

# The Cardinal Flyer

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## B.J.'s Corner

*From the Principal*

"Be Kinder than necessary, for everyone you meet is fighting some kind of battle."

Thanksgiving is next week and I thought the above quote was very appropriate for the upcoming season.

Peter, Patricia and Timothy Carlton-McQueen are orchestrating with my 8<sup>th</sup> grade class a project called "Kindness Flag." Each student and family is encouraged to be kind to others in and out of our community. These acts are written on Kindness strips which will then be put together into on large American Flag. The goal is 100 strips per 8<sup>th</sup> grade student. Thank you, what a wonderful effort!

The cookie dough sale is completed tomorrow, November 14<sup>th</sup>. **NO LATE ORDERS will be accepted, as we must get the cookie trucks on the road.**

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## Nine Lepers and a Thank-you Note

During Sunday school, the teacher held up a picture of Jesus with the ten lepers.

Shaun knew the story. It was one of his mother's favorites, and she told it often.

"Who can tell us this story?" the teacher asked.

Shaun raised his hand. "Jesus healed ten men who had leprosy. But only one remembered to thank Jesus for curing him. The other nine walked away without saying anything."

"How do you think that made Jesus feel?" the teacher asked.

"Sad," Shaun said.

The teacher nodded. "I think Jesus felt very sad when the other nine men walked away without thanking Him."

Shaun thought about last Sunday when his mother had asked him to write a thank-you note to his grandparents for the birthday gift they had sent him. Shaun had been too busy playing with his new game to take time to write them.

Then he thought about Jesus' disappointment with the men who didn't show their gratitude to Him. Was that how his grandparents felt because he hadn't bothered to thank them for their gift?

His grandparents lived almost 2,000 miles away. Shaun didn't get to see them very often, but he knew that they loved him, just as he loved them. His grandma wrote him every week, and his grandpa always had a new joke to tell Shaun when they phoned each Sunday night.

After Shaun's family got home from church, he didn't stop in the kitchen for a snack as he usually did. He hurried to his room and pulled out a notebook of lined paper.

Shaun spent a long time writing the note to his grandparents, making his letters in neat cursive. He

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Thank you so much for your efforts in participating in our fundraisers!

Below is the record of fundraisers thus far and the amount earned:

Entertainment Books:	\$1,595.00
Carnival:	\$3,893.49
Sally Foster:	\$4,116.50
Raffle:	<u>\$72,925.95</u>
Total:	\$82,530.94

Although this may seem like a bucket of money, please remember this is how our daily bills are paid. Tuition covers salaries, including benefits and taxes.

Have a peaceful Thanksgiving.

Principal BJ  
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## Athletic News

### GIRLS BASKETBALL

- November 13<sup>th</sup> - A,B,C Home Sandia Prep
- November 19<sup>th</sup> - A,B,C Home Queen of Heaven
- November 20<sup>th</sup> – C@4:00 A@5:00 Home Menaul/St. Mary's Alb.

### **GOOO CARDINALS!!!**

Girls basketball pictures will be taken on Monday, December 3<sup>rd</sup> beginning at 3:15p.m. in the gym. Forms and more information will follow.

### LOBO LEAGUE VOLLEYBALL

If you are interested in forming a volleyball team to play in Lobo league, please see Mrs. Castillo in the office for information. Dave Buchholz, Lobo League Director, has offered to pay the registration fee for three teams. Interested players may also contact Mrs. Melissa Ramirez at 270-0720.

## Classroom News

### PET QUESTIONS

Hey Cardinals! Do you have a pet question? We have a veterinarian that is more than happy to answer your questions on animal care. Write your inquiries down on a sheet of paper and give them to your teacher! In the next special edition of the Cardinal Flyer your questions will be answered. Thank you Cardinals!

### KOATS for KIDS

Our Annual Koats for Kids Collection will be on-going through the Month of November and the first two weeks of December, ending on December 14th. Please look through your closets and consider donating gently used outer garments such as coats, jackets, hooded sweatshirts and sweaters that no longer fit family members. Thank you for your kindness in thinking of and caring for those who might spend a cold winter without the help of our Cardinal Family.

God Bless,

The First and Kinder Teachers

### Volunteers Needed

Get your service hours! Volunteers are needed for the Susan G. Komen For the Cure Night at the Pit.

University of New Mexico Men's Basketball v. Southern Utah State. November 28, 2007

Game starts at 7:00p.m. Volunteers receive free admission to game for children and adults.

Help with game events and give aways and help raise awareness about breast cancer. To volunteer or for more information, call Traci at 401-5974 or email [tcadigan@comcast.net](mailto:tcadigan@comcast.net).

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

**\*\*\*CALENDAR CHANGE – PLEASE MARK YOUR CALENDARS!!**

**\*\*\*Sleep in after the musical! There will be **no school for students on December 21, 2007** as was originally planned. It will be a teacher day!**

**November 21<sup>st</sup>** – Early Dismissal 12:30

**November 21<sup>st</sup>** – Report cards go home. No report cards will be handed out before Wednesday.

## Christmas Musical

### PROPS NEEDED FOR CHRISTMAS MUSICAL

Does anyone have a toy guitar we could borrow for the Christmas Musical? Actually, we would need two. We need them for a few rehearsals in December and of course for the actual performance, Thursday, December 20<sup>th</sup>. Please contact Donna Gallegos, Ninette S. Mordaunt or Barbara Menicucci, or Principal B.J. if you can help us out.

