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SJMS Students Honored by Mayor Coleman



Photo: R. Holonitch



Photo: R. Holonitch

Mia receives her pin and certificate.



Photo: R. Holonitch

Mackenzie receives her pin and certificate.

By: Mackenzie Beam and Mia Rivera, 4th Grade

Many students from SJMS and other schools around Ohio entered the GreenSpot drawing competition. GreenSpot is a campaign, developed by Mayor Michael Coleman's office, which is all about "Reduce, Reuse and Recycle." GreenSpot had a drawing competition for a new mascot. Many People entered the competition but in the end only one could win.

Mackenzie Beam and Mia Rivera were two of the honorable mention winners. They were two of the about two hundred entries, and they are best friends. On March 25th, Mia and Mackenzie, along with their families, were awarded certificates and pins by Mayor Coleman.

Thomas Rivera Helps the City, read about it on Page 2.

Thomas Helps Columbus



Photo: R. Holonitch

Thomas Rivera (P1) helps the city, one coin at a time.

While visiting City Hall for Mia's award, see our front page article, Thomas made a positive impression with Mayor Michael Coleman by donating a quarter to the city.

Mayor Coleman was so impressed with Thomas' generosity, he gave Thomas and his family a guided tour of City Hall on the way to our Treasury to make a significant deposit.

We are proud of Thomas and his independent thinking.

The Sky is Bright with "Night of 47 Stars"

By: Harper Daniel, Erin Miller, and Anna Rambo
4th Grade

Lights! Camera! Action! Middle School presented their version of a Vaudeville show on May 19th. Many family and friends came to see amazing acts of singing, magic, and comedy.

Practice, practice, practice is the name of the game in preparing for such a great show. A big thank you goes to Sandra Matheny for all her hard work.



Photo: R. Holonitch

Madame La Faque (Anna Shuff) astounded Marty with her tricks.

Michael Weaver: Head of School for a Day



Photo: R. Holonitch

Michael as Head of School

On May 18th, Michael Weaver was proclaimed the new Head of School for a Day.

At the Spring Gala, Michael's parents had the winning bid for this opportunity. He will receive a lunch with Elma with a guest, and the chance to make a new rule for the school for that day. Congratulations, Michael. Don't let all this power go to your head.

SJMS Classroom on TV



Photo: R. Holonitch

The photo shoot was filled with cameras.

"Hey, that classroom looks familiar..." maybe the words out of your mouth the next time you turn on your TV.

On March 24th, a film crew arrived at SJMS to shoot footage for an upcoming commercial for the Mid-Ohio Food Bank. Desks and chairs were arranged to transform the Primary 3 into an traditional classroom.

They used a classroom setting to inform their audience of childhood hunger.



Photo: R. Holonitch

The room was set up to look like a traditional classroom.

National Chess Champions

“Checkmate!” Our team of top-notch chess players have become accustomed to saying that at tournaments.

At the most recent tournament at the convention center in Columbus, our students participated in the National Junior High School Champs Competition. They earned First Place in the state of Ohio, and 19th for the nation in the under 750 rating.

In a separate competition in Nashville, Tennessee, Jacob Eismann tied for 25th in the National High School Champs.



Photo: R. Holonitch

John Markiewicz (ERD), Jacob Eismann (MS), Braedon Singleton, (P1), and Gabrielle Eismann (ERD).

Here Little Gosling...

By: Noah Hessler-Burdick,
Austin Nichols,
and Simon Squires
Primary 1



Photo: R. Holonitch

Our gosling friend spread his wings in the multi-purpose room.

On May 3rd, Marty's husband rescued a gosling in a parking lot and brought it to the Primary 1 classroom.

The next day, we got a heat lamp and food for the gosling. He likes to eat grain.

It is doing great in a plastic box with a blanket inside.

Our teacher, Dawn, has called the Ohio Department of Wildlife.

It has green feathers that are very soft. He jumps a lot and flaps his wings because he is trying to fly.



Photo: R. Holonitch

Kate Haydel-Brown and Jordan Aurnou-Rhees keep an eye on the gosling in circle time.

D.A.R.E. to be Safe

By: John Faller
5th Grade

Our school is a little safer now that DARE participants have become graduates. On May 18th, an all-school assembly occurred to celebrate their huge accomplishment. Officer Tony Fabbro, Marty Gossett and Elma Pundavela, presented each student with a DARE t-shirt, certificate, and a wrist band. The school watched a video about their hardwork.



Photo: M. Gossett

Officer Fabbro demonstrates car safety with his model.



Photo: R. Holonitch

Our D.A.R.E. Class of 2011

Happy Staff Anniversaries!

