

## eYapper – January 4, 2010

### The ABC's of Life

**{Mm} – Mo' Money, Mo' Money, Mo' Money Can Also Mean Mo' Problems** – Find something in life that you love doing, you'd do it for free – but do it so well you get paid for it. Recognize that some careers offer better compensation while others offer peace of mind. Money should not be your master. You should measure your worth based on what's in your head and heart, not what's parked in your driveway or hanging in your closet. Concentrate on the mission, not the money. - *Byron V. Garrett*

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### **Reminder – Don't Forget to Come Back to School – Calle Mayor Late Start Tuesday, January 5<sup>th</sup>**

### **Adventures in Art News – Hands of Rodin – Project #3**

This month, the PTSA sponsored Adventures in Art program will provide an in-class art project for EVERY student at Calle. The featured project is *"Hands of Rodin"*, which students will explore Rodin's passion for the unique dramatic power of the human hand. They will "feel" the medium shape and dry on their hands by working with fast drying plaster strips. They will then create a world or bird to express what they hold in their hand.

Parent volunteers are needed to help in the classroom. Please consider taking an hour of your day, to help. Email me at [calleptsa@verizon.net](mailto:calleptsa@verizon.net) if you are interested or if you know who your student's docent is, please contact them directly. No artistic talent or experience is required. The project will be presented during your student's Social Study period on the following days:

Lee - January 13

Masai - January 14  
Balderas - January 15  
Steps - January 19  
Laurens/Tchir - January 21  
Wetzell - January 27

We recommend sending your student to school in older clothes on the day that they will be doing art project. We do provide a smock, but boo-boos happen.

### **PTA Honorary Service Award (HSA) Program Nominations – Due January 15<sup>th</sup>**

Know someone who enhances the lives of the children in our community and at Calle Mayor? The Calle Mayor PTSA recognizes and honors these individuals with an Honorary Service Award. These are not necessarily the people who chair events or hold offices, but those individuals who are always there to help. We need your help to identify these HSA candidates. Please complete the nomination form attached and follow the submission instructions provided on the form. The nomination form is due on January 15<sup>th</sup>. Please do not put this off – if you know of someone, please complete and submit a form today. Thank you for your assistance.

### **Mylin Motivational Music Concert Report**

Mylin is a former star of The Mickey Mouse Club who has released 6 albums and has performed nationally and internationally, including performing at the Inaugural Ball for President Bill Clinton.

Calle Mayor would like to thank Mylin and her band for taking time to share their awesome music and message with us. In today's music world, artists who promote being grateful and being true to one's self are few and far between. Mylin is one of those rare artists. In addition to providing Calle Mayor with a free concert, she also provided every student a Calle with a copy of her latest CD – Mylin – American Girl. She and her band stuck around after the concert to talk with the students and autograph the CD.

Again, thank you Mylin for sharing your gift of music with the students at Calle Mayor.

### **South High Spartan Spring Cheer Camp – January 19-22<sup>nd</sup> – Anyone ages 5 to 14**

Join others interested in cheerleading at the South High Spartan Spring Cheer Camp – January 19 – 22<sup>nd</sup>. Attendance at the camp also allows you to participate at the SHS Varsity Basketball game on January 22<sup>nd</sup>. Interested? See the flyer attached for all of the details or contact either Kelly Cochran at Kelly.Cochran@gmail.com or Denise Mandel at Denisemandel@aol.com. Registrations are due by January 15<sup>th</sup>.

### **Save the Date – Math Counts Fundraiser at El Paso Cantina – January 27<sup>th</sup>, 3 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.**

Save the Date - More details to follow.

### **Ongoing Programs and Reference Information**

#### **PTSA Membership - Ongoing**

Please be a part of our Award Winning Calle Mayor Middle School PTSA.

It is never too late to join the largest volunteer child advocacy association in the nation. PTSA membership envelopes can be picked up in the school office. \$7 buys you an entire year membership.

#### **Ralphs Community Contribution Program - Ongoing**

If you shop at Ralphs, please consider registering your Ralphs Rewards card, designating Calle Mayor Middle School as your Community Partner. A percentage of almost all items purchased will be donated to Calle. Have your Ralphs card handy (or if you are like many of us who use our telephone number) – prior to registering, contact Ralphs at 1-800-660-9003 for your Ralphs Rewards card number. Then register at:  
[http://www.ralphs.com/myralphs/703/Pages/community\\_contribution.aspx](http://www.ralphs.com/myralphs/703/Pages/community_contribution.aspx)

### **Got Magazines?**

#### **Work in an Office with Magazines in the Waiting Room? - Ongoing**

- As of right now, the 2009 and 2010 dated magazine collection for our Community Partner, Torrance Memorial Medical Center and Hospital is ongoing. Until there is a cure for every illness, there will be a need for hospitals and therefore there will be bored patients who need things to read. Every little bit will help make someone's hospital stay, just a bit more comfortable. Please continue to drop off your magazines to the Calle office. Deposit them in the Labeled box under the counter.

