

THE ALEMANYAN

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**Bishop
Alemany
High School**

AHS Dance Team Honored at Nationals



3rd Place in CO-ED Dance
4th Place in Officers
6th Place in Hip Hop

In their **FIRST** year, our Warrior Dance Team was invited to the USA Cheer National Championships:

CO-ED DANCE & HIP HOP DANCE

Alina Mirzaian	Alyssa Gatewood
Amanda Steiner	David Mungcal
Donald Pierce	Emily Weiser
Ernesto Gutierrez	Jennifer Padilla
Jessica Davidson	Joselyn Arciaga
Kristen Riggs	Madeline Oberto
Melyssa Herrera	Ruby Acosta

OFFICERS DANCE

Jessica Davidson & Donald Pierce

THE COACHES Bonnie Segraves & Erica Hernandez are very proud of their team!

ACA/DECA Wins At State Competition

Congratulations to our *Academic Decathlon Team* for earning several medals at this year's 2008 California State Championships!

THE TEAM

Nick Huber—Silver Medal in "Speech"
Kevin Willis—Bronze Medal in "Interview"
Eric Carmona—Bronze Medal in "Speech"
Kevin Tran Jerald Felipe
Joseph Escobar Jonny Jollota
Natalie Veenhof Evan Buendia



Great Job Warriors!

THE COACHES

Mrs. Veenhof
Mr. Taylor
Mr. Duel



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Special points of interest:

- Golf Tournament w/ **ONLINE** Registration
- Parent Board Elections
- CEF Winner—Karla Mojica

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Karla Mojica(12) - CEF Essay Contest Winner



On Sunday, February 10, 2008, the **Catholic Education Foundation** (CEF) celebrated the graduating Class of 2008 with its Annual Senior Mass and Breakfast at the Cathedral of Our Lady of the Angels. Mass was presided by Cardinal Roger Mahony. Six hundred people joined in the celebration including over 300 high school seniors supported by the Foundation and their families. A breakfast celebration took place after Mass where the Cardinal acknowledged the hard work and sacrifices the students and their parents had made over the past four years. He also commended the Foundation's Trustees, donors, and staff for their commitment and passion for the mission of the CEF over its 20-year history.

CEF President Rob Smith introduced the 2008 Senior Essay Contest Winners Randall Avila of Cantwell Sacred Heart High School and **Karla Mojica of Bishop Alemany High School**. Randall and Karla read their essays aloud at the breakfast celebration. Both students expressed their gratitude for the gift of their Catholic education as well as the academic and spiritual journeys they had experienced over their high school careers. Each winner's school received an additional \$2,000 tuition award for the 2008-2009 school year in honor of their students' winning essay...

By Allison Bergeron—The Tidings—3/7/08

The Annual Alemany Golf Tournament



On **Monday April 14th, 2008** Bishop Alemany will host its annual Golf Tournament. The event will be held at Braemar Country Club in Tarzana, CA. Proceeds from the tournament will be donated to the school scholarship fund. Once again the day will be filled with great activities including golf, refreshments, snacks, raffles and a silent/live auction. The evening will include a no-host bar and delectable dinner.



Century West BMW who was last year's Hole-In-One sponsor has returned to sponsor the entire tournament this year. We can't thank **Milo Rosas** enough. He is a true Alemany supporter!

If golf is not your thing, please join us for the raffles, auctions and dinner.

We are still in need of volunteers to assist in numerous ways both on the day of the tournament and before. For more information please contact us at golf@alemany.org or call Debbie at 661-297-4307.



A Word From The Parent Association



Attention Alemany Parents!!

PARENT BOARD ELECTIONS are in full swing, April 1- 15th.

Please check the web site or pick up a Ballot, in the front office, to vote.

We are all members of the Parent Association and being a part of the board is great way to get involved in your child's school.

If you have questions please call 818-365-3925 ext:5237

POST PROM INFO!



Post Prom Party—Will take place on Thursday, May 22, 2008 from 11pm until 5am Friday. Yes, this is an all night party sponsored by your Parent Association, to keep our Juniors and Seniors in a safe, alcohol and drug free party, to celebrate their successes with friends after Prom.

