

SANTA CATALINA UPPER SCHOOL

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Greetings from Dr. Murphy

Dear Parents:

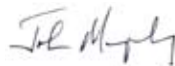
On Thursday, April 17, the fifth annual Santa Catalina Golf Tournament will be held at Pasadera Country Club. The Golf Tournament raises funds to benefit Santa Catalina's Upper and Lower School Athletic Programs. It is a wonderfully enjoyable event and it serves a good cause. For many fathers it also serves as a great start to our annual Father-Daughter Weekend. For those who have not yet shared this weekend with us, the events begin with a reception at Santa Catalina from 5:00-7:00 p.m. on Friday evening. Girls and guests may have their pictures taken at that time before they go off to dinner at any of the fine restaurants on the Monterey Peninsula. Dinner reservations should be made by the girls through the two senior students in charge of this responsibility at School. Our students have been asked to sign up in the Study Hall for their preference of time and location. This may be in groups or just a student and her guest. In any event, the two seniors will make and confirm the dinner reservations. Following dinner, many will return to Santa Catalina for dancing until late in the evening, at which time the resident students return to their rooms in hopes that all will get a good night's sleep.

Saturday morning offers a number of sports. Please be sure to return your response card as quickly as possible so that we can organize each event properly. Also, please check with your

daughter to be sure that you and she agree on the activity you would like! Afternoon time is yours. Dinner at Santa Catalina on Saturday evening begins at 5:30 p.m. and gives us an opportunity to present some awards. After dinner, we will enjoy the production of *Thoroughly Modern Millie* in the PAC with senior dads offering some entertainment right after. A very special Mass on Sunday morning at 9:30 a.m. will be held in the Rosary Chapel with both students and fathers participating. Father-Daughter Weekend is a long-standing tradition and has been very much enjoyed by years of students and their fathers. We hope that it will be as happy a time for you.

The month of April is very busy, as usual, and of course the month of May will bring with it a raft of activity including the Junior-Senior Prom, the Evening of the Arts, and our Yearbook Dinner. It is no doubt that May will bring with it the beginnings of some nostalgia for our senior students as well. We look forward to that month with the seniors and indeed with all of our students. In the meantime, thank you for your support.

Sincerely,



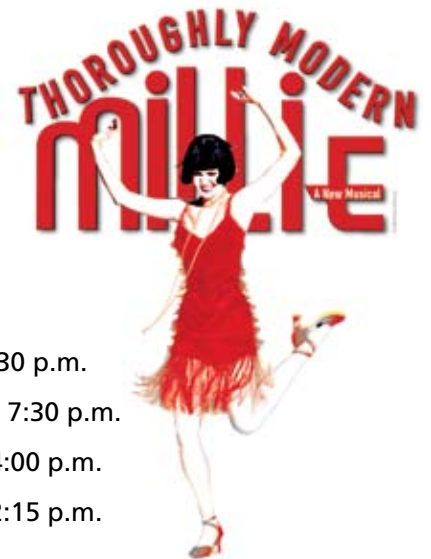
John J. Murphy, Ph.D.
Head of Upper School

Important Dates: April 2008

Please visit the Web calendar for the latest detailed information.

- **Saturday, April 12**
ACT Exam
- **Wednesday, April 16**
Cum Laude Ceremony followed by Spring Concert
- **Thursday, April 17**
Annual Golf Tournament
- **Friday, April 18-Sunday, April 20**
Father-Daughter Weekend
- **Thursday, April 24-Sunday, April 27**
Open Weekend - dismissal after last class on April 24
Residents return by 7:30 p.m. on April 27
- **Monday, April 28**
Classes resume
- **Wednesday, April 30**
Founder's Day - St. Catherine of Siena
Spirit Day and Cake Auction

Santa Catalina
Theatre Arts
Presents



Friday, April 11 • 7:30 p.m.
Saturday, April 12 • 7:30 p.m.
Sunday, April 13 • 4:00 p.m.
Friday, April 18 • 12:15 p.m.

General Admission - \$9 • Seniors, Students, Military - \$6

For tickets: Call 831.655.9341 or reserve online at
www.santacatalina.org > performances and events.

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Father–Daughter Weekend 2008

■ Friday, April 18–Sunday, April 20

Father–Daughter Weekend is just around the corner! Please note these important dates in the invitation:

April 4: Please return your activity card and \$125 to Santa Catalina by this date.

April 18: Arrive on campus by 5:00 p.m. for the first event of the weekend.

