March, 2007

Dear Parents and Guardians,

It is wonderful to be able to turn our faces to the sunshine and enjoy the warmth and beauty that is spring. We certainly have waited long enough for it! May is also the month when we face the culmination of another school year and all that it entails.

May brings the start of exams. Advanced Placement Exams will take place between May 7 and May 17. Senior Exams run from May 21 to 24. School and Regents Exams will take place on June 13 to the 21. Many teachers have asked students to purchase review books and review classes will be held throughout the month of May and into June. Students taking Regents exams can refer to the State Education Department website to use old exams for practice. Your daughter can go to www.nysed.gov and use the “Resources for” menu and click on Students. Scroll down to New York State Regents Exams and then your daughter can find the exam she wishes to use. Please urge your daughter to start preparing for finals now! Waiting until the night before to study puts too much stress on the students and results in poor performance.

Celebrate our students’ achievements by attending the Student Art Show from May 7 - 11, Senior Exams on May 9, and the Spring Concert on May 9. We have so many talented young ladies who would love it if you stopped by to see their creative artwork and listen to their lovely voices raised in song.

Sports Night is scheduled for May 24 beginning at 6:00 PM in the Academy dining hall. We hope that all student athletes and their families will be able to join us to honor our student athletes and their accomplishments.

Student Government campaigns and elections will be held in the month of May. Encourage your daughter to get involved in Student Government. It is an excellent opportunity to get to know other students and to make a difference in the life of the school.

May is also the month dedicated to Our Lady. We have special needs at the Academy for prayers for a few of our faculty members. Miss Cheryl Kisiel has undergone surgery and is now recuperating. Prayers for restored health would be greatly appreciated. The birth of Mrs. Amy Gambino’s second child is anticipated at the end of the month and we pray for a health for both mother and child. Please offer up prayers to the Blessed Mother for all those in the Mercy Community who are in need of them.

Enjoy the beauties of spring and keep all of us here at the Academy in your prayers as we keep you in ours.

Sincerely,

Paulette C. Gaskie
Principal
Sisters of Mercy Begin 150th Anniversary Celebration
In the Diocese of Buffalo

"Mercy...yesterday, today and forever," will be the theme of a year-long celebration for the Sisters of Mercy 150th anniversary in the Diocese of Buffalo.

On February 11, 1858, four Sisters of Mercy traveled from Rochester to Buffalo at the invitation of Bishop John Timon, CM. They settled in a convent on Fulton Street previously occupied by the Brigidine Sisters. St. Brigid's Church in Buffalo became the home of the first foundation of the Buffalo Sisters of Mercy. Thus was the beginning of 150 years of continuous service to the people of the Diocese of Buffalo by the Sisters of Mercy.

The Sisters have planned a year of events to commemorate their anniversary. Some of the major events include:

June 10, 2007 – Neighborhood Tea Party at Mercy Center
June 22, 2007 – Sisters of Mercy evening at Buffalo Bisons game, Dunn Tire Park
July 14, 2007 – St. Brigid’s Gathering, home of first foundation in Buffalo
April 20, 2008 – 150th Anniversary Mass at St. Joseph Cathedral and Dinner

**The Sisters of Mercy invite you to join them for an evening of celebration at the Buffalo Bisons game Dunn Tire Park on June 22, 2007. Tickets are $21.00 each and include a ticket to the game and tent party featuring hot dogs, hamburgers, salads and beverage. Guests of the event will be able to watch pre-game batting practice from the tent and will enjoy special seating for the game. Tent party begins at 5:30 pm; game starts at 7:35 pm followed by fireworks display. For more information and to purchase tickets, please call Sister Virginia Marie Grasso at 826-5051, x 401; Sister M. Jeanne Thomas at 823-1090, x311; or Sue Beyer at 825-5531, x 414.

