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Dear Fellow HSA Members,

Where has 2017 gone? Can you believe we are starting Christmas Vacation? This has been a very busy time of the year for all of us. I hope that each of you spend quality time with your family during the holiday and break.

We have a lot of exciting activities planned for next year. In January & February, we have Catholic Schools Week, the Alumni Players Dinner Theater, and the Polar Bear Plunge. We will be looking for volunteers to help with these great events.

Also, In January we will hold our second HSA general membership meeting to start planning for the 2018-2019 school year.

Please don't hesitate to let me or any of the other Executive Board Members if you have any questions or suggestions.

Sincerely,

Katie Franklin

HSA President



***HSA COMMITTEE
MEMBERS, 2017-18:***

President: Katie Franklin

***Vice President: Patty
DiBonaventuro***

Secretary: Stephanie White

Treasurer: Katie Wingenter

***Volunteer Coordinator: Jessica
Klasko***

***Membership Coordinator: Heather
McGaffin***

Teacher Liaison: Cindy Grater

Upcoming events:

**January 10, 7PM - HSA General
Membership Meeting, Providence
Room**

January 26-27 - Alumni Players

**January 28-February 3 - Catholic
Schools Week**

February 2-3 - Alumni Players

**February 9 - HSA Valentine Movie
Night**

**March 25 - Palm Sunday Basket
Auction/Bake Sale**

January Home and School Association Meeting

On January 10, 2018 at 7 pm, we will have our next Home and School Association meeting. We are going to be sending out the current HSA bylaws for your review. We are asking members to make recommendations and submit them prior to January 5, 2017. The night of the meeting we will discuss and vote on the submitted changes. Please take the time to review the bylaws prior to the meeting. We will also discuss the calendar for the remainder of the school year to include many of fun events for you and your family. We will also start planning for 2018-2019 school year and the school's 85th Anniversary. Please start thinking of ideas that will help ensure a successful year. We will also discuss our Wine and Design and Bowling Fundraiser which were voted on during the September HSA meeting.

Reflections on the first half of the year

Thank you for your continued support and helping to make each of our events successful!

We started the year off with a Reading Night, the younger children all had a great time and we couldn't have done it without the help of the volunteers and Heather Hankins. We look forward to more fun nights like this!

The weather cooperated this year for PRAD. Both the sand art table and parade were great successes. The school float took 2nd place in the parade, receiving a \$100 prize. A special thanks to the DiBonaventuro and Plakos families for their coordination of those events. This year marked our 8th Annual Christmas Bazaar. This event takes a lot of hard work from our wonderful volunteers, the event raised over \$10,000. Without the help of Anne Cannady; Jessica Klasko; Patty DiBonaventuro; Beth Oster; Susan Quinn; Ann Hough; and many more volunteers we would never had such a successful event.



Upcoming Spirit Nights

A quick and easy way to help support Our Lady Star of the Sea and you don't have to cook.

January 31 – Moe's

March 14 – Moe's

April 16 – Roy Rogers

May 2 – Moe's

May 21 – Roy Rogers

Gift Cards (Scrip)

Scrip is another easy way for anyone to support OLSS School. By purchasing gift cards at face value, a small portion of each sale is donated to OLSS. Gift cards are available after Mass and in the school office during the week.

The Turkey Trot was a great success this year with over \$6,500 raised. We are very appreciative to our corporate sponsors for helping to make this a record breaking year and for our awesome t-shirts provided to each child at no cost to the school. Please patronize these businesses when you get the chance.



The inaugural One Hot Chili Cook-off during the Solomons Christmas Walk was another great success bringing in over \$1,200. A special thanks to those who cooked the yummy chili, donated baked goods, and for attending the event. Chili Inspired Cookbooks are still available from this fun event and make great Christmas gifts. Thanks to all who cooked and help to coordinate the event. We look forward to making this an annual event.



We look forward to a fun and exciting 2018. Enjoy your Christmas Holiday and we look forward to seeing you in the new year.