



SANTA CATALINA LOWER SCHOOL COUGAR CONNECTION

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MIDDLE SCHOOL SPELLING BEE RESULTS



Left to right, Farah Abouzeid, Annika Fling, Jessica Michalek.

After spelling the word, “veterinarian,” correctly, Grade 7 student Farah Abouzeid was declared the winner of our Middle School Spelling Bee held on Thursday, February 15, in the MPR. She will represent Santa Catalina School at the Monterey County Spelling Bee on March 11, 2007. The winner of the Monterey County Bee wins a trip to Washington D.C. in April to compete in the National Spelling Bee.

Winning a Second Place ribbon was Grade 6 student Jessica Michalek, who missed on the word “contingency.” Annika Fling, Grade 7, won the Third Prize. Congratulations to our three champions and to all the other contestants who went through three entire rounds with no errors!

MIDDLE SCHOOL GOLF TEAM MEMBER HONORED AT AT&T

During the recent AT&T tournament at Pebble Beach, Grade 8 student Annie Bowsby received one of Pebble Beach AT&T Junior Golf Association’s most prestigious awards – this year’s most improved player. The award is given annually by the Board of Directors to one of the hundreds of children involved



in the program throughout the Monterey Peninsula and surrounding communities. Annie received the award from Bill Sendell (pictured on left), the program director and Head Pro at Spyglass Hill Golf Course. The ceremony was held on February 7 during the Payne Stewart Youth Clinic at the Pebble Beach Driving Range.

What’s Ahead

- March Community Service: *Jump Rope for Heart.*
- Grade 1 to Aquarium, Thursday, February 22, 9:15 a.m. – 12:20 p.m.
- Grandparents’ Day forms need to be turned in by Friday, February 23. Forms are available in the Lower School office.
- Primary/Intermediate Assembly, Friday, February 23, 8:15 a.m., MPR. Pre-K presents.
- Golf begins March 6 vs. All Saints, 4:00 p.m., location TBA.
- Grade 2 Brownies, Tuesday, March 6, Service League Cottage.
- Grade 3 Brownies, Tuesday, March 6, 3:15 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.
- Deadline for Big Sur Marathon applications, Thursday, March 8, 12 noon.
- Grade 5 to All Pet’s Hospital, Thursday, March 8, 9:00 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.
- Service League Board meeting, Thursday, March 8, 2:00 p.m.
- Primary/Intermediate Assembly, Friday, March 9, 8:15 a.m., MPR. Grade 5 presents.
- Cub Scout Pack 106, Friday, March 9, 6:30 p.m., MPR.
- Service League Faculty Appreciation Luncheon, March 16, 11:30 a.m., Santo Domingo Dining Hall.

WINTER BREAK REMINDER:
FEBRUARY 26 - MARCH 2.
CLASSES RESUME MARCH 5.

SPORTS RECOGNITION PROGRAM
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 7
10:30 - 11:30 A.M.
MPR, C SCHEDULE

BASKETBALL SCORES

Date	Opponent	Score
2/27	Carmel Middle School	Grade 7 Boys Grade 8 Boys
2/13	Chartwell	Grade 7 Boys Grade 8 Boys

Carmel 39/Catalina 35
Carmel 60/Catalina 35
Catalina 24/Chartwell 4
Catalina 34/Chartwell 26

SUMMER AT SANTA CATALINA



Registration packets for *Summer at Santa Catalina* are now available in the Lower School Office. Camp is for girls entering Grade 3 through Grade 9 in the fall. Session A is June 24 to July 7 and Session B is July 8 to July 28. Please call 655.9386 if you have any questions about camp!

CARNIVAL

Do you want to know the *Carnival* theme? Join us for the kick-off meeting on Wednesday, March 7, from 2:00 p.m. through 3:00 p.m. in the Service League Cottage. The Lower School Carnival will be on Saturday, May 5, 2007 from 11:00 a.m. through 4:00 p.m. This is a fabulous way to get involved, meet new people and have fun! There are still many volunteer positions available. Hope to see you there!

JUMP ROPE FOR HEART

From Jeff Hrepich

Santa Catalina Lower School will be participating in the American Heart Association's *Jump Rope for Heart* on Tuesday, March 13, at 10:30 a.m. *Jump Rope for Heart* is an event conducted nationwide to educate students about the benefits of aerobic exercise and heart health while raising funds to support the fight against heart disease and stroke. Each student will be given a form and asked to try and raise \$50.00 in pledges this year. Please return all donations by March 16. Go Cougars!

RE-ENROLLMENT DEADLINE

Re-enrollment contracts were due on February 19. If you have not turned in your contract and deposit, please do so by this Friday, February 23. Thank you.

SWIMMING NEWS

Grades 3, 4, and 5 will begin swimming when we return from winter break. The pool is a comfortable 83 degrees and there are certified Lifeguards on deck throughout the class. Students should bring a towel and their own goggles if they wear them. One piece suits are preferable for girls and board shorts and rash guards are okay as well. Long hair should be neatly tied back. There are hot showers available in both the boy's and girl's locker rooms. If you have any questions, please contact Mark Zalin, Director of Athletics, at 655. 9387.

SERVICE LEAGUE NEWS

**Faculty Appreciation Luncheon
Friday, March 16th, 11:30 a.m.**

Every year the Service League hosts a Faculty Appreciation Luncheon. This is an opportunity for parents to say thank you in a special way to our faculty and staff. Please join us this year in the Santo Domingo Dining Hall for this wonderful event. For information on how you can help, please call Kathy Gibbs at 333.1868.

IN THE COMMUNITY

- Going skiing over break? Several pairs of unisex ski bibs are available to whomever needs them. Please stop by the Lower School office for more details.
- "Shark Days" at the Monterey Bay Aquarium on February 24 & 25. For program details and a full schedule of events visit www.montereybayaquarium.org
- March is Double Punch Month at Dennis Uniform. Every \$10 purchase is worth two stamps on your Dennis Advantage Card. This offer is valid for in-store purchases only during March 2007. For internet specials, please visit www.dennisuniform.com. More information is available in the Lower School office.

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