



SCHOOL NEWS

Holy Rosary School Family Communication Newsletter

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“Let us more and more insist on raising funds of love, of kindness, of understanding, of peace.” Mother Teresa

The 150th Jubilee Celebration of Catholic Schools was festive and a wonderful opportunity to recognize the huge contribution and positive difference our Catholic schools make. Thank you to **Ms. Semandiris** and the following 6th grade students for representing the Ancient Civilization Wax Museum at the Jubilee: **Sammy Pless, Reilly Dever, Colleen Kane, Emily Winter, Hadley Scharer, Gretta Dattan, Rasquale Sena, Alex Macmillan, Madison Beiler, Kelsey Boblenz, Lauren Samll, Hope Miles, Natalie Robel and Amanda Henry.** You all did an excellent job!

PARENT SURVEY. Enclosed in this FCE is a parent survey. Your response to the items on the survey will help us plan for the future and continue to grow and improve. Please complete and return no later than Friday, May 19. Thank you.

2006-07 SCHOOL CALENDAR is enclosed in this FCE. Please note that school will open on Tuesday, September 5.

PRINCIPAL FOR THE DAY. Tierney Vial, as Principal of the Day, has determined that tomorrow, Friday, May 12, will be a **FREE DRESS DAY** for all! Thank you, Ms. Vial. Look forward to some additional fun on Friday, May 12.

HOLY ROSARY ART WALK. Mark your calendar! Save the date! The first ever Holy Rosary Art Walk will happen on Thursday, May 18, from 7:15-8:15PM throughout the school. Parents and other adults are invited to view this retrospective of student work and participate in docent led tours of each grade level's collection. Parents' Club will serve wine and cheese for this festive evening of celebration. See you there! Ms. Curran

ANNUAL FUND. The “Invest In Excellence” Annual Fund Pledge drive for 2006-07 is well under way. Thank you to all who have completed the form and have supported this vital part of our school's budget. Your generous contributions to the Annual Fund last year allowed us to increase our teachers' salaries from 96% to 98% of the Washington state scale and are key to keeping our tuition increases to minimal levels now and in the future. Last year our pledge campaign generated over \$100,000 and we hope that with your continued support along with friends, parishioners, and alumni of Holy Rosary we will be able to reach the 2006-07 Annual Fund goal \$114,000. Please know that we understand that much has been asked of our families. Even if you feel your family cannot manage to reach a giving level you would hope for, *we are appreciative of all donations, no matter the amount, as your sign of support for our school.* No donation is too small and participating at any level is a great gift. Keep in mind, your commitment now can be

made under many pay arrangements beginning July 1 through June 30, 2007 and that donating to the Annual Fund is tax deductible. Thank you again. We look forward to the tally!

CONGRATULATIONS TO HONOR BAND MEMBERS. Ms. McKamey traveled with the following 6th-8th grade students last Tuesday to perform at Catholic Elementary Schools. The Honor Band will perform again at J.F. Kennedy High School on Monday, May 22nd, at 7:00PM in the gym: **Gretta Dattan, Sam Payne, Madison Beiler, Camille Hair, Andie McNaughton, Casey Lewis, Jazmine and Whitney Brown, and Kira Baker.** We are proud of our honor band students!

MORE BAND NEWS! Band Festival is set for May 17th 7PM @ Kennedy High School. All Band members are involved! Parents, please be looking for the permission slip! It is now due!! Thank you! Details about Kennedy Elementary Summer Band Camp will be handed out to all band students very soon! **Eighth Graders coming to JFK, don't forget about the **Cambronero Band Scholarship** that is awarded at the band festival each year. Ask Miss McKamey for details!

TALENT SHOW NEWS. Oscar "Night" at HRS is Friday, May 19th, in Lanigan Gym with Act I, K – 4 performances and the HRS Band at 9:30AM. Act II, at 1:30PM with 5 – 8 performances. Please not dress rehearsal times: Act I, K – 4 Performers: Tuesday, May 16th, from 11:30 – 1:00 in Lanigan Act II, 5 – 8 Performers: Wednesday, May 17th, from 11:30 – 1:00 in Lanigan. Please be sure to bring your music, costume/show outfit, and any items necessary for your performance on your assigned dress rehearsal date. Students can change into their show outfits in the locker room before the dress rehearsals. We look forward to a fabulous show!

RED CARPET FREE DRESS DAY IS MAY 19TH. Students are invited to dress like their favorite Hollywood star or to wear their favorite "red carpet" outfit to school on Talent Show day, Friday, May 19th.

7th GRADE SPONSORS SPIRIT OF GIVING PROJECT. Money and goods will be sent to the Carmelite Sisters of Our Lady in the Philippines in early June. The 7th graders have established a pen pal relationship with the Sisters and even your smallest donation will help their work. One US dollar is worth 50 cents in FILIPINO pesos. Cash is welcome, or checks made out to Carmelite Sisters of Our Lady (send money to the school office). Physical donations are also welcome and can be deposited in specially marked containers by the office and in the 7th grade classrooms: T-shirts, shorts, pants, Sunday dresses, blouses, skirts, school/Sunday/shoes; school supplies- pencils, pens, paper, staplers/staples, folders, modeling clay, marker pens, colored pencils, rulers school bags, books, dictionaries, tape, notebooks, scissors/also pinky, blankets, pillow cases and night clothes. Any questions – please contact Mrs. Whetham.

