

Serve the Lord with Gladness

By Tommy Pesek, Class of 2012

Incarnate Word Academy encourages a life of service from all of its students. My individual call to service was through music. In middle school, I had the opportunity to play the guitar at weekly mass. Then entering high school as a freshman, I joined the music liturgy team led by Sr. Raquel Newman. I was new to the music liturgy in the high school, but I learned quickly through rehearsals for the monthly school-wide Masses. This cycle continued until this year, my senior year, when I was asked to lead the music liturgy team. This new responsibility helped me grow as a leader and a musician. I was asked to lead the Mission team music my junior and senior year. During last year's mission trip to New Orleans, I played guitar for daily mass and led more than seventy students in liturgy. Also, Mrs. Mader asked me to lead the National Honor Society in Christmas carols at the local nursing home, Mount Carmel. Through these opportunities, Incarnate Word Academy has enabled me to develop my talents, to serve the community, and to prepare me for a life of service to God through serving others.

Psalm 100

Serve the Lord with gladness; Come before Him with joyful singing.

Know that the Lord Himself is God; It is He who has made us, and not we ourselves;

We are His people and the sheep of His pasture.

Enter His gates with thanksgiving

And His courts with praise.

Give thanks to Him, bless His name.

For the Lord is good; His loving kindness is everlasting

And His faithfulness to all generations.

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Angel News is a bi-monthly newsletter for parents, students, and friends of Incarnate Word Academy. Its purpose is to provide a means of communicating spiritual and liturgical messages, parenting education, campus-wide information, teacher/staff accomplishments, special events and future plans. Some articles have been contributed by faculty, administrators, parents and other friends of Incarnate Word Academy.

A Night in Havana

By: Connie Cadena, Executive Director of Advancement

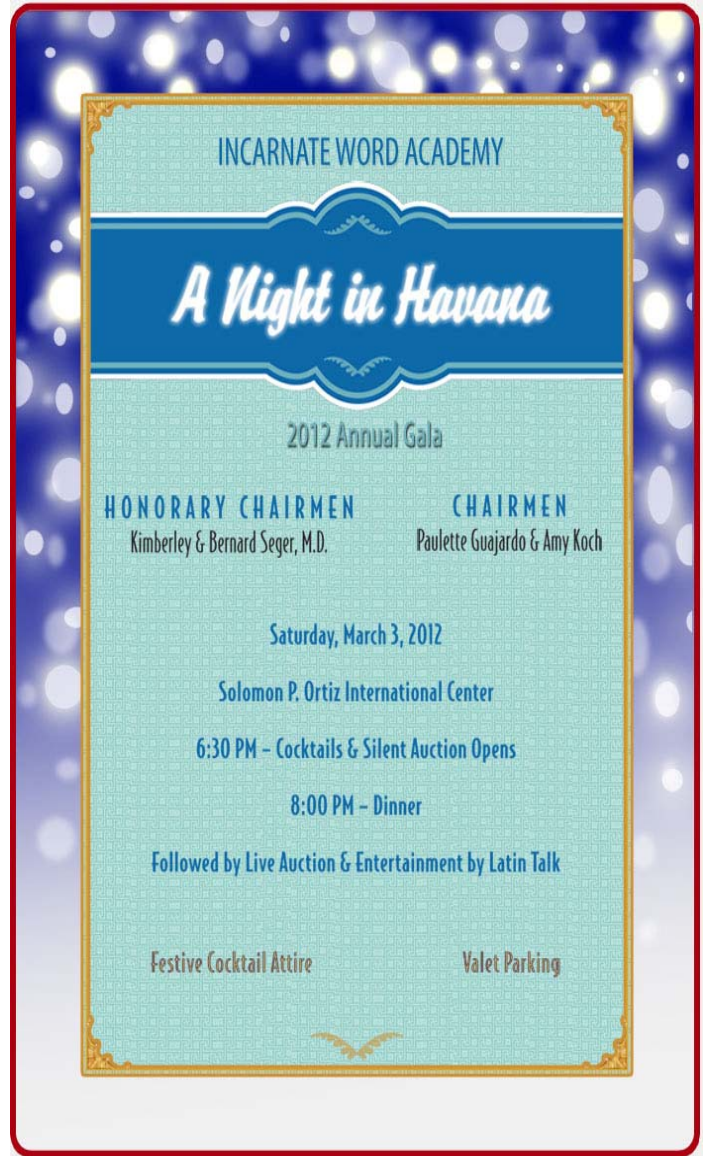
Mark your calendars for Saturday, March 3, 2012

A Night in Havana, – the theme for the Incarnate Word Academy Gala 2012 – will feature live, silent, and blackboard auctions, a delicious dinner, and exciting rhythmical music by Latin Talk.

