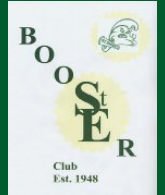


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Booster Club Monthly Newsletter



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THIS MONTH'S BOYS BB GAMES:

1/6 @ RIVERSIDE-
BROOKFIELD

1/10 VS. FENTON

1/15 VS ICCP

1/23 MSC DIVISIONAL
CROSSOVER

1/24 @ HAMPSHIRE

THIS MONTH'S GIRLS BB GAMES:

1/6 VS. SOUTH ELGIN

1/8 @ FENTON

1/10 @ RIVERSIDE-
BROOKFIELD

1/13 VS. RIVERSIDE-
BROOKFIELD

1/16 MSC DIVISIONAL
CROSSOVER

1/24 @ HAMPSHIRE

1/27 VS. GLENBARD
SOUTH

1/29 VS. ACC

The Booster Club Newsletter Is Here!

The St. Edward Booster Club is introducing a new newsletter to inform students, families, alumni, and teachers all of the happenings with the booster club. The newsletter will feature articles on current and future projects, fundraising events, and other happenings with the club. This newsletter will be out on a monthly basis, so look for more information in the coming months with the Booster Club.

Success at the Pot of Gold Always Looking for a Good...

St. Edward Booster Club hosted its 33rd annual Pot of Gold Dinner/Raffle on Friday, November 7th at Golf Club of Illinois. Even though attendance was low as compared to prior years, the event was a success!!! Donations and number payments are still coming in but the Booster Club should reach its budgeted fundraising goal for this event.

Big Winners were Jen Stapay, Dick Fitchie, Katie Hoffmann, Patty Romano, and Jack Hubbard. All of these winners donated \$200 of their winnings back to the club as a "thank you"!! Coach Mike Aytz won the 50/50 raffle drawing as well. Thanks to all who supported this year's event. Look forward to an even better event in 2015!!!

The St. Edward Booster Club Board of Directors is always looking for strong supporters and possible members. If you would like to work with a group of dedicated individuals who determine the direction of the St. Edward Booster Club please contact Jim French, President, or any current member of the Board of Directors. The Board normally meets on the 3rd Tuesday of the Month at 7 pm in Green Wave Hall. **{January and February the meeting will be held on the 3rd Monday of these months}**

Ralph Waldo Emerson once stated "your actions speak so loudly I cannot hear what you say!" Become involved! Be a member of the Booster Club and become a Board member!

New Gym Pads Installed

If you haven't noticed the new safety pads have been installed around the walls of the St. Edward gym. The St. Edward Booster Club donated \$9,500 towards total cost of \$14,500 to replace the tattered and worn padding throughout the gym. The new padding was installed on the North, South, and West walls of the gym. It even includes the Johnny Green Wave logo and the beloved STE symbol! Lane Gredzieleski, Gus Domel and others contributed their sweat-equity to install the pads just prior to the first home girls basketball game of this season. Thanks to all for a JOB WELL DONE!!!!

THIS MONTH'S BOWLING MATCHES:

1/6 GIRLS @ GENEVA
(BOWLING GREEN
BOWL—WEST CHICA-
GO)

1/7 GIRLS @ WOOD-
STOCK (WAYNES
LANES)

1/7 BOYS VS. WOOD-
STOCK (ELGIN
LANES)

1/10 GIRLS @ IMSA
INVITATIONAL
(MARDI GRAS
LANES—DEKALB)

1/12 BOYS VS. WEST-
MINSTER (ELGIN
LANES)

1/14 GIRLS VS. ELGIN
(BOWLAWAY LANES)

1/14 BOYS VS. ICCP
(ELGIN LANES)

Green Wave Hall..Video Study Hall?

Yes that's right. Thru the efforts of the St. Edward Booster Club, Green Wave Hall {GWH} has morphed into a video study hall for use by all sports teams to view game films, practice tapes or instructional videos or whatever materials the coaches wishes.

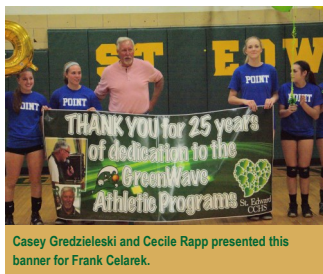
Big Thanks to St. Edward Booster Club in purchasing a HD overhead projector that is Wi-Fi compatible. Now the only issues remaining is some minor electrical which is being handled by Joe and Chuck Cerny, and securing a "hot spot". Thanks to Lane Gredzieleski for donating the huge wall screen; to Steve Rapp for providing installation of this screen and to Joe & Chuck for their work in wiring the projector!!

GWH makes for a perfect site for teams to review game videos and training films....just ask Coach Ro!!!!

Frank Celarek Appreciation Night

The Lady Wave Volleyball team, coaches and parents expressed their appreciation to Frank Celarek for his 25 years of announcing Lady Wave Volleyball.

To the utter amazement of Frank, a longtime Booster Club Board of Directors member, all of the varsity players donned a shirt that declared "Point" on one side and "Frank 25" on the other. An autographed volleyball, a huge banner, and cake were all presented to Frank on that special evening!!



Casey Gredzieleski and Cecile Rapp presented this banner for Frank Celarek.



