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under the patronage of Blessed Mary Angela

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*I asked Jesus “How much do You love me?”
“This much” He answered.
Then He stretched out his arms and died.*



A huge **“Thank You”** to all of you who consistently help NCCS be the best that we can be. This month, the words go out to all of those who helped make our first Mardi Gras – Night at the Races so much fun and such a success! This was a fantastic fundraiser for our school and many people from the whole community came together to plan, work, sell tickets and participate in this event.

Also, thank you to those who continually support SCRIP. The Valentine contest winner was Cheryl Chiridon. *** New Easter SCRIP Contest*** NCCS will be running an Easter Contest during the month of March. For every \$100 worth of certificates ordered, your name will be entered into a drawing. One lucky winner will receive a \$25 certificate of your choice to help purchase Easter Goodies. Drawing – March 26.

Thank you to Miss Farbaugh for organizing the Hoops for Hearts event. This event was once again a great success at NCCS and raised \$2773 for the American Heart Association. The top fundraisers this year were: Camden Pizarchik, Anna Ludwig and Cory Franceschini.



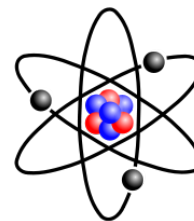
- **Junior High Youth Day** is an opportunity for our 6th, 7th and 8th grade students to grow in faith and spend a wonderful day with other youth from all across the diocese. Brad Farmer and Gene Monterastelli from APeX Ministries will be the guest speakers with their “Christian Vaudeville”.

Their style has a wonderful ability to reach our young people and help them learn more about themselves and their faith while having fun! **Don’t let your children talk you out of sending them to this wonderful fun-filled day that ends with Mass with Bishop Mark.**

Sunday, March 18, 2018 – Registration begins at 11:00 a.m. – Bishop Carroll High School - \$15 which includes lunch and t-shirt – **Registration requires. ALL REGISTRATION FORMS DUE BACK TO NCCS WITH YOUR CASH OR CHECK BY MONDAY, MARCH 5.**

We will also need an adult chaperone, so if you are interested, please let the office know.

Included in last month's newsletter was information about the ATOMS program. ATOMS stands for the Advanced Training for Outstanding Mathematics and Science. This Scholars Program will occur this summer through IU08 and provide hands-on high level, intensive STEM experiences for students who will be completing grades 2-8 this year. **The online Application deadline is March 21.** Don't wait until the last minute to apply.



NCCS is very proud that 3 of our students in 7th and 8th grade will attend the Pennsylvania Junior Academy of Science competition at Penn State in Altoona on Saturday, March 3. Mrs. McMullen has been working very hard with these students. Those competing are:

Anthony Lessard – “Handy Man” – This experiment involved administering a writing, balance and vision test to students to determine if foot and eye dominance are connected to hand dominance.

John Weiland – “The strength of Different Wood Types” – This experiment involved testing Red Oak, White Pine and White Ash boards in a press to determine which wood could endure the greatest amount of pressure.

Kaitlynn Ludwig – “Will It Grow?” – This experiment tested the effects of tap water, boiled water, microwaved water and cold water on the growth of tomato plants.

NCCS is also very proud that 26 of our 6th, 7th and 8th grade students will be participating in the Regional Forensics competition on Friday, March 16th at Bishop Carroll Catholic High School. Those competing are:



Prose

Austin Amsdell
Abigail Buterbaugh
Ella Miller
Karly Shakespeare
Makayla Stephens
Hannah Stonebraker
Isabella Thompson

Poetry

Jude Kline
Broderick Ryan
David Weinzierl
Mitchell Dumm
Thomas Bernard
Anthony Lessard

Informative

Kaitlynn Ludwig
Zachary Onkst
David Farabaugh
Ayden Smorto

Impromptu

Shyana Burger

Persuasive

Savannah Smorto
Nathan Dumm
John Weiland

Drama

Allison Moriconi

Duo Drama

Jadyn Strittmatter/
Hannah Farabaugh
James Dumm/
Austin Kirsch





- March 1-3 Bon Ton Community Days – Booklets available in the School Office - ****Please Note that these coupons are not able to be used in the Johnstown store since they are liquidating.**
- March 2 – Read Across America Day – **Wear your favorite Dr. Seuss socks, shirt, hat, colors – with uniform pants or skirt.**
- March 3 – PJAS Regional Competition
- March 5 – Junior High Youth Day **Applications Due**
- March 6 – NCCS School Council Meeting 7:15 p.m.
- March 10 – NCCS Book Sale
- March 14 – Easter Candy Pick-up – Community Center 3:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.
- March 15 – FACTS Financial Aid Deadline
- March 16 – **Special Bus Schedule – Pack Lunch Day** – Forensics Regional Competition – “Wearing of the Green at NCCS”
- March 18 – Junior High Youth Day
- March 20 – PFS Meeting – 6:30 p.m. – Community Center
- March 21 – ATOMS Applications Due
- April 8 – NCCS Spring Expo – Vendor Show, Basket Raffle, Bake Sale
- April 27 – Spring Concert with Dan & Galla
- May 11 – NCCS Awards Banquet

Stations of the Cross will be prayed on Friday’s during Lent at 12:45 at St. Nicholas Church. On Friday, March 9, the Knights of Columbus will be praying with the NCCS students. Please join us.

Graduation Dates for PK, K and 8 will be set in mid-March - hopefully most of the Winter weather will be behind us.