



PAULETTE'S VIEW

News from the Superintendent



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Coming Soon @ Red Deer Catholic Regional Schools

- **School Board Meeting**
Tuesday, February 2, 2010
Montfort Centre
- **Telling Wilde Tales**
St. Martin de Porres School
Production
February 10 & 11, 2010
Memorial Centre
- **Faith Day**
March 1, 2010
Mass with Archbishop Smith
at St. Mary's Church
Speaker Immaculée
Ilibagiza at École
Secondaire Notre Dame
High School
- **Education Foundation First Annual Fundraiser**
March 1, 2010 at 7:30 pm
Westerner Park, Marquis
Room
Left to Tell by Immaculée Ilibagiza
Tickets \$25 - available from
Black Knight Inn Ticket
Centre **NOW!**
- **Little Women Musical by Notre Dame Students**
March 4, 5 & 6, 2010
Memorial Centre
Tickets \$20 (Students \$15)
See newsletter for more info.
- **An Evening with Walter Gretzky - Notre Dame Fundraiser**
March 13, 2010
Holiday Inn on 67 Street
- **ACSTA Catholic Conference**
March 12 -13, 2010
Mayfield Inn, Edmonton

Congratulations Mrs. Finnigan!



Mrs. Kathleen Finnigan, Principal at St. Patrick's Community School, was declared a winner of the Canada's Outstanding Principals™ this morning in Toronto, Ontario. This prestigious national award is presented by The Learning Partnership.

The award recognizes the unique and crucial contributions of principals in publicly funded schools. It is presented annually to 30 Canadian principals. Kathleen will be treated to a four-day Executive Leadership Training program

at the Rotman School of Management at University of Toronto, a Gala Celebration Banquet and Awards Presentation on February 23, recognition in the Globe and Mail, and an on-line program managed by The Learning Partnership. *Kathleen is very deserving of this award. Her passion for her students and their success is well known in the community. She is a very caring yet humble principal and much loved by her staff. We are so very proud and happy for you, Kathleen!*



The Olympic spirit is evident across the Division. I saw many of you at the Torch Relay at Westerner Park this week. In this issue of Paulette's View, we highlight two stories. More will appear in next week's issue. Please send in your stories and photos so we can share them across the Division!

Guess Who's Going to the Olympics!

Nathan Matheson in Grade 5 at École Marguerite Bourgeoys School in Innisfail won a trip to the 2010 Winter Olympics! Nathan submitted an essay to ATCO's Celebrating Excellence Program for students in Grades 4 - 12. He wrote about how he tries to be a leader at school by doing the right thing especially in class by being a role model and working hard.

Two students from each Alberta constituency were rewarded with a one day trip to the Games.

Winners will receive return airfare for two, one night accommodation, tickets to a sporting event and to a celebration ceremony, ground transportation in Vancouver, \$100 in cash and a souvenir package... WOW!

Congratulations Nathan! And special thanks to Challenge Teacher, Miss Jessica Major, who facilitated this as part of the school's Challenge program!



Evening of Excellence Committee

This year's Evening of Excellence is being convened by Holy Family School. The committee held its first official meeting as a group and is very excited and looking forward to putting on a great evening. Betna Huddleston and Elida Fedoruk from Holy Family are heading up the committee with Sandra Erickson from the Division office.

Good luck to committee members as they work on this very special celebration of people of excellence!



Notre Dame Students Perform Little Women

Notre Dame students are working very hard these days in preparation for this year's musical performance of Little Women, an American classic novel.

I hope you can support the students by attending one of the performance at the Memorial Center on March 4, 5 and 6 at 7 pm. Tickets are \$20 for adults, \$15 for students and available from the high school.

There will also be matinee performances on March 3, 4, and 5 at 1 o'clock at the Memorial Center. Tickets are \$2 and free for chaperones.

To book your class, e-mail or phone Jennifer Warder to book your class.

We wish students and staff continued enjoyment as they rehearse for opening night. We really look forward to seeing you on stage!



Maryview Students take part in Olympic Torch Relay

Twenty-four Maryview School Grade 5 students took part in the Parade of Countries at the Olympic Torch Relay. The students were thrilled to be a part of such an historical event and proudly carried the Austrian Flag. Brandon Heidinger was very honoured to participate in the Torch Relay. Over 60 family members of the school community came to the event and cheered the night away, making many lasting memories for all.

Thank you to Miss Davis and her students for successfully and enthusiastically representing our School Division at this important community event. You made us proud!



Students' innate potential comes alive with love, recognition and respect!

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