

THE EPIPHANY SCHOOL FOUNDATION ANNUAL REVIEW 2006-07

Making a great school greater



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The Foundation in Action

How do you make a great school even greater?

You provide more possibilities for every child. That's what the Foundation has been doing since 1999—thanks to concerned parents, like you, who want the best for their children's education.

Great education starts with the basics—great teachers, well-supplied classrooms, strong curriculums, and ensured safety and well-being for students. But The Epiphany School strives to be greater—and making education greater means bringing more to students. It means:

- Learning opportunities that extend beyond regular subjects, such as Spanish and Art and Music
- >>> Effective hands-on learning through lab experimentation, delivered by a science program specialist
- Providing extra outlets for all levels of students to develop their mind, spirit and values, such as Guidance, Enrichment, and Remediation programs
- Supporting the expertise of staff through Staff Development, Teacher Assistant programs, and leadership from a Curriculum Director

With the help of the Foundation, all of these programs open a world of possibility for Epiphany students. Your continual financial support helps to ensure this great school becomes even greater.

Because every child deserves greatness.

To give you an idea of what we're able to achieve, look at what students have to say about these programs In Their Own Words...

Programs supported by Epiphany School Foundation:

Art and Music Enhancements

Curriculum Director

Guidance Program

Reading and Math Remediation

Reading Specialist

Science Lab and Instructor

Staff Development

Spanish

Teachers Assistants (Nursery-Grade 3)





Patti Gallagher Chair of The Epiphany School Foundation

Dear Friends of Epiphany School,

As I begin my first year as Chair of the Epiphany School Foundation, I'm excited to play a role in making a great school greater. There are many factors that go into making a school great: strong leaders, dedicated and talented teachers and an energetic and supportive parent body. We are very fortunate that Epiphany has all of these assets.

The Foundation's purpose is to enhance our children's educational experience and the faculty's teaching environment. This is primarily achieved by funding important programs that the school otherwise lacks the financial resources to support. The Foundation raises money through its Annual Fund campaign along with four (4) special events.

Our annual fund raised over \$365,000 and the four (4) special events raised over \$240,000 in net donations. This allowed the Foundation to provide more than \$440,000 in grants to the Epiphany School. These grants were used to finance the programs that you see listed on the previous page.

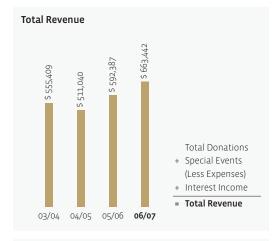
The Annual Fund is the cornerstone of our fundraising efforts. It is money donated by Epiphany parents, alumni and friends to provide additional resources that enrich the educational experience of our children. I'm asking all Epiphany parents to support the Annual Fund since the Annual Fund supports all of our children. Every contribution makes a difference. There is no gift too small. It is the cumulative effect of all gifts, both large and small, that helps us reach our goal.

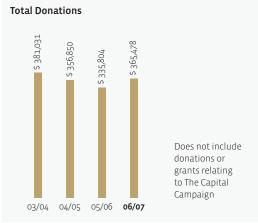
The four (4) special events that support the Foundation are the Sports Auction, the American Girl Fashion Show, the Spring Auction and the Golf Outing. These events would not be possible without the tireless efforts and dedication of the event chairs and the many parent volunteers. In addition, many local businesses support these events by donating goods and services which help make the events as successful as possible. I would like to thank all of the event volunteers as well as the parents and friends who attend these important fundraising events.

I hope every parent had an opportunity to watch the video played at the Back to School Nights which brought to life all of the programs funded by the Foundation. I believe the video, together with the profile of four of the programs highlighted in this Annual Review, captures the spirit and essence of why supporting the Foundation is so important.

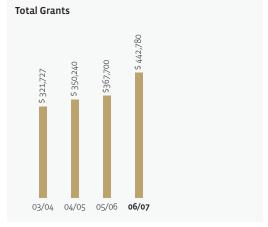
Thank you very much for your generous contributions and for continuing to make a great school greater.

Yours truly, Patti O. Gallagher









ANNUAL FUND | DONATIONS

>> TEACHER'S ASSISTANTS

In Their Own Words... Kindergarten through third grades talk about their teachers' assistants

My teacher's assistant is so great because...

Ann ... she does phonics and our reading workbooks with us.

AJ ... she helps us sing the flag song and helps us say our prayers.

Brennan ... she helps us with our math work, religion, grammar, and English.

Jaylene ... she helps us with lots of things we don't understand.

If my teacher's assistant wasn't there...

Lucas ... we would be doing phonics for 2 hours because there's a lot of people in our class.

Claudia ...the teacher would be running around trying to help everyone.

Henry ... it would be very stressful.

Samuel ... a lot of things wouldn't get done.



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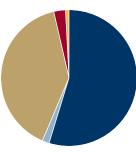
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>> STAFF DEVELOPMENT

In Her Own Words... Kindergarten teachers talk about the Foundation

What value does the Foundation bring to your teaching ability?

Ms. MacKenzie It's been such a tremendous help to be able to take classes that have greatly influenced the way I teach. I'm in the advanced literacy program so I've learned a ton of different strategies to work with emergent readers, beginning readers, so it's been very helpful.

Ms. Terins The Epiphany Foundation sent me this past summer to a writing workshop on how to teach writing in a writing workshop style tailored to kindergarteners. We actually publish a different type of writing every 6 weeks, and we publish books together, where every day a child writes a sentence of news for the day, and every 20 days we have a book for the class.

How much value does the Foundation sponsored teacher's assistant bring?

