







# "Ram Ramblings"

MONSIGNOR DONOVAN CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL  
"TO RADIATE THE LORD"

Monday, September 27, 2010

## HEADLINES:

### Upcoming Events:

-  **October 7<sup>th</sup>** is Mid-term point in the semester.
-  **October 11<sup>th</sup>** will be a Student Holiday and a workday for teachers. Teachers will not be available for conferences on this day.
-  **October 13<sup>th</sup>** has been set aside for PSAT Testing. Students in grades 9-11 must be present for this testing. Seniors are required to attend writing workshops in the morning from 8-12 noon to receive assistance with their college applications and essays. Mrs. Stutsman will also be taking a small group of seniors to Young Harris College for a campus visit. That group will leave around 9:30 am. **All students will be dismissed at 12 noon on October 13. Lunches will also be delivered to students who ordered on this day.**
-  **October 15<sup>th</sup>** will be Fall Conference Day. Students not involved in a conference are not required to attend school. Notification will be sent to those students and their parents asking them to attend a conference at MDCHS. More information is forthcoming

## DONOVAN SWEATSHIRT ORDERS

It's that time of year again! Time to order your **Donovan Rams** sweatshirts! We have quality hoodies and crew sweatshirts made by *Neff* in both navy and gray; both with the embroidered letters (see photo)! This is a once-a-year order so order soon! Order forms are available under "Headlines" on our website ([www.mdchs.org](http://www.mdchs.org)) or pick up an order form in the school office. **Deadline to order is this Friday, October 1st!**

## School Picture Orders

All students have received their proofs for their school pictures. If you would like to place an order for school pictures, please fill out the order form, attach a check and return in the envelope provided to the school office. Lifetouch also has an online ordering option and directions are on the proof sheet. Deadline for turning in orders is Monday, September 27<sup>th</sup>. **School retakes are scheduled for Thursday, September 30<sup>th</sup>.**

**Fall Sports Pictures!:** Greg Simpson of Bunch Printing came to MDCHS and took some amazing photos of our students who are participating in fall sports. There are individual photos and team photos. Order forms and online directions are on our website at <http://www.mdchs.org/news/headlines/fall-sports-pictures>.

### Parents in Prayer:

Parents and any other supporters of MDCHS are invited to join this group on Monday mornings to say a Rosary to our Blessed Mother. We ask that she continue to intercede on our behalf for the students, families, staff and friends of MDCHS. We ask that she continues to bring us closer to here Son, Jesus Christ. We meet in the Chapel at 7:45 a.m. to 8:15 a.m. If you have any particular request for prayerful intention of the group, join us or leave a note at the front office.



# Counselor's College Corner

**The Counselor's Corner is stocked with new and current information for many colleges and universities. Testing information and practice is always available, too.**

**SENIORS** should have turned in green sheets listing college choices. Each senior hoping to receive the HOPE scholarship must verify the high school transcript so that the Georgia Student Finance Commission can be notified.

**SENIORS and Parents of SENIORS:** Our second mandatory meeting will be on Tuesday, October 5th at 7:00 PM. Mandy Branch-Friar will visit from the UGA Financial Aid office. Be prepared to learn about the FAFSA and the HOPE Scholarship. You'll have an opportunity to have all your financial aid questions answered by a genuine authority.

**JUNIORS and Parent of JUNIORS:** Mandatory Junior College Night on Tuesday, October 5th. Get the details on graduation requirements, the scoop on the new GACollege411 website, the skinny of the testing requirements at MDCHS, and the latest and greatest plan for the infamous Junior College Trip! Meet us in Donovan's Den at 6:00 PM!

**PSAT:** The PSAT is scheduled for Wednesday, October 13th at 8:00 AM. All students in grades 9, 10 and 11 will be testing until lunchtime. It is imperative that students arrive on time. Seniors will spend the morning refining college application essays with Mr. Williams and Ms. Juhan. Mark your calendars today.

**GACollege411:** Students and Parents are invited to open GACollege411 accounts. This website is one-stop shopping for all things education! Career Planning, High School Planning, College Planning and Financial Aid Planning ...Spend some time looking at all the possibilities!

**New Requirement for UGA:** Following a five-year pilot process that allowed two-year and state colleges to admit students without requiring standardized tests the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia has changed the policy to require standardized test scores for 2011 and beyond. The University System of Georgia has a minimum score requirement: State Universities require SAT scores of at least 430 on Critical Reading and 400 on Math OR a score of 17 on Math and English on the ACT.

