

# St. Francis School Newsletter

September 8, 2005

## Virtue of the month: HOPE

FROM THE PRINCIPAL:

Dear Families,

I hope that you are excited as our Faculty is as we feel that the kids are off to a great start! I want to thank all the parents for contributing to this mood as I see it as an essential ingredient in any effective school.

Our major fundraiser, our annual auction is just around the corner, please look over the bulletin inserts in today's packet. A big thank you goes out to Kim Mooers and her team for all their hard work over the summer. Our targeted goals we are hoping to raise money for are- classroom sets of hanging maps, a network server together with additional classroom computers, instructional software and a laminator. Let's rally behind the cause and make this year's auction the most successful yet!

I have asked all teachers from 2<sup>nd</sup> through 8<sup>th</sup> Grade to give their students a cumulative Math test by week's end. The data from these test results will help us fine tune our approach in this subject area. The test data will not be factored into their classroom grade.

Rachel Engstrom, President of our Parent Service Organization is planning an informational meeting for any parent interested in a position on the Executive committee. This is an excellent way to earn your service hours and allows you an excellent opportunity to help build St. Francis School and our school community. The meeting is scheduled for September 20<sup>th</sup> at 6:00PM. **The BBQ originally scheduled for this date will be re-scheduled in the spring (TBA).**

The library moves closer to a reality, I expect we will be operational by the end of September. Look in next week's newsletter for details of an upcoming informational meeting for our new Band program. We plan on having an array of instruments on display together with sign-up information. Also, in next week's newsletter, I will share details of a National Catholic Educational Association plan to incorporate all Catholic School students as well as Religious Education students in the relief efforts for the Catholic Students affected by Hurricane Katrina.

Sincerely,

Michael Cantu,  
Principal

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### Upcoming Events

- ◆ Sept. 11<sup>th</sup>, Catechetical Sunday
- ◆ Sept. 12<sup>th</sup>, Auction Meeting, 6:30PM, Parish Hall
- ◆ Sept. 13<sup>th</sup>, Student Council Meeting 3:15-4:15
- ◆ Sept. 14<sup>th</sup>, School Mass
- ◆ Sept. 14<sup>th</sup>, First Quiznos lunch
- ◆ Sept. 16, No school, Inservice
- ◆ Sept. 19<sup>th</sup>, School Pictures

### Help Needed for PE Setup

When it starts raining or gets very cold PE will be held in the Parish Hall. On those days we need help Monday mornings at 8:00AM and Friday afternoons at 3:00PM moving tables and chairs. The times fit in with drop off and pick up and this is a great way to earn some share hours. Please call the school office if you can help with this.

### Auction News

The auction committee meets every Monday at 6:30PM in the Parish Hall. All are welcome to attend. Come and meet new people, share ideas and start earning those share hours.

### Student Council

Student Council will have their first meeting Tuesday, September 13<sup>th</sup> from 3:15-4:15. This meeting is for officers only.

### School Pictures

Pictures will be taken Monday, September 19<sup>th</sup>. The order envelopes must be returned on or before that date. Uniforms are worn for school pictures.

### Thursday Envelopes

Every week your student will bring home this envelope with the weekly newsletter and other information. You may return lunch orders in it. Be sure to return the envelope to the office every week.

### Correction to School Calendar

The feast of St. Francis is October 4<sup>th</sup> and the school will attend Mass that day. We will also go to Mass on All Saints Day, November 1<sup>st</sup>. School will begin at the normal time.

### Safety

Be sure to watch for people crossing the parking lot when dropping off students or picking them up.

Newsletters, calendar and school email addresses can be found at our website - [www.stfrancissherwood.org](http://www.stfrancissherwood.org). Click on the school link.

Pizza and Quizno lunch order forms are in your envelopes. Be sure to return them with the payment at least 2 days before the lunch.

## PARISH NEWS

### **Attention Moms:**

Moms at all stages of life are welcome to attend an 8 week class where we share, pray and discuss motherhood.

Ministry of Mothers Sharing will begin September 20<sup>th</sup> at 7:00PM and meet in the St. Francis Parish Center. The cost is \$35.00 and includes a journal and celebration dinner with a guest speaker.

Please consider taking some time out for yourself and see how sharing and praying with other moms can powerfully affect your spiritual life!

For more information stop by the church office or contact Dede Grosso at 503-625-9397 to register.

### **OTHER NEWS**

Central Catholic High School Head Football Coach, Steve Pyne, would like to invite St. Francis School students to attend the Ram Varsity Football Game at PGE Park on Friday, September 9<sup>th</sup> at 7:00PM. Admission is free for youth football players who wear their football game jersey and report to the PGE Park PASSGATE entrance on 20<sup>th</sup> Avenue in front of the stadium. For more information, parents or coaches should contact Coach Pyne 503-235-3138, ext. 146 or email him at [spyne@centralcatholichighschool.org](mailto:spyne@centralcatholichighschool.org).

