

# CHAMINADE THIS WEEK HIGH SCHOOL EDITION

April 16 – 20, 2018

## A NOTE FROM OUR PRINCIPAL, BROTHER TOM FAHY

A very special thanks to all attendees at this year's Gala, *Carnavale*. With the senior class providing the evening's entertainment, sponsors underwriting much of the costs, and patrons giving so generously, the event was a tremendous success for all involved and especially for the chairs, Tracie Zvonicek and Laura Fassone. Chaminade's recently concluded Strategic Plan identified a "Wellness" program for students and staff as a primary need of the school. With that in mind, proceeds from Fund-A-Need this year were earmarked directly for an enhanced Wellness Program. We are already seeing results with more resources being allocated this coming week for Mental Health Week. Thanks to all donors and organizers for your tremendous generosity.

Parents Day Mass was the highlight of our return to school this week after a great Easter break. Seeing so many parents with their students at Mass was a real affirmation of our faith community at Chaminade. After Mass, family lunch was provided in the Marianist Community home with approximately 250 parents and students in attendance. For those who didn't attend this year, please know you are welcome at all Masses on campus. We appreciate your presence at school events.

Next week's main event is Prom 2018. All attendees should have received more than enough information on the event, but let us know if you still have specific questions. Our prayer is for safe travel to and from the Prom and a joyful night for everyone involved. Special thanks to our Student Activities leaders, teacher chaperones, and of course, the volunteer parents who host the pre and post Prom.

## ADMINISTRATION

### **To Parents of Graduating Seniors:**

**The Family of Mary Award** is one of the most significant awards that Chaminade College Preparatory bestows each year. This award is presented, not to a graduating senior, but to a family whose last child is graduating from Chaminade this year. We want to recognize families who have made a long-standing commitment to Chaminade by sending **three or more children** over the course of their tenure at the school. All qualifying families will receive a plaque during a presentation at the Baccalaureate Mass on Friday, June 1.

Here are the criteria:

- **Three or more children** have graduated from high school at Chaminade College Preparatory;
- The **last child** is graduating from high school at Chaminade College Preparatory this year, Class of 2018.

We need your help to ensure we recognize everyone who deserves this award. If you believe your family meets these criteria, please complete [this form](#) by **Friday, April 20**.

## ACTIVITIES / CLUBS

### **Ambassadors**

Attention Students Who Have Submitted Applications For The Ambassador Program:

To be considered for membership in Ambassadors next year, it is required that applicants sign up for an interview. Interviews for those who submitted applications by the March 28 deadline are taking place from April 16 through April 20. Sign-ups for interviews are posted on the Ambassador bulletin board in the main office, located outside the entrance to the Counseling Office. Please make sure that you are signed up to be considered for membership in Ambassadors. If you have any questions, please see Mrs. Bonino Bennett in the Admissions Office.

### **Ballet for All Kids**

April 20: Are you in need of service hours? Are you looking for a special, heartwarming experience? Plan to attend the Ballet For All Kids TuTu Walk Showcase in the Bob Hope Center on April 20! Volunteer times are: 1:30pm-4pm (help make posters), 4pm-6pm (help set up the booths for the showcase), 6pm-8pm (The Tutu Showcase), 8pm-9pm (Cleanup). You can earn up to seven and a half hours in just one day!

There will be a live performance by the talented young children who attend BFAK. There will also be plenty of booths, games, and food! This event is also a fundraiser, so even if you don't wish to volunteer, come support BFAK from 6pm-8pm! For any questions contact either Zoya Azfar or Seeran Ajemian.

### **CHANGEMAKERS CONFERENCE – Marianist Social Justice Collaborative**

April 28: Are you committed to action and creating social change? Join us Saturday, April 28 for our Changemakers Conference! Rooted in the Marianist traditions of service, community, and social justice, this workshop brings together a diverse group of multi-generational, non-denominational people reflecting on individual and social responses to justice issues facing our local and global communities. We hope to have grandparents, college, and high school students (over 14) attend to discuss and plan ways to affect lasting change. Please click on this link [Changemakers - Eventbrite](#) for more information. If you have further questions please contact April Risteff at [aristeff@chaminade.org](mailto:aristeff@chaminade.org)

### **Club Council**

April 25: The final Club Council of the school year will take place on Wednesday, April 25 at 2:15pm in the Media Center. **All clubs must be represented.** We will discuss involvement in Eaglemania and end of the year paperwork needed to continue as a club in the Fall. Don't miss it!

### **Computer Programming and App Dev Club**

April 18: The Computer Programming and App Dev Club will meet on Wednesday, April 18 at 2:15pm in room 701. We will be sharing and celebrating achievements made by members this year. New friends are welcome to join. No prior programming experience is necessary. For questions, email Mrs. Mirras at [mmirras@chaminade.org](mailto:mmirras@chaminade.org).

