



SCHOOL NEWS

Holy Rosary School Family Communication Newsletter

September 8, 2005

“True miracles are created by people when they use the courage and intelligence that God gave them.”

WELCOME TO A NEW SCHOOL YEAR! We are especially pleased to welcome the following new families and students in grades 1-8: **Derrick & Nicole Page, Jack (1B); Jimmy & Kelli Picinich, Taylor (1B); Mark and Michelle, Max (1B) and Tyler McCallister (4B); Tamra Lynn Farstad, Savohn (3B); Brian and Ginny Glidden, Alex (5A) and Jordan (8B); Nicole Duran & Greg Tarabochia, Kaylie Duran (5B); Suzann Nevan-Casey & Daniel Casey, Pasquale Sena (6B) and Katie Sena (7A); and Tony Rosario & Mark Contratto, J.J. Rosario (7A).** Welcome to the following new Kindergarten families: **Tom Ahearn & Nancy Stillger, Veronica (KA); Gail Akiyama & Matt Byers, Caleb (KA); Paul & Maureen Barton, Christina (KA); Steve and Karrie Bendzak, Bradley (KB); Patrick & Tanya Blayney, Brianna (KA); Renato & Melanie Canto, Lauren (KB); Tom and Katie Cunningham, Kara (KB) and Emily (2A); Philip & Jane Doherty, Philip (KA) and Brian (KB); David & Laura Douglas, Benjamin (KB); Tom and Alissa Gallagher, Olivia (KB); Mark and Betty Golubiec, Nicholas (KB); Aaron & Kaiti Grassley, Lily (KB); John & Patricia Harris, Cade (KB); Dennis & Kara Klem, Brendan (KB); Jeffrey & Bethany Larsen, Parker (KB); Eric & Maria Olson, Kenny (KA); Daniel & Viviane Pisciotta, Alexandra (KB); Sam & Jodi Sherwood, Elijah (KA); David & Sue Viebrock, Samuel (KB); Steve & Michele Wallace, Richie (KB); Andrew & Theresa Wiegand, Frances (KA); Jason & Julie Woodward, Jaxon (KA) and Jalen (2A); and Paul & Sherri Zarkowski, Corey (KB).** And finally, welcome to our new Kindergarten students who have joined their siblings: **Phoebe Baker (KA); Isabella Carufel (KB); Eamon Dennehy (KA); Maya Fosado (KB); Garrett & Meara Gants (KA); Michael Heidal (KA); Lauren Jergens (KA); Matthew Lange (KB); Kaitlin Lindell (KA); Zoe Martin (KA); Bridget McFaul (KA); Bradley Peer (KA); Hayley Richmond (KB); Max Ridgeway (KB); Fiona Scanlan (KB); Reece Schulz (KA); Grace Tevaseu (KA); Rachel Villegas (KB); and Kaysha White (KA).**

WELCOME TO ANN DONOVAN, OUR NEW DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR. We are very happy to have Ann Donovan on board! Ann comes with a wealth of experiences in development, marketing and technology. She holds a Masters Degree from the UW and in her words is “a fanatical supporter of Catholic schools, believing in the superior academic curriculum in an environment of Christ’s values, especially as found at Holy Rosary School.” Ann is married and has a daughter attending St. Bernadette’s and a son beginning at Kennedy High School. Welcome, Ann. We’re glad you’re here!

OPEN HOUSE – BACK TO SCHOOL NIGHT is tonight, Thursday, Sept. 8, beginning promptly at **6:30PM in Lanigan Gym**. This year the fund-raising chairs will be introduced, but will not be giving a presentation. We anticipate the meeting Lanigan concluding by 7:20PM, with the first session in the classrooms beginning at 7:30. Please arrive on time so that we can maintain the planned schedule. Thank you. This evening is for parents only. See you tonight!

