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CLOSE-UP Travels to See 2009 Presidential Inauguration



On January 17th, 2009, twenty-one Alemany students, three parents, Mrs. Samantha Phillips and Mrs. Juanita Chauvin will be leaving for the Presidential Inauguration in Washington, D.C. The students are very excited about this historic Inauguration and they will see unprecedented crowds as they witness the swearing in ceremony and the Inauguration Parade down Pennsylvania Avenue. During their week in our nation's capitol, our students will also experience a huge Inaugural concert on the Mall between the Lincoln Memorial and Washington Monument, as well as a day exploring Capitol Hill. On the night of the Inauguration the students will participate in a Close Up Inaugural Ball with over 1000 high school students from all over the country. Our students will return to LA on January 23rd with many memorable stories to share with family and friends.

THANK YOU ALL... IT TAKES A COMMUNITY!!!

Alemany students, parents, alumni, maintenance, classified staff, teachers and administrators all helped make a difference for those in need during Thanksgiving and Christmas.

For Thanksgiving Alemany was able to deliver turkeys and a full cupboard of food to 68 local families living in poverty. The collection of food was primarily through English classes. Additionally, parents dropped off turkeys which were collected by Associated Student Body (ASB) officers and organized and packaged by Key Club members and Sr. Sara's religion classes. Many teachers also supported the collection, including Charlie Akins who provided bottles of cooking oil for each family. The families were very thankful to Alemany, many sent thank you notes.

Christmas included providing 389 "Santa" requested gifts for children from Haddon Elementary School in Pacoima collected through the religion classes. A Christmas party complete with Alemany Alumni parents and Alemany student elves brought great joy to the Haddon Elementary children. For many of the children whose families live in poverty the Alemany gift would be their biggest or only Christmas gift. The school and the children sent thank you cards. A big thanks to Shannon Little, Mary Killmond, Jason Coito, Liz Hise and Don Levan for their leadership and help.

Students donated toiletries, books, food and other gifts to 235 teenage boys incarcerated in the Sylmar Juvenile Hall. This collection was supported by the Alemany Science Department, Religion Department, and many Alemany staff members and teachers. A big thanks to the Maintenance Department who assisted with the delivery of the presents. For many boys the Alemany gifts were their only Christmas presents. Thank you to Charlotte Mullich, Keley West, Sharon Veenhof, Jan Brown, James Rebudal, Luella Wagner, Roberto Sotelo, Jose Zamora and Luis Sotelo for their generosity and hard work to make sure the boys each had special Christmas gifts.

Thanks to the generosity of Alemany Administrators, classified staff, teachers, students and alumni we were able to adopt 14 large local families (94 people). These families, primarily working poor, live well below the poverty level. Families were delivered food, clothing, blankets and specially selected Christmas presents. The gifts are a great blessing to these families. Special thanks to Janell Cornell, the classified staff, Mary Killmond, Lynn Andrade, Sr. Sara, Frank Ferry, Keith Murphy, Jan Galla, Tim Peeters, Jen Vos, Jennifer Bellusci, Ronit Liberman, JoAnn Schnelldorfer, Anjum Quereshi, Juanita Chauvin, Fionnbar Kelly, Charlie Akins and Bill Oates for your thoughtfulness, time and care to help make Christmas special for our needy families. Finally, thank you to Julie Cardoso, Sheila Revere and Lori Brown for their thoughtfulness, kindness and talents in making sure that each project was a success.

The spirit of care and generosity continues to be strong throughout the Alemany community.

- Bob Warren

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John Pate of Gardena Nissan is "Hole-In-One" Sponsor



We are pleased to announce that one of our most earnest Alemany supporters has agreed to sponsor the Bishop Alemany Golf Tournament Hole In One Contest. Mr. John Pate of Gardena Nissan has generously offered to host the event contest. Our thanks and appreciation to Mr. Pate and his family.

- 2009 Golf Tournament Committee



<u>Our Mission</u> - As a Catholic High School, Bishop Alemany is a community enriched by faith that develops intellectually prepared men and women who are committed to promoting a just and peaceful world as conscientious and morally courageous leaders in service to others.

