



We are looking for almost anything in good condition. If you are unsure that we will want your item then just pop on the net to: [www.ebay.com](http://www.ebay.com) do a search for the item (remember different keywords will bring up different results) and it is always worth changing the way auctions show up from "items ending first" to "highest prices"...this way you can see what similar items are making.

You can also call on the Ebay Listing Team: Myra Orban, Belinda Austin, Kari Thomas, Teresa McFarland and Wuela West. Packing and Shipping Crew are Janey Hrutkay and Cindy Hofbauer.

We have everything from Event tickets to gently- used clothing, unused shoes to Banner Ads so don't be surprised that there is something in your closet, garage or even your business we could use!

We also need donations of the following items to assist us in "The Store"...Some kind of digital scales, photocopier, brown paper and tape for packing.

Don't forget to watch our auctions and even bid on a couple...the shipping will be free if you buy from us! Seller name: mountdechantal.

Thanks and don't forget to look for "IT" this weekend - you may be surprised what "IT" will make for "US".

As of February 10<sup>th</sup>, 2006 the Mount's Ebay store has raised \$2,901!

for the school in a small way? Check out the "needs" bulletin board to the right of the elementary lower porch dismissal door. Items needed for special events/projects are listed there along with instructions on what to do.

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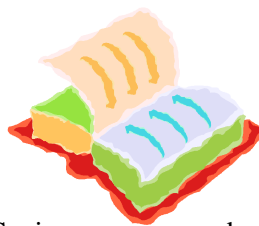
### **Canned Food Drive On-Going**

In response to a challenge by the WV Key Club Governor, each month we will continue to conduct food drives for the Catholic Neighborhood Center. There are no special events tagged for this. If you want to assist, just send in canned goods. From mid-January to now, we gathered a little over 1,000 items! Please continue to send in items as you can. Items should be placed in Dr. Johnen's elementary or secondary offices.

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### **Service With A Smile**

We celebrate Read Around the World with a project on Thursday, February 23. Seniors and sixth grade students will spend time with the Montessori children; students in grades 1-11 will spend time with their chapel buddies sharing the gift of reading.



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### **Students In the News**

Juniors accepted into the Leadership Wheeling program: Sarah Harmon, Sarah Jayne Harshman, Emma Shalaway, and Jessica Whitehead.

Senior Annie Wright who is school's nominee for the Principal's Leadership Award.

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### **TV/VCR for Science Department**

The Secondary science lab is still in need of a tv/vcr. If you have either or both of these items that you are no longer using and would like to donate to the science department, please just bring them in to the school office. Thanks!

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### **Snow will Soon be Flying...Be on the Alert!**

A reminder to all parents (including our Washington, PA families) regarding the Mount's inclement weather policy. Please listen to local TV [WTRF, WTOV or WTAE (Channel 4)] and radio (WOMP-FM, WOVK-FM, WKWK-FM, WVKF-FM, WEGW-FM, WEEL-FM, WWVA-AM, WBBB-AM) for school cancellations (we make our own decision so look for Mount de Chantal on your TV screen). Please do not call the school regarding school cancellations. We do not follow delays, but if you feel the



road conditions in your area do not safely permit you to bring your children to school, please call the school office to report him or her absent. Should an early dismissal be necessary, the school will contact parents using emergency numbers. Parents may always come to pick up students should the conditions in their area warrant this.



### **Need Bulletin Board**

Ever wonder how you can make a difference

## Playbox Needs Your Stuff

If you are cleaning closets and drawers to make way for new "stuff," consider donating your formal gowns, any semi-formal wear, old Halloween costumes, costume jewelry, etc. to the school's play box. Sister Eleanor is always looking for items to replenish her stock.

*Please send in your Campbell's labels and your General Mills'*



*Boxtops for Education to the school office in an envelope for the school's library.*



## ELEMENTARY PROGRAM UPDATES

### First Grade Penny Drive Breaks All Records



Annually, the first grade conducts a penny drive with the proceeds going to Sister Constance's Catholic Neighborhood Center. The drive is ongoing through the end of the school year, so keep those pennies (or any coins or paper money) coming. Watch the elementary We Are Proud Board for the penny total. Total as of February 16, 2006 is 52,503 pennies (as of February 8, 2005, we were at 37,187 pennies)! (Special thanks to the person who has been leaving the wonderfully large donations!!!)

### Elementary Program Homeroom of the Week

Students in the elementary program have been working hard in the

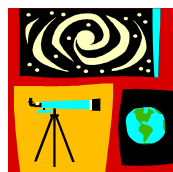
classrooms and working hard on hallway and dining room behavior. Each week one homeroom will be given the honor "Homeroom of the Week." Students in each homeroom have voted on what reward they want should they be chosen for this honor. The bulletin board near the first floor boys' restroom will feature information on the homeroom given this honor. We congratulate the 1st grade on their selection of homeroom of the week for February 6-10.



## SECONDARY PROGRAM UPDATES

### Science Fairs Are Upon Us

The secondary program's science fair will take place February 27-March 3.



### 2006-07 Course Selection

Course selection for the 2006-07 academic year for 9-12 grade students will take place on Tuesday, March 7 beginning at 6 PM in the Music Hall. From 6-7:30 PM, Bridget Hotrum of College-Bound Services will speak on the importance of course selection in high school as it relates to college choices and applications. She will also address financial aid for college.

Bridget is an independent college and financial aid consultant/advisor with a private practice of over 100 students in McMurray, PA. She is not affiliated with any college/university, high school,

lending institution or financial planning organization. Bridget is a member of the Pennsylvania Association of College Admission Counseling. Her presentation will include such topics as how to maximize your child's value in the admissions process (including the high school transcript and courses, importance of the college essay) and getting the most out of your financial aid eligibility (how financial need is determined, how to position assets for best results, best types of student loans, importance of filing FAFSA early). Following Bridget's presentation, you will have time to speak with faculty about best course choices for your daughter.

On Wednesday, March 1, students will receive their personalized registration packet in their guidance classes. These and the process will be reviewed with them by Mrs. Campbell. On Wednesday, March 8, students will complete their registration on line in their guidance classes. (This is a new process about which we are very excited.)

Students in grades 7 and 8 will not need to attend the March 7 session. They will however receive their packet on March 1 and complete the on line registration process on March 8.



