



DEVON

PREPARATORY SCHOOL

The Pianist Fathers

TIDINGS

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SECOND ANNUAL MOTHER - SON COMMUNION BRUNCH

Nearly 125 Devon Prep moms and their sons came together to enjoy Devon Prep's Second Annual Mother – Son Communion Brunch on Sunday, February 21st. The event began with a Mass celebrated by Headmaster Rev. James J. Shea, Sch.P., concelebrated by Rev. Richard Wyzykiewicz, and assisted by Brother Nelson Henao in St. Mary's Chapel. The readings were done by Mrs. Kathleen Bevilacqua and her son Michael '10, and Mrs. Mary McNabb and her son Justin '12. The music was provided by Mrs. Mary Kane, Andrew Loper '15, Albert Emanuel Milani '15 and Mrs. Jean Milani. William Moreno '15, Scott Clancy '16 and John Kane '13 served as Altar Servers. For more photos; <http://tinyurl.com/mom-son-brnch>



DEVON PREP 2009-10 FIRST SEMESTER HONOR ROLL

The following Devon Prep students were named to the 2009-10 First Semester Honor Roll. **Distinguished Honors** reflects an average of 3.80 and above. **Honors** reflects an average of 3.0 and above.

SENIORS

Distinguished Honors

Michael G. Bevilacqua
Robert F. Bildner
Jacob R. Boehmer
Andrew E. Callahan
Brendan M. Coyne
Peter A. DeLong
Joseph G. Donatoni
Brendan P. Fulmer
Matthew C. Gruchacz
Stephen A. Haas
Thomas R. Hallinan
Patrick W. Henry
Mark L. Hillegass
Shane J. Howard
Rahul J. Joyce
Theodore J. Lawrence
Alex Lee
Ryan P. Luffey
Kevin R. Maloney

Jordan R. McDevitt
James P. Meyer
Samuel P. Parkinson
Andrew L. Robie
Brian R. Silvestri
Christopher F. Smith
Robert M. Smith
Daniel H. Stack
Joseph A. Stucynski
Francisco F. Suero
John P. Thomas
Brendan R. Tomoschuk
Matthew L. Toukatly
Edward L. Welsh
F. Quinn White
John W. Wujcik

Honors

Maxwell J. Bowie
Andrew E. Carroll
Stephen T. Chase
Justin P. Chiccarine
Patrick T. Doherty

Daniel B. Gaeto
Jeffrey M. Hughes
Zachary A. Koehler
Carl B. Luchetti
Michael J. Magnotta
Matthew L. Purcell
Kevin T. Raftery
Anthony M. Raymundo
Griffith A. Roberts
Ian R. Smith

JUNIORS

Distinguished Honors

William N. Adamiak
Zachary J. Adams
Gregory S. Angiolillo
Jeffrey R. Bevan
Gregory C. Bokar
Harry Crimi
Austin J. Davis
Tristan W. Dolan

Albert J. Emhof
Samuel S. Gillin
Jordan T. Kelly
Richard L. Kenney
John J. Kiely
Joseph J. Kozak
Albert A. Marciano
Brendan J. O'Brien
Alexander M. Pachella
Nicholas A. Pancerella
Yuri A. Piro
Vincent D. Quintiliani
Alexander B. Reinhart
Alexander M. Sidor
Clement A. Stormes
Justin S. Wickersham

Honors

Matthew B. Baldassano
Duncan R. Becker
Michael J. Bentley
Ryan C. Carson
Douglas A. Cichowicz

Patrick T. Curley
Alexander M. DiMarzio
Kyle M. Engel
Andrew J. Fletcher
David N. Freiberg
Richard J. Glikes
Andrew H. Grahm
Ryan M. Litchert
Matthew J. Maloney
C. Joseph Matthews
Robert E. McCarron
Joseph J. McLachlan
Douglas R. McParland
Bryan C. Misialek
Daniel J. Monaghan
Brendan M. Richter
Christophe H. Rodelli
Stephen R. Sloto
Alexander J. Smith

For complete list:
<http://tinyurl.com/HR-1st-sem>

DR. TONY COLETTA '71 OFFERS A PERSONAL VIEW OF THE HAITIAN DISASTER

Class of '71 Alumnus, Dr. Anthony Coletta, Executive Vice President and Chief Medical Officer of the Holy Redeemer Health System, recently traveled to Haiti, where he volunteered to provide medical care after the earthquake. As he prepared to return home he wrote a compelling and moving letter about his experience. It includes a personal account of what is happening in the area and how the people and volunteers are trying to cope. Read all of Dr. Coletta's letter at <http://tinyurl.com/dr-coletta-haiti>.



