

The Scribbler

January 17, 2006

-- Don't Forget --

Alliance for Christian Education Public Open House

Tomorrow night, January 19th, 6:30pm

at SB City College West Campus Business Center, FeBland Forum

This is a great opportunity to introduce other families to the 3 Christian Elementary Schools in Santa Barbara...including Elmo! ACE is giving away a prize equal to **one year's free tuition** at the represented school of your choice...parents must be present to win. (This is a change from their flier, which announced that the door prize would be one month's tuition!)

APPRECIATION FROM A STAFF MEMBER

Yesterday, January 4, there was a 2 on 2 basketball game between J.T., Spencer and 2 boys from the Boys and Girls Club. It was so fun to watch the boys interact with each other in a positive way. I don't think they even knew each other's names. Today, January 5, J.T. and Spencer took their lunch over to the outside Boys and Girls Club tables and ate with the boys before playing another basketball game. This game was a 3 on 3, Parker and another boy joined the game. Once again a fun, positive game.

Yesterday supervisors from the BGC were out watching and kept saying what skills our boys had and how wonderful it would be to have them play on a team in their Spring Hoops league. I sent home an application form to J.T., Spencer and Parker today.

I personally enjoyed watching the games. Watching the boys interact with each other gave me such joy. I would like to thank the parents that made it possible for us to purchase one of the hoops: the Turners and Macfarlanes. The BGC funds, to purchase the other hoop, came from men that play in the gym each Sunday. Lash Construction installed the hoop for free and will also install the hoop that is being delivered Friday.

A true team effort that all started by us painting 4 square lines on the blacktop and adding the basketball court lines that Jerome said was on the BGC wish list.

Daily I thank God for the blessings here on the El Montecito Upper Campus.

Marianne

FEBRUARY 1st IS REGISTRATION DAY!

Everyone will get registration information in folders or cubbies this week. Prepare to respond on or before February 1st.

KINDERGARTEN APPLICATIONS ARE DUE THAT DAY! If you know someone who wishes to be considered for Kindergarten enrollment next fall, they MUST have an application on file by that day.

PRESCHOOL RE-ENROLLMENT is requested by parents who wish to have their children in our program next year. There is no way to accommodate the schedule requests for every child...we don't have that many spots! Preschool parents must turn in their schedule requests and they are numbered according to reception at the registration table that day. All currently enrolled students will be enrolled again if they choose to do so, however, schedules are assigned on a first-come, first served basis.

ELEMENTARY & JR HIGH re-enrollment request and \$75 registration fee is due on or before February 1st. There is no need for K-7th parents to stand in line on Feb. 1st. Just send enrollment info to either campus office.

Dr. Charlie Farhadian

Guest Speaker for Monday Bible Study

On Monday, January 23, 11:45am-1:00pm everyone is invited to come hear part two of Dr. Farhadian's presentation on "Persecution in Indonesia". Dr. Farhadian, Religious Studies professor at Westmont College specializes in missions, other cultures, and specifically Indonesia. We are privileged to have him speak to us. Child care is provided for Bible Study. If you are not a regular attender, just call the school office if you would like to have your child included in the child care setting. (969-1482)

EMERGENCY NEWS FOR MONTECITO

The following information was provided by MERRAG and it is mainly for those living and/or working in Montecito:

If you dial 9-1-1 from your cell phone in the Montecito community, you will be connected to the VENTURA office for CHP. (I know, it sounds crazy, but that's how it is right now. They are taking steps to change this in the future, but for now, this is what you get.)

It is IMPERATIVE that if you dial 9-1-1 on your cell phone, you request to be transferred to MONTECITO FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT for all fires, and medical emergencies within the Montecito community. There have been several occasions when the calls have been mistakenly transferred to Santa Barbara City Fire, and it can greatly delay our response before they realize that it is a call in our response area.

You can also program our direct EMERGENCY number into your phones if you would like to reach us directly.

Let me caveat this with the fact that we only have TWO emergency lines, and they do not roll over. If someone calls in on these numbers, you WILL get a busy signal.

Let me also note that these two numbers are ONLY - I repeat - ONLY for emergencies, and they are recorded.

The Montecito Fire District
direct dial EMERGENCY phone numbers are:
805-565-3651
805-565-3953

PLAN AHEAD FOR DATE NIGHT

Date Night is an event for children and a favorite male relative or friend to come to school for a special project. Date Night for the Preschool thru Grade 2 classes is January 25th. There will be a notice coming home about the time scheduled for your child to come with his/her guest. A small project fee will be requested for each child. Dads, Uncles, Cousins, Friends...save the day! (Gr 3-7 Date Night is February 8th!)

KEY DATES for 2006:

January 19 ACE Open House at SBCity College 6:30pm
January 21 ElMo Campuses Open House
10:30am Upper Campus, 11:15 Montecito
January 23 Dr. Farhadian, special guest at 11:45-1:00
Bible Study
January 25 Date Night for Preschool thru Grade 2
January 30 Jr High CIA (Christians in Action)
Outreach work day at Unity Shoppe
February 1 Registration Day for 06-07
Kindergarten Applications DUE
Preschool parents sign up for next year's
schedule (first-come, first-served)
February 8 K-7th Report Cards go home
February 8 Date Night for 3rd-7th grade
February 9 Parent Association meeting, 8:45am
February 20-24 President Holidays and Winter Break
March 1 Science Fair judging for Elmo projects
March 2 Parent Assoc. evening mtg. 7pm
March 9 Science Fair Open House at SBChristian
March 22 No preschool classes, conferences
April 3-7 Spring Break
April 10-14 Standardized Testing
April 14 Minimum day schedule
April 28 Grandparents Day
May 29 Holiday
June 16 Last day of school (minimum day)

You can keep track of calendar changes by visiting
our website calendar which is updated regularly
www.elmoschool.com

"It's Party Time" – Party Book, that is!

The chairs for this fundraiser are Melissa Abrams, melissaseawards@cox.net, 682-4929 and Dana Berkus, berkusfamily@cox.net, 560-8099. Please begin thinking of fun "parties" that can be thrown to help bring funds to Elmo! If you are interested in helping on the committee, we would love one other person.

WELCOME NEW STUDENTS!

We have been able to add a few students in various classes. Please update your directory accordingly:

Madison Weaver, 6th Grade

Morgan Weaver, 3rd Grade

Madison and Morgan's brother Matthew has been in our preschool all year, so their family is listed in the directory.

Selene Chernow, Room 1

David & Alexis Chernow, 1435 Crestline, SB 93105, 687-6427hm, 698-4842 cell

Sarah Datta, Room 1

Sarah's sister Sophia has been in Kindergarten all year, so her family is also listed in directory.

NEW ADDRESS FOR BIEGERTS:

Please change your directory listing for Bret and Kirsten Biegert to 150 Santa Elena Lane, Santa Barbara, CA 93108
