

MARCH NOTABLES



WARM ANACAPA WELCOMES TO OUR NEW STUDENTS

We are delighted to welcome Ashleigh Widstrup to our seventh grade! She started during Synthesis Unit, just before break. Please introduce yourself to Ashleigh and her parents, Jason and Sandy Widstrup.

We also look forward this month to welcoming Milena and Mateus Elomaa from Finland. They will be attending Anacapa for the remainder of this school year while their family is on a temporary stay in Santa Barbara! Please join us in welcoming Milena (seventh grade), Mateus (ninth grade), and their parents Titta and Juhani Elomaa!

PURCHASE YOUR AUCTION TICKETS BEFORE THE PRICE GOES UP MARCH 1!

Monday, February 28 is the last day to purchase your auction tickets at the reduced price of \$40. Ticket prices go up to \$50 on March 1. Send your RSVP card and payment to the school office OR purchase your tickets online via the school Web site (www.anacapaschool.org). Online ticket sales are quick, simple, and secure – and there is no service charge.

FIRST THURSDAY BREAKFAST CLUB SERIES CONTINUES THIS MONTH WITH DR. C. ALAN BROWN

Anacapa's Breakfast Club speakers bring high-level critical thinking opportunities to our students. Our First Thursday Open Breakfast Club series is open to prospective parents to see first-hand how a Breakfast Club works. This month's First Thursday speaker will be cardiologist Dr. C. Alan Brown. Dr. Brown, Medical Director of the Cottage Hospital Cardiac Care Unit and Battalion Surgeon for the U.S. Marine Corps 4th Light Armored Reconnaissance Battalion, served with the Navy Reserve Medical Corps in Afghanistan's Helmand Province from 2009 to 2010. Join us Thursday, March 3 for a fascinating presentation about Dr. Brown's experiences serving with the Marines and helping to provide medical care to Afghan villagers. Anacapa parents are encouraged to bring prospective parents to First Thursday, but – of course – you are also welcome to come on your own. Breakfast Club will run from 7:50 to 8:30. Guests are invited to stay afterwards for coffee with Dr. Brown.

THANKS FOR THE GREAT AUCTION DONATIONS—WE'LL ACCEPT MORE UNTIL FRIDAY, MARCH 4

Thanks so much to all of you who turned in your auction donations before the February break. It was a big help to the committee to be able to start processing them. As we go to press, wonderful donations continue to stream in. Thank you, thank you, thank you!

Although Tuesday, March 1 was the original deadline for donations, we could still use some more items—so feel free to take a few more days to turn in your donations. Because each item needs to be catalogued, priced, and prepared for display, we really must have all auction items turned in to the school office NO LATER THAN FRIDAY, MARCH 4. Please help us stay on schedule by getting your donations to us right away. Thanks!

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**AUCTION PROGRAM
ADS ARE DUE
WEDNESDAY,
MARCH 2**

The school's auction program is a great place to advertise a business or service—or to just send a message to your student, a teacher, or to the whole school! We will continue to accept camera-ready artwork and payments until Wednesday, March 2. Here are the rates:

Business Card = \$35 Half Page (4½ x 3") = \$55 Full Page (4½ x 7½ ") = \$75

You may drop off your ad and payment in the school office or e-mail your ad to elizabeth@anacapaschool.org and then send in your payment.

**ANACAPA HOST
FAMILIES WANTED**

How about hosting an international student for the next school year? Anacapa's International Student Committee is looking for families who might be interested in participating in this rewarding cultural experience. Compensation: Minimum \$600 per month. Please contact Eric Kirsch at 692-8430 or internationalanacapa@gmail.com.

**MARDI GRAS:
LET THE GOOD
TIMES ROLL!**



Food! Music! Dancing! Casino Games! The student Senate and Mardi Gras committee will host Anacapa's seventeenth annual Mardi Gras celebration—a fun-filled social event for students and their guests on Friday evening, March 4 from 8 to 11 pm. Anacapa students are asked to let the office know the names of any guests they would like to bring. Students and guests are expected to stay on campus during the dance, which means no leaving the dance and coming back onto campus. Students who leave the dance may not be allowed to return. Students and guests are expected to follow all school rules as stated in *The Anacapa School Handbook*. We are looking forward to another safe and fun Anacapa party!