### WHAT STUDENTS NEED TO WEAR FOR THE CHRISTMAS MUSICAL

**K-1-2-** A large(X-large) white T-Shirt to represent an “angel dress”, Tennis shoes and white socks. We will supply “halo” head bands. (Please wear white shorts or something light – so it doesn’t show underneath the T-Shirt).

**3-4-5-** Desert –Colored slacks and tops – solid, neutral colors like beige, brown, and dark green (no blacks). Tops must have sleeves, preferably long; Tennis shoes and socks. We will supply Bedouin head gear.

**Mid-School** – Solid colored top with sleeves, red or green, or alternatively, a Christmas theme top with reds/greens in it; solid colored bottoms. Colorful scarf which will be worn around neck/shoulder a la Christmas-Caroler- look, Tennis shoes and socks.

**Note on tops:** Any sleeve length is OK, but absolutely no sleeveless tops.

### Costume check for Actors (Christmas Musical)

**All actors in grades 3-4-5-** Must bring in their costumes, including sandals and whatever items they’re responsible for, on Monday, 19 November, for Principal B.J.’s approval. **No Exceptions!! Failure to do so may result in being dropped from the play.**

thanked them for the gift and told them how much he loved them.

When he finished, he read the letter again. Satisfied with it, he ran downstairs and found his mother. “Mom, do you have an envelope and stamp I can use? I wrote the thank-you note to Grandma and Grandpa.”

His mother smiled. “I know they’ll be glad to get it.”

With her help, Shaun addressed the envelope and slipped the letter inside.

“There’s someone else who deserves our gratitude as well,” his mother said.

Shaun knew she meant Heavenly Father. Before Shaun went to sleep that night, he knelt by his bed and thanked Heavenly Father for the many blessings He gave Shaun and his family every day.

## What should we be thankful for in our lives?

- We have so much for which to give thanks. First and foremost, we are thankful for our Savior Jesus Christ.
- We give thanks for the scriptures that provide a standard against which to measure all things.
- We give thanks for commandments. They are directions away from pitfalls, and they are invitations to blessings.
- We should even give thanks for our afflictions because they turn our hearts to God and give us opportunities to prepare for what God would have us become.
- Let us give thanks for what we are and for the circumstances God has given us for our personal journey through mortality.

*Let us all take some time each day to identify what we are thankful for. Try to pick a new blessing each day and see just how many you can come up with in the next few months.*

## RED RIBBON WEEK

Red Ribbon Week is November 26<sup>th</sup> – November 30<sup>th</sup>.

**The Theme for this year is: “I Believe In Me, I’m Drug Free.”**

Each student will receive a red ribbon on Monday to wear all week. Please explain to your child what Red Ribbon Week represents and encourage them to participate in our daily activities to show that they want to prevent and stay away from drugs.

The Red Ribbon Campaign is now the oldest and largest drug prevention program in the nation reaching millions of young people. Red Ribbon week is a personal commitment through the symbol of the red ribbon.

The campaign was started when drug traffickers in Mexico City murdered Kiki Camarena, a DEA agent in 1985. This began the continuing tradition and displaying of Red Ribbons as a symbol of intolerance towards the use of drugs. The mission of the Red Ribbon Campaign is to present a unified and visible commitment toward the creation of a DRUG-FREE AMERICA.

### May I Suggest?

**Q:** Can we have larger food portions because sometimes my friends and I are still hungry after we’ve eaten our lunch. Connor Munsey 4B

**A:** Regretfully, the portions are regulated by A.P.S. system. I suggest you bring your lunch and snack.

### From Father Lane:

In answer to last weeks question about holding hands. There is no rubric to hold hands, or not to hold hands during The Lord’s Prayer. If one is not well, then they should refrain (as per common sense).

Here is a schedule for Red Ribbon Week:

**Monday: Red Ribbon Awareness Day**– We will kick off the week by handing out numbered red ribbons to each student. Prizes will be given out daily by drawing numbers. (You must wear your ribbon to win). I will go over the procedures and talk a little bit about what Red Ribbon week is about. Teachers will hand out ribbons after announcements. Each student and teacher will receive a pencil with “I Believe in Me, I’m Drug Free” on it.

**Tuesday: “Drugs Turn You Inside Out”- Wear Shirts Inside Out Day**

Students wear shirts inside out. Pass out stickers w/”Drugs Turn You Inside Out.” To remind us that drugs turn your life inside out. Give out prizes during announcements.

**Wednesday: “Being Drug Free is No Sweat”- Wear Sweats to School Day**

Students wear sweats to school. Pass out Stickers w/”Being Drug Free is No Sweat.” To remind us that it is no swear to be drug free. Give Prizes during announcements.

**Thursday: “Join the Fight Against Drugs- Wear Camouflage to School Day**

The students will wear camouflage to school. Pass out stickers w/”Join the Fight Against Drugs.” To show we are enlisted to join the fight against drugs. Give prices during announcement.

**Friday: “Jean Day”**

We will wrap up Red Ribbon week with prizes during announcements.

