

St. Francis School Newsletter

May 3, 2007

Virtue of the month: COOPERATION

FROM THE PRINCIPAL:

Dear Families,

With the 6th Graders away at OMSI Science Camp, things have been a little quiet around here. Just arranged, I wanted to do an end of the year trip for the 7th/8th Graders. They will be going to the Oregon Aquarium in early June. Next year, I hope to make it a separate 7th and 8th Grade end of the year trip. The idea being that there are established Middle School traditions that the kids can look forward to.

We will have SAT Teacher conferences this year open to all 3rd-8th Grade parents. These conferences can be arranged by calling the school office. The dates and times of the conferences - Thursday, May 24th and Friday, May 25th from 1:00-4:00PM; hope this helps.

I formed the Gym fact finding team. It is made up of a cross section of parents and faculty with expertise and a keen commitment to our school. This month they will be asked to collect opinion, form impressions and give their input regarding this important step forward. I will keep the general parent population in the loop on all this as we proceed.

If you would like to volunteer, procure gifts, sell tee sponsorships or bring in golfers to our tournament, contact Val Dalebroux vdalebroux@stwestret.com or myself ASAP. The tournament is now just a month away!

Highlight of today's letter - our 2nd Grade Class and their 1st Communion this past weekend! It was wonderful to witness and certainly a highlight of the school year. Thanks for all you did Mrs. Fisher and blessings to all our 2nd Graders.

Have a wonderful May-let's hope we get a little sunshine?

Sincerely,

Michael Cantu,
Principal

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Upcoming Events

- ◆ May 7th, 6:30PM, Auction Meeting
- ◆ May 9th, 8:30AM, School Mass
- ◆ May 9th, 10:00AM, Great Spanish Challenge
- ◆ May 9th, 1:00PM, Cinco de Mayo program
- ◆ May 10th, All School Picture
- ◆ May 14th, Scrapbooking Night, 5:30PM-10:00PM, Life's a Scrapbook
- ◆ May 16th, 8:30AM, School Mass
- ◆ May 18th, Ultimate Spanish Challenge, St. Agatha School
- ◆ May 19th, Friar Trot
- ◆ May 23rd, 8:30AM, School Mass
- ◆ May 24th & 25th, Noon Dismissal
- ◆ May 28th, No School, Memorial Day
- ◆ May 29th - June 1st, Spirit Week

PSO News:

Wow!!! It's already May. Can you believe that the school year will be over in a month and a half! There are still opportunities to get your share hours in. The upcoming Friar Trot event needs volunteers during the Run/Walk. If you don't need the hours and want, instead, to participate in the race, don't forget to get your registration forms and t-shirt orders in. This promises to be a fun, healthy, family event. You don't want to miss it!

Parent Service Organization executive committee is:

Sherri Peden - President

Shellie Lazo - Vice-President

Ralph Mooers - Treasurer

Karen Carrera - Secretary

Valerie Dalebroux - Secretary

CAMPBELL'S LABELS – IMPORTANT NOTICE: When collecting Campbells's labels we now need the UPC symbol, not the front panel.



Calling all Scrapbookers!! We need your help in putting together scrapbooks for the classrooms for next year's accreditation. Call the school office if you are interested. We are also in need of pictures. Please send any pictures you have that we could use to the school office. **We will have a scrapbooking night on Monday,**

May 14th at Life's A Scrapbook (by McDonalds) from 5:30PM - 10:00PM. (Please note change of location and time.) **Thank you Tina!**

AUCTION NEWS:

Come one, come all to the final auction transition meeting Monday, May 7 at 6:30pm in the Parish Center. Find out about next year's theme and get to know your new auction crew. Do you have an idea for a classroom showcase? Come and share it! Need an idea for a classroom showcase? Come and we'll help you out. See you there!

There will be an "All School" picture taken May 10th. Order forms must be returned to the school with payment by May 10th.

SHARE HOURS

Are you in need of Share Hours? We are in need of volunteers for the Friar Trot on May 19th, setting up the Art Show the last week in May, and Field Day on June 19th. Call the school office if you can help with any of these activities.

Share hour statements will be going home next month. If you have hours you have not turned in, send them to the school office.



Have your students grown? We have quite a collection of uniforms in the school office if you are in need of some. You may also bring in any that you can no longer use.

Parish News

St. Francis Parish is having a Red Cross blood drive on Wednesday, June 6th from 2:00PM to 7:00PM. We are dedicating the drive to the memory of Paul Thornton, a parishioner who personally gave many pints of blood (and many hours to the school). Please help us to reach our goal of 52 pints. Call Arlene in the Parish Office to sign up - 503-625-7067

Youth Minister Wanted - St. Francis Parish is seeking a dynamic, Youth Minister for Senior High and Middle School age. Must be an active practicing Catholic who has skills in leadership, faith formation, program development and a team worker. Call 503-625-6185 for application and job description.

Out of Parish News

Valley Catholic High School Volleyball Clinic - Grades 3-8, Monday, May 14th - Thursday, May 17th, 4:00-5:30. Cost \$50. Registration Forms are available in the St. Francis School Office. For more information call or email Becky Kemper, 503-349-0415, bkemper@ssmoministries.org

Tualatin River National Wildlife Refuge Songbird Festival - Free Family Event - Saturday, May 12, 2007, 10:00AM - 2:30PM. Take the free shuttle from Baggenstos Farm at 15801 SW Roy Rogers Rd. to the Headquarters Unit of Tualatin River National Wildlife Refuge at 16507 SW Roy Rogers Rd, Sherwood, OR.

Youth Football Camp: Central Catholic, Saturday, May 12, 2007, 11:00AM - 3:00PM. Check in: 10:30AM (enter field at 26th at Stark). MOM'S CLINIC Begins at 11:30. For students in the 6th, 7th and 8th grades. Free to Participants! Registration form available in the St. Francis School Office.

Out of Parish News Cont.

What: Pitch Hit & Run

When: Saturday May 5 2007

Time: 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM

Where: Hopkins Baseball Fields

Who: All area kids

Age Divisions:

8&Under (Born after July 17, 1998)

9/10 (July 18, 1996 - July 17, 1998)

11/12 (July 18, 1994 - July 17, 1996)

13/14 (July 18, 1992 - July 17, 1994)

Categories: (Champions will be crowned for the following schools in each age division)

- * Middleton Elementary
- * Archer Glen Elementary
- * Hopkins Elementary
- * St. Francis Catholic School
- * Sherwood Middle School
- * Sherwood Junior Baseball (generic category for those that don't attend any of the schools listed above)

Application forms will be available soon at sherwoodjuniorbaseball.com.

Winners in each of the six category age divisions will be invited to participate in the sectional competition to be held June 10th. Sherwood has been selected to host the sectional competition where the winners will have an opportunity to move on to compete in the team championships during a Mariners game in Seattle.

If you have any further questions please feel free to email me at the address below.

See you on the ball field...

Chris Roth

Sherwood Area PH&R coordinator

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