### **Concert Choir**

Concert Choir Auditions for the 2018-19 choral season will be Thursday, April 19 and Friday, April 20. Please contact Mrs. Duckett at [dduckett@chaminade.org](mailto:dduckett@chaminade.org) for information and/or to reserve a time.

### **Congratulations Music Program!**

Congratulations to Choir Director Mrs. Duckett, Band Director Mr. Delfing and all of the student musicians on their successful music festival trip to Seattle over Easter Break. The instrumental and vocal groups spent several days touring in the Seattle area, performing and competing at the Museum of Pop Culture and two local area high schools. At the concluding festival banquet, the Concert Choir took 3rd Place in the choir division, and was awarded a Silver "Excellent" rating. The Wind Ensemble placed 1st in the instrumental division, and was awarded a Gold "Superior" rating. The Wind Ensemble also took home the trophy for the highest overall instrumental music scores at the festival! Great job – Chaminade is proud of your success!!

### **International Culture Club**

April 18: The International Culture Club will be holding a meeting on Wednesday, April 18 at 2:15pm in room 502. We will be discussing the Chaminade trip to China and have invited people who attended, including Mrs. Magorien! Come to learn about the trip firsthand from people who went!

### **Junior Commissioning Ceremony**

Save the date for Sunday, April 29 at 4pm. Invitations and additional information will be available next week.

### **Mathletes**

The Purple Comet! Math Meet is a free, annual, international, online, team mathematics competition designed for middle and high school students. It has been held every year since 2003. Teams of one to six students compete by submitting solutions to a list of mathematics problems. It runs April 10 through

April 19, during which teams may compete choosing a start time most convenient for them. The problems range in difficulty from fairly easy to extremely challenging. In 2016, over 12,000 students competed on over 3,200 teams from 59 countries. If you would like to find out more information, visit <https://purplecomet.org/>. If you are an individual or have a team ready to participate, see Mrs. Haro-Fausto in Room 407 or email at [lhara-fausto@chaminade.org](mailto:lhara-fausto@chaminade.org). You can participate after school or during X-block next week. You must participate in the presence of an adult supervisor (Mrs. Haro-Fausto).

### **A Place at the Table**

There are two gatherings this week. Monday, April 16 the focus will be on *Individuals with Disabilities and Mental Health*. Friday, April 20 is a follow up on *March for Our Lives* and the issue of *School Safety*. Please join the Diversity Team to share and hear from other peers about these important issues. Both gatherings are from 2-3:15pm in the Library.

### **Prom**

Tickets are on sale in the Activities Office during break, second lunch, and after school. Paperwork is available outside the Activities Office/Student Store. Every student attending Prom must turn in their paperwork in order to purchase a ticket. You will sign up for a bus and picture time at the time of purchase. Additional information can be found on the Chaminade website under the high school student portal and student activities.

### **Yearbook**

To guarantee you'll get one, **please pre-order a Chaminade Yearbook by May 14**. They're going fast! Follow the Yearbook Information link on the high school homepage to reserve your copy. There will only be a limited number of extras available for in-person sales beginning the week of May 21. Link: <http://www.jostens.com/yearbooks/high-school-yearbooks.html>

### **ADVANCEMENT / ALUMNI**

#### **Post Prom**

Parents: Come join us as we prepare for Post Prom 2018! Post Prom has been a Chaminade tradition for over 20 years. This event provides a safe and fun environment for our students following Prom celebrations.

The event is not possible without your help and generous donations. We need help decorating, working during the event, and cleaning up. We are also in need of gift cards and raffle items. If you have any cool gifts and/or ideas for raffle items, we will take it! These prizes are won by the students during Post Prom.

This event is truly fun for both the students and the chaperones! If you are concerned your child does not want you there, be assured you'll see them, maybe, once that night. There is so much to do and see once Post Prom begins. Both of you are guaranteed a great time! We hope we can count on you.

Please click on the link for donations and volunteer opportunities.

<http://www.signupgenius.com/go/70A0F4BAFAA23AA8-post> We hope to see you there!

### **ATHLETICS**

**Any outstanding Athletic fees must be paid by Friday, April 20** to the Athletic Department to avoid a hold being put on NetClassroom Accounts. Please send in check or cash to Cathy Santana or pay online.

### **CAMPUS MINISTRY**

#### **General News**

**Eucharistic Ministers Training:** If you have been Confirmed or will be this Easter season, and would like to be a Eucharistic Minister at our masses, please come to the training on either Wednesday, April 18 OR Tuesday, May 1, both at 2:15pm in Campus Ministry. Please fill out this brief form, if you are interested: [https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1eCq\\_NUg5edJupk4LjL-O33s1w5uUowjpNwLCiho1ial/edit?uiv=1](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1eCq_NUg5edJupk4LjL-O33s1w5uUowjpNwLCiho1ial/edit?uiv=1)

**Morning Eucharist** in our Chapel continues each morning before school. All services begin at 7:10am in the Blessed Chaminade Chapel on the bottom floor of the Condon Center. ALL ARE WELCOME!

