



Archbishop Howard School

# Monday Message

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## THIS WEEK

### MONDAY, 1/19

*NO SCHOOL*

*Martin Luther King, Jr., Day*

### TUESDAY, 1/20

*2009/10 Registration Open to  
New Catholic Families*

*Scrip Special Order Day*



*8:00 a.m.  
All School Mass  
Grade 6 Readers*

*Grade 5  
Loaves & Fishes*

*6:30 p.m.  
SAC Meeting*

### THURSDAY, 1/22

*Catholic Schools Week  
Picnic form due*

*8:00 a.m.  
Raffle Ticket Volunteers  
meet in cafeteria*

*Grades K1/K2  
OMSI Fieldtrip*

*6:30-8:30 p.m.  
Wilshire-Riverside  
Little League Sign-ups  
Alameda Elementary*

### FRIDAY, 1/23

*7:00 p.m.  
St. Mary's CYO Night*

### MONDAY, 1/26

*Catholic Schools Week*

*8:00 a.m.  
Monday Morning Assembly*

## IMPORTANT

Registration opens up this **Tuesday, January 20**, to new incoming Catholic families. Open Enrollment begins February 2.

2009-10 Open House is **January 29** at 6:00 p.m. Spread the good word about our school to your family and friends!

## *Catholic Schools Week*

**CELEBRATE SERVICE!** is the theme for Catholic Schools Weeks celebrated January 25<sup>th</sup> through 30<sup>th</sup>. Start the week by attending mass at St. Rose and neighboring parishes and hear AHS parents spreading the Good News about Catholic Schools from the pulpit.

During the school week, we will celebrate Archbishop Howard School in several ways:

**Monday** juice and muffins will be provided for the entire student body (thank you, Mrs. Asbury!)

**Tuesday** is our monthly service of providing lunches to those in need at St. Francis Dining Hall.

**Wednesday** OMSI will be here with a 'Wild Weather' assembly for students.

**Thursday** is our annual mass and picnic for all students and their families. Plan to join your student for this special event.

**Friday** is a day off for students while their teachers will be attending an in-service on Faith Formation.

**ALSO:** the students are creating an art piece that will be displayed in school all week. Stop by and admire your student's work!

## Inclement Weather Update

Archbishop Howard School has subscribed to a new service through [pdxinfo.net.com](http://pdxinfo.net.com). You can now sign up to receive school closure announcements by e-mail or text message.

Go to <http://flashalert.net>, click on "Subscribe" and follow the instructions. You will be sent an email and/or text when we have a closure or late start.

While messages are dispatched within 15 minutes, they are subject to whatever happens as they travel the Internet and by cell companies and it is possible that a message may not be received on a possible snow day.

**January 30<sup>th</sup>**  
**No school**  
**Faith Formation for staff.**

**Schedule Change**  
**February 5<sup>th</sup>**  
**School in session!**

## Share Hour Reports

Reports will go home on February 5<sup>th</sup> showing your family's Share Hour and Fundraising credits through January. Remember to record your Share Hours earned in the book located in the main office.

Each family is asked to fulfill 30 (or 15 for a single parent household) volunteer Share Hours and raise \$500 through fundraising efforts. The fundraising remaining this year are: Auction donations, Raffle, Jog-a-thon and Scrip.

We truly appreciate your family's commitment to Archbishop Howard School!



To Do:

## SHARE HOUR OPPORTUNITIES

### RAFFLE TICKET COUNTERS

**JANUARY 22**

CONTACT:  
JESSICA HEDGES  
503-502-7169

### COOKIE BAKING

**JANUARY 28**

1-3 PM  
CONTACT:  
SUE BEEDE  
503-281-1912 x136

### *ONGOING OPPORTUNITY*

#### **AUCTION**

**FEBRUARY 21**  
(SEE ATTACHED FORM)

CONTACT:  
GINA YAZZOLINO  
503-284-0091  
OR  
CAROLE VECCHI  
503-528-2614

## Veterans of Foreign Wars Essay Contest



Mr. Bruce Hall of the VFW came by to award District prizes for the VFW essay contest – ***Why America's Veterans Should be Honored.***

The winners at the post level were:

- 3rd prize – Megan Manning
- 2nd prize – McKinzee Shadder
- 1st Prize – Grace Johnson

Their essays were sent to district and judged. The winners were:

- 3rd prize – **Megan Manning** - \$50
- 2nd prize – **McKinzee Shadder** - \$75
- 1st prize – **Grace Johnson** - \$100

Congratulations!!

## COUNSELOR'S CORNER

Hello readers. I want to give you an update on some groups I am doing as well as announce an upcoming Parent Night I am facilitating. As you know, our school has been incorporating the Called to Protect material over these past two school years. I have presented the material to parents three times so far and will do so again on Wednesday, January 28.

The material is on the subject of how to talk about and prevent child sexual abuse. There is the expectation that if you work/volunteer at school, you will attend, unless of course you already have. All parents/caretakers are highly encouraged to attend because the material is very good and we hope it will enable you to engage in conversations with your children about this very sensitive material. For those who have attended there are follow up programs on line that you are expected to do.

