



# SCHOOL NEWS

Holy Rosary School Family Communication Newsletter

April 30, 2009

**“The greatest thing in this world is not so much where we stand, as in what direction we are moving.”** -Johann Wolfgang Von Goethe

Jim Dever was an awesome auctioneer – THE BEST! Thank you to Jim, and also to Bill Leaming, his assistant, for the outstanding job on Saturday night. Once again, the generosity of our wonderful Holy Rosary community was overwhelming. Thank you to Sarah Mackay and all her crew for a fabulous evening. Also thank you to everyone who donated to the Fund-An-Item and Dessert Auction – proceeds go towards more SmartBoards and for tuition assistance. Early results indicate that this year’s auction exceeded the financial goals!

May 1 is “One on One” Day at Holy Rosary! Every dollar helps one of our adopted children in Uganda attend school. Thank you. There are some changes & additions to the May calendar: The Living Rosary, originally scheduled for Thursday, May 7, at 2:15, is moved to Tuesday, May 19, at 2:15. Bingo Night scheduled for Saturday, May 9, is CANCELLED. A bake sale sponsored by our 4<sup>th</sup> grade classes is scheduled for Wednesday, May 13. Each year the 4<sup>th</sup> grade classes hold a bake sale and use the profits to benefit Mercy Corps. May is a busy month!! We hope you have your May calendar posted on your refrigerator.

Patricia McBrien, our school nurse, has some information on the swine influenza that seems to be spreading across our country. Please read her suggestions and please, please remind your children to wash their hands frequently. Also encourage your children not to share food and drink. Scott is treating commonly used services in the school with hospital grade virus killer. In the event Seattle is put on high alert, the school will immediately follow all guidelines. In the meantime, it would be prudent to keep your child home if he/she has any flu symptoms or is coughing or sneezing.

May is Bike Month! Our Green Team is encouraging our students to bike to school as often as possible during the month of May. On May 8 I will be biking to school, not all the way from the Greenlake area, but from a friend’s home in West Seattle. I would love to be joined by as many students and teachers as possible and I will have a special treat for all fellow bikers! So get out those bikes and helmets and plan to bike to school on May 8 and as often as possible in May.

Composting at Holy Rosary officially begins next Monday, thanks to the work of our Green Team and Scott. A representative from Cedar Grove will speak to the students tomorrow morning right after the Prayer Service. After the presentation, representatives from each class will be trained to be the “composting leaders” for our school. Be sure to read the Green Tip in today’s newsletter.

Please keep your prayers and positive thoughts coming as Holy Rosary prepares for a transition. Terry Scanlan spoke at last night’s Parents’ Club meeting and assured people that if the Search Committee does not find a suitable candidate, an interim principal will be named – they will not

settle for anything but the best for Holy Rosary! I thank you for your kind and comforting words during this time of change for me. As I stated in my letter to you, it is with mixed emotion that I make this change. I trust that God's hand is guiding both Holy Rosary and St. Catherine's.

Remember if you are interested in serving a four year term on the School Commission, your application is due into the school office next Thursday, May 7. Applications can be found on the school website or you can pick up one in the school office. Thank you. Questions, call Kris Brown at 927-7255 or any member of the School Commission.

**SCHOOL HEALTH NEWS.** Human cases of swine influenza have been reported in the United States, Mexico and other countries during the past week. This new virus is a hybrid, with genetic elements of swine flu, avian flu, and human flu. There is no vaccine to protect humans against swine flu. Because this is a new strain, seasonal flu shots do not protect people, so good hygiene is important to help prevent the spread of germs. The influenza is spread by coughing, sneezing and unclean hands. The Centers for Disease Control & Prevention (CDC) recommends the following: 1) Cover your nose and mouth with a tissue when you cough or sneeze; 2) If you do not have a tissue; cough or sneeze into your upper sleeve, not your hands.; 3) Put used tissues into the trash; 4) Clean your hands after sneezing or coughing with soap and water. Alcohol-based hand cleaners will work as well, and 5) If you get sick stay home from work or school till you are well and avoid contact with others to keep from infecting them. People cannot get swine flu from eating pork or pork products. If you suspect your child has the flu, call your pediatrician. Anti-viral medication, if taken soon after infection, can shorten the duration of the illness. These medications are effective against swine flu. Below is the link to the CDC swine flu information site that may be used for additional information: [http://www.cdc.gov/swineflu/swineflu\\_you.htm](http://www.cdc.gov/swineflu/swineflu_you.htm)

**2009-2010 REGISTRATION PAPERS** will be sent home next week in the FCE. Please remember that in order to receive these papers, you must be current with all tuition, tithing, and other parent commitment obligations. Also if you are a member of the parish, you must have a new "Parish Stewardship of Treasure" card completed and on file at the parish office. These cards are available at the school or parish office. Questions, please call Jennifer MacDonald at the rectory office at 937-1488, ext. 211 call Peggy Cunningham at the school office at 937-7255.