DEVON PREP HAITIAN RELIEF EFFORTS

Although weeks have passed since that horrific earthquake devastated Haiti, the needs of the people continue and in some cases are increasing. To help with the relief effort Devon Prep students, staff, and faculty recently donated medical supplies to Christian Services International (CSI). Among the donated items were 34 pairs of crutches, 14 boots, several walkers, canes and slings, a back brace, and dozens of other medical supplies.

Devon Prep Alumnus Dr. Tony Coletta '71 will oversee delivery of these donations and those of several other area schools to Haitian hospitals and clinics. Dr. Coletta is Executive Vice President and Chief Medical Officer of Holy Redeemer Health System, and a volunteer with CSI.



In an email to Devon Prep, Dr. Coletta expressed his gratitude for all the donations. "What an incredible effort," he said. "There is now a full hallway of 20 pallets on the average of 4 feet high! We are arranging to ship them to New York and from there they will be off to our clinic in Croix de Bouquet to serve the entire region. All of you should let your students know that they are having an incredible impact."

In addition, Devon Prep Sophomore **Connell White** organized a shoe drive collection at Devon Prep and in his neighborhood to benefit the Sam Dalember shoe collection. He collected over 500 pairs. Samuel Dalember of the 76ers is the only Haitian player in the NBA..

See more photos at: <http://tinyurl.com/haitian-relief1>

COLLECTION TO SUPPORT FAMILIES OF PIARIST SEMINARIANS FROM HAITI

Devon Prep will also collect funds to support the families of two Piarist seminarians who are currently studying in the Piarist province in Colombia. Thankfully neither Seminarian Wilfrid Raymond nor Seminarian Alain Fadeau Poudy lost any members of his immediate family in the January earthquake. However, both of their families have suffered injuries and material losses.

Wilfrid's cousin, Murliene Paul, lives in Florida and has traveled to Haiti bringing supplies. We would like to collect donations to aid her in her quest for tents, medicines, water, clothing, etc. for the families and neighbors of the seminarians.

More information about this collection and how you can donate will be coming shortly.

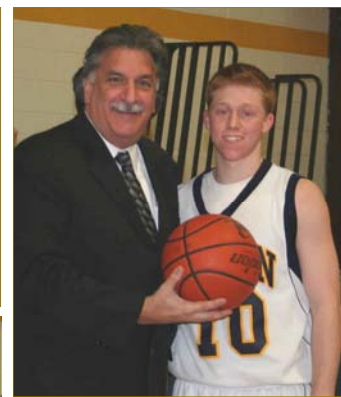


JEFF HUGHES MAKES DEVON BASKETBALL HISTORY

Devon Prep's senior point guard **Jeffrey Hughes** has been pretty busy recently making school history on the basketball court.

In early February he set a school record for career three pointers with 131. Then on February 16 he became just the fifth player in Devon Prep history to record 1000 points. He is the first Devon Prep player since 1996 to reach 1000.

He was also named the Bicentennial Athletic League's (BAL) Independence Division 2009-10 Boys Basketball *Player of the Year* for the second year in a row. In addition, he was named to the *BAL Independence Division All League Boys Basketball First Team* along with fellow teammate **Junior Duncan Becker**. Senior **Matt Purcell** received an honorable mention. More at: <http://tinyurl.com/sports-hughes>



ALEX DIMARZIO BOWLS PERFECT GAME

For the first time in seven years at Wynnewood Lanes in Philadelphia, someone bowled a perfect game. And this time it happened to be Devon Prep Junior **Alex DiMarzio**. Alex has been bowling in a league for nearly 10 years. At the age of 17 his perfect score is quite an accomplishment, enough to earn him several prizes from Wynnewood Lanes, and a spot on their website.



VARSITY BASKETBALL SENIOR NIGHT

The senior members of Devon Prep's varsity basketball team were recognized on February 12 before their game against Christopher Dock. The seniors also acknowledged their parents and presented flowers to their mothers.

For more photos: <http://tinyurl.com/bball-sr-nite>



DEVON STUDENTS MARCH FOR LIFE IN WASHINGTON, DC.

Pro-life Club Conducts Baby Supplies Drive

Over 200 Devon Prep students and faculty participated in the *Rally and March for Life* in Washington, D.C. on Friday, January 22, the 37th anniversary of Roe vs. Wade. Under the direction of Headmaster Rev. James Shea, Sch.P., the Devon Prep contingent marched up Constitution Avenue passed the Capitol Building to the Supreme Court Building. There, with thousands of others, they proclaimed their belief in the sanctity of human life from the moment of conception to the time of natural death.

