



John A. Coleman Catholic High School

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November 2011 Newsletter



CALENDAR OF EVENTS:



Tuesday, November 1, 8:30am	Monthly Mass
6pm – 8pm	KHS College Night
Thursday, November 3	Emergency Evacuation Drill* – dismiss 15 minutes early
Saturday, November 5, 7pm	Alumni Remembrance Mass**
Week of November 7	Report cards mailed this week
Tuesday, November 8	No School-Faculty Conference Day
Week of November 8 - 14	Barnes & Noble Book Fair***
Thursday November 11	No School-Veteran's Day
Sat. Nov. 12/Sun, Nov. 13	Craft Fair
Tuesday, November 15	Picture Re-Take Day****
	Financial Aid Night, 6:00pm*****
Wednesday, November 16, 6:30pm	Parent Association Meeting
7pm	Parent/Teacher Conferences*****
November 18 – 27	"The Boy Friend"
Mon. Nov 21/Tues. Nov. 22	Spirit Days*****
Wed. Nov. 23 - Fri. Nov. 25	Thanksgiving Break
Monday, November 28, 5:45pm	Board Meeting



*** Thursday November 3rd: This day a County Wide Evacuation Drill will be held. All Coleman students will be picked up by their home school district buses at the following times: Kingston: 1:15pm. All other districts will pick up at 2:15pm. Student drivers will be dismissed at 2:20pm and all students who are picked up must be picked up no later than 2:20pm. There are NO after school activities on this day.**

**** Remembrance Mass** for John A. Coleman deceased alumni, students and faculty will be on Saturday November 5th at 7:00pm in the school chapel.



BARNES & NOBLE BOOKSELLERS ***** Bookfair Fundraiser:** The Barnes & Noble in-store Bookfair will be from Nov. 8th – 12th, when you go to pay for your items you need to mention John A. Coleman. The online Bookfair will be from Nov. 8th – 14th, when you go to www.bn.com/bookfair you need enter John A. Coleman's Bookfair ID# 10588226. The school gets a percentage of sales during that period. This is a great opportunity to buy Christmas Gifts.

****** Picture retakes:** School picture retakes will be taken on Tuesday November 15th. Order forms are available in the office. All students should have their pictures taken for the yearbook and their student ID.



******* Financial Aid Informational Meeting** on Tuesday November 15th at 6:00pm a representative from SUNY Ulster will be here to speak about College Financial Aid. This is open to parents of all grades for college planning.



***** **Parent Teacher Conferences** will be held on Wednesday November 16th from 7:00pm - 9:00pm. This is a good opportunity to meet with your child's teachers with any questions or concerns you may have. There are no appointments for these conferences; they are on a first-come, first-serve basis that night. Please make these meetings brief (no more than 10 minutes). Chairs will be available by the classrooms for you to wait.

***** **Spirit Days and Pep Rally**: On November 21st and 22nd we will have our annual Spirit Days and Pep Rally. Monday will be "Theme Day"; each class will be dressed in a particular theme for their class. Tuesday will be "Color Day", each class will be dressed in a particular color for the day, the Pep Rally will be held in the afternoon. "Themes" and "Colors" will be announced later in November.



FROM PRINCIPAL TULLO:

Days to Remember in High School

Despite my belief that the most important thing that ever occurs in high school is my math class, the reality is most students remember special days in the high school. It might be a recognition day, a special assembly, a field trip, etc. Generally it is something special. That's why October will go down in many students' minds for the activities they will remember.

First was Prattsville.

If you haven't seen it yet, we had a great article about the experience in Catholic New York. As well there was a great one-minute news report about the students on WRGB. The experience of seeing the devastation and being able to do something about it was extraordinary. Being there with the students was special for the teachers, parents, and me. Our students were so into helping and caring. They did not need to be prompted to work. Actually, the biggest complaint was when we had to leave and many of them really wanted to stay and do more.

Then came the Spirit Walk.