Academy Student Art Show and Reception
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Class of 2007
First Honors
Christie Adamczak
Nicolella Alberti
Chelsea Aures
Deirdre Biedrzycki
Sarah Buranich
Christina Coronado
Ashley Egan
Shelby Fitzgerald
Kathryn Goldbach
Mary Frances Hall
Veronica Kelley
Claire Kelley
Lynn Lalley
Michaela Leifer
Elizabeth Lopio
Ashley Martin
Emma Mathewson
Marguerite Mahon
Norah Oakley
Audrey Ogorek
Lauren Pignataro
Melisa Pinterpe
Mary Reddy
Rebecca Schneider
Melissa Stewart
Heather Wames
Elissa Webster
Kristen Willman
Second Honors
Riley Antonetti
Antonietta Backett
Tracy Capritto
Aubrey Cudney
Mary Gattie
Stephanie Hallman
Sarah Hannon
Meaghan Hillery
Jennifer Hoppes
Allison Janiga
Kali Kelly
Caitlin Kubera
Kelly Lawrence
Allana Marcon
Meghan Maloney
Mary Kate Maloney
Sarah Marconio
Rachel Michaelski
Courtney Miller
Meghan Miller
Leah Murphy
Angela Needham
Rachel O'Donnell
Jamie O'Neil
Callie O'Kouere
Heather Pascal
Kathleen Quinn
Kara Rennie
Kellie Schieber
Gabrielle Schwab
Barbara Sellers
Kirsty Sheridan
Kristin Snyder
Kristen Venturoni
Kristen Wall
Chelsey Waz

Merit Roll
Maryann Berry
Kristin Burvud
Kelly Elsey
Coleen Flynn
Anna Goodfellow
Anna Kras
Jeanne Kujawa
Felice Martinez
Jameson Masterson
Sydney Miranda
Elizabeth Mulvaney
MaryLou Mumentz
Jolene Provino
Courtney Walsh
Amanda Wright
Kate Zak

Class of 2008
First Honors
Caitlin Biddle
Tara Bodo
Elizabeth Cofranosco
Elizabeth Corcoran
Brittany Edwards
Jessica Geary
Katherine Gerard
Melissa Hayes
Krissa Land
Christen Lawski
Shannon Leathy
Mary Makowski
Ashley Maloney
Samantha Murphy
Allisha Pantano
Amy Pratten
Christine Regula
Mary Fatima Santano
Olivia Schlager
Carly Story
Jenna Szczepanski
Elizabeth Vogl
Megan Walsh

Second Honors
Margaret Barnes
Melanie Blake
Molly Bogucki
Lauren Caulfield
Jillian Cole
Elizabeth Colesanno
Tara Fairley
Christina Farrell
Allisha Fuller
Justine Gabreski
Ashley Gorry
Lauren Gruchala
Carrie Hadley
Erika Kane
Colleen McGough
Megan Mure
Courtney Myers
Laura Nobot
Angela Passucci
Jennifer Puglante
Elizabeth Roberts
Brittany Rogers
Allison Schwab
Rebecca Spornney
Karin Stag
Koleen Taha
Bridg Sullivan
Molly Weber
Lacey Wehr
Sandria Wiencekowich
Brianna Wilson
Katharine Zipper

Second Honors
Christine Alvia
Megan Barr
Branna Barrett
Jillian Barrille
Maxine Beall
Alexandria Brieno-Conrad
Ross DiPippo
Taylor Hage
Meghan Hess
Kayla Kinsley
Amanda Klawinski
Miranda Kopena
Mary Kubera
Ashleigh Mallaber
Kimberly Marron
Stephanie Miller
Sarah Murphy
Kaitlin Seely
Amanda Roush
Laura Thomas

First Honors
Finia Antosco
Colleen Cannan
Meredith Grabe
Melissa Graham
Madeleine Krauskopf
Angela Kresic
Molly Lynch
Matthew Mathewson
Jordan Novak
Meg Recklemann

Class of 2009
First Honors
Samantha Ammendola
Leah Clancy
Morgan Donovan
Morgan Grant
Rachel Hore
Audrey Huber
Joelle Ieski
Amanda Kelley
Danielle Kish
Katlin Krug
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Samantha Caruso
Dayanna O'Connor
Chelsea Kuff
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Sydney Martinez
Brianna Burianich
Katie Zak

Class of 2010
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Morgan Bednarz
Amanda Cammarano
Leah Clancy
Morgan Donovan
Morgan Grant
Rachel Hore
Audrey Huber
Joelle Ieski
Amanda Kelley
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YOU ARE INVITED!

