



# ST. SEBASTIAN PARISH SOCIALS

MISSION: TO CREATE & PROVIDE A CHRISTIAN BASED COMMUNITY THROUGH RADICAL HOSPITALITY BY FOSTERING FRIENDSHIP AND FAMILY VALUES.

SOCIALS NEWSLETTER

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## 2019-2020 Socials Recap

**2nd Grade Fall Fest:** 2nd grade families gathered in Z-Hall for a fun evening of fall activities and raised **\$500!!** Hosted by the Chapin, Coleman, Pozsgay, Whitney & Wojnicz families.



**Trunk-or-Treat!** A favorite event among St. Sebastian families. Hosted by the Knauer family, this event raised a whopping **\$1,925!!**



**3rd Grade Wine Tasting:** 3rd grade parents, teachers and Fr. Valencheck met for an evening of wine, beer, great music and fun and together raised **\$395!!** Hosted by the Kenny, Chuba, DiNicola, Hall, Deagan, Bitecofer, Haller, Pezzaniti, Sellers, Griffith, Conway, and Judeh families.

**Annual Ladies Christmas Boutique:** 2019 brought a record breaking year, raising **\$5,050!!** We had 202 Women in attendance at Portage Country Club. Thank you to the numerous sponsors! This could not be done without you. Thank you to Anita Calleri, Elizabeth Khayat, Missy Knauer and Kathy Huckabee for planning this event.

**2019 Celebrity Night:** Held at Tangiers, Thank you to all who stopped by for a fun filled evening! Congratulations to the "Dream Team" (Ms. Karg, Ms. Heffern and Mrs. Smee) for holding your title. Thank you to the Burgoyne, Jopperi & Paxton families for hosting.



**4th/5th Grade Beer Tasting:** Parents of 4th & 5th Graders gathered for an evening of fun with a bonfire, food, and beer. Together raised **\$407!** Hosted by the Chuba, Hatridge, Lawson, Kenny, Tober, Trenor and Whitney families.



When preparing to lead the Socials Committee, never in our minds did we think our first year we would be in the middle of a global health crisis. The St. Sebastian's community means the world to us. The health and safety of all families and faculty of the school and parish are our top priority. We encourage anyone that would like to host a Social to follow all local, state, and federal guidelines. We even thought of a few "Anti-Social" ideas such as; drive-in movie, city wide scavenger hunt, or even a drive up ice cream Social. Or gather friends and start making plans for springtime Socials! You could host an adult Easter Egg Hunt, Cinco-de-Mayo party, rib cook-off, a night at a ballpark, a backyard BBQ, the ideas are endless. The purpose of a social is to bring our community together for lasting friendships and memories. *We are all in this together.*

**What is a Social?** Socials are a great way to meet new families and create strong bonds among our school and parish, while raising money that goes DIRECTLY to our teachers! That's right, 100% of the total ticket cost goes to the Teacher Appreciation & Wellness Fund. Socials can be for a single grade or an all school/parish event. Best yet a Social can occur any time throughout the year and the ideas and themes are endless.

**What do I do?** HAVE A PARTY! It's really that simple. We need hosts who would like to plan and pay for the Social, which can be very inexpensive. Gather a group of friends and contact one of us. The party gets planned, invites get sent out, and the fun begins!

**How do I get started?** Reach out to us! If you need ideas or themes, we can help. We will help you get started and give you all the details for hosting a social.

### What Socials gave to teachers during the 2019-2020 school year:

- Christmas Bonuses
- Christmas Gifts
- End of year Gifts
- Upgrades to the teacher lounge
- Dinner for teachers during conferences
- Retirement Bricks.

*THANK YOU so much for helping provide this and more for the teachers!*

### UPCOMING EVENTS

October 16th—Trunk or Treat

November 15th—Ladies Christmas Boutique

November 19th - Celebrity Night at Tangiers

\*events may be rescheduled due to COVID-19 concerns.

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