TRAFFIC PATTERN NOTICE. The new NO RIGHT TURN SIGN at 42nd & Dakota has been authorized by the city during student drop-off and pick-up. Parents must proceed to Andover Street for a right turn. Please remember to use car signals to indicate to others your driving intentions. Safety is a huge concern due to the high volumes of traffic. Please follow the traffic pattern. Thank you so much.

DREAM NO MORE...THE MAGAZINE DRIVE HAS BEGUN! The Magazine Drive will kick off on Friday with an all school assembly in Lanigan Gym at 11:00AM. All students will receive a “DREAM” wristband tomorrow which is the prize for participating. Because we know that everyone here at HRS participates, we thought it would be fun to have this band at the start of the drive to remind everyone to DREAM (...and dream BIG) to beat the new school and state record which is currently \$137,537! Wear them everyday! **General Info:** You should have received your Magazine Drive packet with all the supplies and information. UNLISTED magazines will be processed the same as last year as detailed in the packet (fill out separate order form, attach a coupon and flag for us). Additional catalogs and order forms are located in the office. A Magazine Drive box is located in the office where you can drop off any comments or stray orders.

MAGAZINE PRIZE UPDATE: A very exciting change! At the 50 order level we will now offer a choice between the MP3 player or a giant 14 foot snake (as displayed around the school!) Again, we continue to emphasize the group school wide and grade incentives and at the same time recognize individual achievements. The prizes are tough to meet the desires of all, but we do like your feedback. Mary Ballanger (meballanger@comcast.net) can help you with any prize questions or concerns. **Tuesday Turn In Days:** Orders are turned into the classroom each Tuesday for the next 4 weeks.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED ON TUESDAY MORNINGS: We put the FUN in FUNdraising hours! Come join a group of happy volunteers to help compile magazine drive orders from 8:30 to 10:30 for the next 4 Tuesdays on the main floor of the convent. No technical skills necessary... a simple matching process of the orders to the cash. Contact Jody at 933-8920 or shields.jody@comcast.net if you can help. (Bring a calculator or 10 key if you have one!)

STUDENTS NEEDED FOR AFTER MASS MAGAZINE SALES: We will have a display at each entrance of the church each week after mass so we can capture those parishioner sales! If your student is interested in making more orders and would like to volunteer contact Jody at 933-8920 or shields.jody@comcast.net to schedule. (If you have a younger child who would like to volunteer it would be much appreciated if a parent could assist them).

SCARKIES SCAMBLE GOLF TOURNAMENT, THIS SAT., SEPT. 10 is “sold-out”, but about six more adult volunteers are needed for various activities. This is an excellent way to get your fundraising hours completed. If you are interested in helping, please phone or email Chris Clarke at 425-641-4144 (h) or clark6@peoplepc.com

WESTFEST PRE-EVENT A Country Pancake Breakfast! Come treat yourself or your family to a pre-event of the WestFest Fall Family Festival. The MOMS Group of Family Life will be hosting the breakfast on **Sunday, September 11, 2005**. Tickets will be sold at the door: Family \$15; Adult \$5; Seniors \$3; Children \$2.50. Please note, we will be serving after the 8:00AM and 9:30AM Masses only. For further information, or better yet to volunteer, call Ann Martin (937-0179) or Sara Furman (932-0411).

ITALIAN DINNER: It's time to make your reservation for Holy Rosary's annual Italian Dinner! It will be held Saturday, September 17th in the school hall. Please see the red flyers with reservation information in today's FCE. Fill out the information on the bottom of the flyer & turn it in along with your check in your FCE or to the school office. For reservation questions call Tricia McLean @ 933-0184. If you'd like to serve at the dinner call Christina Clarke @ (425) 641-4144. We hope to see you there!

WESTFEST CHILDREN'S GAMES. Many positions are still open and we could use your help. Junior-high students needing service hours may apply. Please call Teresa at 935.9245. We also have a "shadow" opportunity for the games-booth supervisor. It's a fun job with lots of hours that go fast. Call Teresa for additional info. Thanks.

SCRIP MERCHANT CLOSING West Seattle Kids will be changing ownership. If you are currently holding onto their gift certificates, you will need to use them by September 17th.

