



Dear Nazareth Families,

As we head into spring, we wanted to provide you with an update from the PTG board. The Nazareth community continues to amaze us with all the love and support you share. Even through the pandemic, our Nazareth community remained strong and eager to provide our children with as many close-to-traditional experiences as possible.

We kicked off the school year by welcoming families back to school at the First Day of School Meet and Greet. We enjoyed seeing friendly faces and meeting new families too! At the end of last year, we sent out a New Family Mentor Program survey and after receiving positive feedback, we moved forward with this program for a second year. Our thoughtful mentor families connected with our new families and provided support during the fall and winter. At Back-to-School Night, event committee chairs and committee members tabled and met with parents interested in helping with these events.

One role of the PTG Board is to support our teachers and staff. We have been working to fulfill the “Teacher Wishlists,” providing iPad carts, outdoor tables and umbrellas, 48 new cots for preschool, items to update library books, including label protectors, laminate paper, labels, book jackets, barcode labels, and more. We also had the opportunity to treat our teachers and staff to a Fiesta Teacher Appreciation Lunch in September, a Christmas Teacher Appreciation Lunch in December, and a Spring Picnic Lunch in February. This year, PTG has contributed over \$6,000 to teacher wish list items and \$6,000 to PTG special events.

Another role that the Board plays is allocating the funds that are raised throughout the year. This year we are brainstorming ideas for capital improvements and updating the curriculum.

And, as you know, the PTG sponsors four major events. Two of them took place in the fall and two will take place this spring:

- The Halloween Carnival was reimagined into a Trunk or Treat and was enhanced with the creative imaginations of Alejandra Galvador and her committee. The eighth-grade parents and students worked together to create the Haunted Drive Through. In addition to the Costume Contest and the Pumpkin Decorating Contest, a new contest, the Classroom Door Decorating Contest, was introduced.
- In November, Turkey Trot Chair Christy Conway and her hard-working committee once again reimagined the Turkey Trot and our children were blessed with multiple special guest appearances by Tammy and Tina Turkey. Thanks to your amazing support, the Turkey Trot raised a record-breaking \$58,000!
- On Tuesday, March 29<sup>th</sup>, the Annual Golf Outing, chaired by Bob Rieger, will take place at the beautiful 18-hole championship golf course at the Rancho Bernardo Inn.
- On Friday, May 13<sup>th</sup>, the “I LOVE THE 80s” themed Nazareth Night, chaired by Cynthia Graham and Elizabeth “Booie” Jordan, will be held at the San Diego Mission de Alcala Courtyard. It’s going to be RAD!

In December we came together as a community in person for the Nazareth Movie Night, which was successfully organized by Danise Jerome. It was so nice to be able to come together as families in person and see all of you once again. We hope that this was a nice way to kick off the holidays!

Save the date, Thursday, April 28<sup>th</sup>, we will be having a brief PTG General Meeting followed by BINGO Night! More details to come.

Thank you all for the support, time, and energy you give to provide our children with a safe, happy and welcoming environment.

We appreciate the opportunity to represent you and to support Nazareth School! We look forward to seeing you in person in the spring!

Sincerely,

Polly Sipper, Outgoing President

Ann-Marie Hulse, Incoming President