

## **St. James' News, April 30, 2010**

Dear St. James' Parents:

Here are current announcements from St. James' Episcopal School.

### **SCIENCE CENTER EVENT**

St. James' *Shoot for the Stars* Spring Event is this Sunday, May 2, at the California Science Center in Exposition Park. It is a family event, so please bring your children! Check-in begins at 2:00 p.m. We encourage families to visit the museum until 4:00 p.m. when our private room will open with a silent auction, children's entertainment, and a children's auction. Dinner begins at 5:00 p.m. and is followed by the live auction at 5:45 p.m. The silent auction concludes at 6:15 p.m. The IMAX movie *Hubble*, introduced by Dr. Rich, begins at 6:30 p.m. The evening will conclude around 7:30 p.m. Please see the attached "Auction" file for a sneak peak of what to expect at the auction.

### **ST. JAMES' COMMUNITY SERVICE PROJECT MAY 1**

As part of Big Sunday Weekend, we are sponsoring a day of "helping out and hanging out" at New Directions, a facility for military veterans with emotional and substance abuse disorders. Starting at 9:00 a.m. Saturday, May 1, our volunteers will join a team of vets to paint two common rooms at the Veterans Administration campus in Brentwood.

At noon, while the painting progresses, the fun begins with a picnic, game day, and music concert. Our youngest volunteers will make papier-mache flowers to brighten the rooms. People of all ages will enjoy the day! If you would like to join us or if you are able to donate food, supplies, or financial support to this event, please contact Corie Brown at [corie@coriebrown.com](mailto:corie@coriebrown.com) or 323-965-0523.

### **SCHOOL BOARD OPENINGS**

For the 2010-2011 school year, there are openings for two St. James' Church parishioners on the St. James' School Board. Candidates must be members of the Church in good standing. The School Board meets five to nine times per year, and committees of the Board meet as required. In selecting nominees for Board vacancies, the Board

tries to recruit persons with skill-sets and backgrounds that will broaden the expertise and experience of the Board as a whole. If you are interested in serving in this ministry or wish to nominate someone, please call or e-mail Joy McManus, 323-939-4050, [joy\\_mcmanus@adp.com](mailto:joy_mcmanus@adp.com). Nominations should be submitted no later than May 2, 2010

#### MENTOR FAMILIES NEEDED

We are looking for current St. James' parents from all grade levels to mentor new families joining us in September 2010. If you are interested, please complete and return the attached form to [khaines@sjsla.org](mailto:khaines@sjsla.org) by Wednesday, May 5.

#### SPRING COMMUNITY UPDATE -- NEW DATE!

Our Spring Community Update with presentations from the Board of Trustees, Head of School, and Administrators will now be Wednesday, May 12 at 8:30 a.m. in St. James' Hall (not May 5 as printed on the wall calendar). We will ratify the nominees for PSF Co-Chairs and Treasurer for the 2010-2011 school year at this meeting -- please see the attached letter with further details. We hope to see you there!

#### ALL-SCHOOL CHAPEL

Our next All-School Chapel will be on Ascension Day, Thursday, May 13, at 8:45 a.m. in St. James' Church. We invite parents to attend and encourage you to bring an item of dried or canned food for our food pantry.

#### MAY COMMUNITY GATHERING -- NEW DATE!

Our next monthly community gathering with presentation of Student of the Month awards will be Friday, May 14 at 8:15 a.m. in St. James' Hall (not May 7 as previously announced).

#### ART SHOW

Save the date! Our annual Art Show opening will be Wednesday, May 19 from 4:00 - 6:00 p.m. in St. James' Hall. Each student will have one or more samples of their work on display. We need

additional parent volunteers to help make and label artwork and set up the displays. Please contact Faith Foss, mother of Ty Mahar, at [faith.foss@yahoo.com](mailto:faith.foss@yahoo.com) if you can help out.

## MOMS' NIGHT OUT

The Eighth Annual Moms' Night Out will be held Friday, May 21 from 7:00 p.m. at the home of Lisa Hutchins at 415 S. Windsor Blvd. Join us for an evening of music, dancing, open bar, buffet, and fabulous prizes. Moms' Night Out is a wonderful opportunity to strengthen our sense of community as mothers. This year's "friendraiser" has a Chinese theme. Tickets are \$60 a person: please invite your friends and neighbors and consider sponsoring a ticket for your child's teacher or a St. James' staff member. RSVP to Nancy Redford at 323-962-4848 or [trueredford@mac.com](mailto:trueredford@mac.com). Send checks payable to "St. James' School" to the school office. Net proceeds to benefit St. James' School.

## SUMMER AT ST. JAMES'

Registration is still open for our summer enrichment program, which will run from Monday, June 14, through Friday, July 23. Scroll down to the Summer at St. James' section on the [Academics](#) page of our website for more information. Please note that two classes -- *Flag Football* and *Talking Hands* -- have been cancelled. We will notify you of any further cancellations by May 14.

## SCHOOL WEBSITE TIP

Did you know that you can download photos from our online school album for free? Go to the Student Life page at [http://sjsla.org/student\\_life.html](http://sjsla.org/student_life.html), click on "St. James' Photo Album", and simply right click on the photo you wish to download and save to your computer. Respond to this email if you need a password.

Please let me know if you have any questions regarding these announcements.

With best regards,

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