I will be starting the 7<sup>th</sup> grade Called to Protect program next week. For three-four sessions, we will cover the subject with video and in class discussions. I hope you will follow up by asking your 7<sup>th</sup> grade student about the program and especially about the boundary violations they learned about and ways to stay safe.

The group for kids whose parents have divorced or are separated is providing a nice safe place for these students to feel support and be with kids who likewise understand.

I have started the 2<sup>nd</sup> grade boys group and that will cover basic topics of getting along and learning how to play fair. I finished a group with 3<sup>rd</sup> grade girls recently and the topic for that group was how to appreciate the unique differences among ourselves. I may do a 3<sup>rd</sup> grade boys group this spring.

The lunch groups for 5<sup>th</sup> grade students are going well. This is an optional group but my hope is that as we build community within the groups, it will be an easier transition to the middle school groups that are part of the upper grades.

6<sup>th</sup> grade groups cover growth and development while puberty is staring them down. I encourage you to continue to talk with your students at this age about wearing deodorant and support them as their bodies are noticeably changing and can stir up some stress especially if they aren't totally sure about what to expect.

8<sup>th</sup> graders are ready to move on. They have a better sense of where they may be going, applications are in, the big test is behind them, hopefully with good results, and I hope the conversation about the ultimate decision takes their needs and wants into consideration. Some of the 8<sup>th</sup> graders are academically minded and have a solid goal of keeping focused on that. Yet others clearly are becoming distracted by some of the social pressures they are thinking might be facing them in less than a year from now. I try to balance this in group and the energy is high.

No matter what age your child is, there are opportunities for you to connect with them and be present to them. If you feel there are issues going on in your family life that I could help out with, do not hesitate to contact me.

Alicia Richards, School Counselor



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## Wilshire-Riverside Little League Baseball & Softball

Sign-up now for the 2009 season. Online registration is open and in-person sign-ups will be held at Alameda Elementary School, 2732 NE Fremont, on **Thursday, January 22**, and **Wednesday, January 28**, from 6:30 to 8:30 pm.

Visit their website at [www.wilshirelittleleague.org](http://www.wilshirelittleleague.org) to get the latest information about registration.



## Called to Protect

The next Called to Protect training (required of all school volunteers) will be offered Wednesday, January 28, at 6:30 p.m. in the AHS cafeteria.

Plan to attend if you have not completed your training requirements for this year. This likely will be your final opportunity at AHS this school year.

## Reminders:

Please fill out both the Conference Request form and the Catholic Schools Week mass/picnic form today!

## Raffle Reminders

Raffle tickets sold so far need to be turned in by this **Thursday, January 22**, in order to be eligible for a prize at the Monday assembly on January 26.

Also, those students who turn in 20 or more sold tickets by this Thursday, will enjoy a Wendy's lunch on **Wednesday, January 28**.

If you need more raffle tickets please contact Jessica Hedges at [jessicahair@comcast.net](mailto:jessicahair@comcast.net) or 503-502-7169. Specify how many tickets you need and if you would like to pick them up from the office or have them sent home with your child. Tickets can also be checked out directly from the office.

Raffle ticket counters needed! Great opportunity for Share Hours! We will meet in the cafeteria on **Thursday, January 22**, at 8:00 a.m. Contact Jessica Hedges [jessicahair@comcast.net](mailto:jessicahair@comcast.net) or 503-502-7169 if you are interested in volunteering.

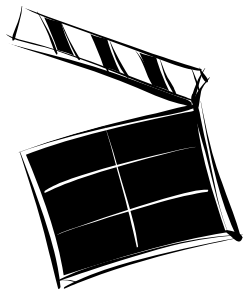
## Scrip Tips

- ✓ Valentine's Day is right around the corner . . . we have See's Candies available for special order purchase.
- ✓ Don't forget about the Super Bowl! We have Fred Meyer for all your Super Bowl party needs. If you plan to go somewhere and watch the game we've got McMenamins gift cards. I hear they have a special Super Bowl brew just for you!
- ✓ Still need to get your donation in for the Auction? . . . don't forget Scrip and get credit for both! Speaking of the Auction, the Scrip Gals are hoping that everyone comes to the auction . . . it is a great way to have a night out with your spouse or friends and have a fantastic time. When was the last time you dressed up and went on a "date night" with your spouse? It's a "win-win" situation; go out, dress up, dance, spend time with friends and support our school - What could be more fun?
- ✓ Our next special order day will be **Tuesday, January 20**. Please have all orders to the scrip desk by 8:30am. All special orders must be prepaid.