**AUCTION NEWS!** Items Available to Purchase (all proceeds go towards the HEART Auction)  
Don't miss the chance to get your next two haircuts from Maria Taylor of Belli Capelli Salon while making money for Holy Rosary School. Due to an oversight on our part, this generous donation from the Taylor family did not make it into the auction catalog. Included in this package are two haircuts by Maria (valued at 60.00 each) as well as various Redkin hair products. The first person to stop by the office with a minimum bid of \$150 takes this great package home. CHECK IT OUT! Other fantastic items include: (I have listed the value of these items-we will take the bid that is closest to the value! if you would like to buy anything in support of Holy Rosary you can email Sarah at [oceanskimmer@comcast.net](mailto:oceanskimmer@comcast.net)) Princess Muffy and the Polliwog (\$50), ExOfficio Nomad Women's Nylon Pant (\$65), Kavu Transformer Bag(\$55), Kavu Yubee Polarized Sunglasses (\$69) Leather Wristlet (\$70), Northwest Trek Wildlife Park – Four Passes (\$60), Total Reading Kit (\$50) A Special Package for Mom (pajamas, CDs and a DVD) (\$150), A St. Joseph Statue (\$10), Antique Nvonya (Straits Chinese) Bracelet (\$100), Consultation for In-Home Toxin Assessment (\$150), Microsoft Office One note 2007 (\$150), Safety Net for Tough Times (\$100), Victorian Light Fixture (\$150), Water Wizard Utility Pump (\$125), SW Indian Jewelry (\$135), 2009 Emerald City Kickoff Classic Tickets (\$150), Estate Planning Services (\$1,000), Moen Single-Handle Hot/Cold Sill Faucet (\$150), Visit to Seattle Art Museum for 20 (\$50), Alki Beach Weekend Getaway Package (\$325), Custom Designer Pillows (\$700), Financial Planning (\$555), Freshwater Pearl

Earrings (\$195), Gracie Barra Seattle Kids Program (\$200), K2 Fling Women's Snowboard 155 (\$399), Trust Management Services (\$555), Vietnam Culinary Adventure Kit (\$200), Tulips Nail Salon Gift Certificate (\$30), Charlestown Cafe Gift Certificate (\$40), Family Portrait Package (\$1,500), Pregnancy Portrait Session (\$500), Phone Chat with Romi Dames.... Hannah Montana Star (\$300)

**MORE AUCTION NEWS AND PHOTOS** Thank you for the AMAZING turnout of support for this year's HEART Auction. What a great night with a superb auctioneer who seems to have a potential singing career or maybe acrobatics(Cirque de Soleil watch out)! Thank you Bill Reid aka Skipper for being the Master of Ceremonies!! From the bottom of our hearts we thank everyone for their support, time and energy. Check-out the photos by visiting this link- <http://gallery.me.com/tellitprod/100578> . We successfully sailed to the tropics! Mahalo, Sarah

**THANK YOU ALL, AUCTION DECORATION CREW.** Yet another successful decorated Auction has just cruised by. It wouldn't have been a beautiful tropical setting without many creative and hard working volunteers. I would like to thank everyone that was on that crew. Please take a look at the **many** volunteers who spent *numerous* hours creating, building, painting, and even burning their fingers to cast a beautiful tropical event. And for those who helped with set up and tear down I thank you all as well. **Kathleen Stoll, Decoration Chair Don Stoll, Eric Kuehl, Michele Wallace, Betty Pora, Lisa & Al Bajocich, Sheila Cosgrove & Greg Ridgeway, Brian Christenson, Mark Contratto, Therese Gerrish, Nancy Wickler, Roxanne Gerhardt, Lisa Roach, Chris Hasselbach, Michael Silva, Duane Davis, Frances Mauldin, Kris Whitters, Kay Neal, Kaiti Grassley, Nancy Dennehy, Rise & Paul Pyscher, Kelsey Boys** with the 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> Grd. Art Elective Class creating the surf boards, 6<sup>th</sup> grade class and their Art Life Compass Board Alan Mulkey, Renato Canto, David Tweedy, Gregg Lovell, Gabriella Neske, Wendy Warborg, Stephen Frederickson, Mark Orsen and *friend*, Jillian, Steve and ZuZu Kane, Sherry Chun and Corey, Russ Foisy, Julie & Alan Pham and her bother Danny, Kara Klem, Jonathan Mc Afee, and of course, Sarah Mackay, Chair, Mellissa Tuthill and Scott Stoeffen, our plant manager **Thanks to all for lending us decoration display items Windsurf:** Dan Pisciotta, **Bamboo:** Hinthorns, Hiskin, and Michele Wallace's neighbor **Faux Fire crowns:** Brian Christenson, **Hammock:** Betty Pora, **Coffee burlap bags:** Nancy Wickler's bother from Boyd's Coffee, **Greenery:** Terry Blumer and The Woodland Park Zoo, **Greenery, Coral and clams:** Julie Small with Ben Bridge Jewelry, **Carpet Rolls/trees:** Kevin Sutherland with Commercial Floor Distributors, Inc **Vintage sailing props:** Kay Neal and Chris Hasselbach Please take a look on the Auction web site for photos of the fun event.

