



SPRING VALLEY ACADEMY



Dear SVA Family & Friends,

A few items we would like to share in this issue:

- Fall Fest **Highlights**
- H&S Sponsored Gaga Pit!
- Elementary Fall Soccer League **Highlights**
- International Vegetarian Food Fest – Time to sign up!
- SVA Local Heros!
- Link to Stallion 5k Photos (new photos added)
- SVA Teacher/Staff October Birthdays
- Look for a follow-up email with a Google order form for H&S merchandise.

SVA HOME & SCHOOL FALL FEST



Every year it starts with the decorations...and we had some awesome little helpers this year.



Let the fun begin!



Looks like Colin felt a little blue!



Blessed to have Jan Shull and former H&S President Sametra Price helping sell tickets!



Beautiful families were spotted everywhere!



Elementary Library Booth came out strong for their 1st time. Found a 5k winner for her age category...and every jail needs some good bounty hunters!



Luke was having way too much fun smashing "pie" in Mia's face!



Jeremy...I think thou doth protest too much...a whole pie! 😊





Mr. Erickson caught red handed having some fun with the kiddie train after the event (or maybe he was just putting them safely away. 😊) We give him and his team of workers many thanks for all they do to make the Fall Fest a success!

Link to Fall Fest Photos Below
[2023 Fall Fest](#)



The Home & School Team would like to thank everyone for their continued participation this year! We attempted a group photo...but it is like herding cats with these guys to get a complete group picture!!! 😊

Back Row: Sarah Bear, Jennifer Hall, Andy Hill, Front Row: Carmen Sekulic, Rhylna Villegas, Siv Nyanzi, Angelique Winston, & Adelaide Durkin...& Michelle Hughes. Not picture, but there...Nicole Jenkins, Kathy Rapp, Kristin Collins, Cindy Harris.



The H&S sponsored Gaga Pit made its inaugural debut at the Fall Fest and was a hit! A special thanks to Luke Lebo, Karin Lebo, and Sam Joseph for putting all the effort in building it!



It is now a favorite recess pastime for all ages.



God has continued to bless us with amazing weather for our elementary soccer games.



Sometimes you just have to get down on their level and tell them coaches what the business is.



I think some spectators on the sidelines have just as much fun as the kids do!





Sometimes you're yellow and sometimes you are blue!



Friendships are being made and growing stronger each game!



Good sportsmanship is the name of the game for both the players, coaches, and the parents!



Please click here to see photos taken the last four games and PLEASE feel free to upload the ones you've taken as well to share with our yearbook team.

[2023 Fall Elementary Soccer - Photos](#)

Mark your calendars for the remaining two game dates:

October 8 & October 15



Thank you to those who have been supporting the concession stand! All monies are going to support our H&S endeavors this year. Special thank you to Christina Keresoma for bringing the snow cone machine!

*You can send food suggestions to homeandschool@springvalleyacademy.org). If you would like to volunteer to work in the concession stand...please use this link.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10CoF4EAAAE23ABF9C34-soccer>

H&S soccer specific email - hssvasoccerleague@gmail.com.



SAVE THE DATE

28 JANUARY 2024

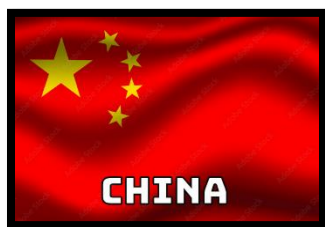
**INTERNATIONAL
VEGETARIAN
FOOD FEST**

COME TASTE THE FLAVORS OF THE WORLD

LOCATION: SVA GYM

\$1 TICKETS AT THE DOOR

FUNDRAISER SPONSORED BY SVA
HOME & SCHOOL



New countries added!

January will be

here before you know it!

How do I volunteer my time & food? Please email homeandschool@springvalleyacademy.org and include the country you would like to represent along with your contact information. *You do not have to be from the country to participate with that booth. We also need others to join the countries already featured to build up the teams.

How can I participate if I don't possess the gift of cooking? You can participate through a monetary donation to help offset the costs of those who are running a booth (participants will be donating their time and food. Donations will be used to help offset their personal costs. Send us a message, and we'll figure it out. We will also have a sign-up for other jobs closer to event time. You can also participate by donating or sharing items for booth decorations!

What are Country Teams? Each volunteer will be paired with others representing the same country to formulate a country team. The country teams will decide on their menu and decorate their booths in the SVA gym. They may also decide to dress in traditional clothing to represent the country. (We are also pondering having appropriate live music representing the countries. So, if you are musical, let us know.)

What is the purpose of the event? What better excuse to bring us all together in a fun atmosphere than food? This will also be a great event for you to SHARE God with our community. Invite your friends, co-workers, and neighbors to attend. Let them know the vegetarian food will be fabulous!

Is this a Fundraiser? Yes, tickets will be sold at the door for \$1 each. We encourage the booths to keep the food portions on the smaller size (~1-3 tickets) so visitors can sample a lot of different food during the event. *Booths might also offer combo plates...i.e. "Tour of Italy," "Samples of Venezuela," etc.

What is the purpose of the funds raised? H&S incurs a lot of expenses throughout the school year through the activities we do. We not only fundraise to cover our yearly operating budget (which covers food at welcome back events, Convocation Sabbaths, elementary soccer, appreciation weeks, etc.) but we also work with the school to identify projects where we can donate gifts back to the school to enhance the facilities and services provided to the students and staff. Past gifts have included the concession stand, a new bus, gym dividers, microphones in the Fritzsche Performing Arts Center, and most recently the Gaga Pit! We look for smaller projects which benefit the school population overall since the school has to focus on the larger ones. *We are currently sifting through some exciting project ideas at the moment and will share once one has been finalized. Feel free to message us your ideas as well. Also, just for clarification, the Fall Fest which just occurred is a fundraiser H&S organizes, but ALL the funds raised at the different school booths go directly to those individual classrooms and programs not H&S. We LOVE this yearly opportunity to help boost the individual class funds.

Special Feature from before school started:



On July 29th, 2023, at approximately 4 a.m. in the morning, our very own SVA alum, Cameron Da Cunha, and his father, Don, (husband and son of 4th Grade Teacher Liza Da Cunha) rescued an elderly man whose vehicle veered off a highway into a pond. Hear what happened in the news video below. *God placed them in the right place at the right time!

<https://www.whio.com/news/local/father-son-say-they-saved-man-after-car-crashes-into-pond-vandalia/DFSBUIBJHJAQHMOZOQPUGHUUCY/>

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

OCTOBER

10/02 Harley Vargas – Piano Instructor

10/08 Jessica Hoerner – Attendance/Receptionist

10/12 Josh Haun - Elementary Teacher Aid

10/14 Sabrina Lebo – 1st Teacher

10/15 Vicki Briley – Study Hall Supr/Transportation Dir

10/16 Samantha Rabuka – HS Math

10/21 Karin Lebo – 5th/6th Teacher

10/22 Margaret Grant – Business Office/Aftercare Dir.

10/23 Dani Hotelling – 5th/6th Teacher

10/31 Joel Greve – Chaplain/HS Bible/Campus Ministries

s	m	t	w	t	f	s
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31	1	2	3	4

Speaking of our wonderful SVA staff...here's the link to the gift guides to help us show them how special they are throughout the year.



Click the link below to see more photos which have been added courtesy of Jim Garber from Centerville SDA Church. [2023 5k Action Photos](#)

Feel free to email homeandschool@springvalleyacademy.org with any questions, concerns, or suggestions.

Visit our website for past newsletters, additional information, forms, etc.

<https://springvalleyacademy.org/parent-resources/home-and-school-organization/>