

SCHOOL NEWS

Holy Rosary School Family Communication Newsletter

March 24, 2011

Dear Holy Rosary Community:

We are happy to report that our 18 month-long school accreditation process has been successfully completed! The visiting team from the Western Catholic Education Association approved our self-study and resulting six year Action Plan, identifying all of our processes and practices as being in the "Highly Effective" or "Effective" range. The team expressed this in a prelude to the full report:

"We, the Visiting Committee, wish to commend you, the pastor, administration, faculty, staff, parents, and student body of Holy Rosary School for working together to make the school a loving, caring and learning environment...We experienced a community where everyone is striving to provide a Catholic environment where quality education is a priority."

The findings in each of the areas of the accreditation report were as follows:

1. Involvement of Shareholders in Completing Self Study:

"Effective"

2. Use of Prior Accreditation Findings:

"Highly effective"

3. Assessment of the School's Catholic Identity:

"Highly effective"

4. Defining the School's Purpose:

"Highly effective"

5. Organization for Student Learning:

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"Highly effective: strong commitment to the school's academic goals through training, recruiting and retaining of exceptional staff"

6. Data Analysis:

"Effective in using educationally sound assessment processes to collect, disaggregate and analyze student performance data"

7. SLEs/Standards-Based Curriculum:

"Effective in providing challenging, comprehensive and relevant curriculum for students"

8. Instructional Methodology to Support High Achievement:

"Highly effective in integrating Catholic values throughout the curriculum, in use of research-based instructional techniques to improve student learning, and integration of technology into the teaching/learning process"

9. Support for Student Spiritual, Personal, and Academic Growth:

"Highly effective in providing multiple services, resources, and activities to help students achieve at high levels both during and after school"

10. Resource Management/Development:

"Highly effective in developing, implementing, and monitoring a financial management system which reflects sound financial practices and responsible stewardship"

11. Action Plan

"Highly effective in identifying realistic goals that will positively impact student learning. The school community works hard, collaborates well and is committed to academic excellence. We encourage you to continue building the spirit of collaboration and community that is so evident throughout the school."

12. Capacity to Implement and Monitor the Action Plan

"Highly effective: The plan is ambitious, far-reaching, comprehensive and well aligned. It will positively impact the growth of student achievement. The visiting team sees no impediments to accomplishing it."

Congratulations to all of you reading this for your many contributions to the positive outcome of our accreditation. Finally, I'd like to request your help in ensuring a similar positive outcome for our upcoming Holy Rosary Auction. We have been blessed with a tremendous team who has been working hard to put on a very special Hollywood-themed production ("Lights, Camera, Auction!"). We would like to once again see all of our tables sold out and an enthusiastic crowd on the night of Saturday, April 9th. Purchase your tickets now to ensure a spot, and please look for additional announcements and emails in the coming weeks!

Dr. Randal Peters

Please read the following letter from Fr. John concerning our principal search.

The selection process for a Catholic School Principal.

Since the school is a mission of the parish the pastor is ultimately responsible for hiring the principal. However, the schools office at the Archdiocese has well defined procedures in place, and they walk through the process with us. They are as invested as we are in making sure that the best result possible occurs.

I have selected a cross section of parent representatives to serve as the search committee, first someone from School Commission and Parents Club -- people who will be working closely with the Principal. I added people from a variety of other backgrounds so that we have parents of children in every grade except eight, who will be leaving the school; male and female in equal numbers; different ethnic backgrounds; working Moms and stay at home Dads; extroverted and introverted. While I have included some non-Catholic parents, the group is connected to church since our overall mission is that we are a Catholic and not a private school. I am certain that every parent would gladly be involved since every parent is deeply invested in their child's education, and we will be asking for your input to help prioritize the job qualifications.

