

# THE EAGLE

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Elementary School  
A Publication of the Home and School Association

NOVEMBER 2006



Ben Zahn  
President

As we enter the start of the holiday season and finish our first two months of school, I would like to thank all who have made my job a lot easier. Our Home and School Association has been working hard to get our school noticed.

First, we have had two nights that have been organized by our Ways and Means chairperson, Wendy Hinyub. Our CiCi's Night grossed a total of \$116.53 and Airline Skate Night grossed a total of \$142.50. The CiCi's pizza cards, which are still available, have earned \$275 for our school. Totals from our Hershey's Ice Cream Day will be available soon. Wendy says that our next SEAS night will be at Chevy's on November 29. Thank you Wendy for organizing these events.

Melissa Lewis is giving SEAS information weekly to the Times Picayune about upcoming events. If you have any information about SEAS, please contact Melissa Lewis at 467-5991. Melissa, we thank you for making us visible.

Maureen Songer and Chantel Adolph did a great job on the Sally Foster Gift Wrap sale which grossed approximately \$8000 for SEAS. Again, two volunteers who have helped our Home and School Association.

Also thanks to Mary Cobb and Becky Ruppert who helped with Special Treats on October 19 (report card day). Also, thanks to Celeste Roethele, Mary d'Aquin, Donna Drago, and Belinda McAdams for working on past functions and the Principal's Breakfast that was held on October 25.

Evelynn Lugo is working hard on our SEAS Home and School Directory which will be ready soon. Evelynn and I have chosen two finalists for the book cover and Mrs.

Becky Lee is helping with the revisions of these two student's art work. Thank you Evelynn and all of the students who contributed.

Thanks go to Dianne Kennedy for making our Madonna Manor night a success and to Rhonda Leblanc and Laurie Becker for a very successful Parish Fair.

Our next Home and School Association General Membership meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, November 14 at 7 p.m. Michelle Hanzo has arranged for Ken Marrocolli, City of Kenner's Director of Recreation, to address the changes in the Recreation Department that effect our children.

Again special thanks to all those who have helped since the beginning of the school year. I feel we are moving in a positive direction as we all work together. The more we do as a SEAS Family unit, the more successful our school will be. Parent cooperation, along with the Parish staff and School Faculty and Staff, is what will set us aside from all others. So, please volunteer your time or talent to St. Elizabeth, it will be appreciated.

Thanks,  
Happy Thanksgiving!  
Ben

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## BUILDING TOGETHER WITH FAITH AND TEAMWORK



## A LETTER FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents,

We are very proud that many of our students have chosen to become involved in many extra-curricular activities. You have an important job of helping your child learn to balance curricular and extra-curricular activities. Thank you for working in partnership with the teachers. Study habits developed during these elementary years will take your child through college. Involvement in extracurricular teaches students many valuable life lessons.

At our first Home and School general meeting, Police Chief Caraway spoke on Internet safety. Many parents asked that we arrange an Internet presentation for our school children. Our DARE liaison, Police Officer Ronnie Barger, has taught 5<sup>th</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup>, and 7<sup>th</sup> graders about the concerns for correct and vigilant use of the Internet and Internet bullying.

We had a wonderful Proudly Pro-Life Week. Thank you for your contributions to our pro-life “tree.” Each photo showed a special baby in our lives. Thanks to Natasia Kissinger for organizing the week with parent speakers and grandparent read-alouds. The children collected in excess of \$566 for the Access organization.

At the end of October we celebrated Red Ribbon Week. Our Student Services Committee planned an exciting slate of activities to help your child learn about the dangers of drugs and the steps for making good life choices.

Our Book Fair profits afford Mrs. Rizzo the opportunity to purchase age-appropriate books for the classroom and to continue developing our Accelerated Reader program. Thank you for your support. We realized a profit of \$1600.

Our students have received information regarding the Archdiocesan “Keep Christ in Christmas” contest. Please encourage your child to submit a drawing, write an essay, or compose a poem. Their submissions help us all remember the reason for the season.

God bless,  
Joan Danos



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## SISTER FLAVIA REED RETIRES

After fifteen years with us, Sister Mary Flavia Reed has decided to retire. We were fortunate to have her spiritual guidance these years. We will remember her example of service, humility, and prayer that she has brought to SEAS.

In 2004 Sister Flavia celebrated 60 years of serving children throughout the Archdiocese. She belongs to the order of Marianites of Holy Cross. She has taught and was principal of several local schools including Resurrection, St. Agnes, St. Cecilia, Holy Angels, and Holy Name of Mary.

Sister brought a special prayer to our community. We have promised her to keep this tradition of reciting every morning, "God Makes Our School A Family."