AMBASSADOR FAMILIES Thank you to everyone who volunteered to be an Ambassador Family. As it stands we have more volunteers than new families so if you have not received a family to contact you still may get one. We often get new students enrolling during the summer months so we'll need Ambassador Families to contact the new families at that time. Thank you again and please remember to call your families and invite them to the next Parents' Club meeting on May 18th.

ARCHDIOCESAN SEVENTH GRADE LEADERSHIP AWARDS. On April 28, at St. James Cathedral, 13 seventh grade students from Holy Rosary were honored, along with more than 250 7th graders representing all the Archdiocesan Catholic elementary schools. Congratulations to the following students: **Leadership in Faith: Kai Hlavacek, Cameron Newstrom, and David**

Strand; Leadership in Academic Achievement: Alycia Gardner, Tim Lewis, Nina Martinsen, and Jessica Osborn; Leadership in Co-Curricular Participation: Sam Crawley, Brian Montanarelli, and Kellin Ramage; and Leadership in Community Building and Service: Ellen Hisken, Molly Murphy, and Tierney Vial. These students received pins from Sr. Joyce Cox, Superintendent of Catholic Schools at the ceremony. They will receive certificates after the prayer service tomorrow.

NOTICE TO SEVENTH GRADE PARENTS. A letter to all 7th grade parents is enclosed. This is regarding your involvement in the 8th grade graduation awards dinner. Please let Susan Tonto know how you can help. Thank you.

FIELD DAY. Mark your calendars for May 26th. Hiawatha Park has been reserved for us for the day. Permission Slips were sent home with the students last week. Please return them by May 15 as the students will be walking to Hiawatha Park. Each class has its own color. The eighth graders are coordinating the events! We are all looking forward to a fun day! **NEEDED:** two portable basketball hoops to use for the day. Please contact Mrs. Hanford at 937-7255 X227 if you have a hoop we could borrow.

USED UNIFORM SALE AND EXCHANGE We'll have our end of school blow out sale on Wednesday, May 31 from 5:30-6:30PM in the convent library. Now is the time to stock up before school starts again in the fall!

HOLY ROSARY PARISH PICNIC AND FUN RUN is June 17th, at Lincoln Park. There's something for everyone: a 3K Fun Run, kids' 100 yd. dash, BINGO, water balloon toss, three legged race, pie baking contest, hotdogs, hamburgers, more great picnic food, and a raffle with great prizes. The run starts at 11:30 and the tents come down at 2:30. For more information contact John Slee @ 206-226-0009.

THANK YOU TO THE AUCTION CLEAN UP CREW: Steve Bendzak, Patrick Blayney, Ashley Brett, Teresa Brett, Renato Canto, Suzanne Cullers, Betty Golubiec, Mark Golubiec, Aaron Grassley, Jack Halpin, Dennis Klem, Jeff Larsen, Colleen Gants, Brian McGaughey, Alan Mulkey, Alexei Oro (father), Alexei Oro (son), Christine Oro, Lisa Roach, Eric Roszkowski, David Scanlan, Don Stoll, Kathleen Stoll, Paul Tenge, Michele Wallace, and Nancy Wickler, Don & Kathleen Stoll.

NUMBERS HELP! Looking for a parent with an accounting or bookkeeping background willing to volunteer to help with a simple school-related project. Minimal time, very simple accounting, company car (just kidding)! Please call (206/949-6763) or email (cascademalley@comcast.net). Thanks. Pat Malley

BISHOP BLANCHET HIGH SCHOOL BASKETBALL HOOP SHOOTING CAMP will take place July 13 -15 for boys and girls entering 6th through 12th grades. Registration forms are available in the Holy Rosary school office. For more information contact Greg Turcott at gturcott@blanchet.k12.wa.us

SEATTLE LUTHERAN HIGH SCHOOL SUMMER SPORTS CAMPS for boys and girls entering grades 5-8. Basketball: June 26-June 30, Volleyball: July 17-20 and Cheer: July 10-12. Registration forms can be picked up at Seattle Lutheran High School or downloaded from their website at www.seattlelutheran.org. For more information call (206) 937-7722 ext. 22.

SUMMER ART CAMPS – Please see the enclosed goldenrod flyer about some exciting summer art camps held at Alki Bathhouse Studio. Space is limited so call 206-684-7430.

INCLUDED IN THIS FCE:

- 2006-2007 School Calendar (blue)
- Parent Survey (lilac)
- Parent's Club April Meeting Minutes
- Parent's Club May Meeting Agenda (bright green)
- Letter to 7th Grade Parents (7th graders only) (turquoise)
- Track and Field Update
- Summer Art Camps at Alki Bathhouse Art Studio Flyer (orange)

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- Free Dress Day , May 12, Friday (Tierney Vial, Principal for the Day)
- Grade 8 to Lincoln Park, May 15, Monday
- Talent Show Dress Rehearsals K-4, Lunch Time – Lanigan Gym
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- Band Festival at JFK – May 17, 7:00PM
- Parents' Club – May 18, School Hall followed by Art Walk
- Talent Show – May 19 – K-4 -9:30AM; 5-8 – 1:30PM in the Gym
- Holy Communion – May 20, 10:00AM in the Church; Reception to Follow

REGISTRATION IS DUE NEXT FRIDAY, MAY 19. THANK YOU.