Thank you Calle families.

### **Parent Connect Information UPDATE – A TUSD Provided Service**

- **All new students should have received their PIN and Password mailing. Thank you for your patience.**
- **If you are having difficulty accessing your account, please remember that your PIN and Password are “Case Sensitive”. Please type in exactly what is provided in your letter. If you are still having difficulties, then contact Lona Guizar at [LGuizar@tusd.org](mailto:LGuizar@tusd.org) or (310) 533-4548 with any questions.**
- **Each FAMILY is assigned a PIN and Password for all students in that family. So if your student has an older sibling, either at South High or at Calle, the PIN and Password will be the same for all siblings in a family. Once you log in, you will be allowed to select which student's Parent Connect record you would like to view.**
- **Just a reminder – Parent Connect is for Parents ONLY. If a student wants to check on their missing assignments, etc., they need to ask their parents to log in for them.**

Parent Connect is an opportunity for parents and students to check their progress in each of their classes online. Parent Connect is part of a larger online system that Torrance schools are now using to help keep track of vital student records. This program allows parents to have “read-only” access to this information.

### **Power Lunch Program at Calle – Parents PLEASE READ**

Has your student missed class assignments? Falling a bit behind? Needs extra help? Calle has begun a new and exciting program called Power Lunch. It is by invitation only, but is an opportunity for them to catch up. Please take a moment to read the attached document on Power Lunch for all of the details. Also, make sure to discuss with your student how important it is to attend Power Lunch should they receive an invitation.

### **Math Club Program at Calle – Parents PLEASE READ**

Is your child having difficulty in Math? Didn't score Proficient on the last standardized tests? Needs help with their Math homework? Please take advantage of this FREE program provided by Calle to assist and improve your student's math skills. Tuesday and Thursdays after school.

### **Events Made Possible this Month by the Calle Mayor Middle School PTSA**

Adventures in Art – Project #3 – Hands of Rodin  
Library

## **School News**

### **CALLE MAYOR STUDENT BULLETIN**

**UNEXCUSED ABSENCES** – In order to increase the motivation to bring in absence excuses, all students who forget to bring in their written excuses will receive a lunch detention. So please remember to turn in your absence excuses before school starts in the morning. Thank you and have a detention-free lunch. Ms. Swiger

**STUDENT ID CARDS** – Students need to carry their ID cards with them during school hours. Students of the Quarter must present both ID and front of the line passes together.

**DAILY BULLETIN** – Copies of the Student Bulletin will be posted daily on the back of the school office windows starting on January 5, 2010. Be sure to check it if you don't hear the announcements when they are read or you just want to make sure you heard something correctly.

**PAW PRINT** – The Paw Print now has its own blog. The address is: [CallePawPrint.blogspot.com](http://CallePawPrint.blogspot.com).

If you have any questions, comments, or suggestions, please email me at: [CallePTSA@verizon.net](mailto:CallePTSA@verizon.net)

Lisa Snowiss  
Calle Mayor Middle School PTSA President  
"Be the Dream Makers for Our Children"

## **8<sup>th</sup> Grade Students Taking Classes at South High – Late Start Schedule for South High School – January 2010 Schedule**

January 12

### **Calle Band and Choir Calendar**

Upcoming performances:

March ? – Middle School Choral Festival, THS, 9:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

March 4<sup>th</sup> – South Area Festival, SHS Gym, 7 p.m.

March 16<sup>th</sup> – SCSBOA Festival, Armstrong Theater, 9:30 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.

March 27<sup>th</sup>(?) – Choir Festival and Knotts Trip

April 2 – 7<sup>th</sup> – Hawaii Trip and Festival

April 18<sup>th</sup> – Opening Day, Port Royal Yacht Club, 2:30 p.m.

May 5<sup>th</sup> – SCSBOA Regional Festival, Ontario, California

May 18<sup>th</sup> – Spring Concert, Armstrong Theater, 7 p.m.

May 25, 26, 27, 31<sup>st</sup> – Mandatory Choir Musical Dress Rehearsals, Café, 3:00 – 5:00 p.m.

June 1 – 2<sup>nd</sup> – Choir Spring Musical, Café, 7 p.m.

June 24<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Promotion, SHS Gym, 4 p.m.

Please note, student arrival times will be earlier than performance times.