**Connect with Kids' INSIDE OUT:** Saturday, October 9th at 1:00 PM will be the premiere airing of Connect with Kids' INSIDE OUT video on 11 Alive (NBC) Atlanta. This event offers parents, educators and students the opportunity to watch the program and have discussions about the stresses and issues that middle and high school students face in today's world.

**Gainesville State College:** Open House at Gainesville State College, Oconee Campus. Saturday, October 23, 2010 at 9:00 am in the Student Resource Center. To register on-line visit [www.gsc.edu](http://www.gsc.edu) or call 678-717-3641.

## College Representative Visit Schedule:

<u>Date</u>	<u>School</u>	<u>Rep</u>	<u>Time</u>
10/1/2010	Liberty University	Brendan Hegarity	10:45 (SH-G)
10/7/2010	Berry College	Jordan Hasselt	11 (SH-E)
10/27/2010	UGA Honors Program	Danielle Romano Grant	9:15



# MDCHS ATHLETICS!



## MDCHS SPORTING NEWS:



**BOYS SOCCER:** Tough week for the boys. Lost at home vs. Weber on Tuesday 4 -3. Trailing 3 - 1 they were able to tie at 3-3, before Weber scored the deciding goal with about 5 minutes left. On Friday night the boys lost to a heartbreaker to Westminster 3-0 despite the support of a large group of painted, enthusiastic MDCHS student section!



**GIRLS VOLLEYBALL:** Great week for the girls! They defeated New Birth Tuesday on the road 3 -0. On Thursday the girls swept region rival John Hancock, JV 2- 0 and Varsity 3 -1. That makes their region record 4 -2 just behind rival Westminster for second place.



**CROSS COUNTRY:** The team ran at Heritage on Saturday. Top finishers for the boys were two sport athlete TJ Krunkosky 23:39 (20th place) and tops for the girls was Shelby Moss 26:38 (15th place) All runners ran personal bests for the year including Daniel Gallo and ran a 28:39 which was an all time best for him.

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## Ram Athlete of the Week!



**Becky Lopez**

**Her leadership and hustle led the Lady Rams to two wins last week!**



### ATTENTION

**There will be a pre-season boys' basketball parent meeting held in Donovan's Den this Wednesday, Sept. 29<sup>th</sup>, from 7 - 7:30pm. The parents of all boys who plan on playing basketball this year should attend.**



## SCHERER "PHIL" OSOPHY

And so another eventful week comes to a close at Donovan. It was a week in which we saw the PROBE Fair attracts about 10 college reps in two days filling the already crowded halls of our school. It was a week which the volleyball team won 2 region games to maintain their 3<sup>rd</sup> place position in the region, a spot that would earn them a place in the state tournament. It was a week in which we saw the soccer team lose a barnburner to a much larger AAA school 4-3. It was a week in which we saw many Donovan parents, teachers and supporters come to the school for a nice dinner to celebrate the great start to another good year. It was also the week in which our soccer team gets another chance to thwart our cross-town arch-rivals Westminster. I am writing this the day before the game so I can't tell you how it's going to turn out but I can tell you this: approximately 30 or more of our students not on the soccer team will be at the game, some of them painted in the navy blue and white, and our team will give a valiant effort to beat those guys. I know they will give 110% out on the field under the lights because they share something with everyone else in our school, a sheer pleasure in watching us beat Westminster. Go Rams!

## Student News :

**Student Council News:** Thanks to student council members Abby Johnson, Lannon Gustafson, Gabriela Mejias, Philip Scherer, Paul Cray, Ben Cramer, Wells Scott, and David Glassman for serving as hosts and hostesses at the Devoted to Donovan Celebration on Sept. 22.

**Attention Juniors:** Youth Leadership Athens applications are due to Mrs. Stutsman no later than Thursday, September 30 by 3:30. Also, Junior Class College trip is the week of November 1-5. Plans are almost finalized. A parent meeting will be scheduled as soon as the itinerary is complete!

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**Seniors Portraits:** Senior portraits are scheduled for Friday, October 15, 2010. Mrs. Stutsman has a sign-up sheet in her office, so please see her to secure your spot. Portraits are taken by Lifetouch in the Media Center.

### Order your MDCHS Yearbook NOW!!!!

The cost to preorder your yearbook before November 30th is \$30.00 per book. The cost to order your yearbook after November 30th will be \$35.00. Waiting to buy your yearbook when they arrive will raise the cost to \$40.00 per book.