**THANK YOU ALL THE FOLDS THAT HELPED MAKE THE SILENT AUCTION LOOK SO GOOD.** The silent auction display team works hard during the last couple of days of before the auction to make sure all items and gift certificates are available for purchase and are merchandised in the most desirable way! To name a few of you...**Nancy Dennehy, Julie McKelvy, Mary Campagnaro, Carol Ann Joyce, Joyce Lingg, Trish Markey, Moorlegghen, Cely Sasonoff, Melissa Tuthill, Rosanne Campagnaro, Virgie Sheldon, Jennifer Halpin, Sarah Mackay, Kati Cunningham, Katie Corl, Kathleen Stoll and Kristin Bentler** this is just to name a few... I know there were many more that just showed up and start helping!!! Thank you. Thanks so much.

**THANK YOU TO THE 2009 HEART AUCTION OFFICE VOLUNTEERS.** Rachel Baker, Brad Carufel, Danette Carufel, Mary Coucoules, Brett Cooper, Susan Cooper, Bob Flennaugh, Derek Logan, Pam Logan, Sampson Tevaseu and Leigh Tevaseu. Together they checked in over 390 live and silent auction guests, entered over 1,000 winning bids and at the end of the evening, checked out over 200 attendees. Special thanks to **Reg Harris** for tech support.

**HR RECEIVES A GRANT FROM B.E.C.U.** We would like to extend a huge THANK YOU to the Boeing Employees Credit Union. Holy Rosary School was selected by B.E.C.U. to receive a grant of \$2500 to support our K-4 math program next year. If you know anyone who works for B.E.C.U., please take the time to extend a thank you! We are so grateful for this generous support. Congratulations to Sarah Dahleen and the Grants Committee for getting one more grant for the school – great job!!

**UGANDA \$1 THIS FRIDAY!** Tomorrow is May 1, and that means it's \$1 on the 1st for Uganda. Remind your student to bring their \$1 into the classroom jar.

**GREEN TIP EARTH DAY POEMS!** Grades K-5 should complete their Earth Day poems by Monday, May 4, if they would like to be considered in the contest. Grades 6-8 poems are due May 15. Winners will receive a prize of Fair Trade chocolate! Teachers have information about the contest if you have questions. Any and all types of poems are welcome. The only rules are that it must be written on the back of a used piece of paper or on some other recycled item, and that you should follow any instructions given by your teacher if this has been done as a classroom project! Have fun! May is Bike Month! This week each child will receive a calendar page to keep track of their bike trips. Information on this great program from Cascade Bicycle will be on the back of the calendar. The idea is to get out of your car and onto a bike when you can. Bike trips to school, work, music lessons, sports practice and elsewhere all count! You can get great exercise, help the earth and earn prizes like reflective tape or a lock for your bike! Safety is always the first step, so be sure your helmet, gloves and route is all in order! If you need help finding a safe route to school, call David Tweedy at 937-0480. Many thanks to Emily Sherwood and her husband Jeremy for arranging the Lettuce Pray seed planting event on Earth Day, and helping the students help the hungry by supporting food banks with this fun event. Special thanks to Jeremy who spent a whole day in the cold drizzle so that all the classes had a chance to participate. A huge thank you also to Pat Heidel, who managed to compost the food waste from the auction before our compost dumpster has been delivered! Thank you to Pat and anyone else who took compost home!

