

## HEADS' LETTER

OCTOBER 5, 2011

### ABOVE AND BEYOND: WORTHY OF A STANDING OVATION

#### HEADMASTER OF THE DAY MAGGIE MURPHY (7<sup>th</sup> grader)

succeeded in making our September Monday Morning Meeting dynamic and exciting under her leadership. She had the presence to command respect for the over 600 people that filled Corbett Hall that morning including students, teachers and parents in the audience. Her poise and confidence filled the room after Dr. Swarzman turned the responsibility for running the school over into her very capable hands. What an amazing role model! Congratulations Maggie and thanks to her terrific parents Vera Murphy-Trayner and Andy Trayner for winning this opportunity at last year's Big Event.



#### ABOVE AND BEYOND! INTERMEDIATE DIVISION THIRD AND FOURTH GRADE TEACHERS DEMONSTRATE EXTRAORDINARY DEDICATION:

So, in a planning meeting with the Multi-Age 3/4 "All Stars", the Fourth Grade "Going Places-Beep-Beep", and the Third Grade "Navigators", the teachers decided that they needed to prepare for their Annual field trip by living the experience themselves and finding new and exciting adventure to add to what was always a favorite historical trip to St. Augustine. And they did it! During the last week in September, they all piled into a van and began their road trip on a Friday night with one goal in mind...to plan the best overnight field trip ever! Early Saturday morning they set out to make that happen. Driving, walking, and working together they mapped out a field trip that will bring learning to life with a WOW for their students and parent chaperones. At one point, they stopped and "circlized" on the street corner outside the Oldest House in St. Augustine. Someone walking by commented that it looked like the meeting of the minds and it actually was. All Star teacher, Ann Cashen stated, "It was an amazing experience to be with my creative and dedicated colleagues to work out details to make this one memorable trip. Going above and beyond to make connections inside and outside the classroom is what we really love to do. And it was exciting to do it together."



**CONGRATULATIONS and GRATITUDE!** It was truly a dance of fun, detailed organization, teamwork, dedication and a goal to create another successful IDS Kids Classic Golf Tournament to benefit the school and children they love. PFA Golf Chairpersons, Heather Ceresoli and Richard Torra put together a winning team of **volunteer leaders and helpers** to make this 2011 tournament a success. Their "out of the box" thinking led to our first Golf Parent Social for the whole school to move from Monday night to Sunday Night. And it worked. The party at Avila was festive, filled with smiles and fun, a successful auction, a great "friend-raiser" and a dynamic kick-off to Monday's tournament. As the golfers returned to the Avila clubhouse they gave mounds of accolades to the quality and impeccable organization of the tournament. Read more about it on page 3 of this Heads' Letter.



**PFA PIZZA and MOVIE NIGHT** was a great family night for the kids to enjoy each other in a relaxed setting, while the parents chilled out and mixed and mingled. A huge thank you to PFA Fundraising Chair, Vanessa Minick, and her volunteer team for another successful family gathering. Over 200 people enjoyed the evening hosted in the Middle School gym and the Dean Dining Hall. Mark the next big family day for **Saturday, November 19** for our **Annual Fun Run and Fall Festival!** It's the perfect Family Day!



# **IDS ADMISSIONS OPEN HOUSE**

## **WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 12, 2011**

**REMINDER: “Share the GIFT of an IDS Education”** The first Admissions Open House for the 2012-2013 school year will be Wednesday, October 12 at 8:30 a.m. in the Grand Room. Please invite friends and neighbors to attend! Contact Dr. Morrow if you know someone whom you would like to receive a personal phone invitation.

### **EDU-TALK and TOUR with “DR. JOYCE” - FRIDAY, OCTOBER 14, 8:15 - 9:30 A.M. in the Grand Room - second floor of the New Building:**

Join Dr. Swarzman during one of her informative talks about education and aligning what we do at home with what is happening at school. You will tour and talk as we get to see learning in action and connect what we say with what we do. You'll love the lively discussions and definitely always leave wanting more...Coffee, juice and breakfast foods will be awaiting your arrival at 8:00 a.m. and the program will begin at 8:15 a.m.