Kim and Bernard Seger are the honorary chairmen and **Paulette Guajardo and Amy Taft Koch '87** are this year's Gala co-chairs. They happily share the spotlight with our many parents, alumni, grandparents, past parents, and friends who have taken a key role by serving as advisory or event committee members. The gala is the school's signature event and will immediately benefit all students by raising necessary unrestricted funds for the Educational Initiatives Fund. Our goal is to raise \$120,000 in net proceeds.

A Night in Havana is a fantastic opportunity for us to celebrate as a community and contribute toward the advancement of IWA's mission. Sponsorship opportunities are still available (please see the insert in this newsletter for sponsorship benefits).

Many partners are working to make this year's Gala a fun and successful event. Keep an eye out for your invitation. Please join us. I look forward to seeing you there!



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Incarnate Word Academy Gala

"A Night in Havana"

Saturday, March 3, 2012

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ELEMENTARY LEVEL

EL Basketball Teams

4th Grade Boys

Perry Burkett
Joseph Garcia
Lukas Graf
Charlie Hornsby
Paxton Longwell
Anthony Matl
Ryan Nurenberg
Evan Papoutsis
Timothy Nye
Patrick Shea

5th Grade Boys

Red Team

Daniel Diejomaoh
Alejandro Carreno
Andrew Ficencic
Andrew Garcia
Dylan Limas
Zach Rumley
Ben Torres
Kyle Wendel

5th Grade Girls

Katelyn Ashley
Gabiella Barrera
Jessie Cruz
Alyssa Davila
Devon Molina
Theresa Salazar
Katie Skrobarczyk
Lexi Soward
Carly Teichman
Payton Vicknair
Madeline Villa

Good luck to the teams and their coaches, Mr. Korey Hardeman and Mrs. Brenda Pena.

Save the Date:
Montessori Family Night
March 22, 2012
6:00 p.m. in the
Dougherty Center

Basketball Schedule

Fourth Grade Boys' Team:

January 31, vs. Holy Family at IWA at 4:45 p.m.
February 7, vs. St. James at St. James at 4:45 p.m.
February 14, vs. St. Patrick at IWA at 4:45 p.m.
February 21, vs. St. Pius at IWA at 4:45 p.m.
February 28, vs. Our Lady of Perpetual Help at IWA at 4:00 p.m.

Fourth Grade Girls' Team:

January 31, vs. Holy Family at IWA at 4:00 p.m.
February 7, vs. St. James at St. James at 4:00 p.m.
February 14, vs. St. Patrick at IWA at 4:00 p.m.
February 21, vs. Sts. Cyril & Methodius at IWA at 4:00 p.m.

Fifth Grade Boys' White Team:

February 1, vs. St. Patrick at IWA at 4:45 p.m.
February 8, vs. St. Pius at St. Pius at 4:00 p.m.
February 13, vs. Yorktown Christian at IWA at 4:45 p.m.
February 15, vs. St. James at St. James at 4:45 p.m.

Fifth Grade Boys' Red Team:

February 8, vs. Most Precious Blood at MPB at 5:15 p.m.
February 15, vs. Annapolis Academy at IWA at 4:00 p.m.
February 20, vs. Sts. Cyril & Methodius at SSCM at 4:00 p.m.

Fifth Grade Girls' Team

February 1, vs. St. Patrick at IWA at 4:00 p.m.
February 8, vs. Annapolis Academy at IWA at 4:00 p.m.
February 15, vs. St. James at St. James at 4:00 p.m.
February 29, vs. Seashore Academy at IWA at 4:00 p.m.