MMA Arts Week Open House!
Join us on Wednesday May 9th, 2007 from 6:00 – 9:00 pm for the Annual Mount Mercy Academy Student Art Show and Reception – a celebration of works by all art students 6 – 9 PM. All throughout the main floor/Student Art Greeters will point the way and answer questions. Open to the Public! Refreshments provided! 1/2HR ARTIST AWARDS PRESENTATION! PINCH POT SALE TO BENEFIT A LOCAL CHARITY! FREE HENNA PAINTING FREE CARICATURES

Arts Week Events
* All MMA art students will be represented in a show of works exhibited throughout the main corridor and in display cases.
* Art Competition: Students will vote for their favorite artwork! Awards will be given on Friday in a variety of categories. * Daily Art Trivia Prize: awarded Friday.
Monday, May 7 – Students allowed to wear Art Pins they make in Art class/Art Club
Tuesday, May 8 – Sidewalk Chalk Drawing Competition – open to all students – during Advisement and after school
Wednesday, May 9 – Annual Student Art Show (see above for details)
Thursday, May 10 – Guest Speaker/Demo Artist in room 11 after school, Art Club rooms 11 and 12
Friday, May 10 – Famous Artists Day – dress like your favorite artist, win a prize for the most convincing costume! Also: Prices awarded for winners of the Art Trivia Contest and the Art Competition

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Notice to all Incoming Freshmen (Fall 2007) and Parents:

REMINDERS

Mark your calendars!

GLOBAL II REGENTS REVIEW CLASSES

be at Mount Mercy on Friday, May 4, 2007.

Sophomore Parents:

emy from 5:00-7:00pm on May 15, 2007. A presentation by School Administrators and Guidance Counselors will take place. Representatives from The Flynn and O’Hara Uniform Company will be available in the gym from 4:45-7:00pm to take measurements and for placements.

MOUNT MERCY review class and students are expected to wear the MMA school ring. A $50 down payment payable to Josten’s is due at this time.

If you are planning to receive an MMA ring from a relative please let Mrs. Walsh or Mrs. Burvid know.

Congratulations of 2007!!!

We are very proud of all your accomplishments thus far and know that you will all be very successful in your future endeavors. As of now, we have processed approximately 476 applications to 123 different colleges. There are several reminders that you should be aware of as you finish up your final days at MMA:

Please bring in ALL college decision letters and financial aid package letters as soon as possible. Scholarships and grants will be listed in the Baccalaureate Mass program. If this information is not brought in soon, your achievements may not be acknowledged.

Most College/Universities expect a deposit check confirming your enrollment by May 1st. This will guarantee a place in the class of 2011!!

Continue to check the scholarship folders in the Counseling Center. Please inform the schools in which you will not be attending your decision as well. This may help free a space for someone on the wait-list.

Final confirmation of a place in the Class of 2011 is contingent of the final transcript. It is crucial to finish up the year in good standing. Colleges may reconsider offers of admissions if this is not the case.

Once you have mailed in your deposit, please bring to the Counseling Center by May 14th a stamped envelope addressed to the College/University which you will be attending. Your final transcript will be mailed out in this envelope.

