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Teaching

The Power of Peace

A Carver School Hero Needs Our Help Show Your Compassion and Your Love

**73rd Reunion and
Casino Night Planning
Meeting**
Monday, Oct 19th
6:00 p.m
New Seasons Market
**No-Host Dinner During
Meeting**

The Carver School 73rd Anniversary Reunion and Casino Night is rapidly approaching! Please come join forces to make it a memorable and financially profitable evening! Munch on healthy eats and share ideas and suggestions. Thanks!

We have a real live hero and role model in our midst. Did you know?

How many dozens of times have you seen the commercial of a poor starving child and quickly changed the channel to cover the flash of guilt for not helping.

Not Russ Brechbiel, our very own music teacher. He and his family make a daily difference in the lives of children half way across the world.

He will be leaving for Dehli, India on October 27th. For two weeks he will work with a ministry that reaches out to the children and families in the slums of Dehli, and Orissa

with the Good News Center ministry, setting up small schools where there are none, assisting with medical care and getting them connected to basic needs like clean water. They will also be serving in children's homes/orphanages, or children whose parents are not capable of caring for them.

Mr. Brechbiel says his family has a sincere heart for India, and has been there three times previously. They have adopted three daughters from India. One was born in an orphanage in Calcutta at a ministry that was founded by Mother Theresa. Her name is Maty and she is now 10. One was found on the streets of Dehli when

she was around two years old. They adopted her at 3 years; she is now 8 and her name is Noelle. Their oldest Indian daughter is Sarynn, whose parents died when she was around 7, she then lived in orphanages in Bangalore until her adopted in 2005 at age 13.

How can we show our compassion and love? How can we assist his work which begins on October 27th?

It is easy, and it is even inexpensive. Called Operation India Child—Practical Love. It is also a wonderful service project for a family. Please take a minute and read the article on Operation India Child on page 2.



Calendar of Events

- Monday, October 19th by 3:15 p.m. - Scrip Orders Due**
- Thurs., October 22nd - 1st Grade Field Trip Winnie The Pooh**
- Friday, October 23rd - Box Tops for Education Deadline**
- Friday, October 28th - Pumpkin Patch Field Trip (All Grades)**
- October 26—30th - SPIRIT WEEK**
- Friday, October 30th - Upper Grades Field Trip to Chamber Repertory Theatre**
- Friday, October 30th - POTLUCK FAMILY FUN NIGHT**



Operation India Child - Easy, Practical and We Can Do It Too

Teach your child the valuable lesson of generosity and compassion. It is easy. Your family is invited to help bless the life of a child who is living in an orphanage or in the slums of India.

Carver School music teacher, Russ Brechbiel, is part of a team of people going to work in India on October 27th. How can we help?

Take a gallon zip lock bag (the kind we all have in our drawers) and fill it with inexpensive practical items. While you are doing it, consider filling several bags. If possible, add \$3 with each bag to help pay for the extra lug-

gage costs for shipping the bags. If you can't put in the extra \$3, please don't let that stop you from assembling and donating a bag for a child. Take your kids and visit a local dollar store. Stuff that bag with the following:

- Pencils and Pens
- Pencil Sharpener
- Notebook/paper, small coloring book
- Toothpaste/Toothbrushes (5 max)
- Bar Soap
- Sturdy Comb and Rubber Bands
- Candy (that won't melt)

- Small stuffed animal
- Small toy

A gallon zip lock bag isn't large, but be creative and fill that sucker up. If you have any items left over or want to donate additional items, they will assemble additional bags.

Why not include a picture of your child; they will send back a picture of the child receiving the bag.

DROP YOUR BAGS OFF IN THE OFFICE BY FRIDAY, OCTOBER 23RD. LIVE THE PEACE-JAM MESSAGE AND HELP CHANGE THE WORLD.

Return School Picture Orders by Wednesday, October 21st

School picture photo proofs were recently sent home to all families for review. Remember your order needs to be returned to school by Wednesday, October 21st.

If you need another order pricing sheet, contact the office and it will be provided to you.

If you don't recognize the background in the photos, it is our own

backyard wooden fence. It is amazing how good an old faded fence can look in a photograph.

Photographer Malea Pak of Petale Photographie, wasn't satisfied with

the group student and teachers photo taken on school steps. When the weather improves, she will be back to re-shoot another group photo. Stay tuned for a last-minute email warning so you can dress Little Johnny appropriately.

If you have questions, contact Petale Photographie at 503-936-7847.

**REMEMBER TO ENCLOSE
PAYMENT WITH YOUR
ORDER FORM !!!**



Shop the Holidays From Your Armchair

It's not a trick, but it sure is a treat! The next order date for the Scrip program is Monday, October 19th.

Seriously, this is one of the easiest imaginable ways to purchase Christmas gifts. Finally, your nephew Little Johnny won't embarrass the family by exclaiming "That's a stupid gift, what else is there?" Let the little bugger pick out his own present with a gift

card from his favorite store.

