

## **eYapper – January 11, 2010**

### **The ABC's of Life**

**{Nn} –Never, Never, Never Say Never** –Many have failed to realize their dreams, not due to a lack of potential, but a lack of determination and hope in the future reality. Because this is your life, you have the right to plot, plan and strategize on your future. Do not accept no for an answer, and never, never, never say never. - *Byron V. Garrett*

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### **Adventures in Art News – What to Wear, What to Bring and New Room**

A reminder to parents - please make sure that your student wears older clothes on the day they are scheduled to do this project. Also, have them wear either short sleeved shirts or, if long sleeved, that the sleeves can be pushed up. It is also recommended that bracelets and rings not be worn on their project day, since they will need to remove them.

If possible, send your student with one empty toilet paper tube. This will be used to prop up their art work while it is drying.

For students and parent volunteers, please note that over winter break, the Adventures in Art room was re-located to ROOM 25. Students, please proceed directly to this room at the beginning of your period on the day you will be doing the art project. Parent volunteers, this room is the second from the end of the rooms along the South High field. Therefore, give yourself extra time to walk there.

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

Again 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.

### **Math Counts School Wide Competition – Wednesday, January 13<sup>th</sup>, during 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> period**

On Wednesday, January 13, Mr. Gerson will host our annual Calle Mayor school-wide Math Counts competition/test. This competition will take place in the Cafeteria 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> Period. Any student wishing to take the test will need to let their math teacher know, and sign up in the office. Space is limited to the first 200! Good Luck!

### **PTA Honorary Service Award (HSA) Program Nominations – Due THIS FRIDAY, 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.

### **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](mailto:Kelly.Cochran@gmail.com) or Denise Mandel at [Denisemandel@aol.com](mailto: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

Calle Mayor Middle School PTSA Website

Weekly eYapper

### **School News**

#### **CALLE MAYOR STUDENT BULLETIN**

**8<sup>th</sup> GRADE PROMOTION GOWNS** – Forms regarding promotion gowns will be going home next week through your Social Studies classes. Every student regardless if they are buying a gown or not buying one **MUST** return the form. The gown color is red, and if you are considering wearing a previously worn gown – try it on now. Gown cost has not changed – it will still be \$16.00.

**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.

**EDISON & QUIKSCIENCE CHALLENGE MEETING** – Ten weeks left until projects are due! There will be a meeting in Room 29 during lunch on Tuesday, January 12, 2010 to check-in on your group's progress and to go over important upcoming events and dates.

**MOCK TRIAL** – Can you argue? Can you argue and win? If your answer is "Yes" then Calle Mayor needs you on our new Mock Trial Team. Calle will host its first mock trial competition in May and needs students to fill the roles; these roles include attorneys for the defense and prosecution, witnesses, clerks, sketch artists, and more. If you are a 7<sup>th</sup> or 8<sup>th</sup> grader and are interested please come to our information lunch on Thursday, January 14<sup>th</sup> in Room 19. Hope to see you there!

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

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### **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 11<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 20 – Y & Z Committee Meeting  
January 28 – Scoliosis Re-Checks  
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