For several weeks before the Rally & March for Life, Devon Prep's Pro-life Club ran a Baby Supplies Drive to benefit Catholic Relief Services (CRS) of the Archdiocese of Philadelphia. More than \$4,000 in baby items, including diapers, formula, and wipes as well as monetary donations, was collected for needy mothers and their babies.

Read more at: <http://tinyurl.com/life-march>



CAP SPONSORS ANNUAL BLOOD DRIVE

The Christian Action Program (CAP) recently sponsored Devon Prep's 2010 American Red Cross Blood Drive. Parents, teachers, students and staff donated 35 pints of blood. This year's Blood Drive Chair was Junior **Ryan Litchert**.

In addition to donating whole blood that contains red blood cells, platelets and plasma, several of Devon Prep's donors opted to participate in the Automated Red Cell Collection, where they provided two units of life-saving red blood cells during one donation.

More at: <http://tinyurl.com/bld-drv-10>.



DEVON PREP MUSIC AND THEATER SOCIETY PRESENTS THE HOT MIKADO



Retaining the original's hilarious story and lyrics, this 'hot' (family-friendly) version takes place in a fictional 1940's Japan where 'Swing is King.' Zoot suits and kimonos; intoxicating rhythms of gospel, jazz, blues, swing, and rock; high-energy dance numbers — don't miss this joyous explosion of song and dance!"

Showtimes: Thursday, March 18, 7 PM
Friday, March 19, 7 PM
Saturday, March 20, 7 PM

Tickets: \$12 reserved seats
\$10 general admission

Tickets will be available at the door before all performances.

For more information: <http://tinyurl.com/hotmikado>

MODEL UN DELEGATION IS RECOGNIZED AT CONFERENCE

Devon Prep's Model United Nations delegation earned the "Outstanding Delegation" Award at the 40th YMCA Model United Nations Conference in Hershey, PA. Nearly 1200 students from high schools in New Jersey and Pennsylvania attended this conference. Sophomore **Nate Stauffer** was also recognized for writing an Outstanding Position Paper.

Model United Nations is a simulation of the UN General Assembly and other multilateral bodies. In Model UN, students step into the shoes of ambassadors from UN member states to debate current issues on the organization's agenda. While playing their roles as ambassadors, student "delegates" make speeches, prepare draft resolutions, negotiate with allies and adversaries, resolve conflicts, and navigate the Model UN conference rules of procedure - all in the interest of mobilizing "international cooperation" to resolve problems that affect countries all over the world. For more photos go to: <http://tinyurl.com/model-un-10>.



RECENT GRADS SPEAK TO SENIORS ABOUT LIFE AFTER DEVON

On Wednesday morning, January 6, Fr. Shea welcomed several members from the Class of 2009, as they returned to Devon Prep to talk with the senior class.

Barry Mulhern '72, President of the Alumni Association, was the Moderator for this Young Alumni presentation. Guest speakers included **Andrew Bellwoar** (Penn State), **Ben Limoges** (Tufts), and **Neil Moerman** (Albright). Barry led the college freshmen through a series of questions about their individual experiences during their first semester in college.

Go to <http://tinyurl.com/09-alumni-talk> for more photos and information.



EIGHTH GRADER WINS GEOGRAPHY BEE

Congratulations to Eighth Grader **Sean J. Bevan** who won Devon Prep's middle school level Geographic Bee, a challenging test of geographic knowledge.

As the winner Sean is eligible to take the written qualifying test for state competition. The top 100 students (based on qualifying test scores) will then represent their schools and compete in an oral competition at the state level. State winners compete in the national finals for scholarships in the amount of \$25,000, \$15,000 and \$10,000.

The National Geographic Bee is administered on a not-for-profit basis by the National Geographic Society. The contest, for students in grades four through eight, is designed to encourage teachers to include geography in their classrooms, spark student interest in the subject, and increase public awareness about geography.



SIXTH GRADER WINS SPELLING BEE

Sixth Grader **Alexander Bygrave** beat out several other Middle Schools students to emerge the champion of Devon Prep's Middle School Spelling Bee.

He will now go on to compete for the Chester County Championship on March 11 at the Chester County Intermediate Unit in Downingtown. The 2010 Chester County Spelling Bee is sponsored by Keystone Federal Credit Union and the Chester County Intermediate Unit and is open to all students enrolled in a Chester County public, private, parochial or home school in grades five through eight.