**NEWS from INTERMEDIATE DIVISION from ANN CASHEN:** Questioning leads to inquiry which leads to research. The intermediate Third Grade Navigators, Multi-Age All-Stars and Fourth Grade Going Places have been learning more and more about research, how to do research, and how to research the questions they have about their unit on ancient civilizations. It all began with making a Mandala. Each student created a Mandala that displays his/her own family rituals, traditions, beliefs and personal expression. After reviewing how to ask questions by inquiring about a mummified apple their teachers presented to them, the students started asking questions about ancient Egypt, Rome, Greece and China. Some questions they asked were: “*Did people in ancient Egypt have rituals for their Gods?*” “*How did people in ancient times greet each other*” “*Did they have any special ceremony for marriage?*” Using a research model learned from a week long gifted training, the teachers are modeling for the students how to find the answers to their questions. Writing note facts and citing sources is just the beginning. The students will use the cluster and label approach to organize this information before creating a team project and presenting their findings to their classmates. These classrooms are filled with excitement for research and the love of learning. It is a lot of fun to teach our inquiring learners.

**NEWS from FIFTH GRADE from MICHELLE HILL:** Last week history once again came alive as Fifth Grade embarked on a mission to learn how the United States expanded westward in the 1800s and how that expansion effected native peoples. Through a simulation, our students were able to act as 19<sup>th</sup>-century settlers and migrated into the “western territories” of the United States. This week we are reading to learn more about the territories that were acquired by the United States during the 1800s, such as the Louisiana Territory, Texas, and Oregon Country. Using an annotated map, students could see how each territory became part of the United States. The map also vividly portrays how each acquisition impacted native peoples. This was an awesome way for our students to see Manifest Destiny brought to life. Our fifth grade rocks!

**NEWS from COACH ROMERO: MARVIN HARVEY BASKETBALL IS AMAZING! SESSION II FOR 2011 BEGINS: TUESDAY, OCTOBER 18<sup>th</sup> AND SATURDAY OCTOBER 22<sup>nd</sup>** Basketball season is around the corner!!! It is time for new and experienced players to get in the gym, improve their basketball skills and ignite the motivation for playing an active sport. Marvin Harvey Basketball School of Excellence is proud to announce the second session of 2011. Classes are open to boys and girls from the entire Tampa Bay area from 3<sup>rd</sup> grade through 8<sup>th</sup> grade. Since August of 2010, more than 100 boys and girls from IDS and the community had the opportunity to benefit from our program with great results. Please see the registration form attached with all of the options for classes for different ages and dates. You can also find the information at [www.idsyses.com](http://www.idsyses.com)

**NEWS from MIDDLE SCHOOL SPANISH from SENORA CATHY CLARK:** In 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> grade Spanish classes, we are keeping things fresh and exciting! We incorporate Kagan cooperative learning structures that get us moving and talking with our classmates in Spanish daily. We have been exploring our creative sides with art activities that focus on current content and culture including party invitations, ‘house for sale’ flyers, ‘molas’ a type of artwork from Panama, Ecuadorian textiles, and much more. Students have been enjoying themselves in performing skits in Spanish that they have written themselves. Our conversation skills, reading ability, and grammar knowledge areas are growing in Spanish, as is the excitement in expanding our vocabulary and understanding of the rich cultures of the Spanish-speaking countries.

## PFA NEWS

**IDS GOLF CLASSIC VOLUNTEER SUCCESS** - The IDS Golf Classic was made a resounding success by the efforts of many of our parents and staff. Kerry Lather, the Auction Acquisitions Chair, would like to extend a special thank you to our amazingly generous IDS parents, who donated more than 75% of our auction items! Many thanks also go to our amazing parent volunteers who stepped up and helped pull off a very fun, exciting, and well-organized event...they were fantastic!

