



# RONCALLI HIGH SCHOOL



# INSIGHTS

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Every so often a word or a phrase just sticks with me. Think of a tune that, despite your best efforts, you can't seem to shake off...like the theme to *Indiana Jones* (my apologies if that is now stuck in your head). The word will just linger in my mind, and because it won't go away, I am forced to really ponder its meaning or why it is there in the first place.

The word "gratitude" has made its red carpet arrival in mind the last few weeks. Now, one could very strongly argue that it's because Thanksgiving is right around the corner and T.V. ads are saying the word "thanksgiving" seemingly perpetually. But I would like to think that it's because I have been trying to count my blessings more, rather than dwell on the negative. There is a lot of negativity in our world, and it's hard to ignore or not be effected by it. But with Thanksgiving coming up, let's take just a few moments to talk about gratitude.

I am deeply grateful for so many things: my family, my friends, my job, the students I work with, the colleagues that I work with, a home to go home to, food, hot showers, clothes, money (well...some money), and so many other things. Those are the obvious things that everyone who has these should be deeply grateful for, but then that pesky word stays in my brain and forces me to think harder, and here is the result. I am grateful for my faith.

Now I know, "Oh sure, the Campus Minister is grateful for his faith." Okay, I'll give you that, but faith is still something that I have to work on constantly. I have my moments of doubt (*mea culpa, mea culpa, mea culpa*), my weaknesses, and my frustrations. But through it all, God has remained true, faithful, and strong. As I ponder that reality and those profound moments of grace and love, I cannot help but be deeply and truly thankful for all that He has and continues to do for me.

So as we approach the holiday season, let's remind ourselves of not only the physical blessings that we have,

but also the spiritual blessing of having a God who refuses to abandon us. Let's share that blessing with others and celebrate that blessing every Sunday at Mass when we gather for Eucharist (which is Greek for "thanksgiving"). I pray that we have grateful hearts and recognize our blessings even in the midst of negativity.

With Gratitude,

Taylor Geiger



Please join us at Roncalli High School's **Open House** on Wednesday, November 9, 2016. Registration begins at 6:45p.m. The welcome session is at 7 p.m. in the Fine Arts Center followed by a guided tour beginning at 7:30p.m. There will be a drawing for two \$500 tuition grants. If you are not able to attend our Open House, feel free to call to arrange a time for a private tour.

Come and experience what Roncalli has to offer your family. We look forward to seeing you on Wednesday, November 9<sup>th</sup>. Please call Cyndi Kraemer at 920-686-8145 or email her at [ckraemer@roncallijets.net](mailto:ckraemer@roncallijets.net) if you have any questions.

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.

## Guidance Department

**Seniors:** Application deadlines for colleges are approaching! Some schools in Wisconsin have a deadline of December 1, although most are February 1. Colleges that receive their quota of qualified applicants have been known to close off admissions with little notice. Check the campus websites for deadlines. Certain programs at various colleges fill up quickly. Scholarship money at some schools is awarded until it runs out. Your best bet is to apply early! Please see Ms. Nickels if you have any questions filling out your applications.

**College Goal Wisconsin:** If you missed our Financial Aid for College night, you can still get help filling out the FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) at U.W. Manitowoc on Wed. Nov. 9 at 6:00 p.m. In order to complete it, you will need to bring the following: 2015 federal tax return and W2s, 2015 untaxed income records, driver's license, information on savings and investment, date of birth for parents, and month and year of parents' marriage, divorce or separation. Remember, this is the first year you can use PPY (Prior Prior Year) tax info which means you complete the FAFSA for the 2016-17 school year with your 2015 tax forms. The FAFSA became available on Oct. 1.

**Scholarship Information:** A number of scholarships are now listed on the Roncalli website under the Guidance Department link. They are listed in the order that they are due, and also indicated is whether you need to mail it in or return it to school. Pay close attention to qualifications and deadlines. In addition to these scholarships, please check the scholarship list from the colleges to which you have applied. New scholarships are coming in on a regular basis. If you need a transcript for a scholarship, please email Mrs. Leist. Most scholarship organizations are not set up to receive electronic transcripts.

**Test Results:** The PSAT tests were administered to the juniors on October 19. Ms. Nickels will interpret the results with the students in December, when the results come back.

