



RIVERMONT COLLEGIATE

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Headlines

November 14, 2008

Dear Rivermont community,

Last week a delegation of faculty and administrators attended the annual ISACS Conference in St. Paul, Minnesota. The conference theme – *Learning: The Power of Community*, resonated with our goals here at Rivermont. This was a tremendous opportunity for the Rivermont staff not only to spend some time together (6 hours in the car there and 6 back) but to interact with colleagues from other independent schools sharing ideas, opportunities, and vision. The sharing began before we left Iowa as the Dean of Academics from Scattergood Friends School joined our travel group. With only 4 independent schools in the state of Iowa, this was a welcome opportunity to get to know one of our neighbor schools better.

The Professional Services Committee of ISACS put on a tremendous conference. Speakers and workshop presenters came from across the country bringing significant expertise and professionalism to our gathering. The theme of community was evident in most of the presentations while the sharing and exchange of ideas among schools clearly built bonds between and among us. The Rivermont delegation returned with many new ideas to share and weave into our already strong and inclusive program. The School's commitment to life-long learning was evident as the teachers became the students in St. Paul.

Rick St. Laurent
Headmaster



Rivermont Collegiate presents
two one-act plays about life in the theatre...

“Who Am I This Time?”
an episode from Kurt Vonnegut, Jr.'s
“Welcome to the Monkey House”
adapted by Christopher Sergel

“Amelia, Once More”
by David Muschell

Friday, November 14th & Saturday, November
15th at 7:00 p.m.

Tickets: \$5.00 at the door

Saturday Morning Basketball (1st & 2nd grade added!)

Saturday morning basketball at Rivermont Collegiate began on November 8. We had an enthusiastic group of players and there is plenty of room in the gym for more to participate. We will expand the program to include first and second grade boys & girls. Players in grades 6-8 are invited to stay for both sessions. Cost is only \$25 per player for the entire season. There are 16 Saturdays left and players can participate in as many sessions as fit their schedules.



The program is held every Saturday until March 21 with the exception of November 29, December 27, and February 21.

9:00-11:00 a.m.

Grades 6-8

10:00-11:00 a.m.

Grades 1-5

Alumni Basketball Game & Meet the Team Night

On Tuesday, November 25 several Rivermont alumni will be returning to campus to re-live some of their favorite times. At 4:00 p.m. Alumni Imp-Tiger games will be held (with points counting for this year's total!) followed by the Alumni Basketball Game at 5:30 p.m. Alumni cheerleaders will be on hand to add to the spirit of the event. The evening ends with Meet the Team Night at 7:00 p.m. Varsity basketball players, cheerleaders, and coaches will be introduced and you will get a pre-season look at our team's awesome skills. The Lions open their 2008-09 season at Scattergood on December 3. The first home game is on December 5 at 6:30 p.m. against Morning Star Academy.



Cheer Clinic

A two-day cheer clinic will be held after school from 3:30-4:30 p.m. on December 4-5. Participants will have the opportunity to cheer at halftime of the December 5 home basketball game. Details are included in the attached flyer.



Check your cupboards & closets!

The art department could use old, out dated cameras of any sort, (broken is fine) as well as empty oatmeal boxes. They can be sent to school with students and dropped off at any time in the Art Room or at either reception desk.

Thank You.

Did You Know...

Hy-Vee Scrip Cards can be used at the Hy-Vee gas stations, in addition to the grocery stores? Rivermont gets 5% profit on each Scrip Card purchased through the program. Everyone needs gas and groceries—please support the Rivermont Parents' Council Scrip Program. Extra forms are available in Becherer Hall on the Parents' Council

bulletin board. Please call Beth Heaney (309) 797-3253 or send an e-mail to heaney@rvmt.org with any questions about the program.

Parents' Council

Magazine Drive Over?

Even though the official Magazine Drive has ended, Parents' Council would like to remind you subscriptions can be ordered or renewed online at www.qsp.com. The Rivermont Collegiate organization number is 425008927. Parents' Council will continue to receive monetary credit for all online orders.

Lower School

Giving is the Reason for the Season

LS Student Council Members are giving back to our community during this holiday season. In years past, the LS StuCo has adopted families to provide Christmas gifts. We would like to continue this tradition by making the holidays brighter for seniors who cannot afford the holidays or those who no longer have family or friends to remember them. The LS StuCo will be having an EXTRA RECESS on MONDAY, NOVEMBER 17th right after lunch recess. WAHOO! The LS StuCo is charging 50¢ per student for those who would like to participate in an extra recess and give back to their community too! All of the money collected will be used to help purchase gifts. The LS StuCo will be shopping for these seniors on Friday, December 12th. Thank you for your support!

Grandparents' & Special Friends' Day

November 26, 2008

Come join us to celebrate the special people in our students' lives. We encourage all our students to invite these special people to come and see the magic of Rivermont for themselves.

Contact Tammi Burrell at burrell@rvmt.org for additional invitations.



Upcoming Events Mark Your Calendar!



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*where there are no spectators,
only participants!*

**Contact Admission Director
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November

- 14 US Fall Production, 7 PM
- 15 **Saturday Basketball, 9-11 AM**
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- 20 Grades 4-8 Spelling Bee, 2:45 PM
- 21 Festival of Trees performance
- 22 **Saturday Basketball, 9-11 AM**
- 25 Alumni **Imp-Tiger** Games, 4-5 PM
Alumni Basketball Game, 5:30 PM
Meet the Boys Varsity Basketball Team, 7 PM
- 26 **Grandparents' & Special Friends' Day**
Visit classrooms, 9:30 AM
Program, 10:30 AM
Dismissal, 11:30 AM
- 27-30 Thanksgiving Break

Parent events are in bold & Early Dismissals are underlined.

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