

# From the Nest

2009-2010

Eagle Athletic  
and Art News

It's Football Time in Tennessee! (Even in Eagleville . . .)---We have quite a few players participating in diocesan play this season. St. Ann students suiting up for Raider football at the Varsity level include: Gabriel Hill, Cuong Nguyen, Ryan Simmons, Jake Stevens, Hunter Thompson, and Kiernan Fay. 7<sup>th</sup> Grader Mason Drury continues his allegiance with St. Matthew School. At the 5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup> Grade level are Eddie Bilbrey (with dad Larry Bilbrey coaching), Connor Fay, Jason Gardner, and Stephen Richey. We are proud of these players and their representing St. Ann in the diocese; have a great season, fellas!

**Cross Country In Full Swing**---At this point, the roster has 76 runners participating! And, more importantly, we seem to have a good number of parent helpers at Richland Park during practices---the more the merrier! Our core group of coaches depend on the extra volunteers to help watch the large number of runners making their rounds every Tuesday and Thursday. The first race is Sunday, September 13, 1:00 p.m., at Overbrook. The team will practice at the course, altered this year in response to track and field renovation on the Dominican campus, on consecutive Thursdays, September 3<sup>rd</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup>, at 6:00 p.m. These special on-site practices will take the place of the after-school session on those days---so mark your calendar as a reminder! **Note:** Coaches are excited about the season and freely volunteer their time to encourage runners to do their best. In response, runners are expected to give 100% during practices---no whining or complaining! Long distance running isn't for everyone, that's for sure. It can be extremely satisfying, however, when approached with a can-do attitude, and races are the bomb!

**Fourteen And Going Strong**---This team is a dedicated group, even using precious recess time to practice their competition routine and cheers. The squad continues to represent our school well, including a recent outing helping the Richland community welcome the newly formed west-side Farmer's Market, located on Saturdays now at Richland Park. The girls were there for the ribbon cutting celebration---what great ambassadors for St. Ann School!

**Jr. Volleyball Practice to Start This Wednesday**—It looks like this may be a small (but hopefully mighty) group this year . . . this is our official last call for all 5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup> girls interested in carrying on our Eagle volleyball tradition---this is the time to learn the nuts and bolts of the game; Varsity play in 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grades is fiercely competitive! Please e-mail Mrs. Herrmann at [kherrmann@stannash.org](mailto:kherrmann@stannash.org) today if you want to play. Fee: \$50.

## **Art News . . .**

Visual Arts students in 6<sup>th</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, and Kindergarten are off to a great start. Our youngest artists will be “mimicking” a couple of masterpieces over the next couple of weeks with a look at abstract expressionist Jackson Pollack (think drip, splatter, and roll) and Russian painter Wassily Kandinsky (think dot, dot, and more dots). Third grade will complete a self portrait, contour-style, using a simple print method, while artists in Grade 6 will study American regionalist painter, Grant Wood. Watch for results soon!