**ACT-** It is highly recommended that students take the ACT in spring of their junior year. This allows students to have almost 3 years of high school completed before taking the test, and if not satisfied with their score, they still have time to retake the test. There is an optional writing test with the ACT that consists of a writing prompt. The students will then have 30 minutes to write. U.W. Madison is no longer requiring the writing test. More information on the ACT and the writing test can be found at [www.actstudent.org](http://www.actstudent.org).

Roncalli will once again be offering the ACT for juniors, in late February. Since this is part of state testing, the students will need to take the writing portion as well. We will also be having an ACT prep class. More information on this will be forthcoming.

**P.A.R.T.Y.** at the PAC - On Friday, Oct. 14, we took our sophomores to the Prevent Alcohol and Risk-related Trauma in Youth. The students did a great job listening to the various speakers. They heard from people who were involved in accidents because of decisions they made, including texting or drinking while driving. They also saw a re-enactment of an accident of someone under the influence. It was very powerful. Having the trauma team talk about what they deal with was eye opening, and hearing a parent talk was heart wrenching. The 3 things they were to take away from this are:

- Wear your seatbelt
- Don't drive under the influence of any drug, legal or illegal, and don't get in a car of someone who is under the influence
- Don't text and drive



Our Annual Grandparents' Day at Roncalli will take place on Wednesday, November 23, 2016. Once again we would ask that you invite your student's grandparents or a significant adult in their lives to join us for this very special day.

### Schedule of activities in the Fine Arts Center

8:45-9:00	Grandparents Arrive
9:00-9:30	Coffee & Juice
9:30-10:00	Entertainment provided by Jazz Band & Roncalli Singers
10:00-10:15	Special presentation
10:15-10:40	Social time
10:45	Liturgy
11:45	Final Remarks

Please extend our heartfelt invitation. We hope that you can help us bring the generations together on November 23, 2016. It is not necessary to R.S.V.P. for this event. May God bless our families.

## Campus Ministry

These past few months have been exciting for both Campus Ministry and Lasallian Youth! In campus ministry news we had both the freshman and sophomore retreats. The freshman retreat was at Camp Sinawa and was centered on the theme of "Am I my brother's keeper?" The freshmen were challenged to see themselves as part of a larger human family, and that they had a responsibility to take care of one another. The sophomore retreat was held at Silver Lake College's Generose Enrichment Center and was centered on the theme of "Who is Jesus?" The sophomores were challenged to see Jesus as more than just a subject in school and to begin to see Him as someone that they are called into a relationship with.

Also in Campus Ministry news, Father Michael Warden continues to make himself available on Tuesdays in the school chapel from 2:40PM – 3:30PM to hear confessions, or he is available just to talk. We have also kicked off Eucharistic Adoration on alternating Tuesdays from 2:40-3:30pm. Stop by one week to receive God's infinite mercy through Reconciliation, and then drop by the next week to pray in the presence of Our Lord in the Eucharist and give thanks.

## Lasallian Youth



The coming fall and winter months are big months for Lasallian Youth- one of the most notable and, anticipated events, is the annual leaf raking! Leaf raking this year will be taking place on the last Friday of October, and the first Friday of November. Please encourage your student to sign up, and feel free to bring the whole family.

There are many other great opportunities for service this month. Check out the flyer online, and remember that families are always encouraged to sign up for service opportunities together!

Live Jesus in Our Hearts, Forever!

Taylor Geiger  
Campus Minister



I'd like to acknowledge this year's auction chairs:

General Chairpersons	Jamie & Jodie Schramm, Bill & Laurie Kiel
Oral	Dan Welnetz
Dining & Entertainment	Donna Sowinski, Shelly Wery
Services	Lynn Hoffman, Mary Lambert
Childrens	Kathy Jagemann, Carrie Polzin, Christine Wheelis
In the Home	Patti Fellows, Cheryl Linzmeier
Garden & Patio	Holly Hoffman, Kathy Jacoby
Seasonal Palates	Kim Sczygelski, Margaret Hanf
Fine Arts	Julia Angst, Connie Borys, Lisa Gottshall
Sports	Kathy Garvey, Maureen Stelzer
Celebrations	Leann Danby, Shelly McNamara, Heidi Salutz
Collegiate	Joan Nickels, Colleen & Mike Piaskowski
Everything Roncalli	Rebecca Putman, Andrea Walsh
Faith & Inspiration	Jeanne Koch, Brenda Onesti
Grounds/Layout	Bill Kraemer
Food	<b>*CHAIRPERSON NEEDED*</b>
Raffles	Denise Holzinger
Refreshments	Brian Bohman, Larry Meyer
Wine Booth	Tony & Maria Marchlewski
Registration	Vicki Frauenfeld
Pierside Police	John Reimer
Cashiers	Wendy Nett
Auction Book	Sherry Schrimpf

