



# "Ram Ramblings"

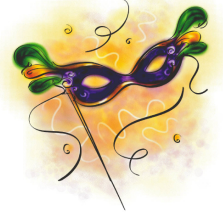
MONSIGNOR DONOVAN CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL

"TO RADIATE THE LORD"

Friday, February 5, 2010



## Mardi Gras at Donovan!



*Let the Good Times Roll!*

### **Mardi Gras 2010** **Silent Auction**

Hope everyone is ready for the great deals that await in the Silent and Live Auction. We have local art work, jewelry, fitness packages, furniture, home accessories, coastal vacations, a Madison get-away, athletic event tickets, party items, golf, soccer camps, home décor, horseback riding lessons, and MORE!! Live auction items include a Gretsch guitar – proceeds from this special item will go to the Haiti project. Get ready to grab deals on treasures! Many thanks to all who have contributed!

**Re-enrollment:** Re-enrollment invitations were mailed January 26 for the 2010-2011 school year. Please return signed agreement and the \$150.00 non-refundable re-enrollment fee by February 24, 2010. An additional fee of \$30.00 will be assessed for re-enrollment fees not paid within 30 days of the due date.

Tuition assistance applications are due directly to FACTS for current and prospective families by February 22, 2010. Please call Julia Nasworthy or Virginia Stutsman at 706-433-0223 to request an application or go online to apply: [www.factstuitionaid.com](http://www.factstuitionaid.com). Families receiving tuition assistance through MDCHS and GOAL must reapply through FACTS annually.

Please contact Virginia Stutsman if you know of a family interested in sending their son or daughter to MDCHS. An admissions packet will be mailed.

### **LIVE AUCTION ITEM AT MARDI GRAS!!!**



A Gretsch Electromatic Double Cut Jet valued at \$750.00. Sounds great and plays well. Thanks to the marvelous work of Winston Barbe and Michael Wright, seniors at MDCHS, this guitar was donated by The Gretsch Foundation. Starting Bidding price is \$400.00. All proceeds go to the Haiti Mission Trip at the end of February.

### **Haiti Benefit!**

Come check out a Benefit for Haiti at the 40 Watt Club Friday, February 26, 2010. Five local bands will be playing including "Henry Barbe" and "Native Kid." Come out and support musicians from MDCHS while raising money for our annual mission trip to Haiti!

### **Destination Donovan!**

Thank you to all the 6th and 7th graders who came out Saturday for *Destination Donovan!* These Future Rams were treated to pizza, sodas and dessert and help our students cheer on the RAMS!!

Congratulations to Tory Bowles and Matt Titus who won the free throw contest!



**Special Thank You!** The faculty and staff at MDCHS would like to thank all the moms who brought lunch and goodies for us on Wednesday! These magnificent moms are: Karen Siebenlist, Jane Killeen, Melissa Curtis, Suzanne Diaz, Donna Means, Annie Kennedy, Merrell Turpin, Lori Scott, Arlene Hogan and Sally Hoge! MDCHS MOMS ROCK!



# Presidential Press

Greetings,

This Friday, we invited the eighth graders from Saint Joseph's to eat lunch with members of the student council and shadow various classes in the afternoon. The lunch consisted of pizza and ice cream while the afternoon class time was divided into four periods. It was interesting for me to have students four years younger shadowing my own class only two days after I shadowed at a school in which I am interested in attending. At first, having younger students in class was nothing more than a brief distraction and an interesting class activity. After thinking a little, however, I realized that the visiting students were probably observing us the same way I had observed the college students and professors three days before. It was both difficult and interesting to be in my situation as both the observer and the observed. It gave me the perspective of both sides. It made me wish I had been more open to conversation while I was shadowing and made me more open to conversation with the eighth graders. The age difference should not be a barrier in any way, and casting it aside truly does make everyone feel more comfortable with each other.

Scott Glassman, Student Body President

## Student News :



### MDCHS LOCK-IN!

Students received the lock-in permission slip today in homeroom! This event (hosted by the senior class) begins Friday night February 12 at 6:00 pm and ends Saturday morning at 8:00 am sharp! Please email Mrs. Stutsman with any questions!

### Student Council

Thank you to the student council for arranging the timer to be turned off on the COKE machine in the gym!

