



# Titan Traditions in Full Swing!



Hello St. Theresa Parents:

Exciting things are happening with Parents' Club this fall. It has been terrific seeing so many families celebrating St. Theresa's feast day, cheering on our kids at cross-country meets, and gathering on the blacktop for a favorite St. T tradition- blessing of the animals!

Thank you to the families who have already purchased the [Titan Ticket](#) for their children. Parents' Club will be wrapping up this fundraiser on Wednesday 10/19. We hope to have full participation in this new fall fundraiser.

Thank you for your commitment to volunteering. Parent involvement is what makes St. T's a strong community. Our Volunteer Hours coordinators, John O'Sullivan and Aspasia Johnson, are fine-tuning a dashboard they created for you to easily track your hours. Details on the launch of the volunteer hours dashboard will be coming soon via Konstella.

Save the date: On Friday November 18th, parents and kids will dance the night away at the Event Center! The Family Dance pay-to-play was part of last year's Auction, but due to Covid concerns, we postponed it in June. If you purchased this pay-to-play at the Auction in March, you are all set. More information on purchasing your dance tickets is coming soon via Konstella.

**Tracey Silva**  
**STPC President**

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## FALL TRIMESTER TOP STORIES

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### Get Your Titan Ticket Today!

The Parents' Club is wrapping up sales of The Titan Ticket, this year's fall fundraiser. The Titan Ticket package includes student engagement activities during the year such as a Teacher Treat experience, keepsake black and white student photo and a T-shirt to wear in lieu of uniform tops on eight (that's right, eight!) spirit days throughout this school year. If you haven't had a chance to purchase a Titan Ticket for your student(s), visit the [Titan Ticket site](#). Tickets are on sale until October 19th, EOD.



### Get to know the Parents' Club STAR Committee!

Each year, our Parent's Club STAR (St. T's Awards and Recognition) Committee is tasked with providing our wonderful teachers and staff with acknowledgement for their hard work. STAR typically offers teachers and staff tokens of appreciation twice a year (Christmas and end of year), and also recognizes staff and teacher birthdays and organizes our Teacher Appreciation Week. The STAR program is underwritten by Parents' Club funds that our families have generously donated, so STAR gifts truly are from YOU! Thank you to our STAR committee, led by **Courtney Anderson** (Lily, 1st and Ted, 5th) **Julie Lo** (Lucas, 5th), **Mary Lesser** (Adam, K) and **Denise Ebright** (Cody, 6th) who is continuing this year with STAR as liaison between staff and STPC.

### Join Us for our Annual Halloween Parade and Parent Coffee!

The Halloween parade is Monday, October 31st directly after assembly. We hope you will join us to snap photos and catch up over coffee and Halloween treats with fellow St. Theresa parents. We look forward to seeing you all there! A special thanks to **Macy Cornell** (Ruby, 2nd), **our hospitality chair**, for organizing goodies!





### New Families - Curious About the St. T's Community Cookbook?

Filled with family recipes shared by our school families, Parish members and community supporters, this cookbook is sure to provide you with new cooking inspiration for any occasion. There are a very few copies of the cookbook left of this edition! Shop for the cookbook online [here](#) and your copy will be sent home in your student's backpack.



*Special thanks to Carrie Buckley (Carter, 6th) for spearheading the production of our cookbook.*



### Save the Date for our February 25th Winter Auction!

Make sure to mark your calendar and dust off your dancing shoes for the biggest St. T's bash of the year! Our annual Auction fundraiser is scheduled for **Saturday, February 25, 2023** and will be hosted in our very own Event Center. Join our school and parish community to celebrate and support St. Theresa School.

### Auction Dues Explained:

**It's about time to put on your thinking caps** and decide how you would like to fulfill your auction dues this year. Each year, families are required to contribute \$200 in dues to the auction. Auction dues can be fulfilled in four ways:

- Donate an auction item valued at \$200 or more
- Donate \$200 in cash by the dues deadline (Dec. 15th)
- Host a pay-to-play party
- Become an auction sponsor, or bring in an auction sponsorship

This year the Auction committee will be asking you to submit information about your donation to the auction before we break for the Christmas holiday. Links to submit your dues commitment and donate/sponsor are coming your way soon!







## St. T's Spirit Gear Shop is All Stocked Up!

**CYO is back in full swing**, and what better way to show your **Titan pride** by sporting our colors at an upcoming meet, game or match? Check out our Spirit Gear Store [right here](#) for shirts, hoodies, hats, and more. If you have any questions or suggestions regarding our gear, contact Sophia Kassab on Konstella. Friendly reminder: Students may only wear spirit gear on campus during free dress days.



### Is your Amazon account set to benefit St. Theresa?

Go to [Amazon Smiles via this link](#) and select St. Theresa school, and then make sure you are shopping on St. T's Amazon Smiles each time you visit Amazon. It's an effortless way to provide financial support to St. Theresa.

**Thank you for supporting our school!**

## St. Theresa Parents' Club 411

Want to know more about what Parent's Club does? Here's a summary of our STPC committees. Interested in getting involved? Reach out to Tracey Silva via Konstella. Here's an overview of our committees:

### Ambassadors Families – Working with Room

Parent Coordinators, identify and recruit parents to serve as Ambassadors for incoming new students to help acclimate them to the St Theresa community.

### Daily Lunch – Coordinate volunteer servers via Konstella to serve hot lunch daily.

**Emergency Preparedness/Facilities** – Monitor and maintain emergency supplies for staff/students stored in the school's cargo bin. Support Principal and staff with safety initiatives, earthquake drills, etc. and recruit volunteers as needed. Recruit volunteers to support campus workdays initiated by the Parent Board Facilities Chair





**Garden** – Oversee general cultivation initiatives and maintenance of the planter beds behind the library; support teachers with integration of gardening activities into curriculum; recruit volunteers to help with garden maintenance as necessary.

**Health Forms and Health Screening** – Ensure all required health screenings are successfully completed for our students. These screenings include MCT Vision, Scoliosis, and Hearing. Recruit volunteers to help with screenings.

**Hospitality** – Coordinate social events for parents (morning coffee socials, coffee for Halloween Parade, etc). Provide hospitality for accreditation team visit in October. **(open position available to partner with current lead).**

**Room Parents Coordinator** – Recruit and implement the Room Parent program for grades TK-8 for the school year, maintain contact with teachers and room parents throughout the year to ensure that the program is running smoothly, communicate with STAR coordinator for Teacher Appreciation Week, and assist Volunteer Coordinator to ensure volunteer opportunities and commitments are being fulfilled.

**STAR (Staff & Teacher Appreciation)** – Administer the STAR budget, rewarding teachers and staff at least twice a year (Christmas and end of year), recognize Staff and Teacher birthdays and organize Teacher Appreciation Week. STAR Committee resource: Teacher and Staff Favorite Things.

**Traffic Duty** – Work with the Volunteer Coordinator to manage daily parking lot traffic duty, determine the annual commitment for families, and ensure tracking and appropriate billing for unfulfilled commitments as specified in the annual contract. **(open position available to partner with current lead).**

**Used Uniforms** – Collect, sort and sell used St. Theresa Uniforms with help from parent volunteers. Hold 2-3 “used uniform” sales per year, typically summer, back to school and mid-year. Proceeds from used uniform sales benefit the St. Theresa Parents' Club fund **(open position available to partner with current lead).**

**Volunteer Coordinator** – Ensure that volunteer requirements and opportunities are posted, ensure that hours are tracked, keep parents informed of their compliance with required volunteer hours (traffic, event center, etc.)

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