**PARENTS WANTED—
AND GREATLY
APPRECIATED!
CAN YOU HELP?**

We could use a few parent helpers to help clean up after the Mardi Gras party on Friday, March 4. The more we are—the faster we finish! Last December's clean-up crew finished before midnight (and even had fun!) soooooo if you're a night owl (or if you're just up for helping), give the school office a call and let us know we can expect you when the dance ends at 11 pm. Special thanks to our teacher chaperones and clean-up committee for their assistance! It wouldn't be possible without you!

**MID-QUARTER
NOTICES WILL BE
MAILED AROUND
MARCH 4**

We're nearing the halfway point of the third quarter, and teachers will be sending home *Improvement Needed* notices about March 4 for students who need to make improvement in their class performance. Teachers may also choose to send *Commendation* notices for students who are doing particularly well.

**LIVING VOICES
THEATER PRESENTS
*THE NEW AMERICAN***

Living Voices Theater will once again visit Anacapa—and other local schools—under the sponsorship of Beyond Tolerance. This year's program, *The New American*, recreates a young woman's journey from Ireland to the promise of America. Her journey as an immigrant includes her 1910 steamship passage, the path through Ellis Island, the sweatshops of the Lower East Side of Manhattan, and her quest for citizenship as she embraces her new home, America. The Living Voice Theater presentation will take place during an extended Breakfast Club on Tuesday, March 8.

DO YOU NEED MORE AUCTION INVITATIONS?

Last month, the auction committee mailed all parents a packet including three auction invitations. If you haven't done so already, please use one of these for your family and then use the other two to invite your friends, relatives, co-workers, and neighbors to join us. If you need extra invitations, just call the school office. The more, the merrier!

STUDENTS ARE SELLING RAFFLE TICKETS FOR SOME COOL PRIZES

Before the February break, each student received ten raffle tickets to sell for the auction. Each \$5 ticket gives the ticket holder a chance to win one of three fabulous prizes—a crisp \$100 bill, a \$75 gift card to Ticket Master, or a Discovery Flight with Spitfire Aviation, owned and operated by Anacapa alum Andrea Read! Students are expected to sell their allotted tickets soon. Students who wish to sell more than the allotted ten tickets may get additional tickets from the office. ALL raffle ticket stubs, money, AND unsold tickets are due in the school office no later than Thursday, March 10. The three lucky winners will be announced at the auction on Sunday, March 13. Winners do not have to be present.

HAVE FUN, MEET OTHER PARENTS, HELP TRANSFORM THE CAMPUS FOR FLAPPERS, FILMS, AND FRIENDS

Even if you didn't sign up to be on the Decorations or Set-Up committees, you are MORE THAN WELCOME to join in the fun on Saturday, March 12 and /or Sunday morning, March 13. We guarantee there will be plenty to do and plenty of fun—and the more willing hands we have, the more fun it will be! You are welcome to bring your son or daughter because we always have jobs for student workers, too. So come on out to lend a hand and get to know other Anacapa parents as we set the stage for Sunday's fabulous Roaring '20s party—**FLAPPERS, FILMS, AND FRIENDS**.

AUCTION SUNDAY, MARCH 13

Flying Anacapa Studios Presents...



FLAPPERS, FILMS, AND FRIENDS

The 27th annual Anacapa School auction will feature all the things you've come to expect from this event—friendly people, fabulous food, great buys, and the satisfaction of supporting our wonderful students! **The funds raised by the auction are essential to balance our budget each year.** We depend on the auction's success to help us finish out a positive school year. ALL proceeds directly benefit YOUR students THIS YEAR!

The parent leadership team has had fun planning the auction with its Roaring '20s theme, and we think you'll have just as much fun attending it! We're looking forward to seeing ALL Anacapa parents and students and your friends, neighbors, and relatives on Sunday afternoon, March 13!

