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St. Peter's Sixth Annual Auction is a Success

—by *Elouise Drouhard*

On Saturday, January 29, the St. Peter sixth annual auction and dinner was held at the Wichita Union Stockyards. The goal for the total amount of money this year was \$100,000.

The evening started off with Mass. The first silent auction followed. Scotch and Sirloin catered for the seven o'clock dinner. The second silent auction followed. Each class made projects that were auctioned in the second silent auction.

Each class created something that is special and unique. 2N made a Jenga tower and each student painted a block. Jenna Kelley said they made it so "they can express their feelings." 7B made a nativity scene using clay to make the figures.

Fr. Bernie was the auctioneer for the live auction. During the live auction, people bid on different items such as a Wagyu beef grill and Field of Dreams package.



Mrs. Toon's fourth grade class auction project.

There was also a whiskey pull later in the evening.

Vicki Richuber, St. Peter parish bookkeeper, said what she looked forward to the most was having everyone together and enjoying the dessert made by Mrs. Stephanie Scriven, St. Peter parish secretary. The live auction had many items including Kansas City Chiefs' tickets, four different packages with whiskey, handmade furniture, Wagyu beef, a Traeger grill, and more.

The auction raised \$100,000. According to the auction proceeds brochure, 45% of the proceeds will go to the church, another 45% to the

school and 10% to St. Peter Youth.

The Fund-a-need money is going to help buy new Kansas history and ELA books.



Mr. Blaschke's seventh grade class created a clay nativity scene.

Capital Campaign Raises Funds

—by *Kimberly Johnston and Ana Sandoval*

St. Peter is a great school, but all great schools need money to help maintain and improve the school for its students. The Capital Campaign is a fundraiser for the school properties.

According to John Sponsel, St. Peter parish administrator, this fundraiser is raising money for the school and the church and its needs.

One need for the school is the repair of the roof and the chiller for the heating and cooling system.

The Capital Campaign started in the fall of 2021 and it ends Dec 31, 2022. Father Bernie, the pastor from

St. Peter Catholic Church, came up with the idea and has been planning it for several years. Mr. Sponsel said the campaign has received a lot of support from the parishioners.

The Capital Campaign has raised just over one million dollars. According to Mr. Sponsel, they raised this money pretty quickly, but they think the last five thousand dollars could be more difficult to raise. They believe that it is important to raise these funds so they can make St. Peter parish and school a great place for years to come.

Students Jam Out to TV Theme Songs

--by *Alekzander Gamboa*

On February 8, 2022, the third, fourth, and fifth grade parents saw students perform a TV theme song concert. This might have been the parents' favorite concert, because it featured familiar songs from their childhood. The concert had intros from "The Fresh Prince of Bel Air," "The Flintstones," "Cheers" and many more. The students had a great time performing these songs. According to student Corbin Wright, the students favorite song was the intro from "The Fresh Prince of Bel Air." They liked it because the tune was catchy, and is an overall fun song.

Although it was fun, learning and practicing was hard work too. Hudson Hatcher said the hardest part was memorizing the songs, because there were a lot of songs to remember.

Music teacher Mr. Wolke said he chose this concert because TV themes are often integral to the success of a show. He said one of the



The St. Peter third grade students sing a cover of "Meet The Flintstones."

hardest things to do is coordinating all the classes and to get them to learn the songs and dance moves. Mr. Wolke's favorite thing was watching the students accomplish singing in the concert. On the night of the performance, the bleachers were filled to capacity.

"Beauty and the Beast, Jr." Involves Both Work and Fun

--by *Alekzander Gamboa*

It's a "tale as old as time." Preparation for the middle school musical, "Beauty and the Beast Jr" have begun. The lead roles for this musical are Cecilia Lubbers as Belle, Royce Eastman as the Beast, Benedict Brandt as Gaston, Cecilia Riopel as Lefou, Quyanh Vo as Lumiere, Gabe Weber as Cogsworth, Evie Blanding as Mrs. Potts, and Brody Wright as the Baker.

