

Dear Parents,

**Please join us in honoring Kate Wollan 2012 recipient of NCEA's National Principal of the Year Award. A reception will be held in her honor in the school auditorium after the 9:30 and 11:00 A.M. Masses this Sunday. Please see the attached invitation.**

**Life at Nativity School is full of activity as we gear up for Catholic Schools Week next week. Please note the events for next week's celebration of Catholic Schools Week are on our website ([www.nativity-mn.org](http://www.nativity-mn.org)), click on school and scroll down for the box with the link to Catholic School's Week Activities. We hope you will all join us for our Open House next Thursday evening, February 2nd from 6:00-7:30P.M.**

**A gentle reminder to parents who use the turn around on Wellesley in the morning for drop-off: We need to keep the handicap parking available for those who need it, so please do not idle your car or drop off children in those parking spaces. You may use Stanford or the parking lot if needed. Thank you!**

#### **Annual Education Angel Raffle**

this is our 3rd year offering raffle tickets for a chance to win a "Free" Nativity School Tuition for the 2012-2013 school year thanks to an anonymous donor who donated the full tuition so we can raise \$10,000 for our Nativity Scholarship Fund. We will have **only 100 tickets available** at \$100 each. If you would like to reserve your ticket beginning **tomorrow, FRIDAY, JANUARY 27TH**, please contact Rose at the school office (651) 699-1311 or by email [rcongdon@nativity-mn.org](mailto:rcongdon@nativity-mn.org)

#### **Lost and Found**

Lost and Found items will be on display during Open House on Feb. 2nd. Items not claimed by February 6th will be donated. So please look for your lost hat, mittens, boots, lunch boxes, etc. by February 6th. Thank you!

#### **Used Uniform Sale**

Is it time to refresh your children's school uniform wardrobe? Nativity Home and School will host a used uniform sale during the open house night of Catholic School's Week on Thursday, February 2nd from 6-7:30P.M.

Please donate clean, gently used uniform items that your children have outgrown or no longer need to our sale. Please bring items you wish to donate to the school office by January 31, 2012. Thank you!

## **The Saint Paul Winter Carnival and the AZ Gallery Elementary and Middle School Art Extravaganza!**

ART OPENING/ART RECEPTION: Friday January 27, 2012, 5-8pm. *Music, Refreshments, Interactive Art Stations and FUN!* Show includes artists from Nativity and many St. Paul Schools (25 pieces of art per school). Not able to attend the ART RECEPTION but still interested in seeing the art on display? The Art Show runs from January 20- February 5, 2012 Hours of operation: Fridays 5-8, Saturdays and Sundays 9-1.

LOCATION:

AZ Gallery

308 Prince St. (ground floor)

St. Paul (Lowertown)(by St. Paul Farmers Market,  
in same building as Black Dog Coffee House)

## **Super Sock Sunday**

### ***Sponsored by Nativity Social Justice Club***

As most of you know, Super Bowl Sunday is coming up on February 5th. While you're at the store getting game day snacks, **consider picking up some socks for our Super Sock Sunday.** Many people in Minnesota don't have proper clothing for our bleak winters or a warm bed to sleep in at night. The Dorothy Day Center has generously opened their doors for many years to the homeless, and we want to help them this winter by supplying their visitors with socks. Many of these people may only have one or two pairs of socks and undergarments. We ask that you bring in sizes your family would wear, so that we have a good variety. Please donate generously! Thank you. **You may drop off your donations at all Masses on Saturday, February 4th and Sunday, February 5th. Boxes will be placed in the front and back of the church.**

## **Application for Tuition Assistance**

Nativity of Our Lord Parish has a wonderful tradition of making a Catholic education available for all parish children. Accordingly, all parish families will be provided the opportunity to apply for tuition assistance for the 2012-2013 school year. We strongly encourage families to visit the school's website to access and complete an online application. However, if you wish to complete a paper application, or if you have any questions regarding this process, please feel free to call Mary Super at (651)696-5441. Applications will be due (submitted online or postmarked) by Thursday, March 1<sup>st</sup>.

## **Virtus Training**

Thank you to all that have attended a Virtus Training Session. Volunteers are very important to us and we appreciate you very much. If you were unable to attend the last Virtus session and are planning on volunteering in the coming months, the next Virtus session, presented by Kate Wollan, will be **Thursday, February 16th at 6P.M in Steiner Hall.** Please register online at: [www.virtusonline.org](http://www.virtusonline.org).

### **Pancake Breakfast**

Please join the Nativity Men's Club as they help the Scouts host the annual Pancake Breakfast on **Sunday, February 5, 2012**. There will be all you can eat pancakes and the proceeds will go to the Nativity Scout organizations. **Please see the attached flyer for more information.**

### **NCCW presents - Girlfriends, Goodies, & Gab**

Friday, February 3rd, 7 - 11P.M. in Steiner Hall

A winter market with wine & hor d' oeuvres while you shop - Bring your friends!

Admission \$15 in advance, \$20 at the door

### **"Youth Culture Unveiled"**

Presented by Michael Shaughnessy, Wednesday, February 15th from 7:00-8:00P.M. in Steiner Hall.

Please see attached flyer for more information.

### **A Look Ahead to February**

- **Feb. 2nd - Open House - 6:00 - 7:30P.M.**
- **Feb. 3rd - Report Cards go home**
- **Feb. 5th - Scouts Pancake Breakfast**
- **Feb. 8th - 7th Grade Covenant Mass - 7:00P.M.**
- **Feb. 10th - Middle School Honor Roll Breakfast - Invitations will be emailed**
- **Feb. 16th - Virtus Session in Steiner Hall - 6:00P.M.**
- **February 20th - No School - President's Day**
- **February 22nd - Ash Wednesday**