



*By: Principal Roseanne L. Williby, Ed. D.*

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**Your Outstanding Support Makes Many Things Possible!**

Our school asked for your help with two recent promotions: the *U.S. Cellular Calling All Communities Campaign* and the annual *QSP Magazine Sales* and we successfully accomplished both our goals! Your most generous responses to our requests for support have made it possible for our school to win \$50,000 to promote Art Education. In addition, making our sales quota for QSP magazine sales will result in many great incentives for our students. Please be advised of the following special events scheduled during the next two weeks to celebrate these accomplishments:

**QSP Magazine Sales:**

LIMO LUNCH---Be sure to check the sheet included in this issue of the Martyr Messenger which lists all the students, who have sales to qualify them for the Limo Lunch that will transport them on Wednesday, November 9<sup>th</sup> to Oakview CeCe's Pizza. Email Jodi at [j.broughton@stephen.org](mailto:j.broughton@stephen.org) if you have questions.

ACCU-DUNK---Our students will be entertained by the talents of the Accu-Dunk team at a special school assembly on Friday, November 11<sup>th</sup> @10:00am.

**U.S. Cellular Celebration Assembly: Friday, November 18<sup>th</sup> @ 2:20 in the gym:**

Special presentations, contest drawing winners announced, post assembly celebration. More details are available on the U.S. Cellular sheet included in this issue.

U.S. Cellular Free Dress Day is November 21<sup>st</sup>.

THANKS TO ALL WHO KINDLY GAVE OF THEIR TIME, TALENT, AND FUNDS TO SUPPORT THESE TWO INITIATIVES! Our students and staff appreciate these tremendous opportunities.

**Terra Nova Standardized Test Results Update**

Unfortunately, Terra Nova results were not received prior to Parent Teachers Conferences. Therefore, these results will be slightly delayed and sent home prior to Thanksgiving break. The 8<sup>th</sup> grade Explore results did arrive earlier and were provided to parents at conferences.

## Inclement Weather Announcements

There are NO CHANGES this year for weather related dismissals. The current policies state that:

- We will NOT dismiss early once we are in session, but you are free to pick-up your student if you desire.
- Be sure to listen to local television and radio for dismissal information. As before, the dismissal announcement will read:  
**Millard Public Schools will be closed today. St. Stephen will be closed also.**

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The word "Thanksgiving" is written in a large, bold, orange-to-yellow gradient font with a dark brown outline and a slight shadow effect. There are two small red starburst graphics above the 'i' and 'n' in "Thanksgiving".

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## Project HOPE

**Prepare yourself for Black Friday.** When you hit the sales on Black Friday, be prepared. Follow these steps for a successful shopping experience.

- 1) Review the sales flyers and prepare a game plan.
- 2) Pick up Project HOPE gift cards for all the stores on your list.
- 3) Get some rest, dress in layers and have fun!



We carry gift cards for some of your favorite Black Friday stores: Walmart, Target, Best Buy and Kohl's. We also carry Discover gift cards honored anywhere the Discover credit card is accepted.

Check the parish website at [www.stephen.org](http://www.stephen.org) for a complete list of vendors. Gift cards can be purchased after all the weekend liturgies and in the parish office between 8:30 am & 4:30 pm, Monday through Friday. Thank you for supporting the work of our parish while you shop.

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Thank you everyone for your great support of the book fair. Thank you to Susan Eberle, Andi Barrett, and Barb Barsoom for all your hard work. We still have 2 days left for online shopping if you did not make it to the fair or wanted to add something.



<http://onlinebookfairs.scholastic.com/default.aspx?f=2886097>

Thank you. Mrs. Knobbe

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Thank you to Mr. Barlow for supplying dry ice for the middle school *Haunted Physics Lab*.  
(A fun time had by all!!)