The search committee is currently reviewing applicants who have been approved by the Archdiocese for their qualifications, experience and competence. Interviews are being scheduled. The Assistant Superintendent for Personnel from the Catholic Schools Department will sit in on interviews and offer guidance as requested. The committee will recommend finalist candidates to me who, upon my approval, will be invited for a school visit which includes time for interaction with the faculty and an opportunity for the faculty to provide their feedback regarding the candidates. While I will participate in the interviews, the formal process is for the search committee to make their recommendation to me and for me to make the final decision, offer the position and announce our new principal.

Every parent is asked to pray for us in this task that we select the best fit for our school and that we will have a seamless transition in our school. Thank you for your patient and prayerful support. LIGHTS, CAMERA, AUCTION! ONLINE RESERVATIONS AVAILABLE THROUGH MONDAY, MARCH 28TH. DON'T MISS YOUR CHANCE TO HIT THIS SEASON'S "MUST SEE" GUEST LIST

LIGHTS, CAMERA, AUCTION! RESERVATION SPECIALISTS ARE ACCEPTING TICKET PURCHASES FOR THROUGH MONDAY 3/28. THIS IS THE NIGHT THAT WE COME TOGETHER AS COMMUNITY TO SHINE THE SPOTLIGHT ON HOLY ROSARY SCHOOL AND KIDS AND IN THE MEANTIME, HAVE A WHOLE LOT OF FUN! THIS YEAR TICKETS ARE AVAILABLE ONLINE THROUGH THE HEART AUCTION WEBSITE. JUST CLICK ON "TICKETS" TO MAKE YOUR PURCHASE TODAY! IF YOU ARE PURCHASING SINGLE, OR COUPLE TICKET(S), AND WISH TO BE SEATED WITH ANOTHER GUEST, OR GROUP, PLEASE INDICATE THE PARTY IN THE "COMMENTS" FIELD.

GROUP TICKETS CAN ALSO BE PURCHASED THROUGH THE ONLINE RESERVATIONS SYSTEM. WHEN PURCHASING MORE THAN 2 TICKETS ONLINE PLEASE NOTE THE ADDITIONAL GUESTS AND THEIR MEAL SELECTIONS IN THE "COMMENTS" BOX. CASH OR CHECK WILL WORK TOO! IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO PURCHASE YOUR TICKETS WITH CASH OR CHECK SIMPLY TURN YOUR RSVP CARD IN TO THE SCHOOL OFFICE.

NEED HELP? CONTACT AUCTION RESERVATIONS AT <u>AUCTION</u>-RESERVATIONS@HOLYROSARYWS.ORG.

LIGHTS, CAMERA, AUCTION! ONLINE SHIFTS FOR FUNDRAISING HOURS ARE NOW AVAILABLE! JOIN THE CAST OF LIGHTS, CAMERA, AUCTION!

HERE IS YOUR CHANCE TO SUPPORT HOLY ROSARY SCHOOL'S LARGEST FUNDRAISER! ALL CAST MEMBERS ARE WELCOME TO MAKE THE 32ND HEART AUCTION A BOX-OFFICE SMASH! THIS IS A FABULOUS COMMUNITY EVENT FOR THE VOLUNTEERS AND THE ATTENDEES ALIKE. WITH A VARIETY OF POSITIONS BEGINNING ON THURSDAY AND CONTINUING THROUGH FINAL CLEAN-UP ON SUNDAY CERTAINLY THE PERFECT ROLE WAITING FOR YOU!

SIMPLY CLICK <u>VOLUNTEER</u> ON THE HEART WEBSITE TO FIND THE SHIFTS AVAILABLE FOR THE FOLLOWING COMMITTEES: BAR, CLEAN-UP, DECORATION SET-UP, DESSERT AUCTION, DISTRIBUTION, SET-UP, AND WAIT STAFF.

