President's Report

Greetings St. Mary's Families,

As the snow continues to fall on our beautiful campus, I hope you all had the opportunity to take in the glow of colorful lights over the holidays as we celebrated the season and spirit of Christmas. We are all blessed to be a part of the St. Mary's family. As our motto states, God, Family, St. Mary's. What better way to honor God, work together as a family, and show our greater community the heart of St. Mary's than through your generous support of the annual Adopt-a-Family program. In 2006, Betsy and Bob Moran began this tradition of adopting families from our community who were in need at Christmastime. Now completing its 16th year, our St. Mary's community continues to share its blessings with those who are struggling. Giving help and hope allows us to show our Christian faith and encourage those who may need it. Thank you for supporting this important tradition! With your help, St. Mary's Prep was able to adopt 14 families and a total of 58 people this year!

The Moms and Dads Club also wants to thank each of you who helped to make the annual Holiday Staff and Teacher Lunch a success again this year! It was important to us that each faculty member feel the appreciation that they are so deserving of! Whether you donated a gift card, baked goods, helping hands, or supported the event by supporting the MDC through raffle ticket sales or volunteering on campus, you all helped make this a year for them to remember. The staff dined on a beautiful lunch, filled boxes with Christmas cookies to take home, and received gift cards and a generous monetary gift. They felt the love and blessing of being part of the OLSM community!

As we look forward to 2023, I encourage you to attend one of the informative General Membership Seminars listed in the newsletter and on the calendar. Also, watch for information on this year's Auction set for March 18th, "Live from Orchard Lake, It's Saturday Night!" The annual Raffle Drawing will be held that evening, and one lucky person will win \$15,000 or a year's tuition at St. Mary's! So be sure to turn in your tickets and payments by February 16th!

Wishing you all a happy and healthy 2023!

Michelle McShane
OLSM Moms and Dads Club President

Upcoming Events

February 2

General Membership Seminar on College Admissions

February 12

Freshman Boys Division Class Mass and Brunch

February 16

Raffle Tickets and Payments
Due

March 5

Mother Son Bowling Bash

March 5

Freshman and Sophomore
Girls Class Mass and Brunch

March 18

Annual Auction and Raffle Ticket Drawing

March 26

Sophomore Boys Division Class Mass and Brunch

April 27

General Membership Seminar on College Finance

May 28

Concert at the Lake

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SAVE THE DATE

Saturday, March 18, 2023



Tickets go on sale February 1! Visit OLSMauction.com for info.

Parent & Student Information

General Membership Seminar

Please join the OLSM Moms and Dads Club on Thursday, February 2nd at 6:30pm in the dining hall as OLSM senior academic dean Ann Bartus, along with current senior students and parents, present on preparing for the college application process.

Students will share their college acceptances and the path they took to selecting colleges and narrowing their choices while senior parents will provide advice on keeping this process calm and stress free. This informal, informative presentation will include data on the most recent graduating classes, interesting options and opportunities for students, how to maximize dual enrollment credits, and how colleges make admission decisions.

OLSM Raffle

Hello OLSM families! Please sell your raffle tickets and turn your stubs and \$500 in to Ms. Kosco in the Prep Building. ALL 25 ticket stubs and \$500.00 payable to the St. Mary's Moms & Dads Club are due by February 16, 2023, to be eligible for the GRAND PRIZE DRAWING at our Annual Auction on Saturday, March 18, 2023.

Grand Prize: \$15,000 OR 1 year tuition!

2nd Prize: \$5,000 **3rd Prize:** \$2,500

RAFFLE AT-A-GLANCE:

- Sell 25 tickets at \$20.00 each.
- Once \$500 is paid, you are able to submit at least one or all of your ticket stubs into the drawing.
- If you would like to sell additional tickets or have not picked up your 25 tickets yet, they are available from Ms. Kosco in the Prep Office.
- ALL ticket stubs and \$500.00 due BY February 16, 2023. Return to the PREP OFFICE using the given envelope.
- Winners of early bird drawings will be entered back into the March 18th Grand Prize Drawing.
- Proceeds from the raffle held by the Moms and Dads Club fund teacher support and amenities that enhance the OLSM student experience.
- Questions? Please text Mary Thayer at 734.751.4499.

Parent & Student Information

Concert at The Lake

BRINGING BACK THE '20'0

The Moms and Dads Club inaugural Concert at The Lake 2022 was a huge success with more than 500 attendees. It was a great time for all while raising more than \$22,000 for our students. Thanks to everyone who attended!

SAVE THE DATE:

The Mega 80's will return in 2023 on Sunday May 28th. More tickets, more fun, more food... watch for more information coming soon!





Celebrating Our OLSM Teachers!

Each year the Moms and Dads Club hosts a Holiday Staff and Teacher Lunch and this year was better than ever! The staff dined on a beautiful lunch, Christmas cookies and treats, and received gift cards and a generous monetary gift. They felt the love and blessing of being part of the OLSM community. Thank you to all that volunteered and supported this incredible celebration!







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Girls Division Sophomores

The Girls' Division Sophomores have been busy with school, athletics and philanthropy, among other things. For the second year in a row, Orchard Lake St. Mary's students and their families came together to serve Meals on Wheels "blizzard boxes" to the home-bound elderly community. Not only did they deliver non-perishable items and donated socks but they also lingered in the doorsteps to share smiles, greetings and conversations to ward off loneliness. The boxes were heavy, the routes were long and volunteers rose to the challenge with grace. It was a great success! This effort was led by Mea D'Agostino and her mom Sarah, who we are thankful opened this up for school-wide participation.

These sophomore girls and their families adopted a family of six this Christmas. Thanks to the support of the class, we were able to purchase almost everything on the list, including a mattress, bed frame, and dresser for the girls. We were also able to give them a full meal, plenty of gift cards and all the big ticket items for their baby on the way. Special thanks to Jillian Moutafis, Darlene Sullivan and Erika Laskowski for leading our Adopt-A-Family effort.

We continue to remain grateful for the bond these girls and their families are forming, and are excited for what the rest of the year holds.

Save the Date: Class of 2025 Mass & Brunch

Our sophomore class mass will be on Sunday, March 26th at 11:00 am with brunch immediately following in the dining hall. Cost is \$20/per person. RSVP and more information coming soon.























2022 Events

The Moms and Dads Club hosted what we hope will be another OLSM tradition of supporting our current and former students, as well as welcoming parents at our first Homecoming Football Tailgate. The Class of 2025 also may have started a tradition by welcoming all at their own class tailgate!











2022 Events



The Moms and Dads Club kicked off the first annual Polish Harvest to start the 2022-2023 school year. Live music from the Kielbasa Kings and Power Play, as well as Polish food and drink made this event resounding success! Tickets sold out early and we look forward to hosting this event on an annual basis.













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Meet the OLSM Moms and Dads Club Board

The Moms and Dads Club (MND Club) of St. Mary's has long been an integral part of the successful fundraising activities and various award and achievement ceremonies at the school, and all OLSM parents are contributors to its success! Parents participate in a wide variety of activities, including the Annual Auction, Canteen, and Athletic Booster Club to name few. These activities are vital to the continued success of St. Mary's and we thank all of you for your contributions.

Visit the MND Club website at https://www.mndclub.com/ for more information.

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