PAJAMA DRIVE - HUGE SUCCESS!!

Great job Emily Loren and thank you to all those who supported on December 7th! our pajama drive and donated

new pairs of pajamas and money to this cause. We were able to Paiama Program

collect over 200 new pairs of pj's and over \$300. After using the \$300 to buy more pajamas we ended up with about 310 pairs of pajamas! All of these will be donated to the MEND organization who will then distribute them to the less fortunate in our area. Because of every one's great generosity, so many children will

We greatly appreciate your support! If you would like more information about how to further donate to, or be involved with "The Pajama Program" please visit:

now have a nice new, warm pair of pajamas to sleep in...

http://www.pajamaprogram.org/donate.html

BISHOP ALEMANY EQUESTRIAN TEAM

Congratulations to our Bishop Alemany Equestrian Team for a successful showing at the Interscholastic Equestrian League competition

Competing at this show were Danielle Ross, Cece Weske, Jenna Harris, Megan Freuhauf, Haley Graham, and Alyssa Grimes.

Congratulations to:

- Alyssa Grimes for a 1st place finish in Equitation on the Flat
- Danielle Ross for her 7th place finish in Dressage
- Cece Weske for her 7th place finish in Jumpers



For more info visit the IEL website at www.theiel.org

FALL SPORTS - ALL CIF AND ALL MISSION LEAGUE HONORS

All Mission League Honors

Girls Volleyball: 1st Team - Danielle Shoemaker (12) 2nd Team - Theodora Papadopoulos(12)

- Water Polo: 1st Team: Trevor McHugh 2nd Team: Ryan Hodge
- Football:

Mission League "Most Valuable Player" Malcolm Marable (11)

Mission League "Lineman Of The Year" KC Obi (12)

1stTeam Defense Anthony Espinosa(11)

Nick Cook (12) Ian Rodriguez (12) KC Obi (12)

2nd Team Defense Chuck Obi (12) Stanley Gonzalez (12)

2nd Team Punter Kyle Kilroy (12)

1st Team Offense David Metcalf (12)

Chris Gant (12) Mike Janios (12) Ian Abot (12) Sergio Figueroa (10)

1st Team Kicker Todd Kilroy (12) 2nd Team Offense Akeem Gonzalez (11)



All CIF Honors

Football:

Offensive

1st Team Running Back

Malcolm Marable (11)

1st Team Offensive Line

Sergio Figueroa (10) Mike Janios (12)

2nd Team Quarter Back David Metcalf (12)

2nd Team Wide Reviver

Chris Gant (12)

Defense

1st Team Defensive Line KC Obi (12)

1st Team Line Backer

Anthony Espinosa (11)

1st Team Defensive Back

Nick Cook (12) 2nd Team Line Backer

Ian Rodriguez (12)

Way To Go Warriors!

WORD UP FOR WORD WARRIORS!



On Saturday November 22, 2008 the Bishop Alemany debate team competed in a regional debate tournament hosted by Valencia High School. The team's veteran varsity debaters were unable to attend due to social commitments so the team had to lead off with its untested rookies. The first timers were up to the challenge. The teams of Jessie Buth /Bianca Walters and Pascal Varni/Mark Walther came out swinging and were both victorious in their opening rounds against more experienced teams. The teams participated in an event called parliamentary debate wherein the teams are given a topic to debate only thirty minutes before the round begins. The team has to interpret the topic, craft arguments in favor of their position and then engage in verbal battle with the opposition for close to an hour. Competitors are judged on the content of their arguments and points scored during the verbal exchange. Confrontations can get high spirited and very competitive. The Alemany teams exceeded their expectation in this tournament and we look forward to a very successful season. The next event is at UCLA in December and then it's off to the state tournament at UC Berkeley in February.

THE BISHOP ALEMANY HONOR GUARD INDUCTS NEW MEMBERS...

On December 8, the Feast of the Immaculate Conception, five new members were inducted to the Bishop Alemany Honor Guard.

