

GERARD HIGH SCHOOL / PHOENIX, ARIZONA

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principal's newsletter

REPORT CARDS

Grades for the third quarter will be mailed on Tuesday, April 4. Parents should carefully scrutinize these reports to evaluate the progress of their students. If you have any questions about the report cards, you may ask the teachers at the Gerard Home & School Association meeting on Thursday, April 6, at 8:00 p.m., in the Multipurpose Room.

TUITION

We ask those who do not have their tuition paid up to take care of this obligation within this week. We bill you monthly; extra reminders should not be necessary. Your cooperation will help us meet our financial obligations on time.

UNIFORMS

As of Monday, April 3, students will not be required to wear their uniform jackets or letter sweaters for the rest of this school year. However, if a student chooses to wear a jacket or sweater, it must be the regular uniform jacket or letter sweater.

The J.C. Penney Company in Tower Plaza will sell the uniforms for next year. At a recent conference with the company, new policies were agreed upon to avoid confusion and bad customer relations. Uniforms must be ordered before May 20, 1967 to be guaranteed for delivery before school opens next September. Special order layaways will be written for each customer. Each order will contain specific sizes and quantities desired, and the name, address and telephone number of the customer. No deposit will be necessary unless the customer desires to make one at the time of the order. Customers will be contacted when the uniforms arrive.

THANKS

We are grateful to Sister Mary Ernest, S.M., Father Perreault, and all those who helped make the recent Variety Show such a wonderful success.

Our special thanks to Mrs. Milo Roberts, Mrs. John Tarajcak, and their fine committee, for the splendid St. Patrick's Day card party. It was an enjoyable evening.

GRADUATION FEE

All seniors must pay a \$15.00 graduation fee before May 10, 1967. This fee includes the cost of the diploma, some announcements, rental of the cap and gown, decorations, program, etc.

RAFFLE

The Athletic Committee of the Home & School Association has been granted permission to have a banquet for those boys and girls who have been involved in the school athletic program

this year. This permission was granted on the condition that they raise the money to defray the cost. With this in mind, the Committee has distributed tickets on a television raffle to the father of each student who will be a guest at the banquet. The raffle will take place at the Gerard Home & School Association meeting on April 6th. Returns are to be made before this date. They may be sent to the school office.

ATHLETIC EQUIPMENT

If you happen to notice that your students have any clothing (T-shirts, sweat shirts, etc.) with the Gerard name and Athletic Department stamped on it, please be advised that these items belong to the school and are to be returned immediately. We have records of all equipment which has been issued and an inventory is now being completed. You will be billed for any item which has not been returned. If the bill is not paid nor the item returned, further action will be taken.

LUNCHEON

Gerard mothers and daughters are invited to a luncheon on April 15 at 1:30 p.m., at the Smokehouse Restaurant, 4701 North 16th Street. Rhodes will sponsor a fashion show. The cost of the luncheon is \$2.75 per person.

PROM

The Junior-Senior Prom will be held at Camelback Inn, Saturday, April 22, from 8:30 p.m. until 1:00 a.m. Parents should regulate the time at which they expect their students to return home. Attendance at the Prom is optional. Parents who are interested are cordially invited to stop in during the evening.

FLEUR-DE-LIS BALL

All parents are urged to attend the Gerard Home & School Association's annual Fleur-de-lis Ball to be held at the Arizona Country Club, East Thomas Road at 56th Street, on Friday, April 28. Cocktails will be served at 7:00, dinner at 8:00. The cost is \$15.00 per couple. For reservations, you may call 959-0148, 948-2098, 959-4604.

SCHEDULES

During this month, we will be guiding the students about their course selections for next year. The curriculum committee is working on a revised curriculum for the school year 1967-68. As soon as this is completed, we will distribute forms to the students for their course selection. These forms should be reviewed by parents before they are turned in to the office. Students should not be encouraged to take easy schedules. Study periods are strongly discouraged. The selection of courses should be a binding decision by the parents and the students after proper guidance. We will do our best to provide the opportunities for the courses which are selected. We cannot guarantee that every student will be given every course he desires.

CATHOLIC COLLEGE GUIDE

Last month, upper classmen received order blanks for the Catholic College Guide, the only official and complete guide to every Catholic university, college and junior college in the United States. The Guide will tell you all you want to know about every college--whether or not you are eligible, what you have to do to get a degree, what courses are offered, financial aid, how to apply for admission, etc. If purchased through the school, the price of the Guide is \$1.95; if purchased retail, \$2.50. If you wish to order this informative directory, please return your coupon by April 7, 1967.

GHSA MEETING

The program for the annual meeting of the members of the Gerard Home & School Association to be held on Thursday, April 6, 1967, will consist of the following:

1. Nomination and election of officers and directors for the ensuing year.
2. A program presented by the Arizona State Employment Service entitled "Career Directions" which consists of a presentation of a slide film on Arizona's manpower requirements for the year 1975, together with a discussion on the need for vocational guidance and training. This portion of the program will be presented by Mr. Edward Helor, the Chief Manpower Economist of the Arizona State Employment Service. In addition to this, Mr. Richard Land, a member of Mr. Helor's staff, will speak on career opportunities for the Southwestern United States.
3. Conference with teachers.

All parents and junior and senior students are invited to this meeting.