AUCTION DECORATIONS & OPERATIONS TEAM IS SPECIFICALLY LOOKING TO FILL SET-UP AND EVENT HELP SHIFTS FOR THE LIVE AND SILENT AUCTIONS. LIVE AUCTION SHIFTS AVAILABLE ONLINE ARE AS FOLLOWS: DECORATIONS SET-UP THURS. APRIL 7TH FROM 3:30 – 7:30, AND 6:30 – 10:30. SHIFTS FOR SILENT AUCTION DISPLAY SET-UP ARE ON FRIDAY, APRIL 8TH FROM 8:30 – 12:00PM, AND 8:30 – 2:30. SILENT AUCTION EVENT HELP SHIFTS ARE AVAILABLE FOR SATURDAY DURING THE SILENT AUCTION. PLEASE VISIT THE VOLUNTEER LINK ON THE WEBSITE AND CLICK ON DECORATIONS.

FURTHER QUESTIONS? PLEASE CONTACT: AUCTION-VOLUNTEERS@HOLYROSARYWS.ORG.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR HELP IN MAKING THIS PRODUCTION A SMASHING SUCCESS!

LIGHTS, CAMERA, AUCTION! HAVE YOU BEEN WAITING IN THE WINGS FOR AN AUCTION SNEAK PEEK? THE ONLINE AUCTION CATALOG IS NOW AVAILABLE!

Would you like to start planning your strategy to win a special item for yourself or your family? We've arranged your sneak peak of this year's auction items! Whether you want to find that special getaway for a lazy summer day, tickets to see your favorite sports team, or organize your friends to bid on a party, there is something for everyone! Some of the images shown are representations of the actual items, so come to Lights, Camera, Auction! to see the real deal!

Visit the Holy Rosary Online Catalog on the <u>HEART</u> website, or just click "<u>sneak peek</u>" to view the enticing offers for Lights, Camera, Auction!

LIGHTS, CAMERA, AUCTION! IT'S "JUST DESSERTS" THAT WE NEED!

WHAT IF THERE WERE NO ICING ON THE CAKE? WHAT WOULD A PREMIERE EVENT BE WITHOUT A SWEET TREAT TO TOP IT OFF? WE ARE LOOKING FOR YOUR DESSERT DONATIONS FOR THIS FANTASTIC NIGHT OF SUPPORT AND CELEBRATION OF HOLY ROSARY SCHOOL.

NEED IDEAS FOR A DESSERT DONATION? PLACE AN "OSCAR PARTY DESSERTS" SEARCH ON YOUR COMPUTER TO START YOUR CREATIVITY FLOWING. NO TIME FOR CREATIVITY? HOW ABOUT APPROACHING YOUR FAVORITE BAKERY WITH AN OSCAR WINNING IDEA?

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO DONATE TO THIS WORTHY CAUSE, PLEASE PRINT A DESSERT AUCTION FORM FROM THE HEART WEBSITE AND TURN THE COMPLETED FORM INTO THE SCHOOL OFFICE INDICATING YOUR COMMITMENT TO DONATE. COPIES OF THE FORM ARE ALSO AVAILABLE IN THE SCHOOL OFFICE. BAKING OR PROCUREMENT TIME OF A DESSERT CAN BE COUNTED TOWARDS FUNDRAISING COMMITMENT HOURS.

QUESTIONS? CONTACT ONE OF THE LIGHTS, CAMERA, AUCTION! "CONFECTION CHAIRPERSONS" DEYETTE SWEGLE OR LYNN CALDWELL AT <u>AUCTION-DESSERT@HOLYROSARYWS.ORG</u> THANK YOU FOR THOSE TASTY TREATS!

LIGHTS, CAMERA, AUCTION! SAVE TIME AND MONEY! RAFFLE TICKETS ARE NOW ON SALE FOR 2011-2012 TUITION AND COMMITTMENT HOURS!

THIS YEAR THERE ARE TWO FULL-LENGTH, ACTION PACKED, RAFFLE DRAWINGS! COMMITMENT HOURS RAFFLE. YOU COULD WIN ALL 50 OF THE REQUIRED COMMITMENT HOURS (25 FUND RAISING AND 25 GENERAL) FOR THE 2011-2012 SCHOOL YEAR. TICKETS ARE \$25 EACH OR 5 FOR \$100. THERE IS NO LIMIT TO THE NUMBER OF COMMITMENT HOUR RAFFLE TICKETS THAT CAN BE PURCHASED.

