

HSA HAPPENINGS

Saint James School HSA Monthly Newsletter

April 2019
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Happy Spring from the HSA!

There are lots of events to recap and many more events coming up! Thank you to all the volunteers who are working so hard to keep up with all the events and fundraisers happening this Spring!

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MARK YOUR CALENDAR April & May

April 2: HSA Evening Meeting / Munson's Order Sorting, 7:00pm, gym
April 3: Munson's Order Pick-up during morning drop-off and afternoon pick-up, gym
April 5: HSA Morning Meeting, 8:00am, lower church hall
April 5: Family Game Night, 6:30-8:30pm, cafeteria
April 7: Mother/Son Rock Climbing, 3:00-5:00pm, Central Rock Gym in Glastonbury
April 27: Father/Daughter Dance, 6:00-9:00pm, gym
April 28: Yard Goats Game, 1:00pm

May 1: HSA Evening Meeting, 7:00pm, library
May 2: HSA Morning Meeting, 8:00am, lower church hall
May 18: Mother/Daughter Tea, 11:00am-1:00pm, Assumption Church hall
May 24: Staff Appreciation Luncheon, Noon-1:00pm, cafeteria

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HOW DID IT GO? Event & Fundraiser Recap

The Munson's Chocolates fundraiser was the biggest one yet with a profit of \$2874--that's \$500 more than last year and 1500 items sold! Orders will be ready for pick up on April 3. A big thank you to Megan Hunt for organizing this fundraiser and tallying up all those bunnies!

Lots of families enjoyed our night out at Jump Off! We raised \$230 and had a lot of fun doing it! Thank you to the families that attended.

The Middle School Dance at SJS was well attended and a nice evening for the 6th-8th graders. Over 80 students attended and we made a profit of \$115. Thank you to Joanna Kamis for chairing the dance and the volunteers who helped run and chaperone the dance.

Middle School Bowling was a success with many students attending and \$225 raised for our school! Thank you to Robin Toomey for organizing this event and helping our older students have a fun afternoon together!

The Soiree was a HUGE success! The evening was full of delicious food generously donated by Highland Park Market, tasty drinks from Lucky Taco, and lots of fun had by so many wonderful school families, friends and supporters! We raised just over \$20,000!!! Many, many thanks to the committee of dedicated volunteers who worked tirelessly for months to organize the event. A special thank you to event chair, Erin Daley, who kept everything running smoothly and devoted countless hours, night and day, to make the evening such a success!

Our first Family Paint Night night was a masterpiece! 30 beautiful Easter paintings were created and we raised \$100. Thank you to Alicia Poth and Megan Hunt for organizing the event.

The 3rd annual Father/Son Event at Dave & Busters was the biggest one so far with 45 families attending! Thank you to everyone who pre-purchased power cards and helped us raise nearly \$450. Thank you to Christine Pesola-Strickland for chairing and to Kristen Miller and Alicia Poth for their help running the event.

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WHAT'S HAPPENING NOW
Monthly Highlights

April will kick off with Family Game Night on Friday, April 5. GameWright will be sending us many fun and unique board games and card games to play for the evening. If you like any of the games you play, they will be available for purchase that evening. You can also purchase games for your child's teacher to use in the classroom. If you have a favorite game, you can bring that along to play with other families. We will have delicious baked goods and movie theater popcorn to snack on. Don't miss out on this fun night! Find more info and the link to sign up [here](#).

The Father/Daughter dance is one of our favorite events of the year! The dance will be held on April 27 in the school gym. There will be delicious hot apps from Hartford Road Cafe, cake and candy, karaoke for girls and dads, DJ "shout outs" from dad to girls, and lots of dancing and games! Keep an eye out for your invitation in your daughter's folder.

This month will also hold our Mother/Son event on April 7 and a Family Yard Goats game on April 28. (Please note that the deadlines for these events have passed so we are no longer accepting RSVPS.) We are excited to try something different for the Mother/Son event this year in response to your feedback over the past few years. We look forward to hearing what the boys and moms think of rock climbing! And we always have a great time

at the Yard Goats games! It is an honor to hold the “Big Flag” during the National Anthem and so fun to watch the game together as a community.

WE NEED YOUR HELP
Volunteer Opportunities

Many volunteers will be needed to set up / clean up and oversee activities and refreshments at the **Father/Daughter dance**. If you are able to help out, please contact Tammi DeLaire at tdelaire1@cox.net.

The Mother/Daughter Tea will be on May 18 from 11am-1pm. Volunteers will be needed to set up the afternoon before and to assist at and clean up at the tea. Please contact Kate Davis if you are able to help at 70greenbean@sbcglobal.net.

The annual **Staff Appreciation Luncheon** will be held on May 24. Volunteers will be needed to help set up, serve and clean up at the luncheon, as well as watch students in the classrooms while teachers are at lunch. Please save the date and keep an eye out for the call for help. Thank you!

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