Bravo to Heather Ceresoli and Richard Torra, our golf chairs, for an incredible job! They gave a lot of their time and energy to organizing this event, and those efforts, along with their tremendous leadership, were showcased on both Sunday and Monday. Kudos to them for their efforts to go above and beyond for IDS! A special thank you goes to Stephanie Georgiades, who coordinated all our volunteer efforts, and this was a huge job; and to Heather Armington, who coordinated all the efforts with our RPCs. Our classroom sponsorship was a direct result of her involvement and support. A very special thank-you also goes to Helga Stadick, Steve Riddle, Kerry Lather, Stephanie Georgiades, IDS Staff members, and all of the members of the golf committee for their behind-the-scenes, HARD work getting ready for Sunday night and for Monday.

**RESTAURANT FUNDRAISER NIGHT NEXT WEEK AT CHILI'S** - Our second restaurant fundraiser night of this school year will be on Tuesday, October 11 at Chili's on North Dale Mabry. **CHILI'S** will donate 10% of all sales that are accompanied by an IDS flyer (found in your folder today and online attached to this week's Heads' Letter) back to IDS. You can enjoy lunch and/or dinner, or if you are short on time, order Chili's To Go! The event will run from 11:00 a.m. – 9:00 p.m. so that everyone can find a good time to go. If you do go for lunch AND dinner, please be sure to print an additional flyer as every person who pays will have to hand over the flyer to be attached to the portion of the receipt that is kept by Chili's. Thanks to your participation last month at Pei Wei, IDS received a check for nearly \$400!!! We would love to see the same participation this month and look forward to seeing you all there. Questions? Feel free to contact Vanessa Minick, PFA Fundraising Project Manager, at [vminick@hotmail.com](mailto:vminick@hotmail.com) or (813) 629-1630.

**FINAL WEEK OF THE EARNING FOR LEARNING CONTEST** - The WestShore Plaza Earning for Learning contest ends on Sunday, October 16th. If you go to the movies, eat at the restaurants, or go shopping in the mall, please be sure to show your receipts to the mall's concierge (located at the entrance to Macy's) in order to earn entries for IDS. You can also mail in contest entries, earn additional entries by following WestShore on Facebook and/or Twitter, and by donating school supplies. You can see more information attached to the September 15th Heads' Letter online. Questions? Feel free to contact Vanessa Minick, PFA Fundraising Project Manager, at [vminick@hotmail.com](mailto:vminick@hotmail.com) or (813) 629-1630.

**LAST DAY FOR OCTOBER MARKET DAY ORDERS!!!** - If you would like to place a Market Day order to be picked up next Friday, October 14th, please go to [www.marketday.com](http://www.marketday.com) by 11pm TONIGHT! You will send payment for your online order on or before the 14th as payments are collected when the delivery is made. Enjoy some delicious new food items while supporting IDS! You received a \$5.00 off of a \$25.00 purchase coupon in your folder on September 22, and additional coupons can be picked up in the office. Questions? Feel free to contact Vanessa Minick, PFA Fundraising Project Manager, at [vminick@hotmail.com](mailto:vminick@hotmail.com) or (813) 629-1630.

**ENTERTAINMENT BOOKS AND SALLY FOSTER SALE** - Thank you so much to everyone who supported one or both of these fundraisers! Prizes will be coming home with the Thursday folders for the next couple weeks, and the top sellers will be announced soon! If you still need to pay for the Entertainment Book that was sent home with your child, please send in a check for \$25 to the office. Alternatively, you can choose to return the book. IDS will continue to receive credit for all sales made with our account number (308754) for both Sally Foster and Entertainment Books for the remainder of the school year even though the prize earning period has ended. Questions? Feel free to contact Vanessa Minick, PFA Fundraising Project Manager, at [vminick@hotmail.com](mailto:vminick@hotmail.com) or (813) 629-1630.

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Thank you to our sponsors for making the  
17<sup>th</sup> Annual IDS Golf Classic a SUCCESS!!!



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**Please see  
"All School"  
enclosures also  
found in  
Thursday Folder.**

CHILI'S<sup>®</sup> CORDIALLY INVITES YOU TO  
ATTEND INDEPENDENT DAY  
SCHOOL'S GIVE BACK LUNCH AND  
DINNER EVENT!



Chili's Proudly Supports Independent Day School!

With each flyer presented on October 11, 2011 for the Independent Day School Lunch and Dinner Give Back Event, Chili's will donate 10% of the sales you bring in to your organization. Let us do the cooking, and support Independent Day School at the same time!