Thank you to the student council for making Wednesday night's Admissions Open House a success. You were wonderful at each of your responsibilities and complimented by many guests. Our next meeting has been cancelled...you deserve a bit of rest. See you Wednesday morning February 24 at 7:15. Breakfast provided by Erin Curtis.



### MDCHS Farmer's Market Club

We're getting geared up for another exciting and productive year at the Athens Farmer's market. We hope to continue supporting our Haiti Children and be able to sponsor an additional child with a year of food, education and clothing. With our new Certification as Naturally Grown, our gardener-students are making plans for starting organic seeds for the first time.

Our club is in need of a canopy tent for the market. This year the Athens Farmers Market is asking all vendors to provide their own tent to set up under. If anyone has an unused event canopy tent and is interested in donating it to our club we will be very grateful! Mark your calendars for May 8<sup>th</sup>, the first day of the 2010 Athens Farmers Market season!

### MDCHS YEARBOOKS ON SALE NOW!

Reserve your copy of the 2009-2010 MDCHS yearbook! Each book is \$25.00 and to ensure you get one, fill out the order form on page 5 of the Ram Ramblings and return it to Mrs. Nasworthy with your check made out to MDCHS. Pre-orders are due by February 19, 2010.



### 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Class of 2010 Yard Sale!

The fourth annual Class of 2010 yard sale will be on April 10, 2010 at the Glassman's home on University Drive (off Milledge Ave.). Please clean out your closets and send to MDCHS any donations. All donations must be clean and priced! Members of the senior class will be happy to pick-up large items at your house. Please email Mrs. Stutsman and she will make the arrangements! Clothes are NOT accepted unless they are priced at \$3.00 or higher.



### Math Team News

MDCHS will be competing in the American Mathematics Competition after school on Tuesday, February 9<sup>th</sup>. The contest consists of 25 multiple choice questions which are to be answered in 75 minutes. Students interested in participating should contact Mr. Hardison.

**Hannah Laughlin Rowan Media Center:** February is the shortest month, but there seems to be so much to do! The Hannah Laughlin Rowan Media Center will be celebrating American Heart Month and Black History Month. There will be books and information dealing with the heart--what to eat, the "new" food pyramid, & exercise books. There will also be information about Black History Month--some of the famous people and what they did, books by and about famous blacks, plus a picture of the 2010 Black History Month poster. Famous names of authors, scientists, presidents and others who have birthdays in February will be on display. Another big event in February, especially this year, is the 2010 Winter Olympics being held in Vancouver, British Columbia! The Olympics will run from February 12 with the opening ceremony, through February 28. During this time The Media Center will be displaying the XXI Olympic Winter Games logo, with the meaning behind it. Plus, there will also be a display on the 2010 Winter Olympics Mascots, who they are and the inspiration behind them. Please drop by the Media Center and take a look!

# Counselor's College Corner

**The Counselor's Corner is stocked with new and current information for many colleges and universities. Testing information and practice is always available, too.**

**Young Dawgs:** We have five names of students interested in Young Dawgs. Applications deadline is March 15, 2010. This is an excellent opportunity afforded to local students. All students should select an area of interest during the high school years to enhance future possibilities. Jim Geiser has agreed to visit our school for an information session. Please email [planiak@mdchs.org](mailto:planiak@mdchs.org) if you are interested. The Young Dawgs High School Summer Internship is a 6-7 week program that identifies local area high school students and places them in internships at the University of Georgia. Rising juniors and seniors are placed in areas of their career interests. Goals of the program include exposing high school students to a college campus and providing high school students with broader opportunities to learn about a variety of career areas. The program includes a two day training program at the beginning of the term. The students obtain an orientation to campus, UGA ID cards and email address, bus schedules, etc. Students participate in 2 Lunch and Learn activities during the summer. At the end of the summer, each student gives an 8-11 minute presentation about their experience. In order to participate, students must be recommended by a school administrator and must complete an IPAWS application and submit a cover letter and resume. Students will interview and must be accepted by their prospective faculty supervisor. Parents are also required to attend a parent orientation meeting (some time in March) prior to the beginning of the program. <http://www.hr.uga.edu/workdev/stcp/school.html>  
Some scholarship websites for seniors: (for informational purposes only, we cannot endorse websites nor guarantee results)