Gospel Values

February - Patience

March - Goodness

Classroom Spelling Bee

On January 10, classroom Spelling Bees were held in the elementary level. Students in the 3rd through 5th grades participated. The following are the results of the top three spellers for each class, both Traditional and Montessori:
Grade 3, Mrs. Garza's class:

Madison Gregor
Katy Heilman
Catherine Thomas
Grade 4, Mrs. Shockley's class:
Sofia Alexander
Sneha Reddy
Claire Thomas
Grade 5, Mrs. Hogan's and Mrs. Bottom's class:
Steffi De Leon

Chloe Heilman
Dylan Limas
MEJ1, Mrs. Rangel's class:
Memo McCauley
MEJ2, Ms. Brett's class:
Lily Smith
MEJ3, Mrs. Stegen's class:
Charlie Flood
MES1, Mrs. Corley's class,
Grade 4:
Samuel Canales
Lexi Galvan
Anthony Matl
MES1, Mrs. Corley's class,
Grade 5:
Amy Ayala
Grace Bell
Ian Kuffel.

The Elementary School Spelling Bee was held on January 26, 2012 in the Dougherty Center at 1:00 pm. Special thanks to Mrs. Yvette Rangel and Mrs. Dianne Raska for their work with the students.

ELEMENTARY LEVEL HONOR ROLL
2011-2012 Second Nine Weeks

A
Honor Roll

Grade 1

Katrina Almanza
Cash Colwell'
Alysia Delgado-Salinas
Paige Dorsey
Emily Elliott
Niccolas Escamilla
David MacLachlan
Kaden McCoy
Samantha Stillman
Cole Thomas

Grade 2

Viraj Bhakta
Katie Claudio
Michael Fergie
Jasmin Fernandez
Grace Leeson
Ella McCain
Rudy Palomo
Thomas Taylor
Dylan Wesselski

Grade 3

Calhoun Colwell
Madison Gregor
Katy Heilman
Anna Kretsinger
Savannah Lawrence
Andrea Reyes
Rebeka Roberts
Cyan Sepulveda
Catherine Thomas

Grade 4

Sofia Alexander
Perry Burkett
Joseph Garcia
Riley Gourley
Connor Hein
Charlie Hornsby
Drake Leeson
Paxton Longwell
Bailey Niewinski
Evan Papoutsis
Sneha Reddy
Patrick Shea
Claire Thomas
Isabella Williams

Grade 5

Katelyn Ashley
Gabriella Barrera
Alejandro Carreno
Steffi De Leon
Nicholas Hein
Kensey McCain
Carly Teichman

A-B
Honor Roll

Grade 1

Reena Agarwal
Savanna Bostick
Madeline Braman
Michael Claudio
Frank Scanio
David Tupaj

Grade 2

Jonathon Shull

Grade 3

Vanessa Almanza
Alex Alonso-Bauer
Ana Doherty
Teresa Esparza
Ryan Fernandez
Gabriella Gonzalez
Paul Jimenez
Amanda Montgomery
Pranai Reddy
Ella Scanio

Grade 4

Amisha Agarwal
Alaina De Leon
Sarah Garcia
Annie Hoffman
David Leyton
Juliana Perez
A'Marie Pollard
Hannah Sifuentes

Grade 5

Andrew Ficenc
Andrew Garcia
Chloe Heilman
Dylan Limas
Santiago Mendizabal
Devon Molina
Zachary Rumley
Nicholas Stark
Ben Torres
Kyle Wendel

Perfect Attendance

K4

Austin Wesselski

K5

Cody Bush
Taylor Flinchum
Olivia Gamez
Andy Kretsinger
Larry Olivarez
Diego Roberts
Mia Rodriguez
Edmund Thomas

Grade 1

Katrina Almanza
Emily Elliott
Sophia Metz
Alexa Trigger
David Tupaj

Grade 2

Cade Bush
Michael Fergie
Jasmin Fernandez
Grace Leeson
Matthew Nurenberg
Rudy Palomo
Thomas Taylor
Nicholas Trigger
Dylan Wesselski

Grade 3

Vanessa Almanza
Ana Doherty
Teresa Esparza
Katy Heilman
Paul Jimenez
Jonah Lugo
Amanda Montgomery
Pranai Reddy
Cyan Sepulveda
Catherine Thomas

Grade 4

Sofia Alexander
Joseph Garcia
Sarah Garcia
Riley Gourley
Drake Leeson
Evan Papoutsis
Sneha Reddy
Hannah Sifuentes
Gavin Vicknair
Isabella Williams

