



SCHOOL NEWS

Holy Rosary School Family Communication Newsletter

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"Gratitude unlocks the fullness of life. It turns what we have into enough, and more. It turns denial into acceptance, chaos into order, confusion to clarity...Gratitude makes sense of our past, brings peace for today, and creates a vision for tomorrow." Melody Beattie

CONGRATULATIONS CLASS OF 2006. We are proud of your achievements and look forward to the celebrations to honor all of you!

Robert Blatner, Neil Bonn, Julia Bowers, Emily Cain, Connor Caragol, Eric Cascio, Kelly Clarke, Gino Clement, Emma Day, Katrina Di Obilda, John Doty, Timothy Duffy, Allison Fina, Reilyn Garton, Rachel Gary, Jordan Glidden, Camille Hair, Claire Heflin, Kyle Helle, Kyle Johnson, Matthew Kane, Lindsey Kelly-Huff, Mary Killeen, Andrea Klem, Jordan Koszarek, Casey Lewis, Christian MacMillan, Declan Malley, Cameron Mar, Josephine McFaul, Chelsea McLean, Tyler McMurtry, Andrea McNaughton, John Miller, Lisa Montgomery, Drew O'Donoghue-McDonald, Natasha O'Rourke-Perry, Cassie Padon, Eric Parks, Alex Peterson, Erin Phelan, Jeff Piaquadio, Cassie Pless, Karissa Ponischil, Elliott Price, Nora Reigle, Matt Rush, Brian Simmons, Camille Stewart, Lisa Tarabochia, Paul Tenge, Ali Thiel, Alexandria Welling.

We extend a huge thank you to **Ms. Ochs and Mr. Mohrbacher and all of the junior high teachers** for their wonderful work with the 8th graders. The Baccalaureate Mass will be Saturday at 5:00PM, followed by an Awards Dinner. Graduation is Thursday, June 8, at 7:00PM. All are welcome to the graduation.

A MESSAGE FROM THE ENDOWMENT BOARD The Endowment Board would like to let you know how the Father James Mallahan Endowment Fund has fared this school year. It has had \$18,895 in contributions from the school and parish since July of 2005. The golf tournament, at present our largest fundraiser for the Endowment, contributed \$10,003. As of April 30th, the value of the Endowment was \$1,113,319.97!!! At the end of June the Endowment will have contributed \$37,500 to the school's operating budget, to be slotted for tuition assistance. Thank you for your continued support to this long term investment for the perpetuity of Holy Rosary School. This is just one tool to help keep tuition down! Thank you from The Endowment Board.

"A NOTE OF THANKS TO PARENTS" As the summer fast approaches, we want to let you know how much your patience and participation has meant to all of us on the *Our Faith, Our Future Campaign*. We realize that, as parents, you have many roles to play and commitments to fulfill in our community. With your help, as of today we have reached 2.1 million in pledges, making us believe it will be possible to remodel our parish center and address the additional needs of the school and church in time for our upcoming 100 year anniversary, or at least begin the work! As the summer fast approaches, where will we go from here? Volunteers will take a break this summer, but campaign leadership will continue working in the background. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to call either of us at any time. We would welcome your ideas and input. We are looking forward to a bright future and working with Father John this fall as we strategize how to reach our goal of 3.5 million successfully. Thank you for being a big part in achieving nearly two thirds of our goal so far and thank you especially for your understanding as so many funding drives have converged on all of us this spring. Sharon Huling, Campaign Chair and Mary Rose and Michael Blatner, Campaign Honorary Chairs

SHHH! WE'RE SURPRISING TONY. In honor of Tony Dortero's retirement from Holy Rosary we are planning a surprise assembly on **Tuesday, June 6** at 2:00pm in the School Hall. The theme of the assembly is **"Honoring Tony for the Many Hats He's Worn"**. In addition to presenting a song, poem, skit, etc. each class will present Tony with a keepsake hat! We would also like to send him off with a check for his upcoming trip to Europe. We are hoping that each child can contribute \$1.00-\$5.00 towards this gift. Please send contributions in an envelope marked Tony. If you write a check, please make it out to Holy Rosary. Parents are invited to join us on June 6 – please mark your calendars! Thank you so much

BOGO BOOK FAIR. The "Buy one – Get one FREE" book fair will continue through Tuesday afternoon, June 6. This is a great opportunity to stock up for those lazy summer days of reading, upcoming birthday parties, or to donate a Birthday Book to the Library. There are books for adults, preschoolers, beginning readers, chapter books, young adults, nonfiction, reference books, truly something for everyone. Stop by and get into the BOGO spirit.

2006-2007 TUITION COUPON BOOKS are enclosed in this FCE. If you have not received your Registration Papers, please call the school office. If you have received your registration papers, but have not turned them in, please do so as soon as possible.

SUMMER LEARNING PROGRAMS. Two programs for students will be on display as of Tuesday, May 30th in the school office providing educational activities throughout the summer. Samples for your review and order forms will be available to parents (*Summer Bridges Activities K-8* and *Summer Vacation K-6*.)

SUMMER FUNDRAISING HOURS. The Magazine Drive has several super secret projects for next fall's drive that you can do at home this summer... mindless, yet satisfying work!. We are also looking for couple of teams of 2-3 people each to assist in the hallway, room, and outdoor display the week before school and on the Turn in Tuesday (EARLY mornings and afternoons). We welcome you to **CONNECT** (that's a hint!) to the Magazine Drive and volunteer! Email Jody at shields.jody@comcast.net or call 933-8920.