Incoming students: Alexander Enagan, Danielle Seitz, Nikki Villanueva, Saira Rodriquez, and Patrick Ayala were passed the flame of faith and took their Promise to fast and pray for the Bishop Alemany school family and Adore the Lord in the Blessed Sacrament each First Friday. Fr. Paul Keller led the service and blessed the Guard's official uniform during the mass.

Newly inducted members enjoyed a celebration in their honor after school hosted by Council members:

Jennifer Pohorsky, Evelyn Martinez, and Candice McCoy.



ALEMANY MOCK TRIAL UPDATE...



Congratulations to Mock Trial Team Member and Courtroom Artist Lisette Lopez for earning SECOND PLACE in the Los Angeles County Mock Trial Competition Walt Stewart Courtroom Art Contest!

We are so proud of her!

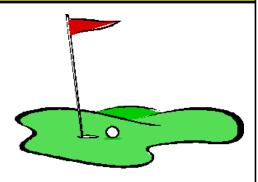
TONY COX RANKED #1 IN SO. CALIFORNIA.

At the United States Junior Nationals Swim Meet (Austin, Texas), *Tony Cox (12)* took 2nd in the 100 yd. backstroke and 9th in the 100 yd. fly. Both times put him first in Southern California in both events!!!



ALEMANY GOLF'S 2009 TRYOUT SCHEDULE

DAY	DATE	SITE	TIME
Tues.	1-20-09	El Cariso G.CPlay 9 Holes	3:30 P.M.X4
Wed.	1-21-09	El Cariso G.CPlay 9 Holes	3:00 P.M.X4
Thurs.	1-22-09	Balboa G.CPlay 9 Holes	2:30 P.M.X4
Mon.	1-26-09	Balboa G.CPlay 9 Holes	3:30 P.M.X4
Tues.	1-27-09	El Cariso G.CPlay 9 Holes	3:30 P.M.X4
Wed.	1-28-09	Encino G.CPlay 9 Holes	2:30 P.M.X4
Thurs.	1-29-09	El Cariso G.CPlay 9 Holes	3:00 P.M.X4
Mon.	2-2-09	El Cariso G.CPlay 9 Holes	3:30 P.M.X4
Tues.	2-3-09	Balboa G.CPlay 9 Holes	3:30 P.M.X4
Wed.	2-4-09	Encino G.CPlay 9 Holes	2:30 P.M.X4



Requirements/Rules

- 1. Each player is required to have his own clubs.
- 2. Each player is required to attend at least five (5) try-out dates and three (3) of those dates need to be at the Balboa or Encino golf course. It is highly encouraged to attend all try-out dates.
- 3. In case of weather listen for announcements at the end of school.
- 4. Each player is responsible for transportation to try-outs. If this is a problem there is some limited space provided by Coach Keller or Mr. Vear on a first-come first-serve basis.
- 5. Directions to all courses will be provided by Coach Keller upon request.
- 6. Alemany H.S. will pay all fees for playing on the course. Any additional fees are paid by the individual player (i.e. range balls, gloves, tees, etc.).
- 7. Any additional questions or problems can be referred to either Coach Keller or Mr. Vear using the contact information provided below.

Contact Information:

Please email --> kkeller@alemany.org OR jvear@alemany.org

WELCOME BACK ALEMANY ALUMNI!



New Alumni Director, CJ Kruska (and daughter Emily) at an Alumni Football Tailgate Party...

One of my favorite games when I was a child was *Hide, Go Seek.* My daughter, age 2, is just old enough to be able to **hide** while I **seek**. We both laugh hysterically each time I find her. It's such a fun game!! Well, actually, it's a fun game unless you are trying to find a lot of people...

And by a lot of people, I mean over 15,000 alumni from Bishop Alemany High School and Queen of Angles Junior Seminary.

After the 1994 Northridge Earthquake, many of our records were lost. We are trying to reconnect with you so we can all "hang-out", again!

We also want to let you know about a few changes (hopefully for the better) we have made in the Alumni Office since August:

- +New Facebook Account (Internet Social Networking)
- +Alumni Tailgates (Free Food and Drinks for Alumni)
- +Honorary Coin Tosses (Fr. Milbauer Honored November 14th)
- +Online Alumni Directory (www.alemany.org)
- +FREE Alumni Business Network (www.alemany.org)
- +Alumni Sponsored Events (The Great Wine Event-12/13/08)

The street lights are on and its time to go in... Sooooooooooo, "Come out-Come out—Wherever you are...?" and please let us know where you are and what you have been up to!!!

