

## SCHOOL NEWS

Holy Rosary School Family Communication Newsletter

January 5, 2006

## HAPPY NEW YEAR AND WELCOME BACK

"We must use time wisely and forever realize that the time is always ripe to do right."

- Nelson Mandela

**CONGRATULATIONS TO MARY CORRIGAN AND TED MORHBACHER** on the birth of their son, **Eamon Corrigan Mohrbacher**. Eamon was born at 6:45 p.m. on New Year's Eve weighing in at 7 lb. 7 oz. Mother, Father, and Baby are all doing well.

A SNEAK PREVIEW OF CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK 2006. Mark your calendars now for this exciting week, Jan. 29-Feb. 3. This year's celebration is especially significant in the Archdiocese of Seattle as we celebrate 150 Years of Catholic Education. Holy Rosary's theme for the week is "Celebrating the Gold". On Monday, we'll celebrate our Champion Students; Tuesday, our Award-Winning Academics; Wednesday, our First Place Families & Committed "Coaches"; Thursday, our Shining Service; and Friday, our Spectacular Spirit. To begin our week properly, we urge all of our school families to plan on attending one of the weekend Masses at Holy Rosary on Jan. 28/29. Students are asked to wear perfect uniforms to Mass that weekend. The annual Grandparents'/Special Senior Friends' Luncheon is scheduled for Wednesday, Feb. 1. There is an important enclosure in today's FCE. Please read it, complete it, and return it no later than next Tuesday, January 10. A detailed schedule of the all the activities for Catholic Schools Week will be included in next week's FCE.

**SCHOOL COMMISSION OPEN MEETING:** Tonight's School Commission Meeting, Jan. 5<sup>th</sup>, is an open meeting. If you would like to attend, please join us in the staff lounge at 6:00PM.

<u>TEACHER IN-SERVICE ON JAN. 11.</u> Please note that next Wednesday, January 11, is a noon dismissal day for a teacher in-service. Thanks for your understanding.

<u>VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY.</u> The Orion Center is looking for 2-3 volunteers to assist with meal preparation on Thursday, Jan. 12, after school from 3:30 - 5:30PM, in Lanigan's kitchen. It is light cooking, mostly chopping, spreading, and warming up food. All ingredients supplied. Meals will be picked-up at 5:30 p.m. for delivery. The Orion Center is located in downtown Seattle and is a drop-in facility open to youth, ages 13-21. It offers a safe, open place where youth can access a multitude of services from meals (that's us!), clothing bank, hygiene supplies, case management, medical care, education, shelter referrals and employment training for over 800 youth every year. An easy and rewarding opportunity for those looking to fulfill some parent commitment hours or otherwise. If interested, please contact Grace Fosado at (206) 933-7465.

**YEARBOOK 2006**: It's almost time to order your 2005-2006 yearbook. Look for order forms in next week's FCE. Prices are \$16 for K- 7 and \$20 for 8th graders.

TREE LOT WRAP UP. Thanks to our many incredible, tireless, cheerful, dedicated Tree Lot volunteers, we had a PHENOMENAL, RECORD-BREAKING year on the Christmas Tree Lot! We are wrapping up the final accounting and will announce the final results at the January Parents' Club Meeting. You will be amazed! Dress passes for families that earned them by meeting the "two shift challenge" are included in your FCE today. Also, we have collected a few "lost and found" items. If you are missing any of the following just give us a call. "West Seattle Soccer" nylon pullover ~ Columbia blk/grey parka XL ~ North Face black fleece XXL ~ Eddie Bauer red fleece Medium ~ Charter Club green fleece Medium. Unclaimed items will be donated to the Clothesline. Thanks! Allison & Scott Willhite 935-8999. and an ENORMOUS thank you to Allison and Scott Willhite and their committee members for all the time and hard work you gave to make this such a successful fundraiser – fabulous job!

POINSETTIA SALES. We would like to give a big THANK YOU to all the volunteers, parents, parishioners, and businesses who made this year's Poinsettia Sales a smashing success. Thanks to you, we were able to sell over \$13,500 in poinsettias, wreaths, and garlands (that's over \$6,500 back to the school). Eric Olsen, Kevin Peterson, and Lynn and Dick Caragol are elf extraordinaires. Through their hard work and business contacts, they contributed almost \$4,500 in poinsettia and wreath sales! An extra, extra big thank you to Heather Slee and her awesome drivers, who did such a fantastic job of coordinating poinsettia deliveries to all our commercial customers. And to all our other volunteers: Janell LaRosa and Peter Fritts, Maureen Barton, Melanie Canto, Colleen Murphy, Jodi Sherwood, Janet Richmond, Carrie Bendzak, Joe and Genne Baleto - we couldn't have done it without you! And a HUGE Thank you to Michele Wallace and Sherry Chun for the excellent job they did heading up this sale – great job!

**SEATTLE LUTHERAN HIGH SCHOOL** will hold its annual winter Open House on Thursday, January 19, 2006, beginning at 6:30PM. The event will feature a tour of the facility, as well as interaction with Seattle Lutheran's educational philosophy, expressed in the phrase "Information plus Inspiration equals Transformation." Excelling in its ability to both inform and inspire, Seattle Lutheran maintains an intentionally low enrollment, and class sizes are limited. 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade students are invited to attend. Please call Rachel at 937-7722 ext. 18 for information.

**LOST.** Silver cross with diamonds inset. Sentimental value. If found please call Kim Keast @ 937-8795.

## **INCLUDED IN THIS FCE:**

 Grandparents'/Special Senior Friends' Luncheon Information – PLEASE RETURN BY JAN. 10

## **UPCOMING EVENTS:**

- School Commission Meeting Thursday, Jan. 5th , 6:00PM Staff Room
- Prayer Service by 4A Friday, Jan. 6, 8:30AM School Hall
- Development Committee Meeting Jan. 10, 6:30PM Staff Room
- Teacher In-service Noon Dismissal Wednesday, Jan. 11, 2006
- 2A & 2B Field Trip to Seattle Children's Theater Thursday, Jan. 12
- Prayer Service by 2A Friday, Jan. 13, 8:30AM School Hall