# Halloween!!!





## Mrs. Jones' Haunted Physics Lab

### Middle School at Sempecks!



# Limo Lunch

Wednesday, Nov. 9, 2011

Crister, Tregan	PreK	Grovijohn, Kyser	3B
Grovijohn, Kale	PreK	Jarecki, Michael	3B
Pickrell, Nolan	PreK	Johnson, Rylie	3B
Werner, Beckham	PreK	Kula, Asher	3B
Jones, Carson	KA	Tyrcha, Jacob	3B
Ostergaard, Abby	KA	Froelicher, Savannah	3C
Whitcomb, Chloe	KA	Hall, Emma	3C
Wichman, Mackenzie	KA	McColley, Spencer	3C
Driml, Alex	KB	Shalhoob, MJ	3C
Rocha, Kaylie	KB	Watson, Delanie	3C
Tyrcha, Megan	KB	Werner, Grace	3C
Adam, Matthew	KC	Grabowski, Sophia	4A
Fitzpatrick, Claire	KC	Grovijohn, Jada	4A
Gibbs, Trey	KC	Lamberty, Lizzy	4A
Hohenstein, Kelsey	KC	Ostergaard, Grace	4A
Bodner, Dakota	1A	Parr, Austee	4A
Hardisty, Gabe	1A	Peters, Marleese	4A
Jarecki, Lance	1A	Rocha, Jayden	4A
Pickrell, Brandtley	1A	Collard, Sean	4B
Rempel, Brady	1A	Mattern, Amy	4B
Bryan, Turner	1B	Veasman, Luc	4B
Wiepen, Kale	1B	Hardisty, Megan	4C
Dogger, Christopher	1C	Moore, Chloe	4C
Grachek, Hannah	1C	Froelicher, Olivia	5A
Hohenstein, Brett	1C	Hitzemann, Joe	5A
Kalkowski, Max	1C	Legel, Tommy	5A
Krumsick, Kelsey	1C	Byrne, Lizzie	5B
Rase, Samantha	1C	Watson, Cameron	5B
Reinders, Dillon	1C	Bazis, Lucy	5C
Shalhoob, Tyler	1C	Hazen, Jackson	5C
Trumm, Aiden	1C	Ward, Nash	5C
Crouse, Kade	2A	Hytrek, Alexis	6A
Blackwell, Caroline	2B	Nowak, Kennedy	6A
Veasman, Max	2B	Keenan, Hannah	6C
Adam, Madison	2C	Barsoom, Amira	7C
Kearney, Ryan	2C	Gleason, Matthew	7C
Kee, Maggie	2C	Ostergaard, Jack	7C
Love, Aidan	2C	Schwartzkopf, Hunter	7C
Lowry, Connor	2C	Jones, Brennan	8A
Watson, Aidan	2C	Wallace, Ryan	8A
Werner, Liam	2C	Behle, Olivia	8B
Gleason, Katherine	3A	Olson, Christine	8B
Soulliere, Rex	3A	Hytrek, Zach	8C
Webber, Jill	3A		
Carleton, Elaina	3B		

# U.S. Cellular Calling All Communities

**WELL DONE EVERYONE!  
WE WON THE \$50,000 PRIZE!  
NOW LET'S..**



*St. Stephen the Martyr Families:  
Please join us for the US Cellular Staff and  
Community Members Presentation and Assembly  
Celebration!*

**Friday, November 18<sup>th</sup> at 2:20p.m.  
In the gym**

**Drawings will take place for the following prizes:**

- **1 Student will receive \$1000 off of tuition for the 2012-2013 school -year!**
- **2 - "lunch bunch" with your child's favorite teacher and friends**
- **A lunch with Dr. Williby and two friends at their favorite local restaurant (i.e. Burger King) during school**
- **2 Storm Chasers Baseball Tickets**
- **\$50 Bakers Card**
- **Culver's gift basket**

**HOPE TO SEE YOU ALL THERE!**

**US Cellular Thank You Free Dress Day: November 21**

## U.S. Cellular Calling All Communities

**THANK YOU TO THE MANY  
BUSINESSES THAT DONATED  
INCENTIVE PRIZES!**

**Restoration Solutions ♦ SCC Holdings LLC ♦  
Nighthawks ♦ Creighton University Athletic  
Department ♦ UNO Hockey Tickets ♦ Storm  
Chaser Tickets ♦ Sempecks Bowling ♦ Rave  
Movie Theater ♦ Aksarben Cinema ♦ Scheels ♦  
Dairy Queen ♦ Runza (168th and Dodge) ♦ Runza  
(175th and Center) ♦ Bakers ♦ YoZone ♦ Culver's  
(120th & Miami, 98th & Giles) ♦ Peggy Evans  
(Longaberger, Tupperware, Mary Kay) ♦  
Dr. Williby ♦ Lyle and Rosemary Stewart**

**THANKS TO YOU.....WE ARE WINNERS!!!!**

# COOK'S NIGHT OUT!

November's Cook's Night Out is at:



**Monday, November 14<sup>th</sup>**

**5-9 p.m.**

**Sam & Louie's (180<sup>th</sup> and Q)**

**402-895-2427**

15% of qualified sales will benefit the  
H&S playground fund!