MARK YOUR SUMMER CALENDAR FOR JULY 15th and 16th as we welcome our new pastor, Father John Madigan, for his first weekend Mass at Holy Rosary Parish. We hope your family will be able to attend one of the services and join the parish to celebrate his arrival to our community.

Plan to stay after mass for refreshments and socializing! A Transition Team has been assembled to orient and welcome Father John and to facilitate in the communication with the community at large. You can learn more about Father John, the transition process, and upcoming events in the weeks ahead by visiting our website at <http://www.holyrosaryws.org/Transition/>.

HRS ART NEWS. Great News!! Tully's Coffee has graciously offered to show the HRS Art Walk selected cityscapes done by our 6th graders beginning Thursday, June 14th at their Alki store. They will be hosting an Open House for the art work from 6:00 – 8:00PM that evening. There will be cookies and treats for the kids. Please come and support our artists and Tully's! The art will be on display through the summer, so come and enjoy this wonderful community event. On another note, Tully's Coffee does offer gift cards (a minimum of \$5.00 each, but are reloadable) that can be personalized for businesses or individuals. If designated, Holy Rosary School can receive 10% of the total order. If you are interested, please contact Sandy Rottler at 206-935-6220. This is a great way to thank loyal customers, employees, and family members for any occasion, while benefiting the school.

WESTFEST UPDATES: A **HUGE** thank you to **Linda Winter** for volunteering to chair the blow up rides. Wanted: Co-chair for set up and take down. Wanted: Chair for the face painting/tattoo booth. Looking for someone who would like to organize a kids' craft table. Next WestFest Meeting: Wednesday, June 7, 7:00PM, Convent Dining Room. Check out the pictures on the website of some of the cool blow up rides we will have: <http://www.westfest.holyrosaryws.org/> WestFest Contacts: Jeanne Marie Butterworth, bworth@pacifier.com and Jodi Sherwood, jodi.Sherwood@comcast.net

FATHER/DAUGHTER GLOW BOWL If you are interested in chairing this event, please contact Jill Fulmore at jtfulmore@comcast.net.

CYO NEWS. **CYO Uniforms** – All of our sports are done for the year, please return any uniforms that you have laying around the house. We'll have a box in the office for the next two weeks. **CYO Soccer News** – That's right, it's time to think about soccer in September. Registration forms are in this week's FCE. Please have them returned by the end of the school year. We need to plan and register our teams over the summer. The best way to insure that your player is on a team is to register now. We are very grateful to have **Mary Kay Sposari** as our soccer coordinator for this fall. She is going to build on the fine job that Bob Patten has done the last few years in growing the program to unprecedented numbers, new uniforms, and equipment. The program owes Bob a big Thank You! **Soccer Coaches Needed** – we cannot run the soccer program without coaches. We do not want to scramble in late August / early September. We expect about 200 Holy Rosary athletes will want to represent the parish on a soccer team. Please help by marking down your interest in coaching on your athlete's registration form. The coaches' meeting will be the first week in August. **CYO sports program** - our Cross Country, Soccer, Basketball, Volleyball, Baseball and Track teams all grew in participation this year. We won class championships in cross country and track and competed for the city championships in all the other sports. We could not have done this without the participation of our great group of athletes and their coaches. Speaking for all of the athletes, we want to express our

deepest gratitude to our parents for bringing us to practice and cheering at our games, to the coaches for the collective hundreds of hours spent with us, and to the organizers making this work behind the scenes. Thank you to everyone for a spectacular sporting year! **TRACK NEWS** Congratulations to the Holy Rosary 5th grade girls track team. This group of talented and speedy young women won the CYO Team Championship this spring. Way to go - Maddie Cavanaugh, Michaela Carew, Emily Diedrich, Abby Keyser, Katie Kipp, Samantha Murphy, Cozette Padon, Riley Ramage and Emily Suhudolnik.

YOUTH VOLUNTEER CORPS. A program of Camp Fire USA engages youth ages 11-18 around King County in service opportunities that meet community needs, and are educational, challenging and fun. We offer FREE opportunities for young people to volunteer on one-day, one week, and two week long projects over the summer. If you are interested in this community-based service learning program you can contact the YVC office at (206) 461-8550. There is information available in the school office.

BABYSITTER AVAILABLE. Elizabeth Jerge would love to provide child care for your children. Please call (206) 321-9683.

INCLUDED IN THIS FCE:

- 2006-2007 Payment Coupon Book (turquoise)
- Elementary Band 2006-2007 Registration Form for Grades 4-7 (yellow)
- Holy Rosary Parish Mass Survey Results
- CYO 2006 Soccer Registration Form

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- Book Fair Begins – Today, June 1 (continues through June 6)
- Knitting Elective to St. Philomena's School - Thurs, June 1
- School Commission Meeting – Thurs., June 1, 6:00PM – Staff Room
- 5B Bowling Party – Friday, June 2, 1:30PM – WS Bowling Alley
- Baccalaureate Mass and Awards Dinner, Sat., June 3, 5:00PM
- First Grade Field Trip to Woodland Park Zoo – Mon., June 5
- Book Fair Ends – Tues., June 6th
- Eighth Grade Fun Day – Coulon Beach, Wed., June 7th
- Seventh Grade Art Elective to EMP – Thurs., June 8th
- Eighth Grade Graduation, in the Church – Thurs., June 8th
- Kindergarten Graduation – Fri., June 9th