



Ursuline College Chatham

Catholic Secondary School

June Newsletter

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June 2010

A MESSAGE FROM OUR CHAPLAIN

In the Church calendar, we have just finished the Easter season and we are moving into Ordinary Time. But as the UCC chaplain, I can tell you that the end of May has been rather extraordinary.

On Tuesday, May 25 we had Grad Day and on that day, we dedicated a tree in honour of the 2010 grads, celebrated mass, decided on a valedictorian and listened to the very funny yet insightful Ian Tyson. One thing Ian tried to convey to our graduates is that pain is inevitable, misery is not. He basically said that we need to take each situation and frame it in such a way that we learn from them. He further encouraged our students to make the most of the time they have left to make amends or reconnect with old friends.

On Wednesday, May 26 we had the UCC Ursuline Tribute Day and on that day we honoured the Ursuline Sisters' contribution to UCC and the surrounding area. We commemorated their sesquicentennial anniversary - 150 years!!!! You would have been proud of the performances offered on this day. It was a great tribute to fine women who have given so much for a century and a half. We laughed at the Hungarian Carjacks improvisation, held our breaths as the cheerleaders dazzled us with jumps, sat entranced with the singing/ dancing, learned some UCC history and finally blessed the Ursulines for their good work. It was a wonderful celebration offered to the Ursulines by the current students on behalf of all past students. What a rich heritage we have!!!!

Chaplaincy events for June:

End of Year Mass!

The end of year mass is scheduled for June 8, 2010. UCC parents are more than welcome to join us. Ask your children for more details.

Used Uniform Sale

We are collecting UCC uniforms for re-sale. On June 25th, used uniforms will be on sale from 10-1 a.m. The cost of each item is \$5 each. Please send in unwanted uniforms now so we can get ready for this sale. Let's show our love for Mother Earth by re-using the uniforms.

Margaret Palmer

IMPORTANT DATES

June 2 - Me to We Celebration
June 3 - Gr. 5 Ultimate with UCC team
June 3 - Arts Banquet - 6:00 pm Cafeteria
June 8 - Closing Masses
June 9 - Job Shadow Day - Careers classes
June 9 - Athletic Banquet
June 10 - Lancer Link Leader Training
June 10 - Dr. Parry Awards
June 11 - Dance Show, 7 p.m.
June 14 - Gr. 6 Arts Day at UCC
June 15 & 16 - Gr. 9 EQAO Math Test
June 18 - Last day of classes
June 21 - Period 1 Exams
June 22 - Period 2 Exams
June 23 - Period 3 Exams
June 24 - Period 4 Exams
June 24 - Graduation, 7:00 pm - Gym
June 25 - Used Uniform Sale 10 am - 1 pm
June 28 - Professional Development Day
July 7 & 8 / Aug. 4 - Report Card pick up in the main office

FROM UCC STUDENT SERVICES

1. Students who are planning to graduate in June are reminded that their Community Service Forms are due to Student Services immediately.
2. Students who have not chosen their courses for next year should make an appointment with their guidance counsellor as soon as possible.
3. Students entering Grade 11 or 12 and who are interested in Summer Co-op can pick up application forms from the Co-op Department or from Student Services. This program is for students who want to explore a career, fulfill the two-credit co-op requirement of a Specialist High Skills Major Program, earn one or two credits, develop marketable skills or gain valuable work experience. Summer Co-op will only run if there are enough students are interested. Applications are due to Student Services on May 14.
4. Students who are interested in attending Summer School should listen to the announcements to hear when the applications will be available from Student Services.

FOOTSTEPS OF FAITH

Monthly Focus and Ontario Catholic Graduate Expectation

Month	Ontario Catholic Graduate Expectation	Virtue
June	I will live my life like Jesus!	Courage

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE ON COURAGE

This month we will focus on the virtue of COURAGE and living our lives like Jesus. Courage is really the foundation of all the other virtues. Without courage we wouldn't be able to be respectful and honest. We couldn't be tolerant or speak up for justice. Without courage, we could not have compassion or accept our responsibilities. We would not be empathetic or forgiving nor could we be good stewards or have hope without courage.

IMPORTANT GRADUATION INFORMATION

GRADUATION DATE: **Thursday June 24th, 2010**

LOCATION: Ursuline College Chatham Gymnasium

TIME OF GRADUATION: 7:00 p.m.

LINE UP: In school cafeteria at **6:15 p.m.**

GUESTS: Each graduate is allowed **2** guest invitations. Guests must present these invitations at the door. **Only students who have paid the grad fees of \$25 will be given two invitations.**

REHEARSAL will be held for ALL graduates on **Thursday, June 24th at 1:00 p.m.** in the school cafeteria.

GOWNS: All graduates must be measured for a gown; all measurements and the required fee must be completed by May 7th.

Gowns may be picked up after rehearsal on the afternoon of Thursday June 24th.

ALL GOWNS **MUST BE RETURNED** BEFORE LEAVING THE SCHOOL ON THE EVENING OF JUNE 24TH, 2010.

DIPLOMAS will be available for pickup in the main office with report cards in July.

