

# St. Francis School Newsletter

May 4, 2006

## Virtue of the month: COOPERATION

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### Upcoming Events

- ◆ May 5<sup>th</sup>, Cinco de Mayo, 10:30 Spanish Challenge, 1:30 Program
- ◆ May 7<sup>th</sup>, First Holy Communion, 8:30AM and 10:30AM Masses
- ◆ May 9<sup>th</sup>, Canned Food Day
- ◆ May 10<sup>th</sup>, School Mass, 8:30AM
- ◆ May 12<sup>th</sup>, Talent Show Tryouts, 3:15PM in the Parish Hall
- ◆ May 17<sup>th</sup>, School Mass, 8:30AM
- ◆ May 20<sup>th</sup>, St. Francis Friar Trot, 7:15-9:30AM
- ◆ May 24<sup>th</sup>, School Mass, 8:30AM
- ◆ May 25<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup>, Noon Dismissal
- ◆ May 29<sup>th</sup>, No School
- ◆ May 30<sup>th</sup>, Art Show/PSO Meeting, 6:30PM

FROM THE PRINCIPAL:

Dear Families,

Over the years, I have been privileged as principal, to have had the chance to meet some wonderful people. Good parenting is not something that gets the recognition that it deserves, but I can tell you, I have witnessed the positive impact it has had on countless children.

Sometimes good parenting does not come from the parents but from a grandparent. I would like to tell you about a grandfather I came to know at my last school. I first got to know him at dismissal times. He was an elderly man, quiet but friendly and over time I got to know him. His grandson had some learning difficulties and his natural father was out of the picture. His mother had re-married and the two were just too busy in their careers to spend much time with the boy. The elderly man loved his grandson very much, and was determined that despite his learning challenges, would make sure he was ready for Catholic High School. Looking back, I can assure you, this was a long shot.

The grandfather had grown up in a privileged Catholic family in Cuba before Fidel Castro had come to power. He was educated by the La Salle Christian Brothers. He was involved in a Catholic youth movement much like those the late Pope was involved with in his youth. When the communists took power, the Brothers were jailed or exiled. The Catholic Schools were closed and the grandfather was jailed, eventually being released and escaping to the United States. I believe he was probably always a good person, but I also believe it chiseled him into becoming a great person and man of Faith. Well, his dedication was constant with regard to his grandson, and for my part, I let this boy know how fortunate he was to have such a 'guardian angel'. It was hard work, but to the credit of all involved, the boy entered a Catholic High School, one by the way, run by the La Salle Christian Brothers. The elderly gentleman knew his prayers had been answered!

Keep up the good parenting,

Michael Cantu,  
Principal

### Homework Club

Homework Club will be on Wednesdays on a drop in basis and on Thursdays by invitation only.

### School News

If you have any school news (classroom projects, activities, etc.) that you would like to submit for the Sherwood Gazette, send it to Krissi Kizziar at [kkizziar@hotmail.com](mailto:kkizziar@hotmail.com) or give her a call at 503-330-0885.

### School Business Directory

*Do you own your own business or do you have a home-based business that you would like to have listed in the St. Francis School's Business Directory? Mindi Morris and Judy Gram-Leach will be putting together such a directory. This directory will include your name, type of business (small description if necessary) and any contact information you might want to provide--phone number, email, website, etc. This will be a great way to support, advertise and reference our school's family community. Please contact them if you are interested in being included @ [mindi\\_morris13@yahoo.com](mailto:mindi_morris13@yahoo.com) (503) 318-8611 or [montegonarts@msn.com](mailto:montegonarts@msn.com) (503) 554-0244. We look forward to hearing from you!!!!*

### School Uniform

The school uniform for next year will include navy cords for boys and girls and a navy corduroy skirt for girls.

### Scrip Orders

Scrip orders are due May 15th and will be delivered May 18th.

### 1<sup>st</sup> Annual St. Francis Friar Trot

Come join us on Saturday, May 20<sup>th</sup> for the 1 mile or 5K (adults only) run or walk. The deadline to be able to order your t-shirt in the correct size is May 7<sup>th</sup>. Registration forms were sent home last week. They are also available in the school office and at our sponsors.

### Share Hours

Don't forget that uncompleted share hours will be billed at \$10 per hour. Sign up now to stay after Mass the next few weeks to sell golf raffle tickets and sign people up for our golf tournament. Call the school office if interested. Help the school and save money!

### Box Tops for Education

Check those box tops you've been saving at home for their expiration dates. We will be sending in one more shipment this school year and hope to have all of those that will be expiring during the summer months.

### Talent Show

Talent Show tryouts will be Friday, May 12<sup>th</sup> at 3:15.

## AUCTION NEWS!!!

Thank you to all who attended the May meeting. The auction planning is well on its way with an energetic group of people. Thanks again.

If you picked up “donor letters” at the meeting, please return them to the school to be signed.

*Sign up now for the Second Annual St. Francis School Charity Golf Classic on Saturday, June 3<sup>rd</sup>. Registration forms are available in the school office. Registration deadline is May 19<sup>th</sup>.*



## OUT OF PARISH NEWS

**Portland State University is offering a Volleyball Camp** on August 3-6, 2006 for girls ages 12 to 18 in Beaverton at The Courts (14523 SW Millikan Way). Registration forms are available in the school office. For more information, contact Marty Mozzochi at 503-646-7905 or mozzochi2@comcast.net.

**Portland Irish Dance Academy is offering the following Summer Camps:**

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| June 19 <sup>th</sup> -22 <sup>nd</sup> Boys and Girls Beginner age 4 years and up | 9:30am-11:45am |
| June 19 <sup>th</sup> -22 <sup>nd</sup> Boys and Girls Beginner age 4 years and up | 12pm-2:15pm    |
| July 5 <sup>th</sup> -7 <sup>th</sup> Beginner 2 & Novis                           | 9:30am-12:45am |
| July 10 <sup>th</sup> -14 <sup>th</sup> Novis/Prizewinner                          | 9:00am-11:30am |
| July 10 <sup>th</sup> -14 <sup>th</sup> Championship                               | 12:30pm-3:30pm |

The cost is \$75 per camp including a good healthy snack and drink. Sign up at [www.maherdance.com](http://www.maherdance.com) or call 503-670-7451