Last Friday, over 150 of our students participated in the Spirit Walk. In the past (prior to 2010), we had about 50% participate and raised about \$5000. Last year, the percent who participated was up and we raised about \$9000. This year, we raised over \$12,000 and had over 80% of the school participate. This was a special day. The students had a great time; many received prizes from the drawings and had a free lunch. Watching the students walk, run, and then cheer each other as they received their prizes made this a very enjoyable and special day.

Hopefully, our academics will prepare them for their future colleges and careers, but our special events will help them to learn to give of themselves, work together, and become magnificent members of our society.

COMMITTEE PEOPLE NEEDED

In the summer I wrote about the need for input in the following three areas:

Technology – what should we be looking to add to, or use in, our school in this area, including things like new computers, laptops, tablets, smartboards, cell phones, online courses, etc.

Regents' exams – with the changes that have occurred should we change our reliance on their use, and what are the alternatives.

Dress Code – what will the “well-dressed students” in Coleman look like in the future?

If you are interested in being on one of these three advisory committees, please email (principal@colemancatholic.net) or call me to add your name. Some of you have already offered to help. Please send an “official” offer between now and November 10. We will begin to have these committees meet in the middle of November.



Financial Obligations: All outstanding financial obligations must be met by Friday November 4th in order for you to receive your child’s report card.



Coleman Sweatshirts: We are taking orders for Coleman Hoodies or Zip-Ups. They are dark green with gold lettering. The cost is \$40.00 and the deadline for orders is Friday November 18th. Order forms are available in the school office. **Remember that these are the only sweatshirts acceptable for the Coleman Dress Code.**



We have new Basketball Coachs for the Boys Teams - John Funk is now back at Coleman for boys Varsity Basketball after having coached back in the mid 1980s and James Murphy (Coleman Class of 2008) will be coaching the JV team. The schedule for November is as follows:

DATE	TIME	SPORT	AWAY AT	HOME VS.
FRIDAY NOV. 4	12:00PM	BOYS CROSS COUNTRY - SECTIONALS		
	2:00PM	GIRLS CROSS COUNTRY - SECTIONALS		
SAT NOV 12	9:00AM	CROSS COUNTRY - STATES		MINISINK VALLEY



John A. Coleman Catholic presents Sandy Wilson's delightful flapper era musical comedy "The Boy Friend." The show is a jazzy, lighthearted, romantic spoof of 1920's musical comedies. It will have you doubled over in your seats with laughter! It's a frothy, funny, frolic of a show featuring a flurry of Roaring Twenties songs and dances." Songs from the show include *Won't You Charleston with Me?* *All I Want is a Room in Bloomsbury*, *The Riviera*, *I Could Be Happy With You*, and the title song, *The Boy Friend*.

"The Boy Friend" will present six performances on successive weekends in November: Friday and Saturday nights at 7:30 pm on November 18, 19, 25, 26, and Sundays at 3:00 pm on November 20 and 27. Tickets are \$15 for adults and \$10 for children under 12, and may be reserved by calling Coleman High School at 845-338-2750.

The following sponsorships are available for recognition on our Sports Booster Board or our Theatre Patron Recognition Board, both displayed in the school gym. May we count on your support in one or both areas this year? Your generosity will help defray the cost of these programs. Thank you in advance for your generosity! Please make your check payable to John A. Coleman and mail to the school at 430 Hurley Ave., Hurley, NY 12443. The deadline is November 15th.

SPORTS BOOSTER BOARD

The following sponsorships are available:

\$250 Benefactor \$100 Sponsor \$50 Booster



We provide all donors with a complimentary pass as our guest to all the 2011-2012 home basketball games.

Name on Sign: _____

THEATRE PATRON RECOGNITION BOARD

The following sponsorships are available:

\$250 Benefactor \$100 Sponsor \$50 Patron



We provide all donors with preferred seating at our Fall and Spring musicals and recognition in the programs.

