



RONCALLI HIGH SCHOOL



INSIGHTS

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Dear Friends,

By the time you read this, we will have just celebrated Grandparent's Day and will be heading into the Christmas season. Which now apparently begins sometime in August, but that's material for another time. Events like this always get me thinking. You see, I grew up knowing only one grandparent. I have fleeting memories of my father's mother but really only recall the scent of lavender. My Grandpa, on my father's side, was the only one I actually knew. I didn't even know his first name until I was probably ten or so. It was Melvin, the same as my Dad, but no one ever called either of them by that name. To me he was just Grandpa. He wasn't the "bounce you on his knee" type, and I recall how odd it sounded when my father called him Dad. But he was a good man who made the most of his 97 years.

However, there were two other Grandparents who I can't help but recall at this time of year. They weren't in any way related to my family, but for years they were an integral part of our Christmas season. We called them Grandma and Grandpa Christianson. As a young child I always eagerly awaited the night we would decorate the tree. To me that was the official start of Christmas. To a young mind, the sooner the tree was done the sooner the gifts would begin to accumulate, and I could start imagining all the wonderful items they would contain. Mom would bring down the ornaments one evening after dinner and we would all begin to hang the Santa's, and the angels, and the shiny glass bulbs. As soon as we would begin, the doorbell would ring, and there on the doorstep would be Grandma and Grandpa Christianson. It was as though they knew that it was decoration night. I never dawned on me that they had been invited. I thought everything in December was magical. They would spend the next few hours watching us transform a simple pine tree into the centerpiece of celebration.

They would laugh and pass delicate ornaments into unsteady children's hands, and ooh and ahhh with us when the room lights were turned off and the tree was turned on. They would then say their good-bye's, and drive off in their old Buick, and I would not see them again for a year.

Eventually they came no more, and eventually we all got older and Mom would decorate the tree alone. To tell you the truth, to this day I have no actual idea why those two gentle souls spent that annual evening with us. I do know that they lived across the street when my parents were first married. I was only five when we moved away. Perhaps they were unofficial mentors for newlyweds with four young mouths to feed in only five years. I don't believe they had children of their own, and perhaps we were, in their eyes, their adopted family. It really doesn't matter. To my parents the simple gesture of reaching out to them must have been important. I like to believe that in doing so they alleviated a little loneliness that can, for some, color the holidays. In my Christmas memory bank they will be forever sitting on our grey couch, laughing and smiling, as much a part of our family as any blood relation. Maybe there is magic in the season after all.

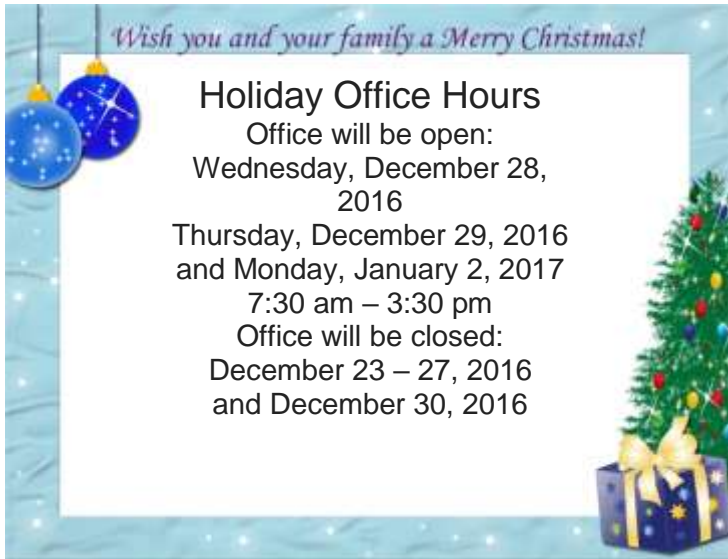
On behalf of the entire Roncalli community, let me wish you and yours a most blessed Christmas and a joyous new year.



Timothy Olson
Roncalli Principal

The mission of Roncalli High School is to educate in the Catholic traditions of spiritual growth, life-long service, and academic excellence.

Roncalli High School Mission Statement, adopted May 2012.

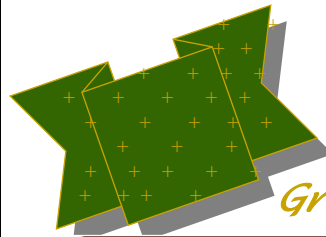


Lasallian Youth

Our annual “Adopt-a-Family” Christmas Drive is coming up soon, and we are always looking for help. The “Adopt-a-Family” Christmas drive helps families in our community celebrate Christmas by providing them with gifts that they would otherwise not be able to receive. There will be paper ornaments available with a person’s age and gift idea. The ornaments can be picked up outside of my office (across from the cafeteria) between November 28th and December 2nd. You can “adopt” as many families as you’d like. Another option would be cash or gift card donations that we will use to do the shopping or provide directly to the families. We ask that you return the unwrapped gift with the ornament taped to it to the main office or to Mr. Geiger’s office by Wednesday, December 7th.

