

# JANUARY 2011 NOTABLES

WELCOME BACK --  
CLASSES RESUME  
ON MONDAY,  
JANUARY 3, 2010

**HAPPY NEW YEAR**

We hope your family has had a healthy, relaxing, and happy holiday. We look forward to welcoming everyone back to school on **Monday, January 3**. Breakfast Club begins promptly at 7:50 a.m. in Elliott Hall. See you then!

**FIRST THURSDAY**  
DECEMBER'S OPEN  
BREAKFAST CLUB  
WITH POLITICAL AD  
MAN, FRED DAVIS

Meet Fred Davis at our first "First Thursday Breakfast Club" of 2011! The man TIME magazine recently called "the most creative political ad man in the country," Fred is also the Anacapa alum dad who created our new COZY ads. Fred's presentation will take place in Elliott Hall from 7:50 to 8:30 am, on Thursday, January 6. Guests are welcome to join us for coffee and chit-chat with Fred afterwards.

Parents are encouraged to bring prospective Anacapa parents to First Thursday, but you are also welcome to come on your own!

**STARTING IN JANUARY:**  
WE WILL BE  
COLLECTING ITEMS  
FOR THE AUCTION  
GRADE-LEVEL  
BASKETS

You should already have received a mailing about one of our popular auction items—theme baskets put together by each grade. There will be boxes on campus starting January 3 to receive grade-level gift basket donations, so please drop yours off in early January. Be sure to label your donated item with your student's name, so the auction committee can check you off. Thanks to all for your support! Questions? E-mail or call parent Julia Alcerro at [heydr.rey@hotmail.com](mailto:heydr.rey@hotmail.com) or 967-0771.

<b>Grades 7 &amp; 8</b>	<b>Baby Basket (Non-Gender Specific)</b>
<b>Grade 9</b>	<b>Teen Girl Basket</b>
<b>Grade 10</b>	<b>Teen Boy Basket</b>
<b>Grade 11</b>	<b>Classic Film Basket</b>
<b>Grade 12</b>	<b>Wine Country / Santa Barbara Gourmet Basket</b>

WE'RE AIMING HIGH:  
HELP US REACH  
100% PARENT  
PARTICIPATION IN  
ANNUAL GIVING!

As we go to press before break, we'd like to thank the following Anacapa parents who have already made their donations to the 2010-2011 Annual Giving Campaign: **Peter Artusio & Sonja Winter, Eryn Eckert, Melissa Erickson, Joe & Sylvia Figueroa, Jairo & Thrisha Francia, Chris Lancashire, Yaroslava & Aivaras Petraitis, Bill & Kathleen Reish, and Juan & Marisa Zarate.** THANK YOU FOR HELPING TO BENEFIT THIS YEAR'S PROGRAM FOR THIS YEAR'S STUDENTS! We are grateful for your support! We'll publish more donors as we work toward our 100% goal.

Tax-deductible donations may be made online via the school's Web site ([www.anacapaschool.org](http://www.anacapaschool.org)) or sent directly to Anacapa. Gifts of all sizes are important to us. We appreciate knowing that ALL Anacapa parents ARE WORKING WITH US on this important endeavor. If you haven't made your donation yet, please do so soon and help us reach 100% parent participation this year!

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GRASSROOTS  
THEATER PRESENTS  
"COME TOGETHER—  
A TRIBUTE TO  
THE BEATLES"

Please join us at Center Stage Theater in Paseo Nuevo at 7:30pm on Friday, January 7 and Saturday, January 8 for our annual Grassroots Theater production. This year's not-to-be-missed performance is a collaborative effort by the Performing Arts, Ensemble Music, and Digital Voyage classes. "Come Together—A Tribute to the Beatles" is a live musical voyage through the 1960s, presented against a video backdrop showing the exciting and turbulent times that were so well represented in the music of the Fab Four. Tickets are \$15 general admission and \$5 for non-Anacapa students. **Anacapa students are FREE.** Tickets are available at Center Stage Theater Box Office (963-0408). A limited number of tickets will also be available through the Anacapa School office but only until Wednesday, January 5.