MARCH SPECIAL: AN OFF-CAMPUS DAY FOR STUDENTS AND TEACHERS

It's time for our March Special, a long-time tradition of taking a day off from classes and doing something together. Since the auction was brought to campus, we have been scheduling the March Special to coincide with the removal of the big tent and campus clean-up the day after the auction. We are firming up plans and will send details about the March Special soon.

2010-2011 SCHOOL DIRECTORY UPDATE

Enclosed in this mailing are copies of a directory update, which can be stapled into parents' and students' 2010-2011 Anacapa School directories. Please be sure to let the school office know if any of your family's directory information changes during the year.

OPEN HOUSE: IT'S ALL ABOUT FINDING MORE GOOD KIDS!

Our next Open House for prospective students and their families is scheduled for the evening of Monday, March 21. Campus tours will be held from 5 to 5:30 followed by a one-hour program beginning at 5:30. Help us spread the word! We want more good kids like your good kids!

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**RE-ENROLLMENT:
LET US KNOW
YOU'LL BE BACK!**

We want you back next year! Re-enrollment letters will be mailed soon, and re-enrollment forms and tuition deposits for the 2011-2012 school year are due later this month. Please let us know your plans for next year as soon as possible but no later than Tuesday, March 22. If you have any questions, please call Sheryn in the school office (965-0228).

**1ST SEMESTER
BOOK BILLS DUE**

Thanks to those of you who have already paid your first semester book bills, which were mailed recently. If you haven't already done so, please send your payment in soon. Questions? Call the school office. Thanks!

**EARLY DISMISSAL
FRIDAY, MARCH 25**

The third quarter will end on Friday, March 25. We will have an early student dismissal that day at 12:25 pm. Work/Study students will complete their chores from 12:30 to 1 pm. And then it's spring break!

**SPRING BREAK:
MARCH 26-APRIL 3**

School will be closed for spring break from Saturday, March 26 through Sunday, April 3. We look forward to seeing everyone back when classes resume on Monday morning, April 4. Have a safe and fun break!

**THIRD QUARTER
REPORT CARDS**

Third quarter grades are due from teachers after spring break, and report cards will be mailed home by the end of the first week back.

**ANNUAL GIVING
HELP US REACH
OUR TWO GOALS:
\$40,000 AND
100% PARENT
PARTICIPATION**

One of Anacapa's "bread and butter" income streams comes from our Annual Giving campaign. Donations made to Annual Giving directly fund expenses for the current school year, and, collectively, they ensure the school's fiscal well-being

The goal set by the Board of Trustees for the 2010-2011 Annual Giving campaign is \$40,000. To date, we have raised \$22,880, so we are a little over halfway to our goal. With help from current parents, alumni, alum parents, grandparents, board members, and other Anacapa friends, we intend to meet our monetary goal, as we did last year.

Our second goal is a non-monetary one: 100% parent participation. 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!

We thank the following Anacapa parents who have already made their donations to the 2010-2011 Annual Giving campaign:

**Peter Artusio & Sonja Winter, Russ & Christa Crane,
Eryn Eckert, Melissa Erickson, Joe & Sylvia Figueroa,
Jairo & Thrisha Francia, Joe & Lisa Johnston,
Jim & Jamie Kwako, Chris Lancashire, Yaroslava & Aivaras Petraitis,
Chris & Julie Proctor, Bill & Kathleen Reish, Marlene Roberts,
Pedro & Silvia Trujillo, and Juan & Marisa Zarate.**

Tax-deductible donations may be made online via the school's Web site (www.anacapaschool.org) or sent directly to the school. Gifts of all sizes are important to us.

**FACULTY CORNER:
LEARN ABOUT OUR
SYNTHESIS UNIT ON
BUDGET BALANCING**

Peggy Lauer tells us about Anacapa's recent Synthesis Unit, *How Would YOU Balance the Budget*, in this month's Faculty Corner. Check it out!