

## VALOR Network Notes

Amazingly enough this school year is almost over! The last couple of Spring Concerts will be tonight and this Sunday, May 23<sup>rd</sup>. State championships in spring sports are being decided almost daily, and Memorial Day is just around the corner. So, on to business:

- VALOR Network met on Monday night. Minutes will be available online tomorrow.
  - We voted to implement **Class Reps for 9<sup>th</sup> thru 12<sup>th</sup> grades**. We feel it is best to have reps for each class to increase visibility, communication, and community thereby fulfilling our Mission Statement.
  - **We invite any parent** interested in volunteering their time to look online at the descriptions for the 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade reps and take a look at VALOR'S Mission Statement.
    - The hope is that you will be **clamoring to be a part of this positive direction** and that we will have so many **eager parents** we will need to put all of the names in a hat to make the decisions!
  - Please email Amy VanderZanden with any questions, or to let me know that you would like to **join VALOR Network**.  
[sunsetfarmandnursery@hughes.net](mailto:sunsetfarmandnursery@hughes.net)
  - We would like to welcome Tammy Pierce who has taken on the Applause! position for VALOR. She will be a wonderful addition to our team!
- **Sunday, May 23<sup>rd</sup> is the Spring Choir Concert at 2 p.m.**
  - Hopefully many of you saw today that there was a change in the Spring Orchestra Concert. It will be tonight rather than tomorrow.
  - **Fine Arts Awards** is Tuesday, May 25<sup>th</sup> at 7 pm.
- **Thank you** to all of you who have RSVP'd for the **ALL SPORTS AWARDS** event.
  - Please join Jeff Gallagher to end the year on a great note recognizing the year's accomplishments!
  - RSVP for the Dessert to Amy VanderZanden  
[sunsetfarmandnursery@hughes.net](mailto:sunsetfarmandnursery@hughes.net) by this **Friday, May 21<sup>st</sup>**.
- With the seniors counting the days until they are off to their next step in life VALOR Netork was honored to be asked to help with a parting tribute to them.
  - It has been a tradition to hang the Senior's **Baby Pictures** in the cafeteria the week before they graduate. CUTE!
  - Look for them next week and see what adorable tots they were.
  - Can you guess who's who?
- A couple of did you knows...
  - Library books are due to Mrs. Osborne by **Thursday, May 27<sup>th</sup>**.

- Used Book Return Dates and Forms went out last week from Mrs. Wilson
  - The Used Book Sale directly benefits the VALOR Network, which then in turn benefits the school, the students and, the faculty/staff.
- **HS service hours for students** are due Monday, May 24<sup>th</sup>.
- Info from the Foundation
  - You can still make a **tax-deductible gift** to the VCS Annual Fund before June 30<sup>th</sup>, which is the end of the VCS fiscal year.
    - It's easy to make a gift with their new **secure** website – just go to [www.valleycatholic.org](http://www.valleycatholic.org) and click on the **blue** MAKE A GIFT button.
  - So far, we're at **50% overall participation** with these grades in the lead:
    - Kindergarten – 64%
    - Third – 60%
    - Ninth – 58%** - check out ninth!
    - Second – 57%
    - Sixth – 56%
    - Fourth – 53%
    - First – 52%
    - Seventh – 51%**

Thank you to all of you who have already contributed or pledged to the Annual Fund!

- **Every gift of any amount makes a difference** for our students by helping to **bridge the gap** between tuition and the true cost of education.
- Hey, as I write this I just received an email from OneCause [www.onecause.com](http://www.onecause.com) reminding me to shop online for *Dads and Grads*.
  - You might just have one or two of those to buy for over the next few weeks...maybe give it a try.
  - Maureen Pulicella [mpulicella@gmail.com](mailto:mpulicella@gmail.com) is your contact for OneCause and eScrip [www.eScrip.com](http://www.eScrip.com) if you have any questions she is more than happy to help.
  - I'd put in here what I plan on buying my husband through OneCause, but then it wouldn't be a secret anymore.
    - I wonder if I can buy a Harley Street Glide online...Hmm

Well, I think that's all for today. Try not to get caught in the rain!

~Amy

<http://www.valleycatholic.org/high-school/valor-network.php>

<http://www.valleycatholic.org/middle-school/valor-network.php>