TUITION RAFFLE IS BACK AGAIN FOR ITS FOURTH ENCORE, OFFERING THE WINNER IN-PARISH TUITION FOR ONE CHILD FOR THE 2011-12 SCHOOL YEAR. THAT IS A PRIZE WORTH \$4,760! TICKETS ARE \$100 EACH AND WILL BE LIMITED TO 100 TICKETS SOLD.

PLEASE PRINT YOUR RAFFLE TICKET FORMS FROM THE <u>HEART Website</u> and return the completed form and check for payment to the school office.

YOU DO NOT NEED TO BE PRESENT TO WIN. IF YOU ARE NOT ATTENDING THIS YEAR'S AUCTION YOU CAN STILL BE A WINNER! WINNERS WILL BE ANNOUNCED DURING THE LIVE AUCTION.

QUESTIONS? EMAIL LAURA DOUGLAS AT: AUCTION-RAFFLE@HOLYROSARYWS.ORG.

LIGHTS, CAMERA, AUCTON! THIS WEEK'S HEART AUCTION "SPONSOR OF THE WEEK" IS KRIEGER DENTAL

THIS WEEK KRIEGER DENTAL IS THE HEART AUCTION SPONSOR OF THE WEEK. LOCATED AT 4150 CALIFORNIA AVE. SW, KRIEGER DENTAL IS TRULY A "NEIGHBOR" TO HOLY ROSARY SCHOOL.

DR. GLENN KRIEGER SPECIALIZES IN AESTHETIC AND RECONSTRUCTIVE DENTISTRY, AND "BELIEVES THAT EVERY PATIENT SHOULD BE TREATED AS AN INDIVIDUAL WITH THE SAME CARE AND CONCERN AS A MEMBER OF HIS OWN FAMILY."

VISIT THE $\frac{\text{HEART Website}}{\text{HEART MEBSITE}}$ FOR A DIRECT LINK TO KRIEGER DENTISTRY'S SPONSOR ADVERTISEMENT AND BE SURE TO FLASH A SMILE OF THANKS TO DR. KRIEGER ON BEHALF OF HIS SUPPORT FOR THE 32^{ND} ANNUAL HEART AUCTION!

LIGHTS, CAMERA, AUCTION! SPOTLIGHT ON LIVE!!! GROUP BIDDING OPPORTUNITIES!

Why not continue the fun that you had at the 32ND Annual HEART Auction by bidding on an item with a group of friends! You can have another night of fun with your friends or family, or both, by organizing your group to bid on the following items as a group. Take a sneak peek at these featured group bidding opportunities in the "Spotlight on Live" section in the <u>Auction News</u> section of the HEART Website, or <u>The In Crowd</u> on the downloads page.

Hot Lunch Order Forms need to be completed and turned into the office by Monday March 28.

BROWN BAG FRIDAYS FOR ST MARTIN de PORRES SHELTER DURING LENT will continue through Lent. The lunches can be kept cold, so perishable food is fine. You are also invited to supply the additional items listed below. If you are interested in driving a few students to deliver the lunches one Friday in Lent, please contact Mary Wiseman in the school office.

Please keep the extra items separate from the lunches:

March 25 – No School due to Archdiocesan Inservice Day

April 1 – travel size toothpaste and disposable toothbrush (singles)

April 8 – Half day Auction set-up: No brown bag lunches today

April 15 - men's socks

**Thank you for your almsgiving during this Lenten season.

2011-2012 Registration Thank you to all of the families who have already returned their 2011-2012 Registration Papers! Wow! The Registration Papers are due in the school office by Friday, April 1, 2011. If you do not plan to return to Holy Rosary school next fall please call the school office.

2011-2012 School Calendar

The school calendar for next year is awaiting confirmation of a couple of dates and will be available for download on the HRS website soon.

Congratulations To The Following Junior High Students.

Second Trimester Honors

We would like to recognize and congratulate the Junior High students who received honors for the second trimester.