### **Apostolic Works Info and Opportunities**

Be sure you are on track with your Apostolic Works. **Due Date for all hours for Seniors is Monday, April 30.** Do not wait to the last minute! See Mrs. Sedik if you have any questions. Visit our FAQ page for more information: <http://www.chaminade.org/document.doc?id=1655>

**Calabash Elementary in Woodland Hills** will be holding its annual Spring Carnival on Saturday, April 28. They are looking for Chaminade students to help with the event. Volunteers are needed from 10:45am until 3:00pm. They will be overseeing game booths and/or inflatables at the event. There will be pizza, snacks and water for all volunteers! The address is 23055 Eugene Street, Woodland Hills. Any interested students should contact [claireborsheim@yahoo.com](mailto:claireborsheim@yahoo.com)

**Our Lady of Peace Catholic Church** needs volunteers to help with their **Santacruzian Pageant and Flores de Mayo** on Saturday, May 5 at 4:30pm. They are asking for young adults to join in the portrayal of the many roles of Blessed Mary. Boys are also needed as escorts. For more information call Christine Hart at (818) 612-5060 or Patty Santiago at (818) 472-4288. Click for more information: <https://www.chaminade.org/document.doc?id=1863>

### **Retreats**

**Kairos 4 Reunion** in Campus Ministry on Thursday, April 19 at 2:15pm! Come and reconnect with your friends, see pictures, and eat snacks! We hope to see you there!

### **COUNSELING OFFICE**

#### **AP Exams**

All students taking an AP Exam this year must attend one of the following MANDATORY sessions in order to fill out the student information section on the paperwork for the tests:

Wednesday, April 18 at 2:00pm in the Bob Hope Center

Wednesday, April 25 at 2:00pm in the Bob Hope Center

Please bring a pencil and be on time so we can finish quickly. This should take no longer than 30 minutes of your time. If you have any questions, please see Mrs. Cowgill in the Counseling Office.

#### **College and Coffee**

Parents: On Wednesday, April 18, we will have our final College and Coffee of the year. We will be focusing on wellness and continuing the conversation we started with Mental Health Awareness Week. We will have a guest speaker, Cheryl Karp Eskin, from Teen Line, discuss the "current state" of teens and how we can better understand and support them. Cheryl will stress the importance of destigmatizing mental illness and opening a dialogue with our teens about their daily struggles.

Cheryl Karp Eskin is the Program Director at [Teen Line](#), a teen to teen hotline where teenagers can talk to a trained teen listener about any problem, no matter how big or small. She is also the co-chair of the Los Angeles Suicide Prevention Network. Cheryl started her mental health career at the age of 14 as a Teen Line listener. She has been licensed as a marriage and family therapist since 2003. She has worked with adolescents in a variety of settings, including nonpublic school, private practice, and community mental health.

We hope you can join us from 8:00am-9:00am in the library.

#### **Mental Health Awareness Week 2018 - April 16-20**

The Chaminade Counseling office along with the AP Psychology students will be hosting its second annual **Mental Health Awareness Week** on campus. We have planned a week full of fun and inspiration, a visit with some sweet puppies, and awareness activities to get the message out and help our students get informed and engaged.

For historical and cultural reasons, mental illness has persistently been stigmatized by society. This stigma is present in the form of bias, distrust, stereotyping, fear, embarrassment, anger, and/or avoidance. We are increasingly aware that mental health issues are becoming more prevalent in society, in particular with teenagers, and we believe it is important for everyone to be aware of these issues as they may arise in their own lives or community. Statistics stating that approximately 1 in 5 youth aged 13-18 (21.4%) experience mental health disorders at some point during their life (<http://www.nami.org>) is further evidence that we must confront this reality that can so readily affect our students in various aspects of their lives. We believe that there is room for personal growth beyond the traditional content areas in high school, and we want to support the physical and mental health of all of our students. Through this, we hope to #breakthestigma.

### **Lunchtime Activities for your Students**

Every day's activities will highlight a specific theme such as anxiety, stress, social media, and spreading positivity that students can choose to participate in. We will also be selling #breakthestigma T-shirts that students can wear throughout the month of April as well as bracelets and stress balls. T-shirts will be on sale for \$15 and bracelets and stress balls for \$1. All proceeds will go to the Teen Line and Insight Treatment Centers which will have booths on campus as well. If a student purchases a bracelet, they will be allowed to wear jeans on Friday, April 20! T-shirts can be ordered on-line using the link on the counseling page.

Counselors will be on hand during lunches to chat with students, hand out informational materials, and guide students in the activities.

### **CAFETERIA SPECIALS**

**Monday:** Chicken Fingers  
**Tuesday:** Meatball Sub Sandwich with Homemade Potato Chips  
**Wednesday:** Hawaiian Panko Chicken or Hawaiian Pizza  
**Thursday:** Bowtie Pasta and Garlic Toast  
**Friday:** Croque Monsieur and Fries  
**Salad of the Week:** Greek Salad