



BRIDGES

OLV's SCHOOL TO HOME CONNECTION



November/December, 2009



General Information...

- All Parent's Guild meetings will take place on the second Thursday of each month. Free childcare will be provided.
- Watch for more student/adult enrichment programs after the holidays.
- Keep getting those Scrips! Earn money for OLV by not spending an extra penny!!!

Upcoming Events...

- December 10th-Parent Guild Meeting
- December 12th-Super Sitter Services
- December 16th-Teacher's Holiday Luncheon
- December 17th-Scrapbooking
- December 18th-Christmas Concert
- December 20th-Super Sitter Services

Notes from the Parent's Guild Officers



- ❖ HAPPY HOLIDAYS!!! We wish you and your family a happy and healthy Christmas and New Year!
- ❖ Continue to check ourladyofthevalleyregional.com, as dates are always subject to change and these pages are updated frequently.
- ❖ Brick sales have begun...don't miss out on becoming part of something permanent!

NOVEMBER FUNDRAISING-HOLIDAY FAIR



The Holiday fair was another huge success! Three cheers for Beth Brown and Noreen Arpin for coordinating such a wonderful event!!! Thank you to all who spent hours baking, crafting, soliciting, working the day of the event, and spending time doing the various other tasks necessary to pull off this huge OLV fundraiser. What a great way to kick off the holiday season!

Save the date...Christmas Concert

Friday, Dec. 18, 2009, 7-9 p.m.



The Christmas Concert will take place at St. Mary's Church. Refreshments will be served in the OLV cafeteria following the concert. More details will be coming home in the following week.



OCTOBER FUNDRAISING- ERECYCLE EVENT



An extra big thank you to Patti Kane for coordinating such a successful event!!! The profit for this event was almost \$1800... for collecting people's trash! Not to worry if you missed this one-look for information in the coming months about the May Erecycle event. They will accept all things metal in addition to the electronics so it will be even bigger!

SCRIP CONTEST!



For the month of December, for every \$50 you spend in SCRIP purchases, your name will be entered into a drawing to receive \$50 in any store or gift card of your choosing! This is for ANY Scrip order you place, not just purchases you are making for Christmas gifts. Every time you order the cards that you use for everyday purchases: Hannaford's, Shaw's, CVS, Wal-mart, Dunkin' Donuts, Jumbo Donuts, Kohl's, Home Depot, Starbucks, etc, it will be included in determining how often your name is entered into the drawing. And because orders can be placed via email (minyma@charter.net) or online at www.shopwithscrip.com, you can order right up through December 31st. The drawing for the \$50 in Scrip will take place during the first week in January, and the winner will be announced by Friday, January 8th.

The best part is that every order you place helps to raise funds for OLV, so no matter whose name gets drawn, our children are the winners!

HOLIDAY SUPER SITTER SERVICE



Enjoy peaceful, stress-free, and productive shopping while the 6th and 7th grade students happily entertain your children. All proceeds benefit the Washington D.C. trip. Days remaining are:

Saturday, December 12, 1-5 p.m.

Sunday, December 20, 1-5 p.m.

Cost is \$20 (1 child/family), \$30 (2 children/family), \$40 (3 children/family), for all or part of the allotted time, children ages 2 and up. Children and sitters will be supervised by parents.



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SCRAPBOOKING



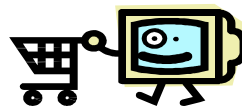
Scrapbooking is in full swing! Each Thursday, except for those when the Guild meetings take place, no registration required. Come one night, or twenty, there is no commitment! Share ideas, materials, and some peace and quiet! Don't scrapbook? Come organize those photo albums or work on any other project you've been trying to finish!

SCRIPS



Scrips = free money for OLV at no cost to you! You earn money for our school without spending a single additional penny. Just spend your regular shopping dollars with scrip at the stores that participate in the program! And scrip can be used for just about any household purchase including food, clothing, entertainment, gasoline and even dining out. Think of it this way...you're going to go grocery shopping anyway; with a little advance planning you can purchase a Shaw's card and use it when you go to the store. Or, who doesn't make multiple trips to Wal-Mart or CVS each week? Why not make money for the school at the same time? Contact Mary Lou or Joe Verla with any questions at minyma@charter.net.

ONLINE STORE



We are looking for donations of new or "gently used" items to sell on our online web store. Some examples are electronic games/cartridges/systems, jewelry, artwork, dishes/China, frames, small toys, small kitchen appliances, gadgets, books on tape, cameras/video/audio equipment, CD's/DVD's, pocketbooks/wallets, computer software, ski/sports equipment, lamps, or collectibles. We will consider just about anything! Take a picture of the donated item, and along with a suggested price and details of the item, send to Kathy Tonry at pktonry@verizon.net. All proceeds will go to the School Improvement Fund.

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