

THE WEEKLY RAY

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Hello Parents,

Happy New Year to all. We have roughly one and a half weeks left before our first semester finals begin this January 20-22nd. Please note the modified schedule for these days included with this newsletter and encourage your child's preparation for these important exams. Please contact any teachers if you have questions and/or concerns about your child's performance at this point in the school year.

It is my pleasure to announce that eight of our seniors (so far) have been accepted to four year colleges: U.C. Davis, Cal State Northridge, Cal State Dominguez Hills, Arizona State, California Lutheran University, Western Kentucky, University of the Pacific and Cal State Fullerton. We are very proud of these students and look forward to future college acceptance letters from these and other seniors.

I'd like to take the time to give a special recognition to Jae Park (PLHS's Student Body President) for his recent performance on the S.A.T. exam. Jae's combined score in Writing, Reading, and Math is the highest recorded score for a P.L.H.S. student since we have been keeping records (2004). This is a testament to his hard work and God-given academic abilities he has consistently exhibited during his time at PLHS.

Finally - I am in the midst of planning our annual end of the year trip this May 31-June 4. This year's trip will again be about \$300.00, and will take students to locations including whitewater rafting on the American River and camping in Yosemite National Park. If you know that your child will be attending, please turn into the office a \$100.00 deposit towards this trip which will aid me in my planning and organization. As in other years, this trip will be chaperoned by PLHS teachers and parents. This trip is a wonderful opportunity for students to see God's beautiful creation, spend final time together before Seniors leave, learn leadership and communication skills, interact with each other in non-academic settings, etc.. Please let me know if you have a strong interest in helping to supervise this event as we are still in need of a couple of chaperones.

In Christ,

Lucas Fitzgerald
Principal

~ College Corner ~

Congratulations!!

Kyle F was accepted to Univ Of the Pacific & Cal Lutheran
Sheri S was accepted to Cal State Fullerton
Jae P was accepted to UC Davis

Scholarship Information

1. The Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG) Scholarship Program: www.scag.ca.gov/scholarship
2. The Gardena Evening Optimist Club is sponsoring an essay contest for students who were under 19 as of 12/31/09. Topic: "The Internet: Today's Evolution or Tomorrow's Menace." Awards from \$2500 to \$6000. Rules & application form at www.gardenaoptimist.org/. More info, call essay chairman Jim Carroll at 310-415-0196.
3. http://quizbowlprep.com/index.php?p=1_11_Scholarship-Information

FYI - we will be sending home a College Preparation Checklist with every student sometime next week.

Important Dates

- Thursday January 14th
Parent's Meeting 6:30 p.m.
- Monday January 18th ~ NO SCHOOL
Martin Luther King Jr. Day
- January 20th ~ January 22nd ~ 1st Semester Finals
8:30 a.m. ~ Noon
- Monday January 25th ~ DINNER NITE OUT @ Rubio's
2:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. (Flyer attached)

- 01/08 Soccer @ Summit View West 3:00 p.m.
- 01/08 Boys Basketball vs Westview 2:30 p.m.
- 01/09 Soccer vs LA Adventist 7:00 p.m.
- 01/12 Basketball vs LA Adventist Girls 3:00 Boys 4:30 p.m.
- 01/14 Basketball vs Shalhavet Girls 2:00 Boys 3:30 p.m.
- 01/14 Soccer vs Shalhavet 7:30 p.m.
- 01/15 Soccer vs Summit View West 5:00 p.m.

* Schedule subject to change *



~ Dinner Nite Out ~

Where: **Rubio's Fresh Mexican Grill**

25366 Crenshaw Blvd. Torrance

When: Monday January 25th, 2010

Time: 2:00 p.m. ~ 8:00 p.m.

(Must present the attached flyer when ordering)

FINALS SCHEDULE

8:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

January 20th Periods 1 and 2

January 21st Periods 3 and 4

January 22nd Periods 5 and 6

Moms Praying

The mom's group that is praying for our school will be meeting after the parent meeting on the 14th for about 20 minutes for anyone who is interested.

There is also a couple of mom's who get together on Saturday's to pray for our school if you cannot make the weeknight meetings.

Contact the office for more info.

*** FUNDRAISING INFORMATION ***

1. **SCRIP** ~ List of some of the available items is on our website under "Fundraising". For a complete list of all the different SCRIP offered, go to www.shopwithscrip.com. (PLHS ID# is 7536D9D62L394). This company now has several cards that are reloadable through the website. The website also shows what cards have special deals (extra percentage to school, etc.)
2. www.goodsearch.com Search engine powered by Yahoo.
3. www.goodshop.com 1000s of stores to choose from
4. The Pampered Chef ~ log on to www.pamperedchef.biz/isabelscocina enter Pacific Lutheran as the Organization Name.

Please contact the office if you have any questions about these programs.

Deuteronomy 6:5-9 "Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength...."