15 Years

Carolyn Thomas



Photo: Interstate Photo

20 Years

with the Diocese.

Michelle Getz



Photo: Interstate Photo

25 Years

Carol Durbin



Photo: Interstate Photo

We would like to congratulate Michelle Getz, a teacher in our Primary 2 classroom, for twenty years of teaching service within the Diocese. She celebrated this milestone with Elma at the annual Teacher Appreciation Luncheon in May. At the recent Annual Meeting hosted by the Board of Trustees, we recognized Carolyn Thomas, a teacher in Children's House 2, for her 15 years of service to SJMS, as well as Carol Durbin for 25 years at SJMS. Thank you for your continued dedication to our school and students.

Beginning Band Concert



Photo: R. Holonitch

Adam Sorrels

You may have heard great music coming from Ryan Hall on March 24th at 8am. This would have been our annual Beginning Band concert for close family and friends.

"This is my favorite concert," said Sandra Matheny, our band director.

Once the band performed some of their favorite songs, everyone was invited to a light breakfast.

With food and music, this is my favorite concert, too!



Photo: R. Holonitch

Anna Rambo

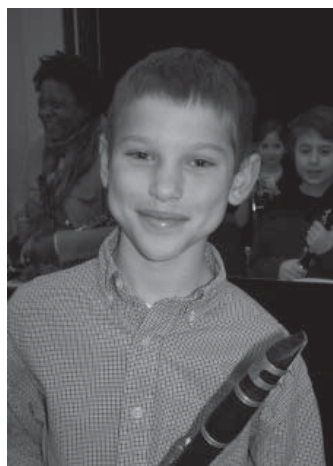


Photo: R. Holonitch

Matthew Hohmann

Staff Appreciation Luncheon



Photo: R. Holonitch

Our staff appreciated the luncheon.

On April 14th, our staff was presented with the annual appreciation luncheon hosted by our Board of Trustees.

Sandwiches, fruit, tea, and tasty desserts were on the menu for all to enjoy.

"The food was delicious, and the flower seed packets were a fun treat," said Senora Maria.

This is one way our families show appreciation for the hard work done everyday by the staff of SJMS.

Penance Service



Photo: M. Phillips

SJMS students with the priests after the service.

Some of the students in the special religion class received the sacrament of reconciliation for the first time. This was in preparation to receive the Sacrament of Eucharist in May.

These students prepared very well, and had an overall feeling of joy when receiving the sacrament.



Photo: M. Phillips

Sam Kukor (ERD) places his sheep in the pasture.

Governor's Mansion Field Trip for P2



Photo: L. Jolley

Primary 2 class in front of the Governor's Mansion.

Our Primary 2 students stepped right into history on April 12th by visiting the Governor's Mansion in Columbus. The docents led them throughout the house and the gardens.

This tour is always a highlight for the Primary 2 classroom.

They Might Be Famous

The students in Primary 1 got a taste of fame in April when they appeared on FOX 28 morning show with Johnny Delarento. The show featured a segment at the State of Ohio Library on East 1st Avenue, where a new Abraham Lincoln exhibit is on display.

Our students recited a song they learned for this special occasion.

Keep it up, friends. Hollywood will soon be calling.



Photo: A. Ingraham

Our Primary 1 students performed their song for FOX 28 viewers.

Ohio State School for the Blind Performs at SJMS

Alumni Hall



Photo: R. Holomitch

The Ohio State School for the Blind

There was music filling the hallways on May 17th when the Ohio State School for the Blind stopped by for a concert. They played some of our favorite songs to delight the crowd.

Our Alumni Hall is growing forward and backward. Graduates from the 1980s and 1990s are now included. Take a moment and check it out, you may see some names you recognize. If you have information about classes not listed, please share with the office, so we can give them their due credit.



Photo: R. Holomitch

1980s and 1990s are here!

COSI Comes To Primary 3



Photo: D. DeiBianco

The COSI presentation in Primary 3.

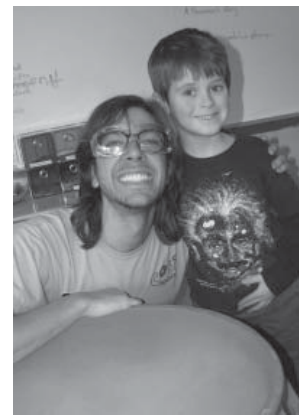


Photo: D. DeiBianco

Matt Umland and Julian shared science with Primary 3.

**By: Julian D. Hooks
P3 Classroom**

I love science. I really love physics. Right now, the US is ranked 35th in Math and 29th in Science worldwide. It is important to get people excited about math and science. For my birthday, I wanted to bring COSI to our classroom to share what I love. I invited my COSI friend, Matt Umland, to help. Matt and

I have explored many things together; dissected cow eyes, investigated fireworks and opened up the inside of a computer.