**\*\* You must mention you are with St. Stephen's when  
ordering in order for SSM to benefit \*\***

# HyVee, Shop HyVee, Where There's A Helpful Smile in Every Asile!

HyVee currently has 3 GREAT promotions going on now to benefit our school!

## #1 – Receipts Program – Sept 1, 2011 through Dec 31, 2011

Save ALL your HyVee receipts (groceries, gas, prescriptions, photos, floral, starbucks inside HyVee) and send to school with your child or drop off in HyVee boxes outside the school office. HyVee will pay our school \$1.00 for every \$200.00 spent – up to \$2,000.

## #2 - SMART BOARDS: Oct 1, 2011 through Dec 30, 2011

For every \$20 of Procter & Gamble products you purchase at Hy-Vee from October 1, 2011 through December 30, 2011, you earn 100 SMART Points to donate to the school of your choice. Get 100 additional points when you purchase two or more Sara Lee Fresh Bakery products in the same transaction as your qualifying \$20 Procter & Gamble purchase. Find the promotional codes printed on your receipt of purchase, and enter it by clicking on the "Donate" button. From there, select the school for which you would like to make a donation.

More than 200 schools with the most points will win!\* Plus, this year the participants with the most points earned from each winning school will win an iPad® for a child currently attending the winning school!

If you don't want to enter yourself, send it to school with your child in an envelope for HyVee receipts or drop off in HyVee boxes outside the school office and we'll enter it for you!!!! A free SMART BOARD would be a great addition to SSM!!! We have won one for the past 3 years now, let's make it 4 years!!!!

Participating P & G /Sara Lee Brands include:

Sara Lee bakery products, align, always, aussie, bounce, bounty, braun, camay, cascade, charmin, cheer, clariol, clearblue, crest, dawn, downy, dreft, Duracell, era, febreze, Fixodent, gain, Gillette, gleem, head&shoulders, herbal essences, iams, ivory, joy, luvs, Metamucil, mr.clean, natural instincts, nice-n-easy, olay, old spice, oralB, pampers, pantene, pepto, prilosec, Pringles, puffs, pur, safeguard, scope, secret, swiffer, tampax, tide, vicks

## #3 – Sunny Delight Book Spree - Now through November 30, 2011

20 UPC labels from sunny delight = 20 FREE books for the classroom!!!!

Collect labels (16 oz size or larger and/or the shrink wrap of 6, 8, 12 or 24 single serve Sunny D packs) and send them in to class with their kids.



## ***SAY THANK YOU THIS CHRISTMAS SEASON TO THOSE WHO DO SO MUCH FOR OUR CHILDREN***

As announced in the October 19<sup>th</sup> edition of the Martyr Messenger, the Home and School Association will again be offering all families the opportunity to participate in the Christmas Gift Certificate Program for the St. Stephen the Martyr School.

### **Following please find important information about the program.**

#### **Overview**

Each family is asked to make a contribution to a general Christmas fund. The money that is collected is used to buy Project Hope certificates for St. Stephen's teachers and staff members who share in the daily education and care of your children. Participation in this program is a great way to show our teachers and staff how much we really do appreciate all they do for our children. Your gift enables you to thank all the staff who plays a vital role in the education of your children. The program also ensures that all the staff at St. Stephens is remembered at Christmas. All monies are pooled and distributed to staff members based on student interaction. The more significant the time spent with the students, the higher the gift level. **Everyone at St. Stephen the Martyr contributes to the education of our children and this is a great way for all families to show their gratitude.**

#### **Benefits**

Consider the time and number of gifts it would take if you were to individually thank all of the staff who interacts with your children every day! This program saves you time and money during the holiday rush. Each staff member will be able to use their Project Hope certificate on gifts of their choice rather than receiving many small individual gifts.

#### **Recognition**

Along with the gift certificates, a Christmas greeting and a list of all families who participate in the Christmas Gift Certificate Program will be given to each staff member.