\*Please note that a Food Chairperson is still needed. The responsibilities of the chairperson are to call established food donors, order supplies, set up the kitchen, and oversee the night of the event. There are many parent volunteers to help with the prep of food and work the night of the event. If this role interests you, please call me.

If you are interested in being a member on one of the committees above, please give me a call. I encourage every parent to participate in this event. Your help is needed whether it's soliciting, set up, working the night of the auction, or clean up.

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The **After School Café** is open every day after school from 3:00 to 4:00 and is located in room 107. A variety of healthy snacks including sandwiches, yogurt, and juice boxes are available. Everything is priced \$1.00 or less, and all are a great deal! Soon, we will start our hot chocolate, cappuccino, and chai tea sales on Tuesdays and Thursdays. In addition, look for and listen for our specials each week.

### After School Café Menu

<b>Chips</b>	<b>\$.50</b>
<b>Granola Bars</b>	<b>\$.25</b>
<b>Yogurt</b>	<b>\$.50</b>
<b>Nuts or Trail Mix</b>	<b>\$.75</b>
<b>Juice</b>	<b>\$.50</b>
<b>Propel</b>	<b>\$.25</b>
<b>String Cheese</b>	<b>\$.25</b>
<b>Beef Sticks</b>	<b>\$.50</b>
<b>Peanut Butter and Jelly Sandwich</b>	<b>\$.50</b>
<b>Ham or Turkey with Cheese Sandwich</b>	<b>\$1.00</b>
<b>V-8</b>	<b>\$1.00</b>
<b>Greek Yogurt or Balanced Breaks</b>	<b>\$1.00</b>



- Christmas Show Adult Choir will rehearse Wednesdays, November 2, 9, 16, and 30th from 6:00 to 7:00 pm in the Dance Studio (next to the Art Room). All Roncalli Parents and/or Grandparents are welcome.
- Decorating the Atrium for the Christmas Season will begin at 5:00 pm on Monday, November 21st. We should be complete by 8:00ish. Please join us!
- Madrigal Dinner (Saturday, December 10) Tickets are now available for Oratorio Choir and participating Band member families until 11/1 at which time the remaining tickets will be available to the public.
- Please put the Fruit Sale meeting date - Wednesday, January 4, 2017 at 7:00 pm on your calendars.



Return to the Roncalli Stage for one performance  
**Saturday, February 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**  
**Tuesday, Feb. 14 \* Saturday, Feb. 18**

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.



**2016 CHRISTMAS SHOW**  
 Sat., Dec. 3 – 7:00 pm  
 Sun., Dec. 4 – 2:00 pm  
**Roncalli High School Zimmer Auditorium**

**Box Office Hours**  
**FAMILIES ONLY - Monday, Nov. 21**  
**5:00 pm – 7:00 pm**  
**Wednesday, Nov. 23, 11:30 following**  
**Grandparents' Day Program**  
**Tuesday & Wednesday, Nov. 28 & 29**  
**5:00 – 7:00 pm**  
**2 Hours prior to each show – Dec. 3 & 4**

**Stop in or Call 686-8151 to reserve your seats**  
**during scheduled box office hours**



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**Athletic Department**

<u>Winter Sports</u>	<u>Head Coach</u>	<u>Start Date</u>
<b><i>Winter sports meeting</i></b>		
Girls Basketball	Ned Jacquart	Nov. 7
Co-op Gymnastics	Valders Public School	Nov. 7
Boys Basketball	Joe Garceau	Nov. 14
Co-op Wrestling	Jim Westerhausen	Nov. 14
Co-op Boys Swimming	TR Public School	Nov. 14
Dance Team	Cassie Kaderabek	
Bowling	Stan Grall	

Winter Sports Meeting for Parents and Athletes

If you are interested in participating in a winter sport, you must attend this parent/athlete meeting. Meetings will take place on November 2 at 7 pm. Below are the room assignments.