Check out this month's Faculty Corner from the Performing Arts Department for more information.

IT'S ALMOST TIME  
TO SELECT  
2<sup>ND</sup> SEMESTER  
AFTERNOON  
ELECTIVES

After Winter Break, you will receive a mailing regarding afternoon elective classes for second semester. (You probably remember receiving a similar mailing last summer for first semester afternoon electives.) When you receive this mailing, please discuss the course offerings with your student and help them make informed choices. Then return the form with your student's first-, second-, and third-choice preferences. We'll do our very best to match students' preferences with the available openings! For students who did not take a P.E. class first semester, the school expects that at least one of your second semester electives will be a P.E. class.

GET READY! GET SET!  
LET THE AUCTION  
COUNTDOWN BEGIN!

**FLYING ANACAPA STUDIOS  
PRESENTS...**



**FLAPPERS, FILMS,  
AND FRIENDS**

The theme of this year's auction, to be held on the Anacapa campus Sunday, March 13, is ***Flying Anacapa Studios Presents...Flappers, Films, and Friends***. As always, the auction will feature delicious food, fun entertainment, great company, and fabulous donations! Anacapa's Auction is a FAMILY event with the emphasis on FUN, SCHOOL SPIRIT, and COMMUNITY-BUILDING TEAMWORK. As soon as we return from the holidays, we'll be kicking into high gear to make this year's Auction the best ever! The auction is a parent-sponsored event, and **EVERYONE is asked to participate in FIVE WAYS:**

- **Securing three donations for the Live and/or Silent Auctions**
- **Donating an item for your student's grade-level basket**
- **Working on an Auction committee with other parents**
- **Purchasing your Auction tickets and selling a few others**
- **Attending the Auction with your family**

Watch for details in a separate mailing in early January. THANKS in advance TO EVERYONE for supporting OUR STUDENTS!

ANOTHER STUDENT  
LEADERSHIP  
OPPORTUNITY

What a super job our first semester senators and tribune have done! We appreciate their positive energy, enthusiasm, and leadership! We're sure the students elected to serve second semester will carry on the tradition. Student senate and tribune elections will take place during "Club period" on Wednesday, January 12. Please encourage your student to run!

OPEN HOUSE FOR  
PROSPECTIVE  
STUDENTS:  
JANUARY 13



We wouldn't be surprised if you and your family are at Anacapa because another family told you about us. Word-of-mouth is the most effective "advertising" tool we have. That's why it's so important that YOU talk about the "Anacapa experience" whenever you get the chance! We can't emphasize enough the important role our wonderful students and parents play in the whole enterprise of finding more great students and parents for next year.

Anacapa's Open Houses are also a crucial part of our recruitment efforts. Our next Open House is scheduled to take place on campus on Thursday, January 13. Campus tours will be held from 5 to 5:30 followed by a one-hour program beginning at 5:30. Let the school office know if you would like us to send an invitation to anyone! Better yet – invite a prospective family to the Open House and bring them along with you. Thanks for helping us spread the word!

MLK, JR. DAY

Please note that school will be closed on Monday, January 17 in observance of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day.

FINAL EXAMS WILL  
TAKE PLACE ON  
JANUARY 18-20

The final exam schedule will be mailed to you in January. In the meantime, please note that exams will take place on Tuesday-Thursday, January 18-20, with school in session from 7:50 a.m. until 12:30 p.m. We will have two morning exam periods each of those days. Please note the following:

- On these three days, students come to school only during their scheduled exams; they should not be on campus at other times during the exam period.
- Students who have an 8 a.m. exam should report to school at 7:50 for Breakfast Club.
- Work/Study students will do their scholarship work from 12:30 to 1:00 p.m. only on days when they have a 10:30-12:30 final.
- There are no afternoon classes or activities on these exam days.
- Friday, January 21 is a semester break for students and a grading day for teachers. There will be no school that day.

