

Virtue of the Month: Perseverance

April 29, 2010

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Upcoming Events

- Monday, May 3rd,
Young Rembrandt,
3:15-4:15
- Tuesday, May 4th,
Mad Science, 3:15-
4:15
- Wednesday, May 5th,
School Mass,
8:30am, May
Crowning
- Wednesday, May 5th,
All School Picture
- Thursday, May 6th,
Cinco de Mayo
Celebration
- Friday, May 7th, 10am,
Ground Breaking
Ceremony
- Friday, May 7th, Noon
Dismissal
- Friday, May 14th, Jog-
a-thon
- Saturday, May 15th,
Friar Trot

Message from the Principal

Dear Families,

After negotiating through what seemed to be an endless maze of obstacles of various sorts, both financial as well as bureaucratic, I have the pleasure to announce that we now have a ground breaking date and will start on our much anticipated addition. Father Tom signed the final paperwork yesterday morning! I would like to share the words of Chris Corrado, Chair of our School Advisory Council as well as the lead of our current capital campaign-

***“Come one, come all!
Friday, May 7th @
10:00AM Don't miss the excitement of the official ground breaking ceremony to kick off the construction of our long awaited Athletic Center and Library. Watch as Father Tom puts shovel to dirt and reigns in another era of vibrant growth and community building here on the S. Francis Parish campus; look for the ceremony to take place in the large parking lot next to the school. Hope to see you all there”. Chris***

Well, there you have it. The first step once construction begins will be the

completion of the first of our new parking lots located east of the current swing sets. This parking lot will be the site of our future playground blacktop complete with basketball courts etc. For the time being our drive through and pick up routines will remain the same. The kids will continue to safely play on our blacktop as in the past. Plans are in place to shift these activities when necessary but I don't envision this for several weeks and in fact, we may be out of school by the time the exciting blacktop is torn up. Conversation and plans with our Friar Trot organizers will be taking place shortly, but it looks like that event will take place without much adjustment, at least from what I know right now. The time to complete the construction project is estimated to be ten months, which places it in late February 2011. Our auction will therefore take place in the Parish Center next October. Further information will follow and do try to come to our groundbreaking ceremony next week. So many people have worked behind the scenes to make this happen, especially our pastor, Father Tom, on behalf of all of us-

thank you for making this happen. Please keep the financial patrons of our project in your prayers. If you have not yet made your pledge or could increase your pledge to our capital campaign to help pay for our project, contact Pam Rinella in the Parish Office-pam@stfrancissherwood.org

Cordially,
Michael Cantu,
Principal



Signing of the construction contract-4/28/2010

News from the School Office

Noon Dismissal

Friday, May 7th

Family Picture: Send in a family picture for Fr. Tom's "School Families" photo album.

Yearbooks can still be ordered. The price is \$22

The all school picture has been rescheduled for Wednesday, May 5th.

No before or after school Spanish on Thursday, May 6th.

Cinco de Mayo Celebration, Thursday, May 6th: (Parents are invited)

8:30 Jr. Great Spanish Challenge Grades K-2

10:00 Great Spanish Challenge Grades 3-8

1:00 Cinco de Mayo Music Program



Wanted for PE: 5 more used (but usable) tennis rackets

Friar Trot

REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN FOR THE
FIFTH ANNUAL FRIAR TROT WALK/RUN
10K/5K/1 MILE

WWW.THEFRIARTROT.COM



Our school's Fifth Annual Friar Trot will take place on May 14th and 15th, 2010. This begins with our kid's Jog-A-Thon during school on May 14th. Following, on May 15th, our school will host a Community 10k/ 5k and 1 Mile Walk/Run starting on our campus and winding throughout the city of Old Town Sherwood. Immediately following the event will be an on-site "After Party" with beer/brats/face painting/live music! **The children of our school will receive free entry into The Friar Trot, so no need to register them!** (timing chip not included). This event is taking place to help raise the funds to build our gymnasium. Please bring your friends, neighbors and family and join in the fun. This is a community event. We already have registrations coming in from as far away as Oklahoma! We need your support either by attending or volunteering. We cannot do this without our school families! Call or e-mail Jennifer Vranizan or sign on to www.TheFriarTrot.com for more information.

