



ST. JOHN'S COLLEGE, SANTA FE

# Parents' Weekend

September 24-26, 2009



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St. John's College is pleased to announce the events for Parents' Weekend 2009. We hope you and your family will be able to join us for all or part of this special event! Please fill out the registration form in this brochure and return it to the Advancement Office no later than September 18.

### Schedule of Events

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 24

#### Registration

*Coffee Shop, Peterson Student Center*  
3-6 p.m.

Pick up your registration materials when you arrive on campus.

#### Observe a seminar

The heart of the St. John's curriculum is the evening seminar. We invite you to observe your student's seminar, but keep in mind that only students and tutors are allowed to speak. Please contact your student ahead of time to get his or her seminar reading, meeting time and room number.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 25

#### Registration

*Coffee Shop, Peterson Student Center*  
8:30 a.m.-2 p.m.

#### Observe a Tutorial

Parents are invited to observe Friday classes, which may include language, mathematics, laboratory, or music depending on your student's course schedule. If you plan to observe your student's classes, please contact him or her ahead of time to get his or her Friday class schedule and room numbers. As with seminar, we ask that you observe only. You will have an opportunity to be an active participant in the Parents' Seminars on Saturday.

#### Campus Tour

*Coffee Shop, Peterson Student Center*  
leaving at 11 a.m.

Take a guided tour of campus facilities, including Meem Library, the Student Activities Center, dormitories, Peterson Student Center, classrooms, and administrative offices.

#### Meet the Tutors Reception

*Junior Common Room and Balcony,*  
*Peterson Student Center*  
4:30-6 p.m.

This is an invaluable opportunity for parents to meet senior administration, faculty, staff, and other parents. Students are welcome to attend so they may introduce you to their current tutors.

#### Friday Night Lecture

*Great Hall, 8 p.m.*

The Friday night lecture is an important part of the St. John's Program, and is well attended by students and faculty alike. The formal lecture is an "occasion when the students have an opportunity to listen steadily and attentively," in the words of the Statement of the St. John's College Program, and is followed by "a discussion period wherein questions may be asked of the lecturer." "Thus," continues the Statement, "the formal lecture serves two purposes: It inculcates in the students the habit of listening and following the exposition of a subject they may not be familiar with, and it also provides them an opportunity, in the discussion period, to exercise their dialectical skills in a setting very different from the classroom. It is here that they can test the degree of their understanding and the applicability of what they have learned."

Tonight's lecture will be given by Philip LeCuyer, a member of the faculty here on our Santa Fe campus. Mr. LeCuyer's lecture is titled, "Intellectual Sin: Three Case Studies." The lecture will explore three brief case studies, asking these questions about intellectual sin: what is it, what are its consequences, and how does it occur? No prior background is assumed, and attendance by parents and students is encouraged.

## SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 26

### Parents' Seminar

*Santa Fe Hall – Staff members will be located at the north doors of Santa Fe Hall to give room assignments. Please arrive early to receive your room assignment. Light refreshments will be provided. 10 a.m. – Noon*

The seminar experience awakens an intense curiosity regarding the eternal questions of human existence, deepens one's understanding of a text, and provides an environment for intellectual growth and personal enrichment. This is your chance to experience the very essence of learning at St. John's College. Registration is required.

The texts for the Parents' Seminar this year will be four selected speeches by President Abraham Lincoln. Our nation celebrated the bicentennial of Lincoln's birth this past February. President Lincoln is one of this nation's most important presidents; but, even during his own lifetime, he was known as an orator of great power and vision. We will read four of his briefer speeches: the "Gettysburg Address" (1863), the "Second Inaugural Address" (1865), the "Speech at Independence Hall" (1861), and the "Address Before the Young Men's Lyceum of Springfield, Illinois" (1838).

The seminar will be co-led by tutors and members of the Student Committee on Instruction.

(Please note the Parents' Seminar is for parents only, and students will certainly be happy to use this time to sleep in!)

A copy of the reading will be sent to you as part of your registration confirmation packet.

### President's Lunch

*Great Hall, Peterson Student Center  
Noon – 1:30 p.m., Program at 1 p.m.*

Join President and Mrs. Peters for lunch as the formal events of Parents' Weekend come to a close.

### Waltz Party

*Great Hall, Peterson Student Center,  
9:30 p.m. – 1 a.m.*

A long tradition at the college, waltz parties liven up the weekends for a break from study. Join your students for waltz, jitterbug, swing, rock, and more.

## ALSO ON CAMPUS

### Dining Hall

Breakfast (Mon. – Fri.): 8 - 10 a.m. (\$7.00)  
Sunday Brunch: 10:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m. (\$8.50)  
Lunch: 11:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m. (\$8.50)  
Dinner: 5 - 7 p.m. (\$8.50)

### Coffee Shop

Monday- Friday: 7 a.m. – 11 p.m.  
Saturday & Sunday: Noon – 5 p.m.

### Bookstore

Monday – Thursday: 8:45 a.m. – 7:30 p.m.  
Friday: 8:45 a.m. – 6:30 p.m.  
Saturday: 12 – 6 p.m.  
Sunday: CLOSED

### Meem Library

Monday – Thursday: 8:30 a.m. – Midnight  
Friday: 8:30 a.m. – 7:30 p.m.  
Saturday: 10 a.m. – 6 p.m.  
Sunday: 10 a.m. – Midnight.

## INFORMATION

Please contact Chris Aamot in the Advancement Office  
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## Event Registration

We strongly encourage online registration at <http://www.regonline.com/sjcsfpw09>, but you may also register by filling out this form and mailing it to the college Advancement Office no later than September 18, 2009. The \$40.00 registration fee covers all activities; there is a maximum charge of \$80 per family. Current St. John's students and children under 12 years old may participate at no charge. Please be sure to indicate the number of participants from your family for each event, including your student where applicable.

### Please print legibly.

Name of Registrants and relationship to student:

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Name First Last

Address

City State Zip

Phone Day Evening

E-mail

Your student's name, class year

May we share your contact information to other participants?

- Yes  No

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- Thursday Seminar** No. Attending \_\_\_\_\_  
Thursday evening  
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10 a.m.-noon
- President's Lunch** No. Attending \_\_\_\_\_  
Noon-1:30 p.m. (Please include your student.)

### Registration Fees

The cost of registration includes all events. Maximum fee per family is \$80.

No. Attending \_\_\_\_\_ x \$40 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

- Check enclosed in the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_

- Visa  MasterCard
- American Express  Discover

Name on credit card \_\_\_\_\_

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Please mail by September 18, 2009  
or fax to 505-984-6167:

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