We also encourage you to make your reservations at local hotels as soon as possible. Reservations can be made through www.resort2me.com. Get ready for another great weekend!

Science Fair Winners Announced

A number of students recently participated in the Monterey Science and Engineering Fair sponsored by the Monterey County Office of Education, the U.S. Naval Postgraduate School, the Lyceum of Monterey, and CSUMB. The fair is an opportunity for students to pursue in-depth study of natural phenomena through scientific research. The projects in research categories range from Applied Mechanics to Plant Biology.

This year, junior Sarah Bellingham was the Grand Prize First Runner-up with her project, “Is a Picture Worth a Thousand Words?” She also won first place in the Behavioral Science category, as well as awards from the U.S. Army, the U.S. Air Force, and the U.S. Navy/U.S. Marine Corps. Sarah is now eligible to participate in the California State Science Fair in Los Angeles as well as the Intel International Science and Engineering Fair in Atlanta, Georgia, both held in May. We wish Sarah all the best!

Other winners included juniors Veronica Cortes and Julia Davids, who placed second in Biochemistry/Molecular Biology with their project, “Detection of Alu Insertion by PCR.” Third place in the Electricity and Electronics division was awarded to sophomores

Kathryn Callander and Rachel O’Leary for “Quentin 3.0: A Line Following Robot.” Senior Amber Clarke was recognized by the Ricoh Company for her Environmental Engineering project, “Pollution Effects on a Photovoltaic Cell.” Congratulations to all the students who participated in the Science Fair!



Back row, left to right: Rachel O’Leary, Veronica Cortes, Julia Davids, and Amber Clarke.

Front row, left to right: Sarah Bellingham and Kathryn Callander.

Student Artists in Two Local Galleries

Students in the visual arts department were busy last month in preparation for two local art shows. The first, “Thinking Out Loud” at the Carl Cherry Center for the Arts in Carmel, was an exhibit by local high school students that explored fresh ways of looking at and thinking about art. The exhibit opened at the 60th anniversary party for the Cherry Center, with over 30 Santa Catalina students displaying artwork.



Old Faithful by Lottie Dowson '09

The second show, “The Annual Youth Art Competitive” at the Walter Lee Avery Gallery in Seaside, was another successful endeavor for our students. Senior Kristina Wasserman placed first in the sculpture category. In the graphics division, sophomore Rachel O’Leary won first place while junior Rosemary Hall received an honorable mention. Senior Amber Clarke won second place in the painting category and Lauren Boczek, also a senior, received an honorable mention in photography.

Lastly, congratulations to the following students for earning Gold Keys in the Scholastic Art and Writing Awards: Amber Clarke, senior – painting; Rosemary Hall, junior – printmaking (2); and Ariana Patterson, junior – ceramics and glass. The Scholastic Art and Writing Awards is a national, annual competition in which only 10 percent of the entries receive Gold Key awards. Those who receive a Gold Key qualify for national level adjudication. Winners are announced in April.

Congratulations to all of our visual art students, and to the Art Department faculty, for another job well done!

Annual Sports Award Assembly in May

The annual Sports Awards Assembly will be held on Sunday, May 18 at 4:00 p.m. in the Performing Arts Center. Mr. Zalin will preside, and coaches will present awards. A reception in the Alumnae Garden will follow the presentation. The reception will give students, parents, and coaches the opportunity to share some time together. Invitations to the Sports Award Assembly will be in the mail at the end of April. Included will be information regarding your response.

Teams that may not have already enjoyed a team gathering may still plan picnics or informal dinners during which they have the opportunity to thank their coaches. Parents wishing to host a team picnic or dinner should email Sister Christine directly at Sister_Christine@santacatalina.org to avoid any conflict of activities on the calendar.

Our student athletes work and play very hard and perform extraordinarily well. We look forward to honoring them at our Sports Awards Assembly in May and hope you can join us.

Junior Service Day Helps Local Groups



On February 28, the junior class participated in their annual Service Day. Projects included harbor restoration work, where students removed an invasive species of algae from the docks (pictured left), and mural painting at the Gateway Center (pictured below).

During their work at the harbor, students were filmed for an upcoming public service announcement. Groups of students also assisted at Meals on Wheels, Dorothy's Kitchen, St. Vincent de Paul stores, Food Bank, and the Salvation Army Good Samaritan Center.



Announcing a New Partnership with myschoolbookstore.com[®]

■ New Way to Buy Books for 2008-2009

At the end of the 2007-2008 school year we will be changing our procedures for the collection and sale of textbooks.