**Order forms for ordering your MDCHS Yearbook are on page 6.**

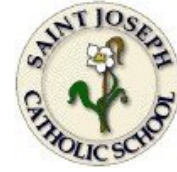
Also check our [facebook](#) page at:

**Monsignor Donovan Yearbook 2010**

### ATTENTION MDCHS ART STUDENTS!

Monsignor Donovan has been invited by the Lyndon House to display and or sell our artwork during their Lickskillet Arts Festival this October 23. The festival is from 10-4 pm. We will need a few student volunteers to help work our booth with the arrival time of 8:00 for set up. All artwork needs to be finished, framed, or sealed for sale. This is a great way for Monsignor Donovan students to make their presence known in their art community.

# St. Joseph News:



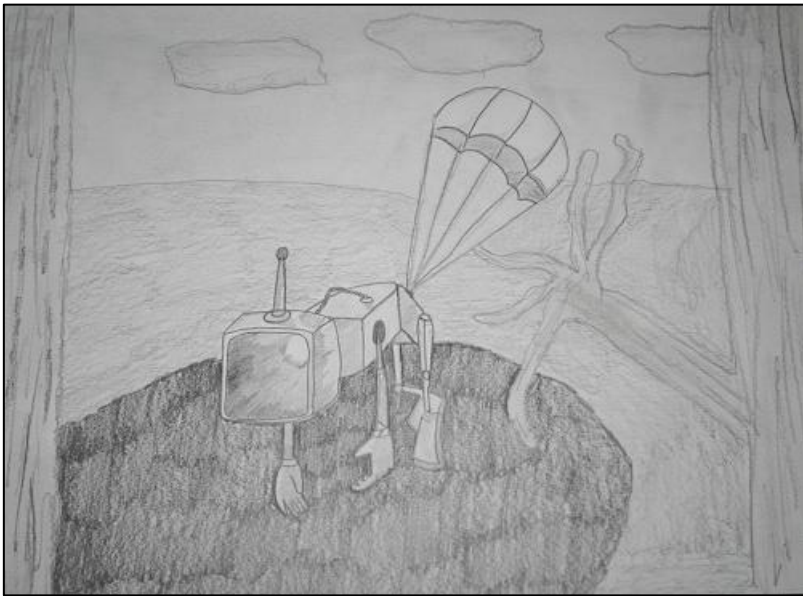
**St. Joseph Church Bulletin:** Click here <http://www.stjoesathens.org/bulletins/Sept-26.pdf> for the St. Joseph Church weekly bulletin for all your church news!

**Religious Education:** For any questions regarding Confirmation please contact either Joni Hubbard, RE Director, at [stjoere@yahoo.com](mailto:stjoere@yahoo.com) or (706) 548-6332 ext. 23 or contact Megan Estes at [meganestes08@yahoo.com](mailto:meganestes08@yahoo.com).

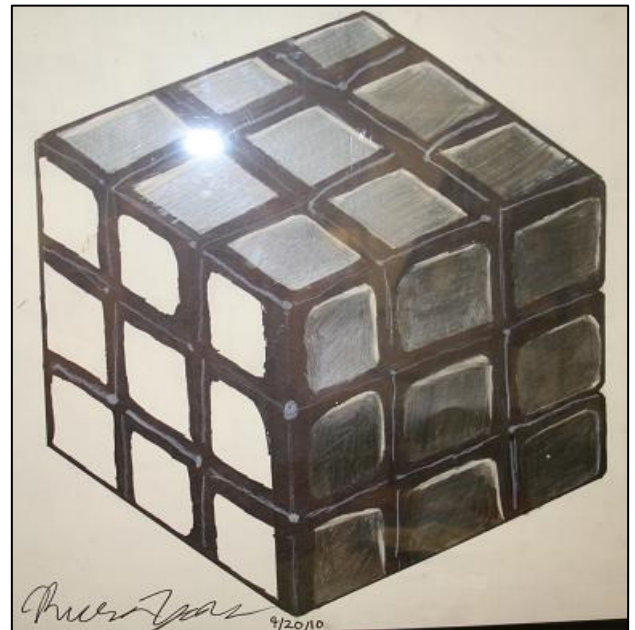
**Save the Date –Blood Drive at SJS:** The Knights of Columbus will hold a Blood Drive Friday, October 22nd from 12:30 pm to 6:00 pm in Parish Hall. Please plan to donate blood after your parent- teacher -student conference.

**We Will Miss You Mrs. Petti!** Mrs. Kris Petti is leaving St. Joseph School and all of us here at MDCHS who know her will miss her very much! We wish her the best as she begins a new adventure and hope for the very best for her and her family! God bless you Mrs. Petti!

**St. Joseph School Focus:** Click here <http://www.sjsathens.org/public/9-22%20combined.pdf> for the latest St. Joseph Catholic School Focus newsletter to keep up with the latest JSJ news!



