



HASA

HOME AND SCHOOL ASSOCIATION

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Dates to Know

Coffee & Donuts:
August 18

Plant Show: Sept. 1

Windy City Players:
September 6 (PK to 4)

Book Fair Week:
October 10 – 13

October 11 – Books and Buddies

*October 13 – Generations Day**
**NEW: photo booth*

Trick A Trunk: Oct. 31

Turkey Bingo:
November 12

Road Trip Across America: November 21

Christmas Program

Show Choir Performances

Father Daughter Dance: February 9
(looking for a chair or co-chairs)

Trivia Night: Feb. 24

Seton Night Live:
March 10

Fine Arts Night:
April 19

Welcome to the 2017-18 school year at Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic School.

Home and School Association's Mission Statement

Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton Home and School Association includes the parents of every student, from preschool through eighth grade. HASA supports educational programs, spiritual growth, and extracurricular activities in the pursuit of educational excellence. Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic School recognizes that parental involvement is the backbone of the SEAS community.

All parents are invited to attend the HASA general meetings, dates are listed below. HASA meetings keep you informed, present opportunities to volunteer and become more involved in our school and share your input with HASA officers and committee members. All parents are welcome.

The gift of your time will give you a fresh perspective on school life and you will be rewarded with gratitude from those you are serving. HASA provides volunteer opportunities to accommodate every schedule. Get involved to meet parents, teachers, and students through activities such as:

Learning Adventures – Two, 6 week sessions (September 6-October 19 & February 20 – March 29) - Share your talent and creativity with interested students. There is a special Lego Robotics Learning Adventure in January and February lead by Mrs. Jump and Mrs. Peters.

Earth Day clean up – Join school families in the fall and spring as we work to make our campus beautiful.

Pioneer Pals: New Family Welcoming and Mentoring – Remember when your family was new to the school, reach out and help a family feel at home.

Book Fair Week – Do you love books? Volunteer a few hours to help students select books.

Seton Night Live Auction - Seton Night Live is HASA's largest fundraiser each school year. It takes many hands to make this successful.

Sincerely,

Julie Gabriel, Home and School Association President
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You're Invited

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HASA General Meetings
Oct. 11, 2017 8 am cafeteria
Dec. 13, 2017 8 am cafeteria
Feb. 7, 2018 7 pm conference room
April 19, 2018 6 pm gymnasium

HASA funded the following in 2016-17

- \$37,600 to fund the majority of the blended learning technology for grades 3, 4 & 5
- \$13,740 to fund teacher classroom requests, including guidance and resource departments, for equipment and materials
- \$2,200 for sensory room
- \$1,400 for cork boards in fifth through eighth grade wing
- \$500 gift to Rob Slocum for painting in the fifth through eighth grade wing
- \$400 gift to library to buy books
- \$250 for playground equipment; sidewalk chalk, balls, hula hoops
- iPad for art classroom
- Fun day in each classroom, for example Mark’s Ark, Pioneer Day, Picnic at the Park
- Class enrichment; field trip transportation - includes fuel and driver
- Christmas bonus for teachers and aides
- Christmas Program, Show Choir, and Spring Musical
- Plant Show
- Trick A Trunk
- Field Day at the end of school year
- Staff Appreciation; coffee truck, conference goody bags, catered lunch
- Coffee and Doughnuts in atrium
- School Directories for each family

How HASA funded these items

- Seton Night Live Auction
- Book Fair Week
- Burger King Booklets
- Box Tops
- Pioneer Resale Store
- School Kidz supply kit
- Turkey Bingo
- Pioneer Parties
- Trivia Night
- HASA dues from each family

Seton Night Live Auction

Join us Saturday, March 10, 2018 for An Evening in the Tropics! The event will entail a seated dinner, live and silent auctions and is sure to be a fun and memorable night. Please look out for more information on our 50/50 tuition credit or cash payout raffle, the Christmas auction and many ways to volunteer. Sponsorship opportunities are available. Seton Night Live is vitally important for Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton. Funds raised through the event directly support the education and faith formation of our children.

HASA Needs

HASA is looking for a chair person or co-chairs to put on our Father Daughter Dance, February 9, 2018. Please contact: juliegabriel6269@gmail.com if you have any questions and are interested.

