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The Deadline for March's Newsletter submissions is March 8th.

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President's Message

Wow! I think this is all that we can say. This year is going so great that we were able to give the school **\$20,000** for our first payment! The SMPA could not have done this without the support of our members and all St. Mary families ~ we congratulate every one of you!

January was a busy month for the SMPA. Our Magazine Drive was a success! Thanks to Gail Santoro and her committee for a job well done! Our St. Mary Ball was held on January 28. Everyone had a blast! Thank you to Maura Egan and her committee for making this the best one yet! We can't wait for next year!

Catholic Schools Week was a hit. All the children and staff had a great time with the folks from Sturbridge Village. Meteorologist, Barry Burbank, visited with our 4th-8th grade classes and he gave our school and students a big thank you on the morning news. Patty Sackinsky and her committee gave our teachers and staff a delicious home cooked luncheon. We thank them for all their hard work in honoring our faculty. Ending Catholic Schools Week was our traditional Pasta Festival. We thank Anne Daly and her committee with a special thanks to Nicolina for making this a success. What a great week we all had!! *(continued on page 2)*

QUOTE OF THE MONTH

"Alone we can do so little; together we can do so much."  
- Helen Keller

(President's message continued from page 1)

Coming up is our Family Fun Night at Roller Kingdom on Feb. 22<sup>nd</sup>. We hope to see you all there! Moms don't forget to buy your tickets for the Mother/Son event coming up in June. We are looking forward to our Pizza and Cookie Dough Fundraiser starting on Feb. 27<sup>th</sup>. Remember Feb. 28<sup>th</sup> is our SMPA General Board Meeting. This month the meeting will start at 6:30 so everyone can help choose our new uniform vendor. We hope at least one person from each family can attend. We are looking forward to seeing you there! Don't forget March 6<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> is our Scholastic Book Fair. More info to follow.

We hope everyone has a Happy Valentines Day and a wonderful vacation week! We thank you from the bottom of our hearts for all the hard work done by all!

Emelie Hayden and Susan Lynch



## HELP WANTED

### People with a love of books!

*Event:* Scholastic Book Fair      *Positions open:* volunteers  
No experience necessary, if interested please contact Margaret Curran at 508-842-5727

### Dinner and Dessert!

*Event:* Pizza and Cookie Dough Sale      *Positions open:* Volunteers  
if interested please contact Emelie Hayden at 508-845-9048

### Roll on in to help!

*Event:* Family Fun Night      *Positions open:* People to cover 1/2 hour shifts  
if interested please contact Emelie Hayden at 508-845-9048

### Take a swing at it!

*Event:* Golf Tournament      *Positions open:* Volunteers  
if interested please contact John Ruggieri at jaruggieri@charter.net



## The Gift of Reading Program

Give the gift of reading to the students at St. Mary School.

Help expand our library with a book donation.

For information please contact Julie Belbin at 508-842-6929.



## Mother and Son Event

Sunday, June 11th, 2:05pm Game

Join us for our annual Mother and Son event! All St. Mary's boys (preschool - 8th grade) and their mothers, or substitute adult females, are invited to cheer on the Worcester Tornadoes as they take on the North Shore Spirit! Tickets are \$7 each and must be purchased by February 17th! Please call or email Julie Belbin with any questions - 842-6929 [ejbelbin@townisp.com](mailto:ejbelbin@townisp.com)



## Camp Read a Book—Let the Book Bug Bite!

The Scholastic Book Fair is coming to St. Mary's next month. The fair will run from March 8 to March 12, giving students, teachers, families and friends the opportunity to choose from a huge selection of children's books. The fair will be open during specific times during the school day, as well as after masses on the weekend. More information will be sent home via future Wednesday envelopes. If anyone is interested in volunteering at the book fair, please contact Margaret Curran at 508-842-5727.



Coming Soon to a Backpack Near You!

Remember to get your tickets for **Family Fun Night!**  
and **The Mother/Son Event!**

*Tickets must be purchased in advance.*



### SMPA Cookbook

Some of the best cookbooks ever made are not the high priced glossy mainstream cookbooks that you find in your local bookstore, but are instead the wonderful church and community cookbooks that families have been collecting for years.