St. Francis School Golf Classic

The 6th Annual St. Francis Golf Classic will be held Saturday June, 12th 2010 at Langdon Farms at 12:30PM. Registration is now open. This promises to be another great event to raise money to support our financial assistance program. In addition to golf, awards banquet, and post tournament dinner, the extremely popular Helicopter Ball Drop is back with the winner walking away with \$300.

Registration forms and sponsorship information can be found at the Golf Classic website, <http://stfrancisgolfclassic.shutterfly.com/>.

Spots fill up quickly, so round up your family, friends and neighbors and register your foursome today. Singles and Doubles welcome too!!

We need your help! We are looking for donations for prizes and raffle drawings. Donation ideas include: sporting equipment, golf course, department store, and restaurant gift certificates, guiding fishing trips, Blazers, Timbers, Ducks, or Beavers tickets, cash too! The list goes on and on. Please contact Ralph Mooers, 503.925.0988, mooersr@yahoo.com or Bob Carter, 503.703.3234, bc.carter@verizon.net with questions.



News from the Fourth Grade

Our Fourth Grade class will once again be participating in the **Pasta for Pennies** program. Olive Garden's Pasta for Pennies is a national fundraising program in partnership with The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society and the more than two million elementary, middle, and high school students who participate. Pasta for Pennies supports the fight against blood-related cancers, helps fund important life-saving initiatives and provides critical services to patients and their families.

Money will be collected May 7th to May 14th. The goal is \$3 per student. Last year they collected \$1,152.82 which was more than double their goal. If you would like to write a check, please make it payable to The Leukemia and Lymphoma Society.

The top fundraising class (calculated per person amount) will receive a pasta party from Olive Garden.



News from the Parish

St. Francis needs your help! The mom's group from the church covers two weekly time slots for adoration in the chapel. We need more people to sit for Thursday night at 9 pm. It is only once a month and is such a peaceful time for reflection and meditation. Who doesn't need more of that in their lives!? Please consider this ministry and contact Danielle Ball at 503-885-9179 with any questions or to be added to the list. Thank you for making time for Christ!



More Parish News



Vacation Bible School

Registration for Vacation Bible School "High Seas Expedition" will take place the weekends of May 8-9 and 15-16th. Preschool/Kindergarten space is limited! VBS will take place June 21-25, 9:15 am-12:15 pm.

****We are in need of adult sized shoe boxes, newspaper & paper grocery bags****
Please leave these items in the box marked VBS located in the Narthex or drop them off in the Parish office. Thank you!

In May, the Mom's Group Bible Study will be studying the Acts of the Apostles using the *Ignatius Catholic Study Bible* by Scott Hahn and Curtis Mitch. This book uses "the biblical text itself and the Church's own guidelines for understanding the Bible." This study is open to all women of the parish. If you are interested, please contact Rachel Morrow 503-538-0292 or formorrow4@aol.com by April 23rd so enough books can be ordered (cost will be around \$10)

Out of Parish News

Jesuit High School Raffle: Jesuit High School is raffling off a stunning, dark green 2010 Jeep Wrangler Sport SUV worth almost \$22,000!



Only 600 tickets will be sold! Odds of winning are much greater than most local raffles and certainly much better than the lottery!

This Jeep features a refined 3.8 liter, V-6 cylinder engine. It includes a CD player, an I-Pod jack, MP3 decoder, AM/FM radio, four-wheel drive and much more!

The Raffle will be held on Saturday, May 1 at 9:45 p.m. at our Live Gala Auction. Winner need not be present to win. All proceeds help to keep the doors of Jesuit open for all qualified students.

Kids Kastle is offering a summer camp for Grades K-5th. There are brochures in the school office or you can call 503-625-9491 or go online at kidskastleonline.com

LaSalle High School is offering a variety of credit courses, enrichment courses and athletic camps this summer. Flier is in today's envelope or go online at www.lshigh.org and click the "Summer Session" button.