**Artwork by Sophomore Zach Moore**



**Artwork by Sophomore Richard Yarbrough**



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**facebook**

If you have any trouble receiving the newsletter, please call or email Mrs. Nasworthy at 706-433-0223 ext. 222, or [jnasworthy@mdchs.org](mailto:jnasworthy@mdchs.org). As always, thank you for your support!

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**You may pay in cash or make your check payable to MDCHS. (Please note your student's name and mark "yearbook" on your check.)**

**This order form is the only way to *GUARANTEE* that you will receive a yearbook!**

**Return payment in an envelope along with the detached bottom portion of this form to the school office by 2/14/11.**

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Detach here and return to MDCHS

## **MDCHS Yearbook Order Form**

**Student Name** \_\_\_\_\_

**Homeroom Teacher** \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ (#) of yearbooks @ \$\_\_\_\_\_ each = \_\_\_\_\_(Total amount enclosed)

THIS YEAR THE STUDENT COUNCIL HAS DECIDED THAT THEY WOULD LIKE TO HOST THEIR OWN STEWARDSHIP PROJECT AT DONOVAN. WITH THE HELP OF THEIR FELLOW CLASSMATES AND WITH FINANCIAL SUPPORT FROM THE RAM JAM COMMITTEE, THE STUDENT COUNCIL WOULD LIKE TO PARTICIPATE IN:

## BETHLEHEM MINISTRY'S CHRISTMAS SHOE BOX DRIVE

THE RAM JAM COMMITTEE HAS PURCHASED THE SHOE BOXES - AND THE STUDENT COUNCIL IS ASKING THEIR FELLOW CLASSMATES TO HELP THEM FILL THESE BOXES. EACH GRADE LEVEL IS ASKED TO BE RESPONSIBLE FOR FILLING 10 SHOE BOXES (5 INTENDED FOR MALE CHILDREN, THE OTHER 5 INTENDED FOR FEMALE); WITH EACH GRADE ALSO FOCUSING THEIR GIFTS TOWARDS A SPECIFIC AGE RANGE. THE STUDENT COUNCIL IS HOPING TO WORK TOGETHER WITH THEIR FELLOW CLASSMATES TO DONATE ITEMS (LIKE THOSE LISTED BELOW) TO FILL THESE BOXES.

PARENTS: WE ARE ASKING FOR YOUR SUPPORT IN THE PURCHASING AND DONATION OF ITEMS (LIKE THOSE LISTED BELOW) IN HOPES THAT WE, AS A SCHOOL, CAN HELP TO BRIGHTEN THE CHRISTMAS OF AT LEAST 40 CHILDREN IN HAITI THIS YEAR.

**DEADLINE: BOXES NEED TO BE FILLED AND RETURNED TO  
MRS. STUTSMAN BY: THURSDAY OCTOBER 14TH**



9TH GRADE: KIDS RANGING IN AGE FROM 3-6  
10TH GRADE: KIDS RANGING IN AGE FROM 7-9  
11TH GRADE: KIDS RANGING IN AGE FROM 10-12  
12TH GRADE: KIDS RANGING IN AGE FROM 13-14

**BOY THEMED ITEMS:**

Hats and sports caps  
Balls of all sorts  
Toy cars  
Trucks  
Planes  
Legos  
Binoculars  
Tattoos

**GIRL THEMED ITEMS:**

Stickers  
Dolls  
Stuffed animals  
Ponytail holders  
Barrettes  
Jump ropes  
Plastic animals  
Sets of decorative beads to make jewelry  
Music boxes  
Kitchen sets  
Makeup kits  
Nice church socks with lace  
Fun dress-up clothes

**OPTIONS FOR EITHER GENDER:**

Musical instruments  
Small bars of soap and washcloths  
Coloring books and crayons  
Art supplies of all kinds  
Games such as dominoes and marbles

**FOR OLDER CHILDREN – PLEASE  
CONSIDER:**

Calculators  
Compasses  
Protractors  
Other school supplies

**DO NOT INCLUDE ANY OF THE FOLLOWING:**

Used items  
Guns (toy or lifelike)  
Liquids, including shampoo, lotion, liquid soap, and bubbles  
Perishable food items  
Chocolate or any type of candy - it melts  
Medicines, vitamins, ointments, etc.  
Breakable items such as mirrors and snow globes  
Animals that “grow” when placed in water. (These often come in candy shaped capsules that children like to eat!)



For more information on this project, feel free to visit the Ministry's website at:  
<http://www.bethlehemministry.org/christmas%20shoe%20box%20ministry.htm>