PCC RECEIPTS PCC is no longer running their "1% for Education" program. The SCRIP program will no longer be collecting their receipts. Thanks to everyone who has participated.

SCRIP SALES We will resume SCRIP sales this Sunday after the 8:00 & 9:30am masses. Please look for our table at the West Fest Pancake Breakfast. Daily Sales will take place M-F, from 8:00-8:45am at the school hall entrance. Our first Weekly FCE processing day will be Monday, September 19th. Remember to use SCRIP for ALL your shopping needs.

eScrip Please take a look at the enclosed flyer for registration information. You will be able to register all your club & debit/credit cards (Safeway, Eddie Bauer, Macy's, Visa, MasterCard, American Express, Discover, etc.). Your purchases will be tracked thru eScrip and our school will earn up to 8% of your purchases!!! Check out www.escrip.com for more info. Remember to use our school ID #8563292.

TREE LOT MEETING. The elves are dusting off their gear and opening the Christmas cheer! The kickoff organizational meeting for the 2005 Christmas Tree Lot committee is scheduled for Monday, September 12 at 7:00PM in the Parish Center (Convent) dining room. Join us one and all to be a part of this fabulous, festive FUNdraiser! We look forward to seeing you! If you can't attend or would like more info, contact head elves Allison & Scott Willhite 935-8999 or email allison@alkihomes.com or scott@alkihomes.com. Thank you!

GRANTS COMMITTEE meets once a month. New members are welcome. Please contact Pam Sturgeon at psturgeon@holynosaryws.org. Hours spent on grantwriting can count for fundraising.

GRADUATION GOWNS need washing and ironing. We need a couple of 8th grade parents to help out. Please contact Pam Sturgeon at psturgeon@holynosaryws.org. Thank you.

KNITTING ELECTIVE TO BEGIN. Our junior high students will have the opportunity to sign up for knitting class as one of their elective classes. Ms. Ochs, the instructor, would love some assistance. If you're interested in helping or even in learning how to knit, please contact Ms. Ochs at fochs@holyroaryws.org.

NEW SWEATSHIRT SALES. If you haven't had a chance to purchase new sweatshirts yet, you can still buy them at tonight's Open House from 6:00-7:00PM or anytime through the FCE. Order forms are available in the school office. (Youth sizes \$13.50; Adult sizes \$14.50.) Please attach payment (to HRS) to the order form and deliver via FCE or the school office. FCE orders will be delivered to your child's classroom. Please allow approx. 1-2 weeks for delivery. SPECIAL THANKS to **Suzanne Nevan-Casey** for shadowing the New Sweatshirt Sales this year. You are awesome! Q's, call Teresa Mosteller at 935.9245. Thanks.

USED UNIFORMS EXCHANGE/SALE will be open for business on Friday, September 9 right after school from 12-1. We will also be there on Tuesday, September 13 from 6:30-7:30PM. Used uniforms are located in the convent on the second floor. If you just need a pair of shorts to get through these last sunny days, some more school pants, etc. come check us out!

ATTENTION CYO SOCCER MOMS AND DADS! I'm looking for a soccer picture coordinator. Picture Day is set for Wednesday, September 21st at Lincoln Park. This is a worthwhile job that will count towards regular hours. If I don't find someone to take this over there will not be an organized picture day for this season. Please help! Call Mary Kay Sposari at (206)243-9951 or email at mkspo@comcast.net.

