

# Seton Catholic Central School

## October 4<sup>th</sup> Newsletter

Here are some important events coming up:

- **Wednesday October 2<sup>nd</sup>: 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Retreat bus leaves at 8:00 am**
- **Saturday October 5<sup>th</sup>: 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Bottle Drive at St John's lower parking lot 9am-10am**
- **Sunday October 6<sup>th</sup>: Blessing of the Animals @ SCC Parking lot 1:00 pm**
  
- Please see the Schedule Galaxy website (<https://www.schedulegalaxy.com/schools/163>) on our website for up to date sports schedule.
  
- Operation Christmas Child is right around the corner! Seton will again give out shoe boxes (we have some designated from the organization) though you can use others such as clear, plastic ones, etc. Information will be coming out about what to pack and not pack. Our goal is to donate 100 boxes to be shipped to children around the world from local churches.
  
- The annual NYC Christmas trip is Thursday, December 12th. This year's show is Cirque du Soleil, "Twas the Night Before Christmas" at Madison Square Garden. Tickets and bus are \$160. Contact Mrs. Schmidt at [mschmidt@syrdioocese.org](mailto:mschmidt@syrdioocese.org). Seating is limited!
  
- We are so excited to see where SCC placed in the rankings for best Catholic School in Upstate NY. Please check out the rankings! <https://www.syracuse.com/schools/2019/09/the-50-best-catholic-high-schools-in-upstate-nyranked-for-the-new-school-year.html>
  
- Some area businesses are looking to hire high school students. See your counselor for information about some local job opportunities.
  
- Attention students: Key Club Volunteer Opportunity Sunday, October 6 from 1:00 PM to 2:30PM. Seton students will have the opportunity to participate in the 2019 Broome County Riverbank Clean-Up. We have been assigned the river section between Oak and Vermont Streets in Binghamton. Please see Mrs. Wright in room 219 for details. Permission slip and sign up list are located in the Front Office.
  
- The US Naval Academy is hosting an information session at Onondaga Community College in Syracuse on October 26. Learn about the admissions and nominations processes for the U.S. Naval Academy and talk with USNA Admissions Counselors and a newly graduated midshipman. Visit <https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfMi5h32MzYP7Ova3eE1bQ2YVESh8ROx-QvLAUVg8lqs8aLQg/viewform> for more information and to register.

- Attention Seniors! The Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) becomes available October 1. Now is the time to get your FSA ID and gather together important documents. For more information about completing the FAFSA, visit <https://startheregetthere.ny.gov> and <https://studentaid.ed.gov>
- SUNY Broome is hosting a Financial Aid night on Saturday, November 9 from 9:00 AM to 11:00 AM. Learn how to apply for financial aid, understand the financial aid award process, and get help from SUNY financial aid professionals. Students applying to any college are welcome to attend. Visit [https://engage.suny.edu/portal/financial\\_aid\\_days](https://engage.suny.edu/portal/financial_aid_days) to register.
- The Greater Binghamton Chamber of Commerce is hosting Family Career Nights where high school students and parents can connect with local business about career exploration and part-time, full-time, and seasonal job opportunities. Seton students are invited to attend the session that is most convenient. See the attached flyer for additional information.
  - October 8 - Whitney Point High School
  - October 17 - Johnson City High School
  - October 23 - Union Endicott High School
  - November 7 - Maine Endwell High School
- Greater Binghamton College Day is held on Wednesday, October 16 at the Floyd L. Maines Veterans Memorial arena. This is an opportunity to meet with representatives from Community Colleges, SUNY Colleges, Private Colleges, Ivy League Schools, Nursing Schools, the Armed Services, the Trades, and Financial Aid Officers all in one place. It's never too early to learn more about the college admissions process. We encourage all students to attend during the evening session which runs from 6PM-8PM. For more information and to view a list of participating colleges, visit <http://www.greaterbinghamtoncollegeday.org/index.php>
- AP Exam orders are due October 9, 2019 to the main office. Order forms are attached to this email and are available in the guidance office.
- The Annual Fall Fundraiser will begin on October 9th and run through October 25th. This is our largest fundraiser for Student Council and goes to help pay for many things throughout the school, including events, needs for clubs, competitions, etc.

The fundraiser catalog includes cookie dough, pizza, candy, nuts, soups, gift wrap, kitchen utensils and more as well as magazines. Students receive prizes at various levels such as dress downs, gift cards, cash and free yearbooks. Information will be given out, with catalogs, on Oct 9th to students.

There is also a tuition rewards incentive in which almost 400 colleges across the United States participate. If a student sells \$100 in the sale, they will receive \$1,000 in tuition credit. If they sell \$250, they receive \$2500. This can accumulate from seventh grade through Junior year. One of this year's Seniors has accumulated \$36,000 in tuition credit between this fundraiser and Girl Scouts. Go to [TuitionRewards.com/GAO](http://TuitionRewards.com/GAO) for more information.

- We will be administering the PSAT/NMSQT here at Seton on Wednesday, October 16th. This test will be administered to all Juniors during the regular school day and there is no fee. If for any reason a student will not be taking the exam, we will need a written note from his/her parent/guardian.
- Seniors should have had their Senior picture taken or have made an appointment to be included in the yearbook. Lifetouch sent information out to each Senior during the summer. They will send the pictures together on a CD to Ms. Schmidt by mid-November. Ms. Schmidt will meet with each Senior to confirm that the picture sent is the one chosen for the yearbook in order to meet the first yearbook deadline.
- Any student who wants to re-take a Regents exam in January must sign up with Miss Curtin or Miss Connolly by October 31, 2019. This exam period is intended for the following students:
  - 1) Students who need to re-take an exam or exams that they have previously failed
  - 2) Transfer/International students who require certain exams to meet New York State Graduation Requirements
  - 3) Students who have passed the exam but wish to re-take it to try to earn a higher grade.
 Students must sign up by October 31, 2019. Parents may sign their student(s) up by contacting Miss Connolly or Miss Curtin with the name of the student and the exam name. Students may also come to the Guidance office to sign up.
- The American Legion is sponsoring an Oratorical Contest for students in grades 9-12. Students will receive additional information in their social studies classes and can learn more at <https://nylegion.net/news-events/oratorical-contest-contestant-application/> Please contact your school counselor for more information.

God Bless,  
Mr. Martinkovic  
Principal

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