Boys' basketball	Fine Art Center
Girls' basketball	Cafeteria
Dance Team	Room 106 - Computer Lab
Boys Swimming	Room 101
Gymnastics	Will hold meeting first week of practice in Valders
Bowling	TBA
Wrestling	Manitowoc Lutheran Commons November 6 at 6 pm

Forms

The physical form needs to be printed, and filled out by the patient and parent prior to seeing the physician. The physician should keep this form in his/her chart. Only the clearance part of the form needs to be turned in to Roncalli's main office, or uploaded on the activity registration link before the activity starts practice.

Physical Form -

<http://www.wiaawi.org/Portals/0/PDF/Forms/physicalcard.pdf>

Alternate Year Card -

<http://www.wiaawi.org/Portals/0/PDF/Forms/alternateyearcard.pdf>

Consent for Cognitive Testing & Release of Information Form -

<http://www.roncallijets.net/pdf/athletics/2015%20Inform%20letter-consent%20form.pdf>

***Below is the link to begin the registration process. This process must be completed by both the parents and students – we need both electronic signatures. If this has been completed already this school year, it does not need to be filled out again.***

Activity registration link--<https://roncallihigh-ar.schooltoday.com/> --- either click on the link or cut and paste web address into your browsers address bar.

1. Navigate to the website listed above
2. Read directions on the main page
3. Click the “Register Now” button in the middle of the page
4. Submit all required info on the top portion of the registration –

1. If you don’t know your student ID, please leave it blank
2. All required information has a \*asterisks next to it
5. Read through all information and check boxes at the bottom of the page
6. All concussion information can be found on the WIAA website at <http://www.wiaawi.org/Health/Concussions.aspx>
7. Type your name in the appropriate boxes and click next
8. Participation fees are still being taken at the Roncalli business office or online with RenWeb.

If you have any questions, see Mr. Mueller or Mrs. Leist ASAP.

### November Lunch Menu

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
	<b>1</b> Grilled Cheese Sandwiches, Tomato Soup, Vegetable, Crackers, Milk, Fruit, Salad Bar	<b>2</b> Hot Dog Or Chili Dog On Bun, Baked Beans, Milk, Fruit, Salad Bar	<b>3</b> Chicken Fajita, Sautéed Peppers, Vegetable, Rice, Milk, Fruit, Salad Bar	<b>4</b> Noon Dismissal No Hot Lunch
<b>7</b> Chicken Quesadilla Or Cheese Pizza, Vegetable, Milk, Fruit, Salad Bar	<b>8</b> Meat Calzone W/Marinara, Vegetable, Milk, Fruit, Salad Bar	<b>9</b> Chicken Nuggets, Mac And Cheese, Vegetable, Milk, Fruit, Salad Bar	<b>10</b> Spaghetti With Meat Sauce, Vegetable, Breadstick, Milk, Fruit, Salad Bar	<b>11</b> No School Teacher In-Service
<b>14</b> Chicken Teriyaki W/Oriental Veg., Rice, Vegetables, Milk, Fruit, Salad Bar	<b>15</b> Super Nachos, Refried Beans, Mini Carrots/Dip, Rice, Milk, Fruit, Salad Bar	<b>16</b> Oriental Bar, Chicken, Vegetable, Rice, Sweet N Sour Or Teriyaki Sauce, Milk, Fruit, Salad Bar	<b>17</b> Meatball Subs W/Marinara, Mozz Cheese, Vegetable, Milk , Fruit, Salad Bar	<b>18</b> Breaded Chicken Patty/Bun, Vegetable, Milk, Fruit, Salad Bar
<b>21</b> Pizza Casserole, Fresh Vegetables W/ Dip, Dinner Roll, Milk, Fruit, Salad Bar	<b>22</b> Sloppy Joe On Bun, Potato, Vegetable, Milk, Fruit, Salad Bar	<b>23</b> Grandparents Day No Lunch	<b>24</b> Holiday No School	<b>25</b> No School
<b>28</b> Mozzarella Dippers W/Marinara Or Chicken N Gravy On Bun , Vegetable, Milk, Fruit Salad Bar	<b>29</b> Stuffed Crust Cheese Or Pepperoni Pizza, Vegetable, Milk, Fruit, Salad Bar	<b>30</b> Chili, Dinner Roll, String Cheese, Fresh Vegetable, Milk, Fruit, Salad Bar		