



Winter 2009

A Letter from the Development Office

Dear Epiphany Families,

We are happy to introduce you to the second issue of *Connections*, the newsletter of The Epiphany School Foundation.



As we find ourselves in the throes of the Christmas season, we thank all the volunteers who have participated this past year in Foundation events, most recently the American Girl Fashion Show. We thank all our 2009-2010 Annual Fund donors to date and those who have supported the Car Raffle. It's not too late to support both before the deadline! (Read more about both in this newsletter).

It is truly enjoyable for the three of us in the Development Office to work with our Principal Jim Hayes, our Foundation Board, headed by Chair Jim Capuano, our volunteers, and each of you – the parents of the wonderful, incredible children whom you send off each day to be educated by our amazing teachers. Your children provide the inspiration that drives us to creatively find ways to enhance their educational future. Thank you for helping make a great school greater and for making our "work" days a real joy.

With our very best wishes for a wonderful Christmas and a happy, healthy New Year!

Sincerely,

Betsy Gorski, Director of Development
Francesca Ciofalo, Assistant Development Director
Mary Jean Fitzpatrick, Business Manager

HELPING HANDS!

The Spring Auction, our biggest fundraiser of the year, is scheduled for March 16, 2010. Please consider joining the Auction Solicitation Committee. Being on the committee can mean anything from confirming a previous business offering to approaching a new business/restaurant, etc. and asking them to partner with us. The more individuals we have working toward meeting our goals, the better.

Meetings will be held every Tuesday at 22nd Street, at drop-off. The next meeting will be December 15th. If you want to participate but can't commit to regular meetings, we would still be happy for your help. Please contact the Development Office to advise your interest at (212-473-6158) or fciofalo@epiphanyschoolfoundation.org.

The Auction Committee thanks you!

Christiane Anderson and Ellen Mammen - Spring Auction Co-chairs
Deanne Glover and Moira Sowarby - Solicitation Co-chairs

Success!

13TH ANNUAL AMERICAN GIRL FASHION SHOW WAS A HIT!

The 13th Annual American Girl Fashion Show was held on the weekend of November 13th, 14th and 15th. As previously shared, the event netted over \$37,000 - a 9.4% increase over 2008. As more orders for photos come in from SmugMug, the profit will continue to grow. Each order that is placed brings in revenue for our school. Check out the website at <http://epiphanyfoundation.smuqmug.com/>.

The Committee was amazing - giving hours, days and weeks of their time, making the event the strong fundraiser that it was as well as giving our Epiphany girls memories that will last a lifetime. Thank you each and every one!

Don't Forget!

MERCEDES BENZ DRAWING WILL BE DECEMBER 16TH!

On Wednesday, December 16th during the Foundation Christmas party, the drawing will take place for the 2010 Mercedes Benz C300 Sports Sedan. You can't win if you don't play! This is a great way for family and friends to support our school. Please return your tickets before the 16th if you are not able to attend the party. You can bring them that night, but it would be helpful to the Development Office to get them beforehand because every ticket has to be logged in. If you lost your raffles or want a few more, please stop by the Development Office or call 212-473-6158.



Help Us Get to 100% Participation

As the year-end approaches, the Epiphany School Foundation is thankful for gifts received to date for the 2009 – 2010 Annual Fund Campaign. Currently Epiphany families have donated \$57,080 and pledged \$18,775 with participation (in gifts made and pledges) from 85 families out of 387. That means 22% of the school has participated. Our goal for this year is \$150,000.

The 2009 – 2010 Annual Fund remains open until June 30, 2010, but by sending your gift by December 31 you will be eligible for this year's tax benefits. You can mail or drop off your gift to the Development Office or give online at http://www.epiphanyschoolfoundation.org/give_on_line.html.

When you make your gift please know that you are affecting your children for a lifetime – and that is an investment worth making!

"Every Gift Counts, Every Child Benefits"