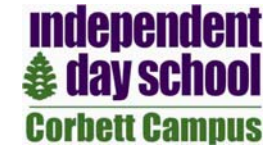
**Independent Day School of Tampa Bay Give Back  
Lunch or Dinner is Tuesday, October 11, 2011 from  
11am to 9pm**

Only at:

Chili's in Carrollwood located at 13050 N. Dale Mabry in Tampa, FL

**We look forward to seeing you here.**

Give Back Night flyer required with each check to receive credit for the sale. Sale cannot be included in donation amount without the flyer. Offer only valid on the date and location stated above. Donations will not be given on sales made prior to or past this date.



We are looking forward to seeing YOU at  
Chili's next week!

Please be sure to bring the left half of this sheet with  
you in order to give IDS a portion of your proceeds.

Every person who pays needs to give the server a  
copy of the flyer. If you go to both lunch and dinner,  
you will need TWO flyers.

In a time crunch? Order Chili's To Go, and IDS will  
still receive a percentage of your order cost!

If you are planning to join us at our restaurant  
fundraiser, please return only this half of the form to  
the office or in your child's Thursday folder. You are  
free to change your mind later, but having a rough  
estimate of attendees will help Chili's to be better  
prepared to meet our needs!

\_\_\_\_\_ Yes! I will be attending the IDS Restaurant  
Fundraiser at Chili's on Tues, October, 11<sup>th</sup>.

or

\_\_\_\_\_ Yes! I will be ordering Chili's To Go to  
support IDS.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

# of Attendees \_\_\_\_\_

# MARVIN HARVEY BASKETBALL SCHOOL OF EXCELLENCE at INDEPENDENT DAY SCHOOL: CORBETT CAMPUS

3th through 8th Grade ONLY



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**LOCATION:**  
**INDEPENDENT DAY SCHOOL: CORBETT CAMPUS**  
12015 Orange Grove Dr.  
Tampa, FL 33618  
www.idsyes.com

## ALL STARS BASKETBALL CLUB

The **All Stars Basketball Club** will skip the month of November. Coming soon you will receive information about a basketball league for this age group starting in December.

## 110% BASKETBALL CLUB

The 110% Basketball Club provides professional instructional development applying the Academy's **EXCLUSIVE New Fundamentals**. It is dedicated to introducing children from third to fifth grades to the game of basketball and the essentials that are necessary for player growth.

**Tuesdays 5:10 pm - 6:40 pm**  
**October 18th through November 29th, 2011**  
**\$175 per seven weeks of training**

***"There are two types of players; Trained and Untrained." Marvin Harvey***

## 8-2-9 BASKETBALL CLUB

The 8-2-9 Basketball Club, is dedicated to the continuation of basketball development for children from sixth to eight grades. Players start the process of mastering their high school and college basketball skills.

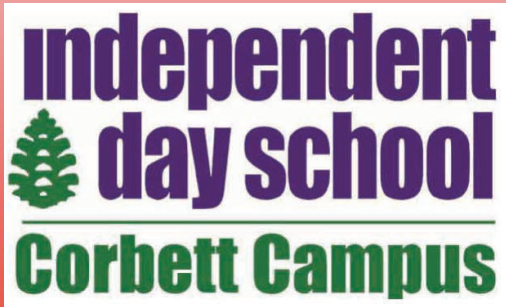
**Saturdays 9:00 am - 10:30 am**  
**October 22nd through December 10th**  
**OFF November 19th and November 26th**  
**\$150 per six weeks of training**

**No refunds available after the first class**

***Students from outside IDS - CC are welcome!!***

**For more information please contact:**

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**iromero@idsyes.com**  
**Ph: 813-961-3087 ext. 312**



Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Age/ Grade: \_\_\_\_\_

Home mailing address: \_\_\_\_\_

City / State / Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Name / Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Home / Cell Number: \_\_\_\_\_

