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PARENTS ASSOCIATION PRESIDENT: WELCOME TO 2010-2011

With the late arrival of summer sunshine and the early start of school, it doesn't just feel like summer flew by. It actually did! To the parents of the Class of 2014 and to parents of new students of '11, '12, and '13, welcome. To returning parents, hello again.

For those who don't know me, my wife Janet and I are parents of Hayley, a junior, and Tara, an eighth grader who looks forward to applying to Connelly.

The Parents Association plays a pivotal role in the life of Connelly and our daughters. Without the selfless parent volunteers who give their time, many of the activities and functions that we and our daughters enjoy would not happen. Several Parents Association Board members are not only continuing their service on the board, but some have retained their jobs from last year because they enjoy what they do so much. We support each other and have a great school staff to help us coordinate the various functions the Parents Association performs.

Connelly is a small school. What we give of our resources financially and in service to the school, have greater impact than they would in a larger institution. You (yes, I'm talking to you) play a vital role in the life of Connelly. Wherever your heart and talents lie, there are opportunities for you to make our daughters' time at Connelly profound and memorable. In order to get everybody involved, the Board of Trustees, the Parents Association and the Administration have carefully crafted a document that will usher in a new era of community at Connelly that you will be hearing more about in short order.

Rather than wait, jump in now. We currently have opportunities as Tri-School Representative, VP of



THE 2010-2011 PARENTS ASSOCIATION

Volunteers, VP of Fundraising and Class Captains for the ninth, 11th and 12th grades ready for you. Don't let the titles fool you. They are all straightforward positions that don't take vast amounts of time but give you the chance to learn more about Connelly and meet other parents.

One thing you should do right now to support Connelly is to register your Grocery Club cards so that a portion of all of your purchases are returned to Connelly in the form of cash contributions from the stores. The stores recently changed their systems so that now the cardholder must designate the beneficiary of your shopping by going to their web sites. The good news is that after you've done it once, you don't have to renew it each year. You may register your cards at:

Ralphs:

<https://customer.ralphs.com/login.aspx?returnUrl=http://www.ralphs.com/myralphs/Pages/default.aspx>

Connelly Group ID# is 81808

Vons/Pavilions:

<https://secure.escrip.com/jsp/supplier/registration/step1.jsp>

Connelly Group ID# is 6491552

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We have a full calendar of events this year that you will have a chance to get involved with. The first up will be the **Galaxy of Stars on November 6**. The Galaxy is our major fundraiser of the year and your support is crucial to its success. It will be a memorable evening to be with current friends and meet new friends. You'll be hearing much more about how you can participate in the coming weeks.

This year will see the return of a Mother-Daughter event in the spring. While traditions are retained, changes keep on coming. We welcome your ideas and input as we plan for the future.

It's going to be an exciting year at Connelly! I eagerly look forward to working with you and, again, welcome to the 2010-11 school term!

Thanks for listening,
Curt Byk
Parents Association President

SAVE THE DATE

- Aug. 21** New Family Orientation, 10:30 a.m.
Family Day, 1 p.m.
- Aug. 23** All School Orientation and pictures
- Aug. 24** Senior Parent Meeting, 7 p.m.
- Aug. 25** Junior Parent Meeting, 7 p.m.
- Aug. 31** Sophomore Parent Meeting, 7 p.m.
- Sept. 16** Back to School Night, 6:45 p.m.



Cornelia Connelly School's Advanced Women's Ensemble and Advanced Handbells toured England and Ireland June 27 through July 6. The groups performed in cathedrals, churches and castles and visited three Holy Child schools. For more photos and details go to <http://www.connellyhs.org/page/academics/music>.



SAVE THE DATE

Join parents, grandparents,
alumnae and friends

Saturday, November 6, 2010

6 p.m.

Santa Ana Country Club

Galaxy of Stars update

Galaxy of Stars Co-chairs Carri Vogl, Dierdre Dizon and SueAnn Kuiper are working on the 28th annual dinner and auction set for November 6 and invite you to join the team.

They will stuff invitations Tuesday, August 24 at 8 a.m. or immediately following the morning drop off. Everyone is welcome to help prepare the invitations for mailing. Please RSVP to Carri Vogl at vrcaab@msn.com or Dierdre Dizon at dizon47@sbcglobal.net.