This is a great opportunity for the whole family to serve those in our community during this holiday season. Please email or call me with any questions. Thank you!

Christ’s Peace,
 Mr. Taylor Geiger
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 (920) 686-8109



Great Gift Idea



Return to the Roncalli Stage for one performance

Saturday, Feb. 18, 2017

7:00 pm

\$15 Adults, \$10 Students and Seniors 65+

Tickets make great Christmas gifts and will be available at the
 Roncalli Box Office from 5:00—7:00 pm on the following dates:

Monday, Nov. 28 *Tuesday, Nov. 29

Call the box office @ 686-8151 between 5:00 and 7:00 or stop by any of
 these dates to purchase tickets for gift giving and to reserve your tickets

National Honor Society

Congratulations to the newly inducted National Honor Society Members. They have demonstrated excellence in the areas of scholarship, leadership, service, and character.

Olivia Becker
Abigail Best
Joseph Bettag
Macy Dueno
Sydney Fricke
Jacob Gabaldon
Hope Gentile
Joseph Gentine
Seth Giesen
Jarod Glander
Szasha Hack
Paige Haws
Abby Henning
Hannah Jacquart
Kenneth Jilek
Alexandra Jirikowic
Keegan Johnsrud
Kellyn Kiel
Joshua Koss
Reed Kossow
Mary Marchlewski
Hannah Meidl
Athena Mihalakakos
Evan Mihalakakos
Simeon Newton
Benjamin Oberbroeckling
Crystal Roberts
Mitchel Schneider
Mikaelyn Schroeder
Camden Shulander
Grace Simono
Allison Slowiak
Georgia Stangel
Christopher Walaszek
Reese Wetenkamp
Susan Rose Witezak
Tou Tong Daniel Xiong
Abigail Zurcher

Roncalli Auction

The chairpersons have been working very hard at getting their committees together. Don't feel it is too late to call and still participate in any of the silent auction booths or in an area that works mainly on auction night. We can always add your name to a committee and make you feel welcome. In early January soliciting will begin for the **33rd Roncalli Auction.**

In December we will begin selling chances for the \$10,000 money raffle. Only 500 tickets will be sold. Our plan is to sell all 500 tickets before auction night so that the drawing can be held at the Intermission of the Oral Auction. There will be one \$10,000 winner, one \$2,000 winner, two \$1,000 winners, and two \$500 winners. Each current Roncalli family that purchases or sells two tickets will be eligible for a chance in a drawing for a \$500 tuition certificate at Roncalli. If you would like to give a raffle ticket to a family member or friend for Christmas, please call the Development Office at 686-8150 or 686-8147, and we'll be happy to accommodate you.

Ideas of items that can be donated:

- A cross, rosary, or religious item for our Faith & Inspiration area.
- A sweatshirt from your kids' college or college of your choice will be a great addition to the Collegiate section.
- The Everything Roncalli section is looking for items that are blue or blue and white in color or one of a kind items reflecting Roncalli school spirit.
- Donate the ingredients from a family recipe for the new Seasonal Palates area this year.
- Cash gifts are also accepted for any area that you choose.

We can find a booth for just about any new item that you would like to donate or make with your own creative hands.

The general auction meeting is **on Wednesday, January 11th, at 6:00 p.m. in the café** for all soliciting committee members. If you work in the kitchen, cashiering, at registration, bar, raffle committee, or wine booth--this meeting's not for you. Please call if you'd like to get involved in any way.

Merry Christmas!

Candice Giesen 686-8150
 giesen@roncallijets.net

Guidance Department



Seniors - Application deadlines are approaching for college. Check the college's website for up-to-date information. Please check your emails for important information from your college including registration, housing contracts, etc.

FAFSA - Free Application for Federal Student Aid - I know many students already completed their FAFSA for next year. If you haven't done so, please make sure you do so before your college's deadline. There is a limited amount of grants available, and if you wait too long to apply, the money may already be given out.

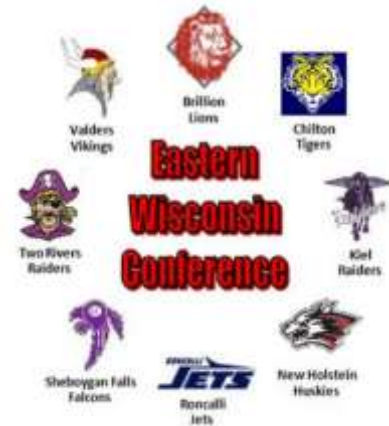
Transcripts - We are utilizing e-transcripts through Parchment to send transcripts to colleges. If a scholarship requires a transcript, you can request them through Mrs. Leist by emailing her at pleist@roncallijets.net and writing "transcript" in the subject line. She will reply to your email and attach a copy of your transcript.