May God Bless Bishop Alemany High School!!

CJ Kruska, Director of Alumni and Public Relations alumni@ alemany.org

1ST ALUMNI TAILGATE RAFFLE WINNER



Brian Kiley ('78):

Brian was the first winner of the Alumni Tailgate Raffle. He won an "A" Folding Chair after enjoying the free food and drink offered to all Alumni (and their families) at each home football game!

ALUMNUS PUBLISHES "THE POPE'S LEGION"

Charles Coulombe ('78): Charles wrote a new book that may be some interest to Alemany alumni called The Pope's Legion. It's a passionate analysis of Pope Pius IX's international regiment of Zouaves. Charles has also written the Vicars of Christ: A History of the Popes in 2003, etc.. For more information, go to: ttp://us.macmillan.com/thepopeslegion



ALUMNA DEBUTS ASU WEEKLY RADIO SHOW



Charli Turner Thorne ('84): Charli's weekly radio show, 'Off the Bench with Charli Turner Thorne,' premiered on Tuesday, December 9th. Turner Thorne and Jeff Munn, the voice of the No. 22 ranked (AP) ASU women's basketball team, will spend about a half-hour talking about all of the current events in the ASU women's basketball program.

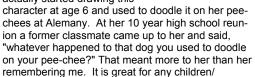
ALUMNA PUBLISHES CHILDREN'S BOOK



Maureen McGrath ('77):

"Just wanted to let everyone that has been a part of my life and supportive of my dream to know about my book!!!!"

She is very proud of it! She actually started drawing this



grandchildren you may know. It has a wonderful moral message and transcends race, creed and color. It shows how differences can bring us together, not pull us apart. So it is also helpful for any special needs children. Feeling different because of a handicap can be very lonely. We need more of this in the world we live in today.

"Thanks to all for your support of my little book that could."

You can order it on

www.eloquentbooks.com/SpunkysSpecialFriend.html

ALUMNA WRITES PHOTO DOCUMENTARY



Michele Bucher Carbone ('74): Michele has written and published a wonderful photo essay book entitled: Friday Evening - Creating La Dolce Vita, One Bite At A Time. You can see the delicious photography; and read the humorous excerpts, and early reviews at www.pentolapress.com.

REMEMBER WHEN...? PICTURES/VIDEO

+Do you have any old BAHS (or OLQA) Logos/Pictures for our new *Alumni Directory*? If so, please send a copy to alumni@alemany.org.

+Have you seen the 1994 Northridge Earthquake *videos* of the *Original Alemany Campus*? Go to the "Pictures/Videos" section of the website. It will take you back...

ALUMNUS EARNS LAFD SCHOLARSHIP



Michael Rodriguez ('08): Michael earned the scholarship because of his participation in many programs, including the National Honor Society

and California Scholarship Federation. Michael also volunteered in his community, mentored incoming students at Alemany, and competed in water polo and swim. Michael attends USC as a Computer Science and Engineering major.



FR. MILBAUER —HONORARY COIN TOSS



On November 14th, Fr. Milbauer was honored with the "Honorary Coin Flip" at the 2008 Mission League Championship Football Game for his amazing contributions to Bishop Alemany High School.

Photo by: Jose Siordia

ALUMNUS PRODUCES KCET DOCUMENTARY



Craig Ingraham ('65): Craig produced a KCET documentary about a local hero's story called 'ABOVE AND BEYOND: THE STORY OF CPL. WILLIAM T. PERKINS, JR. USMC'. Craig also donated a copy of the documentary to our Library and Media Center for our current students to view the story. For more information, go to http://aboveandbeyondfilm.com/

THE FIRST EVER "GREAT WINE EVENT" RAISED OVER \$1,000 TOWARDS THE ALUMNI SCHOLARSHIP FUND

We would like to thank a few people who helped make it a fun evening:

- Bonnie Segraves ('87) "The Wine Shop at Home" Host
- Doug Segraves ('92), Eric Neumann, Julie Schadek Wine Host-Assistants
- Norma Garcia Great Food from Bourbon Street Catering and the Chocolate Baskets
- Alyssa Garcia ('08) and Matt Knapp ('08) Best Servers in town!
- Dr. Moraga, DDS 2 Gift Certificates for "Zoom" Teeth Whitening Sessions
- Chris White Prom Picture Package form White's Studios
- The Drama Club Drama Basket and Mystery Dinner Tickets
- Our Deans Free Dress Days
- Mr. Frank Ferry ('83) Lunch with the Principal
- Julie Cardoso ('89) and Caron Willits Community Outreach Basket

- Bob Messina('68) Photo Packages from 1st Image
- Craig Ingraham ('65) Autographed Copy of his KCET Documentary
- Charles A. Coulombe ('78) —Autographed Copy of book entitled "The Popes Legion"
- Michele Bucher Carbone ('74) Autographed Copy of her book
 "Friday Evening Creating La Dolce Vita, One Bite At A Time"
- Mary Wilson ('68) Tour of California Wine Basket
- Mike Wilson Great Wine Taste Test Host
- Maria Clint-Meyers (Follett) 2 Alemany Bookstore Gift Certificates
- Myra Costello ('86) Glen Ivy Spa Day and 2 Ruth's Chris Steak House Gift Certificates
- JoAnn Schnelldorfer Event Decorations, Italian Dinner Basket and Starbucks Coffee Baskets
- And many, many more...

- Thank You and God Bless

PLEASE PICK UP YOUR PROM PICTURES IN THE MAIN OFFICE

Class of 2006

Castro, R.

Chavez, M.

Carlson, C.

Callos, J.

Ammar, Z.

Luis, Y.

Valdez, C.

Venzon, J. Wong, C.

Wagman, M.



Class of 2007

Sumampong, S

Zafar, J.

Eroza, G.

Evans, J.

Fizznoglia, A.

Gonzalez, J.

Mockenhaupt, P.
Piscitello, C.

Romero, M.

Cirks, B.

2008-2009 REUNIONS: RE-CONNECTING WITH LONG TIME FRIENDS!!!



With every passing year comes yet another enduring adult ritual – "The High School Reunion". No doubt many of us have already been to at least one reunion or are at least anticipating an official invitation to the next one. It is one of the few constants in an ever-changing world, touching base with the one group of people you have shared the same experiences with.

Recently, the Bishop Alemany Alumni Association held reunion for the classes of '58, '63, '68, '73, '78, '83, '88 and coming up the class of 1998. For most, the experience of their High School Reunion was a very positive and reaffirming one. I was honored to have shared in the reconnection of long lost friends as they shared experiences of life on careers and families.

Our Alumni are already beginning work on several reunions 59, 69 and 79. If you would like to have us help in the planning of your reunion, please contact me (JoAnn Schnelldorfer) at jschnelldorfer@alemany.org or give my office a call 818-837-5229.

Reunion Coordinator, JoAnn Schnelldorfer

May god bless each of you and your families and may you have a Happy New Year!

A MULTI-BILLION DOLLAR GIFT IN CHALLENGING ECONOMIC TIMES

NATIONAL CATHOLIC EDUCATIONAL ASSOCIATION

WASHINGTON, D.C. While auto manufacturers, secondary mortgage lenders and investment bankers are reaping billions of dollars in federal funds, one entity is saving the nation billions – the network of almost 7,400 Catholic schools across the country.

According to Dr. Karen Ristau, president of the National Catholic Educational Association (NCEA), Catholic schools provide \$19.8 billion in savings each year for the nation. The figure is based on the average public school per pupil cost of \$8,701 and the total Catholic school enrollment of more than 2.2 million students.

"Catholic schools are a gift to the church – and to the nation," said Ristau. "The enormity of this gift is more striking during these challenging economic times."

In addition to the monetary rewards, the nation gains in other ways. Catholic school students excel academically on standardized tests, 99.1% graduate and 94% attend college. Studies show that graduates of Catholic schools are reliable workers, good citizens and more likely to attend church.