Upcoming After School Chemistry Reviews (2:45 – 3:45 PM)

- Rm 13 ( Check Mr B’s Website for more updates)

Dat e    Topic    Review Book pgs  
4/26 Th Atomic Structure    1 - 7  
5/1 Tu Introduction / Matter 14 - 15, 207-211  
5/3 Th Naming and Classifying Reactions 21 - 33  
5/8 Tu Chemath 37 - 42  
5/10 Th Phases of Matter (Gas Laws, Heating/ Cooling Curves) 45 - 58  
5/15 Tu Periodic Table 63 - 73  
5/17 Th Bonding 79 - 90  
5/22 Tu Solutions 95 - 105  
5/24 Th Kinetics and Equilibrium 109 – 119  
5/29 Tu Oxidation and Reduction 127 – 134  
5/31 Th Acids and Bases 139 – 150  
6/5 Tu Organic 155 - 170  
6/7 Th Nuclear 175 - 184

SATURDAY CHEM REGENTS REVIEW TIME: 9 - 10:30 AM DATE INSTRUCTOR REVIEW BOOK TOPIC  
4/21 Mr Fix TOPIC 1 - ATOMIC STRUCTURE  
4/28 JUNIOR PROM TOPICS 2 & 3 - FORMULAS & EQUATIONS  
5/5 TOPIC 4 - GAS LAW & CALORIMETRY  
5/12 TOPIC 5 - PERIODIC TABLE  
5/19 MEMORIAL DAY WEEKEND  
5/26 TOPIC 6 & 7 - BONDING; SOLUTIONS  
6/9 TOPIC 8 & 9 - Kinetics; Redox  
6/16 TOPIC 10 & 11 - acids & bases; Organic Chemistry  

please bring NYS Living Environment Regents Review Book and Notebook Paper to write on.

Review Classes will alternate between Mrs. Barblock and Ms. Mullane.

SOPHOMORE NEWS: A representative from Josten’s Jewelers will be at Mount Mercy on Friday, May 4, 2007 during all lunch periods to visit with students who wish to be sized and place orders for an MMA school ring. A $50 down payment payable to Josten’s is due at this time.

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MMA Student to Study in Israel

Congratulations to MMA Sophomore Heather Yablin who has been awarded The Israel Experience and Robert L. Lippin Charitable Foundation Grant through the Bureau of Jewish Education of Greater Buffalo. Heather will spend six weeks in Israel this summer learning more about the culture, customs, history and society of this area of the world.

Good Luck, Heather!
COMMITTEE SEEKS POST PROM DONATIONS

MMA SENIORS SUPPORT SCHOLARSHIP

A Favor of Giving

By Chelsea Aures, MMA Senior Class V. P.

As Prom season approaches, many high school seniors are faced with making decisions regarding prom location, decorations, catering, and favors. Every year, a certain portion of the cost of a prom ticket is spent on favors for students and their dates. The MMA Senior Class of 2007 has chosen this year to do something different with the funds usually used for this small token to remember their night. The Seniors decided to use this money for the benefit of future MMA students. They will be giving a donation of $1000 to a scholarship fund in memory of Peggy Farrell Flynn, MMA Class of 1974, and mother of current Senior Colleen Flynn. On prom night, each student will receive a wristband to symbolize their generosity. The scholarship will lighten the financial burden of a Catholic education for an incoming Freshman at Mount Mercy.

MMA LIBRARY WEEK CAKE CONTEST RESULTS

The Cake Contest proved to be a great success for the MMA Library Media Center, and for the lucky bidders who went home with a beautifully decorated and delicious-tasting cake to enjoy! Through silent bidding and votes made by droppings coins into a cup designated for each cake, over $220 was collected for the LMC. Crowned Queens of Cakes were team members MMA Seniors Chelsea Aures and Michaela Leffler for their amazingly life-like Sandcastle Cake and crowned Princesses of Cakes were team members Christen Lawicki, an MMA junior and her mom, Martina Lawicki, for their incredibly life-like creation of the Stanley Cup, Sabres Hockey Pucks and HSBC Buffalo Sabres Ice Rink. We hope these efforts will inspire all you bakers to start thinking now about next year’s event.