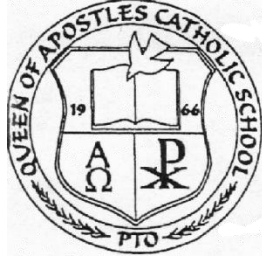


The Q of A Weekly



June 4, 2014

THANK YOU, THANK YOU, THANK YOU!!

Both the 5K and International Festival were fun, fun, fun!
The PTO Board, Moe Isaac (IFest chairperson) and Maria Marvich (5k/1mile Run Coordinator) wish to send a special thank you to the following people:

All the Teachers
Meseret Abate
Hector Acevedo
Lorynie and Romeo Altejar
Pupi Demissie and Atikem Hailemariam
Ferrell Cook
Cristina and James Crowley
Katherine and Roeddel Dioquino
Christine Langin
Tony Gabriel
Roxana and Adiel Huertas
Charles Kasenge
Gisela and Sergio Kehl
Tracy Kindle
Michael Lenn
Stephanie and Tim Liller
Karen Lyons
Mary and Nelson Manzano
John Mielke
Linh Nguyen
Patricia Pena
Juan Rodriguez
Melaida Salang
Maria and John Story
Ana and Ram Takata

So many helped with set up, kitchen, and take down, THANK YOU!

PTO ELECTIONS: Please welcome your new 2013-2014 PTO Board! See below for short bios of the nominees.

Virginia Lorenzo - President
Ligia Espinosa - Vice President
Josie Hoffend - Secretary
Maria Story - Treasurer

Tina Fontaine - Publicity
Roeddel Dioquino - Member at large
Greg McCaffrey - Member at large
Jean Pierre - Member at large

Teacher/Faculty positions:
Mrs. Littlefield - Principal
Mrs. Reid - Elem. School liaison
Mrs. Stio - Middle School liaison

RESTAURANT FUNDRAISERS: On **Mon. June 9th** head over to **Tropical Smoothie** between 3:30 and 7:30 p.m. and enjoy some frozen yoghurt. Location: 6552-A Little River Turnpike, Alexandria, VA 22312.

Let's Dish! An easy way to get homemade dinners. From **now until June 15th** sign up for any session or pick up ready-made meals from their freezer and we receive 10% of the proceeds. See their website: <http://www.letsdish.com/>

SCHOOL SUPPLY ORDERS: School supply orders are due by **Fri. June 13th**. Orders can be place online at: www.epipacks.com. The school code is QUE029.

HOT LUNCH REFUNDS: Due to some changes in the calendar, families who ordered hot lunch this year will receive a refund. You may opt to credit this amount towards next year's hot lunch, request a refund, or donate the money to the school. **Forms are due on Mon. June 9th**. Please see the form below for more information.

5K/IFEST PICTURES: <http://side-b.smugmug.com/Events/Queen-of-Apostles-5k-2014/>. Gallery Password: QoA5krun. *Note that the gallery password is case sensitive and cannot be copied and pasted. It has to be typed in.*

EXTENDED DAY DONATIONS: As you are doing your "spring cleaning" please donate any age-appropriate videos or DVD's (G- or PG-rated only) or board games that your children may have outgrown. Games and videos can be dropped off at the school or after school in the Extended Day room.

PACKING BOX DONATIONS: The school is getting new windows and floors this summer so the teachers will need to box up items from their classrooms. If you are able, please donate empty boxes (perhaps from your places of business). Help is also needed to move furniture/boxes on **Wednesday - Friday June 18-20th**. Contact the school if you can help.

DIVISION 1 BASKETBALL PRESENTATION: You are invited on **Wednesday (TODAY) at 6:00 pm**, in the school gym, to hear from a Division 1 basketball player, Stan Robinson, who just finished his freshman basketball season playing at Indiana University. He will explain what it takes and the sacrifices required to being a Student/Athlete at one of the most prestigious basketball universities.