### *God Makes Our School A Family*

God makes our school a family. We work together. We play together. We need one another. We help one another. We love God together. We worship God together. We grow together. We forgive one another. We serve God. We serve each other. We are many. We are one. We are a family. We are a school.

Lord, we ask you to bless us and our school. May the work we do here please you and show You how much we appreciate all that You do for us. Open your minds and hearts to knowledge, to wisdom. Help us to be ready to take our places as the future leaders of the world.

Bless our teachers and our parents for the sacrifices they make for us. Help us to live every day of school well so that we may know You better, follow You more perfectly, and love You more. We ask You this through Jesus, Your Son, our Lord. Amen.

## DRAMA CLUB SELCECTS CAST FOR FIRST PRODUCTION ANNIE JR.

Annie	Karly Treuting	Rooster	Justin Snyder
Molly	Emily DeSalvo	Lily, NYC	Abigail Ramirez
Pepper	Alayna Adolph	Roosevelt	Jack Auer
Duffy	Emily Dares	Orphans	Lauren Hebert, Mia Baroni,
Kate	Rachel Helm		Clare Valeton, Dominique
Tessie	Mallory Knudson		Drago, Chloe Ward
July	Alexis Fraino	Orphans, NYC	Sara Servat, Alexis Kissinger,
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Bundles, Man, Announcer	Brandon Sprague	Servants, NY	Nick Phillips, Evan Saltery
Apple Seller, Bert Healy, NYC	Brian Hebert	Servants	Tamara Ammari, Ashley Cobb,
Dog Catcher, Sound Effects, NYC	Travis Adolph		Tori Hanzo, Ashley Balga,
Lt. Ward, Howe	Colin Hery		Ruby Ammari, Lindsey
Grace Farrel	Kate Sotolongo		Cunningham, Lauren
Drake	Dominic Schiro		Cunningham, Emily Snyder,
Cecille	Alissa Auer		Alexandra Walters
Annette	Bonnie Dupre		
Mrs. Greer	Emily Roth	Drama Club Moderators	
Mrs. Pugh	Morganne Lerch		Ms. Melissa Deck
Oliver Warbucks	Justin Sandoval		Mrs. Cindy Sprague
Star-to-be	Giselle Medina		
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STUDENT COUNCIL NEWS  
BY TAYLOR DELAHOUSSAYE

The Student Council and Beta Club officers attended the Brown Foundation Service Learning Foundation on September 19. They received a check in the amount of \$2,950 for the Service Learning project.

The 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> graders are working to help the less fortunate. The 6<sup>th</sup> graders will be working on a Butterfly project and the 7<sup>th</sup> graders will be helping with the Feed Jesus Foundation.

The 7<sup>th</sup> grade Representatives are going on a field trip to St. Dominic Church. They will be attending adoration with the Monstrance blessed by Pope John Paul II.

Also, the Student Council Officers have worked the concession stand for the Junior and Senior boys flag football team making \$92.00.

**Student Council Officers**

The following students have been chosen as officers for the 2006-2007 school year:

**Co-Presidents**

Mary Pursell

Elizabeth Scott

**Secretary**

Greyson Bordelon

**Treasurer**

Logan Breaux

**Reporter**

Taylor Delahoussaye

**Historian**

Carly Hahn

**7<sup>th</sup> Grade Officer**

Cory Cacmo

**Class representatives are as follows:**

**7C:** Dominick Bilich, Giselle Medina, Brittany Knudsen, Paul Marcello, Jim Shannon, and Jolie Robichaux

**7F:** Megan Dares, Tyler Rooney, Morgan Grosz, Dominic Schiro, Nicolas Bohte, and Jeanie Dever

**6L:** Ryley Giardina and Jack Auer

**6S:** Ashley Delatte and Jacob Seward

**5K:** Ben Zahn and Jordan Owens

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## **FOCUS ON FAITH**

### **THE NATURE OF GOD**

The alarm goes off, and we hop in the shower. We get dressed and get breakfast. We climb in the car, and drive. We eat processed food, and spend most of our day in a climate controlled, insulated box. Even when we are outside, we are so focused on our destination, we barely ever notice the world around us. Nature? What's Nature?

Nature is still here, but we have to open our eyes to find it, and November is a wonderful month to do just that! The weather is often cool and dry, and it's a joy simply to walk outside. When we focus our attention on the wonder of Nature, we'll see the Signature of God. Then, we begin to understand God's time. God's time can't be measured precisely, in minutes or days. When we learn to watch things grow and change and die, only to be reborn, we become attuned to God's time. God's time comes full circle again and again. For everything there is a season. And when winter comes and everything seems to die, it doesn't really die. Christians know that, and so do biologists, because the central principle of Faith and Science is the same: We are all connected. Once we experience that connection, we begin to cherish Nature, and discover a deep desire to preserve it.