We need all parents of Freshman, Sophomores, Juniors, and Seniors to help keep the 12 year tradition going for when your student becomes a Junior and Senior, if they aren't one already. We need help decorating prior to Post Prom, the day of and during the evening. Parent Service hours can be earned by helping. We need donations of prizes, food certificates, movie tickets, amusement parks, sport events, sporting goods, gift certificates, gas cards any items that teenagers would like to win. We also need monetary donations for prizes during the evening. Check out the Alemany website under Parent Association, Post Prom for details and times or contact Lori Brown at lbrown@alemany.org or call 818-837-5237 to make a great evening happen for our students. Items can be dropped off in the Administration/Main Office marked Post Prom.

A Casino Night—Thank You!



We had a wonderful time and we were able to raise roughly \$12,000 toward the Post Prom Party.

A fabulous shout-out thank you to the Casino Night Chairs:

Food: Pat Cruz and Lynda Kay.

Silent Auction: Lisa Perry.

Casino: Lisa Avila.

Registration: Kay Castagnola.

Bar: Marie Kratochvil.

Other volunteers included Betty Duran, Lisa Williams, Vilma Louzan, Andrea Provenzale, Pamela Bingham, Maria Duenas Susan Pitts, Sybil Estrella, Lara Steiner, Marybeth Hernandez.

We had many wonderful donors who contributed to the Silent Auction as well as many exuberant Casino goers, all of which made the party a complete success! *Thanks again to everyone! Jennie Kogak-Event Chair*

More Information at WWW.ALEMANIAN.ORG

eScrip Information

SIGN UP YOUR VONS AND RALPHS MARKET CARDS TO contribute a percentage of your purchases to Alemany.
No extra cost to you!!



For **VONS** go to www.escrip.com and register Alemany with your card, or if you don't have your number call 818-877-SAFEWAY to get your number.

For **RALPHS**, go to their site RALPHS.com and click on community contributions. If you don't know your number call 800-660-9003 for your number. You can also contact Lori Brown at 818-837-2537 or lbrown@alemany.org for help. Check the website for more information and other merchants available. Go to Alemany.org under Parents, click *Parent Association*.



From the Desk of the AP Coordinator



To the Parents of all students currently enrolled in AP classes

Participating in the AP Program that our school offers affords your son or daughter the opportunity to take college-level courses while they are still in school. The benefits of taking AP courses are many and varied in that the courses demand skills that can lead to success in college. Participating in the course can help students develop their writing skills, improve their critical thinking and the opportunity to develop good study habits, all necessary skills to be a successful student both in high school and college.

As you may all be aware the AP exams take place in May and with that in mind we are preparing to order the pertinent exams. Please make sure that our accounts department has received your payment of \$90.00 per course so that we can order the correct number of tests for your student.

- Ms. Maria Parker

(818) 365-3925 ext. 5284 or mparker@alemany.org

Attention: Juniors



Come have your morning coffee with us! Parents of juniors are invited to a college coffee hour. Meet with counselors over coffee and bagels to ask questions and learn a little more about the college search and application process.

The coffee hour begins at 7:30 a.m. Please make sure to RSVP to reserve a space for one of the following dates.

- Friday, April 18th
- Friday, May 16th

To reserve your space, please contact

- Ms. Garcia Word

(818) 365-3925 ext. 5285 or pgarcia@alemany.org

Fr. Norm's Nook



Last month I drove on I-5 north through Gorman. The hills were brown and lifeless. Last week I drove through and there was beautiful green grass growing. Next month I know that these same hills will be covered with beautiful flowers. That is a very good image of our life. Sometimes we go through times that are difficult and seem to be lifeless like the brown hills. During Lent we try to get a desert experience. Now that Easter has arrived we hopefully open our hearts to a deeper message of the meaning of our life. Yes, we pass through difficult times in the hope that we will encounter times of green grass and even flowers. I have the advantage of seeing our students pass through the experiences of our retreats to discovering a deeper and more beautiful life. I pray that all of us will come to experience a God who loves us and brings us light in dark moments. **Fr. Norm Supancheck, Chaplain**

Alemany Students Will Travel To Washington, D.C. During The 2009 Inauguration Week!