SUMMER VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL: Due to extensive renovations scheduled for Q of A this summer there will not be Vacation Bible School here. Three local parishes have been contacted about absorbing our families:

- July 14th – 18th at St. James. Contact Sr. Regina: dre@stjamesschool.org
- Jun 23th – 27th & July 7th – 11th at Blessed Sacrament. Sign up at www.blessedsacramentcc.org/school
- July 28th – August 1st at St. Charles Borromeo. Contact: carolynlange@verizon.net.

UMS SUMMER CAMPS: Are you looking for a fun alternative to day care during the school's Summer Break?

- UMS Martial Arts is offering a summer camp from **June 23rd to Aug. 29th**. See attached flyer.
- MVBA Basketball Camp from June **26th to Aug. 15th**. See attached flyer.

Dates to Remember

Jun 10	Kindergarten Graduation
Jun 12	8 th Grade Graduation. 12:15 Dismissal – Extended Day Available
June 13	School Supply Order Forms Due. Volunteer Hours Due.
Jun 17	LAST DAY OF SCHOOL. 12:15 Dismissal – No P.M. Extended Day.

QUEEN OF APOSTLES CATHOLIC SCHOOL

2014-2015 PTO BOARD MEMBERS - BIOS

President

Virginia Lorenzo

Bio: Hi, I'm Virginia Lorenzo. I am an entrepreneur, President of Global Career Initiatives, L.L.C., and Member of the Board of Directors for the Universal Free Schools for Children (UFSFC). I have more than 20 years of university experience as the Enrollment Director and Director of Student Retention and have worked with students both domestic and international. I earned my Masters of Science degree in Business Administration at Strayer University. I am actively involved in various school functions such as Q of A's CYO Coordinator and the leader of the school's Enrollment Committee. During my spare time, I love to travel, watch movies, and enjoy watching my son play basketball. My passion for education and helping others has always inspired me to work with people.

Vice President

Ligia Espinosa

Bio: My name is Ligia Espinosa. I'm from Bolivia. I have an associate's degree in Music and Arts (Bolivia). I studied at Northern Virginia Community College, also studied at Jordan University in Amman Jordan. I am currently working as an Interpreter Translator in the languages of Spanish and Quechua, mostly in the medical field. I worked for many years for the Department of Family Services in the prevention area for Fairfax County, facilitating families with numerous services and resources in the areas of child protective services, domestic violence, substance abuse, etc. Currently I live in Alexandria, Virginia with my husband and son who is a 5th grade student at Queen of Apostles.

Treasurer

Maria Story

Bio: I have been part of the Queen of Apostles parish for 12 years and this is my 5th year at Queen of Apostles School. I have 2 children attending the school: Gabriel will be soon graduating from Kinder and Sebastian moving on to 4th grade. I have volunteered in several wonderful activities that the school promotes throughout the year. I know this is a remarkable community of incredible teachers, staff and families. I am aware that one person alone cannot accomplish what many working together can. My children love the school, their classmates and teachers. I hope to give back to the wonderful school that is giving my boys so much.

Secretary

Josie Hoffend

Bio: My name is Josi Hoffend, and I am the proud mother of a graduating Kinder. I have lived in the DC area for the past 3 years and keep busy at home with Hailey, 5, and Cade, 1. Before living here I lived in NC where I enjoyed working as a nanny and waitress, travelled when possible, and met my husband, Trip Hoffend. My passion is family and friends, the larger that circle grows the more accomplished I feel. I am so excited for this next year of growth and involvement with QofA!

Publicity Chair**Tina Fontaine**

Bio: Hi my name is Tina Fontaine. I am a single parent and have one daughter Nicole Fontaine in grade 2. Having my daughter changed my entire life. Nicole has brought me joy and I truly consider her my miracle baby who came out against all odds absolutely perfect. She has aspirations to one day be a saint and hopes to take me and other family members with her to heaven one day. I would not trade this experience of being her mom for anything in the world.

I would love to be on the PTO for the school. I believe that it is important to be involved in her education and I make it a point to be present for as much as I can. I have always exceeded the volunteer hours needed and am currently serving as room parent yet also helping with car line and uniform sales and open house tours or other things that need to be done. I enjoy being a part of the Queen of Apostles family and look forward to being able to serve on the PTO.