Teach your children to look for God in Nature. Take a walk on a cool autumn evening. Feel the breeze, look at the plants, point out the cycle of life. When leaving your house on a cool sunny morning say, "Thank you God, for this beautiful day!" Explaining God to children is difficult. Finding evidence of God's hand in Nature makes it a little easier.

## **DUKE UNIVERSITY TALENT IDENTIFICATION PROGRAM**

The following students have qualified for the Duke University Talent Identification program:

Matthew Aime, Sarah Bilbe, Dominick Bilich, Greyson Bordelon, Kacey Breaux, Logan Breaux, Alex Brennan, Cory Cacamo, Brandon Campbell, Jude Clark, Erica d'Aquin, Jeanie Dever, Christopher Fraino, Elizabeth Fuselier, Orlando Galeano, Matt Gonzales, Morgan Grosz, Marianna Hart, Rachel Helm, Rody Hughes, Austin LeBlanc, Paul Marcello, Giselle Medina, Victoria Murphy, Hannah Naquin, Mary Pursell Tyler Rooney, Dominic Schiro, Elizabeth Scott, Jim Shannon, Dominick Spadoni, Whitney Sprague, Kyle Springmann, and Bryant Woods

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**Fourth Grade**

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**Silver:** Tyler Bartlett, Olivia Becnel, Lauren Cunningham, Casey Dawson, Dominique Drago, Louis Dudoussat, Dominic Gemelli, Colin Hery, Seth Johnson, Brandon Lee, Nicholas Molay, Bailey Mauterer, David Paternostro, Mallory Robichaux, Brianna Schiro, Elizabeth Songer, Brandon Sprague, Chloe Ward

**Fifth Grade**

**Gold:** Shane Kennedy, Sierra Lee, Ryan McKeough, Alex Rooney

**Silver:** Hailey Becnel, Anne Bilinski, Megan Bohte, Sarah Fontenelle, Kyle Holzman, Tommy Jackson, Tate Johnson, Cobe Kirkikis, Rick LaCava, Matthew Lugo, Austin Meyn, Alexis Nguyen, Jordan Owens, Luisa Ramirez, Shannon Richard, Chelsea Slattery, Jessica Stevens, Sydney Sutherland, Gerald Trahan, Josie Vu, Hunter Williams, Ben Zahn

**Sixth Grade**

**Gold:** Tamara Ammari, Ted Castillo, Bonnie Dupre, Ryley Giardina, Eric Klein, Morganne Lerch, Emily Schexnaydre, Emily Wehle

**Silver:** Matthew Brennan, Ross Brister, Carlie Cinquemano, Claire Cunningham, Haley Dawson, Marisa Dudoussat, Victoria Hanzo, Ryan Hoefeld, Emily Marino, Casey Naccari, Kacie Pendleton, Abigail Ramirez, Marissa Ramsey, Jaydelyn Reyes, Brittany Roberts, Emily Roth, Kimberly Scanlon, Jacob Seward, Kate Sotolongo, Brody Taylor, Patrick Wolverton

**Seventh Grade**

**Gold:** Sarah Bilbe, Dominick Bilich, Greyson Bordelon, Alex Brennan, Cory Cacamo, Jude Clark, Megan Dares, Sarah d'Aquin, Jeanie Dever, Morgan Grosz, Marianna Hart, Rachel Helm, Rody, Hughes, Austin LeBlanc, Giselle Medina, Jamie Owens, Catherine Pettus, Mary Pursell, Jolie Robichaux, Tyler Rooney, Dominic Schiro, Elizabeth Scott, Whitney Sprague

**Silver:** Matthew Aime, Andrew Becnel, Abbey Bennett, Nicholas Bohte, Kacey Breaux, Logan Breaux, Kenny Cadow, Brandon Campbell, Erica d'Aquin, Taylor Delahoussaye, Christopher Fraino, Elizabeth Fuselier, Orlando Galeano, Ridge Goodwin, Matthew Gonzales, Carly Hahn, Tyler Hannan, Courtney Huang, Brittany Knudsen, Aiden Lee, Paul Marcello, Victoria Murphy, Hannah Naquin, C. J. Schaffer, Jim Shannon, Dominick Spadoni, Kyle Springmann, Bryant Woods



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### SAFETY PATROL

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- Important Dates  
November and December
- November 14  
Home and School General Membership Meeting—7 p.m.
  - November 20-24  
Thanksgiving Holidays
  - November 29  
Chevy's Night
  - December 15, 18, 19  
Exams
  - December 20  
Early Dismissal—11:30 a.m.
  - December 22  
Parish Choir Concert—7 p.m.
  - December 21-January 3  
Christmas Holidays
  - January 4  
Classes Resume