



**May 13, 2004**

## HEADS' LETTER

**What:** **SPORTS AWARDS NIGHT TONIGHT -- May 13, 2004**

**When:** Program begins promptly at 6:30 P.M.

**Where:** Corbett Hall followed by a dessert reception to celebrate a very successful year!

**Who:** For all Athletes and their Parents

**Why:** Honoring all:

**Fall Sports:** Soccer, Volleyball, Cross Country

**Winter Sports:** Boys Basketball, Girls Basketball, Track

**Spring Sports:** Baseball, Softball, Tennis



**When:** **May 20, 2004**

**What:** **SPRING FINE ARTS NIGHT** presents:

***A Voice and a Vision: Reaching Hearts through the Arts***

6:00 to 6:55 P.M. In the IDS Theatre/ Training Center, a **School-wide Art Show** featuring every IDS student with over 500 pieces of extraordinary, original pieces of art.

Directed by Art Teachers: Susan Bossard, Debbie Kerr and Donna Ramos

7:00 to 8:15 P.M. **School-wide Performance** in Corbett Hall

Directed by Michael LeBlanc, Barbara McBride, Tom McColley, and Seth Travaglino

**Who Participates:** Every child participates; so all parents please come and enjoy the final 2003-2004 event for the whole IDS family. The arts give us the perfect chance to celebrate the joy of a great year TOGETHER!!!!!!

**PARKING OPTIONS:** There will be deputies on duty as well as our own staff to assist us in parking. Listed below are your parking options: **1)** IDS main school parking lot on the East Side, **2)** IDS Middle School on the West Side, **3)** Our grass parking lot on the East Side and **4)** Carrollwood Elementary School parking lot on the corner of McFarland and Orange Grove. Our buses will shuttle people back and forth from Carrollwood Elementary unless you choose to enjoy the short walk.



**What:** **IDS SPRING BOOK FAIR** continues through **Saturday, May 15**

**Where:** Barnes & Noble on North Dale Mabry

**Why:** Prepare early for summer reading and support IDS. This week, we receive 25% of every book or item purchased. All proceeds go directly to purchase books and technology for the IDS Laney Library.

**Who:** All IDS students, family and friends can help Mrs. Bettyann Pitti and our PFA Volunteers make this the most successful Book Fair yet!!!



**Remember:** One of the best ways to become a good reader is to READ!

# AROUND THE CAMPUS HIGHLIGHTS

**Congratulations** to the **Warrior's Pride Chorus** for a simply delightful, captivating four performances of the musical *Once on this Island*. Parents, teachers and students worked together to make this a truly special event for the 67 fourth and fifth graders in the show. The costumes were dazzling and the music was mesmerizing. Still in their performing mode, many of us enjoyed and appreciated hearing the Warrior's Pride Chorus sing at Barnes & Noble last night. As usual, their singing filled the bookstore with smiles.

**Congratulations** to the **Seventh Grade** for their participation in the "DNA Challenge". At this week's Monday Morning Assembly, USF President Judy Genshaft, Vice President Ian Philips and College of Education Dean Colleen Kennedy presented our teachers and Seventh Graders with certificates honoring our terrific Seventh Graders. This auspicious honor came from the incredible scientific and art journey they had earlier this year during a DNA project that gave them a once in a life time experience. We were soooooo honored to have such distinguished dignitaries come themselves to recognize our IDSers. This was coordinated by Middle School parent Dr. Joan Kaywell, USF Interim Chair of Secondary Education.

**Congratulations** to **Nathan Broad, Tommy Erskine, Morgan Hernandez, Sophia Kim, Caitlyn McIver, Allen Pennington, and Blake Tomlin**. They were honored at the state recognition ceremony for the Duke University Talent Identification Program. These Middle Schoolers took the SAT college entrance exam testing verbal and math skills. Their scores placed them among the top 17% of all students participating in this program nationally. Our students were honored at the Florida recognition ceremony held on Wednesday, May 12 at New College in Sarasota.

**A Big Thanks** from: The **Second Grade Top Bananas** who raised \$759 from the Chocolate Factory thanks to the IDS customers purchasing chocolate items made here that rival Godiva. They want you to know they appreciate your support.

