

PSO NEWSLETTER



Hey there, StMM Moms!
School has been in session for a little over a month now. I hope you and your family have settled into the new routine that comes with each school year. So, now that we've got that rhythm going, it's time for our moms to have a little fun via PSO events!

Mom's Night Out Wine Tasting

Thursday, September 29, 2016

6:30-9:30pm

Apex Fine Wine, 800 W. Williams Street #124, Apex

Just \$20 at the door buys you tasty hors d'oeuvres to snack on and a flight of Artessa wines—the equivalent of two glasses. Come hang out, relax, socialize and get to know the names of the other moms we see in the halls or in the car pool lane!

Mother/Son Event

Friday, October 14, 2016

6:00-9:00pm

StMM Activity Building

This is a night for the boys of StMM to spend some fun and quality time with the special lady in his life, whether it be mom, grandma, a big sister or special aunt. After pizza and snacks in the cafeteria, boys and their "dates" will enjoy music in the gym, karate demonstrations, Lego tables, a photo booth and maybe even a dance contest. Cost is \$20 per family at the door; please RSVP so the planning committee can get a head count for pizza. <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/409044fadae28a02-rsvp>

StMM Dads, please don't feel left out! You are more than welcome to join in the wine tasting next week and you can get in on the fun of the Mother/Son event by volunteering to help with tear down and chair set up for weekend mass after the event. If you can lend a hand, please email Beth Klatt, bklatt@nextaff.com. And of course, PSO will sponsor the beloved Father/Daughter Dance in February, a great opportunity for a special night with your girls and to show off your dance moves!

Blessings to all our wonderful families, Laura

IMPORTANT DATES

September

9/23, 9/30, 8:15 am

PSO Gala meeting, Adult Room

9/23, 8-10 am

Santa's Secret Workshop Gift

Wrapping in the Cafeteria

9/29, 6:30-9:30 pm

Moms' Night Out Wine Tasting at
Apex Fine Wine

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VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Fall Gala Volunteer Meeting

Every Friday, 8:15 am

We're hosting an open meetings for volunteers interested in assisting with our Fall Gala "A Taste of Salem Street". Join us in the Adult Room after drop-off on Fridays to learn more and to share your ideas. Volunteers are needed for the decorating committee, raffles & auctions, sponsorships, and more. If you're unable to attend the meeting, but would like to help, please email Kelli Leonard at kellileonard1976@gmail.com.



Wrapping Help Needed for Santa's Secret Workshop

Looking for a fun way to volunteer? Join us on Friday mornings from 8-10 am in the Cafeteria to wrap gifts for Santa's Secret Workshop! We've done all the shopping and provide all the materials—we just need help wrapping 5000 items!

Wrapping dates are: **September 23; October 7, 14 & 28; November 4, 11 & 18**

Any questions? Please contact Sue Hannan at susan.hannan16@gmail.com or Kim Boyle at kimb_boyle@yahoo.com.

Wet Your Whistle Wednesdays

Infused Waters for the Teachers/Staff

Treat our teachers & staff with infused waters on Wednesdays during the school year. Signup to bring fruit for 2 different flavored waters. Water dispensers, chalkboard signs, chalk marker & ice will be in the staff lounge. All you have to do is bring in the prepared ingredients, fill up the water dispensers & return at the end of the day to clean up.

Signup at <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e0b44aaa62f4-wetyour?1472049351761>.

For more information, email Heather Corin at heatherecorin@gmail.com.

IMPORTANT DATES

October

10/7, 10/14 & 10/28, 8-10 am

Santa's Secret Workshop Gift Wrapping in the Cafeteria

10/11, 7:30 pm

PSO General Meeting, Media Center

10/14, 6 pm

Mother/ Son Event, PK-5th grade

10/26

Staff Appreciation Fall Soup and Salad Luncheon

10/28

Booster Club Bake Sale

November

11/4, 11/11 & 11/18, 8-10 am

Santa's Secret Workshop Gift Wrapping in the Cafeteria

11/12, 7 pm

"A Taste of Salem Street" Gala

December

12/5-9

Santa's Secret Workshop

12/5, 6-8 pm

Jingle Bells Sleigh Rides

12/12

Staff Appreciation Cookie Exchange

ORANGE-KIWI



RASPBERRY-MINT



UPCOMING EVENTS & MEETINGS



Mom's Night Out Wine Tasting

Thursday, September 29th

6:30-9:30 pm

Join us at Apex Fine Wine, 800 West Williams Street in Apex for a flight of Artessa Wines, light snacks, and the chance to meet other moms. (Dads are welcome, too!) \$20 at the door per person.