CYO CROSS COUNTRY 2005 There's still time to sign up for CYO Cross Country – boys and girls in grades K through 8. There are sign up forms in the school office, or you can get one from me. Forms and payments must be turned in for meet participation. If you are playing soccer during practice times, that's OK. You just need to make sure you can make the meets. There are three meets, all held at Woodland Park. **The two prelim meets are on Sunday September 18, and Sunday October 2, both at 1PM. The Championship meet is Sunday October 9 at 1PM.** I'll provide more information closer to the meets. The race distances are 1/2 mile for K-3, 1 mile for grades 4 and 5, 1 1/2 miles for grades 6 and 7 and 2 miles for 8th graders. The cost is \$10 per participant. We will practice 3 days per week at Lincoln Park. We meet at the far north entrance to the park (at the paved service road) just behind and to the north of the Texaco station. Practices will start on Thursday, September 8th: Tuesdays and Thursdays at 4:00PM Saturdays (optional) at 8:30am. Practice is 45 minutes to an hour (10 -15 minutes stretching and a 30 minute run). Call me (Kevin Thiel) at 932-6624 if you have any questions.

FROM THE DESK OF MARY SIMPSON (Holy Rosary Parish Administrator)... In response to growing pressure on parish assets, we made the decision this summer that good stewardship demanded that we find some way to cut expenses. After careful consideration, we decided our only option was to cut the position of Pastoral Assistant for Parish Involvement. It is with a heavy heart that I tell you this means Davi Sobotta will no longer be part of the parish staff. Davi has been a part-time staff member and an active member of this community almost since the time she came into the church at the Easter Vigil in 1996. Although her most recent official title was P.A for Parish Involvement, because of her talents and creativity and her expertise in the field of hospitality, we thought of her as the "Martha Stewart of Holy Rosary." Losing Davi will certainly change the face of our parish celebrations. It means we will need many new volunteers to step up

to help fill the gap and that volunteers already in place will be required to operate more autonomously. Davi will continue as one of our wedding coordinators and has agreed to be contracted for special events as her schedule and our budget allow. Davi, we offer thanks and appreciation for your dedication, your vision, the traditions you have helped us establish, and your many years of service.

THE SEATTLE GIRLS' CHOIR, led by Artistic Director Dr. Jerome Wright, a national leader in choral and music training, announces Fall Auditions **September 24th, 2005**. There are openings in all six levels of instruction from beginning prep choir (ages 6-7) to advanced (up to age 18). No previous training is required for girls age 12 and younger. For more information on rehearsal times, choir levels and faculty biographies; and for an audition packet visit our website at www.seattlegirlschoir.org <http://www.seattlegirlschoir.org/> or please call our choir information line at 425-656-9229.

FOR SALE: Bundy Clarinet \$75.00 Contact Mary Jo McFaul (206) 937-1957.

CHILDREN'S CONCERT Lucy and Max Ridgeway would like to invite the students of Holy Rosary to a children's concert performed by their Uncle Jim Cosgrove at Alki Bath House on Sept. 17th at 10:00am. Please see the yellow insert for more details.

INCLUDED IN THIS FCE:

- September Calendar (pink)
- September Hot Lunch Schedule and Order Form
- Holy Rosary & Kennedy High School Elementary Band Program Flyer- Gr. 5-8 (lavender)
- Italian Dinner Flyer and Reservation Form (red)
- WestFest Wristband Order Form
- WestFest Raffle Flyer
- Scrip Delivery Release Form (lavender)
- eScrip Flyer and Sign Up Form
- 10% Back To Schools Flyer
- Holy Rosary School and Parish Staff Extension Numbers
- West Seattle Bowl Flyer (aqua)
- YMCA Flyer (blue)
- Southwest Bronco & Pony Baseball Try-outs Flyer- Gr. 5-8 (yellow)
- Curious KidStuff Mr. Stinky Feet's Beach Party Flyer (yellow)

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- Band Recruitment Concert, Thursday, September 8th 10:45am, School Hall
- Open House for Parents, Thursday, September 8th 6:30pm
- Magazine Assembly, Friday, September 9th, 11am
- Sarkies Scramble West Seattle Golf Course, Saturday, September 10th
- Pancake Breakfast after 8am and 9:30am Masses, Sunday, September 11th
- Band Class Begins, Monday, September 12th
- Magazine Turn-in Day, Thursday, September 15th
- School Commission Meeting, Thursday, September 15th
- Italian Dinner, Saturday, September 17th