Should Alex win the county title he will be eligible to compete at the Scripps National Spelling Bee in Washington, D.C.



Mark Your Calendars ... SPRING TIDE 2010

The ROARING 20's - Puttin' on the Ritz - Tide Style

Saturday, April 17 6 PM to Midnight

Enjoy food, drink, and music in Calasanctius Hall & Devon Prep's Gym.

Bid in the Silent and Live Auctions.

Celebrate the Roaring 20s while you benefit Devon Prep.



MIDDLE SCHOOL STUDENTS VISIT NEUMANN SHRINE



In early February the sixth and seventh graders went to St. Peter's Church in Philadelphia to visit the Shrine of St. John Neumann. St. Neumann was buried in 1860 in the floor of the basement (lower church). His body lies beneath the main altar. People go to the Shrine to pray to and honor him. Among the many things St. John Neumann is credited with are: establishing the first system of parochial schools; organizing the first diocesan schedule of the Forty Hours Devotion in America; and founding the Third Order of St Francis of Glen Riddle, a religious order for women.

DEVON PREP SEVENTH GRADE PRACTICE TEST

Devon Prep's Admissions Office has scheduled a Seventh Grade Practice test for Sunday, March 21 at 8:30 AM on campus. This is an excellent opportunity to become familiar with the high school admissions process. Our practice exam evaluates strengths in traditional areas of high school admissions assessment. If you know of a young man in seventh grade who would benefit from a Devon Prep education, please urge him to take our Practice Test or you can forward his information to Devon's Admissions Director Mr. Patrick Parsons at pparsons@devonprep.com or call 610-688-7337.

MIDDLE SCHOOL STUDENTS JOURNEY AROUND THE GLOBE

Devon Prep's Middle School students recently took a trip around the world and never left the campus. Their journey began with a tour around the outside of the Earth Balloon, a 19' diameter inflatable globe that had been set up in the school's gym.

As they walked around the floor to ceiling globe they discussed the various features of the balloon such as continents, oceans, geographic regions and conservation. They then stepped inside the earth for a more in-depth exploration of topics specifically tailored for them.

Guided by presenter Bernadette Davis the 6th, 7th, and 8th graders explored a variety of topics including rain forests, deserts, ecosystems, processes that shape and form the planet, and plate tectonics among other things.



"I think it offers the students a unique opportunity to view their world in a way not possible using conventional maps and graphics," said Mr. Roger Mecouch, chair of Devon Prep's Science Department. "For the students to be able to see the Earth from both the outside and inside is truly an *out of this world* experience."

See more at:
<http://tinyurl.com/earth-balloon>

SNOW DAYS

Thanks to Jack Ansley '64, and faculty members Mr. John Lowry and Brother Nelson Henao for these wonderful photos of Devon Prep in the snow. Regardless whether or not you love a snow day, you have to admit the campus is beautiful covered in the white stuff. <http://tinyurl.com/devon-snow-days>



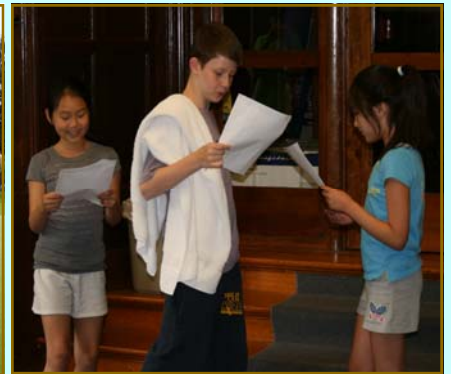
DEVON PREP SUMMER ENRICHMENT PROGRAM

Devon Prep's Summer Enrichment Program is open to boys and girls ages 10 to 14. The Program includes Sports Camps (Baseball, Soccer, Basketball, Golf, Lacrosse and Track), and numerous Courses including : Dramatic Arts, Video Production, Web Building, Algebra Readiness, Drumming & Guitar Tutorials, Entrance Test Prep, Digital Photography, History Explorations, Study Skills and more!

Registrations are now being accepted for one or both sessions: Session 1: June 21-July 2; Session 2: July 12 –23.

For more information call Mr. Mark Aquilante, Program Director, at 610-688-7337 or email maquilante@devonprep.com, or visit <http://tinyurl.com/summer-prog-10>

Join Us For A Summer of Fun!



