

## NCC FYI

Dear NCC Family,

Construction and renovation is moving along. We will have a very tight schedule for getting the building back together for the start of school on the 25<sup>th</sup>. **We will likely need to set up some times when we will need student and parent volunteers to help move furniture and clean in order to meet our goal. I will contact people through this distribution list and will depend on the generosity of our community to help out. As I send this, we do not plan to push back the start of school.** We can get the heaviest equipment back to rooms, but the endless amount of trips for books and student desks etc will be better achieved with a small army of help. Please be looking for this request in the coming days. Any students looking to perform one of their service projects in this manner can contact me. You will be required to be here for all of our moving days to have it meet the requirements for a service project.

**This newsletter will be sent through the parent edline accounts starting in September. We would like to have 100% of our parents with their (not their child's) edline account. In order to achieve this we need accurate up to date email addresses for every parent. This will allow us to communicate with everyone and keep the cost of paper use and postage down. Paper has gone up to \$30 per box from \$17 per box just 4 years ago.**

If there are any prayer intentions or bits of community information you would like me to put in this newsletter, let me know. I would prefer not using it to advertise non-NCC events.

If someone is not receiving this and would like to, have them email me at [bnoll@ncchs.com](mailto:bnoll@ncchs.com) to have their address added to the list.

### **"...We Believe" Capital Campaign**

If any of you have visited the school over the course of the summer, you most probably have seen the beginning stages of construction and renovation that have begun up "on the hill". As we anticipate this major makeover to our campus facility, I still would like to remind everyone that we continue to seek financial gifts in order to reach the campaign goal of \$7.5 million. To date we have raised roughly \$5.3 million and we plan to reach our goal by the end of 2008. This goal will only be reached with the help and generosity of the NCC family. Again, I believe this campaign will be a success as long as we all do our very best.

I want to remind everyone of the "Parent Challenge" the Campaign introduced back in the spring. I know many of you were not able to make one of the Campaign Presentations, but hopefully you took the time to read the information we sent about the campaign and the challenge set forth. I want to again thank those of you who have already generously committed a financial gift and I ask all of you to prayerfully consider making a gift to the campaign. I can only ask that you do your very best in helping make this a successful project for our NCC community. NCC continues to work towards its best and the results of this campaign will allow us to make leaps and bounds in the improvement of the overall education provided to our young students.

### **DATES TO REMEMBER**

- August 25<sup>th</sup>—First day of school—Freshmen and Seniors report at 8:00  
Sophomores and Juniors report at 11:00
- August 26<sup>th</sup>—All students report at 8:00—Opening Mass at school at 9:30
- August 28<sup>th</sup>—Blood Drive 8:30-2:30
- August 29<sup>th</sup>—Opening Dance 7-10
- September 1<sup>st</sup>—No School—Labor Day
- September 2<sup>nd</sup>—Picture Day
- September 5<sup>th</sup>—Awards ceremony-9:30 a.m.—full day of school
- September 9<sup>th</sup>—Making High School Count for Freshmen

September 10<sup>th</sup>—Sophomore Retreat—All day  
September 16<sup>th</sup>—Senior Mass at the Cathedral  
September 25<sup>th</sup>—Adoration

## ACADEMIC DEPARTMENTS

### **Religion**

The Religion Department, in consultation with Mr. Noll and Fr. Bankemper, has put in place a new community service policy that is effective for the 2008-2009 school year. I am writing to you to explain a bit about the new policy and the thinking behind the policy.

So often in your world today we find ourselves in a race to the top. Our students must have the highest scores, the best grades, the best athletic records and the most service hours. This new service policy is intended to get us away from the race to the top and to return us to what is most important, the reason why we do service. In Matthew's Gospel, Jesus says "what ever you do for one of these least brothers and sisters of mine, you do for me." With our new service policy we hope to teach and encourage our kids in what it means to be a Christian called to serve the world and to make a difference in the world. At NCC we often say "We Believe", in this case we believe as Christians that our service can change the world.

This being said, the community service policy beginning with this school year focuses on the completion of 3 service projects rather than the counting of service hours. These projects should be activities that demonstrate commitment and which are above and beyond our normal levels of participation in our school and parish communities. For many of our students, there will be no change needed regarding service because their current service involvement can easily be translated into their three projects for the year. For some of our students, this policy will require more forethought and planning for doing service than they have been accustomed to in the past. If you have any questions concerning whether or not a certain activity would count as a service project, please do not hesitate to contact myself or any other member of the religion department. Please refer to the full policy in the handbook for all specific requirements and due dates.

Sincerely in Christ,  
Sr. Joanne Koehl, SC  
Religion Department Chair

## STUDENT LIFE

### **Freshman and New Student Orientation**

Thursday evening, August 14<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm in the Cafeteria. **This may get moved to the gym if the cafeteria is not ready by the 14<sup>th</sup>.** All new students and Parents are encouraged to attend.

### **Visitors from Denmark**

Host families are needed for high school students visiting from Denmark. We currently have 4 families but would like 2 or 3 more. The students will visit from October 4 through the 24. Some of those days may be spent travelling with their group. We would prefer Juniors and Seniors as they match the age of these students better. Please contact Shelley Wykle at [swykle@ncchs.com](mailto:swykle@ncchs.com) if you can help.

## DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

### **NCC Family Fireworks Fest**

Plans are already underway for the 15th Annual NCC Family Fireworks Fest on

Sunday, August 31. Games, live entertainment, and fun family activities will begin at 4:00 PM and will continue until the Big Blast. Food and drinks will be available. No cans, bottles or coolers will be permitted.