Ms. MacKenzie Without her I wouldn't be able to do what I do. She's a huge help.

Ms. Terins Oh, she's wonderful. Basically a teachers aide gives you an extra hand with teaching. We group kids into smaller groups of about 7 children, and while one group works independently two groups work with us, which gives them more direct instruction throughout the day. She picks up whenever the kids need extra help.



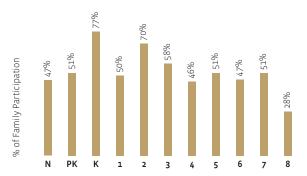
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52% family participation — 195 families out of 373 participated. Note: These numbers do include Board members

SUMMARY | SPECIAL EVENTS

>> SCIENCE LAB

In Their Own Words...

Fourth grade talk about science lab

One experiment we did was...

Jacqueline → ... looking at a cell up close. The directions were really tricky but we got it down so I feel really mature and proud.

Audrey ... checking the pollution in a cup of water.

We learned...

Audrey ... humans and natural things can pollute the air and water a lot and it can change our environment.

Jacqueline >> ... just because you can't see pollution doesn't mean it isn't there. You shouldn't ever pollute.

John >> ... the dots were the nucleus, the control center of the cell.

Shawn ... if the grass got cut up, all the crickets would die and then the mice would die. And if the hawks had no mice to eat then they would die too. That's a food chain.

Kayla ... about changes in ecosystems and how a food chain can help an ecosystem. There are natural changes or human changes.

Science lab is so great because...

Kayla >> ... you'll learn and

John → ... there's enough room to do cool experiments.

Audrey ... it's not just learning out of a textbook and answering questions.

Jaqueline >> ... it's fun but it's really educational.



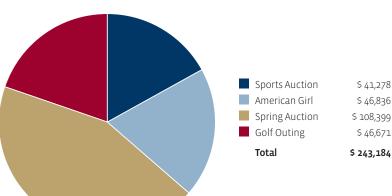
The Sports Auction, launched in 2001, appeals to sports fans throughout the Epiphany Community and the New York City area. Auction participants find a wide range of sports memorabilia at affordable prices, along with chances to bid on sporting event tickets, golf packages, etc. — something for every sports fan and every budget. The 2006 Chairs were Tim Grogan and Kevin Beauregard.

The American Girl Fashion Show began in 1996. It is a wonderful multi-generational event showcasing the style, independence and self-confidence of our Epiphany community girls. Attended by mothers, grandmothers, and other family and friends, this 3-day, 4-show extravaganza provides great fun for American Girls of all ages. The 2006 Chairs were Fran Glennon and Carol Mulholland.

The Spring Auction has evolved into an eagerly anticipated evening on the town, providing a night out for parents and friends at an elegant venue (The Manhattan Penthouse was the site of the o6/o7 event and is booked for o7/o8). Each year, the items presented for bidding during the event surpass the previous year in creativity and profit for the Foundation. Vivian Cioffi was the 2007 Chairperson, and Erin Tracy the Co-Chair.

The Golf Outing, held for the last several years at The Ridgeway Country Club in Westchester, is the longest running event sponsored by the Foundation. Parents, alumni, friends, family, and business colleagues join together for a fun day on the links followed by cocktails, dinner and lots of great prizes. The 2007 Committee included Mike Jones, Kristin Henn, Mike Conlon, Dave Kenna, Ed Pinter, and John Sowarby.

2006-07 Special Events Revenue Less expenses



Event dates and Chairs for 2007-08:

Sports Auction Chairs: Kevin Beauregard, Gregg Ettin	October 25, 2007
American Girl Chairs: Fran Glennon, Yvonne Persico	November 16, 17, 18, 2007
Spring Auction Chairs: Kim Ettin, Deirdre Vertucci	March 11, 2008
Golf Outing	May 12, 2008

Committee: Mike Jones, Kristin Henn, Mike Conlon, Dave Kenna, Ed Pinter, and John Sowarby

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>> SPANISH

In Their Own Words...

Fourth grade talk about Spanish class

I like Spanish because...

Kayla >> ... we learn a second language. Usually we only learn one in a lifetime and it teaches us about another language so that could be another thing special about us.

Shawn → ... when I get older and maybe go on a business trip to Spain I can understand what they say.

John >> ... we get to play games and do fun projects in Spanish.

Sometimes in Spanish class we...

Audrey >> ... make a word web and we describe the person in Spanish.

Shawn >> ... write a paragraph that describes who

Jacqueline >> ... pretend to be a person at the door who is a community worker, like a fireman,





Founded in 1888, The Epiphany School continues its commitment to quality by providing students with an exceptional, value-centered Catholic education.

Here, we educate the whole child — intellectually, socially, physically and spiritually — each ultimately equipped to progress into adulthood with a strong sense of identity and purpose. While the student body is predominantly Catholic, enrollment is open to children of all backgrounds and faiths.

The Epiphany School Foundation



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The Epiphany School High School Selections

The Class of 2007 is attending the following high schools:

Bronx High School of Science (1) Carle Place High School (1) Christ the King High School (1) Columbia Grammar & Prep (1) Dominican Academy (2) Early College at Bard High School (1) Fordham Preparatory (4) Friends Academy (1) Greenwich High School (1) La Salle Academy (4) Loyola School (2) Marymount School (2) Notre Dame School (8) Poly Prep Country Day School (1) Saint George Academy (1) Saint Jean Baptiste High School (1) Saint John's Preparatory (2) Saint Vincent Ferrer High School (3) Stuyvesant High School (1) Xavier High School (7) York Preparatory (1)

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