

# PSO NEWSLETTER

August 31, 2017

Welcome back to another great school year at St. Mary Magdalene! It's me again, Laura Tomczak, finishing out the last year of my two year term as PSO President. I'm so excited with all that the PSO has planned for this school year! Together the PSO Board has been hard at work this summer planning for what promises to be a memorable year at StMM.

This year, your PSO Board is a wonderful mix of both "old" and "new". You can call me and Beth Klatt your "old" or your "veterans". Both of us have served on the board before and have gained a ton of experience and insight to how PSO can be most useful and productive in our school community. Our "newbies" include Amanda Becker, Magee Jaski and Cindy Winzenz. These moms are not new to the role of volunteer, but new to our board and bring with them original ideas and a fresh outlook. We are all happy to be working together and are dedicated to making this year a great one!

We've got lots of events to plug into our school calendar. Some are familiar favorites and others are brand new! I encourage you all to take a minute to read our newsletter, which is published every other Thursday, like our Facebook page (Stmm PSO Events), check out the PSO website (<http://school.stmm.net/parents/>), and follow us on Twitter (StmmPsoEvents).

Let's talk about our biggest event this year -- Walk-a-Thon! Get it on your calendars now; November 17<sup>th</sup> is the day! As many of you know, PSO aims to only hold one major fundraising event each school year. Last year, our parents enjoyed a gala fundraiser. This year our fundraiser is focused more on our students with our Walk-a-Thon event. Led by event chair, Laura Aiken, the Walk-a-Thon will kick off with a pep rally in October and conclude with the main event on November 17<sup>th</sup>, when all of our school children get to participate in the 1-mile walk around campus. From start to finish, there will be fun competition, a prize raffle cart, a chance to pick your class theme, and of course, our kids will raise money that will help PSO to contribute to school improvements, sponsor educational events for the student body and fund our annual teacher grant program. Plans are underway and information will be coming home soon so please be on the lookout. And remember, the Walk-a-Thon needs lots of volunteers too! So if you can offer up your time and talent, Laura Aiken would be most grateful! You can contact her at [lauramaiken@yahoo.com](mailto:lauramaiken@yahoo.com).

As always, if you have any questions or concerns, any suggestions or you want to get involved in PSO, please contact me. My email is [Lrtomczak@gmail.com](mailto:Lrtomczak@gmail.com).

Here's to a great year!

Laura

## IMPORTANT DATES

### September

9/5-8 Recess Equipment Drive  
9/6 room parent meeting 1:00  
9/8 Walk-a-thon meeting  
9/10 @ 3:00 Adopt-a-highway  
9/15 walk-a-thon meeting  
9/20 PSO general meeting 8am  
9/21 Eat Out Night BJ's Brew-house  
9/29 Spirit Wear and Bake Sale

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## VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES



There will be a room parent meeting on Wednesday, September 6<sup>th</sup> at 1:00-2:30 pm in the Cafeteria. All room parent binders will be distributed at the meeting. If you are serving this year, please advise the Room Parent Coordinator, Carolee Ramoin, at [cramoin@aol.com](mailto:cramoin@aol.com), and feel free to con-

### Have your kids missed Ice Cream as much as ours?

Good News! PSO will be selling Hershey's Ice Cream as well as a non-dairy option the first Friday of the month!

September 1st will be our first Ice Cream sale day

Would you love to be one of the hero's that sells Ice Cream at Lunch? contact [Beth Klatt](#) for more info!

### Secret Santa Workshop Wrapping Begins!

Join us in the cafeteria every Tuesday and Wednesday morning 8:00-10:30 or as long as you can come. Sept 5th-November 1st



### **Adopt-A-Highway**

Parents, help your school community and keep Apex BBQ Road clean & beautiful! Please join us in our quarterly Adopt-A-Highway clean up.

**Sunday, September 10 3:00pm**

Volunteers must be at least 12 years of age, and all minors must be accompanied by an adult. It is a great way for students to earn service hours.

see sign up genius link below

<http://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0b48a8a8292-adoptahighway1>



Would you love to Volunteer but can't make it to meetings at school. This one is for you. Did you know that most of the work for the walk-a-thon can be done while sitting on your couch in the evening. This is the PSO's largest Fundraiser of the year and the kids LOVE it!

If you would like more information contact

Laura Aiken [lauramaiken@yahoo.com](mailto:lauramaiken@yahoo.com)

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Did you plan on decluttering the garage this summer and it just didn't happen? PSO would love for you to donate any recess equipment you may no longer need. Balls, jump ropes, chalk, etc. for the whole school to share during recess time. More information to come on the Recess Equipment Drive.

September 5-8 see [attached flyer](#)

## Keep an Eye Out! Coming Soon

- Why cook Wednesday
- PSO Parent Wine Night

# What did you do over the summer?

The PSO was busy



## NEW PLAYGROUND MULCH!

We were able to have 170 yards of new mulch spread on the playground to spruce and soften it up!





Teachers were given a special Eclipse Treat to celebrate how great they are!

Contact any of us [here](#) on the PSO webpage! We look forward to a great year!

## 2017-2018 PSO Board



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