

SCHOOL NEWS

Holy Rosary School Family Communication Newsletter

June 7, 2007

On behalf of all the teachers and staff, I want to express our heartfelt gratitude for another wonderful year. We appreciate everything our parents do for us and we are proud of the achievements and accomplishments of our students. We hope that your vacation time will be rich in many blessings and laced with restful and relaxing moments. Remember the Parish Celebration this Sunday, June 10, beginning at 12:30 in Lanigan Gym. A light lunch will be served and a history of our parish will be shown. Thank you to Michael Go for putting together the history presentation. Congratulations to Fr. John on his 33rd Anniversary and completing his first year at Holy Rosary. The Parish Picnic and Fun Run will be in Lincoln Park on Saturday, July 16 beginning at 11:30am. See announcement in this FCE for further details about the picnic. School dismisses at noon on Thursday, June 14, and it is a free dress day for all. Friday, June 15, is a "dress up nice" day for everyone; please join us for our final school Mass, which begins at 8:45am. Students will be dismissed from school at around 10:00am. This is the final FCE. Again, THANK YOU, and may this summer be filled with sunshine and happiness!

CONGRATULATIONS 8TH GRADERS! Graduation is tonight at 7:00PM in the Church. A reception follows in Lanigan Gym. Thank you to the sixth and seventh grade parents for organizing and hosting the reception and dance.

CONGRATULATIONS KINDERGARTEN - CLASS OF 2015. Kindergarten graduation is tomorrow, Friday, June 8, at 10:00am in the School Hall. We are proud of how much each of you has grown this year and look forward to seeing you next year in first grade! Congratulations to: Megan Acarregui, Falen Asres, Shawna Brett, Madellynne Brown, Kevin Chen, Emma Connell, Nicholas Cooper, Zoe Cullers, Chloe Dahleen, Emma Dahleen, Hannah Dahleen, Elijah Dever, William Douglas, Tanner Eldredge, Catherine Evans, Laurel Gary, Faith Gudgel, Timothy Guppy, Bryn Halpin, Natalie Halpin, Hunter Hammington, Maia Heffernan, William Hernandez, Gabriella Jeakle, Annabel Logan, Lawrence Lorbiecki, William McGaughey, Leah McIntyre, Kevin Merz, Kayla Mosher, Walker Nelson, Jennifer Newman, Sydney Page, Alexander Palermo-Wylde, Joseph Pare, Isable Peterson, Spencer Robel, Robert Salle, Samantha Schrantz, Jack Summers, Kenji Suzuki, Marissa Tweedy, Savannah Waltier, Kaysha White, Andrew Witsoe, and Grace Witsoe. Congratulations, too, and thank you to our kindergarten teachers: Mrs. Christina Clarke and Mrs. Gretchen Hedman and to their assistants, Mrs. Janice Isner and Mrs. Kathleen Everett.

PARENT COMMITMENT HOUR PROGRAM: Enclosed in this FCE are Parent Commitment Hour Quarterly Statements for families who have turned in hours for the 2007 - 2008 school year. The Parent Commitment Hour year runs from 3/1/07 - 2/29/08. Any uncompleted hours will be invoiced to you at a rate of \$75.00 per hour. Please remember only adult (over 18) family members may contribute to a families hours. Please take a moment to look at the Family Handbook for more information on the Parent Commitment Hour Program. Hours completed from 3/1/07-6/1/07 are included on this statement. If you did not receive a statement in your

FCE, we have not received hours from your family and your hours are posted as zero. Any hours recently turned in will be included on your next statement.

NEED VOLUNTEER HOURS? We will need someone to launder the health room sheets and pillow cases next year. This is a once a week job! If you are interested please call Peggy in the school office @ 937-7255. Thanks so much to **Dorinda McClure-Payne** for her years of service keeping our health room clean!

OTHER HEALTH ROOM NEWS. We also say good-bye to Terry Swanson, our health room nurse for the past several years. We all know Terry went above and beyond the call of duty! Terry has been training Patricia McBrien for the last couple of months to take over this job. We welcome Patricia and thank Terry profusely!