### **Plan Ahead - Student Free and No School Days**

January 18 - Martin Luther King Day - No School

January 29 - Student Free Day

February 8 - Lincoln's Birthday - No School

February 15 - Washington's Birthday - No School

April 5 - 9 - Spring Break - No School

May 31 - Memorial Day - No School

## **Upcoming Events – New Dates Added**

January 12 – South High Late Start  
January 12 - PTSA Board Meeting, 9:30 a.m., Room 25  
January 13 – Math Counts Team Qualifying Test  
January 18 - **Martin Luther King Day —NO SCHOOL**  
January 29 - End of 2nd Quarter  
January 29 - **Student Free Day—NO SCHOOL**  
February 5 - Report Cards go home  
February 8 - **Lincoln's Birthday—NO SCHOOL**  
February 9 - PTSA Board Meeting, 9:30 a.m., Room 25  
February 11 - Bulldog Award Assembly  
February 11 - Honor Roll Event  
February 11 – School Site Council meeting  
February 15 - **Washington's Birthday—NO SCHOOL**  
February 23 – South High Late Start  
February 23 - PTSA Association Meeting/Honorary  
Service/Founder's Day  
March ? – Middle School Choral Festival, THS, 9:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.  
March 2 – 7<sup>th</sup> Grade STAR Writing Test  
March 4 – South Area Festival, SHS Gym, 7 p.m.  
March 5 – Progress Reports Go Home  
March 9 – South High Late Start  
March 9 – PTSA Board Meeting, 9:30 a.m., Room 25  
March 14 – Daylight Saving Time Begins  
March 16 – SCSBOA Festival, Armstrong Theater, 9:30 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.  
March 18 – Spring and Buddy Pictures  
March 23 – South High Late Start  
March 26-28 – 8<sup>th</sup> Grade GATE Catalina Island Marine Institute Trip  
March 27(?) – Choir Festival and Knotts Trip  
March ? – Science Fair



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## PTA HONORARY SERVICE AWARD PROGRAM

Each year, the Calle Mayor PTSA recognizes individuals whose efforts have enhanced the lives of the children in our community and at Calle Mayor. The committee would like to ask for your nominations at this time. Please send in your nomination(s) for someone you feel deserves recognition for outstanding service to children and youth. Feel free to recommend more than one individual.

- Honorary Service Award (HSA) – May be given to an individual in special recognition of outstanding service to children and youth.
- Continuing Service Award (CSA) – May be given to an individual in special recognition for continued service to children and has already been given an HSA award.
- Golden Oak Service Award (GOSA) – The most prestigious PTA award in California. This award may be given to an individual who has made significant contributions to the welfare of children and youth in the school or community, usually over several years.

Please submit your recommendations no later than January 15, 2010. You can either complete this form and drop it off at the Calle Mayor office or send it to [seasidesumita@yahoo.com](mailto:seasidesumita@yahoo.com). If you have any questions, please contact Sumi Arnheim at 310-594-4792 or [seasidesumita@yahoo.com](mailto:seasidesumita@yahoo.com).

Thank you for your recommendations!

Name of Nominee: \_\_\_\_\_

Reason for nomination:

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Name of person (completing this form) and phone or e-mail—this is optional but we would like to contact you in case we need additional information about your nominee.

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# SPARTAN SPRING CHEER CAMP



- WHY?** Come develop your cheerleading skills and have a great time learning dances, cheers, and stunts with the South High Varsity, JV and Freshman Pep Squads.
- WHO?** Anyone interested in cheerleading, 5-14 yrs. old. Groups will be formed based on age and grade.
- When?** January 19th - 22nd from 3:30-5:00pm. Participants will perform at the Varsity Basketball game at home on Friday the 22nd at 7:30pm.
- Where?** Drop off and pick up is in the front of the South High gym.
- Cost?** \$60.00, includes the week of training, performance at a Varsity Basketball game and a cheer camp T-shirt.
- Special Notes:** Please come prepared for a cheerleading practice. Participants should wear comfortable shoes, shorts, and a t-shirt. They should come with plenty of water and any snacks they might need.

**WE LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU ALL THERE!!!  
IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS, PLEASE CONTACT:**

*Denise Mandel at 310-941-1961 or Denisemandel@aol.com or...  
Kelly Cochran at 310-292-1646 or Kelly.Cochran@gmail.com*

Participants Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Ph#: ( ) \_\_\_\_\_  
 Age:\_\_\_ Grade:\_\_\_ T-Shirt Size: YS YM YL AS AM AL (Plse.Circle one)  
 Emergency Contact:\_\_\_\_\_ PH#: ( ) \_\_\_\_\_  
 Parents Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Parents E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_

**All registrations are due by Friday, January 15th, 2010-Cks payable to SHS Cheer**  
**Please turn in your registration with payment and t-shirt size to the folder located in your school office or mail to:**  
 South High School  
 Attn: Pep Squad  
 4801 Pacific Coast Highway  
 Torrance, CA 90505