Scholarships - There are new scholarships coming in on a weekly basis and posted on our website www.roncallijets.net under the Guidance Department link. Scholarships are listed by their due date. Students are responsible for mailing in their scholarships unless it specifies that it should be returned to school.

PSAT - Test results from the PSAT will be given back to the juniors in December. Ms. Nickels will interpret the results with the students, and parents will receive information about this as well.

Youth Apprenticeship - Youth Apprenticeship is a program that combines work-based experience with classroom instruction. Students apply for the program and are chosen by prospective employers. The classroom component could include classes at one of the area high schools, LTC, or online depending upon the program. There will be an informational meeting on Monday, January 30 from 7 - 8:30 p.m. at Lincoln High School in the auditorium. Contact Ms. Nickels for more information.

Roncalli "Jets" 2016-2017 Fall Sports EWC All Conference Teams



Football

Defensive Team

Ryan Rank-12	AC2
Tanner Blanke-12	ACHM
Kenny Jilek-11	ACHM
Josh Koss-11	ACHM
Colton Swetlink-12	ACHM
Brandon Vance-11	ACHM

Offensive Team

Seth Giesen-11	ACHM
Simeon Newton-11	ACHM
Ryan Rank-12	ACHM

Boys Soccer

Justin Gottshall-12	ACHM
Casey Henrickson-11	ACHM (Two Rivers)
Kris Korinek-11	ACHM (Two Rivers)
Ben Oberbroeckling-11	ACHM

Cross Country

Chombi Lambert-10	AC1
LaNea Bartel-12	AC2
Abigail Onesti-10	AC2

Volleyball

Allison Gill-12	ACHM
Olivia Ziegler-10	ACHM

Girls Tennis

Jenna Piaskowski	AC1/SQ
Margo Eis	AC2
Paige Haws	AC2
Nicole Froelich	ACHM/SQ
Paulina Vaca	ACHM/SQ
Reese Wetenkamp	ACHM

RAA Event Workers Schedule

PLEASE NOTE: Due to the need to staff various jobs for various events, it is most practical to assign people to these jobs on the dates listed. Effort was made to not schedule parents to work when their student is participating.

IF YOU CANNOT MAKE THE DATE YOU HAVE BEEN ASSIGNED, IT IS YOUR RESPONSIBILITY TO FIND A SUBSTITUTE OR MAKE A SWAP WITH SOMEONE. If you make a change, please notify Bob or Susie DeRoche (920-682-2578).

Parent(s)	Date	Time	Job	Event
Andrastek, Joseph	12-16-16	5:30-7	Tickets	Boys Basketball
Angst, Thomas and Julia	12-2-16	7:15-end	Usher	Girls Basketball
Behringer, Scott and McNamara, Shelly	12-8-16	7:15-end	Concessions	Girls Basketball
Bettag, Mark and Teresa	12-3-16	12:15-1:30	Concessions	Boys Basketball
Blanke, Nancy	12-16-16	6:30-end	Clothing	Boys Basketball
Brady, Fritzzy	12-2-16	5:30-7	Tickets	Girls Basketball
Buchmann, Karl and Maggie	12-8-16	5:45-7:15	Usher	Girls Basketball
Burkhard, Rob and Gina	12-2-16	7:15-end	Concessions	Girls Basketball
Colin Quintana, Manuel and See	12-3-16	12:15-1:30	Usher	Boys Basketball
Danby, David and Leann	12-2-16	5:45-7:15	Usher	Girls Basketball
Dewane, Robert and Tricia	12-3-16	1:30-end	Usher	Boys Basketball
Dvorachek, Mark and Heidi	12-3-16	1:30-end	Concessions	Boys Basketball
Eisner, David and Katina	12-2-16	5:45-7:15	Concessions	Girls Basketball
Fellows, Tyler and Patti	12-8-16	5:45-7:15	Concessions	Girls Basketball
Finnel, Cheryl	12-2-16	6:30-end	Clothing	Girls Basketball
Fox, Terence and Paula	12-8-16	7:15-end	Usher	Girls Basketball
Francl, Lisa	12-3-16	12-1:30	Tickets	Boys Basketball
Gadzinski, Sandra	12-3-16	1:00-end	Clothing	Boys Basketball
Gelhar, Jennifer	12-8-16	5:30-7	Tickets	Girls Basketball
Gottshall, Paul and Lisa	12-16-16	5:30-7	Concessions	Boys Basketball
Grumann, Erica	12-29-16	7-half	Tickets	Boys Basketball
Halstrom, Chris	12-29-16	5:30-7	Tickets	Boys Basketball
Jagodzinsky, Jill	12-8-16	6:30-end	Clothing	Girls Basketball
Johnsrud, Kevin	12-8-16	7-half	Tickets	Girls Basketball
Ledvina, Stacy	12-15-16	5:30-7	Tickets	Girls Basketball
Linzmeier, Ron	12-16-16	7-half	Tickets	Boys Basketball
Orchekowski, Mike and Deanna	12-22-16	5:30-7	Concessions	Boys Basketball
Otten, Lynda	12-2-16	7-half	Tickets	Girls Basketball
Pratt, Mike and Trisha	12-15-16	7-half	Usher	Girls Basketball
Pritzl, Jeff	12-22-16	7-half	Tickets	Boys Basketball
Pritzl, Shannon	12-22-16	6:30-end	Clothing	Boys Basketball
Putman, Joseph and Rebecca	12-22-16	5:30-7	Usher	Boys Basketball
Roethle, Jess and Colleen	12-22-16	7-end	Concessions	Boys Basketball
Salutz, Heidi	12-22-16	5:30-7	Tickets	Boys Basketball
Schlei, Bruce and Barbara	12-22-16	7-end	Usher	Boys Basketball
Sieracki, Denise	12-3-16	1:30-half	Tickets	Boys Basketball

