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Dear Saint Joseph School Families,

I would like to take this opportunity to introduce myself to you as the Home and School Association (H.S.A) President for the 2011-2012 school year. On behalf of the entire Home and School Association Board, I would like to extend a warm welcome to all of our new and returning families.

The Home and School Association membership consists of all of the parents and guardians of the current students of Saint Joseph School. Our objective is to financially support the Principal and Pastor of Saint Joseph's Catholic School. The Home and School Association is required to raise \$25,000 this year to pay the Diocese's Assessment. Our Principal has also provided our school with an Educational Equipment and Goods purchase list. All funds raised above the assessment level will be directly applied towards the purchase of equipment for our children. Our fundraising goal is \$75,000 for the 2011-2012 school year.

I would like to encourage all families to attend the Home and School Association monthly meetings. The meeting dates and times are August 16, 2011, September 6, 2011, October 4, 2011, November 9, 2011, December 13, 2011, January 10, 2012, February 14, 2012, March 13, 2012, April 10, 2012, and May 8, 2012 (elections) and will also be posted on the website. The meetings provide an opportunity to learn about current and upcoming events, as well as, fundraising efforts. You would also have the opportunity to be apprised of the overall progress of the board. Attached to this letter you will find a preview of our social / community styled fundraisers. The key to our success is the active participation of all our families, the community and the parish.

I look forward to seeing you at the Ice Cream Social in August and also meeting you at the Meet the Teacher Night in September.

Have a wonderful and safe summer,

Jean M. Ferrara  
Saint Joseph School Home and School Association President

## **Saint Joseph Home and School Association 2011-2012 Calendar of Events**

Dear Parents,

The Home and School Association Board is very excited about the new school year. We have reduced the number of fund raisers to five events. The five fundraisers are structured to foster a strong sense of community while working towards the benefit of our children.

We will be sending our email reminders throughout the year so you can save the dates for the following events;

- **Open House and Ice Cream Social: August 25 at 6:00 p.m.** All family members are welcome for a fun time!
- **Meet the teacher night: September 13, 2011** We will be meeting with our teachers, introducing our H.S.A board and previewing the events for the year.

### **Fundraisers:**

- **Wine Tasting: Friday, November 18, 2011.** Come join us for this adult only evening at Anthony's Lake Club. Purchase great wines and socialize with friends. Help is needed. Chair persons are: Yet to be determined.
- **Christmas Festival December 3&4, 2011.** Vendors, students and families alike display their best hand-crafted treasures. Located at the SJS School, Join the fun with the crafts, and do not forget about Santa. Enjoy the fabulous Christmas Café and St. Nick's Bakery. Help is needed. Chair persons are: Yet to be determined.
- **Auction Dinner-Dance: April or May 2012.** Our largest fundraiser will be held in the Danbury/Brookfield area this year. Wine and dine with family and friends. Help is needed. Chair persons are: Yet to be determined
- **2011 Golf Outing: May or June 2012.** Come enjoy a round of golf with family and friends. After golfing all day, enjoy a dinner following the tournament. Help is needed. Chair persons are: Yet to be determined



Have you signed up for SCRIP yet?



Don't miss out on an easy way to earn money for SJS  
and towards your family's tuition for next year!

Easy steps to join:

- go to <https://www.shopwithscrip.com/getstarted/register.aspx>  
click on 'MY ACCOUNT'
  - Entered required information- SJS enrollment code is  
65LCCLD722LL12
  - Set up a *Presto Pay* account which needs to be validated( this  
can take 2-3 business days to complete)
  - Confirm validation number to coordinator's email at  
[hkferrara@aol.com](mailto:hkferrara@aol.com) for validation.
  - All orders will be cleared at 10am on Fridays. The distribution of  
the cards will be ready for pick up on the following Friday at the  
children pick up.
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- Extended family can join SCRIP and purchase the cards at  
their convenience from their own account. The credit that  
they earn will go towards your family's monies as long as  
they have identified a child's name in the SJS School.
  - The cards that are purchased by your family members will  
come to the school and can be picked up by you to hand out.  
This avoids the weekly fund transfers from family member to  
family member for ordering.

If you have any questions please send them to  
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