



## OUR PHILOSOPHY

*Sacred Heart Parish School, with the support of parents, dedicates itself to teach the Gospel message, to build a faith community, and to serve through prayer and social action. SHPS provides an environment where students can develop into well-rounded, educated Christian citizens.*

## PRINCIPAL'S NEWS BYTES

### Lenten Reflection

A boy once said to God: "I've been thinking it over and I know what I want when I grow up." He proceeded with his list: to live in spacious house with two St. Bernard's and a garden...to marry a tall blue-eyed woman and have three sons -- one who would be a senator, one a scientist, and one a quarterback. The man also wanted to engage in mountain-climbing and drive a red Ferrari.

As it turned out, the boy hurt his knee one day while playing football, so that he could no longer climb a hill let alone a mountain. He married a beautiful woman who was short with brown eyes. Because of his business, he lived in a city apartment and rode the subway. He had three loving daughters and they adopted a fluffy cat. One daughter became a nurse, another a social worker and the third a chef.

One day in his older years, the man woke up and remembered his boyhood dream. He became extremely angry at God and called out: "Remember when I was younger and told You all the things I wanted? Why didn't you answer my prayers and give them to me?" "I could have," said God, "but I wanted to make you happy."

Moral of the story: God knows what is best for us. Learn to trust Him with your whole heart; he is the original heart surgeon!

### Head's Up Grade 8 Parents!

Scheduling for San Benito High School will take place at Sacred Heart on Tuesday, March 20. There will be four high school counselors on campus and parents are encouraged to come with their students. The schedule of appointments is attached so that you can plan ahead.

In order to have students participate in the scheduling process, parents **MUST** have completed and returned the pink enrollment card which came home with students Tuesday. You have only one day left to complete the form as SBHS will pick up all cards tomorrow **March 2**. Any student who does **NOT** turn in an enrollment card will not get scheduled. Students absent on March 20 must phone the high school after April 16 to calendar a make-up registration appointment.

**Admissions Alert:** The process for admission of candidates into our kindergarten for next year is up and running. Letters will go out tomorrow to families regarding class visits and / or the assessment process. So far, there are 3 siblings on the list, and these students will be given priority for admission. If there are any other families who plan on enrolling siblings in Kdg. next year, you are advised to complete the application process ASAP. Applications that come in after March 30 cannot be given priority.

And speaking of admissions, Mrs. Picha has again created some attractive fliers that we would like to place in local Pre-schools and Real Estate offices. If you have a child in a local Pre-school, please come to the office and pick up some brochures to hand deliver to that Pre-school Director along with a request to make them available to parents. Likewise, if you are in Real Estate, please pick up some brochures for your office and make them available to families moving into the community. Thanks for your help in getting out the good word about SHPS.

### Your 'consideration' please!

As stated in the school handbook, teachers spend from 7:30 - 7:55 AM daily preparing for the arrival of children. This is **NOT** a time for parents to appear unannounced, check on grades, ask about missing assignments, etc. Please extend to our teachers the courtesy of making an appointment if you have issues or matters to discuss. That way they can prepare for both you and their students.

### Labels and Box-Tops 'R Us!

Some parents say it is a well-kept secret but most students call tell you that SHPS collects box-tops and Campbell's Soup labels. About once a month, students bring whatever they have amassed to morning assembly. The result? Their classroom gets a new recess ball. Mrs. C is in charge of this process and student council comes up with amusing skits to encourage participation. So, please save those labels and box-tops. The school gets a penny for each label and a nickel for each box-top. It might not look like much but this effort has contributed quite handsomely to our overall athletic program.

**Parent Survey:** Don't forget that we need your input re "capital improvements". Please return your survey form by tomorrow at the latest so that it can be collated and ready for SAC review at their next meeting.

**Junior High Dance:** A big thanks to everyone who supported the Valentine's Day Dance. We had a lot of help, a lot of refreshments, and a LOT of fun! Special thanks to the following chaperones and organizers: Mr. Morris, Mr. Zazueta, Mrs. Vodanovich, Mrs. Canez, Mrs. Connors, Miss Westphal, Danielle Canez, Mrs. Archer, Mrs. Kirk, Mrs. Donati and Mrs. Rogers. Thanks again, everyone. Without all you volunteers, none of these fun-filled parties could ever exist.

**Tutoring Available:** Cathy Hague is offering tutoring services on Mondays and Wednesdays in her home at the price of \$17 per hour. She will tutor in the subjects of Math and English for grades 2-5. If you are interested you can pick up a flyer on the bulletin strip outside the computer lab or call her at 630-0115 or 277-1286.

**PASS Meeting:** The next monthly PASS meeting will be held in the library on **Tuesday, March 6, 2007 at 4:15 p.m.** All parents are welcome to attend.

## **Eighth Grade Fundraising**

**Show Your Spartan Spirit!** There are a limited number of Sacred Heart Spartan decals left (see facsimile at right). 8<sup>th</sup> grade is selling the decals to raise money for the Class of 2007 legacy gift for the school - all proceeds will go towards the gift. The cost is \$5.00 each. You can purchase decals in the school office. Don't miss out!

**Got Hot Chocolate???** Eighth grade will be selling hot chocolate and treats on Thursdays, beginning March 8<sup>th</sup>, at snack time in order to raise money for their legacy gift, now you can enjoy some nice hot chocolate and a treat on these cold mornings AND support the eighth grade! Thank you!

### **IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER**

Mar. 2	Friday	End of 2 <sup>nd</sup> Trimester (Gr. 1-8)
5	Monday	5:00 p.m. - Gr. 7 Boys Basketball vs. Oakwood @ Oakwood 6:00 p.m. - Gr. 8 Boys Basketball vs. Oakwood @ Oakwood
6	Tuesday	4:15 p.m. - PASS meeting
7	Wednesday	2:30 p.m. - Report Cards go home with students (Gr. 1-8) 3:45 p.m. - Girls Soccer vs. Spring Grove @ Vet's Park
8	Thursday	5:00 p.m. - Gr. 7 Boys Basketball vs. Charter @ Crossroads 6:00 p.m. - Gr. 8 Boys Basketball vs. Charter @ Crossroads
9	Friday	8:30 a.m. - Graduation Photos (Gr. 8)
11	Sunday	10:30 a.m. - Children's Liturgy - St. Benedicts (Gr. 6)

### **LUNCH NOTES**

Attached is the lunch menu for the month of March. Please note on the backside is the price list for lunches and snacks.