Cast members began rehearsing after school in February. The rehearsals last two hours. Brody Wright said, "I love hanging out with my friends and have fun while performing." Royce Eastman said, "I am very excited about playing my part!" Gabe Weber said, "the hardest part is memorizing all the lines because of how many lines there are."

Everyone is excited to see how the musical turns out. Music teacher and director Mr. Wolke said, "the talent pool is very good." Mr. Wolke said his favorite thing about directing the musical is "me being able to have fun with the students and seeing their potential grow." He enjoys "seeing the students reach for something that they thought they couldn't do, and have fun doing it."

While the students are working on their parts, Mr. Wolke and Mr. Weber have been working on the stage backgrounds. According to Mr. Wolke, they have discussed what needs to be in the background and have looked for images that match their vision for this musical.

"Beauty and the Beast Jr." will be performed Friday, April 29th, Saturday, April 30th, and Sunday, May 1.



The fourth grade performs songs on their recorders.

St. Peter Scholars Bowl Teams Compete

--by *Campbell Denton*

Scholars' Bowl is a fun and educational activity where students compete against other schools, and hang out with friends. Scholars' Bowl is when a team of four students compete against teams from other schools, answering questions over different topics. The competition dates for this year's scholars bowl meets were Dec. 7 at St. Peter, Jan. 11 at St. Catherine of Siena, and Feb. 15 at Magdalen. Mr. Blaschke, St. Peter Scholar's Bowl coach and middle school religion teacher, said "I'm liking Scholars' Bowl pretty well. It is fun to see the kids compete against other schools." He also said his favorite meet so far was the one at St. Peter, because he didn't have to travel anywhere and the team did pretty well.

Landon Englert, an eighth grade team member, said he really enjoys Scholars' Bowl, because he can "hang out with friends and be clutch during the meets." Elena Montes, another eighth grade Scholar's Bowl participant, said her favorite meet was the St. Peter one as well. She said, "We did pretty good in the competition and it was cool to see the teachers help out." She also said her favorite thing about Scholars' Bowl was "hanging out with friends and competing against other schools." Another St. Peter Scholars' Bowl member, Gabe Weber, said his favorite meet was at St. Catherine because he answered "like ten questions correctly." He said he likes Scholars' Bowl because when he gets questions right, it "raises his self esteem-

esteem through the roof."

By placing third in the first meet, the eighth grade team qualified to compete in the final meet.

Annual Spellathon is Underway

--by *Christina Dinh*

Spell-A-Thon is a unique fundraiser that allows St. Peter to keep 100% of the funds, unlike other fundraisers. Students participate in a school-wide spelling test, and pledges go towards each word they get right. All profits go directly to the school's technology fee. To encourage students, prizes are available to the highest pledgers. This year's prizes are as follows: A LCD Writing Tablet, JVL Wireless Bluetooth On-Ear Headphones, Arts and Craft Supply Library Kit, Elmer's Color Changing Slime Kit, and a 130 Piece Magnetic Building Sticks Set. Top spellers (95%-100% correct) get their names put in a drawing bowl, and five lucky winners get \$10 gift cards. Anyone who raises \$75 or more gets a homework pass.

The fundraiser has been going on for 14 years. Principal Mrs. Hickok describes Spell-A-Thon as "an easy way to earn money for our technology," and said students are excited when it comes around.

Pledge forms went out on March 9 and will be due back on April 5.

Spell-A-Thon is an important fundraiser for the school's technology, so please try your best to raise money whenever it comes around!

Middle School Cracks Down on Late Work

--by *Campbell Denton*

The middle school late policy has underwent some changes this quarter. Due to an unusual amount of late and missing work, students with five late assignments are now placed on "warning," and on their sixth late assignment, they serve a morning detention.