The **First Grade Cool Cats** wish to express their sincere appreciation to all of IDS-CC for their support. The Cool Cat Safari Store was a huge success! They were able to realize a \$500 profit, all to be donated to Big Cat Rescue. Our contribution will aid in the care and feeding of over 150 big cats! Thank you, IDS!

**ABOVE and BEYOND**. Our guide at Big Cat Rescue, Ms. Anissa, will take two boxes of school supplies to Kenya, Africa. Thank you to our Cool Cats and their parents for donating these items to the African children that are in need of basic school tools that we use everyday. We are "Cool Cats that Care!"



## LEARNING HITS THE ROAD for Third and Fourth Graders

**Third Grade:** After having a very successful business and marketing venture through Bizarre Bazaar for the Pre-K students through fifth grade, third graders are quickly moving on to the next big event. They will culminate their study of Florida history with a trip to St. Augustine. They leave on Monday, May 24. We wish them a great journey through history in our own state.

**Fourth Grade:** On Friday, May 14, fourth grade heads to Disney to see more than that famous mouse...Disney has an excellent behind the scenes experience that brings American History alive. Each year, this serves as a perfect culminating activity in American History that takes them through the American Revolution. Fifth grade then takes off in American History with the Civil War through modern times. Middle School continues with a global perspective through World History and back to an in-depth study of American History in 8th grade. This sequence, from third through eighth grade, is designed to give a strong foundation for high school and beyond, as well as having the opportunity to become knowledgeable citizens. Lessons from the past are continuously connected to life in the present. There is so much to learn about people, our foibles, tragedies and successes. Have a great time fourth grade!

## PFA CORNER: by Jenny Stiles, PFA President

Yesterday was another great day for the PFA as we honored the teachers with a luncheon after early dismissal. We turned the dining area on the westside into an Asian paradise complete with bamboo, shoes off, and sitting on cushions (wrapped up gym mats) on the floor. Teachers ate a delicious Asian style lunch, while we the PFA proudly looked on knowing that we were able to dazzle them as they do for our children everyday. Thanks to the PFA Executive Committee Marcie Mueller, Dawn Schocken, Shannon Spagnuolo, Beatriz Stach, Valerie Crouse, and Sandia Wasserman and PFA members Beverly Harris, Janet Stewart, and JoAnn Lau for making this day happen. Special thanks to Beverly Harris for her creativity in helping to make this a unique experience for the teachers.

The teachers will also be treated to a 10-minute chair massage tomorrow while the administration, office and facilities will be treated to a wonderful breakfast.

We can also be proud that the RPCs and all of the parents worked so hard to show our teachers how much they are appreciated. The teachers raved about all the goodies that they received last week, and I thank you all for sending in items with your children for the teachers.



## ICE CREAM SALE Monday, May 17<sup>th</sup> \$1.00



Organized by the 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Graduation Fundraising Committee

## SUPPORT IDS FINE ARTS: DINE OUT AT HOPS RESTAURANT

If you go to Hops Restaurant (14303 N. Dale Mabry Hwy.) any time Monday through Friday, the weeks of May 17 and May 24, IDS receives 10% of the proceeds! Please bring the required enclosed coupon. (Extra coupons are available in the office.) Thanks for supporting IDS. Bon appetit!

## PROUD MOMENTS SOAR FOR IDSers

(To our IDS families, please share special moments so that everyone can enjoy with you.)

Congratulations to Eighth Grader, **Dani Schocken**, first nominated by IDS English teacher Michael Vokoun as a participant in the 2004 Promising Young Writer Program and then recognized by judges as a national winner. The award recognizes the student's writing talents and the importance of writing. Next year Dani will join the freshman class at Berkeley Prep. Great job Dani!!!

Last weekend, IDS Fifth Grader, **Kelsea Fowler**, helped cure the blues in St. Louis. The event was "America Sings," a non-competitive choral music festival, featuring hundreds of school and community singing groups from across the United States. Kelsea's group *ShowKids*, based in New Tampa, performed a 30-minute 50's/60's/70's medley. More than song and dance, Kelsea and 1500 other singers got the chance to serve the homeless and needy. They made over 2000 peanut butter and jelly sandwiches for the hungry, plus donated and packaged "Kits for Kids", consisting of toothpaste, toothbrushes, shampoo and other provisions to be distributed to the shelters for runaway children. Kelsea sang her heart out for a great cause. Bravo!

