

# FRIDAY FLYER

THE TOME SCHOOL

DECEMBER 9, 2011

## Caroling Around the Tree

Tome School's tradition of Caroling Around the Tree will be held on **FRIDAY, DECEMBER 16** in the lobby at the following times: LS will carol from 10:15 to 11:00 AM. MS/US will carol from 11:15 to 12 Noon. Holiday parties will take place in the classrooms from 12-1 PM.

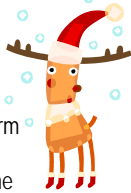
**SCHOOL CLOSSES FRIDAY, DEC.16  
AT 1 PM FOR CHRISTMAS BREAK!**  
School reopens on Mon., Jan. 2, 2012

## Yearbooks still available, for \$45

The Early Bird Rate of \$40 ended recently and the price is now \$45 **but there is no guarantee of receiving a book** due to the fact that we order only a limited number of extra copies to sell. So please, if you're still interested in obtaining a yearbook, please do so soon! This is the **LAST CALL** for guaranteed copies of the Yearbook.

## Holiday Attire for Next Week

During the week of December 12-16 students may wear Holidays ties and socks and tights instead of the usual uniform tie and socks. ON FRIDAY, students may add a holiday sweater or sweatshirt to the uniform. Boys may substitute the sweater for the school blazer. SANTA HATS are permitted at teacher discretion. **NO DDD CARDS TO BE USED FOR FRI., DEC. 16!!!**



## SAT PREP-CLASS OFFERED AT TOME

Open to students in grades 9, 10 & 11, this course will be held every Wednesday from 1:45 to 3:45 PM beginning **WED., JAN. 18, 2012** and ending **MARCH 14**. Tome School has once again retained the services of Mr. Francis Slaughter. This class will prepare your student for all 3 sections of the SAT-1 as well as the ACT. Registration fee of \$125 is due by **DECEMBER 16**. Forms were sent in a mailing last week and are also available in the school office as well as online at the online forms link.

## CHRISTMAS BOOK PROJECT

Thank you to everyone who purchased a book to help stock our libraries at school! The Lower School students will be bringing their donated book home over the holiday break. Be sure to return it after the new year!

## Sock & Mitten Tree

The National Honor Society is asking parents to send in socks, mittens, and hats for the Mitten and Sock Tree in the Lower School Hallway. Your donations will be used for the Key Club Christmas Baskets and will go to needy families in the area. The tree will be set up from Dec. 6th through the 16th.

## Class Photos DUE

We recently sent you a group shot of your child's class. This may be purchased for \$6 payable to Tome School. If you do not want the photo, please return it to the office immediately.

## TSPO sponsors Pasta Lunch

The annual Pasta Lunch provided by TSPO for all students, faculty and staff will be held on **WED., DEC. 14**. There is no need to pack your child's lunch that day!

## In the event of snow or other inclement

weather, Tome School follows the call by Cecil County Public Schools. To learn if Tome is closed or on a delayed opening, look for information about Cecil County on WBAL-TV or listen to WXCX (103.7 FM) or WJBR (99.5 FM). In addition, Tome will make its own announcement on [www.schoolsout.com](http://www.schoolsout.com) for school closings, late openings or emergency closings. Register for Tome School. They will send an e-mail announcement for free, or send a message to your cell phone for an annual fee.

If the county schools are NOT in session, Tome will make its own announcement on radio and TV.

## Holiday Concert Congratulations

**Grades 1 -5 and Middle School Chorus** ~ Kudos for a spectacular performance last Friday evening in our holiday concert "It's Almost Christmas!" Everyone sounded and looked great! You should all feel quite proud of yourselves for a job well done. Thanks also to our terrific Stage Crew for all their hard work prepping for the show and all their work the night of the show! Thanks also to the Social Committee for the yummy refreshments after the show. Thank you to our friends and family for your continued support, help, and encouragement. We could not do this without all of you! Have a wonderful holiday!