Not sure what to get your sister-in-law who thinks you have terrible taste? Give her a gift card for the Bridgeport Mall. She'll think you are suddenly uptown.

Why, you ask, are we bringing up Christmas shopping in October? If you start now, you can buy a few gift cards each time we put in an order. By holiday gift time, you could have

most of your shopping done AND you have just raised money for Carver School.



What? Another Painless Way to Raise Money for the School?

Whether you go to public or private school, we all groan when we hear the word "fundraiser." That's why we try to promote pain free fundraising that piggybacks on our ordinary, every day spending.

OFFICE DEPOT, famed office supply center has a full selection of school supplies, computers, software, even cameras. If you find yourself wandering the aisles in search of the ever elusive post-its, remember their **5% Back to Schools Program**. Not only is it incredibly simple, but 5% of your purchase will be given back to

Carver School in free supplies.

How, you may ask is this amazing deal possible? No, you do not have to purchase a food dicer, or the Shamwow wonder towel. At the checkout counter, simply give them our school name and our identification number. They take care of the



rest. Every quarter they send us a credit certificate good for all- Office Depot merchandise. For example, we use an incredible amount of printer cartridges; this will help ease the cost.

Please cut out or jot down the identification number in the box at the left and put it in your wallet.

Just think, even if your wallet is stolen, the thief may go to Office Depot, give them our number and we will earn money! Any way you look at it, the school is the big winner. (Sorry about your wallet...)

Oops! Field Trip Corrections

Is our face red! Actually, is MY face red, since we have a newsletter staff of one....

Unfortunately, in the last edition I had the incorrect dates of the upcoming field trips.

Ahem, therefore disregard the aforementioned article and you can absolutely believe the following dates:

October 22nd - the first grade

will attend Winnie the Pooh at the Northwest Children's Theatre.

October 28th - Liepold Farms Field Trip, all grades. Pumpkin Patch and Corn Maize.

October 30th - Upper grades will attend the Chamber Repertory Theatre at New Hope Church.

Sorry for any inconvenience this may have caused!



Before and After School Childcare - Wow, Are We Lucky

We are lucky to have a before and after childcare program at Carver School. Totally run by volunteers, the main Mom-On-Duty is Cheryl Hangland-Skill.

Did you know that upon request, she drags herself out of bed and gets to school by 7:45 to care for kids who need before-school care. She also stays after school, as needed, until Little Johnny can be picked up. She does it as a volunteer and all monies

are donated directly to the school.

If you need childcare, please call in advance to make arrangements. Costs are \$4 per hour and will be billed on your monthly tuition invoice.

If you decide to cancel and not use the before school childcare, please be polite and contact Cheryl at 503-756-1675 by 7:15 a.m. so she doesn't have to rush to school early and could actually

have a morning cup of coffee. (Do NOT call the school, she won't be there yet!) If you will be canceling after school care, please call by 2:00 p.m. Call the school and talk to an office volunteer at 503-558-8514, or call Cheryl directly at 503-756-1675. Please try to avoid leaving a voice mail message.

A huge thank you to Cheryl for providing such a valuable service. We are lucky to have her!

DON'T FORGET:

**TUITION WAS DUE
ON OCTOBER 1ST.
IN ORDER TO MAKE
PAYROLL, WE NEED
YOUR TUITION!**

If you are having a
problem, please contact
the office so we can work
with you!

REMEMBER:
Box Tops for Education
Deadline is October 23rd.
Bring in those Labels!



Donations Received

Printer Cartridge for Main Printer (\$189)

Printer Cartridges for Desk Printer

Muffins

Garbage Bags

Postage for Casino Night Mailings (\$300)

THANK YOU, OUR KIDS ARE WORTH IT!

**The more involved we are as parents, the
more successful our children will be.**

Halloween



Gravestone Humor.....

Dear Departed
BROTHER DAVE
He Chased a Bear
Into a Cave

ARTHUR C. HOMAN
First I Was
Then I Wasn't
Now I'm Not Again

Here Lies The
Pillsbury Dough Boy
He Will Never Rise
Again

Here Lies Ned
There Is Nothing More To Be Said
We Like to Speak Well of the
Dead

In Memory of
Anna Hopewell
Here Lies the Body
Of our Anna
Done to Death
By a Banana
It Wasn't the Fruit
That Laid Her Low
But the Skin of the
Thing
That Made Her Go

Beneath this Stone
A Lump of Clay
Lies
Annabelly Young
Who
On the 24th
Of May
Began to
Hold Her Tongue

In Memory Of
Beza Wood
Departed this Life
November 2, 1837
Here Lies One Wood
Enclosed Within
Another
The Outer Wood is
Very Good;
We Cannot Praise
The Other

Here Lies the Body
Of Margaret Bent
She Kicked Up Her Heels
And Away She Went

Here Lies
ANN MANN
She Lived an Old Maid
But Died a
Mann