Grade 5

Katelyn Ashley
Alejandro Carreno
Jessie Cruz
Steffi De Leon
Andrew Ficenc
Andrew Garcia
Christian Gonzales
Chloe Heilman
Nicholas Hein
Lydia Jimenez
Dylan Limas
Zachary Rumley
Nicholas Stark
Carly Teichman
Payton Vicknair

MEJ1

Geraint Ballenger
Stephen Canterbury
Bavaria Heckenbach
Sawyer Spitzer

MEJ2

James Edge
Jacobe Ellison
Stewart Vanexan

MEJ3

Rylee Atkins
Ben Canales
John Anthony Cruz
Charlie Flood
Giselle Hansen
Max Harrison

MES1

Will Dotin
Ryan Nurenberg
Daniel Rock



MIDDLE LEVEL

NJHS Donates to Ark Assessment Center

On December 16, members of the National Junior Honor Society presented a check for \$365.00 to Sister Milagros, from the Ark Assessment Center and Emergency Shelter for Youth. NJHS members collected the money from students at the middle level. Members of the 2011-2012 National Junior Honor Society are Amanda Madrid (president), Cassandra Huff (vice-president), Mamiko Hosoe (secretary), Reema Bhakta (treasurer), Andrew Montgomery (historian), Stephen McCullough (parliamentarian), Jenna Clark, Nicholas Ficenec, Sarah Rosales, and Natasha Stark.

Anthanacia Papoutsis Wins Geography Bee

On January 6 the Middle Level participated in the 24th National Geographic Bee for students in the fourth through eighth grades in thousands of U.S. schools. The first step was the classroom bee held in each history class just after Christmas break. All students competed for one of ten slots. The classroom winners were: 6th graders Joelle Francois and Athanacia Papoutsis; 7th graders Joseph Cook, Omar Pagan, Victoria Rangel, and Catherine Schultz; 8th graders Logan Campbell, Daniel DeLeon, Cassandra Huff, and Tim Nichols. Those ten students then competed in the school bee. Six rounds were needed for the final two students: Athanacia and Catherine Schultz. In the 11th Round,

Athanacia Papoutsis became the Middle Level Geography Bee winner.

Athanacia will now take a written examination to determine whether or not she will compete at the State Bee. She is eligible to win the national championship and its first prize, a \$25,000 college scholarship, at the national competition in May in Washington, DC. We wish her the very best as she represents IWA.

YWCA Racial Justice Essay Contest Results

Middle Level students were awarded prizes for essays in the YWCA Racial Justice Essay Contest. The awards were given at the Racial Justice Forum held at the YWCA on January 16.

The theme of the contest was "How has a leader changed your view on race?" The students wrote essays about leaders who have been influential in changing minds about race. The students won cash prizes -- 1st prize \$100.00; 2nd prize \$50.00; 3rd prize \$25.00. Below are the results with their topics:

6th grade:

1st place - Nathan Doherty (Father J. Flanigan, priest in the Society of the Most Holy Trinity)

2nd place - Diego Balsadu (Carlos Cadena, Lawyer in the Case of Texas vs. Hernandez. He fought for the rights and freedoms of Mexican-Americans)

3rd place - Joelle Francois (Her Parents)

7th grade:

1st place - Aaron Benavides (Mr. Frank Moreida, his Algebra I teacher)

2nd place - Catherine Schultz (Cesar

Chavez, Mexican American civil rights activist)

3rd place - J. R. Ramos (Benjamin Mays, the man that inspired Martin Luther King, Jr.)

IWA Students Participate in a Chess Tournament

IWA Middle Level students participated and placed in the Optimist Coastal Bend Chess Federation Royal Tournament on November 19th. Christian Fernandez (6th grade) received 9th Place. Athanacia Papoutsis received 10th Place.

IWA Girls Basketball Teams Place in CCISD Tournament

The IWA 7th and 8th grade girls basketball teams competed and placed in the CCISD Middle School Basketball Tournament. The CCISD Tournament had 16 teams from CCISD and surrounding schools. On January 7th, the 7th Grade Red Team became the first team from IWA to win the tournament championship. They defeated Baker in the championship. The 8th Grade girls received 3rd Place beating Cullen for that title.

Congratulations goes out to both teams and the coaching staffs, for representing IWA at this year's city tournament.

