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## IMAGES OF FUTURE ST. LUKE FACILITY UNVEILED

A gym filled with students, parents, school and board staff erupted with cheers as architect Jean Larocque unveiled the images of the future St. Luke School facility.

The virtual tour showed that not only will the new facility be built for the 21st century learner, but in line with current green initiatives as well. Some of the new facility's green features will include sun louvers, rain harvesting, and a reflective roof.

The entire school community has spent the past year prepar-

ing for its overall new "look". The Toro has been selected as the new St. Luke mascot and the official school colours are red and black. The school officially opens in September 2011 at 1516 McKeown Avenue, the site of the former Sacred Heart School. For more photos, visit [www.npsc.ca](http://www.npsc.ca).

Photos at right:  
Top: A rendering of St Luke's future front entrance.  
Bottom: Architect Jean Larocque answers questions from excited and curious St. Luke students.



## THIS SILVER IS MADE OF GOLD

Tim Silver didn't run the fastest or jump the farthest to earn his gold. Over the course of his secondary school career, the Grade 12 St. Joseph-Scollard Hall student donated over 750 hours of his time to various causes in his school and broader communities.

Tim is SJSH's latest student to earn the Gold Pin. It represents the highest level of the Duke of Edinburgh Awards, a self-development program equipping youth with life skills as they make a difference to themselves, their community, their country, and in Tim's case, other countries. He is heading to Costa Rica for ten days in July where he and 14 other SJSH students, 10 chaperones and 5 staff will begin the next phase in building a drug and alcohol rehab centre for teens and donate school supplies and toiletries to two Catholic elementary schools in Sarchi and

Grand Llano. By the end of this project, Tim will have contributed approximately 1000 hours to community service.

On June 10, SJSH Duke lead Andy Hazelwood and city councilor Chris Mayne presented Tim his Gold Pin in front of a class full of students, teachers and board administrators. "Wear that with pride," Hazelwood said to Silver. "You've earned it."

For Tim, the life lessons he gained in the Duke program are the most valuable reward.

"My experiences have changed me and I'm a better person because of it," he said. "Seeing how grateful the students in Costa Rica were (last year) to receive little erasers and calculators helped me realize how fortunate we are and that we must always try to help those who are less fortunate."





## TRINITY

I praise you, God of my love.  
You are the creator who holds me and cares for me every moment of my life.

You create me, you nurture me, you sustain me, you challenge me.  
You are always for me.

You are the Saviour who forgives me and helps me on my journey of life.  
You are my way, my truth and my life.  
You are always with me.

You are the Spirit who knows me through and through.  
You live in my heart.  
You are my truth, my light, my guide.  
You are always in me.

Thank you for creating me in your likeness.  
Thank you for saving me for you.

Thank you for guiding me in love.  
In you all is shared, communicated and given.  
All is receive, welcomed and loved.  
May you always inspire me to see you in all my sisters and brothers.  
Amen.

# SNAPSHOTS



**Minister of Education Visits St. Hubert School for Launch of Book Co-Authored by NPSC Principal**  
If you haven't already read or heard of *Patrick's Wish*, chances are you will in the 2010-2011 school year. Co-authored by St. Hubert Principal, Karen Mitchell, the book tells the story of North Bay's Patrick Fortin who contracted HIV as a hemophiliac child and whose biggest wish was for a world with zero AIDS. Before speaking at the book launch, Minister of Education Leona Dombrowsky toured St. Hubert school and experienced Virtues Education in action through various classroom activities. Photo at left: Minister Dombrowsky and Nipissing MPP Monique Smith are greeted by St. Hubert students Logan Cloutier, SK (in white), and Brady Villeneuve, JK, (in red).



**Civics Class with Expert Guest**  
This was no ordinary civics lesson for St. Victor students in Mrs. Dumont's Grade 5 class. In April, the students learned about Canadian government directly from Nipissing-Temiskaming Member of Parliament, Anthony Rota. His current public service portfolio also includes Chair of the National Liberal Caucus, and Vice-Chair of the House of Commons Standing Committee on Industry, Science and Technology.



**Even Rock Stars Can Bake!**  
The students in Ms. Trisha Lamothe's Food and Nutrition class at St. Joseph-Scollard Hall Catholic Secondary School challenged each other to a cake contest. The cakes were displayed to the entire school community and judged by SJSH staff. The winning cake was a replica of a Pearl brand drum designed and created by students and music lovers Logan Fraser, Jesse Shoults, Raven Hill, and Nicholas Larocque.