Members-at-Large**Member-at-Large # 1:****Roeddel Dioquino**

Bio: I work for an IT consulting company, Rx-IT Technology Solutions. One of my major customers is the Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater Washington of which I am the Manager of Information Systems. I received my MIS from Strayer University in 1998 and have been happily married to Katherine for 10 and a half years. I am the father to Roen Elise who is a 2nd grader at the Queen of Apostles Catholic School. I do photography on the side and am an avid runner.

Member-at-Large # 2:**Greg McCaffrey**

Bio: I am the father of five daughters who are members of the Queen of Apostles community. Angelica graduated last year and will be starting her sophomore year this fall at Bishop O'Connell. Alexandra is graduating from eighth grade this June and will join Angelica as a Knight. Andrea, Anasofia and Ariana will remain as students. For those of you who know our family, we are a truly multicultural Catholic clan. My own background is a combination of Boston Irish and Japanese. My wife Diana is originally from Panama.

I spent the first part of my career as a United States Air Force officer and federal contracting officer. Since then, I have held senior leadership positions with several well-known IT and management consulting firms where work has taken me to nearly 50 countries (including two years in Russia). In spite of that, I am still attempting to master English! I am honored to be considered for this member at large position and vow that I will do my best to promote the interests of the Queen of Apostles community.

Member-at-Large # 3:**Jean Pierre**

I am originally from Chatham, New Jersey and moved to Alexandria in 2007 after living in Heidelberg, Germany for 3 years where my husband served as an officer in the U.S. Army. Previously, I worked as a legal assistant in New York City and Tyson's Corner, VA., as a book sales representative in Northern Virginia for Scholastic Publishing, and for the Institute for Defense Analyses. I have been the Restaurant Committee Chair here at Queen of Apostles from 2013-14 and managed the relationship with local restaurants in Alexandria; more than doubling last year's totals. I earned a Bachelors' of Arts in History from Fairleigh Dickinson University, a Masters' of Arts in International Relations and a Masters' of Arts in Human Relations both with honors from the University of Oklahoma. I am mother of 2 children: Eva, a graduating Kinder here at Q of A, and Gabriel (2). I look forward to serving the PTO as a Member At Large and as Restaurant Chair in the next school year.

May 27, 2014

Dear Parent/Guardian:

Prices for hot lunch, milk, and pizza that were set at the beginning of the year do not reflect days off that were added later to the school calendar. To address this discrepancy, we are offering you three options:

- **OPTION 1: CREDIT FOR STUDENTS WHO WILL RETURN IN THE FALL**—We will issue a voucher that you may apply as a credit to your food purchases at the beginning of the next school year.
- **OPTION 2: REFUND**—We will refund by check the amount that you overpaid. Refunds range from approximately \$3.00 to \$34.00, depending on what you have paid for.
- **OPTION 3: DONATION TO THE SCHOOL**—You may also choose to donate your credit/refund to the school.

To choose one of these three options, please complete the form below and return it to the school office no later than June 9, 2014. After June 9, no credits or refunds will be offered and any money you are owed will be considered a donation to the school.

If you have any questions, please contact Julia McCluskey (qofafood@yahoo.com).

Sincerely,
Julia McCluskey

Provide student information:

Student Name

Grade

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Choose one option only:

- OPTION 1—CREDIT:** Please issue a voucher to use as a credit next year.
- OPTION 2—REFUND:** Please mail a refund check to me at the address listed below.
- OPTION 3—DONATION:** Please consider my credit or refund a donation to the school.

For option 2—Make check payable to:

Name _____

Address _____

Printed Name of Parent/Guardian

Signature of Parent/Guardian

Date

CREDIT/REFUND POLICY

Credits/refunds will be calculated for each student based on amounts already paid for food. If you have an outstanding balance, we will deduct that amount from your potential credit/refund.

No credits or refunds will be made for dates when food was not served because of an unforeseen school closure (snow days, etc.).

The deadline to apply for a credit or refund is June 9, 2014. No credits/refunds will be processed after that date.