

BARAT ACADEMY NEWS

A MONTHLY NEWSLETTER FROM BARAT ACADEMY

WELCOME BACK TO SCHOOL!

A NOTE FROM MRS. PUETTMANN, HEAD OF SCHOOL

It is hard to believe we have been in school for 5 weeks! The fall sports teams began in August, we had orientation days, senior retreat, Back to School Night, school pictures, our first House Competition, National Honor Society induction with a mass, 4 Service Learning days, and College Information Night....And it is just the first of October!

I am thrilled with our new and returning faculty. They are eager to work with the students and bring a great energy to the halls of Barat. The classes sound interesting as I walk the halls and the students look engaged and are working hard. All of these wonderful things are taking place because of you, supportive parents that believe in the value of a Sacred Heart education. I encourage you to stay in touch with your child's teachers as I encourage our teachers to do the same with you. If I can be of any assistance please never hesitate to call or email. I am looking forward to a year building Courage, Confidence and Integrity with your children!

WELCOME NEW TEACHERS !

Mr. Ben Graefser

Social Studies for grades 6 - 12.

Mr. John Hecei

Theology for grades 6 - 12, Service Learning, and Campus Ministry.

Mrs. Robin Meyers-Husen

Art for grades 6 - 12.

Mrs. Christina Ortiz

Prep STEM and Algebra I.

Ms. Kathy Scarborough

English for grades 9 -12, Speech & Performance, and Instrumental Band.

We are glad you are here!

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SENIOR RETREAT

The Seniors began their final year at Barat with a retreat. They visited the Marianist Retreat Center in Eureka for an overnight retreat. The students enjoyed the magnificent environment, gourmet meals, and quality time with each other as they prepare for their final year of high school. The seniors were challenged to begin to close out their chapter as teenagers, and prepare for the journey ahead as young adults. We thank the MCC for hosting us, and a special thanks to Fr. Leo Spezia of Most Sacred Heart Parish who joined us for Mass. To our seniors, may God be with you on your journey far beyond Barat.

FAMILY CONGE' 9/9



Barat Families began the year with a Family Conge' on 9/9. The weather was great! We enjoyed hamburgers, hotdogs and even wiffle ball, while we watched the St. Louis Cardinals play the Pittsburgh Pirates. Our Cardinals did not bring home a win but it was a great night of fun at Barat!

COLLEGE VISITS

Seniors - Mark Your Calendars!

College Reps will be available in the Dining Room during Lunch on the following dates:

- Tuesday, Oct. 4 - Maryville University
- Tuesday, Oct. 18 - Knox College
- Tuesday, Oct. 25 - Westminster College
- Tuesday, Nov. 1 - Missouri University S & T
- Thursday, Nov. 3 - St. Louis Community College
- Tuesday, Nov. 8 - Greenville University
- Tuesday, Nov. 15 - Southeast Missouri State

SERVICE LEARNING BEGINS!



9/14 was our first Service Learning Day. Students served the community at BaratHaven Senior Care, Room at the Inn, Faust Park, and Crisis Nursery. Seniors also began working on their Peace Projects. Stay Tuned!

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NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY



We are proud of the 2022 NHS Inductees from Barat Academy!

The National Honor Society member selection is based on four criteria: scholarship, leadership, service and character.

Duncan Brown

Grace Cox

Isabelle Cox

Kendall Gaddy

Nyomi Sankar



PSAT 10/12

Barat Academy offers the PSAT to all **10th and 11th grade students**. The test will be given on Wednesday 10/12. All students taking this exam were given a Student Guide that explains the details of test, and contains a practice test.

For extra practice, students may access Khan Academy for free, personalized, online SAT practice. Tailored to each student's strengths and weaknesses, the program was developed with actual test items from the College Board (satpractice.org).

On test day students should bring: two No. 2 pencils and an acceptable calculator. Juniors will need to pack a lunch that day. Please contact Mrs. Egan in the College Counseling Office for more information or questions.

PARENT CONFERENCES 10/28

Parent-Student-Advisor conferences are an important part of the Barat experience that help students learn how to lead a meeting and self-advocate. Quarter 1 conferences will be in person on Friday, 10/28. Students will also be learning asynchronously this day. Information about scheduling conference will be distributed in the coming weeks.

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FIELD HOCKEY SENIOR GAME 10/8

We congratulate our Seniors who will be recognized in their home game on 10/8!

- Grace Cox**
- Isabelle Cox**
- Abigail Engman**
- Shane Huddleston - Manager**
- Katelyn Peate - Manager**



WAY TO GO SENIORS!

BONJOUR TO OUR FRENCH EXCHANGE STUDENTS 10/15



Since 2015 Barat Academy and the Priory of St. Louis have collaborated in an international program with the students and teachers from Lycee Sainte Marie Beaucamps in Lille, France. These students come to St. Louis to practice their English skills, learn about St. Louis and to submerge themselves in the daily life of Americans. As Barat Academy follows the traditions of the Society of the Sacred Heart that began in France, there is a strong historical connection between France and the USA! We are excited to be a part of this amazing experience again! The French students will arrive Saturday 10/15 and participate in activities at Barat and around St. Louis.

JOSTENS VISIT 10/18

On Tuesday 10/18, representatives from Jostens will be on campus to provide **school ring** information to juniors and **graduation announcement** information to seniors. Students will bring information home providing details from Jostens. Jostens will return on 10/25 to collect student orders during the Lunch period.