<u>SUMMER IS HERE!</u> I am currently arranging and coordinating for various projects to be performed at Holy Rosary School in the coming months. If you would like to log some volunteer hours, please either call leave your name and phone number at (206) 937-1488 (ext. 229), or email me at sstoefen@holyrosaryws.org, subject "Summer Work". Thank you! Scott Stoefen, Plant Manager

B.A.S.E. PARENTS. Please send in June Calendars with payment. Only twelve families have sent back completed registration forms; please remember there is a \$20.00 registration fee per family.

THE HOLY ROSARY PARISH PICNIC AND FUN RUN is June 16th in Lincoln Park. We have something for everyone at the picnic: The Madigan Mile Fun Run and a kids' 100 yard dash, bingo, water balloon toss, three legged race, pie baking contest, hotdogs, hamburgers, other picnic foods and a raffle with many great prizes. The run starts at 11:30 and the tent will come down at 2:30. If you can help, please contact John Slee @ (206) 226-0009 or j.slee@comcast.net.

<u>LIGHTS! CAMERA! ACTION!</u> The 2006-2007 yearbook was handed out today. A big thanks goes to our incredible 8th grade staff who created and produced the entire yearbook. There are a few extra yearbooks available for those who did not order one in January. Please come to Ms. DeFeo's room after school on Friday or next week to buy one. Yearbooks are \$20 (checks or cash accepted). A big THANK YOU to **Mrs. Michelle DeFeo** for your work and time organizing and working with the yearbook staff!

<u>CONGRATULATIONS</u> to Rocco Buty, Riley Duffy, Andrew Grueter, Sam Gubelman, Alex Kane, Tyler McAllister, Dylan Moorleghen, and Spencer Schulz for earning the highest award in Cub Scouts, the Arrow of Light. It took two years for these young men to complete the requirements for earning the Arrow of Light, and they did much more than was required of them. All eight boys will be joining Boy Scout Troop 282 this week and they are excited to continue the fun, adventure, and challenge that awaits them. We know they'll do their best!

GARDEN STONE – BREAST CANCER 3-DAY FUNDRAISER. We are holding one of our garden stone fundraisers this coming Saturday between 2 and 5 p.m. There is still space available for you and/or your child to have some fun and create beautiful garden ornaments for your flowerbeds! Cost: \$20 – 7" round or \$25 – 11" round. Contact one of us to sign up or for more information. Too busy this weekend? We'll be creating more fun on June 23 1-4 p.m. Cheryl 932-4635, cfehlen@comcast.net or Alex 932-2390, fivegardners@msn.com

FINAL TIPS FROM THE ART ROOM. Instruction in the art room will be ending shortly, but education in the arts doesn't end there! I am writing this little blurb to encourage all families to include the arts in your summer plans. As you know, two fabulous new facilities for viewing and interacting with art have opened in our community in the past few months. If you haven't spent time at the Olympic Sculpture Park or the new Seattle Art Museum, I highly recommend a visit to both this summer. I know your kids will enjoy both venues as they definitely know how to view and talk about most all kinds of art now. I suggest arranging a docent-led tour for the sculpture garden. A tour takes an hour or so. The volunteer docents usually feature about 6-8 works. My seventh and eighth graders really appreciated the docents and their insights. After the tour, you can explore on your own, picnic or just enjoy the ambiance of the park. The new SAM is an excellent experience for kids. I especially enjoyed the Modern Art on the second floor, but to be honest, I didn't get much farther than that in my one visit after school one evening. I know the kids will love the Ford Taurus work in the lobby. It's incredible! And remember, art is all around us. Look for it in tide pools, sunsets, sidewalk chalk and mountain hikes. Have a great summer exploring the arts. Ms Curran

MAGAZINE LOOK AHEAD! Here are a few notes for next year's drive. We will no longer be able to accommodate unlisted magazines. While this is sad news as it is about \$8,000 of our sales, is very exciting that our magazine rep has agreed to increase our profit from 51% to 52 ½% so that our school won't miss the funds. It is fun to keep our sales growing so we'll have to turn of the up selling skills and ask customers to try alternatives! Also, we have 800 order graduating this year...but NOT TO WORRY... now that we've CONNECTED ...we can BUILD on it! (That's a hint!) We will try to have family packets ready in the office as soon as the catalogs are available if you would like to get a jump on the orders this year and don't forget the online ordering for quicker delivery and service. They've made some great progress on the website. Check for updates on the school website as well.