~ Mrs. Benham

## Thank You

To **MR. CARLO TSIUPLIS**, father of **NIKOLAS** (Gr 7), and owner of Hot Spot Pizza, for providing pizza for the Senior Class last Friday when they set up the tree in the school lobby.

## Congratulations

To **THE TOME SCHOOL ORCHESTRA** for a very successful first concert! It was a great evening!

## Attention Parents

The paper supplies and utensils in the cafeteria kitchen are not available for your use. If your group is planning on using the cafeteria, please remember to bring your own paper plates, napkins, utensils, etc. We have a 7th period cooking class in the kitchen several days per week and many of the supplies belong to them.

## PARENT VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

The National Honor Society is searching for volunteers to present their jobs to Upper School students in April of 2012. Have an exciting or interesting career? Please e-mail Mark Fisher ([mark.fisher15@yahoo.com](mailto:mark.fisher15@yahoo.com)) or Dominique Gelmann ([dgrad13@yahoo.com](mailto:dgrad13@yahoo.com)) for more information.

## Orphanage seeks donations

The National Honor Society is collecting modest clothing in good condition, as well as shoes, and toys for a needy orphanage in Afghanistan which is supported by the U.S. Army. Collection Boxes will be set around the school from December 5-16.

## KINDERGARTEN APPLICATIONS

Kindergarten applications for siblings are due. If your child will be 5 by Sept. 1, 2012 and you want him/her to attend Tome, please get an application on file ASAP.

## Attention Musicians

Beginning instrumental music lessons are now available to students in grades 4-8. Lessons take place in the Alumni Room after school on Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday, or on Saturday at Mrs. White's home in Rising Sun. Parents who are interested should contact the school at 410-287-2050 or Mrs. Mary White at 410-658-4534.

## PE Dept. seeks donations

The PE Dept. is looking for a few items – if you care to donate any of the following (in good working condition) and can drop them off at school, please call Ms. Christian at 410-287-2050, ext. 140. THANK YOU!! We need: One pair 30# dumbbells; Declining weight bench; 1 or 2 stationary bikes.

## COLLEGE CORNER

**College Night for Juniors: Wednesday, January 25 at 6:30**

**SENIORS:** Feeling a bad case of senioritis? Fight it! Most colleges require a mid-year report, and if a decision is pending, schools frown upon a decline in grades. If you have already been accepted, schools can rescind their offer!

\*\*\*\*Please make sure that each of your schools has received all required materials by either checking the website or calling the admissions office.

**Parents of Juniors:** Ask your student for the information on understanding PSAT results that was distributed on Wednesday. Encourage your student to utilize My College QuickStart to access their scores and individualized SAT study plan.

**JUNIORS:** Receiving your PSAT scores is a signal that it is time to start active planning to take the SAT. I recommend that juniors take the SAT on March 10. Please take time over the break to set up a SAT study schedule and stick to it. Begin by creating an account on [collegeboard.org](http://collegeboard.org) and then using the access code on the PSAT report, go to My College QuickStart. Take as many practice tests as you can! In addition to the on-line test prep, consider buying a book; the College Board's Official Study Guide has 8 practice tests. Mr. Slaughter's test prep course is an excellent way to prepare (the book is included). More information about testing, including the ACT, will be given at the College Night for Juniors on January 25. Take advantage of this Christmas Break!

## Congratulations to Seniors:

**NICOLE COLLINS** was accepted at Towson University.

**JOY BRALEY** was accepted at Towson University.

**EMILY COOK** was accepted at Clemson University with a merit scholarship offer.

**DAVID SEAMAN** received merit scholarship offers from York College and West Virginia University.

**RANDY ENGLAND** was accepted at Lebanon Valley College.

## Golf Tournament – May 2012

Interested in helping out with the annual golf tournament? Mark your calendar – the first committee meeting will be held **WED., JAN. 18** at 6 PM in the school cafeteria. If you are interested in participating, but cannot attend this meeting, please contact Melanie Graybeal ([mgraybeal@zoominternet.net](mailto:mgraybeal@zoominternet.net)). The tournament is set for FRI., MAY 4, 2012 at the Chesapeake Bay Golf Club in Rising Sun.