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# WEEKLY SPORTS UPDATE

October 10th-14th

Daily Sports Hotline: (813) 961-3087, ext. 399



Date	Time	Team/Sport	School	Location	Pick-Up	Comments
Mon.	4:00	Volleyball-Silver Team	CDS	CDS	5:15	P/U MS GYM
10/10	5:00	Volleyball-Green Team	CDS	CDS	7:15	P/U MS GYM
	6:00	Volleyball-Purple Team	CDS	CDS	7:15	P/U MS GYM
	3:00	All Soccer Teams	Practice	Buchanan Field	5:00	
	3:00	Cross Country Team	Practice	Country Place Park West	5:00	P/U MS GYM
Tues. 10/11	4:00	Cross Country Team	Meet	CDS	5:30	P/U MS Gym
Weds.	3:00	Volleyball-Silver Team	Practice	MS Gym	4:30	
10/12	3:00	Volleyball-Green & Purple Teams	Practice	Corbett Hall	5:00	
	3:00	Soccer-Green Team	Practice	Buchanan Field	3:45	Take note of p/u time
	4:00	Soccer-Silver Team	St. John's (E)	Buchanan Field	5:00	
	5:00	Soccer-Purple Team	St. John's (E)	Buchanan Field	6:00	
	Off	Cross Country Team	Off			
Thur.	4:00	Volleyball-Silver Team	St. John's (E)	MS Gym	5:00	
	4:00	Volleyball-Green Team	St. John's (E)	Corbett Hall	5:00	
10/13	5:00	Volleyball-Purple Team	St. John's (E)	Corbett Hall	6:00	
	Off	Soccer-Silver Team	Off			
	4:00	Soccer-Purple Team	Tampa Prep	Buchanan Field	5:00	
	4:00	Soccer-Green Team	Acad. @ Lakes	Acad. @ Lakes	6:00	
	Off	Cross Country Team	Off			
Fri.	4:00	Volleyball-Silver Team	Berkeley Prep	Berkeley Prep	6:00	
10/14	5:00	Volleyball-Green Team	Berkeley Prep	Berkeley Prep	7:30	
	6:00	Volleyball-Purple Team	Berkeley Prep	Berkeley Prep	7:30	
	3:00	All Soccer Teams	Practice	Buchanan Field	5:00	
	3:00	Cross Country Team	Team Party	MS Gym/Dean Dining	5:00	

**DIRECTIONS ON BACK:**

**ACADEMY AT THE LAKES:** 1800 Collier Parkway, Land O' Lakes, 948-2133. Dale Mabry north to the end at Junction 41. Left onto Junction 41. 1/4 mile right onto 54. Travel approximately 3 miles, left onto Collier Parkway. The school is on the right. The recreation center is a 1/2 mile past the school on the right.

**BERKELEY PREP SCHOOL:** 4811 Kelly Rd. Tampa, 885-1673.  
Dale Mabry south to the Hillsborough exit. Take a right onto Hillborough at the end of the ramp. Left onto Kelly Road (TJ Maxx and Mobil station on the corner). The school is on the left.

**CARROLLWOOD DAY SCHOOL:** 1515 W. Bearss Avenue: 920-2288 (for Cross Country meets; try to get here after 3:30 if possible because otherwise, you will get in the dismissal crowd.) We have 2 entrances off Bearss Ave. and either one is ok to enter and park (buses may have more room and be easier to park if you enter on the East side, which would be the one closest to Florida Ave.). You will see parking spaces as you come in...park where you can. Meeting area will be north of the school.

**COUNTRY PLACE PARK – WEST:** From IDS, north on Dale Mabry Hwy to Ehrlich. Left on Ehrlich to Hutchison. Right on Hutchison and park will be about a mile down on the right, before you get to the Veterans. (If you are picking up at the park, you **MUST** be there by 4:40pm because we will need to load up the bus to get back to IDS in time for a 5:00pm pick-up)

**VOLLEYBALL: Played at Tampa Bay Baptist Conference Center:**

North on Dale Mabry. Turn right on Bearss (Ehrlich). At 3<sup>rd</sup> traffic light (Lake Magdalene Blvd.) turn left. Go 1 mile, conference center will be on the right. The gym will be straight ahead. Ignore any signs about paying, the facility is rented and there is no charge.