Brody Wright, an eighth grader, said he thinks this new change is fair because "it helps students get their work done on time." He also said he thinks it will help him get good grades to be able to get into Bishop Carroll. Ms. Jackson, a middle school teacher, said, "This will help students by being more driven to turn in their assignments, and will teach a

lifelong skill like time management." She also said, "This was needed because when you get to high school the teachers don't know you as well as we do so they won't go chasing you down to tell you that you have a late assignment, so it's all on you to keep track." Ms. Alumbaugh, a middle school teacher said, "I think this new change is important because I feel like if you don't try then why should I try?" She also said, "We decided to make this change because we saw a rise in late and missing work."



Spelling Bee Contestants Battle to the Finish

--by *Kimberly Johnston*

The St. Peter Spelling Bee took place on Tuesday, February 1, 2022. Traditionally this event happens on the second day of Catholic Schools' Week, and is one of the main events in Catholic Schools Week. One of this year's contestants was third grader Lucas Baalman. Before the spelling bee, he said, "This is my first time and I am going to try my hardest."

The winner of the spelling bee this year was eighth grader Madi Brunke. The second place runner up was seventh grader Ailey Franco. Coming in at third place was fifth grade student Sebastian Berger.

As St. Peter's top winner, Madi went on to represent St. Peter at the



1st place-Madi Brunke on the left, 2nd place-Ailey Franco in the middle, and 3rd place-Sebastian Berger on the right.

Diocesan Spelling Bee. The Diocesan Spelling Bee took place on February 15, 2022 at St. Anne.

Although she didn't place in the top three, Madi represented St. Peter well.

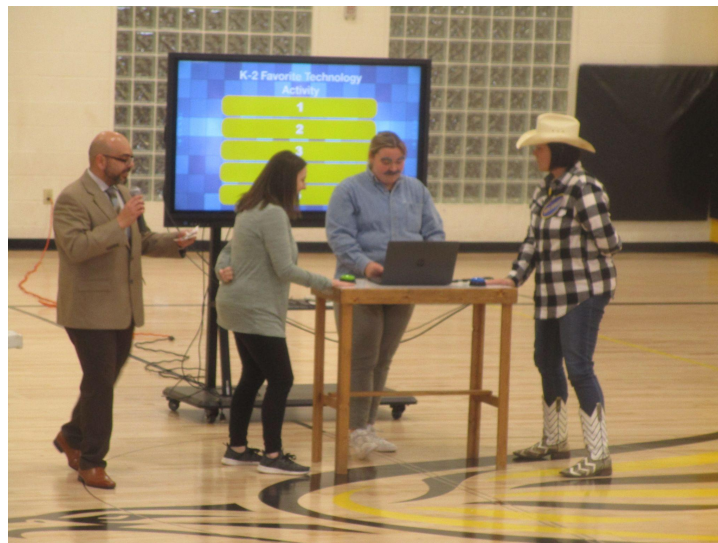
Talent Show Participants WOW Audience

--by *Christina Dinh*

The St. Peter annual talent show returns onto the gym floor once more! Because it was postponed a week due to snow days, students had been waiting eagerly for the return of the talent show.

St. Peter's students from all grades participated in the show, from first graders showing off their singing talents to eighth graders making the audience laugh once more. The long-awaited annual teacher skit also occurred, making students scream in frustration as their favorite teachers answered questions in an intense game of mock-Family Feud.

Although all of the acts were great, students definitely had favorites.



First grade student Oliver Blanding said his favorite was the teacher skit. Sixth grader Levi Sponsel said he liked the eighth grade skit, and third grader Alyssa Brunke said her favorite was Addie Wright's performance of Kelly Clarkson's

Mrs. Garton, representing the "Beasts from the East" goes up against Mrs. Roberts of the "Wild, Wild West" team. The Family Feud hosts were Mr. Green and Ms. Olivia.

"Because of You."

However, all good things must come to an end. After the one hour show, students returned to their classes, already awaiting the next talent show with excitement.

Kindergarten Celebrates 100th Day of School



Mrs. Blanding's Kindergarten class dress up as elderly people to mark the 100th day of school at St. Peter.

