

Fairview Christian School & Child Center "Eagle News"

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2009-2010 School Year Theme Verses:

"Rejoice in the Lord always. I will say it again: Rejoice! Let your gentleness be evident to all. The Lord is near. Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus." Philippians 4:4-7 (NIV)

Open House/Registration Night

February 11 will be our annual Open House. Beginning at 6p we will open our school to current and visiting families for a preview of classrooms and the wonderful educational program of Fairview.

Everyone is invited to attend! This would be a great opportunity for you and your friends to come and preview any or all of the classrooms, ask questions about curriculum, activities, etc.



Please be sure to tell your friends about this event as we have room to grow, and everyone should have the opportunity to be a part of the great learning environment that Fairview offers. We are planning on having a bouncy house, popcorn and more. There will also be two special booths. Guard-A-Kid will be here for anyone interested in purchasing their product (see their website www.guardakid.com). Also a Child

Safety Seat Inspector will be available to hand out information and answer questions about car and booster seat safety. New families attending this event will receive a coupon worth half off registration (a savings of \$125 for K-8, coupon good until February 26). Returning families not able to be at this event may register by February 19 to receive half off registration. Re-registration packets can be picked up from the office or at open house.

Helping Haiti

Raffle tickets to benefit Haiti are still available until Thursday evening during Open House / Registration Night. The drawing will be at the end of the evening on Thursday, so you can still donate \$1 per ticket until that time. The 7th and 8th-graders want to thank all those who have donated so far.

Also, just a reminder that you can send someone a special candy gram any day throughout February by donating 50 cents per card. Candy grams can be obtained before and after school and during lunches.

Introducing... Kathy Troll

This is my first year at Fairview and I count it a privilege to be able to serve in the middle school. My passion in life is sharing our Lord Jesus Christ, encouraging and mentoring others in the faith. Over the past 40 years, by God's grace and leading, I've had the opportunity to serve in the ministry as a children's pastor, youth pastor, women's pastor and prayer counselor. I've also served on two short-term mission trips to help train pastors in Kenya.



I've taught school for 20 years, focusing on junior and senior high and served as the administrator for three Christian schools as well as my own home schooling center. I have a B.A. in Cultural Anthropology from the University of Washington and completed my 5th year teaching credentials there as well and have a lifetime certificate from the State of Washington. I also have a graduate diploma from Moody Bible Institute, a Masters in Leadership Ministry from Seattle Bible College, and am currently pursuing a Doctorate in Ministry.

I've been married to my husband, Jake, for 30 wonderful years; and we have two adult sons, Christopher and Jonathan. I don't plan to retire soon but am excited about the future opportunities to serve and minister.

Calendar Highlights

2/11—Open House/
Open Registration night
2/12—Awards Chapel
2/15—No School/
Presidents' Day—Child
Center will be open
2/16—No School/Mid
Winter Break—Child
Center will be open
3/2—PTF Meeting—all
are welcome.
3/11—K-5th Grade
Spring Program



Eagles of the Week



Eagle of the Month



Parent News / Reminders

- Cookie dough orders will be available for pick up tomorrow after school (2/11); see Jen Laible in parking lot or pick up in the office.
- Both kids and adults are welcome to bring their bike helmets to the open house (2/11) to get fitted. A representative from Cascade Bike Club will be here.
- Pizza orders due no later than Wednesday, 2/24, by noon.
- Mid-Winter Break, Feb 15 & 16 /No School—Child Center Open.
- Social Studies Fair update—The winner of the vote for President was James Polk (aka Moriah Tapuro); the Vice Presidential winner was Abe Lincoln (aka Oscar Lemley).
- Open House 6p Thursday Night.
- PTF Meeting March 2; all are welcome. Dinner at 6p; meeting starts 6:30. Sign up for childcare in the office.

Newsletter Submittal



All items submitted for publication must be in writing. You may email the editor at eagle_news@fcsseattle.org or bring your item to the office. Please note that submissions will be reviewed for spelling and grammar. FCS reserves the right to edit any or all items submitted for publication.

Box Tops for Education—Collection Contest

Don't forget to collect those box tops! To date we have collected 689—only 311 to go until our school goal of 1000!



from the West Wing

“since God so loved us, we also ought to love one another.”
1 John 4:11 NIV

Ever wonder from where The Valentine's Day celebration came? Or why it is associated with love and romance? Ever heard of Saint Valentine? As I was thinking about what to share this week and since we are approaching Valentine's Day, I thought I would do a little research. I was rather surprised at what I found.

It seems that there is some confusion as to who Saint Valentine was. In fact, many sources report that there were probably many priests named Valentine. Most sources agree that whether Saint Valentine was one individual or many, he (or they) was martyred under Roman rule. So, why is Valentine's Day associated with love?

Well, there's confusion on that front too. One source said that Saint Valen-

tine married young couples against the emperor's wishes. Another reported that when Valentine was in prison, he fell in love with the jailer's daughter; and just before he was beheaded he sent her a letter signed “from your Valentine.” Another suggests that the connection comes because Valentine was buried on February 14 which coincides with the pagan Feast of Lupercalia, a festival of love.

So, I came to the conclusion that the whole thing is just a confusing mess that has survived to this day where we give and receive valentine cards, candy and flowers. Now, I'm not knocking all the sentimentalism surrounding Valentine's Day - I actually rather enjoy it. But I began

thinking that perhaps as Christians we should be working on how we love at all times. Read 1 Corinthians 13 again and see how you measure up. I know that I fall short so often.

Then I was again reminded of the words of Jesus: “By this all men will know that you are my disciples if you love one another.” Seems like a rather simple plan of salvation. And John tells us in 1 John 4:12 “No one has ever seen God; but if we love one another, God lives in us and his love is made complete in us.” So as we think about Valentine's Day, let's be reminded that the world will be pointed to the Father through our love.

Rejoicing in love,
Mrs. West