#### **Participation Is As Easy as 1, 2, 3**

- 1) *Make the decision to participate.*
- 2) *Place your contribution in an envelope marked with your family name, along with names of your children and their grade levels. Please also clearly indicate that the contribution is for the Christmas Gift Certificate Program. Cash or checks will be accepted. Checks can be made payable to SSM Home & School Association.*
- 3) *Drop the envelope in the gift box located in the school office or send the envelope in your child's backpack. All envelopes will be gathered from classrooms and sent to the office. **We will be collecting funds through Friday, December 2<sup>nd</sup>***

#### **Things to Remember**

All monies collected through this program are given to staff in very grateful appreciation for everything they do for your children on a daily basis. This is an optional program; however we would ask that you give serious consideration to participating. This program has been a huge success in the past and it is our hope that the tradition will continue this year with the support and participation of our St. Stephen's family.

**The staff is always so very grateful for these Christmas gifts. It is a simple way for all the supportive families at St. Stephen the Martyr School to show their heartfelt gratitude to our teachers and staff.**

**Please do not hesitate to contact any of the Teacher Appreciation Committee Chairs with any questions.**

God bless you and your family during this most holy of seasons.  
Lori, Trish and Julie – Teacher Appreciation Committee Chairs

Lori Bonnett/896-8740/lori.bonnett@bonnettsolutions.com  
Trish Pickens/894-0079/kpickens@tconl.com  
Julie Schmitt/896-9079/julie.schmitt@cox.net

# St. Stephen the Martyr Sweatshirts, Polos and Spirit Wear

**A Fundraiser for the 8<sup>th</sup> grade trip to Washington D.C.**

- School sweatshirts (navy with the SSM flame & cross logo)
- Team sweatshirts (football, soccer, track, baseball, basketball & volleyball)
- Middle school sweatshirts (navy with small embroidered SSM logo on right chest)
- Polo Shirts (with embroidered SSM flame & cross logo)

Short-sleeved available in white, navy, or light blue in youth and adult sizes

Long-sleeved available in white or navy

*All sweatshirts plus white and light blue polo shirts may be worn as part of the SSM school uniform.*

*"Staff" or "Coach" may be embroidered on the polo and sweatshirts for no additional cost.*

**\*\*\* Spirit Wear is not part of the uniform – Spirit Wear order form is on the back of this page.**

Family Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number / E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Student Name \_\_\_\_\_ Teacher's Name/Class \_\_\_\_\_ Where order is to be delivered; i.e. EC or 8A

**\*\*\*If ordering for more than one student, ALL shirts are to be delivered to one classroom\*\*\***

	Sweat Shirts							Polo Shirts						
	Football	Soccer	Track	Volley-Bal	Basket-Bal	Base-Bal	Flame & Cross Logo	Middle School Embroid	SSM Logo Embroid	Plain	"Staff"	"Coach"	B N W	Long or Short Sleeve
	\$24	\$24	\$24	\$24	\$24	\$24	\$24	\$30	\$30	\$26	\$26	\$26		
Y-XSM (J10-12)									---					
Y-SM									---					
Y-MED									---					
Y-LG									---					
Y-XLG									---					
A-SM														
A-MED														
A-LG														
A-XLG														
++A2XL														
+A3XL														

\* indicate Light Blue (B); Navy (N) or White (W). Light Blue is NOT available in long-sleeve.

Total # of School & Team Sweatshirts \_\_\_\_\_ X \$24 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Total # of Middle School & Adult Embroidered Sweatshirt \_\_\_\_\_ X \$30 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Total # of Polos \_\_\_\_\_ X \$26 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

++ A2XL add \$2 \_\_\_\_\_ X \$2 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

+ A3XL add \$3 \_\_\_\_\_ X \$3 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Total of Spirit Wear Orders** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Total Payment** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

*Return form/payment to school office at Stephen the Martyr*

**ORDER DEADLINE: Thursday, November 3, 2011**

*Questions: Beth Vos 614-8106 or Tonya Lewis 891-0526*

*Checks may be made payable to St. Stephen the Martyr.*

# SPIRIT WEAR 2011

	Long Sleeve T-shirts with " St Stephen" in BLOCK letters					Short Sleeve T-Shirts with "St. Stephen" logo in DISTRESSED letters					
	Pink with White letters	Irish Green with White letters	Orange with White letters	Black with White letters	Grey with Black Letters	Red with white letters	Black with white letters	Royal Blue with white letters	Orange with white letters	Irish Green with white letters	Heather Grey with white letters
	\$16	\$16	\$16	\$16	\$16	\$12	\$12	\$12	\$12	\$12	\$12
Y-SM											-----
Y-MED											-----
Y-LG											-----
Y-XLG											-----
A-SM											
A-MED											
A-LG											
A-XLG											
+A2XL add \$2											
+A3XL add \$3											

