



# The Knight Times

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Dear Parents/Guardians,

It is with great sadness that we need to let you know of the death of Annie Gallego, the mother of Angel (3B), Eunece (freshman at CGHS), and wife of Ray. She died very suddenly on Monday. At the writing of this letter I do not know the details for the funeral arrangements. I will send a general e-mail as soon as I know anything else. Continue to keep the family in your prayers. It is at times like this that our Faith and support for one another help us lift up this family.

Thursday evening, October 16, 2007 at 7:00 is a very important meeting for the 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, and 8<sup>th</sup> grade parents and students. The meeting is called, "Reality Check," and is hosted by the Chapel Hill Police Department. Students are to sign the sign-in sheets that will be set out that night. The presentation is geared to Middle School, however, if parents of the 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> grade would like to attend, they are most welcome.

My bucket continues to be overflowing with all the kind deeds I see the students doing during the day. I went into one classroom and I saw a student hang up a school bag that was not his own, and put it back on the hook. I saw another child go over to someone sitting by themselves and inquire, "Do you wanna play with us?" Yes, I know it is spelled incorrectly but that is what I heard.

You as parents fill my bucket by not parking on the service road at dismissal and by being polite to each other at dismissal.

Again, on this the Feast of the Guardian Angels, remember the Gallego Family in your prayers.

Sincerely,  
Sister Catherine, SSJ  
Principal



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### ARENAL UPDATE

Last Friday, Fr. Rob Currie, who leads the Arenal Mission in Nicaragua, visited STM School. Through these visits students have become aware of life in Arenal. Our involvement with this ministry and Fr. Rob's annual visit have taught our kids to realize how fortunate they are and how to reach out to people in need even if distance separates them.

We have set a goal of \$13,000 for Arenal this year. We will continue to provide school supplies, medications, village transportation, and college education to the six thousand people of the Arenal community.

**We collect donations on Mission Day every month. The next Mission Day will be this Friday. If every family donates at least five dollars we will reach our goal.** Please encourage your children to do extra chores at home to earn this money.

THANK YOU FOR BRINGING HOPE TO THE ARENAL COMMUNITY!

### PARISH PRIDE DAY

Save the date!

This fall's Parish Pride Day will take place on Saturday, October 27, 2007, from 8:30 to 11:30 a.m. Bring your shovels, wheelbarrows, gloves and rakes to enjoy a day of healthy yard work and great fellowship. We have some projects related to the beautification and improvement of school areas, like spreading mulch in the Pre-K and lower school playgrounds, and planting seasonal flowers in the school flower beds. The Knights of Columbus will, as is our tradition, supply refreshments and a hearty lunch.

Please contact Carlos Lima, 942-6242 or via e-mail at [calima@st-thomasmore.org](mailto:calima@st-thomasmore.org), to let him know you are coming. More details are available in the church bulletin and on the website.



### RECORDER CLUB

Fourth and Fifth Graders, Come have a musically fun time on Thursday mornings from 7:30 until 7:55 in the Music Trailer. We will start a Recorder Club for 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> grade students beginning Thursday, October 4, 2007.

We will meet every Thursday morning before school to play together. If you are interested, please come. Students should be dropped off at the back door and should go straight to the music trailer, not through the gym. Any siblings should go to the front porch to wait until 7:40.

I look forward to having you join this activity.  
Mrs. Waddell



### HALLOWEEN CARNIVAL

**Jeepers Creepers**, the Halloween Carnival has crept up on us again. You won't want to miss the extravaganza, Friday, **October 26, 2007, from 6:00 - 9:00 p.m.** Come ride the Whirly Bird, scale the towering rock climbing wall, or see how you stack up to the 15 ft tall Fire Wizard. There will be all new game booths, entertainment, and food. Ticket sales have already begun. Pre-order by October 19, 2007, or get tickets at the ticket table the night of the event.



For information contact Sally Trauco at [strauco@nc.rr.com](mailto:strauco@nc.rr.com)

Don't miss the Fright Night of the year!



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### GET READY FOR "HOLIDAY SHOPPE"

Mark your calendars for the 4th Annual "Holiday Shoppe" fine art and handicrafts bazaar on Saturday, December 1, 2007, from 9:00 a.m.- 3:00 p.m. in the school gym. This is a fabulous fundraiser for the school and a great way to show community spirit.

### **WE NEED YOU!**

Are you or someone you know a crafter and/or artisan? If so, rent a booth for \$45 (table and chairs are provided). Contact Joanne Vance at 490-8493 or e-mail [jwvance@nc.rr.com](mailto:jwvance@nc.rr.com) for an application.

The deadline to apply is Wednesday, October 31, 2007. NOTE: We are also looking for direct sales vendors for the Mary Chapel.

### **WE NEED YOUR CRAFT DONATIONS!**

Do you like to craft and don't want to rent a booth of your own? If so, please consider donating your handcrafted item to the "Holiday Shoppe" Raffle. For more information, please contact Cathy Elmore at 493-4157 or via e-mail at [celmore@nc.rr.com](mailto:celmore@nc.rr.com).

Deadline for donated craft items is Thursday, November 29, 2007.

### **WE NEED YOU AGAIN!**

We need volunteers to staff "Holiday Shoppe." We need help with set-up, tear-down, and to work the bake sale table, raffle table, "Reindeer Cafe" and more. Call Cathy Elmore at 493-4157 or e-mail [celmore@nc.rr.com](mailto:celmore@nc.rr.com) if you would like to help out with this fun filled and rewarding event.

Thank you for your support!  
Cathy Elmore and Joanne Vance  
HSA Special Fundraisers Co-Chairs



### BOX TOPS FOR EDUCATION

It's time to CLIP and SHOP to earn cash for STM!

CLIP Box Tops from hundreds of participating General Mills products and send them in to school. We'll be gearing up soon for the Box Tops submission deadline. Please send in your Box Tops TODAY so they can be redeemed for cash this school year.



### TARGET VISA



Don't forget to link your Target Visa to the "Take Charge of Education" program by calling 1-800-316-6142 (our school code is 17852) or go on-line to [www.target.com/tcoe](http://www.target.com/tcoe). Under "How We Help," click on "Take Charge of Education." Click on "Enroll Now" or "Find/Designate a School." Enter our school code 17852. LINK YOUR CARD TODAY!

### FREE FRIDAYS FAVORITES SERIES 2007-2008

St. Thomas More students and families have the opportunity of attending a free concert on Friday morning, October 26, 2007, the Friday we are off for the evening Halloween Carnival. The concert begins at 11:30 at Meymandi Concert Hall in Raleigh. I have acquired 175 tickets, 150 student and 25 adult for this event. Please contact me if you would like to reserve tickets for your family. I will meet you in Raleigh the morning of the concert between 10:30 and 11:30 at the concert hall entrance. The concert will begin promptly at 11:30. The first 175 people who contact me will be able to attend free. You may e-mail me at the school address or contact me by phone at 942-3344. Please leave a message and I will get back to you. Mrs. Waddell, music teacher.

The program will include-  
Dukas: The Sorcerer's Apprentice  
Franck: Symphony in D minor.

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