

# EPIPHANY TIMES

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## Wildcat Water Cooler

This edition of the Epiphany Times is dedicated to Catholic Schools and to all of those individuals who work tirelessly each day to make sure that Catholic education is available and accessible to our school children.

We thank our pastor, Father Richard McAndrews, and the Epiphany of Our Lord parishioners for their financial and spiritual support of our school.

We thank our administration - Ms. Miriam Havey (school principal) Mrs. Dolores Strittmatter (school secretary), Mr. Tony Mashantonio (school maintenance), Mr. Paris DiPietro (parish business manager), and the rectory office staff (Mrs. Cecelia Dadario, Mrs. Joanne O'Connor, and Mrs. Lydia Hayward) – for their countless hours spent running the show.

We thank our teachers – homeroom, gym, Italian, music, computer, Science, Intermediate Unit, preschool, REP – for their devotion to teaching and nurturing the gifts and talents that come before them on a daily basis in the form of our children.

We thank the silent contributors whose faces we may or may not see on a daily basis – the school nurse and the school counselor – for all of their efforts to help our children grow and develop into all we know they can be.

We thank the Home and School Association Board Members and Committee Chairpeople for their unending efforts to support, sustain, market, and promote the best kept secret in Montgomery County.

We thank the parents of our students without whom the continued existence of our school would not be possible. It is their choice to send their children to a Catholic school and their financial support that makes it possible. It is their involvement in our fundraisers, activities, and extracurricular school activities that makes Epiphany one of the best Catholic schools of its kind.

Last, but not least, we thank the Epiphany of Our Lord students, both past and present, for learning and living the Catholic faith and for serving as a reminder to all of us that Catholic schools are worth the sacrifice.

I am looking forward to many more years in the Epiphany of Our Lord School community. What are your thoughts?

Yours truly,  
Erin Friday, EOL H&S President



## Spot Light On...

### A Parent Volunteer...Sharon Corbett

by Katie Comber

Volunteers are very important at Epiphany. Without our volunteers, there is no one available to help with lunch duty, library, fundraising, classroom assistance, etc. We're very lucky to have so many great parents that give their time and talent!

One parent that stands out is Mrs. Sharon Corbett. Mrs. Corbett is the proud mom of Katie (EOL Class of 2007), Shannon (Grade 5), and Christina (Grade 4). Mrs. Corbett has been doing volunteer work at our school for 5 years.

I asked Mrs. Corbett about the very first thing that she volunteered for and she said that it was for lunch duty and to help Mrs. Tadeo. She likes being a Parent Volunteer because it is a great way to get to know the kids and other parents.

Mrs. Corbett is in her third year of planning the annual craft show with Mrs. Affatato. This show is a major source of fundraising for our school. It's not just a job that she does over the weekend of the craft show! Mrs. Corbett tells me that the planning begins right at the end of the previous year's show. The show for 2008 is already 50% booked! She and Mrs. Affatato send out mailings in the beginning of the new year and start to think of ideas for the food menu and raffle prizes. They have to work on getting donations, volunteers to help out at the show, and so much more! They really do a great job with this event!

So, how can other parents get involved with volunteering at Epiphany? I asked the expert.... Mrs. Corbett! She says that there are so many ways to be involved. A person can join the Marketing Committee, be a lunch parent, teacher's aide, copy aide, or a homeroom parent. It's also a lot of fun to work at the Book Fair, Pancake Breakfast, and Coffee with Kids. You can even volunteer to help with fundraising activities such as Football Mania or the Craft Show. There is definitely something for everyone! The more that parents are involved, the better it is for our school and the children!

How do **you** get started as a volunteer? Mrs. Corbett suggests that you find a friend and do something together. You are both involved and get to enjoy the activity together. The more people you get to join in on an activity, the less work it is for everyone!

Mrs. Corbett further says that we are very fortunate to have such a great group of people to work with here at Epiphany. If we follow her excellent example, we have the best volunteers of any school out there!

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Second Grade-Mrs. Annette Morasco

by Stuart Gibson

Mrs. Morasco is our second grade teacher here at Epiphany. She grew up in Glenside and attended Abington High School. Her schooling was at Penn State Ogontz Abington for two years and then Temple University. As a child, she loved her second grade teacher and wanted to be like her. Mrs. Morasco's career started in the Abington School District where she was a substitute teacher. Next, she worked as a reading specialist for one year at Simmons Elementary School. For the past eight years, she has been the second grade teacher here at Epiphany.

Mrs. Morasco is married with two children. She and her family love to go to the shore in the summer. This makes it convenient since she has her summers off from teaching.



## EOL News

What: **Pancake Breakfast/Open House**

When: Sunday, January 27, 2008

Where: Epiphany of Our Lord School

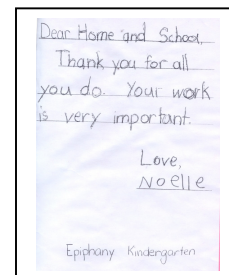
Thanks to the Breakfast chairpeople and their helpers – Krista Gallo, Mary McMonagle, and Anne Rathke – for a fabulous event! Thanks to the Marketing chairpeople – Deb Gleeson and Eileen Mahady – for a very successful student recruiting event!

Ms. Perachio's Kindergarten surprised the Home and School Association with lovely cards in celebration of Catholic Schools Week (see sample to the right):

## NFL ManiaWinners!

Many people have asked who from Epiphany won during this season's NFL Mania. Here is the list of Epiphany winners and their sellers. Thanks to all those who sold tickets. The real winners are our school children!

Winners	Seller
Rickenbach	Rinehart Family
Jake & Amy Fruncillo	Fruncillo Family
Augusto Alquiros	Alquiros Family
Paul J. Fragale	Fragale Family
Phil Frey	Wineburg Family
Bob & Mary McMonagle	McMonagle Family
Jeannie LaCorte	LaCorte Family
Maribeth Highland	Comber Family
Jen Gradel	Dadario Family
Enslin Family	Enslin Family
Greg Lare	Lare Family
Jim Monahan	Monahan Family
Carrie Engel	Pete Boylan
Al Liebowitz	O'Donnell Family
William McKee	O'Donnell Family
Michele Huber	Sunny Schafer
Linda Mill	Sunny Schafer
Stephanie Toth	Cathie Toth
Vince Mannino	Ellie Kuntz
Josh Schreiber	Aiello Family
Ben Iacovetti	Connolly Family
Tina Myers	Pete Boylan
Maria Dukes	Pete Boylan
Jeannine A. Giordano	Nicholas Giordano
Bill (Thomas) Lutz	Lutz Family
Donna Branca	Andrea Remolde



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