## Nutcracker to be performed

Delaware Dance Company is performing "Nutcracker" at Dickinson H.S. on **DEC. 10 & 11**. Come see the Tome performers, **ANNA GLIWA (1)**, **MAGGIE KAMHOLZ (Gr 5)**, **EMMA LITTLE (Gr 4)**, **TESS LITTLE (Gr 2)**, **ASELYN ISTVAN (Gr 5)**, and **VIENNE ISTVAN (Gr 4)**. Tickets are from \$18-\$30 with children under 10 receiving a \$5 discount per ticket. Call 302-738-2023 or visit the website at [www.delawaredance.org/nutcracker.html](http://www.delawaredance.org/nutcracker.html) for more information.

## Rudolph performance

Maryland School of Ballet and Modern Dance will be performing **Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer** at the Milburn Stone Theatre, Cecil College on **DEC. 10 & 11** at 2 PM and 5 PM each day. Come watch the first licensed ballet of Rudolph! **SARAH BREWER (Gr 8)** will be performing in the lead role as Hermey the Elf. Tickets are \$18, assigned seating. Box office 410-287-1037.

## Tome collecting juice pouches

Tome is teaming up with Terracycle, an innovative upcycling program, to collect used aluminum and plastic drink pouches. Terracycle will donate \$.02 to Tome for each drink pouch collected. Collection bins are located around the school in classrooms and in the cafeteria. Remember - the MORE pouches we collect, the MORE we help the environment and the MORE cash we earn for our school! For more information visit <http://www.kraftbrands.com/CaprisunMoms/be-green-earn-green.aspx> or contact Ms. Groff at [k.groff@tomeschool.org](mailto:k.groff@tomeschool.org).

## Free introductory Lacrosse Clinics

Provided by Cecil County Parks & Rec for boys & girls aged 7-14. Pre-registration needed. Sessions are Dec. 9 and Dec. 16 from 6-8 PM at Cecil Arena (North East). Also Jan. 16 from 10-12. For information visit <http://LeagueAthletics.com?org=cecillacrosse>.

## CAR POOLS NEEDED

**AFTERNOON CAR POOL** needed a couple of days per week for 6th grader going to Pine Hills, off Old Chesnut, between Oldfield Point & Old Elk Neck Rds. Contact Jamie Marshall, 443-406-7715.

**AFTERNOON CAR POOL** from school to Havre de Grace (Grace Manor subdivision off Chapel Rd) beginning January for a 4th grader and 9th grader. Call Andrea Terry, 410-688-8778.

## VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

1. **BUY ACME**, Food Lion, Giant/Martin or Redner's gift cards at school. \$600 in gift cards = \$30 profit = 1 hour.
2. **PULL WEEDS** from flowerbed on Maryland Ave. at gate.
3. **PICK UP TRASH** dropped around the school grounds. Anytime.
4. **TRIM BUSHES** in LS Courtyard.
5. **PULL WEEDS** in French drains (gravel areas) around entire school building.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

December 13	LS Field Trip for Christmas Play TSPO Meeting, 1:45 PM
December 14	TSPO Pasta Lunch
December 16	Caroling Around the Tree School closes at 1 PM for Holiday Break
December 17	Admissions Testing, 8:30 AM
January 2	School Reopens
January 10	TSPO Meeting, 7 PM
January 11-13	EXAMS, 1 PM Dismissal for all students
January 16	SCHOOL CLOSED
January 17	Upper School Night
January 18	Golf Tournament committee meeting, 6 PM
January 25	College Night for Juniors, 6:30 PM
January 29	Open House, 1-4 PM

## NO AFTERCARE DECEMBER

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