

2011-12

Parent & Student EDUCATIONAL SPEAKER SERIES



To develop an awareness and understanding of current social and moral issues that challenge teens.

SEPTEMBER 26 • 11



Barry Adkins

Kevin's Last Walk - A Father's Final Journey with His Son

Our lives are defined by how we respond to adversity. Barry Adkins describes how one night of binge drinking by his son, Kevin, impacted his life and how he responded to it. In an effort to raise awareness about the dangers of alcohol

abuse and to make "something very good come from the death of his son," he walked from Arizona to Montana telling his story. Barry has been featured in numerous television, radio and newspaper articles.

Seton Parent and Pinal County Superior Court Judge, Steve McCarville, will also join us to briefly discuss the criminal and civil liability parents and students face when hosting or attending parties where alcohol is present.

Barry Adkins is the Author of Kevin's Last Walk, A Father's Final Journey with His Son. Barry grew up in Kalispell, Montana. After graduating from high school, Barry worked on commercial fishing boats in Alaska until he moved to Arizona where he now resides with his wife, children, and grandchildren.

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Matt Smith

Did That Just Happen? Making Sense of the Fantasy and Reality of Movies, Television, Video Games, and Facebook

Matt Smith is the director of Internet Ministries for Life Teen, the international Catholic youth ministry based in Phoenix. Matt graduated with a degree in industrial design from the Georgia Institute of Technology.

Since bringing a Christian witness as a star on MTV's Real World and Road Rules Challenge, Matt has traveled the country speaking at colleges, high schools, and Catholic parishes. When he is not writing about his Catholic faith on www.lifeteen.com and catholicyouthministry.com, Matt writes for the NBA's Phoenix Suns. Matt and his wife have two children, Eleanor, and Stella.

JANUARY 30 • 12



Mike McCoy

Decisions Determine our Destiny

Mike McCoy's passion is empowering youth and helping them develop a larger vision for their lives. Mike will deliver a faith-based message of hope and encouragement to our students that will help them be morally focused, overcome challenges and deal with peer pressure to

develop the self-confidence to achieve true success. During the evening program Mike will ask the parents the question, "Who are your children's friends?" followed by a discussion that no Seton parent should miss.

Mike McCoy is a native of Erie, Pennsylvania and a graduate of Cathedral Prep High School. He graduated from the University of Notre Dame with a BA in Economics where he played football and was a Consensus All-American. He was chosen UPI Lineman of the Year and was sixth in the Heisman Trophy balloting his senior year. He was the #1 draft choice of the Green Bay Packers where he played defensive tackle. He played eleven years in the NFL - seven with Green Bay, two with the Oakland Raiders and two with the New York Giants. Mike and his wife Kia live in Jefferson, GA and are the parents of four children.

MARCH 26 • 12



Judy McDonald

A Nite of Catholic Comedy for the Entire Family!

This program is a special event for the entire family to share together in our new Black Box Theatre. Judy McDonald has been a professional comedienne for 16 years but a Catholic for all her life. Judy uses her sense of humor as a vehicle to evangelize to the young and not so young. Song writer Tom Booth writes, "She is funny. Actually, she is very funny, and she gets people laughing."

An alumnus of University of San Diego, Judy has been performing stand-up since 1994. In college, she worked at KFMB studios in radio and television. She also worked for the Republican National Convention, the Commission on Presidential Debates and the Academy Awards.

Judy's professional comedic experience includes an appearance on the Dennis Miller show, the weather channel and opening for such comedians as Paula Poundstone, Mark Curry, Caroline Rea and Mitch Hedberg. She performs at corporate and private events, and universities is a regular at the La Jolla Comedy Store in San Diego.

There will NOT be a separate student assembly. This program is for the entire family and will begin at 7:00pm in the Black Box Theatre.

EVENT TIMES:

Student Programs:

8:15 AM

Seton Gymnasium

Parent Programs:

7:00 PM

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Chapel



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