



### 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

R.G. LeTourneau, an outstanding Christian business-man for whom LeTourneau College was named, made a fortune with a company that manufactured large earthmoving equipment. He once remarked, "We used to make a scraper known as 'Model G'. One day somebody asked our salesman what the G stood for. The man, who was pretty quick on the trigger, immediately replied, 'I'll tell you. The G stands for gossip because like a talebearer this machine moves a lot of dirt and moves it fast.'"

The trouble with gossip is not so much that it is spoken as an intended lie, but that it is *heard* as if it was the absolute truth. Abraham Lincoln had a favorite riddle he used to put to people: "If a man were to call the tail of a dog a leg, how many legs would the dog have?"

The usual reply was "five."

"Wrong," Lincoln would say with his wry smile. "The dog still has four legs. Calling the tail a leg doesn't make it one."

Moral: Just because a tale may have been repeated many times by so-called "reliable sources" doesn't necessarily make it true.

#### Talent Show Participants Congratulations to the following very "talented" students who participated in today's Talent Show:

Ksenia Newman	Alyssa Bautista	Celen Vasquez	Emma Bolongaita
Hina Moheyuddin	Melissa Bardo	Bonnie Byrne	Francesca Donati
Ryan McCullough	Robert Blasingame	Kevin Thome	Casey Dixon
Emmalyn Irvin	Kassy Moreno	Montserrat Sandoval	Hallie Fortney
Marisa Villegas	Paris Edwards	Marissa Connors	Emma Janzing
Paige Archer	Kat Soza	Madison Wyrick	Toree Muxlow
Erica Bolongaita	Emily Papenhausen	Haley Van Dam	Sara Nino
Kellie Huerta	Bianca Oliveira	Rachel Brigantino	Meghan Bettencourt
Brittany Watt	Erica Leung	Sheila Mae Park	Dominic Garcia
Cameron Burchard	Brandon Burchard	Nick Burchard	Jared Burchard
Eduardo Villanueva	Skye Lompa	Jordan Laib	Mikayla Irvin
Marianna Barragan Burns	Hannah Delucchi	Atzin Esquivel	Cecilia Hall
Nicholas Saso	William Hazen	Michaela Hazen	Gabriel Hazen
Brandon Moakler	Claire Gastello	Saul Martinez	Danielle Wells
Akemi Ito	Nicole Andrade	Matt Johst	

**Spartan Spellers!** Sacred Heart was well-represented at the 2006-2007 County Spelling Bee; our students won 3 out of 4 places! Congratulations to Cooper Scherr (1<sup>st</sup>) and Michael Breen (2<sup>nd</sup>) in the Gr. 4-6 competition and to Hina Moheyuddin (2<sup>nd</sup>) in the Gr. 7-8 competition. Wish our students luck as they go on to the CA. State Spelling Bee in mid-May.

**School Year 2007-2008:** Last call for financial aid requests. Applications for financial assistance are still available in the bookkeeper's office. The deadline for completing and mailing in forms is April 15. Applications mailed after that date will not be able to be considered for aid in 2007-2008 school year.

**Stations of the Cross:** Grades K-8 will re-enact this experience at 11:15 a.m. on April 5 (Holy Thursday). Parents are welcome to attend this event, but if you come we request your help as follows in order to make the ceremony a reverent and meaningful one for our students:

- ✓ Please do not bring toddlers or preschool siblings with you. They are too young to understand what is going on and their crying / talking distracts the students, especially the younger ones;
- ✓ Please arrive on time. The ceremony takes place in the dark with a spot-light, and every time a door to the gym is opened, outside light pours in and distracts the students. All doors to the gym except one will be locked once Stations begin. Latecomers should use the back door (outside Mrs. Scimeca's room) if necessary and make sure to close it behind them.

**The Book Fair is Coming!** The Book Fair is coming up the first week of May and we are in need of volunteers to help out. If you are able to volunteer to help, please contact Mrs. Gail Delucchi.

**The Science Fair is Almost Here!** March 27<sup>th</sup> is the Science Fair. That's right, it's next week! Hope everyone has their project almost completed. On Tuesday, March 27<sup>th</sup>, our aspiring scientists should bring their projects to the GYM before school – don't be late to class. You can also take your project to the gym after school, until 3:00 p.m. Make sure you bring the green sheet with your project for the judges. There will be someone there to direct you to the table where your project should be placed. Please return to the gym with your parents at 5:30 p.m. to discuss your project, view other projects and have a chance to speak with **REAL** scientists!! Our evening ends at 6:30 p.m. so the judges can continue their work. Winners will be announced Wednesday morning prior to classroom tours taking place.

**Handypersons Wanted:** If you or someone you know is handy, we need your help! Pietra Santa Winery generously donated barrels for our courtyard beautification. Now we need help cutting them in half for the Student Council to paint and plant. This will keep our campus looking great. **Please call Kristi Piccoli at 510-468-0708 (cell) or 831-630-0460 (home) if you are able to help.**

**Attention Parents of Second Graders:** For those second grade students that will be making their First Communion, Helen's Photography will be taking pictures on the following dates and times:

- ❖ Thursday, April 26, 2007 - 3:00 – 7:00 p.m.
- ❖ Tuesday, May 1, 2007 - 3:00 – 7:00 p.m.
- ❖ Thursday, May 3, 2007 - 3:00 – 7:00 p.m.

Photographs will be taken at Helen's Photography, 508 Powell Street (1 block east of Sacred Heart Church). ***You must call to reserve your time slot.*** To make your reservation, please call 636-9052.

**E-mail Plea From a Concerned SHPS Parent: Please Read and "Right!"**

"I didn't think that parents were allowed to drop their kids off at the red marked curb right in front of the school, where the crosswalk is, but I see it all the time. It's very dangerous. I almost got in an accident today because a mother was driving, FAST by the way, and she pulled over as if she was going to pull over in front of the fence, you know in front of that big tree but then all of a sudden she keeps going and remains all the way to the right and proceeds to stop in front of the red curb, inside the crosswalk to drop her son off. Because she was pulling over to the right, I assumed that she was going to stop because that is what she should have done but she just kept going right through the egress."

#### **IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER**

March	23	Friday	Parish Mass - 9:00 a.m. (Grade 5)
	27	Tuesday	8:30 a.m. - Admissions "Tour" 3:00 - 6:00 p.m. - Science Fair Set-Up
	28	Wednesday	Classes "tour" Science Fair
	29	Thursday	8:05 a.m. - Assembly (March birthdays)