

Mount St. Mary Academy Family Connection

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Thank you!

We offer a huge thank you to Laura Fakharzadeh and Gina Hammar for chairing the Open House reception on behalf of our Parent Association! Also, thank you to all the moms and dads who supported our chairs and volunteered their time to make Open House a success.

Do you want to win \$10,000?

Get your Reverse Raffle ticket now! Ticket request forms can be found online at <https://www.msacademy.org/donate/reverse-raffle-2017/>.

The drawing is one month away — don't wait!

Don't Forget!

On Friday, October 6, due to an area-wide emergency bus drill, dismissal will be at 2:15 p.m. Yellow school buses will be here at that time to pick up our students.

Entrepreneurship up close

Mount St. Mary Academy's entrepreneurship program has been in the spotlight once again. Students in the program experienced the excitement of the 43North Finals up close yesterday.

Members of MSM's student businesses Essence and Business Buzz, both current United States champions, were invited to present at the morning session of Buffalo's biggest start-up competition. The students honed the 10-minute pitches they have used in competition to just one and a half minutes and shared them on the stage at Shea's in front of hundreds of adults and students. They also had opportunities throughout



Mounties Heather Fitzgerald, Celia Rahill, Marissa Brandel, Amanda Thome, Abby Bradley, Emily Bingham, and Kaitlin Brill took the stage at Shea's on Thursday to present their award-winning businesses, Essence and Business Buzz.

the day to meet and network with the entrepreneurs who were competing for 43North's \$1 million prize.

Our students were on-hand later yesterday to watch the event finals and cheer on the winners.

Mount St. Mary thanks 43North for the many opportunities they have offered our students to learn, network, and become inspired about the world of entrepreneurship.

Testing Day Information

Testing Day is Wednesday, October 11.

Freshmen will be taking the PSAT 8/9, sophomores will be taking the Pre-ACT, and juniors will be taking the PSAT. Counselors have met with all grade levels to give them information about the tests.

All students should come prepared with calculators, #2 pencils, and pens. Test results will be mailed home in December/January and reviewed with students in seminar classes.

After testing is completed, students will report to various locations for lunch

and presentations. Lunch will be provided for all students that day.

After the lunch, students will be attending a viewing of the movie *Hidden Figures*, based on our All-School Read written by Margot Lee Shetterly.

Join in the Fun!

Upcoming Events

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Our 10th annual Battle of the Bands starts at 5:30 p.m. on Saturday in the back parking lot (in the auditorium if it rains!) Tickets are available at the door for \$10.

Parents' Association 18

Our first Parents' Association meeting will be Wednesday, October 18, 7 p.m. - 8 p.m., in the Student Dining Hall. Become involved in your daughter's school! All are welcome.

Month at a Glance

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
|-------------------------------|--------------------------|---------|----------------|------------------------------|--|-------------------------------------|
| 1 | 2 No School | 3 | 4 | 5 Mountstock Jeans Day | 6 Liturgy 2:15 p.m. Dismissal | 7 Mountstock |
| Open House | | 8 | 9 No School | 10 Jeans Day | 11 Testing Day | 12 |
| 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 Picture Retake Day Parents' Assoc Mtg | 19 Spirit Wear Day |
| 20 Jeans Day and Bake Sale | 21 Taste of the Mount | 22 | 23 | 24 WNY College Consortium | 25 | 26 An Evening of Words and Music |
| 27 Meet the Mount | 28 | 29 | 30 | 31 | | |

Financial Aid Workshops

On October 14 and November 18, SUNY is offering two Financial Aid Days to assist students and their families in applying for financial aid and completing the FAFSA.

These workshops are free of charge and open to all prospective college students and their families. Students can register by going online at www.suny.edu/studentevents.

MSM to host Princess Tea and Play

Do you have a little princess or prince in your life? Bring your royal friend to our second annual Princess Tea on Saturday, October 14 at 12:30 p.m.

Guests will enjoy high tea in our Royal Dining Hall, with crafts and activities for the little ones. Each of our guests will have a royal audience with some of our favorite Dis-

ney friends, including Queen Elsa, Princess Belle and more!

After tea, our guests will enjoy a special performance by Second Generation Theatre called "Once Upon a Time: Songs and Stories from your Favorite Princesses, Heroes, and Fairy Tale Friends."