Everyone was so excited that afternoon on February 4th. Matt brought liquid nitrogen, a bucket of batteries, pickles, wires, dawn dish soap. I couldn't imagine what we would do with all this stuff.

We explored electricity by building circuits and watched a pickle get fired up. We pushed on the weirdness of water by creating surface tension with pepper and dawn dish soap. Finally, everyone was surprised by a cloud in the classroom created with liquid nitrogen.

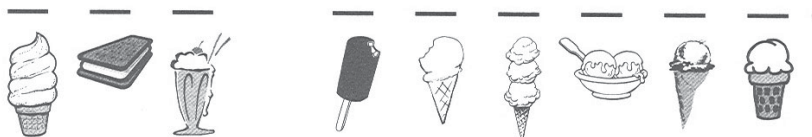
It was great day! Maybe you can start a science tradition in your home?

monty jr.

Cool Codes!

The answer to the following saying is in code. Each picture stands for 1 letter.

Write the correct letter above each picture to figure out the saying.



Puzzle answers on Page 9.

Diocese Art Show



Photo: R. Holmitch

Nick Reiser (MS) with his artwork and certificate

Each year, the Diocese holds a district-wide art show to celebrate the work created by our talented students.

This year, SJMS submitted 18 pieces, featuring artwork from Primary to Erdkinder. Each student received a certificate of participation. The art show was held at Holy Spirit School on March 12 and 13.

Article Correction

In the article, "1,000 Cranes of Hope," we neglected to feature the volunteer who was pivotal in the projects completion.

Susan Hessler, mother of Noah Hessler in Primary 1, came up with the idea and held an open house at her home to get many of the cranes folded.

Thank you Susan for all your time and effort.

Techno Trek!

Everyone was seeing green on Friday, May 6th. Techno Trek is the reason for the color!

Students walked laps to raise money for our technology department.

“It was an amazing time, and the pledges are still coming in,” said Ryan Spoon in Middle School.

Once the walkers completed their trek, everyone was given an apple to eat as a snack.

An interesting twist was the weather. A huge rain storm held off until the last apple was given out.

Students are asked to go home after the event to collect the money pledged. Our goal is \$10,000, and we are getting close. As of May 23rd, we had raised \$8,400.

Thank you for supporting this fun event. Every dollar raised is used to help develop a strong technology department in the school.



Photo: R. Holonitch

Ryan Spoon (MS) was proud of his completed laps.



Photo: R. Holonitch

Nila Kennedy-Young (P2) was proud to show Techno Trek.



Photo: R. Holonitch

Jack Reese (MS) got his card marked at our lap table.



Photo: R. Holonitch

Brianne Nutter, Taylor Vargo, and Camila Melgar-Zubieta (P3) enjoyed their post-Techno Trek apple treat.

Compassion Day!



Kathy Koehler, Jill Rosenberry, Zubin Reyasi, and Maya Fleming (P2) showed compassion with their choices in clothing.

It started with a simple question in the Primary 2 classroom - “What is compassion?”

It then became Compassion Day, where students and staff were asked to wear t-shirts, buttons, hats, or sweatshirts that show the school what you are compassionate about. You would have seen shirts for Easter Seals, Petalonia, Race for the Cure, and more.

Spring Flower Sale

By: Marlena Cook
4th Grade

The Spring Flower Sale was organized by our Family Association. The order form and payments were due on April 4th so you could receive your coupons on April 15th. The coupons were good at Straeder’s Garden Center.

*Your mind will grow like a garden.
SJMS Summer Learning Camp*



www.sjms.net/slc



Erdkinder Fundraising
Balance Sheet

Thank you for all
your support this
school year.

Your contributions
helped make our
trip to Boston a huge
success.

See you next year!

Support SJMS at the
Grocery Store!



monty jr. guess who?

Answer

Answer

I scream.

You scream.

We all scream for
ice-cream.



Photo: B. Jones

Bobby Jones
After Care

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Alumni News

Class of 2007



SJMS Class of 2007

Photo: R. Holonitch (Archive: 2007)

Our friends from the Class of 2007 are moving on to college this year from four exciting years in high school. Here is a list of their future plans.

Brooke Alexander

Brooke is going to the College of St. Benedict with a major in Psychology. She received a merit scholarship of \$19,000 per year.

Jaime Grinch

Jaime is leaving The Wellington School and going to Georgia Southern University.

Coleman Hessler

Coleman is graduating from Whetstone High School this year, and heading to The Ohio State University with a major in Biology. He plans to attend The School of Optometry.