SUPPORT THE DEVON PREP ANNUAL FUND

The Devon Prep Annual Fund is a yearly appeal for contributions to support the current operations of the school, and it is a critical part of Devon Prep's fundraising efforts.

It is money donated by trustees, parents, alumni, alumni parents, grandparents, and friends to provide additional resources to enrich the educational experiences of our students. Tuition alone does not cover the cost of providing a Devon Prep education. Tax-deductible Annual Fund gifts are a vital source of revenue. A strong Annual Fund helps to keep tuition affordable.

Gifts to the Annual Fund are powerful, because they go to work immediately and benefit every student, every day. Your gifts support scholarships and financial aid, professional development for our faculty, technology, athletics and classroom materials. For more information about the Annual Fund or to make a donation contact Jean Emhof, Director of Development at 610-688-7337, development@devonprep.com, or visit <http://www.devonprep.com/support/giving.html>.



DEVON PREP IN THE NEWS

Below are several links to recent online news articles about Devon Prep.

JANUARY TEST DATE

<http://tinyurl.com/jan-test-2>

<http://tinyurl.com/jan-test-3>

SOUP KITCHEN VOLUNTEERS

<http://tinyurl.com/soup-kitchen-3>

1ST QUARTER HONOR ROLL

<http://tinyurl.com/1st-qtr-honor-roll3>

GEOGRAPHY BEE WINNER

<http://tinyurl.com/geobee1>

PRO-LIFE CLUB BABY DRIVE

<http://tinyurl.com/babydrive1>

<http://tinyurl.com/babydrive2>

<http://tinyurl.com/baby-drive3>

HAITIAN RELIEF EFFORTS

<http://tinyurl.com/haiti-relief1>

ATHLETICS

BASKETBALL

<http://tinyurl.com/beat-dock>

<http://tinyurl.com/beat-dock-2>

<http://tinyurl.com/beat-girard>

<http://tinyurl.com/beat-NH-S>

<http://tinyurl.com/beat-NHS2>

<http://tinyurl.com/beat-dock-3>

<http://tinyurl.com/b-ball-district1>

JEFF HUGHES SCORES 1000 .

<http://tinyurl.com/huges-1000>

<http://tinyurl.com/hughes-1000-point>

<http://tinyurl.com/hughes-1000pt-bulletin>

<http://tinyurl.com/hughes-1000-mlmn>

BASKETBALL TEAM RANKING

<http://tinyurl.com/b-ball-ranking>

<http://tinyurl.com/b-ball-ranking2>

ALL MAIN LINE GOLF TEAM

<http://tinyurl.com/all-main-line-golf>

Questions or comments?
e-mail rlombardo@devonprep.com.

STUDENTS ANSWER - “WHY DEVON PREP?”

Devon Prep students were asked what they liked about their school and why they chose Devon Prep. Answers ranged from “The Mixers!” to “The teachers are always there when you need them.”

Check out what else they said at:

<http://devonprep.com/admissions/whydevon.html>.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Tuesday, March 9 - 12

*Terra Nova Testing

Monday, March 15

*Middle School Retreat

Thursday, January 14

*Semester Exams
12 PM Dismissal

Wednesday, March 17

*Freshman Retreat

Thursday, March 18

*Spring Musical 7 PM

Friday, March 19

*Lenten Mass
*Spring Musical 10 AM
(Student ONLY Matinee)
7 PM General Admissions

Saturday, March 20

*Spring Musical 7 PM

Monday, March 22

*Sophomore Retreat Day

Tuesday, March 23

*Junior Retreat Day

Thursday, March 25

*NHS Induction 7:30 PM

Friday, March 26

*Lenten Mass
*Battle of the Bands 6:30PM

Saturday, March 27

*Brother Nelson Henao's
Ordination to the Priesthood 2 PM

Sunday, March 28

*Rev. Nelson Henao's First Mass
St. Mary's Chapel
Devon Prep Campus, 2 PM

Wednesday, March 31

*Report Cards Mailed

Thursday, April 1 - Sunday, April 11

Easter vacation begins

Monday, April 12

*Classes resume

Saturday, April 17

*Spring TIDE 2010

Wednesday, April 21

*Parent Prom Meeting

Saturday, April 24

*Senior/Junior Prom

Friday, April 30

*Middle School Up for a Cause

FOLLOW DEVON PREP....

All of the events in this newsletter and more can be found on Devon Prep's website <http://www.devonprep.com>.

You can also follow Devon Prep on **Twitter** at <http://twitter.com/DEVONPREP> and join our



Facebook Fan Page at <http://tinyurl.com/devonFBpage>