Name on Sign: _____



INTERNATIONAL STUDENT SCHOOL REPRESENTATIVE:

Nacel Open Door, a well-respected national organization for international student exchange, is looking for a Local Representative. The Local Representative locates host families, monitors adjustment, and provides support to our international students attending John A. Coleman Catholic High School. Applicant must be a self-starter, organized, efficient, dependable and caring. Flexible hours. College graduate preferred. More information about Nacel Open Door can be found at www.nacelopendoor.org/IPSP. Interested applicants should contact Vicki Pelletier at 877-580-3738, email: vickinacel@hotmail.com

How would you like to receive your Coleman Newsletter?

The Coleman newsletter can be sent to you by US Postal mail or by e-mail if you prefer. Please send an e-mail request to Maureen Murphy at sarge31@verizon.net to begin receiving the monthly newsletter and other announcements electronically. You can help us environmentally and economically by going to an e-mail delivery.

SHOES FOR AFGHAN CHILDREN



You can make a world of difference!

November 2011 Newsletter:

Thanks to the Coleman community, I have been able to send a box filled with over thirty pairs of sandals and shoes to Afghanistan. I was fortunate to receive a large donation of footwear from the Dollar General in Saugerties, and I am in need of monetary donations to help with shipping costs. To aid these children during the harsh winter weather, I will now be collecting new boots, jackets, hats, scarves, and mittens in children's sizes. Letters to the soldiers, and individually wrapped snacks are always welcome! It could take up to four weeks for a box to arrive in that remote area of Afghanistan, so I will be sending my next shipment by November 15. Checks can be made out to David Schillinger. Again, thank you for taking these children into your hearts.

My uncle, COL Paul Brisson, with the box of shoes donated by the Coleman community that I recently shipped to him.



Coleman Parents Association News: November 2011



Applebee's Pancake breakfast raised approx. \$533.00. Students that helped did an excellent job.

Spirit Walk: Thanks to Mary Ann Sherman and Bonnie Gilman and others that helped with donations for raffle prizes for the students.

Craft Fair - Coming November 12th & 13th. This is a major fund raiser. We can make over \$20,000 from the craft fair with the help and support from everyone. Parent Reps need to make phone calls to ask for food for the kitchen. Looking for quiche, cookies, sandwiches or if you want to come in and work in the kitchen Sat. morning, they are there about 6:00am. Vendors arrive at 6am & help from students is always appreciated. Please send food to the office on Thursday as school is closed on Friday, or send early Saturday morning. The senior class will be having baskets to raffle off. All parents should be getting a call or email from their parent rep to tell them what the theme of their basket will be.



Teachers Christmas Luncheon: Joan Quigley will be chairing. The luncheon is scheduled for December 20th. If you are available during the day or want to donate food please get in touch with her.

Wine and Cheese- Scheduled for April 22nd - Looking for Co-Chairs for this event. Please email Kathleen Sickles if you are interested. Leona Shelton will help out for the coming year.

Brooks barbecue: May 17th and is chaired by the LaValles.

Teacher Appreciation Week is in May and chaired by Wynne Ann Spano.

Any ideas for big fund raisers please share with the officers!

Theater Department's production of "The Boyfriend" is coming soon. Need help with the concessions. The senior class is responsible for the first weekend. The junior class is responsible for the second weekend. Please drop off the food anytime Thursday, Friday, or before 10:00 Saturday.

WHAT IF JOHN A COLEMAN CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL EARNED A PENNY FOR EVERY TIME YOU SEARCHED THE INTERNET?



SEARCH THE WEB WITH WWW.GOODSEARCH.COM
MONEY FROM YAHOO ADVERTISERS WILL GO TO COLEMAN CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL
WITHOUT YOU SPENDING A DIME!

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CLASS REPRESENTATIVES:

Class of 2012: Dennis Bressack, Jo Ann Guerin, Sue Mautone, Donna Ducker, Sally Davis

Class of 2013: Donna Fong, Jackie Kahrs, Sara Maliha, Patti Malik

Class of 2014: Jodi Markle-Adams, Tonya Fitzgerald, Bonnie Gilman, Bev Hrickisak, Mary Beth Koch, Sandy Terrone

Class of 2015 - Allison Belfance, Myrna Capaldi, Stacy Deneve, Joanne Valarella, and Mary Vasquez