Reservations are required for the princess tea and play and can be purchased for \$20 at <http://www.msacademy.org/once-upon-a-time-a-princess-tea-and-performance/>.

Tickets for the performance only may be purchased for \$12 online or at the door.

SECOND GENERATION THEATRE
PRESENTS

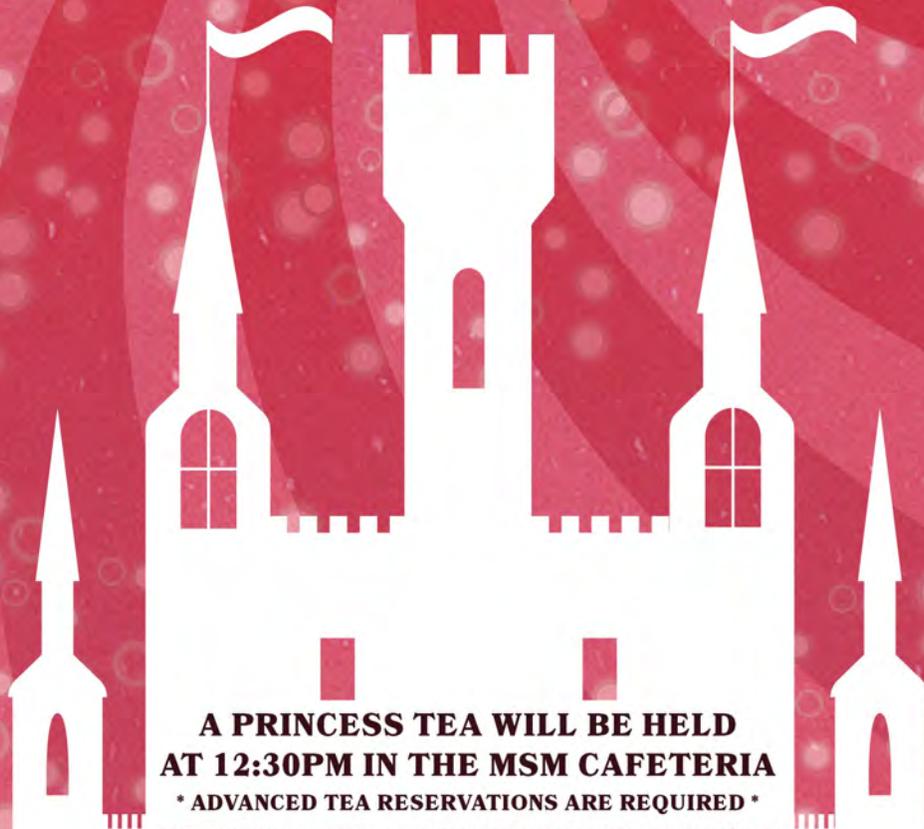


In The **Mount St. Mary
Academy Auditorium**

Once upon a time

Saturday
Oct.
14TH
at 2PM

**Songs & Stories From Your Favorite
Princesses, Heroes, & Fairy Tale Friends**



**A PRINCESS TEA WILL BE HELD
AT 12:30PM IN THE MSM CAFETERIA**

*** ADVANCED TEA RESERVATIONS ARE REQUIRED ***

PRINCESS TEA AND PERFORMANCE \$20

PERFORMANCE ONLY TICKETS \$12

TICKETS AVAILABLE AT MSMACADEMY.ORG

Mount St. Mary Academy Sports Boosters Association presents

TASTE OF THE MOUNT



SATURDAY, OCTOBER 21, 2017

6:00pm - Food & Beverages served from over 24 local restaurants

7:45pm - 50/50 & Grand Raffle Drawing • 8:00pm - Basket Raffle Drawings

TONS OF FOOD • TONS OF RAFFLES • TONS OF FUN!



Purchase your presale tickets today!

Presale tickets are \$20 per person. Checks should be made out to Mount St. Mary Academy and mailed to 3756 Delaware Ave., Kenmore, NY, 14217.

All pre-ordered tickets will be available for you at the check-in table the night of the event. Tickets are available at the door for \$25. All proceeds from this event go directly to support Thunder athletics. Thank you for your support!

Name: _____ Phone: _____ # of tickets: _____

Email Address: _____

www.MSMAthletics.org

