



"Ram Ramblings"

MONSIGNOR DONOVAN CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL

"TO RADIATE THE LORD"

Wednesday, November 30, 2011

HEADLINES:



Mardi Gras Sponsors Needed

Thank you to our newest Mardi Gras sponsors. Our new Gold sponsors include Trinity Accounting, Reinicke Athens Inc, and the Barton Family. Allied Paving Contractors is a Green sponsor. Our new Purple sponsors are Prior, Daniel and Wiltshire LLC, Athens Orthopedic Clinic and Dr. Neal Pylant, DMD. There is still time to become a sponsor for Mardi Gras! If you, your family or business are interested in getting information about being a sponsor, please contact Rima Sullivan at rma9@bellsouth.net. If there is a business you would like to ask to become a sponsor, please let Rima know as well. Thanks for your support of Monsignor Donovan High School's Mardi Gras.

Christmas at Donovan Sunday, December 11th from 1 to 3 pm

Each member of the MDCHS student body is asked to donate items for the "Santa's Secret Store." Please have your child deliver the following items to his/her homeroom teacher by **Monday, December 5, 2011 (EXTENDED)**:

- Two different items for the store that will be sold for \$5 each – one gift appropriate for Dad and one for Mom.
- A gift box/bag with tissue paper appropriate for each gift is also needed.



Re-Enrollment for Current Families

Monday, December 12, 2012	Re-enrollment form mailed to current families.
Thursday, January 5, 2012	Letter of Intent due, along with \$150 re-enrollment fee.
Thursday, February 23, 2012	Tuition assistance application due directly to FACTS for current students.
Thursday, March 1, 2012	Contracts for 2012-2013 school year and tuition assistance awards mailed to parents of current students.
Thursday, March 8, 2012	Signed agreements are due for current students.

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.

ENVIRONMENTAL PROGRAM - DECEMBER CHALLENGE: Continue collecting your aluminum cans. We had an impressive collection of one hundred and seventy-five pounds of aluminum in our first run.

ADOPT-A-HIGHWAY: On November 20th, Sunday morning, an intrepid group of students from Monsignor Donovan Catholic High School performed the highway cleanup on Epps Bridge Road.

ATLANTA BETTER BUSINESS BUREAU SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITY 2012 Student of Integrity Scholarship Essay "If I were a CEO...the 5 Principals/Values on which I would build my company and why." DEADLINE: Folders must be postmarked or hand delivered by January 31, 2012. Visit: <http://atlanta.bbb.org/2011-student-of-integrity-scholarship-entry-form/> for more information.

THE AMERICAN LEGION High School Oratorical Scholarship Program is an opportunity for students interested in the Constitution and US Government. See your counselor for more information on this scholarship award.



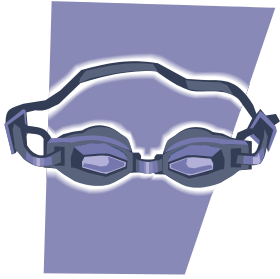
Presidential Press

A message from David Glassman, Student Body President

Two Saturdays ago, November 19, was a bittersweet day for me. On that day, I volunteered at our school's concession stand inside Sanford Stadium for the last time ever. For some (Probably for most...), it might seem difficult to fathom how this could be a sad moment at all. After all, not too many teenagers are particularly excited about spending the majority of their Saturday in a cramped, often disgusting room with drunk football fans yelling at you for not being able to instantly add up the total cost of 6 hot dogs, 2 Large Diet Cokes, 3 bottled waters, 2 unsalted pretzels, 2 nachos with extra jalapenos, and 3 bags of Peanut M&M's. And when you finally are able to tell them that their total price is \$59.50, they unleash a second wave of anger because of the outrageous prices, as if we personally set the prices to the items we sell. But somehow, in the midst of all this, working the concession stand can be rewarding. Being "trapped" for 8 straight hours with your peers in these conditions can actually be fun, and one might even call it a bonding experience. Of course, the school also receives a substantial amount of money from each game, so the diligent work of the volunteers pays its dividends. At our concession stand on this particular occasion, we made over \$900. Even better, my last time working the concession stand was a "good one," with a "good one" being any game where I receive more compliments on my cashiering and math skills than I do insults.

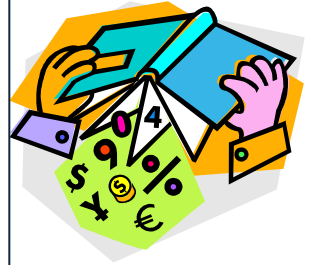
With this being my final year at Donovan, I'm sure I will have many "lasts" to write about. I urge those of you in your first or second years to be active participants in many facets of high school and student life, because you can't have a "last" unless you have a "first."

Student News :



The Swim Team is excited for this coming weekend when they head to the Northside Swim Club in Macon for the Mt. de Sales invitational on Saturday, December 3rd. This is the largest team Coach Juhan has ever had, 20 swimmers in all, and she and Coach Reinhardt look forward to earning as many top finishes as possible. The team is on a roll before the Winter Break with another meet next weekend as well - Saturday, December 10th at Mercer University - hosted by Stratford Academy.

Jed Eldridge and David Glassman recently participated in the annual **Kennesaw State University Mathematics Competition**. The challenging 90 minute contest consisted of 25 multiple choice questions covering material from pre-calculus mathematics. Both students earned high ranking scores in the competition. David Glassman has been invited to participate in round two of the contest this January. Congratulations to both students on their performance and good luck to David in the second round of competition.