Adam Maxfield

Adam is on his way to Ohio Northern University with a major in Pharmaceutical Business. He received a scholarship for \$18,000/yr.

Elizabeth Miller

Elizabeth will attend Baldwin Wallace this fall and major in Marketing. She received a \$13,000 scholarship.

Alena Mohler

Alena will be majoring in Pre-Med/Biology at Wittenburg College. She received a \$17,500/yr scholarship for four years. She is a member of the National Honor Society at Ronald Reagan High School, and part of the women's Lacrosse team for the past two years.

We were unable to contact:

Giddian Brown
Caleb Jack
Isabelle Kertis
John-Ross Moyler
Michael Ramsey
Joey Ruggiero
Hayden Stevens

William Moore

Will is attending Bowling Green State University for a major in Computer Programming. He is excited about participating in varsity rugby.

Shannon O'Leary

Shannon will be going to Otterbein University to major in Sociology/Criminology and History. She received an \$11,000 a year scholarship.

Maya Pederson

Maya received a full scholarship to the University of Dayton for track. She plans to major in Psychology.

Thomas Phillips

Thomas will be attending The Ohio State University to earn a double major in Political Science/Public Affairs and Business Finance, with a minor in the Classics. He received the Joyce Scholarship, which is a full scholarship including tuition, room & board, and expenses.

Frankie Robinson

Frankie will attend Miami University with a major in Political Science. She received a scholarship for \$4,500/yr.

Matthew Sorrels

Matthew has been accepted to Emory University with generous scholarships. He is currently undecided regarding his major.

Katie Speed

Katie will graduate from Bishop Ready High School and plans to attend Muskingum University with a major in Early Childhood Education.

John White

John is heading to the University of Toledo for their Pre-Pharmacy program.

Michael White

Michael has planned to attend Miami University in Oxford, OH.

Alumni News

Dale Deubler's Family Celebrate Her Award



Photo: R. Holonitch

(L-R) Peter Sheppard (SJMS 1999), Dale Deubler, Mr. Sheppard, and Nat Sheppard (SJMS 2000).

Many friends and family joined in the celebration at our annual Spring Gala to celebrate the contributions of Dale Deubler to SJMS, includ-

ing SJMS alumni. Both Peter and Nat, children of Dale and alumni of SJMS, attended the event to honor their mother.

Class of 2006

Luke Dejarne

Luke Dejarne (SJMS 2006) was recognized as a cadet at Norwich Military University in Vermont on March 3, 2011. Luke hopes to be a Navy seal or a CIA agent upon graduation.



Photo: E. Dejarne

Class of 2010

Andrew Swart

While on spring break, Andrew returned to SJMS for a visit, and to give us an update of his adventures in Cincinnati.

He is weight-training for football, likes all of his classes, and is preparing for his spring concert by practicing his bassoon.

His freetime is often cut short with alot of homework.

St. Charles Alumni Honor/Merit Roll

These are the results of the third quarter grades for St. Charles Preparatory School.

Merit Roll

To be placed on the Merit Roll, students must earn a G.P.A. between 3.00 and 3.49.

Thomas O'Neil (SJMS 2009)

Nick Saloman (SJMS 2010)

Honor Roll

To earn the status of Honor Roll, students at St. Charles must earn a G.P.A. between 3.50 and 4.00.

Aaron Ault (SJMS 2009)

Chris D'Angelo (SJMS 2008)

Adam Henderson (SJMS 2008)

Gordon Hewes (SJMS 2010)

Caleb Jack (SJMS 2007)

Elliott Narcross (SJMS 2010)

Thomas Phillips (SJMS 2007)

Kevin Smoot (SJMS 2009)

Andy Speed (SJMS 2008)

Are you on Facebook?

Join the SJMS Alumni Group on Facebook to keep in touch with all your buddies from SJMS.

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Calendar of Events

May

30 - Memorial Day
NO SCHOOL

June

1 - Graduation Ceremony
Morning and Evening Ceremonies

2 - Last Day of School
Early Dismissal (1:30pm)
Bowling Party (2-4pm)

13 - Summer Learning Camp begins

guess who?

Read the clues and check out the picture for the "Guess Who?" in this issue. The answer is located on page 9.

* **Guess Who** loves to bike ride and make music.

* **Guess Who** has been to 44 states.

* **Guess Who** enjoys gardening and being outdoors.

* **Guess Who** knows SJMS like the back of his hand.

* **Guess Who** wants to teach overseas.



Thank you for another great year!



See you in August!

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Do you have ideas?

Would you like to contribute to The Montessorian? We are always looking for new writers or photographers. Join us Fridays at recess in the Art Room for our Brainstorming Meetings.