MAGAZINE DRIVE LEADERSHIP VOLUNTEERS NEEDED! It is time to start transitioning leadership of the Magazine Drive! I hope to remain active in this fundraiser but Mary and I need to delegate some manageable pieces away. If you are interested in "kicking it up! A notch please contact me! A few areas would be Turn-In Day/Reporting Director (numbers-oriented, know excel, Tuesday AM and at home work), Prize Director, Assembly/Excitement helper (student rallies) and Decorations. Work with me this year to see if this if for you. All of your hours will be complete by October and it is great fun! Call Jody at 933-8920.

<u>THE HAUNTED HOUSE</u> is in need of terrific, fun, dependable parents who can add to the mystery of this fun WestFest attraction. If you enjoy a good time, hamming it up, and scaring unsuspecting souls... you've found a good place to earn your fund-raising volunteer hours. We'll begin planning for the next Haunted House before school ends, so please contact Mike Grueter at (206) 938-3563 or mgrueter@mac.com if you would like to help plan or build the sets, acquire props, make costumes, decorate, or help brainstorm scary ideas.

WASHINGTON'S CHILD RESTRAINT LAW will change on June 1, 2007 to require: Children under 13 years old be transported in the back seat where it is practical to do so. Children up to their 8th birthday, unless they are 4'9" tall (57 inches), be transported in an appropriate child restraint system. (For example a child car seat, booster seat, vest, or other restraint that is federally approved for use in the car.) The restraint system must be used correctly according to the car seat AND vehicle manufacturer's instructions. Vehicles equipped with lap-only seat belts are exempt from the requirement to use a booster seat. Children 8-years of age or at least 4'9"

who wear a seat belt MUST use it correctly (never under the arm or behind the back) or continue to use a booster.

<u>SUMMER BRAIN CAMP OPPORTUNITY.</u> This program helps to build strong study skills and is available for all students grades 7-12. Prepare your child for success in school. You can learn more about this camp at www.study-dynamics.com. The camp will take place this August at Eastside Catholic High School from August 6-9; at John F. Kennedy High School, Bellevue Christian, and Villa Academy from August 13-16; Forest Ridge School and King's Schools from August 20-23; and at Study Dynamics in Edmonds from August 27-30. If you have any questions please call (206) 533-2080 or e-mail studydynamics@gmail.com.

EXCITING NEWS FOR CYO SOCCER PLAYERS. HRS and CYO will be holding a special soccer pre-season training session under the guidance of some very experienced soccer coaches. Players will be learning foot skills, fine tuning basic skills, working on fitness and becoming more passionate about the game of soccer. This will be the week of August 20th. The location and times are yet to be determined but will be given to you through your team's coach very soon.

LOOKING FOR COACHES. We are in need of coaches for CYO soccer in the fall for the 6th grade girls and boys teams. This is a great opportunity to dust off your cleats and get back onto the soccer field and lead a wonderful team of players to the playoffs for their first time. Questions? Please call Mary Kay Sposari (206) 937-1831.

<u>CYO SOCCER REGISTRATIONS DUE JUNE 13.</u> If you haven't already done so, please send in your registrations this week. As a reminder, the first games for grades 4th through 8th begin the first Saturday after school resumes and the following week for grades 1st through 3rd. Coaches typically like to begin practicing in August so look forward to hearing from them over the summer.

THE KENNEDY USED BOOK SALE WILL BE HELD ON JUNE 16TH FROM 9AM TO 11AM. Please inform your graduating 8th graders/incoming Kennedy High School freshmen that this is a chance to purchase their textbooks at a discounted price. The Used Book Sale will be held in the basement of C-Wing of the Kennedy building with plenty of signs and friendly volunteers to direct them there.