—by Ana Sandoval

The kindergarten classes just reached their 100th day on Monday, January 7th. In order to celebrate, they did a lot of different things involving the number 100. Their snack on the 100th day was a fruit loop necklace with 100 fruit loops on it.

One of the activities they did was stacking 100 cups. They also flipped a penny 100 times. They also put together puzzles with 100 pieces. They dressed up in elderly clothes to celebrate that day.

Kindergarten teacher Mrs. Blanding said, "Having the kids dress up was hilarious. Student Hadley Alumbaugh said, "I liked wearing grandma stuff and cup stacking." McKinley Sponsel said, "I liked wearing curlers and dressing up."



Eagle staff members asked St. Peter students what they are planning to do during spring break:

Victoria Leddy
Evelyn Ast
Brooklyn Fisher
Roselynn Myatt

Duke Kramer
Weston Yearout
Cadence Nutter
Hattie Stuhlsatz
Dalton Goertz
Addie Johnson
A.J. Sandoval
Max Brokaw

Levi Sponsel
Kate Gerstenkorn
Olivia Berger
Emalie McMullen
Sophia Ciaponi
Sophia Thome 8th

Go to the pool
Go swimming, go on a trip
Go to my Nana and Papa's
Have a sleepover at my friend Presley's house
Go to a hotel
Go to Branson, Missouri
Go outside; play Prodigy
Go over to my Grandma's house
Watch basketball
Go to San Antonio
Football
Skating and a baseball tournament
Nothing; be lazy
Go to Grandma's
No school—freedom!
Get a dog!
Probably read
Visit my cousins in Kansas City



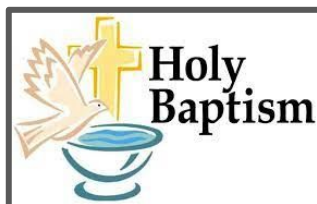
Miss Suenram's Kindergarten class enjoys their 100th day.



ST. PETER THE APOSTLE CATHOLIC CHURCH

Baptisms

Thomas Szczepanski | 2.19.2022
 Mariana Detter | 2.20.2022
 Paisley Duling | 2.20.2022
 Caden Mies | 2.27.2022
 Beckett Ricke | 2.27.2022
 Felicity Linnebur | 3.1.2022



Lynnon King | 1.2.2022
 Daphne Lynch | 1.30.2022
 Felicity Maus | 1.30.2022
 Connor Hilley | 1.30.2022
 Madeline Morris | 2.1.2022
 Lydia Cott | 2.5.2022

Sixth and Seventh Grades Attend Vocation Rally

Newman University Hosts Serra Club Event

After being cancelled last year due to Covid, the Serra Club once again sponsored the Vocation Rally. Due to the cancellation, this year the event was held over two days, giving both the seventh graders and sixth graders a chance to participate. The seventh grade attended on Thursday, March 3 and the sixth grade attended on Friday, March 4. The event was held at Newman University.

Students first attended a presentation by Cooper Ray, who talked about how God's plans for us are bigger than what we can imagine. He also led the students in fun songs.



The IHM Sisters spoke about the essential elements of religious life.

Next, Fathers Thome and Schibi spoke to the students about how following God's plan involves taking risks. This talk was followed by a presentation by the IHM Sisters. One of the Sisters, Sr. Maria Cabrini, was a former St. Peter student. Her sister, Annette Sponsel, is currently an IHM postulate, and was also present. The Sisters spoke to the students about the four elements of religious life,

Vows, Prayer, Community and the Apostolate--where the Sisters go out into the world and does work related to what Jesus did.

After a lunch of cheese pizza, the students listened to one more presentation by Ray Cooper. The highlight and final event of the day was Mass, celebrated by Bishop Kemme. Sixth grade student Cecilia Riopel participated in the Mass by reading petitions.



St. Peter sixth grade students Ava Ristich, Kate Rowden and Maci Baalman join other students in helping Ray Cooper perform a dance.

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Sixth grade, seventh grade, eighth grade...10th grade

