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# THANK YOU ST. T's!



From start to finish, our 2023 Homecoming Winter Auction was a hit! See you there next year, Titans!

#### Hello St. Theresa Families!

What a great start to 2023 with the Winter Auction- held for the first time in many years at the Event Center. What a blast to see parents wearing letter jackets, jerseys and homecoming dresses, sashes and crowns! Thank you for volunteering, attending and donating generously. As Ms. O. reported in a recent family newsletter, the Auction raised an outstanding \$130,000 for school projects and enrichment programs.

We are sending a big thank you to the parents who recently spruced up the school garden on March 19th. The constant drizzle that day did not deter our resident green thumbs.

Check this out: **Families have volunteered more than 3,922 hours this school year so far!** Thank you so much! If you haven't had a chance to fulfill your volunteer hours requirement, we are extending the fulfillment deadline to **May 31st.** Keep an eye out for volunteer opportunities on Konstella!

As we look ahead, Parents' Club would love to have you join a committee for the 2023-2024 school year. See the descriptions at the end of this newsletter and contact me on Konstella if you are interested in sharing your talents through STPC.

Thank you,

Tracey Silva STPC President



# SPRING TRIMESTER TOP STORIES



Winter season CYO was HUGE this year, filling bleachers, thrilling fans and racking up brag-worthy results!

# We've Got Spirit, Yes We Do!

**The Titan winter athletics season has been**  $\diamond$   $\diamond$   $\diamond$   $\diamond$  ! Our boys basketball and girls volleyball athletes played hard and five teams competed in the playoffs. A big congratulations to our 6th grade girls volleyball team, placing 4th, and 7th grade volleyball team, placing 2nd out of 38 teams! Come cheer on our girls basketball teams in our very own Event Center! Check out the season schedule right <u>HERE</u>.





HEY ALL YOU PARTY ANIMALS!

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The Winter Auction has come and gone, but don't you worry! There are plenty of party opportunities left before school is out for the year! Check out all these super fun events, and then sign up today on our site!

Party	Description	Event Date
Kids Art Buzz	Kids: Unleash Your Inner Picasso!	April 23rd
Bunco Babes!	Channel your inner 60's contemporary and join us for BUNCO BABES!	May 6th
Skateboarding Skills!	Skateboarding Lessons with Mr. Baer	May 9th
Bocce and Bites!	Enjoy some island time at MerSea!	May 13th
Adults Wine and Design	Sign-Up, Show-up, Sip-Up and PAINT UP!	May 20th
Casino Royale	High Stakes. High Fun. Who's going to be lucky at the Casino Royale?	June 3rd
An Oktoberfest Bash!	Break out the lederhosen, dust off the drindl and find your stein!	September 30th
Halloween Face Painting	Face Painting Lesson with Mr. Baer	October 30th

#### The STAR & Hospitality Committees are gearing up for Teacher Appreciation Week!

**The arrival of spring** brings another opportunity to celebrate our teachers and staff. **May 8th-12th is Teacher and Staff Appreciation Week**. The STAR committee will be inviting families to join in the week's festivities recognizing our extraordinary team of instructors and administrators. If you would like to help with teacher appreciation activities, keep an eye out for Konstella volunteer sign-ups, landing in your inbox soon!





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#### **Open House/Grandparents & Special Friends Day**

Mark your calendars for a combined Family Open House and Grandparents & Special Friends Day, scheduled for Friday, May 12th! We can't wait to welcome our families into classrooms to view student work and visit with teachers. The May Crowning prayer service will be followed by hospitality outside and classroom visits. To help make this day happen, keep an eye out for Konstella volunteer sign-ups coming your way!





#### Spring Volunteer Opportunities! Get 'em While They're Hot!

**Haven't had a chance to fulfill your volunteer hours?** Not to worry! There are lots of opportunities still available. Fulfill your mandatory traffic duty shift by clicking <u>HERE</u>. Keep an eye on rolling Konstella sign-ups for Event Center shift openings. Want to help Ms. Rinehart in the science lab? You can sign up <u>HERE</u> and <u>HERE</u>. Join our gardening day by clicking <u>HERE</u>. Don't forget to log your volunteer hours <u>HERE</u>!

#### Looking Ahead to 2023-2024 and the STPC!

The St. Theresa Parents' Club plays a vital role in important school initiatives and operations throughout the school year. By volunteering on an STPC committee, you can make a meaningful contribution to our school! Please consider getting involved for the 2023-2024 school year. 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 the 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).

**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 Luncheon, 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

**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

**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.)

# Thank you for the gift of your time next school year!





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