### APRIL 2013 NOTABLES



THANK YOU,
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What a fantastic, fun, fabulous auction we had on March 10! Thanks to all of you for making *Bollywood Bash!* a huge success. The vibrant and colorful décor set the mood for the delicious Indian food, the wonderful wine and tasty "Hindi-bindi-ritas," the awesome dancers, the plentiful and varied auction donations, the entertaining auctioneer, and the lively and generous bidding. What more could we ask for! It was a super party!

It was wonderful to see Anacapa parents, students, teachers, staff, trustees, alumni, grandparents, and other friends out to support our school! It was truly a group effort to benefit our great Anacapa students. Thanks a million to everyone who served on the Parent Leadership Team, worked a shift on an auction committee, solicited donations, brought guests, entertained, advertised in our program, made a monetary donation, helped with set-up, or restored the campus to order afterward. In other words, thanks to EVERYONE! We couldn't have done it without you.

We'll Be Back In Session On Monday, April 1 We hope your family is enjoying a happy and safe Spring Break this week (Saturday, March 23 – Sunday, March 31). We're looking forward to welcoming everyone back to campus on Monday, April 1 as we launch into Anacapa's fourth quarter.

MONTECITO UNION 6<sup>TH</sup> GRADE CAMP THIS MONTH Congratulations to the Upper School students who have been chosen to serve as cabin leaders for Montecito Union School's sixth grade camp after Spring Break: Emilia Artusio, Francis Brand, Zinnia Gonzalez, Timmy Johnson, Henry Johnston, Oriane Peter, Sam Robertson, and Shayna Smith. They will depart for camp on Tuesday morning, April 2 and return on Friday afternoon, April 5, when they will be honored at our traditional welcome-back celebration. We can't wait to hear their stories!

#### FIRST THURSDAY

BREAKFAST CLUB
SERIES CONTINUES
THIS MONTH WITH
UCSB HISTORY
PROFESSOR
LUKE ROBERTS
SPEAKING ON
"THE LIFE OF
A SAMURAI"

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 and their students to see first-hand how a Breakfast Club works. This month's First Thursday speaker will be Luke Roberts, Ph.D., a Japanese history professor at UCSB.

In his First Thursday presentation, "The Life of a Samurai," Dr. Roberts will present the fascinating story of a samurai named Mori Yoshiki of the feudal Japanese Tosa domain of the eighteenth century.

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 afterward for coffee with the speaker.

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#### IMPORTANT NOTE LATE START ON FRIDAY, APRIL 5

Because the faculty will be having a special early-morning meeting on Friday, April 5 to work on our ongoing WASC accreditation, school will start at 9:00am that morning. Students who need or want to come to school at the regular time may do so, but classes will start at 9:00—with no Breakfast Club that day.

# ANNUAL GIVING HELP US REACH OUR TWO GOALS: \$50,000 AND 100% PARENT PARTICIPATION

As we mentioned last month, one of Anacapa's "bread and butter" income streams is our Annual Giving campaign. Annual Giving donations directly fund expenses for the current school year, and, collectively, they ensure the school's fiscal well-being.

In addition to our monetary goal of \$50,000, equally important is our community-building goal of 100% parent participation. We appreciate ALL Anacapa parents WORKING WITH US on this important endeavor. We still have a way to go to reach both of our Annual Giving goals. Let's do it this month!

Thanks to the following Anacapa parents who have already made their donations to the 2012-2013 Annual Giving campaign:

Peter Artusio & Sonja Winter, Ruben Baker, Dan & Karen Bernstein, Liz & Jon Brady, Matthew & Debby Brooke, Maureen Clark, Loren & Tracy Colahan, Dalbadie Family, Jairo & Thrisha Francia, Modesto & Teresa Gonzalez, Seth & Anna Hatfield, Lisa Pedersen & Joe Johnston, Alecia & Elliot Mayrock, Carol & Bart Millar, Nydam Family, Dawn Donley O'Donnell, Michele & Isaac Osborne, Claire & John Pendergast, Marty & Megan Robertson,

Claire & John Pendergast, Marty & Megan Robertson,
Roe Family, Lanny & Holly Sherwin, Rena & Ty Smith,
Silvia & Pedro Trujillo, Irma Unzueta, Javier & Teresita Villarreal
Tax-deductible donations may be made online via the school's Web site at

the following link
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https://anacapaschool.ejoinme.org/MyPages/DonationPage/tabid/81042/Default.aspx or sent directly to the school. Gifts of ALL sizes are important to us. Please let us know you're on board.

## THIRD QUARTER REPORT CARDS

Parents can expect to receive third quarter report cards by mail within a week after we return from Spring Break. Students will meet with their advisors on Friday afternoon, April 12 to review their grades, attendance, and personal goals. Parents are welcome to contact teachers if they have questions or concerns. Teachers' email addresses and phone numbers are published in the school directory, or the school office is happy to take messages for teachers.

#### MARK YOUR CALENDARS: JUNIOR DINNER SCHEDULED FOR APRIL 16

The Junior Dinner will take place on campus at 5:45pm, Tuesday evening, April 16. This traditional event is a time for juniors to begin a conversation with the faculty about their post-secondary plans. After sharing some of their hopes, dreams, and questions about the college application process, the Class of 2014 will join their teachers to feast on Gordon's homemade lasagna – and other goodies! Juniors, please plan your schedules so you can join us that evening!

#### SYNTHESIS UNIT PRESENTATIONS ON APRIL 18

Synthesis Unit groups have been busy "synthesizing" what they learned in our space unit earlier this semester. Now it's time for them to report on their findings during an all-school meeting. We've set aside the morning of Thursday, April 18 for these Synthesis Unit presentations. Please note that regular morning classes will not meet that day.

#### FAIR & EXPO VISIT— WE'LL NEED SOME PARENT DRIVERS

We'll make our annual trek to the Santa Barbara Fair & Expo on Thursday, April 25 to see our students' art and other entries — and the awards they've garnered. We need a few extra drivers, so please call the school office (965-0228) if you are available. We'll leave campus at 11:30 that morning and return at 12:30.

#### JUNIORS & SENIORS: SAVE APRIL 26 FOR A SPECIAL EVENING

SAVE THE DATE! This year's special dressy event for juniors and seniors and their guests will be held at the Johnstons' home on Friday evening, April 26. The student committee will be finalizing the details of this annual tradition sometime after break. Details will follow...

# FACULTY CORNER SPOTLIGHTS THE VISUAL ARTS

Be sure to read this month's Faculty Corner written by our visual arts teachers Paula Campanelli, Levi Maaia, Suzie Sichi, and Alison Nigh Strelich.

#### LOOKING AHEAD TO 2013-2014: SCHOOL OPENS ON FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 6

In a slight departure from our usual Thursday start date, we will have our first day of the 2013-2014 school year on FRIDAY, September 6. This day will be devoted to our traditional Orientation Day 1 activities with separate sessions for the Lower School and the Upper School. Orientation Day 2 will take place on MONDAY, September 9 with kayaking and other beach activities during the day and our all-school family picnic at Leadbetter Beach that evening. Classes will then begin on Tuesday, September 10. We are making this schedule adjustment in deference to the Jewish holiday of Rosh Hashanah, which begins at sundown on Thursday, Wednesday September 4.