Alyssa Saunders presents the signed volleyball to Frank.

Super Bowl Bonanza

Proclaimed the "Best Open House in the Fox Valley", join us for the fun and pageantry of the St. Edward Booster Club Super Bowl Bonanza. All you need to do is reserve a \$100 square on the big board and/or potentially smaller boards at different values. Besides all the eats and drinks you care to partake, you even have the opportunity to win some cash!

Ever since the STE Booster Club initiated this event it has been one of the most well received fund raisers in the area. Chefs prepare fabulous food for your pleasure.....all sorts of libations are available from the moment you enter...and possibly even other games of the day might be running.

So plan now to book your square for this year's Super Bowl Bonanza and stop by Green Wave Hall anytime after 1 pm on Super Bowl Sunday for fun, merriment, eats and libations!!! Booster Club even provides a separate "smokers" area for those so inclined.

**PRESIDENT'S
CORNER WITH
JIM FRENCH,
PRESIDENT OF
STE BOOSTER
CLUB**

Welcome all to the first St. Edward Booster Club monthly newsletter. STE Boosters are taking the endeavor to keep the community informed of how we interact with the school administration to enhance the athletic facilities.

Throughout the year we conduct various fund raisers to financially assist the school and athletic teams. Much of our work occurs in the background as we do these activities with the goal of assisting where needed. Hopefully, through this form of communication, the St. Edward community will be informed of the accomplishments of this hard working group.

Perhaps, as you see our undertakings and the accomplishments of the Student-Athletes, you will be enlightened to join our group to help us grow and become a stronger organization.

Thank you.

Jim French
President

Student-Athlete & Alumni News

Ben Lehman ('11) was featured in an article in the Elgin Courier News where the now senior QB helped Valparaiso beat Butler University 17-3 winning the coveted "Hoosier Helmet." Click [here](#) to view the article.

Congratulations to senior OL/LB **Chris Kelly ('15)** in winning the NFF Scholar-Athlete Award. He is the third player in four years to receive the award joining **Luke Duffy ('12)** and **Collin Holte ('14)**.

Congratulations to **Katie Yohn ('10)** for signing a contract to play basketball professionally in Europe this spring!!! Katie

will be playing for the Rhein Main Baskets in the Damen-Basketball-Bundesliga League. At its conclusion she will return to St. Louis area and play for the St. Louis Surge {semipro} during the summer months.

Seniors **Cecile Rapp ('15)** and **Kathleen Duffy ('15)** have made commitments to Lindenwood University, an NCAA Division II liberal arts university in St. Charles, Missouri, for basketball and soccer respectively. Congratulations and we look forward to see your continued success there!

Suburban Christian Catholic Wayfarers Conference

Ever wonder what's the name of the athletic conference St. Edward is part of this school year? You may not be alone! The athletic conferences that St. Edward has been an integral part of over the years have been Suburban Catholic Conference with teams like Marmion, Benet, Driscoll, Montini, St. Francis, Holy Cross, Niles Notre Dame, Marian Central Catholic, IC and others. As athletic conferences morphed, but St. Edward remain constant in keeping its focus on Faith-Family-Academics-Athletics.

Beginning the 2014-2015 school year St. Edward is a member of the Metro Suburban Conference. Other member schools are: Fenton, Glenbard South, ICCP, Walter Christian, Wheaton Academy, Aurora Central Catholic, Riverside Brookfield, Ridgewood, Elmwood Park, Guerin Prep, Timothy Christian, Chicago Christian and St. Edward. There are two divisions with St. Edward currently residing in the "West" division.

Look forward to new challenges, new rivalries, and new faces with old traditions. Catch one of the St. Edward boys or girls basketball games or maybe ever a bowling match this winter before it is too late!

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History of the St. Edward Booster Club

In 1948 the supporters of sports at St. Edward High School looked to form an organization that would support the efforts of the AD and the sport teams of St. Edward Central Catholic High School. In doing such, they gave birth to the St. Edward High School Booster Club. The Club has provided many opportunities for members to support athletics of St. Edward High School from concessions, to erecting and taking down the football bleachers, to ticket takers, announcers, scorers, fundraisers, hall maintenance, various capital projects.

So Don't just sit there....get involved with the St. Edward Booster Club. Men and Women, young and old....everyone is invited to join and become an active member. Want to really get in on the ground floor...look into becoming a member of the Board of Directors of the Booster Club. Go to <http://www.stedsboosterclub.com/membership> to become a member.

Major Booster Club Fundraising Events

Jim Biggins Green Wave Invitational—Golf outing normally the first Monday after July 4th at the Golf Club of Illinois.

Pot of Gold Dinner Raffle—Draw down raffle with a single winner receiving \$6,000. There are also mini drawings and second chance prizes. This is normally on the first Friday in November at the Golf Club of Illinois.

Super Bowl Bonanza—A 100-square board priced at \$100 per square. Prizes given at the end of first three quarters and final score. It is held at Green Wave Hall on Super Bowl Sunday with delicious food, libations, and merriment. The best Open House in the Fox Valley!

March Madness—A 100-square board priced at \$100 per square. Each game is a winner! There will be food, libations, and fun at Green Wave Hall on Championship Weekend Saturday and Monday.