SENIOR PARENTS:  
RSVP FOR  
FINANCIAL AID  
WORKSHOP

A representative from the Scholarship Foundation of Santa Barbara will conduct a financial aid workshop for senior parents from 5:30 to 6:30pm on Wednesday, January 19. **Please call the school office at 965-0228 by January 14 to let us know whether or not you plan to attend.** We need a FIRM count beforehand. Thanks!

POSTPONED  
SYNTHESIS UNIT:  
HOW WOULD YOU  
BALANCE THE  
BUDGET?

Anacapa's annual three-day Synthesis Unit is our premier tool for developing critical thinking skills. Originally scheduled for late January, this year's Synthesis Unit ("How Would You Balance the Budget?") has been postponed until February 14-16. This Unit will focus primarily on balancing government budgets. If you have speaker suggestions, please contact Gordon Sichi.

Please remember that student attendance is mandatory and that students will receive 2.5 units of academic credit and a grade based on their attendance and their participation during the Unit and afterwards with their work on the Synthesis Unit "product."

Watch for more information on this year's Synthesis Unit in next month's *Notables*. Also, a detailed Synthesis Unit schedule will be mailed to families right before the Unit begins. *(over please)*

## CALLING ALL JUNIORS AND THEIR PARENTS...

Juniors and Junior Parents, it's time to start focusing on the important and exciting post-graduation options that lie beyond Anacapa. College counselor Lynn Hamilton will meet on campus with all juniors and their parents at 5:30pm on Monday, January 24 to begin the dialog. Please make time to attend this important meeting!

## THE STUDENT TALENT SHOW IS COMING SOON!

To help kick off the second semester, the much-anticipated annual student talent show will take place on Friday afternoon, January 28. The student Senate will be planning and producing this event. It's always a ton of fun, so encourage your student to share a talent or even a "talent" with us!

## UNDERWRITERS HELP KEEP AUCTION COSTS DOWN TO BENEFIT OUR STUDENTS: HERE'S HOW IT WORKS

As you know, we're always looking for ways to minimize auction expenses and thus maximize the profits for this annual fundraiser to benefit our students. In the past, we've achieved this goal partly through the generosity of members of the Anacapa community who underwrite some of the auction expenses:

- Tents / awnings (\$900)
- Tables / chairs (\$300)
- Beverages (\$850)
- Printing (\$2,000)
- Catering (\$2,000)
- Postage (\$300)

If you'd like to underwrite any of the auction expenses so we can direct more of the money we raise to the programs that directly benefit our students, just call the school office and let us know! Thanks!

## PARENTS, PLEASE HELP US KEEP THE FOCUS ON SAFETY!

We ask that parents be vigilant about not jaywalking and not allowing their students to jaywalk—even for school events held after hours. We are very strict about students not jaywalking and insist that they cross any street legally and safely—checking traffic, using crosswalks, crossing with the lights, and observing common sense. The busy—and somewhat complicated—intersection at Santa Barbara and De La Guerra streets can be especially challenging. We ask parents to help us keep everyone safe by using the loading zone. If you do drop off or pick up students from the other side of the street, please be sure that they exit your car onto the sidewalk (not into the street) and that they go to the corner to cross the street legally. As parents of teenagers, you know that consistency is important, so we ask that YOU also follow these rules and safety precautions. Thanks so much for your support!

## FACULTY CORNER HIGHLIGHTS THE PERFORMING ARTS

Reminder: Check out this month's Faculty Corner from the Performing Arts Department. Then come enjoy our talented students' performances at the Grassroots Theater production at Center Stage Theater in Paseo Nuevo on Friday and Saturday, January 7 and 8 at 7:30pm.