



THE DE LA SALLE *Dispatch*

16 February 2007

Upcoming Events

Sunday, 4 March 2007

Cocktail Reception

at the home of John and Kathi King
2 to 4 PM

Tidings From Brother Thomas

Another First For The De La Salle School

The De La Salle School has welcomed many visitors in its five year history, but this past week marked a first for us when Drew Bogner, Ph.D., the President of Molloy College, stopped by. Escorted on a school tour by our Gentleman of the Week, Fabrice Pierre, Dr. Bogner then took time to speak with our eighth grade students about life after middle and high school. In a wide-ranging conversation he spoke about the advantages of a college education (the financial benefits, the exposure to new people and ideas, and a longer life), how students should select a school, and what colleges are looking for in their students. He further noted that selecting challenging classes in high school and working hard from ninth grade on is very important.

“I am planning to go to Molloy when I graduate from high school, so it was great to meet Dr. Bogner,” said eighth grader Chris Collado. “I never met anyone who was a president of a college before,” noted Fabrice. “He told us to think about our GPA, community service, and the kinds of classes we will take in high school.”

Dr. Bogner’s visit helped to open the eyes of our eighth graders towards their long-term educational goals.

WORD OF THE WEEK

dexterous – *skillful* (7 February)

cardiac – *of, or relating to, the heart* (14 February)

From our “Mailbox”

From the Diocese of Rockville Centre we received two letters of gratitude –

“I want to thank the students of The De La Salle School for your generous contribution of \$323.50 to the 2006 Advent Project: *An Act of Kindness Campaign*, supporting maternity residences in our diocese. Your support enables these homes to furnish dignified care and hope to young women facing motherhood without adequate resources. Because of your gift these young women will have a chance to become good mothers and fulfill God’s special plan for them and their young families.” *Mrs. Laura A. Cassel, Secretary of Social Services -- Respect Life Office.*

“Thank you so very much for a most enjoyable and informative visit to your school recently. I really enjoyed hearing about the school and I especially enjoyed meeting the students. They **DO** tell the story! Please know how happy I am that The De La Salle School is part of our diocese and that the Christian Brothers continue to minister and witness here!” *Sister Maryanne Fitzgerald, SC, Chancellor*

Timely Tip for Personal Time Management*

Kathy Prochaska-Cue, Extension Family Economics Specialist

Reward Yourself – Even for small successes, celebrate achievement of goals. Promise yourself a reward for completing each task, or finishing the total job. Then keep your promise to yourself and indulge in your reward. Doing so will help you maintain the necessary balance in life between work and play. As Ann McGee-Cooper says, “If we learn to balance excellence in work with excellence in play, fun, and relaxation, our lives become happier, healthier, and a great deal more creative.

**This timely tip, the last of 13, is brought to you courtesy of The De La Salle School Development Office.*

Watch this space next time for information on the 24 characteristics required to be considered as a De La Salle School Gentleman of the Week.