Questions, email Kelli Leonard kellileonard1976@gmail.com

PSO General Meeting

Tuesday, October 11th at 7:30 pm, Media Center

We're excited that Nikki Curliss, StMM's Guidance Counselor, will be speaking at the meeting.

She will talk about "Communication is a Two Way Street".

- Tips to help your student communicate confidently with his/her teacher
 - Making the most out of parent/teacher conferences

Refreshments will be served.

Mother/Son Event October 14th, 6-9 pm

RSVP now to reserve your spot and simply buy your ticket when you arrive. We will be using the gym and cafeteria for this event and it is being held from 6:00 – 9:00 pm. Pizza will be served followed by plenty of music, activities and fun. Cost is \$20/family so bring all the boys and come hungry. In addition to a DJ, photo booth, contests and prizes, we will have some special visitors and activities to provide fun for all ages. Click on the signup below so we can get a count for food and please sign up for a snack or dessert to bring. Remember we are nut free so please take every precaution with your baked goods. <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/409044fadae28a02-rsvp>



Older kids need some service hours? Calling all 5th grade and older boys to help clean up and set up chairs for Mass from 9:00 – 9:30 after the Mother/Son event. Don't tell anyone, but we will even give you a full hour of service for volunteering!

Want to help out the local food pantry for the holidays? We will be collecting canned goods with a Thanksgiving theme at the door where you purchase your ticket. Pumpkin, potatoes, veggies, fall soups and more.

CULTURAL ARTS & VOLUNTEER OF THE MONTH

Cultural Arts Grants

We would like to thank Shawn DeStasio and Monica Linares, co-chairs of our Cultural Arts Committee, for securing \$700 in grants from the United Arts Council of Raleigh and Wake County. These grants will go toward a residency with Storyteller David Novak and a performance by the North Carolina Theatre Conservatory.

Upcoming Cultural Arts Events:

- October 9th—Raleigh Little Theater workshop on costume design, improv and stage makeup; 7th & 8th grade drama elective classes.
- October 20th—Sound of Freedom—History of African American Music in the US; 6th-8th grades.
- November 7th—David Novak storytelling workshop, 4th-8th grade drama elective classes.



Volunteer of the Month--September



The PSO Executive Board would like to congratulate Melissa McGeehan on being chosen as our September Volunteer of the Month. Melissa is the Chair of StMM's Boosters. She has been hard at work since before the school year even started coming up with activities and events to promote school spirit. The first Black Out Games and festivities were a huge success. We're looking forward to all of the other events she has planned in the coming months!

Melissa will be receiving a gift card as a token of our appreciation.

Thanks you, Melissa!

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES & SPIRIT WEAR



Used Uniform Store Needs Skirt Hangers

Clean out your closets & donate your unused skirt hangers to the used uniform store. They only need the kind with the clips—similar to the one pictured—not regular hangers at this time. Thank you!

Volunteers Needed!

Staff Appreciation Soup & Salad Luncheon—October 26th

Amy Griffin is busy planning the Staff Appreciation Soup & Salad Luncheon for October 26th. She needs volunteers to make soups, prepare salads and other goodies, and to assist with setup, serving & cleanup. This event is a staff favorite! If you can help Amy, please email her at amywgriffin@gmail.com. A Signup Genius will be ready soon.



Spirit Wear Store

Open before and after school on
9/27, 28 & 29 leading up to
Spirit Wear Day

New Styles & Sizes are in!

Children's tees are \$12

Adult's tees are \$15

Does your committee have an announcement you'd like featured in the next newsletter? Email Heather Corin at heatherecorin@gmail.com with your newsletter additions.

Save THE Date



STMM FALL FUNDRAISING GALA
"A TASTE OF SALEM STREET"

November 12, 2016
7-11 pm

HALLE CULTURAL ARTS CENTER
DOWNTOWN APEX

appetizers *AND* desserts
from Salem Street restaurants

LIVE MUSIC

silent and live auction