**Richard Livernois and William Livernois** attended the Florida Federation of Music State competition in Jacksonville, Florida. This two-day competition gathered 1300 music students from the entire state. The boys qualified for this event at the Florida Federation of Music district evaluation in January, by receiving Superior ratings in all of their events (Piano Solo, Duet, Concerto, Sight Reading, and Theory). They also participated in a composition contest in which William won First Place for his level (Grade K-4) and Richard won Third Place for his level (Grade 5-8). Kudos to these great talents.

IDS Alum and Tampa Prep sophomore **Betsy Donovan**, (sister of Fourth Grader Scott Donovan) is a member of the Tampa Prep crew team. Her boat, the Girls' Varsity Lightweight 4, took First Place in the Scholastic State Championships sponsored by the Florida Scholastic Rowing Association (FSRA) in Orlando on Saturday, April 24. This is a first for Tampa Prep! The team then took Fourth Place (just 1.6 seconds away from Third) May 8, during the FSRA's Youth State Championship, which includes both high school and club teams. Bravo to Betsy and her crew!

## LAST DAY OF SCHOOL LUNCHESES, NEXT FRIDAY, MAY 21

### Plan to bring in lunches the week of May 24.

## IDS POLO SHIRTS AND DRESS OPTIONS FOR 2004-2005 TO BE PURCHASED ON FRIDAY, MAY 21

We are piloting a new program for IDS polo shirts while adding opportunities to purchase pants, shirts, culottes, and shorts in black or khaki. In an effort to provide appropriate clothes for special events and trips, we have connected with Fontaine Apparel. They will offer a variety of OPTIONS for clothes to compliment our polo shirts including a great fleece zippered jacket for those cool winter days.

Parents please remember that polo shirts are required. All of the other offerings are presented to provide a service and are strictly OPTIONAL. Measuring day will be on **Friday, May 21**. Buying shirts will now be between you and the company so planning ahead will be important! In order for children to participate in any and all trips and special events, they will need their shirts. We hope this home delivery service will be more efficient and provide you with ready-made options.

Please have your child bring the enclosed form when they are called to the office on Friday, May 21, for "Measuring Day."

## IDS ART EXHIBIT

Your child's artwork will be on display Thursday, May 20 at 6:00 P.M. until 6:55 P.M. on Fine Arts Night. After the performance, it will be available until 9:30 P.M. In addition, the Art Exhibit will be available for viewing on May 17, 18, 19 and 20 in the mornings until 9:30 A.M. and in the afternoon starting at 1:30 P.M.



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**CAMP IDS at Corbett Campus**

Five One Week Sessions

- June 21 - July 23 - 8:30am - 3:00pm
- Extended Care Available
- Mornings 7:30am - 8:30am
- Afternoons 3pm - 6pm
- Pre-K through 8th grade

Half-Day Sessions or Full-Day Sessions

Adventure Camp	Cheerleading	Flag Football	Photography
Archery	Computer	Lacrosse	Recreation Camps
Band	Cooking	Medal Rocketry	Sewing
Basketball	Crafts & Music	Musical Theatre	Soccer
Broadcasting	Drama	Newspaper	Sports Games
			Volleyball

**Wilderness Extreme Camp**


June 14 - 18 & July 26 - 30

Rising 5th - 8th graders

- Biking
- Canoeing
- Hiking
- Orienteering
- Rock Climbing
- Roller Blading
- Sorkeling
- Team Building

12015 Orange Grove Drive, Tampa, FL 33618 (813) 961-3087

Ensure your child has a fun-filled summer by enrolling him or her in Camp IDS. Camps are filling quickly. If you need a registration form, see Ms. Marie in the office or download the forms from our website at <http://www.idsyees.com> Camp IDS is a **WOW!**



**Tempo Farm**  
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**REMINDER: TUITION IS DUE MAY 15.**  
Promptness holds your space for the 2004-2005 school year.  
**Thank you so much.**