FOOD + RESCUE

This year we are excited to start a new program during our lunch periods called Food Rescue. We will be partnering with local charities (through Associated Churches) to collect and provide good food that in the past would have been thrown in the trash. This is an outreach to those in need, but also helps with waste and landfill reductions from our school. Please understand that this program is NOT looking for donations, nor do we want to discourage students from eating their entire lunch. In fact, first and foremost we encourage students to eat all their lunch. However, despite best efforts, enough food waste is still generated during the lunch periods that those in need could benefit. When lunch is being dismissed, if students still have whole or unopened food items on their tray, they are encouraged to place these items in the collection area rather than the trash and they will be donated to a local charity. (If you are interested in learning more about Food Rescue or to watch a video of how this is program is working at other schools, visit www.foodrescue.net.)

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HASA Officers

Julie Gabriel, President – juliegabriel6269@gmail.com
 Carrie Norton, VP – carolinemnorton@gmail.com
 Allison Labrie, Treasurer – aclabrie@icloud.com
 Sarah Steffan, Secretary – LWLOLM.16@gmail.com

HASA Committee Chairs

Seton Night Live Auction – Sarah Shively, sarah.shively@yahoo.com | *HASA's largest fundraiser each school year. This spring event is open to school and parish families alike.*

Book Fair Week – Amelia McArdle, amcardle@hotmail.com and Angela Stockmaster, angelastockmaster@yahoo.com | *An exciting celebration of reading! Hundreds of fun, engaging, and affordable books for kids to discover, plus all purchases benefit our school.*

Burger King Booklets – Melissa Polston, melpolst@hotmail.com | *All Catholic elementary schools in the diocese participate in this fundraising event. Proceeds from this fundraiser go directly to help support our school activities.*

Box Tops – Rebecca Berning, nolmommy@yahoo.com and Barbara Stowe, bstowe07@gmail.com
Continue to clip those box tops, ask your extended family to snip theirs for you, too. There will be contests during the 1st, 2nd and 3rd quarters.

Pioneer Resale Store – Molly Schwartz, schwartz62803@aol.com | *Parents can shop at the Resale Store for gently used school uniforms.*

School Kidz – Geri Fromm, oliviashouse@embarqmail.com
The SchoolKidz Supply Kit program is a fundraiser that returns 10% to our school. Kits include the exact colors, quantities, and brands teachers are requesting in a personalized box ready for your child's first day of school. This happens in the spring for the next school year.

Turkey Bingo – Camille O'Connor, camille.oconnor@comcast.net and Marcia McDowell, m2mcdowell@frontier.com | *This family friendly event is a wonderful way to meet new people, share fellowship and help raise money for Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic School.*

Pioneer Parties – Rebecca Berning, nolmommy@yahoo.com | *All Pioneer Parties are fundraisers for HASA. 100% of the proceeds are used to benefit the students of Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic School. Support the school and have some fun.*

Pioneer Pals – Jessica McCarthy, srpmccarthy@gmail.com
Existing school family pairs up with a new family to offer guidance.

Trivia Night – Jill Harris, jhfamil6@frontier.com and Andy Zay, azay@sbcglobal.net | *A Trivia Night featuring a variety of trivia categories, the Heads or Tails game, prizes and fun! All are welcome: parishioners, parents, faculty, staff and friends who are 21 years or older may participate.*

Staff Appreciation – Melissa Polston, melpolst@hotmail.com and Sarah Maloy, maloy.sarah@yahoo.com
Committee organizes the "giving tree" program for back to school night. Trees are hung in teachers' rooms with donation ideas for the classroom. Committee also organizes special teacher appreciation events and lunches for teachers throughout the school year.

Plant Show – Janeen Close, janeen.close3@gmail.com
In conjunction with the Fort Wayne Parks Department, flower and vegetable seeds are distributed in the spring. Students care for plants and enter items in the annual fall plant show for judging.

Welcoming Committee – Doug and Michelle Stroncsek, shelliebellie100@hotmail.com
Committee plans, schedules and organizes events to welcome new families. Manages Earth Day clean up to keep our entire campus welcoming to all.

Fine Arts – Andrea Hill, andreamiller036@hotmail.com
Committee works to find art programs for all grade levels. HASA is committed to providing our students with creative, enriching and enlightening fine art opportunities.

Trick A Trunk – Amy Kleinrichert, amy@sonshineacademy.net | *An afternoon of fun for participating parents and grandparents who decorate the trunks of their cars. Our costumed students will move from car to car collecting treats.*

Learning Adventures – Julie Gabriel, juliegabriel6269@gmail.com and Amy Kleinrichert, amy@sonshineacademy.net | *An after school learning enrichment program. Students are able to enroll in a variety of classes.*

Generations Day – Katie Slee, sleekatie@yahoo.com
We finish our book fair week on October 13 and celebrate Generations Day. SEACS students can celebrate with grandparents, aunts, uncles, or special friends as they spend the morning together going to mass, participating in activities, and perusing the book fair.