7th Grade

1st Honors (all As)Kaleigh Hinthorn

J.T. Schulz

Elizabeth Shields

Ava Wardian

Orla Casey

Katie Ridgway

Mikaela Wingard

Jalen Woodward

2nd Honors (all As/A-s)

Ebbe Bertellotti

Gabby Carufel
Kristin Clarke
Emily Cunningham
Kirsten Dodroe
Sarah Mead-Smith
Anthony Sampson
Ross Bajocich
Veronica Gubelman
Ruby Hampton
Catherine Mead-Smith
Claire Tevaseau

8th Grade 1st Honors (all As)

AJ Lingg Teresa Ritscher Michael Sasonoff Ali Campagnaro Julia Dolejsi

2nd Honors (all As/A-s)

Sienna Jeakle
Angela Nguyen
Allison Raines
Corey Wukelic
Parker Diller
Chloe Kuhar
Henry Leaming
Joey Padon
Grace Peer
Allyson Ylvisaker

CYO Uniforms CYO is looking for those who still have soccer, baseball, and basketball uniforms to kindly wash them and return them to Bruno. They are only a shirt or some shorts to some, but by getting them all back, we can keep our sports fees lower.

GATOR GEAR INFORMATION

On Fridays at Holy Rosary, the students can wear a navy blue or red GatorGear "hoodie" sweatshirt. Also, if you'd like, you can order Gator Gear sweatpants in grey or navy. However, only the sweatshirts can be worn to school as part of the uniform on Fridays.

To order, just go to the school website, click on "School forms & other downloads." At the very end of all the links, there is a site that says "CYO FORMS." You'll see the Gator Gear order form. Click on it, fill it out and turn it into the school office. We'll process your order as soon as we can, then we'll give the orders to the school office. The 7th/8th grade Leadership elective kids give the "Gator Gear" to your oldest childs' classroom teacher. Your child is responsible to bring it home.

Kevin & I have been Holy Rosary Parishioners since 1991, & all 4 of our kids have attended Holy Rosary. It's our 16th year at the school! Our last child, Joey, will graduate in June. We are dedicated to serving you in any way we can. If you want the "Gator Gear" to be a gift, just let me know and I'll arrange to give the order to you.

Please email us if you have any questions. Plus, we'll process team t-shirts, sweatshirts, sweatpants, hats, etc. for any of your CYO or other teams. Our email is kmpadon@comcast.net, work email kevin@norwestgraphics.com

Home phone 206-938-4387, work phone 206-938-0141

Thank you,

Kellyann & Kevin Padon

Community Postings

Stage Struck, West Seattle's premier Musical Theatre Camp is offering a special one week camp for 4 and 5 year olds. This is a great way to introduce your youngster to the joys of musical theatre. Camp dates are Mon - Fri, June 27th through July 1st with an afternoon performance on the final day of camp.

Spaces are limited so reserve your space now! To register, please go to: http://www.stagestruckseattle.com/

Sing It Out Seattle

This is our first summer here in West Seattle and we're hoping that some of your great kids would be interested in participating.

Here's our website with all the info about us, our program, staff and the shows we'll be doing this summer.

singoutseattle.com

IT'S NEVER TOO EARLY TO THINK ABOUT SUMMER CAMP!

Hello from the Catholic Youth Organization! We're always thinking about camp here at CYO: planning new programs, finding great new staff, tuning our guitars and learning new camp-wide games. And we are thinking about you, our campers, because we know whether this is your first summer at CYO camp or your sixth summer at CYO Camp: This is your Summer!

Jamie Fredrickson

Assistant Director CYO Youth & Family Camps

Office for Youth and Young Adult Ministry 206.274.3186 office 253.988.9068 cell 710 9th ave Seattle WA 98104

camping.seattleoyyam.org

DANCE at HOLY ROSARY!