"Our graduates have a strong commitment to community service because that is a foundation of our schools," added Ristau. "Just this past year Catholic school students performed 2.2 million hours of public service in honor of Pope Benedict's visit. That kind of involvement is a gift to the country that cannot be measured in dollars alone."

Research on school effectiveness in the last 10 years has focused on academic outcomes, including standardized test scores, graduation rates, post-secondary aspirations and college attendance. Catholic schools, while they aspire to academic success, include among their primary objectives an understanding of the Catholic faith, a commitment to the practice of religion and a strong set of values. These goals, along with academic achievement, are the key components of the Catholic school's effectiveness.

Catholic schools provide faith formation and values. Teachers view the formation of Christian character as a non-negotiable, which is Gospel centered, environmental, cross-curricular and essential in a society where values are often ignored.

The NCEA, founded in 1904, is a professional membership organization that provides leadership, direction and service to fulfill the evangelizing, catechizing and teaching mission of the church. NCEA members include elementary schools, high schools, parish religious education programs and seminaries.

NCEA sources:

Window on Mission, a report on Catholic secondary schools, 2002. Catholic Schools Still Make a Difference: Ten Years of Research, 2004.

U.S. Catholic Elementary and Secondary Schools 2008: The Annual Statistical Report on Schools, Enrollment and Staffing.



ALEMANY STUDENTS GOING TO LONDON

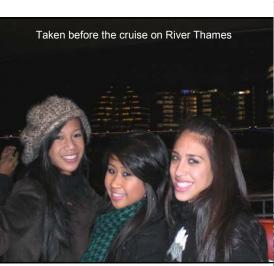


Joselyn Arciaga, Leslie Rabena, and Angelica Perez were been chosen by UDA/UCA to go to London to perform for the New Years day parade and will also perform in front of mayors of London's municipalities and other dignitaries. They were there from December 26th to January 2nd. This is such an honor and a great accomplishment for these Warriors!!

Congratulations on their selection as an "All Star". They were selected out of 1,000 Dance camp attendees this past summer. This London trip is an opportunity of a lifetime. The parade is the high point of the Christmas/New Year's Holiday in London and Europe's largest. Over one million spectators line the parade route that winds through the heart of London, passing such historical landmarks as Big Ben and Westminster Abbey, just to name a few.

We are so proud of you !!!









Right before heading for the New Years Day parade, the girls are ready to perform!

The girls jumping for joy in front of Tower Bridge-the view from our hotel.



CATHOLIC EDUCATION FUND (CEF) TUITION AWARDS PROGRAM

The CEF Tuition Awards Program gives \$2,000 per year to students with financial needs. The application process begins now and goes through January 21st, 2009. The family must meet strict income criteria.

Description:

This is a direct grant of \$2,000 from the Tuition Awards program of the Los Angeles Archdiocese Education Foundation. It is awarded based solely on a committee's evaluation of family need.

The information and application forms are available now through January 21st 2009 and must include a verification of income from your 2007 1040 tax form. The award may be combined with other assistance from the school to a maximum of 50% of tuition, but not with awards from any other CEF program, such as the Children's Scholarship Fund or SOS Program.

Criteria:

- Application to CEF, obtained from the website or the Tuition Office and returned there with the 2007 tax form or other verification of income no later than January 21st 2009
- Income must be at or below prescribed limits following the Income Guidelines
- The Principal completes a recommendation form that accompanies the application.

Please go to www.alemany.org for applications and guidelines (English and Spanish)

PARENT ASSOCIATION UPDATES



Creative and Enthusiastic Parents Wanted for Post Prom Committee

Do you like to be creative while meeting other Bishop Alemany parents? Be a part of our committee to plan Post Prom, attend the evening planning meetings, and be ready to bring your ideas and talent. You ask what is Post Prom? It was started 12 years ago as an all night party that the Parent Association hosts for all Juniors and Seniors the night of Prom. To provide a drug an alcohol free alternative, a fun and safe celebration with great after Prom activities and prizes. It is mostly supported by donations so keep us in mind. All grade level parents are welcome to plan this event in May after Prom. Committees include creating decorations, collecting donations for prizes and food, photo area, arranging volunteers, clean up. If you have any inflatable chairs, bean bag chairs that you are planning to get rid of, or would like to donate etc., for the event for kids to relax on, we will

gladly accept your donation. If you are interested or have any questions, please contact Lori Brown at 818-837-5237 or Ibrown @almany.org.

