

**YOU ARE THE PBA!** The primary focus of the Parent Booster Association is to foster and develop growth of spiritual, moral, academic, civic, cultural and physical activities of CCS. The organization plays an integral role in supporting activities pertaining to the welfare of the students and faculty of Cathedral-Carmel. The PBA is made up of all parents of CCS students so this means that **YOU** are a member! The organization is led by an Executive Committee and Leadership Team but the membership is all of us as parents. As such, you are invited to jump right in and get involved. There is ample opportunity for each of you to get involved; we have a Dad's Committee, a Working Mom's committee, Spirituality and Hospitality committees, and many more. You can help out for an hour or two or contribute as much as you like at home or at school...we have a place for everyone. Besides being a fun group to work with, PBA involvement provides an opportunity to learn more about how the school works, to build relationships with the faculty and staff and to meet other parents all while improving our school. While the lifeblood of the PBA is the parent volunteers who give so generously of their time, talent and treasures, PBA is also working to give more back to our parents. Coming this year, watch for opportunities to grow in the mission of CCS through offerings from the Spirituality Committee which will include guest speakers along with Catholic faith enriching opportunities such as Adoration and Prayer Groups.

Our two major fundraisers are the *Magazine Drive* in the fall and the *\$10,000 Raffle & Auction* in the spring. We also host several smaller fundraisers including a Ladies Tennis Tournament, Spirit Stop and Swap Shop. While a small portion of the monies raised by the PBA go towards offsetting operational expenses of the school, we have been very successful in raising funds towards enhancing technology and the campus environment and facilities.

Our volunteer booklet will be posted online with descriptions of each committee and the volunteer form to sign up will go home in a PBA packet not long after school starts. If you need more information about the PBA or a specific committee, please do not hesitate to contact me or the committee chair---we want you and we need you for the organization to be successful. Our Leadership team meets the second Wednesday of each month in the auditorium; all are welcome to attend, just check the school calendar to verify the specific date and time of the meeting. Please take the opportunity to come and learn more about this great organization of which you are a member.

**You are the PBA!** I look forward to meeting you and working with you to continue the betterment of our great school.

Allyson Hebert

2010-2011 PBA President