We are pleased to announce that we will work with myschoolbookstore.com for the next school year, making the purchase of textbooks more convenient by offering online book sales. Starting this summer, the online bookstore will be open 24 hours a day, selling new and used textbooks through the end of December 2008. Payment options include check, money order or major credit cards. [Myschoolbookstore.com](http://myschoolbookstore.com) offers telephone assistance with live operators and online help to guide you through your online purchases.

The campus bookstore will continue to have a limited number of textbooks to sell in case of changes to schedules, etc. If a student adds a class after the beginning of school, for example, the campus bookstore will have the textbooks she needs.

■ Book Buy-Back Procedure

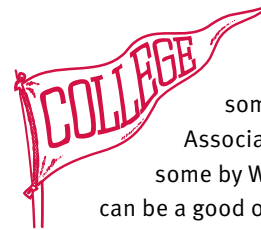
In the closing days of spring semester, students can reduce their yearly textbook costs by selling their used books back to myschoolbookstore.com. Credit from the buy-back will be applied to individual student accounts. Seniors and non-returning students will be mailed a refund check.

If you have questions, please contact John Aime, Assistant Head of School, at 831.655.9321 or John_Aime@santacatalina.org.

It's Never Too Late to Donate!

Be counted in this year's Annual Fund! Parent participation in the *Every Parent Campaign* is growing each day, helping our school continue the kinds of programs that set Santa Catalina apart. Currently, 41% of Upper School parents have made a contribution to the Annual Fund, and we are looking forward to seeing that number grow. Parent participation is a factor when foundations consider our grant requests and are an important investment in school life. Whatever the amount, your donation has impact and is greatly appreciated. If you are not yet a part of this vital effort, it's not too late. Make your gift today at www.santacatalina.org, or call 831.655.9384. *Every Parent Counts!*

Upcoming College Fairs in California



This spring a number of college fairs will be held in various locations in California, some sponsored by NACAC (National Association for College Admission Counseling), some by WACAC (Western Association). These fairs can be a good opportunity (for parents as well as students) to speak with representatives from colleges and universities from around the country and abroad to get information about their institutions, pick up materials, ask questions, etc.

- **Sun., April 6, 1:30–4:30 p.m.**
Orange County Fair & Expo Center, Costa Mesa (NACAC)
- **Tues., April 8, 9:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m., 6:00–8:30 p.m.**
Ontario Convention Center (NACAC)
- **Thurs., April 10, 9:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m.; 5:30–8:30 p.m.**
San Diego Convention Center (NACAC)
- **Sun., April 13, 1:00–4:00 p.m.**
- **Mon., April 14, 8:30–11:30 a.m.**
Galen Center, University of Southern California (NACAC)
- **Tues., April 15, 5:30–8:30 p.m.**
Seaside Park, Ventura (NACAC)
- **Thurs., April 17, 3:00–7:00 p.m.**
Concourse Exhibition Center, San Francisco (NACAC)
- **Mon., April 21, 9:30–11:30 a.m.**
Cal State University East Bay, Hayward (WACAC)
- **Tues., April 22, 9:00–11:30 a.m., 6:00–8:00 p.m.**
Sonoma State University (WACAC)
- **Wed., April 23, 6:00–8:00 p.m.**
Dominican University, San Rafael (WACAC)
- **Thurs., April 24, 9:30 a.m.–12:00p.m., 6:00–8:00 p.m.**
Mission College, Santa Clara (WACAC)
- **Sat., April 26, 1:30–4:30 p.m.**
St. Mary's College, Moraga (WACAC)