FOURTH OF JULY KIDS PARADE. Celebrate the 4th of July by bringing your family and friends to the 14th Annual FOURTH OF JULY KIDS PARADE. Decorate wagons, bikes, and trikes and join this old-fashioned kids parade. All are welcome. The Seattle Motorcycle Police and Fire Department will lead the parade starting at 10:30AM at the 1100 block of 44th Ave. SW (corner of 44th and Sunset). The parade itself is an easy ½ mile through neighborhood streets. Following the parade, enjoy the fun and games in Hamilton Viewpoint Park. Bring a blanket and some lunch (leaving room for treats from the Bake Sale concession stand). Would anyone be interested in bringing some water balloons or helping with the event? If so, please call Sherri Chun at 937-6017 or sherri.chun@att.net. This is a word of mouth parade so please tell your friends! See you there

5th ANNUAL FATHERS' DAY ANTIQUE CAR SHOW is on Sunday, June 17, 2007 from 2-3:30pm come celebrate with family and friends at Providence Mount Saint Vincent 4831 35th Ave SW – 2nd Floor Patio. Awards for your favorite car, raffle prizes and more.

TEAM KATY BEAT THE BRIDGE UPDATE- Thank you for supporting me in my efforts to raise money for diabetes research. Team Katy raised over \$5000, and we all beat the bridge! Thanks again for helping in the search to find a cure for this disease.

<u>MUSIC LESSONS WITH MICHAEL CROUSE</u>. Guitar, Bass, and Vocal instruction.. All styles. Over 20 years experience. Beginners to advanced. Have fun learning your favorite songs! Call 206-937-5884.

SUMMER CHILDCARE. Summer vacation is right around the corner and many are scrambling to arrange summer childcare. The purpose of this announcement is to inform you that Louis B. Bentley III, the B.A.S.E. art teacher, was graciously given the opportunity to provide a solution. June 25th through August 31st, I will be hosting a summer activities program at B.A.S.E. that will be open to any student of Holy Rosary School. The basic structure of the program will consist of a full day fun activities for \$30.00 per student, which includes snack. In addition, we will be going on an outing every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday to some of Seattle's more popular attractions, such as the Aquarium, Children's Museum, or Alki Beach to name a few.(Further costs may apply) On Tuesdays and Thursdays we will have arts and crafts, movies, or games. If this sounds like something that might be of interest to your family feel free to stop by the B.A.S.E. art room in Lanigan Monday thru Friday from 2:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. by June 15th or call (206) 937-1488 ext. 228 for more information. However, due to the lack of staffing space is limited, so enrollment will be accepted on a first come first serve basis. Sincerely, Louis B. Bentley

INCLUDED IN THIS FCE: (white unless otherwise stated)

- ∞ CYO Summer Camp Flyer
- ∞ September Hot Lunch Calendar and Order Form
- ∞ Skyhawks Sports Camps Information and Registration
- ∞ SWAC Football Flyer
- ∞ The Kenney Flyer (neon pink)

UPCOMING EVENTS AND IMPORTANT DATES:

- ∞ 8th Grade Graduation, Thursday, June 7, 7:00pm Holy Rosary Church; Reception following in Lanigan Gym
- ∞ Parish Celebration, Fr. John's 1st Year at Holy Rosary, Sunday, June 10, 12:30-2:30 Lanigan Gym
- ∞ 1ST Grade Bowling, Tuesday, June 12, 1:00pm 2:30pm
- ∞ 4th Grade History Field Trip, Wednesday, June 13, 8:30am-1:30pm
- NOON DISMISSAL − Free Dress, Thursday, June 14
- LAST DAY OF SCHOOL MASS 8:45AM, Friday, June 15th − DRESS UP DAY DISMISSAL AFTER MASS FROM THE SCHOOL; please join us for Mass!

Summer School Office Hours:

June 18-29: 8:00am - 3:00pm August 6 - 17: 9:00am - 2:00pm August 20-31: 8:00am - 4:00pm