Catholic Schools Week

Catholic Schools Week will be celebrated here at Bishop Alemany, starting with the Communion Breakfast on Sunday, January 25, here in our chapel at 9:30a.m. Everyone is invited and then invited to attend the Breakfast in Alumni Hall for \$5.00. To stay with the theme, Catholic Schools Week-Celebrate Service, we are asking everyone to bring a donation of food for the local food bank. During the week we will be honoring our faculty, staff and students in different ways. We will also be having a Teacher and Staff Appreciation Lunch on Wednesday, February 4th.







Saturday, Feb 21, 2009, Alumni Hall. Please plan to attend and invite Family, co-workers, everyone CATHOLIC SCHOOLS is invited to experience the fun and excitement of the 2009 Casino Night! We hope all of you are planning to attend and evening of dinner music, gaming, live and silent Auctions, raffles, door prizes and more! Come get to know more Alemany families while having fun and supporting the 2009 Post Prom. Ticket information will be coming to you in January to pur-

Wanted! Don't know what to do with the some of those baskets and gifts you received for Christmas? The Committee will be taking donations of all the unwanted gift baskets or items you don't know what to do with after Christmas. You can drop them off in the Main Office marked Casino Committee. Thank you for all your donations! Questions call Angela 818-618-7613 or Lori at 818-837-5237 or lbrown@almany.org.

Parent Service Hours

A wide variety of service activities are still available for parents to volunteer not just for their 15 hours of service but to be involved. Check with your student's organization, sport or club they belong to, to see if you can assist the coach or advisor. The Alemany.org website also has opportunities available, they are listed under parents and Parent Association, check activities in the calendar, or email LBrown@alemany.org or call 818-837-5237. It is your responsibility to make sure you have completed your hours of service by June 2009 or your donation of \$150. Please see Parent Student Handbook for more details. Some activities coming up, need sewers, bakers, Golf Tournament, Annual Champaign, graduation flowers and balloons, Alemany Amigos, Academic Decathlon.



PLACEMENT TEST WORKSHOP



When: Saturday, January 24, 2009 Where: Bishop Alemany High School

Time: 9:00am – 12:00pm (seating begins at 8:30 am) Cost: \$50.00

Includes instruction, practice test and take-home materials.

For further information contact the Community Outreach Office at: 818-837-5222 or 818-837-5224

Bishop Alemany High School's Parent Association

FAMILY COMMUNION BREAKFAST

Come celebrate Mass, followed by a full breakfast (Scrambled eggs, Sausage, Bacon, Pancakes, Hash Browns, Fruit, Bagels, Coffee) and enjoy meeting other Alemany families.



Reservations are appreciated but are not required.

Questions? 818.365.3925

\$5 Perperson Sunday, January 25, 2009 9:30 a.m. ~ Mass Breakfast immediately following in the Dining Hall

Donations of eggs, bacon, sausage, pancake mix, hash browns, fruit, coffee, paper plates, napkins, plastic ware, as well as monetary donations are appreciated. Please take your donation to the Administration office by Thursday, January 22, 2009.

Number Attending:	Phone Number:
Total Payment: \$	(\$5.00 per person) checks payable to "Bishop Alemany High School"
Include payment with this fo	rm and mail to:
	Bishop Alemany High School
	C/O Parent Association
	11111 North Alemany Drive
	Mission Hills, CA 91345

This form may also be picked up at the Administration Office or is available @www.alemany,org