HIGH SCHOOL

Second Quarter Honor Roll

12th Grade

Dylan Alaniz
Alex Armstrong*
Julia Baker*
Parixit Bhakta
Alyssa Biggins
Samantha Brozo
Camilla Childs
Frederick Cook
Garrett Cox
Catherine Fergie
Shelby Fincher
Trevor Gonzalez
Amerlia Gonzalez
Alexandra Harrel
Carmeron Knox
Maria Kroeger
Lauren Kuffel
Matthew Matl*
Miles Novack
Zach Pekar
Thomas Pesek
Karissa Rangel
Maria Rivera
Christina Robertson
Bita Salamat*
Regina Salinas
Samantha Skurka
Clara Tamez
Vicky Torres
Jessica Yang*

11th Grade

Madison Aboud
Raymond Acebo
Lauren Ayala
Avery Bottom
Jackson Bright
J.L. Bronold
Robert Buchan

Jacob Clark*
Brittany Donald*
Derek Ficene*
Alyssa Gentry
Madison Groesbeck
Chelsea Guerra*
Dodie Heredia
Elizabeth Kirkland*
Madison Longwell
Kanyarat Maliwan
Zachary Martin
Frank McNiff
Deanna Ramirez
Michael Salloum
Jason Simank
Kevin Smith
Andrew Thomas*
Michael Tinning
Sebastian Villamil

10th Grade

Carolina Alsop*
Chloe Bajunaid de Roche
Jacob Barlett*
Elliot Bottom
Austin DeGaish*
Alex DeLeon
Cassidy Faught
Megan Flanigan*
Gabrielle K. Garcia
Alexandra Gauntt
Theresa Gayle
Kyle Guerra
Michael Heidari
Steven Herbst
Marivel Jurica
Erin Kuffel*
Kathleen Langan*
Clarissa Lara*
James Matl*
Margaret Pesek
Courtney Ramirez
Anna Rodriguez

Mackenzie Thering
Meri-Ashton VanWinkle
Will Wallace
Ashley Zawicky*

9th Grade

Madeline Baker*
Kristen Biggins
Madeline Brown
Ava Buchan
Daniela Carreno
Jared Coco*
Grecia Corrada
Loren DeLeon
Sean Dinh
Sean Dolan
Mary Dragon
Katie Duncan*
Hannah Ehrman
Ethan Elizondo
Belize Ellison*
James Faught
Kimberly Fernandez*
Paul Flood
John Franey*
Sara Garza
William Gilmore
McKinna Gourley
Caitlyn Hornsby*
Christian House
Harrison Longwell
Christina Matl*
Madeleine McCutcheon*
Joseph McNiff*
Michelle Ndwaru
George Novack
Victoria Pena
Lois Piece
Joshua Rasmussen
Nicolas Rodriguez*
Rolando Silva
Samantha Simank*
Phoebe Strain
Alma Tamez
Winter Tate
Andrea Tinning*
Bianca Valderrama
Antonio Vidal
Claire Weis
Shaela Yeager*

On-line Application and Re-enrollment Process

Incarinate Word Academy is excited to announce our new student on-line application and re-enrollment process for the upcoming school year! This new resource offers families great flexibility allowing parents and/or guardians to complete and submit the most common registration forms electronically during a time that is convenient for them. Now enrollment/registration fees can also be paid on-line via a credit card or eCheck. This added convenience for parents also helps reduce paper waste, improve accuracy, and increase efficiency. ParentsWeb, our current parent portal to student information, will host this green method through your existing account allowing you to begin the re-enrollment process January 30.

Incarinate Word Academy will be absorbing the on-line enrollment cost associated with this added feature.

The on-line forms are customized to each level. Through a single centralized on-line process, parents are able to:

- Review and update essential student information on file
- Provide crucial emergency information
- Indicate vital medical information
- Read and agree to important notifications
- Sign up for special school services
- Pay enrollment/registration fees with a credit card or eCheck

With the institution of our new on-line method we hope to ease the amount of paperwork families face during re-enrollment. We know it will greatly assist us managing and processing the information.

As we continue to seek avenues to keep the cost of tuition down, on-line services such as these are vital. We appreciate your assistance streamlining enrollment and minimizing costs. Thank you for helping Incarnate Word Academy stay green by completing your enrollment on-line this year!