[www.brokescholar.com](http://www.brokescholar.com)  
[www.collegescholarships.org](http://www.collegescholarships.org)  
[www.scholarships.com](http://www.scholarships.com)

[www.cappex.com](http://www.cappex.com)  
[www.fastweb.com](http://www.fastweb.com)

[www.careersandcolleges.com](http://www.careersandcolleges.com)  
[www.free-4u.com](http://www.free-4u.com)

[www.collegeanswer.com](http://www.collegeanswer.com)  
[www.petersons.com](http://www.petersons.com)

## **AP Testing Schedule:**

Students have received the Bulletin for AP Students and Parents. Students are responsible for knowing the material contained therein. Fees for AP tests are due by February 24<sup>th</sup>. Checks should be made payable to MDCHS – AP Program, and submitted to the Counselor's Office. At MDCHS, all students enrolled in AP courses are required to sit for the national exam.

**Gainesville State College 2010 Spring Open House** at Oconee Campus is scheduled for Saturday, March 20<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 AM in the Student Resource Center. Registration begins at 8:30 AM. Find more information at [www.gsc.edu](http://www.gsc.edu) .

**My College QuickStart** is an online college and career planning kit available free of charge to all students who take the PSAT/NMSQT. It is powered by their responses to the test and provides personalized information that helps students take their next steps toward college:

- My Online Score Report—an enhanced score report that allows students to review each test question, their answers, and the correct answers with answer explanations
- My SAT Study Plan—a customized SAT study plan based on students' PSAT/NMSQT test performance, highlighting skills for review and practice
- My Personality—a detailed personality test that helps students learn about themselves and discover majors and careers that fit their strengths and interests
- My Major & Career Matches—extensive information about majors and careers, including insights about what to expect and what courses to take now
- My College Matches—a starter list of colleges based on students' home state and indicated choice of major

Students will need their access code, which is printed on the paper score report, and the tool can be utilized throughout high school. Using My College QuickStart together with your child is a great way to introduce and guide your child through important aspects of the college-going process. Visit [www.collegeboard.com/quickstart](http://www.collegeboard.com/quickstart).

**College Goal Sunday:** • Date: February 28, 2010 • Time: 2PM • Location: Room 148, Miller Learning Center at UGA

The Office of Student Financial Aid at the University of Georgia will be hosting a College Goal Sunday event February 28. The goal of this event is to assist high school seniors and college students in filling out the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). All graduate and undergraduate students must complete the FAFSA process after January 1 of each year in order to receive consideration for federal aid (including grants, work study and student loans) for the upcoming academic year.

## **What You Should Bring With You to This Event:**

- Your Social Security Number
- Your driver's license (if any)
- Your 2009 W-2 Form and other records of money earned
- You (and your spouse's, if you are married) 2009 Federal Income Tax Return
- Your parent's 2009 Federal Income Tax Return (if you are a dependent student as defined by federal criteria)
- Your current bank statements
- Your current business and investment information, such as business and farm records, stock, bond and other investment records
- Your documentation that states you are a U.S. permanent resident or other eligible non-citizen

Who can attend this event? High school seniors who are applying to college who need assistance filling out the FAFSA. Both UGA and non-UGA students are welcome to attend this event! Parking at the Tate Student Center is free on Sundays. The Tate Student Center is located next to the Zell B. Miller Learning Center. For driving directions, please visit <http://mlc.uga.edu/directions/driving.html> . For more information about this event, please contact Mandy Branch-Friar at (706) 542-6147 or e-mail [mzweig@uga.edu](mailto:mzweig@uga.edu)

# **Order your MDCHS yearbook NOW!!!!**

**The cost is \$25.00 per book.**

**You may pay in cash or make your check payable to MDCHS. (Please note your student's name and mark "yearbook" on your check.)**

**Orders must be placed by 2/19/10**

**This order form is the only way to *GUARANTEE* that you will receive a yearbook!**

**Return payment in an envelope along with the detached bottom portion of this form to the school office by 2/19/10.**

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Detach here and return to MDCHS

## **MDCHS Yearbook Order Form**

**Student Name** \_\_\_\_\_

**Homeroom Teacher** \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ (#) of yearbooks @ \$ \_\_\_\_\_ each = \_\_\_\_\_ (Total amount enclosed)