PICTURE RETAKES & SENIOR PORTRAITS 10/20



Wagner Portrait Group was on campus to take student pictures on 9/9. **Picture Retakes** will be held on 10/20. **Senior Portraits** will also be taken on 10/20.

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JOIN US FOR MATER'S FEAST 10/20

In 1844, a generation after the Society of the Sacred Heart was founded, Pauline Perdrau, a young novice, took it upon herself to produce a fresco of the Virgin Mary on a wall in a recreational area of the Trinita dei Monti, a Sacred Heart School in Rome. Sister Perdrau chose to paint Mary as a young woman, sitting in the temple, clothed in a rose-colored dress. The fresco includes a lily at Mary's side representing her purity; a distaff and spindle, her love of work; a book, her dedication to study.

The feast celebrating our Blessed Mother is especially dear to Sacred Heart children. Mater Admirabilis is the name given to the statue of Our Lady which you will find in a place of honor in every Sacred Heart school. "Mater Admirabilis" is Latin, meaning 'Mother Most Admirable.'

The Feast Day is celebrated 10/20. Our Liturgy begins at 2:00, all are welcome!



BONFIRE 10/21

High School Students! Join us for our Annual Fall Bonfire on Friday 10/21 from 7:30 - 9:00 pm.



FALL BALL 10/28



On Friday 10/28, Barat Academy will host our annual Fall Ball Dance for Barat high school students and their guests. The dance will take place from 8:00-10:00 pm. Tickets may be purchased in the Student Office beginning Monday 10/3. Please refer to the email from Mrs. Albers for more details.

HALLOWEEN AT BARAT 10/31

On Monday 10/31, all students (6-12) and staff will have fun dressing up in costumes to celebrate Halloween together. Classes will meet as usual with a few fun activities taking place during the school day. There will be a costume contest, candy, and lunch activities planned by the members of House Co.



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PREP NEWS

The Prep Students visited the First Missouri State Capitol, and the Lewis & Clark Museum and Boathouse in St. Charles on 9/21.

Students learned how St. Charles became the first state capitol in 1821. They learned about the first governors of the state, and why the capitol moved to Jefferson City. They saw the historical buildings, where the legislature was housed, and sat in the chambers themselves. The students also visited the General Store, and learned how people lived in the early days of the city. They learned about the system of trade that was very common at the time. Students were able to see some fur pelts that were a popular item used in trade. They were introduced to candle making, how to make butter, and other important items people needed to live.

At the Lewis and Clark Boat House and Museum, students learned about the Lewis & Clark Exposition through the Louisiana Purchase which began near St. Charles in 1802. They learned about the different kinds of animals, tribes, and plants Lewis and Clark encountered on the way to the Pacific. The students also learned how the exploration came together: from Thomas Jefferson negotiating with Napoleon to purchase the land, to how Lewis and Clark were selected for the expedition. They saw how Lewis and Clark traveled the Missouri River to the Rockies, then traveled to the Pacific with the help of local Native tribes. The field trip was very informative and the students learned a lot about the history of our region. Of course the picnic lunch was enjoyed by all!



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SCIENCE NEWS



Chesterfield Police Officer Michael Clymer visited Mr. Burgess's Forensics class on 9/15. Officer Clymer is a Crime Scene Investigator who demonstrated fingerprinting techniques and spoke with the class on the various methods used to develop and preserve evidence. It was a very informative discussion. Check out the Chesterfield Police Department Facebook page for more photos!



ART NEWS

Art Students are preparing to celebrate **Day of the Dead** with Art. Day of the Dead is typically a holiday celebrated in Mexico associated with the celebrations of All Saints' Day and All Souls' Day, and is held on 11/1 and 11/2. During this multi-day holiday family and friends gather to pray for and to remember friends and family members who have died. The students will be decorating masks while learning about the traditions of the holiday.



ART ON DISPLAY....



The students started off the year with a Simple Abstract Design. They used mixed media such as: oil pastels, markers & paint. The students also worked on a Painting with Acrylics project, using some of the Elements of Art such as; Color, Shapes, Texture, and Lines. Currently the students are working on Texture & Pattern Paintings, the advanced students are outlining an animal & filling in with patterns.

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UPCOMING EVENTS & ACTIVITIES

- 10/5: Late Start - Faculty Meeting
Service Learning
- 10/7: First Friday Mass - 2:00 pm
- 10/12: PSAT Testing - Morning, grades 10 - 11
Freshmen Retreat - All Day
Sophomore Retreat - Afternoon
- 10/14: No School - Faculty Retreat
- 10/17: Iowa Testing begins for Prep Students
- 10/18: Jostens on campus - juniors and seniors
- 10/19: Service Learning
End of Quarter 1
- 10/20: Mater's Feast Liturgy - 2:00 pm
Picture Retakes and Senior Portraits
- 10/21: Talent Show - 2:00 pm, grades 6 - 12
Bonfire - 7:30 pm to 9:00 pm, grades 9 - 12
- 10/25: Jostens orders due during Lunch
- 10/28: Fall Parent Conferences
No Classes on Campus - Asynchronous Learning
- 10/28: Fall Ball Dance - 8 pm to 10 pm, grades 9 -12
- 10/31: Halloween Activities

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