### Learning to Prevent Bullying

Intermediate students across the Nipissing-Parry Sound Catholic District School Board travelled to St. Theresa School in Callander in May for a safe schools presentation focussed on anti-bullying. The students watched and some volunteered to participate as actors in various scenarios where certain dialogues and approaches were shown to prevent bullying from occurring.



### Giving Back on Earth Day

John XXIII students took some time out of their schedule on Earth Day to give Mother Earth some special attention. The students worked together with teachers in a school yard and neighbourhood cleanup.

### 1, 2, 3, Click!

Catholic Education Week at Our Lady of Sorrows School included a numeracy afternoon for junior grades during which students explored numeracy activities together in the computer laboratory.



### SEAC Celebrates 10 Years of Brighter Tomorrows

Diane Vandebossche of Fresh S.T.A.A.R.T (shown below) was one of many workshop presenters at the tenth anniversary Special Education Carousel Evening in May. Each year this community event is open to parents, educators, field professionals, and anyone with an interest in special education.



## MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIR



*BARBARA  
McCOOL*

Over the final few months of the 2009-2010 school year, we

have seen our students, parents, staff and trustees become very engaged in wonderful activities and events across our system.

Thank you to all of those who came together for the many activities and liturgical celebrations during Catholic

Education Week in April, the assembly for the unveiling of the new St. Luke facility photos, the St. Joseph-Scollard Hall Pow Wow and the 10th anniversary Special Education Carousel Evening in May. We are blessed to have such committed members of our Catholic education commu-

nity who all strive for excellence.

On behalf of the Board of Trustees, I would like to wish all of you a safe, enjoyable and restful summer.

We look forward to seeing you all again in September 2011.

# UPCOMING EVENTS

## Summer Challenge 2010 Presents: The Prince of Egypt An Original Stage Production

July 21, 22, 23 & 24. 7 p.m. in the St. Joseph-Scollard Hall Bishop Carter Auditorium. Tickets available beginning July 2 from Creative Learning, SJSH front office and on show nights: \$10 general admission, \$5 for children 5 and under. For more information, call 494-8600.

## French Language "Encore" Summer Camp 2010: For Early French Immersion Students Ages 7-11

Session 1: June 28 - July 9    Session 2: July 12 - July 23  
For details and registration, call 472-1201 ext. 2113.

## Summer Hoop Camp 2010:

Camp 1: June 28 - July 2 (Kindergarten to Grade 4)  
Camp 2: July 5 - 9 (Kindergarten to Grade 6)  
Camp 3: July 5 - 9 (Grade 7 to Grade 11)

For more information, visit [www.summerhoopcamp.com](http://www.summerhoopcamp.com) or call Jim Davidson at 497-9505.



## NEW AWARD GIVEN AT SYSTEM TRACK MEET

A new award has been created to honour the overall top female and male athletes in the NPSC elementary system track meet. The Gary McParland Award, named after the St. Hubert teacher who is retiring this year and has long contributed to sports in the system, is presented to the two individuals who demonstrate

outstanding attitude, effort, performance and results. Congratulations to the 2010 winners Ashley Bénard-Legris of St. Theresa School (1st place 100m, 200m, triple jump, 4X100) and Evan Stronach of St. Hubert School (1st place 400m, 800m, 1500m, 4X100).

Above Photo: Ashley and Evan with teacher Gary McParland.



## SJSH HONOURS ITS ATHLETES

Congratulations to all of the recipients of the annual SJSH Athletic Awards given out to top male and female athletes in each sport category on June 10. Some of the night's awards included:

Special Award of Appreciation - Joe Gal (retiring teacher/coach); Kate Pace Award of Perseverance - David Fournier; John Alkins Dedication to

Sport Award - Chris Cirullo; Academic-Athletic Awards - Alyssa Bedard and George Quimby; Female Athlete of the Year - Allison Loyst; Male Athlete of the Year - George Quimby; OFSAA Colin Hood Award - Allison Loyst, George Quimby, Laurie Vezina; OFSAA Sportsmanship Award - Lady Bears Hockey Team. Note - this is the first time a North Bay team has won this award.

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