Freshmen plant new class garden

Members of the Class of 2014 planted seven of the 16 (2'x2') plots in the Freshmen garden area July 19. Each of the girls planted a different seed, and by July 23 the radishes were already sprouting. More seeds are expected to be planted on Saturday.

In the Sophomore garden the pumpkins, Hubbard squash, cantaloupe, watermelons, and honeydew are sprouting, and the onions planted last October are in full bloom. Last fall the Class of 2013 garden yielded more than 20 pumpkins and they sold 16 as a fundraiser. The pumpkins ranged from 2 to 23 pounds.

All Connelly families are invited to join us on campus for **Gardening Days** once monthly. The group gardens again on **August 14, 8 a.m. to noon**. We'll be preparing the campus for the **August 21 Family Day Picnic**.



Gardening members of the Class of 2014 and teacher Nicole Tormey (second from right) and Margaret Carlberg, (far right) Connelly's garden beautification coordinator.

Photo courtesy of Barbara Yu '87.



August & September Events

Aug. 6	ACT registration deadline for Sept. 11 test	Sept. 1	Parents Association meeting, 6:30 p.m.
Aug. 11	Parents Association Meeting, 6:30 p.m.	Sept. 3	No classes
Aug. 14	Gardening Day, 8 a.m. – noon	Sept. 4	Tri-School Theatre Pride Day
Aug. 21	New Family Orientation 10:30 a.m. – 1 p.m. Family Day Picnic, 1 p.m.	Sept. 6	Labor Day; no classes
Aug. 23	All School Orientation and pictures, 9 a.m. – noon	Sept. 7-8	9 th -grade officer campaigning
Aug. 23-25	Volleyball tryouts @ Independence Park, 3-5 p.m. Tennis tryouts @ Anaheim Tennis Center, 3-5 p.m. Cross Country tryouts @ Connelly, 3-5 p.m.	Sept. 7	Makeup pictures Tri-School Theatre Fall Audition Workshop, 6-9 p.m. Club officer meeting Ambassador applications available Thespian meeting, 3:30-4:30 p.m. Tri-School Theatre Audition Workshop, 5-8 p.m.
Aug. 24	Classes begin All School Reading begins Senior Parent Meeting, 7 p.m. Golf tryouts @ Riverview Golf Course, 3-5 p.m.	Sept. 8	Early dismissal, 1:10 p.m.
Aug. 25	Advanced Women's Ensemble auditions for transfer and 9 th -grade students Junior Parent Meeting, 7 p.m.	Sept. 9	9 th -grade elections at lunch
Aug. 26	Transfer Student Luncheon Choir Camp at Connelly, 3-8 p.m. Golf tryouts @ Riverview Golf Course, 3-5 p.m.	Sept. 10	Ambassador training at lunch
Aug. 27	No classes Choir Camp at Connelly, 9 a.m. – 4 p.m.	Sept. 11	ACT test date Gardening Day, 8 a.m. – noon
Aug. 29	Thespian Officer Retreat, 10 a.m. – 5 p.m.	Sept. 13	Tri-School Theatre Fall auditions, 3:30-10 p.m.
Aug. 30-31	9 th -grade Officer interviews	Sept. 14	Special Assembly Schedule Fall Audition callbacks, 3:30 – 10 p.m.
Aug. 31	Sophomore Parent Meeting, 7 p.m.	Sept. 16	Special Assembly Schedule Junior Class ring orders Back to School Night, 6:45 p.m.
		Sept. 17	Late start, 9 a.m. Adjusted Schedule – Formal Uniform Mass of the Holy Spirit 9 th -grade Ambassadors applications due ACT registration deadline for Oct. 23 test
		Sept. 18	Tri-School Freshman Picnic & Welcome Back Dance at Servite

THANK YOU PARENT VOLUNTEERS

Thank you to the following parents who volunteered at the Senior Family Dinner: **Flordeliz & Emmanuel Acoba, (Chair), Melba Becker, Cecile de Guia, Debbie Dispalatro, Lila Dulac, Patricia Garcia, Carol McCune, Neala Mirand, Jenni Santamaria, Diane Scavo, Rey & Jessica Simbol, Preetha Spencer, Paula Tiedt and Yolanda Verdin.**

Thank you to **Lisa Hawkins** who helped in the Development office and to prepare the summer mailing for parents.

The school calendar
is posted at

http://www.connellyhs.org/page/student_life/connelly_calendar

Our Web site offers daily, weekly, monthly and annual views of the calendar.

The *new* Daily Bell Schedule is posted there also.