## Volunteer Opportunity

We are baking cookies again for our annual Open House for new and prospective families. If you can help on **Wednesday, January 28**, from 1-3 p.m. in the cafeteria, please call Sue Beede at 503 281-1912 x136 or email [development@archbishophoward.org](mailto:development@archbishophoward.org)





## Auction News

Congratulations to the following families who won the donation raffle contest. Eligible families were those who turned in their Auction donations by the January 9, 2009 deadline:

**1<sup>st</sup> Prize: \$500.00 Tuition Credit**

The Bunker Family (Jake 2<sup>nd</sup>, Ruby PK)

**2<sup>nd</sup> Prize: 2 Complimentary Tickets to the 2009 Auction Dinner & Dance**

The Do Family (Maddy 5<sup>th</sup>, Emily K2)

**3<sup>rd</sup> Prize: \$25.00 Night of Auction Purchasing Credit**

The Paul Family (Leighton 7<sup>th</sup>, Ava 3<sup>rd</sup>)

The Marron Family (Jackson 4<sup>th</sup>, Kate 1<sup>st</sup>)

The Sothern Family (Cameron 3<sup>rd</sup>, Henry K1)

The Nguyen Family (Vince 1<sup>st</sup>)

Please note that we are still accepting donations. Be sure to refer to your Gold Auction Family Packet going home today for more exciting information on Auction 2009.

Any questions feel free to contact your auction co-chairs:

**Gina Yazzolino**

**503-284-0091**

**Carole Vecchi**

**503-528-2614**

[auction@archbishophoward.org](mailto:auction@archbishophoward.org)



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## **You are cordially invited to attend the Catholic Education Week Mass followed by a family picnic lunch. January 29, 2009**

**Hot lunch will not be available on Thursday, January 29, 2009.** Students will eat a picnic lunch provided by their families, bring a sack lunch from home, or order a sack lunch from the school cafeteria.

Mass is at 10:30 a.m. Following Mass the entire school community will eat at 11:30 a.m. in the cafeteria and the gym. Students need to return to their classrooms by 12:30 p.m.

Child(ren)'s Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

- I will attend, provide and eat lunch with my child.
- I will not be attending; my child will be eating with \_\_\_\_\_.
- I would like a school-prepared sack lunch for my child(ren).  
I understand the lunch(es) will be charged to my child(ren)'s account.

Parent's Signature:

**Please complete and return this form to school by Thursday, January 22<sup>nd</sup>.**



## **ARCHBISHOP HOWARD SCHOOL** **PORTLAND, OREGON**

5309 NE Alameda, Portland, Oregon 97213, 503-281-1912  
email: [auction@archbishophoward.org](mailto:auction@archbishophoward.org)

### **VOLUNTEER FORM** **FOR THE 2009 AHS AUCTION** **DINNER & DANCE** **On February 21, 2009**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

## **When are you available to volunteer?**

Day of Auction

2/21/09 (8:00 am – 1:00 pm)

Night of Auction

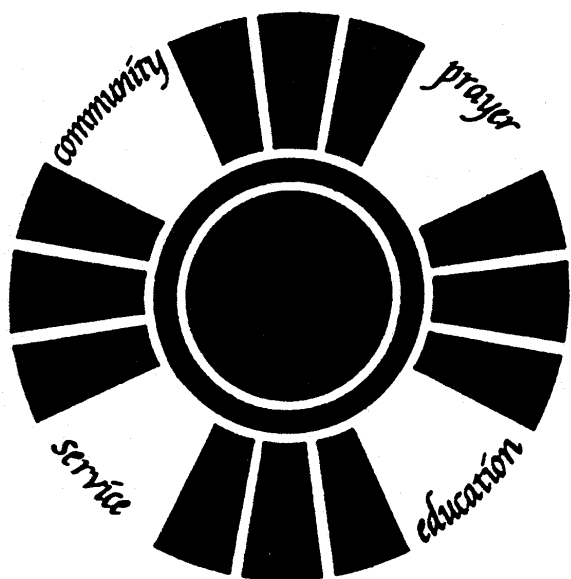
2/21/09 (4:30 pm – end of evening)

Any questions please contact:

Megan Schuver, Auction Volunteer Coordinator, 503-335-3232

Carole Vecchi, Auction Co-Chair, 503-528-2614

Gina Yazzolino, Auction Co-Chair, 503-284-0091



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A CATHOLIC EDUCATION  
FOR GRADES PRE-K  
THROUGH 8<sup>TH</sup> GRADE WITH  
EXTENDED CARE

YOU ARE SPECIALLY INVITED TO OUR

## Pre-Kindergarten and Kindergarten OPEN HOUSE

THURSDAY, January 29th, 6-7:30 PM  
5309 NE ALAMEDA

**503-281-1912**

PRESENTATION AT 6:30 PM FOCUSES ON PRE-  
KINDERGARTEN AND KINDERGARTEN PROGRAMS.  
ALL GRADES WELCOME FOR TOURS OF THE SCHOOL  
THROUGHOUT THE EVENING.

PLEASE COME AND MEET OUR PRINCIPAL AND FACULTY  
VISIT US AT [WWW.ARCHBISHOPHOWARD.ORG](http://WWW.ARCHBISHOPHOWARD.ORG)