

SETON CLUBS & THEATRE ACTIVITIES



2019-2020

DRAMA

For "Improv" and "Theater Seminar" (see more information under "Clubs")

Fall Play

- THIS YEAR'S FALL PLAY (directed by Matt Moore) is the timeless classic, "Belles on Their Toes." It's the sharply witty, fast-moving and fun show about a large family sticking together against all odds.
- Featuring great characters and sophisticated acting opportunities, this show is open to all students grades 7-12. There are 18 total parts available.
- Auditions are Thursday, September 5th from 7-9 PM in Faustina. Please prepare and memorize a one-minute comedic monologue. Dress in comfortable clothes, bring water and prepare to move.
- Dress rehearsal is Friday, October 19th. Performances will be on Saturday and Sunday October 20 and 21.
- Practices are on various days of the week.

Senior Play

- The seniors are directing and performing a Christmas themed play on December 7th and 8th.
- Senior Marcie Van de Voorde is directing with Mr. Matt Moore.
- This senior play is acted and produced by seniors.
- Tryouts and Practice schedule is TBD. Watch the Sentinel for more details!

Seton Musical

- This year the 5 performances are the last two weekends in April. (April 17, 18, 29, 24, & 25)
- Auditions for the musical will be in December. (Everyone is accepted, but everyone has to tryout).
- Callbacks for lead roles are a few days after the tryouts.

- The name of the musical and audition dates will be announced MidFall on <http://SetonMusical.com>
- Rehearsals are on Wednesdays and Saturdays
- Rehearsals during Tech week are mandatory (the week of Easter vacation)
- Sign ups for Stage Crew and Set Design help are announced in Morning announcements. Not everyone who signs up for Stage Crew will be taken.
- For more information, talk to Mrs. Erin or Maryan Vander Woude.

CLUBS (by alphabetical order)

Art Club: NEW! (Ann Pennefather) Can't draw, can't paint? No problem! We'll teach you tricks and techniques that will help you significantly improve your art! Membership requirements: Sign up and come prepared to sketch, paint and create with their own materials: sketchbook, colored pencils, water colors, etc. Student Officers: Lainie Vestermark, President; Annie Stevens: VP; Marie Heisler: Treasurer; Teresa Mosimann: Publicist
Meeting day & Frequency: 2nd & 4th Wednesday in Imelda.

Blue Crab Bowl (BCB) Team: (parent mentors Mr. Hank Konstanty, Mrs. Tricia Kellogg) This is Seton's 13th year to field a team at BCB which is Virginia's regional competition of the National Ocean Sciences Bowl. At this academic quiz-bowl competition, students use a buzzer system to respond to questions on a wide variety of ocean topics from geology to maritime history and from biology to current events. Come enjoy the excitement of competing against other Virginia high school students as you respond to rapid-fire questions, and work collaboratively with your teammates to beat the clock. Seeking students with curiosity and a willingness to read and study training

materials. You don't have to be a science whiz. We will prepare you for success. Meeting Dates: Weekly after school on day to be decided by team members, usually Wednesdays. Membership: Competition is open to 9th - 12th grade students. Must be available to travel to Old Dominion University on February 7 - 8, 2020. Junior high students welcome to practice with the team and attend the competition as spectators.

Choir: (Miss Monica Vicente) Meets on Mondays after school in Faustina to prepare to sing for Mass on Mondays at All Saints and Fridays at Seton. All grades are welcome. Some lunchtime practices are scheduled.

Cornerstone: (Mrs. Stephanie Kammerdeiner) Officers: Grace Vestermark, Andrew Gomez, John Paul Vander Woude, Justin Fiormanti, Lainie Vestermark . Volunteer Leader: Reagan Kammerdeiner. Cornerstone provides Junior High School students with a school-based social activity that encourages faith, fun, and friendship. Also, there will be food!!! Open to all JHS students.

Data Club: NEW! (Mr. Jeb Linton and Mr. Mark Hoffman). The Data Science Club practices "Artificial Intelligence", and in particular learns to design and train Deep Neural Networks. This is perhaps the most rapidly developing technology in history, likely to affect nearly all fields of study from hard science to engineering; and from language to the fine arts. Please be ready to spend time outside the Club practicing Python programming at home on your own time. Over time, you may want to build your own AI-capable PC (we'll show you how) and do your own experimentation.

Membership requirements: \$100 dues, willingness to learn the Python programming language

Meeting dates: Plan is to meet every other Saturday for three hours in Francis.

Jazz Band: (Mr. Ken Hall, Miss Jennifer Erwin). Students with band instrument talent are invited by the directors of the Jazz band. Weekly attendance is essential, as we are preparing for various performances. Currently-scheduled: December 11th (Christmas concert) and May 4th (Spring Concert). Additional performances TBD. Questions about the club can be fielded by Miss Erwin. Meeting dates: Most Wednesdays after school in Faustina.