This Spring Break we will be taking our **5th annual mission trip to Haiti**. Slots will go to Seniors and Juniors first, if the trip is not full at that point we will open it up to the Sophomore class. The price of airfare and on the ground cost have again risen thus we are looking at ways to decrease our cost. We will have a meeting next Monday 12/5 at 7:30 am (in the media center) to get an idea who may be interested in going. Parents are welcome to attend this meeting or if have question before hand then may contact Hank Wright at 706-369-0459 in the evenings or email at hankwwright@gmail.com.

Band People!



All band members need to plan to **stay after school** tomorrow to ride the float! We will finish fixing up the float right after school, then eat **PIZZA**, then head downtown around **5pm**.

Students will drive themselves to the **parking lot at St. Joseph** where they can park, then walk to the float. *Students are free to carpool... and all Freshmen and non-drivers are already assigned to a carpool with other students. *Everyone has been given easy maps showing where to find the float. All band members need to be **on the float by 5:30!!**

Bring a change of warm clothes!... khaki on the bottom, coats on top. It's going to get cold!! A RED, GREEN or BLACK coat would be best! Bring hats and gloves! Bring your Instruments!

After the parade, students will walk back to St. Joe's and return to Donovan in their carpool.

It's going to be big fun!! Let me know if you have any questions!

First Semester Exam Week at MDCHS - 2011

On Monday, December 12th, all periods, 1 – 6 (and lunch) will meet for review.
We will use the Review Day schedule.

Tuesday, students will have exams for periods 1 and 2.

Wednesday, students will have exams for period 3 and lunch period.

Thursday, students will have exams for periods 4 and 5.

Friday, students will have exams for period 6.

If a student is scheduled for study hall OR if a particular class does not have a mid-term exam, students need not be present at school during that exam block.

If a student has a scheduled study hall and is present at school, s/he must observe silence and stay in the Hannah Rowan Media Center (HRMC). Students may not be in the hallways, visiting lockers, or talking with others during the exam hours.

Daily Plan for Exam Week December 12 – December 16, 2011

Monday, December 12th

Special schedule – all seven blocks meet for exam review.

Tuesday, December 13th

8:00 – 9:35 Exams for first period (1)

9:35 – 9:55 break between exams

10:00 – 11:30 Exams for second period (2)

Dismissal at 11:30 AM

Wednesday, December 14th

8:15 – 9:45 Exams for third period (3)

9:35 – 9:55 break between exams

10:00 – 11:30 Exams for lunch period (Lunch)

Dismissal at 11:30 AM

Thursday, December 15th

8:00 – 9:35 Exams for fourth period (4)

9:35 – 9:55 break between exams

10:00 – 11:30 Exams for fifth period (5)

Dismissal at 11:30 AM

Friday, December 16th

8:00 until 9:35 Exams for sixth period (6)

Dismissal at 9:35 AM

Yearbook News

Now is the time to order your students yearbook!

Order between November 1st to December 16th and the price is \$50. Orders placed after the 16th of December but before January 10th, the price will go up to \$60.

We are unable to take orders after 3:30 pm on January 10th. Be sure to reserve your students copy today!

† Join us for Mass at MDCHS †

The faculty, staff and students at Monsignor Donovan Catholic High School celebrate Mass once a month during the school year. Parents, we would like to extend the invitation to you to join us to celebrate as a community whenever we have Mass. The dates for our school Masses are:

Thursday, December 8th – Immaculate Conception

Friday, January 27th – Catholic Schools Week Kick-off Mass

Wednesday, February 22nd – Ash Wednesday Mass

Friday, March 23rd – Mass

Friday, April 13th – Mass

Friday, May 4th – Mass – Alumni Induction



For all your MDCHS News and Information, please go to our website www.mdchs.org.

Also check us out on 

If you have any trouble receiving the newsletter, please call or email Mrs. Nasworthy at 706-433-0223 ext. 222, or jnasworthy@mdchs.org. As always, thank you for your support!



Forward In Faith

... a plan for our future

Saint Joseph Catholic Community

**Ready, Set, Recycle for the
Scrap for St. Joes: Building Our Future
*Capital Campaign Fundraiser.***

What: Donate your scrap metal and Related Recycling will turn your scrap into cash with ALL proceeds being donated to the Capital Campaign. A list of recyclable items is on the back of this flyer.

When: November 1 to December 16 (Monday through Friday)

Where: The Container will be located off the back parking lot behind the school.

Who: Contact Eric or Lori Wright at RelatedRecycling@gmail.com with any questions or if you are willing to help.

SJS Students: Bring in those aluminum cans to help your class win an ice cream party. More details in the SJS Focus.

Please Donate your Scrap for St. Joes!!



Items that CAN be recycled:

*Appliances *Metal roofing *Tools *Wire hangers
*Gutters *HVAC units *Aluminum cans *Outdoor furniture
*Grills *Exercise equipment *Kitchen items (pots, knives etc.)
*Car batteries *Car parts *CLEAN paint cans *Bicycles
*Fencing *Swing sets *Metal siding/sheds *Old automobiles
*Electric wiring *Copper *Brass *Steel *Stainless steel *Lawn equipment (no fuel/oil)

And more...

Please consider donating large items like old automobiles, washers, dryers, HVAC units...

We can arrange to pick up if necessary.

Eric Wright 706-224-1601 or relatedrecycling@gmail.com

The following items that CAN'T be recycled:

*Plastic *Wood *Styrofoam *Televisions *Computers
*Tires *Paper *Food waste

PLEASE NO TRASH