Believe it or not, we are already starting to enroll and make deposits for the **Close Up** trip for 2009 because we will be in Washington, D.C., during the **Inauguration Week!** The dates for the Close Up Inauguration Program is January 17 - January 23, 2009. Do not wait to act! There are limited spaces available for the Inauguration Week, and we must enroll and pay deposits by April 1st to get priority placement. All enrollments and payments must be made on the Close Up website: www.closeup.org. You will need the school ID (CA052) to ensure proper credit. If you are interested in this exciting trip, then read more about it on the Close Up pages on the school website under "Activities". *[Please note that students who have been on strict probation within the last 12 months, may not be eligible to participate in this trip. Since students who attend this trip are considered "Ambassadors for Alemany HS", the program only accepts students with good discipline records.]* **Any questions, please contact Mrs. Chauvin at 365-3925 x 5278 or jchauvin@alemany.org**



NOTE: ONLY JUNIORS AND SENIORS ARE ELIGIBLE TO PARTICIPATE ON THIS TRIP

Technology News!



We are currently reviewing and planning for our technology needs in the upcoming years regarding students, faculty, administration, & staff. This plan focuses on curriculum and professional growth. We have surveyed students,

faculty, administration and staff. We would also appreciate your input and support. Please look for a Technology Parent Survey on Alemany's web site around March 10th.

Thanks,
Madeleine Espinosa
 Computer Science Teacher - Technology Plan Coordinator

2nd ANNUAL FAMILY FUN NIGHT



This year's *Family Fun Night* is **BIGGER and BETTER!**

There will be more food, games, and activities for the whole family.

Food:

Carne Asada Tacos (Softball)
 Hotdogs and Hamburgers (Baseball)
 Sausage/Meatball Sandwiches (Volleyball)
 Teriyaki Chicken and Rice Bowls (G-Basketball)
 Cheese/Pepperoni Pizza (B-Basketball)
 Ice Cream (Aquatics)
 Popcorn (Peer Group)

Games:

Intramural DODGEBALL Championship Games
 More Inflatable Rides and Games
 ASB Carnival Themed Games
 Academic Department Themed Games
 Program BINGO (for prizes)

Activities:

DJ and Dancing at the Outdoor Stage
 Silent Auction
 Alemany Concert Band
 SCOLA – Concert Choir
 Community Jazz Band
 Art Show
 Warrior Dance Team Performance
 Alemany Players performances of "Cinderella"
 New Student information Tent with Raffle
and much, much more...

PAC Presents - "Roadmap To College"

An Invaluable Evening for Freshman through Junior Parents and Students



We have invited Mr. Paul Kanarek to come and spend an evening with our Alemany families. In addition to his being the Founder of **The Princeton Review** in California back in 1983, he is considered to be one of the nation's leading experts regarding college admissions. He has appeared on all of the major networks, is frequently quoted in nationwide publications and has authored a number of articles about both testing and admissions. He's also an eloquent, motivational and impassioned speaker about this topic.

He's never come to our school before and he is waiving his usual hefty speaking fee to come and present to our Alemany families. Freshman through junior parents and students, please take advantage of this unique evening and join us in the **Dining Hall at 7pm on Wednesday, April 9.**

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Mark Your Calendars With These Important Dates

April

1st— May SAT Registration Deadline
2nd— Parent Teacher Conferences (6:30-8:30pm)
2nd-3rd— Prayer Service
4th— Father/Daughter and Mother/Son Dance
5th— Texas Hold'em Tournament
9th— Parent Meeting—Princeton Review/"The Road map to College".
11th— Re-Registration (Continuing Students)
9th-11th Valyermo Retreat (Juniors)
12th— ACT Test
Alemany Amigos
14th— Sophomore Retreat
16th— Honor Roll Assembly
18th— "Mr. Alemany" Competition/Fashion Show
ASB Convention
Senior Meeting
21st— Minimum Day Schedule—Faculty Inservice
22nd-25th—Kairos Retreat (Seniors)
25th— Spring Musical/Art Show
28th— Sophomore Retreat
29th— Spring Musical Performances for Middle Schools
30th— FAMILY FUN NIGHT (6—9:30 p m)

May

1st-4th— Spring Musical/Art Show
Class Officers Speeches/Elections
3rd— SAT Exam
5th-15th—Advanced Placement Exams (M-F only)
6th— June SAT Registration Deadline
7th— Parent Association Meeting
9th— June ACT Registration Deadline
Spring Concert
10th— Alemany Amigos
14th-16th—Valyermo Retreat (Juniors)
16th— Exceptional Prom
Advanced Art Showcase (through May 17th)
19th— Sober Graduation Assembly
20th— ASB Awards Dinner
21st— Spring Dance Recital
22nd— Prom (Post Prom until 5am)
23rd— NO SCHOOL—Bishop's Holiday
26th— NO SCHOOL—Memorial Day