Haiti Club: (Mr. Westhoff) The Haiti Club raises \$\$\$ for our sister school. 100% of the \$\$\$ raised goes to help the Poor. Specifically we help provide a lunch for the school children -- sometimes the only meal they have in a day. President: Victoria Rogers. Meetings in Teresa (as needed basis). Requirement for membership: Love of the Poor

Improv: (Mr. Matt Moore) Semper Ridiculum, Seton's own Improv Comedy Troupe, is back for its 9th consecutive year! We will begin immediately after the Fall Show is complete and will have three hilarious, side-splitting shows in the 2019-2020 year! Contact Matt Moore at m@ttmoore.com for more information about how you can be a part of this zany, fantastic Seton tradition. Club generally meets the 3rd Monday in the evening. All grades are welcome.

Literary Arts: (Miss Anne Pennefather) with President Catie Pacheco, and VP Bianca Misterio. This club collects writing for the LAC Journal and hosts the Mystery Dinner Theater during the course of the year. Meeting dates: Thursday. Open to all students

National Honor Society (NHS): (Mrs. Lucas and Mrs. Duran) The St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Chapter of the National Honor Society (NHS) is a student run service organization. Membership eligibility requires full-time status for sophomores, juniors or seniors who have a cumulative GPA

of at least 92.5% from classes taken at Seton, no more than four demerits since the beginning of the current school year and no more than eight demerits during the previous year. Notification of eligibility takes place in February at which time students complete an application and schedule an interview with the NHS Faculty Council. Students selected on the basis of their scholarship, character, leadership and service record are formally inducted into the NHS in April. Membership requirements include tutoring, assisting with school functions, chairing an NHS sponsored event, supporting NHS work throughout the year and attending monthly meetings. Monthly meetings: the first Monday of the month on which school is in session following last bell in Aquinas (or Claude if Aquinas is not available).

Sacred Life Club (SLC): (Mrs. Maria Cackett). President Grace Vestermark The Sacred Life Club plans to be very active this year. Our meetings will consist of finding ways as teenagers to contribute what we can to the pro-life cause and how to civilly respond to those who disagree with our stance on abortion. We will be planning trips to pray outside of the abortion clinic and fundraise to help mothers in need of our support and charity. The Sacred Life Club will also sponsor the faculty vs. varsity volleyball game. Please come and join us as we promote a culture of life. Let's save some babies! All are welcome. Meeting dates: every second Wednesday of the month.

Sea Perch: Moderated by Mr. Dan Maher and Mr. Mark Hoffman. Sea Perch Club designs, builds and operates Remotely Operated Vehicles (submarines). Cost: \$175 per team. 2 to 4 people per team. Meeting Dates: Wednesdays for JHS and HS. The JHS meets in the fall through early January to prepare for their competition in December. The HS prepares late January through early spring to prepare for their competition in March.

Sociedad Honoraria Hispánica (Ann Martella) Student officers/leaders: TBD This national honor society sponsored by the American Association of the Teachers of Spanish and Portuguese honors excellence in Spanish studies at Seton.

Meeting dates: TBD in Vianney Membership requirements:

1) Student must be actively enrolled in an upper level Spanish class (Spanish III or higher) and 2) Student must have a cumulative Spanish average of 3.5 or higher from all previous courses and an overall GPA of 3.0 or higher in all Seton courses.

Sons of the Most High:(Mr. Terreri, Mr. Heisler) The first rule of philosophy is to know thyself. Come to this club and help us discover what the second rule might be. We will meet every other week to read philosophers, talk about the good life, and answer the ancient question: "Who are you?" Meetings: Every other Wednesday starting 9/4 from 3:10 - 4:00 in Stein, Membership requirements: Open to 10th- 12th grade young men.

Spanish Club:(Martella) Pamela Medina, President. Spanish Club promotes Spanish culture and language learning at Seton. Recent topics have included: piñatas, Day of the Dead, guest speakers, country presentations, regional foods, and crafts, among other topics! Meeting date and room TBD. Spanish students and Spanish speakers are encouraged; All are welcome.

Swing Dance: (Mr. Heisler) President: Marie Heisler. Swing Dance club meets as announced to practice swing steps! Look for announcements about meetings in the morning announcements.

Theatre Workshop: (Matt Moore) Now in its fourth year, the SETON THEATRE SEMINAR will focus on Renaissance Theatre, Production Management, and

writing for the stage. The Theatre Seminar is a once-per-month night class for students that wish to delve deeply into theatre and become better performers as well as those who are interested in exploring all aspects of production. The first meeting will be on Monday, September 16th at 6:00 PM. Questions? Contact Matt Moore at m@ttmoore.com

Vex: (Mr. Hoffman) Student leader: Victoria Baker. Seton School offers a VEX robotics Club for high school students as an after-school activity to encourage students' interests in STEM related fields. Students in Seton's "VEX Club" work in teams to build a land-based robot. Students cultivate skills such as research, planning, brainstorming, collaboration, teamwork, leadership, and programming. The teams meet a week or two over the summer and continue building, testing, and modifying their robot from September to March, competing in regional competitions. As the VEX competition game changes every year, robot requirements require a new robot to be built each year. Seton typically has 3-4 teams each year consisting of about 4 students per team. The World competition is held every April. Parental support and significant fundraising are required. Meeting Dates: VEX meets on Monday and Wednesdays in Francis all year long. Membership: open to all HS students.

Seton sponsors Catholic **Boy Scout** Troop 554 that meets on Friday evenings (mostly in Faustina). Contact the Mantooths or Champneys for more information.