Parent(s)	Date	Time	Job	Event
Sievert, Kerry and Bonnie	12-29-16	7-end	Usher	Boys Basketball
Voskuil, Scott and Heather	12-29-16	7-end	Concessions	Boys Basketball
Vue, Vong and Hang-Vue, Kaonou	12-29-16	5:30-7	Concessions	Boys Basketball
Wagner, Daniel and Tina	12-29-16	5:30-7	Usher	Boys Basketball
Wallander, Steve and Stacey	12-16-16	7-end	Usher	Boys Basketball
Wallander, Terry and Ann	12-16-16	5:30-7	Usher	Boys Basketball
Walske, Brad and Jenny	12-16-16	7-end	Concessions	Boys Basketball
Welnetz, Daniel	12-15-16	7:15-end	Tickets	Girls Basketball
Welnetz, Patty	12-15-16	6:30-end	Clothing	Girls Basketball
Wetenkamp, Russel and Amy	12-15-16	5:45-7:15	Usher	Girls Basketball
Wheelis, David and Christine	12-15-16	7:15-end	Concessions	Girls Basketball
Yanda, Joe and Jen	12-15-16	5:45-7:15	Concessions	Girls Basketball

December Lunch Menu

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
			1 Chicken Fajita, Sautéed Peppers, Vegetable, Rice, Milk, Fruit, Salad Bar	2 No Hot Lunch Teacher In-Service
5 Orange Chicken, Rice, Vegetables, Milk, Fruit, Salad Bar	6 Chicken Alfredo/Noodles, Vegetable, Dinner Roll, Milk, Fruit, Salad Bar	7 Brunch For Lunch, Sausage Links, Pancakes, Hash Browns, Fresh Vegetables, Milk, Fruit, Salad Bar	8 Hamburger Or Pizza Burger On Bun, Vegetable, Milk, Fruit, Salad Bar	9 Chicken And Gravy On Bun, Vegetable, Milk, Fruit, Salad Bar
12 Soft Beef Tacos, Refried Beans, Rice, Milk, Fruit, Salad Bar	13 Breaded Chicken Patty/Bun, Vegetable, Milk, Fruit, Salad Bar	14 Pepperoni Calzone W/Marinara, Vegetable, Milk, Fruit, Salad Bar	15 Chicken Noodle Soup, Crackers, Deli Stacker, Vegetable, Milk, Fruit, Salad Bar	16 Meatball Subs W/Marinara, Mozz Cheese, Vegetable, Milk , Fruit, Salad Bar
19 Chix Pineapple Fried Rice OR Chix Teriyaki, Oriental Veg, Rice, Milk, Fruit, Salad Bar	20 Mozzarella Dippers W/Marinara Or Chicken N Gravy On Bun , Vegetable, Milk, Fruit Salad Bar	21 Hamburger Or Cheeseburger On Bun, Potato, Vegetable, Milk, Fruit, Salad Bar	22 Chicken Nuggets, Mac And Cheese, Vegetable, Milk, Fruit, Salad Bar	23 Holiday No School
26 Holiday No School	27 Holiday No School	28 Holiday No School	29 Holiday No School	30 Holiday No School