January 2009

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
28	29 NO SCHOOL	30 NO SCHOOL	31 NO SCHOOL	January 1 NEW YEAR'S DAY NO SCHOOL	2 NO SCHOOL	3
4	5 NO SCHOOL	6 NO SCHOOL	7 NO SCHOOL	8 NO SCHOOL	9 NO SCHOOL	10
11	12 School Resumes 2nd Semester Begins	13	14 IOWA Testing Special Schedule Parent Assoc. Mtg	15 IOWA Testing Special Schedule	16	17 CLOSE-UP Trip
18 CLOSE-UP Trip	19 Dr. Martin Luther King DAY NO SCHOOL CLOSE-UP Trip	20 CLOSE-UP Trip Kairos Retreat	21 CLOSE-UP Trip Kairos Retreat	22 CLOSE-UP Trip Kairos Retreat	23 CLOSE-UP Trip Kairos Retreat	24 Placement Exam Workshop SAT Date
25 Catholic Schools Week Communion Mass and Breakfast 9:30a	26 Catholic Schools Week	27 Catholic Schools Week	28 Catholic Schools Week Class Masses	29 Catholic Schools Week Class Masses	30 Catholic Schools Week NO SCHOOL - SFV In-service	31 Catholic Schools Week Placement Exam Mystery Theatre Dinner

February 2009

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2 Candlemas Day	3 Blood Drive	4 Faculty/Staff Appreciation Lunch (Special Schedule) Parent Assoc. Mtg	5	6	7 ACT Test Date Academic Decathlon
8	9	10 March SAT Reg. Deadline ASVAB Reg. Opens	11 Valyermo Retreat	12 Valyermo Retreat	13 Valyermo Retreat	14
15 Academic Decathlon Awards	16 President's Day NO SHOOL	17 Sophomore Retreat	18	19	20 ASB Winter Dance One Act Plays	21 Casino Night Placement Exam One Act Plays
22	23	24 Spring Musical Tryouts	25 Ash Wednesday Mass Food Drive Begins Rice Bowl Begins Spring Musical Tryouts	26 Youth Day Spring Musical Tryouts One Act Plays Annual Appeal Kick-off Dinner	27 Religious Education Congress - Anaheim One Act Plays ACT Registration Deadline	28 Religious Education Congress One Act Plays
March 1 Season of LENT Religious Education Congress	2 Season of LENT College Financial Aid Applications Deadline	3 Season of LENT Sophomore Retreat	4 Season of LENT Parent Assoc. Mtg	5 Season of LENT Spring Sports Rally Annual Appeal Re- port Dinner	6 Season of LENT 1st Day to Mail Acceptance Letters ASVAB Testing	7 Season of LENT Alemany Amigos



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CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK 2009 - "CATHOLIC SCHOOLS CELEBRATE SERVICE"

What is Catholic Schools Week?

Catholic Schools Week is an annual national celebration of the important role that Catholic elementary and secondary schools across the country play in providing a values-added education for America's young people. Catholic schools are proud of their educational network that emphasizes intellectual, spiritual, moral, physical, and social values in their students. Catholic Schools Week is a key part of the yearlong National Marketing Campaign For Catholic Schools.

When is Catholic Schools Week 2009?

Catholic Schools Week begins the last Sunday in January. *This year it is Jan. 25-31.*

What is the theme of CSW?

The theme is: "Catholic Schools Celebrate Service."

What does Catholic Schools Week celebrate?

Catholic Schools Week celebrates education that goes beyond preparation for a secular life — it is education that prepares students for a Christian life. CSW also celebrates the high standards of excellence and the quality of the education available to all students in Catholic elementary and secondary schools across the U.S.

What is the purpose of the Catholic Schools Week celebration?

The purpose of Catholic Schools Week is to build community awareness of, and involvement in, Catholic schools throughout the country. During this week, many dioceses and schools encourage parents to take full advantage of the benefits of local Catholic schools by enrolling their children in those schools. CSW also is an occasion for schools to interest citizens in volunteering their time and talents to the local Catholic schools.

Who sponsors Catholic Schools Week?

Catholic Schools Week is a joint project of the National Catholic Educational Association (NCEA) and the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops. (USCCB). Individual dioceses and local Catholic elementary and secondary schools develop and promote their own CSW activities each year.

How long has Catholic Schools Week been around?

The Catholic Schools Week celebration became an annual event in 1974. The first national Catholic Schools Week slogan was "Different Where It Counts Message, Community, Service."



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