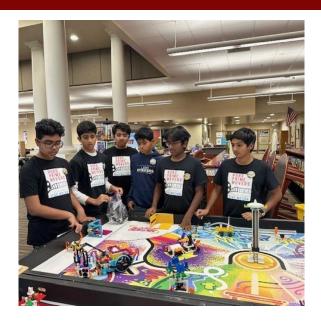


## IWA Newsletter December 15, 2023

#### **CLASSROOM HIGHLIGHTS**

from the desk of Mrs. Congelio





#### 7th Grade LEGO Robotics Team

Congratulations to our Grade 7 LEGO Robotics team! These students have been preparing since August, perfecting a LEGO robot and a required innovative project on Stop Motion for the competition. On Saturday, our team traveled to Warren High School and won the Best Design Award, as well as ranking in the top 5 overall, earning them a seat at the district competition in January.

Team members include Riyansh A., Aayan S., Sourya A., Abhijeet M., and Saharsh G.. Way to go, Warriors!

## **HOLIDAY OFFICE CLOSURE**



Normal office hours will resume on Monday, January 8, 2024!

### **GIFT CARD ORDERS: LAST DAY FOR 2023**



Formerly ShopWithScrip

Please note that the last day to order physical gift cards for school delivery in 2023 is next Monday, December 18! All orders received by 8 a.m. will be delivered next week. No physical gift card orders will be processed over the break. Orders for physical gift cards will resume on Monday, January 8, 2024. Don't forget, you can order digital gift cards at any time through the Raise Right app! Click here to get started!

Questions? Please click here to email Mrs. Heather Schmuhl.

## **CALENDAR NOTES & FESTIVE DRESS DOWNS**



#### **Uniform Donations**

Do you have IWA school uniforms that are too small for your child? Consider donating them to the Uniforms-R-Us program. Volunteers will be collecting used uniforms and sorting them over Christmas break. Please consider washing the items before



turning them in, as this helps streamline the process. Used uniforms can be turned into the main office at any time.



## Catholic Schools Week 2024!

## SAVE THE DATE!

**When:** January 28, 2⊙24

**Where:** St. John Bosco/ Incarnate Word Academy

What: Mass at St. John Bosco at 11am followed by an open house (12-1:3⊙) filled with family design challenges at IWA.

\*Music at Mass will be led by IWA's Singing Warriors!\*

SPRING FLING: SAVE THE DATE FOR MARCH 16!



Save the date for Saturday, March 16, for the annual IWA Spring Fling fundraiser in St. Joseph Hall! Tickets will be available in early January, and sponsorship opportunities are available.

We are also seeking any connections to auction and raffle items including sporting events, local entertainment and activities, travel experiences and more!

Finally, we are looking for a local company or connections for event up-lighting.

Please reach out to Heather Schmuhl at hschmuhl@incarnatewordacademy.org!

Click here for Spring Fling 2024 Sponsorship Opportunities!

PTSU NEWS: MOTHER DAUGHTER EVENT



## **CAMPUS MINISTRY CORNER**

We will gather again for an all school Advent prayer service on December 19th at 10:00 a.m. in Saint Joseph Hall.

Lastly, parents will be invited to join a brand new IWA Interfaith Parent Prayer Group that will meet monthly, starting in January. Please see the flyer below for more information and to sign up.

These are just a few of the ways we will be preparing our hearts for Christmas. We pray that you and your family will find meaningful ways to engage in the beautiful traditions of Advent in your parishes and homes.

May the peace of Christ be with you during this special time of year!

Hallow App Advent Resources
Loyola Press Advent Resources for Families
NCEA Advent Resources for Families



## Let's Pray

# Together

You're invited to join the new

## IWA Interfaith Parent Prayer Group



monthly evening gatherings prayer and reflection community building light refreshments all religions welcome

Email Mrs. Hjort to sign up ehjort@incarnatewordacademy.org

## SISTERS RAFFLE TICKETS

Sisters of the Incarnate Word ~ Annual Raffle \$10,000 GRAND PRIZE Second Prize ~ \$1000 Third Prize ~ \$500



TICKETS: \$5 Each

Drawing Date: Friday, February 2, 2024 6618 Pearl Road ~ Parma Heights, OH



FUNDS RAISED WILL BE USED TO TRANSITION CONVENT SPACE ON THE SECOND FLOOR FOR USE BY IWA STUDENTS, FACULTY AND STAFF.

## Purchase tickets here!

It's time for the Sisters' Annual Raffle! Tickets are \$5.00 each with a Grand Prize of \$10,000! Funds raised through this year's raffle will be used to transition convent space on the second floor for use by IWA students, faculty and staff.

This year, <u>ALL SALES ARE ONLINE</u>. Each family received an email with a unique, personalized link for your students. Please also note that only Ohio residents can purchase online. If you have family members out of state, please reach out to Heather Schmuhl or Emma Rubadue in the Advancement Office by emailing sistersraffle@incarnatewordacademy.org for purchases.

## WINTER CHESS CLUB



Save the date for the winter session of the IWA Chess Club!

Chess will be held on Thursdays after school from 2:45 to 3:45 p.m., beginning January 18, 2024 and ending on March 21, 2024.

The program is open to students in Grades K-8. Click the button below to register!

Click here to register!

## **IWA ALUMNI NEWS**

## Alumni Spotlight: Tiffany Yap, IWA Class of 1993



Tiffany Yap, IWA Class of 1993, recently donated a signed copy of her newly published graphic novel titled "Tales of the Urban Wild: A Puma's Journey." Her book shares an intriguing story of a young puma in central California facing habitat loss, poison, dangerous roads, conflict with farm animals, and wildfire.

In addition to writing, Tiffany works as a conservation scientist in California. She holds a doctorate in environmental science and engineering and has published studies in Science, EcoHealth, and other scientific journals.

Although Tiffany was not able to personally deliver her book to IWA, her parents were able to make the trip! Fun Fact: Tiffany's brother, Michael, graduated with Mrs. Bleakley!

## **Alumni Engagement Committee - Members Wanted!**

We are looking for IWA alumni to join our newly formed Alumni Engagement Committee of the IWA Board of Directors! This group will help formally align alumni engagement efforts with the work of the board and its committees.

We invite you to be a part of this committee in some way. <u>Please click here to email Hannah Hill '12</u> to let her know that you are interested or want to learn more about the various ways to engage with this group -



leadership role, committee member or a class ambassador. If you have specific alums that you think would be strong Alumni Engagement Committee member, please consider nominating them!

Are you an Incarnate Word Academy alum? We'd love to hear from you! Please take a moment, click a button below and send us an update!

Are you an IWA Alum? Click here!

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