	Hooded Sweatshirts with "St. Stephen" logo In White DISTRESSED Letters					Full Zip Sweatshirt - SSM Logo in red with White Outline			Winded V-Neck Pullover	Sweatpants Available with "St. Stephen" logo In DISTRESSED letters		
	Red w/ white letters	Black w/ white letters	Royal Blue w/ white letters	Orange w/ white letters	Heather Grey w/ white letters	Navy	Black	White	Navy		Black w/ white letters	Grey w/ black letters
	\$27	\$27	\$27	\$27	\$27	\$32	\$32	\$32	\$45		\$25	\$25
Y-MED					-----					Y- SM		
Y-LG					-----					Y-MED		
Y-XLG					-----					Y-LG		
A-SM										A-SM		
A-MED										A-MED		
A-LG										A-LG		
A-XL										A-XLG		
+A2XL add \$3										A-XXLG add \$2		

Adult sizes have pockets with open legs.

Family Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone number \_\_\_\_\_

Student name \_\_\_\_\_ Class/Teacher \_\_\_\_\_ Number of items: \_\_\_\_\_ Payment amount: \_\_\_\_\_

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## **NEW UNIFORM SWEATSHIRT OPTION!!!**

In addition to the navy blue sweatshirts, students in grades K-8 may wear this RED sweatshirt (with an embroidered logo) with their school uniform!

<u>Family Name</u>	<u>Phone Number / E-mail</u>
<u>Student Name</u>	<u>Teacher's Name/Class</u> <u>Where order is to be delivered; i.e. KC or 8A</u>

\*\*\*If ordering for more than one student, ALL shirts are to be delivered to one classroom\*\*\*

*If you are ordering from the other form, you can combine all orders and write out one check.*

Price: \$30

	Quantity
Y-SM	
Y-MED	
Y-LG	
Y-XLG	
A-SM	
A-MED	
A-LG	
A-XLG	
++A2XL	
+A3XL	

**NOTE:** These sweatshirts are Haynes brand instead of our usual Jerzeys brand. The Haynes sizes are running **SMALLER** than the Jerzeys sizes. Please order accordingly. (So if you would typically order a youth small navy sweatshirt please consider ordering a youth medium for the red sweatshirts.)



Total # of Embroidered Sweatshirts    \_\_\_ X \$30 = \$ \_\_\_

++ A2XL add \$2                                    \_\_\_ X \$ 32 = \$ \_\_\_

+ A3XL add \$3                                    \_\_\_ X \$ 33 = \$ \_\_\_

**Total Payment \$ \_\_\_**

*Return form/payment to school office at Stephen the Martyr*

***ORDER DEADLINE: Thursday, November 3, 2011***

*Questions: Beth Vos 614-8106 or Tonya Lewis 891-0526*

*Checks may be made payable to St. Stephen the Martyr.*

# Lifetouch Yearbooks Community Image Upload Site



## Calling All Photographers

Share your candid photos—  
they could be included in the yearbook!

Submit candid school photos for consideration in the yearbook. To submit photos to the yearbook staff, go to [community.lifetouch.com](http://community.lifetouch.com) and register with the following access code:

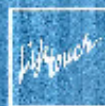
Access Code: CSHUPS

Once registered, you will receive an email from Lifetouch with an activation link. You must click the activation link before you can log into the Lifetouch Community Image Upload site.

- Upload 5 images at a time (10 mb or smaller).
- Enter a description for each image so the yearbook staff can easily identify what is happening in the photo.
- The adviser will determine which images are used in the yearbook.

**Please submit your  
photos by:**

ASAP



**Yearbooks**

**We pulled together to win the money for St. Stephens!  
Now let's support another Catholic School that could  
REALLY use our help!! NO VOTING CARDS! Just go  
online to vote and use text messaging! Vote 2 times  
per day, now through December 9th - 1 via text, 1 via  
the Clorox website!**

**St. Pius/St. Leo, Catholic School - Omaha, Nebraska**



Update Technology and Enhance Learning  
Opportunities

Read this for information on their program  
[www.powerabrightfuture.com/gallery/detail/?nid=1457](http://www.powerabrightfuture.com/gallery/detail/?nid=1457)

Register and vote at this website:  
[www.PowerABrightFuture.com/gallery](http://www.PowerABrightFuture.com/gallery)

Vote by text message:



Text to vote: Text clorox2753 to 44144