CHECK THE POSTED LIST IN STUDENT SERVICES TO VERIFY PAYMENT AND GOWN MEASUREMENT

HAPPY 150 YEARS URSULINE SISTERS IN CHATHAM!

A sincere thanks to Cathy Koekuyt, Joe Vasko, Jen Vilaranda, Laurie Shaw, Meg Biondi, Meg Ellis, Mike Milner, Margaret Palmer, Lindsay Dunlop, Kathryn Lacina, Jim Brown and Charlie Lacina along with the Grade 10 applied students for organizing a beautiful 150th Celebration of the Ursuline Sisters. The Ursuline's had 3 different groups attend each of the presentations and they all were overwhelmed with emotion. They recognize this took a great deal of time from staff and students and they loved the way you captured their "spirit." They were very moved by the personal packages they received with letters from our students. Many of them plan to respond.



CONGRATULATIONS

Conner Stirling and Kyle Pitman are the winners of the Chatham Film Group's scholarship this year. The award is given to promising students wishing to pursue film and media studies at the post secondary level. Conner will be awarded \$1000 scholarship and Kyle will receive \$250 toward their studies at Humber and Niagara Colleges for Film Production next year.

ANGEL'S FOR YOUR GARDEN

Mrs. Marty's period three TDJ2O class is making Garden Angels and selling them to raise money for wheelchair ramps to be made for St. Patrick's Parish in Merlin. They will be for sale during the lunch hours May 31 - June 4 and are \$10 each.

NOTES FROM THE OFFICE

LOCKERS

Students, your locker must be cleaned out, and the door left open with the lock locked on the hook. If this is not done, then you will be subject to a \$5.00 locker fine and your report card and next years timetable will not be released until the fine is paid.

SUMMER OFFICE HOURS

The main office will be open during the summer on Tues, Wed, Thurs 8 a.m. - 2 p.m. The office will be closed from 11 a.m. - 12 p.m. for lunch.

LANCER ATHLETICS



Congratulations to the Kent & SWOSSAA championship Girls' Rugby team. In their second season of existence the ladies rose to the top of the scrum to capture the championships. The team defeated CKSS 29-0 to capture the Kent title and then travelled to Sarnia to overtake the Sarnia Northern Vikings 25-6. Best of luck at OFSAA in Toronto!

The Boys and Girls senior soccer seasons came to a disappointing conclusion as both teams lost in the SWOSSAA AAAA finals – one win away from OFSAA. The Boys lost in a heartbreaking shootout after a 1-1 draw at the conclusion of double overtime to Windsor Holy Names. The Ladies lost in Windsor to a strong St. Anne's squad. The Junior Boys' have won their 4th consecutive Kent title and are heading to the SWOSSAA final in Windsor (June 1) after winning their semifinal at Sarnia St. Christopher's.



UCC's Track Team has run away with the overall Kent Championship for the first time in school history. On top of winning the Kent overall title the team also won the Overall Boys, Senior Boys, Midget Boys & Junior Girls titles. Advancing to OFSAA Regionals were Taylor McArthur, Carley Horvath, Garrett Turner and Nathan Verburg. Best of luck!

The Ultimate Team participated in tournaments in Hamilton, Toronto and Barrie this spring. We matched our best ever finish placing 5th at OFSAA in Barrie. At OFSAA Sean Pollard, Brian Phan, Tyler Wammes and Garrett Lowry were all scouted by the National Ultimate coach and were asked to join the National Ultimate Program



The Junior Football Team has battled hard in one of the most competitive football leagues in years. The lads are heading to the Kent Final after defeating CKSS Hawks in the Semi-finals.

Athletic Banquet – Wednesday, June 9th.

Tickets are on sale now through the PE Staff for \$15.00

All Parents and Athletes are invited. NO Jeans!

Doors open at 6:00 with dinner at 6:30pm.

PE Note: The Physical Education Department is looking for some slightly used outdoor hockey sticks & baseball gloves. If you wish to donate any to the program please send them in with your child. Thanks!

CONGRATULATIONS, THANK YOU AND BEST WISHES!

Congratulations to Mr. Patrick Whelihan and Mrs. Mary Coatsworth on their retirements at the end of this school year.



Both have been members of our UCC family for many years (we won't say how many!). We wish them health and happiness in their upcoming adventures. They are sure to stop in every now and then to say hello and make us envious with their new found freedom.



International Student Trips : Notification to Parents, Guardians and Students

Ursuline College Chatham and the St. Catholic District School Board do not support student trips which are organized outside the educational setting and that have not been sanctioned by the Board and School Administration. To avoid any confusion about the school's role regarding the 2011 Australia trip, please note that the trip being organized by Mr. Joe Vasko and Ms. Cheryl Doher, is neither sanctioned by nor supported by Ursuline College Chatham Catholic Secondary School; nor the St. Clair Catholic District School Board.

As such, students travelling to Australia are not subject to the Board's Educational Excursions Policy or Code of Conduct, nor are they covered by the Board's insurer, the Ontario School Board's Insurance Exchange. Matters related to insurance, supervision, and duty of care rest solely with the trip's organizers, Mr. Vasko and Ms. Doher as this trip is not part of UCC's international student excursion plan.

Deb Crawford
Superintendent of Education