**LOOKING FOR A GREAT WAY TO EARN HOURS FROM HOME?** I am looking for someone to take over the 1% Receipt Program. This is an easy way to earn fundraising hours from home. Start earning your hours now! Please contact Tara Turpen 206 935-0552 taraturpen@msn.com if you are interested.

**DRAMA ELECTIVE NEEDS YOUR HELP.** I am fortunate enough to have found four very willing and able costume designers but now find myself in need of some set assistance! If you have access to large sheets of cardboard (i.e. for moving large pieces of furniture) please donate to our drama cause. I would love to get a group working on sets this weekend so the sooner the better. Also, we need paints for the cardboard. Please contact Darcy McLaughlin at dmclaughlin@holynosaryws.org if you are able to donate either of these items. It would be very much appreciated! Thank you.

**COFFEE FUNDRAISER.** Wasn't the auction great! .....the decorations, the Mojito's, the desserts, the fun of bidding..... But did you try the coffee????????????!! It was donated by Pioneer Coffee, and they are going to continue to help us raise money for our school. For every pound of coffee you (or anyone you know) purchase for your home, office, family, friends, etc.....HRS will get \$3.00!!! Please use the order form available at the school or parish office, or directly at Pioneer's website. <http://www.pioneercoffeeco.com/Home.htm> (click on the school fundraiser link). Coffee orders received by each Monday, will be delivered to the school on

Thursday and sent home with your child! You can create a one-time order, or a recurring weekly or monthly order and it's ground up to your request. During the summer months coffee can be picked up at Pioneer's Alki Café. Pioneer Coffee is not mass produced, so for only \$10.95 a pound you are receiving coffee at its flavor peak! There are many wonderful blends available, for detailed descriptions please take a look at the school website in the coffee fundraiser section. Questions.....contact Michele Wallace at 206-914-1248, or smr3wallace@gmail.com Thanks! ORDER YOUR COFFEE TODAY!

**FALL CLASSIC GOLF TOURNEY.** Saturday September 26th at WSGC <http://golf.holyrosaryws.org/>. Few things in life are as fun as golf.....come be part of putting this great event together. Our first meeting will be at the WSGC clubhouse on 35th Ave SW on Thursday the 30th at 6:30pm. We would love to see some new faces, so come and get involved. The hours you spend on this event will be filled with laughs, and can also work towards your fund raising commitment hours! See you there, Chris Clarke [Clarkeski6@msn.com](mailto:Clarkeski6@msn.com)

**B.A.S.E. SUMMER CAMP.** Are you looking for a summer camp where your child(ren) will feel comfortable and safe, yet have fun? Then BASE is the place to be. BASE is expanding its summer program and is looking for children to fill it. BASE has openings for full-time and part-time children. Additionally, we will accept a certain number of daily drop-ins if you become in need of child care. We have created weekly themes focused on aspects of the Puget Sound, such as Beach Life, Rock'n Science, and Wild, Wild Animals. Field trips, art projects and activities will be part of our summer curriculum. BASE Summer Camp will operate from June 15-August 31<sup>st</sup>. Daily operation will be from 6:45am to 6:00pm. Cost of the camp will be \$175.00 weekly for full-time and \$35.00 a day for part-time. A \$100 deposit is required to save your child's space. The deposit will be used for a City Pass, a t-shirt and a towel for your child. If you want your child to attend BASE Summer Camp please contact Donna Jerge-Nass, at 937-1488 ext 228.

### **Included in this FCE: (white unless otherwise stated)**

- 🕒 Coffee Fundraising Form (download)

### **UPCOMING EVENTS AND IMPORTANT DATES:**

- 🕒 ITBS Testing Grade K-7 – continues through, Friday, May 8 – No WASL test this year at Holy Rosary
- 🕒 Prayer Service led by our Kindergarten Classes – Friday, May 1, 8:30am in the School Hall
- 🕒 Grade 5 Outdoor Education at Camp Seymour, Monday May 4 through Wednesday, May 6
- 🕒 Grade 2 to Pioneer Farm, Tuesday, May 5
- 🕒 Honor Band Tour, Tuesday, May 5
- 🕒 Talent Show Auditions, Tuesday, May 5 and Wednesday, May 6 – Lunch Times
- 🕒 School Commission Meeting, Thursday, May 7, 6:00pm – Staff Room
- 🕒 Grade 8 to Lincoln Park, Friday, May 8
- 🕒 Grade 4 to Log House Museum, Friday, May 8
- 🕒 Jog-a-thon for Juvenile Diabetes in Health and Fitness, Monday May 4 through Friday, May 8
- 🕒 BINGO night – Saturday, May 9, CANCELLED