and Back-to-School Picnic this Saturday.

Sponsorships: We are actively seeking businesses or individuals willing to sponsor the event. There are five sponsorship levels and four levels of underwriting opportunities.

Auction Donations: We would love to have any donations from you or your business. Popular auction items include tickets to sporting events (OU, OSU, Thunder, etc.), time-share packages, airline miles, gift cards, unique gifts, free services, etc.

Raffle Tickets: This is a critical component of our gala, as it generates a significant portion of the proceeds. We are asking each family to sell or buy at least one book of 10 tickets. Tickets will be coming home soon in Friday folders.

Dessert Auction: Calling all St. Eugene's Bakers! Please consider making or donating a dessert for the Gala's Dessert Auction.

Attend the Gala: Make plans to attend the gala with family and friends! For more information, please contact Pam Bradshaw 405-820-7529 or p-bradshaw@sbcglobal.net. Stay tuned for updates and developments through the Eagle Express, school and parish websites.

Like our Facebook Page: Jump on Facebook and "like" St. Eugene Catholic Church & School Annual Gala. We'll post important updates and pictures of our fantastic auction items.

Kick It Around -- Soccer Sign-up Deadline is Aug. 28

Registration forms for our fall soccer teams are available to download from the school's website. Registration forms will be due Aug. 28, and soccer will officially start Sept. 12. Contact Keiffer Trout with questions at [405-417-0840](tel:405-417-0840) or katjr@alliancephi.com.

Extended Care Seeking Folks to Work After School

Need a little extra cash? Extended Care is looking for energetic people to help in our afterschool program. We offer flexible hours and a fast-paced working environment. Applicants must have great people skills, pay attention to detail, enjoy working with children and be 16 or older to apply. The available days are Monday through Friday, three to six hours per day, and that's flexible. Please no phone calls. To inquire more, please submit your resume to tuitiondirector@steugeneschool.org.

Stroll the Halls of Mount St. Mary High School on Sunday

Each year Mount St. Mary Catholic High School makes improvements to the campus. Alumni, friends and prospective families are invited to "stroll the halls" and see the great things going on. Swing by anytime between 1 p.m. and 3 p.m. this Sunday at the school, 2801 S. Shartel Ave., in Oklahoma City.

Calling all Seventh & Eighth Grade Football Players

If you have a seventh or eighth grader who would like to pass the pigskin this fall, please contact Frank Ille at Frank.ille@loves.com. The team is short several seventh graders at this point. Practices are underway at Bishop McGuinness Catholic High School just north and east of the baseball field.

Calling All Parents – We Need YOU to Volunteer!

Are you wanting to get involved but don't know where to start? We have many opportunities, and we need your help. The Fun Run and Back-to-School Picnic, our Christmas luncheon for teachers, Field Day and making popcorn for Spirit Days are fun ways to get to know other parents at St. Eugene or a great reason to spend time with old friends. If you're interested or have questions, please email Lauren Rogers at laurenrogers@gmail.com.

PTO Corner – News You Need to Know

Welcome back to school! The 2015-2016 Parent Teacher Organization officers and coordinators are listed below with their contact information. Please feel free to get in touch with any questions, ideas or concerns. It's going to be a great year!

CSSE 2015/2016 PTO Board

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Braggin' Bulletin Board

The 8th annual Back-to-School Golf Tournament sponsored by the Dads' Club was a super success! Congrats to the winning foursome of Cavett Lee, Jeff Campbell, Tyler Williams and Brian Holiday. The tourney raised \$1625 for the Bereavement Scholarship Fund for students who have lost a parent while attend CSSE. Save the date and break out the poker chips for the next fundraiser on Sept. 26 at the school.

Stay Calm and Pray the Rosary

Please join us at 8 a.m. Monday mornings when school is in session in the church as we unite in prayer for our priests, principals, teachers, staff and families. All are welcome. Whether you have never prayed the rosary or pray the rosary daily, we need your voices and your hearts.

Join Us for Festival of the Americas & the World

Don't miss St. Eugene's multi-cultural celebration of the year! The 19th annual Festival of the Americas and the World is Sunday, Sept. 28 in Ross Hall, the gym and throughout the school campus. Enjoy food and treats from around the world for sale to benefit the church. There will be entertainment all day, including a 3 p.m. performance by Edgar Cruz. Admission is free, so bring the entire family.

Dads, Make Plans to Join the Dads' Club Kickoff Night

Come join us for an evening of fun, food and fellowship. Learn how this great club will benefit CSSE this school year. The Dads' Club has a dual purpose -- supporting the school's physical needs while providing tuition support for students who have lost a parent while attending CSSE. We'd love for you to help us with that mission. The kickoff night begins at 8 p.m., Monday, Sept. 14, at the home of Matt Hughes, 10413 Lakeside Dr. Please park on the street. For questions, call or text Matt at 405-361-2361.

Get Your Pair of St. Eugene Socks that Rock

Help support the eighth grade by ordering St. Eugene socks. The first pair is \$20, and each pair after that is \$15. There are four sock options to choose from, and they can be worn at school. Order yours at the Family Fun Run on Saturday or you can contact Ashley Bass at 405-206-8906 or ashleybass@cox.net. This fundraiser helps cover the costs for retreats, graduation and other eighth-grade activities.

Welcome to Our New Teachers

Our St. Eugene family has grown! If you see a new teacher, give him or her a high five: Emily McConnell in P3, Jennifer Taylor in P4, Kirk Ashworth and Julie Reinhart in our middle school, Jill Redwine in fourth and Susan Mogilka in music. Stay tuned to future Eagle Express editions to learn more about our new teachers. Julie Reinhart graduated from West Virginia University with a mathematics degree. Because of her husband's career in the oil field, her family has relocated nine times. St. Eugene is the 15th school she's taught at, and hopefully the last one, she said. Jennifer Taylor has taught pre-k for the past 13 years at Wiley Post Elementary in the Putnam City School District. She and her husband, Bob, have two children -- Molly is in second grade at CSSE, and Jack is in kindergarten here. She loves teaching and is thrilled to be a part of CSSE. Welcome, teachers!

Theme for the School Year: "Do unto others as you would have them do unto you."