A \$3 admission will be charged at the gate. (Age 5 and under free)

Parking passes (\$6) will go on sale in mid August. More details to follow.

Volunteer Opportunities: If you and your family would like to volunteer to work a shift at the festival please contact the Development Office or email Mary at [mciafardini@ncchs.com](mailto:mciafardini@ncchs.com).

### **Catholic Order of Forester's Old Coney Day**

When: Sunday, August 24, 2008

Cost: \$8.00 for members, children ages 2-3 are \$3.50

The day will include admission to the pool, all rides, free soft drinks and ice cream.

Tickets can be purchased by contacting Peggy Piccola at [pepiccola@ncchs.com](mailto:pepiccola@ncchs.com) or 859-380-6456. COF members with a Coney Pass can enjoy the soft drinks and ice cream; simply sign in at the Picnic Grove.

This is a great opportunity to join the Catholic Order of Foresters. For more information call Chris Dillon at 859-746-9110.

**On a recent Friday evening, about 50 junior high school kids enjoyed an evening of pizza, ice cream and swimming at Veterans Memorial Pool.**





### **NCC 500 CLUB**

Join the NCC 500 Club and you will have the chance to win \$100.00 each week.

The new year is underway and there are a few unsold numbers available. For a yearly prorated dues of \$40.00, club members have the chance to win \$100.00 each week. Members will receive a card with (2) numbers. Winning numbers are determined each Friday based on the last three digits of the Dow Jones Industrial Closing Average. A check for \$100 will be mailed to the member who has the matching DOW number.

Each year, a member has (52) chances to win \$100 plus an end of the year banquet with more cash giveaways.

Please contact the NCC Development Office at (859) 292-0001 or email [mciafardini@ncchs.com](mailto:mciafardini@ncchs.com) if you would like to become a member of the 500 Club.

## **ATHLETIC DEPARTMENT**

### **Volleyball**

Congratulations to the Volleyball team on winning the gold medal at the Bluegrass games over the weekend of August 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, & 3<sup>rd</sup>.

All Fall sports schedules can be located on the website at [www.ncchs.com](http://www.ncchs.com) under Sports. If you have questions, regarding athletics email Athletic Director, Rob Detzel, [rdetzel@ncchs.com](mailto:rdetzel@ncchs.com).

## [SUPPORT THE BREDS](#)

### Winners Circle

Please join us in **The Winners' Circle**! NCC is hosting its inaugural fall event, **The Winners' Circle**, on Saturday, October 25<sup>th</sup>, 2008 at the Syndicate Restaurant in Newport. Mark your calendars and plan for a night of fun with appetizers, dinner, drinks, live music for your entertainment, and plenty of live and silent auction items, raffles, etc.

**The Winners' Circle** will be an annual event replacing the "chance drive" which most of you may remember! Proceeds from this event will be used to enhance the already excellent Catholic education offered at NCC, by providing the best learning environment with the most up-to-date tools needed to educate our students. In addition, monies raised will benefit the NCC Education Endowment Fund. Please come and help support the students at Newport Central Catholic.

This event would be a great way to reunite with old school friends. Get a group together and purchase a table.

Special request: NCC is looking for a week/weekend at a vacation rental property in order to auction off at the event. If you or any family members have a vacation rental property in which time could be donated, it would be a great way to help out the school as well as use as a tax deduction. Any other gifts would be welcome as well. Thank you for thinking of us!

Look for more information about **The Winners' Circle** in the coming months. Mark your calendar for OCTOBER 25<sup>th</sup> for a night with friends while helping our students of today. Together we all can be WINNERS!

### Parents and Alumni Club

**Are you a parent of an NCC student?** If so, start the NCC school year off by making plans to attend the **Parents and Alumni Club "Get Acquainted Night"** on Wednesday, August 20, 2008 formerly named Mothers' Club. All are welcome. Doors open at 7:00 PM. Feel free to bring an appetizer to share.

This night will be a casual social night in the NCC cafeteria and an opportunity for you to meet other NCC parents and friends and help be a part of a fun new school year. If you have any questions, please contact Joann Prigge at 581-4259 or at [j.prigge@insightbb.com](mailto:j.prigge@insightbb.com) or Lisa Bowman at 781-3261 or [BowmanLM@healthall.com](mailto:BowmanLM@healthall.com).

### Cafeteria Volunteers Needed

As we prepare for a new school year, please consider volunteering to work the NCC cafeteria. If you are able to help out please contact Phyllis Smith at (859) 781-8020.

### Boosters

Boosters meet on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of every month in the Cafeteria starting at 8:00 p.m. The first meeting of this school year will be September 16<sup>th</sup>.

## [DIOCESAN NEWS](#)

### Protecting God's Children Information

If you wish to volunteer at any Diocese of Covington facility where children or vulnerable adults are present, you will need to comply with the Diocesan Safe Environment Policy.

Compliance involves the following: (all can be obtained on line [covingtondiocese.org](http://covingtondiocese.org) or at the institution [ncchs.com](http://ncchs.com))

-Received the diocesan policies and procedures and signed the 2007 Acceptance Form

- Submitted information (Application Form) for and been cleared through a background check
- Registered online at [www.virtus.org](http://www.virtus.org), signed up for and attended a class
- Read the bulletins and modules. (Directions are in the Messenger)