Next year, the SMPA would like to publish their own cookbook. If you are interested in working on this project, please contact Emelie Hayden at 508-845-9048.



### St. Mary Ball

We would like to thank you all again for helping to make our Ball a resounding success.

A "special" thanks to Maura Egan and her committee for all of their hard work.



### Coming Attractions...

	Date	Time	Event	Chairperson
February	22nd	5:30 PM	Family Fun Night	Susan Lynch & Emelie Hayden
	27th– March 13th		Pizza & Cookie Dough Sale	Susan Lynch & Emelie Hayden
	28th	6:30 PM	General Meeting/Uniform Vendors	N/A
March	8th-12th	School Hours & after Masses	Scholastic Book Fair	Margaret Curran
April	TBD		Easter Flower/Candy Sale	Position Open
May	12th		Father/Daughter Dance	Lisa Razzono
	23rd	6:30 PM	General Meeting/Arts Fair	N/A
June	2nd		Golf Tournament	John Ruggieri
	11th		Mother/Son Event	Julie Belbin

Don't Miss the General Meeting!  
February 28th 6:30 PM  
in the Church Hall

Volunteer signup sheets will be available. We look forward to working with each and every one of you.

We are asking that at least one person from each family is represented at this meeting. Your input is vital to the success of our organization.

Come and help pick our new uniform vendor. Our choices of uniforms will be proudly modeled by our own St. Mary Students!





## The Finance Corner

### Statement of Net Income from Elves Workshop

		<u>2006</u>	<u>2005</u>	<u>%Change</u>
<b>Revenue</b>				
	SMPA	\$ 3,005.00		
	Cristoline	1,624.45		
<b>Total Revenue</b>		<u>\$ 4,629.45</u>	\$ 5,256.00	-11.92%
<b>Expenses</b>				
	Inventory-SMPA	2,239.70	3,193.94	-29.88%
	Inventory-Cristoline	1,482.25	1,540.75	-3.80%
	Supplies	<u>40.21</u>		100.00%
<b>Total Expenses</b>		<u>3,762.16</u>	<u>4,734.69</u>	-20.54%
<b>Net Income</b>		<u>\$ 867.29</u>	<u>\$ 521.31</u>	66.37%

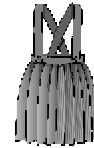


## Family Fun Night

Please join us for a night of fun and games at Roller Kingdom in Hudson, MA from 5:30-7:30pm **Wednesday, February 22, 2006**. Cost is only \$5.00 per person ~ which includes skate rental. Or if you prefer you may bring your own skates.

**Family and friends welcome!**

Buy your raffle tickets for a chance to win a **FREE BIRTHDAY PARTY** (\$140 value)! Tickets are \$1.00 each or 6 for \$5.00. As an added bonus you will receive a FREE ADMISSION voucher with every ticket purchase! Tickets will also be available for purchase at event.



## Help Pick the New School Uniform Vendor



Join us at the next General Meeting February 28th at 6:30 and get a chance to check out the new uniform vendors. There will be a fashion show with our own St. Mary student's modeling the new fashions.



## Exciting Changes for the 2006 Golf Tournament

A light lunch will be provided. There will be Golf Prizes, Raffles and an Auction. Guests and non-golfers are also welcome to attend dinner following the event.

Save the Date: **Friday June 2, 2006 at 1:00pm Cyprian Keyes Golf Club**, Boylston, MA <http://www.cypriankeyes.com/>

If you have questions or would like to help this year contact John Ruggieri at [jaruggieri@charter.net](mailto:jaruggieri@charter.net)



## Preschool Place

If you have a preschooler returning for the 2006 – 2007 school year please fill out the enrollment & registration agreement/ payment preference form and return it to the school office by Monday February 13, 2006. Forms were sent home in backpacks during the first week of February.

On Community Reading Day, during Catholic Schools Week, the preschoolers in Program C enjoyed a visit from Mr. Paul Gannon, Jr., music teacher, who read books and played his guitar for them. By the smiles on their faces it was obvious what a wonderful time the children and Mr. Gannon had!!