For anyone interested in attending any of these fairs, additional information, last minute schedule changes, directions and (in some cases) lists of registered colleges may be found at www.nacacnet.org and www.wacac.org, respectively.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	
<p>6</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cal State Thespian Festival Yearbook Work Weekend Kickball 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM Mass 5:00 PM Rosary Chapel 	<p>7</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Morning Prayer 7:40 AM Final Run-Through with Tech "Thoroughly Modern Millie" 3:00 PM - 5:45 PM Faculty Meeting 3:00 PM Community Dinner - B 6:15 PM Prefect Meeting 7:15 PM 	<p>1</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Morning Prayer 7:40 AM Tech Rehearsal "Thoroughly Modern Millie" 3:00 PM - 5:45 PM Softball v. Gonzales 4:00 PM 	<p>2</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Morning Prayer 7:40 AM Tech Rehearsal "Thoroughly Modern Millie" 3:00 PM - 5:45 PM Chapel Singing 5:30 PM 	<p>3</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cal State Thespian Festival Morning Prayer 7:40 AM Santa Catalina Parent Association Board Meeting 8:15 AM The Cottage Upper Admin Meeting 10:00 AM TrackField @ Carmel 3:30 PM 	<p>4</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cal State Thespian Festival Morning Prayer 7:40 AM Quantitative Physics Class Field Trip 10:30 AM - 1:30 PM At Monterey Peninsula College Workshops 3:00 PM Freshman Retreat departs at 3:00 PM Evening Shuttle 6:30 PM - 10:30 PM Lacrosse Western States Tournament At Stanford University Softball @ Carmel 4:00 PM Swimming v. RLS 3:30 PM 	<p>5</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Alumnae Family Event Off campus Yearbook Work Weekend Merit Scholarship Cal State Thespian Festival Freshman Retreat returns at 3:00 PM TrackField King City Invitational Equestrian Team Zone Finals At Thacher School Lacrosse Western States Tournament Western States Lacrosse Tournament At Stanford University 	
<p>13</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> SAT Prep Class 5 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM "Thoroughly Modern Millie" 4:00 PM PAC Senate Dinner 6:00 PM 	<p>14</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Morning Prayer 7:40 AM Department Chairs Meeting 3:00 PM Senate 5:30 PM Community Dinner - C 6:15 PM Resident Council Meeting 7:00 PM 	<p>15</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Morning Prayer 7:40 AM Student Life 9/10 3:00 PM Softball @ King City 4:00 PM 	<p>16</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Special Schedule Morning Prayer 7:40 AM Cum Laude Ceremony followed by Spring Concert 1:15 PM Chapel Singing 5:30 PM Swimming v. Carmel 3:30 PM 	<p>17</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Golf Tournament Morning Prayer 7:40 AM Upper Admin Meeting 10:00 AM Workshops 3:00 PM Pick Up Rehearsal 3:00 PM - 5:45 PM Softball v. Soledad 4:00 PM Lacrosse @ Gunn 1:50 PM Dismissal TrackField @ Carmel 3:30 PM 	<p>18</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> C Schedule Father-Daughter Weekend Morning Prayer 7:40 AM "Thoroughly Modern Millie" 12:15 PM Dinner & Movie 5:00 PM - 10:00 PM 	<p>19</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Father-Daughter Weekend Valley Fair Mall Shopping Trip 10:00 AM - 5:00 PM "Thoroughly Modern Millie" 7:30 PM TrackField Bill Kearney Invitational TBA 	
<p>20</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Father-Daughter Weekend Mass 9:30 AM Rosary Chapel 	<p>21</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Grades Due C- or Lower 8:00 AM Morning Prayer 7:40 AM New Faculty Meeting 3:00 PM Senate Officers 5:30 PM Community Dinner - A 6:15 PM 	<p>22</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Morning Prayer 7:40 AM 	<p>23</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Morning Prayer 7:40 AM Softball v. Pacific Grove 4:00 PM Swimming v. York 3:30 PM 	<p>24</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Open Weekend: Dismissal after last class (Note: Thursday) Morning Prayer 7:40 AM Upper Admin Meeting 10:00 AM Softball @ Gonzales 4:00 PM TrackField @ Greenfield 3:30 PM 	<p>25</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Open Weekend: No classes 	<p>26</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Open Weekend Mass 5:00 PM Rosary Chapel TrackField Pacific Grove Invitational TBA 	
<p>27</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> No Mass - See 4/26/08 Open Weekend Residents return by 7:30 PM (Note: Sunday) 	<p>28</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Classes resume Morning Prayer 7:40 AM Community Dinner - B 6:15 PM 	<p>29</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Morning Prayer 7:40 AM Environmental Task Force Meeting 4:00 PM - 5:00 PM Lacrosse @ RLS At York: V 4:00 PM; JV 5:30 PM Softball v. Carmel 4:00 PM 	<p>30</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Founder's Day - St. Catherine of Siena Special Schedule Spirit Day/Cake Auction Morning Prayer 7:40 AM Mass 8:45 AM Resident Faculty 4:00 PM Chapel Singing 5:30 PM TrackField @ Stevenson 3:30 PM 	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 10px; text-align: center;"> <p>Events on this page may change. You will find, and can print, an updated monthly calendar at: www.santacatalina.org/calendar</p> </div>			