Don't miss your last chance to be a part of our "Spring Spectacular"! Starting in April: Jazz II is Mondays from 4:15-5:15 and Hip-Hop II is Wednesdays from 4:00-5:00. For more information and to register, check us out at www.sundancerswestseattle.com or email Miss Dawn at sun_goddess22@hotmail.com

SAVE THE DATE

Dance and Pizza Party!!!! Friday June 3rd from 6-8PM. Your child won't want to miss out on this night of dance fun and pizza! Cost is \$35/per child and all proceeds benefit the Holy Rosary HEART Auction.

West Seattle Hi Yu - Spring Tea and Silent Auction The Hall at Fauntleroy 9131 California Ave. SW

Tea sandwiches, savories and sweets! Please join us for a Spring Tea and Silent Auction on Sunday, April 3rd from 2-4:30pm at the The Hall at Fauntleroy. Funds raised will support the Miss West Seattle Hi Yu Scholarship Program and help build the float that represents West Seattle at parades throughout the Puget Sound. Our premier sponsor this year is Tuxedos and Tennis Shoes Catering and special guest Seafair Pirate Chuck Marcoullier will be our MC for the afternoon. Tickets are \$25 per person or reserve a table of 10 for \$250. Make your reservation today! Call 206 835-0561 or email wshiyu@yahoo.com. Seating is limited.

FYI: Holy Rosary School is well represented on the Hi Yu Junior Court this year with 5th grade students Taylor Nichols as the Junior Court Queen and Kaitlin Lindell as one of the Junior Court Princesses. Come to the Tea and help support the activities of this long time West Seattle Community organization. See you there!

Registration begins for A Child Becomes Summer Camps for children age 5-8. Please go to our website, www.achildbecomes.org for information about themes, dates and registration.

Included in This eFC

- Heart Auction Class themes
- Hot Lunch Menu
- Hot Lunch Order Form
- Stone Soup Theater Flyer

Upcoming Events And Important Dates:

- Mar. 25 No School Deanery Development Day
- ♣ Mar. 28-30 6A Sailing Trip

♣ Mar. 30
♣ Mar. 31
♣ April 1
♣ April 4-6
♣ April 4-15
♣ April 4-15
♣ April 13- 15
♣ April 13- 15



Mustard Seed Corner March 24

This section of the EFC is written by HR Parish Faith Formation staff and is specially created to present information, inspiration, and education on different Catholic Traditions. (It is not Imprimi Potest, Nihil Obstat, or Imprimatur.)

March - Lent – the liturgical color is violet/purple which symbolizes penance and sacrifice Thursday, March 24 – Archbishop Oscar Romero

Imagine being hired for a really tough job. Oscar Romero became the archbishop of San Salvador, El Salvador. Oscar was a prayerful and quiet man, but his country was filled with violence. A small population of very rich people ruled a large population of very poor people. The very rich people controlled the government and used fear and force to maintain control over the very poor people. No one expected the quiet and shy new archbishop to challenge the corrupt politics of his country, but he did. A friend of the Romero's was killed because he was working for the fairness for the poor people. This event deeply touched him. He began speaking at churches and on the radio against the unfairness. He gained many enemies and admirers this way. Despite knowing the danger in his country, he chose to continue to speak out for what he believed. Romero strongly believed that Jesus would do the same. As Jesus died for his ministry, so Romero was killed in 1980 for the work he did. He is remembered and greatly loved by many people in El Salvador on March 24th the anniversary of his death.

Friday, March 25 The Annunciation of the Lord

The Annunciation of the Lord is the day we celebrate the announcement to Mary that she had be chosen to be the mother of Jesus. The angel Gabriel visited Mary and told her that the baby would be conceived by the Holy Spirit. The angel told Mary that the baby's name would be Jesus and he would be the savior of the world.

Reflection: Think about how scared Mary must have been when the angel visited her. Think about how much she must have loved God to say yes to the request to be the mother of Jesus. Now reflect on how many times you have been scared to take on something that you think that you could not do. Think about Mary as a model of saying "Yes" to God in whatever form he is calling you. Read Luke 1:26-33.