

# IDS YES!!!

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Corbett Campus**

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## HEADS' LETTER

## NOVEMBER 13, 2008

### FORTIETH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION HONORS FOUNDER MARILYN GATLIN AND PAST PRESIDENT CORNELIA CORBETT SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 22



This is the eighth year that IDS has combined the Fun Run with a family day of fun at the Fall Festival. This tradition began in 2001. After 9/11, everyone wanted to gather for the simple reason of enjoying a day together of good old-fashioned fun. IDSers participated in the Fun Run on the westside of the street, followed by the Fall Festival on the eastside where PFA booths were created by each class, hamburgers and hotdogs became the lunch menu, and families and friends gathered together to enjoy a beautiful sunny day. That delightful day turned into a great tradition. This year's Fall Festival and Fun Run will celebrate the founding of IDS 40 years ago... in 1968.

It is a perfect time to pay tribute to the past by honoring two amazing women that are the most responsible for IDS today! Be sure to join us by taking the time to say thanks and show our appreciation just by our presence at this special event. If you know any IDS Alumni or Alumni parents, please bring them with you or invite them to join us, and/or tell us where they are so that we can contact them directly. Here is the schedule:

<b>9:00 a.m.</b>	The Fun Run Begins on Middle School Buchanan Sport Field <i>All other events are on the eastside</i>	
<b>10:30 a.m.</b>	The Fall Festival Begins	
<b>11:30 a.m.</b>	<b>The 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Program in Corbett Hall</b> All are invited Students will participate! Fall Festival resumes at 12:30 p.m.	
<b>12:30 p.m.</b>	The Taste of IDS Begins & Fall Festival Booths/Activities	
<b>12:30 – 2:30 p.m.</b>	The Fall Festival resumes	
<b>10:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.</b>	<b>SPECIAL DISPLAY EXHIBIT FOR ALUMS AND CURRENT FAMILIES</b> to see the history of IDS unfold through pictures and memorabilia in the Farish Center!	

The only required costs for the day are your smiles and time. If you also want to join us for an amazing **Taste of IDS** the form is in your Thursday folder or can be downloaded from this Heads' Letter. The cost is \$6.00 in advance, and your tickets will be ready upon your arrival. Tickets for the **Taste of IDS** will be \$10.00 the day of the Fall Festival.

The restaurants participating in the Taste of IDS are Café Eden at Abby's, Columbia Restaurant, Dinner Done, IDS Catering, Six Tables Restaurant, Sonny's BBQ Wesley Chapel, the Red Elephant, Jamba Juice and an IDS Girl Scout Troop dessert special. This is going to be so much fun!

A special treat has been added for sports enthusiasts. There will be an opportunity to have a "meet and greet" with former professional sports celebrities at a booth just for that purpose. Join us and meet 1968 Super Bowl Champion New York Jet, Earl Christy, NFL Running Back Charlie Garner, Tampa Bay Buccaneer and two time Pro Bowler, Tony Mayberry, and Major League Baseball player, Lance McCullers.

# INTERMEDIATE LEADERSHIP COUNCIL NAMES THIS FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 14 - IDS SPIRIT DAY!!!

Everyone is asked to wear your purple and green and show your IDS Spirit! The class with the most spirit displayed will win a spirit stick! Go IDS Warriors!!! Let's Catch The Spirit!!!

## MORE UPCOMING ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS: FRIENDLY REMINDERS

1. **HOLIDAY FOOD DRIVE FOR METROPOLITAN MINISTRIES SPONSORED BY MIDDLE SCHOOL STUDENT COUNCIL. We Can! Can You?** The holidays are coming, and many families are in need of food. The Middle School Student Council is sponsoring a canned food drive for Metropolitan Ministries. Their food banks are low and their need is great.

Middle School is joining forces with the eastside Leadership Council and PFA volunteer Nancy Leach to achieve a goal to exceed collection of 400 cans of food. Collection bins are now placed in the Middle School building and there are containers in each community space and in front of the Middle School office. Containers for cans are also on the eastside. Students should take donations to their classes, and they will then be directed where to take them. With 1 to 5 cans per IDS family, we will be able to help others in need in the Tampa Bay area to have a wonderful holiday.

2. **GRANDPARENTS DAY: WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 26 at 10:00 a.m. is all about honoring others!** Please remember that **GRANDPARENTS DAY IS FOR "SPECIAL GRAND-FRIENDS" AS WELL AS GRANDPARENTS.** This day is for **all students** at IDS, with or without their own personal guests. Everyone prepares in both music classes and in their classrooms for weeks for this special performance followed by our guests visiting classrooms. Dismissal for all students is 12:00 Noon on that day! Be sure to have all IDSers wearing their IDS polo green shirts! **MOST IMPORTANT:** This is a special opportunity for children to **give** service to others by their smiles, deeds, and appreciation for "*spans of time.*" We expect our students to be at school, join in, and do their part. Thanks for allowing every student to contribute AND give community service "at home." (**THIS IS REPRINTED FROM HEADS' LETTER NOVEMBER 6**)
3. **IDS Annual Book Fair begins Friday, November 28 through Saturday, December 6, 2008.** All Intermediate and Middle School students will travel to the book fair as a class trip. **Primary Night is Wednesday, December 3** beginning at 5:00 p.m. Please sign the enclosed permission slip and return it to your child's homeroom teacher. Please remember that every student needs his/her IDS Green Polo shirt. Thank you for your cooperation and support.



## PROUD MOMENTS SOAR FOR OUR IDSers



TO OUR IDS FAMILIES, PLEASE SHARE SPECIAL MOMENTS SO THAT EVERYONE CAN ENJOY WITH YOU.

1. Independent Day School - Corbett Campus is honored to announce that one of our WONDERFUL Girls Basketball Coaches, **Sonny LeBlanc**, is being inducted into the National Softball Hall of Fame on December 19, 2008. He is the first coach from Florida to receive this honor. Coach Sonny began his coaching career over 30 years ago in Vermont where he founded an after-school organization for basketball. Upon moving to Florida, he began coaching girl's fast pitch softball and has since won two National Championships. Our own students have benefited from his expertise and he has taken our girls basketball program to new heights. Congratulations Coach Sonny and thanks for all you do for IDS!
2. **Adam Holder**, (8<sup>th</sup> Grade), competed with his Hillsborough County Unites U14 soccer team in the ACDC Adidas Columbus Day Soccer tournament. His team played in the finals and won the championship on overtime by penalty kicks 7-6. Adam scored one of the PK's! which helped win the tournament. Congratulations Adam!!!
3. **Suhani Patel** (7<sup>th</sup> grade) and **Chandni Patel** (5<sup>th</sup> grade) won 1<sup>st</sup> place in a dance competition at the India Festival, held on Saturday, November 8, 2008 at the USF Sun Dome. Suhani and Chandni also won an award for best costume in the junior category. We are proud of you both!
4. **Reagan Harrison** (6th grade) and her parents Avis and John Harrison are looking forward to Thanksgiving even more this year. We all join in welcoming home their brother and son, US Army Private Ted Harrison, who was stationed in Baghdad, Iraq for one year. He returned to Fort Campbell, Kentucky on Wednesday, November 12 and will be arriving in Tampa on November 26 in time for Thanksgiving turkey with his family.

# PARENT FACULTY ASSOCIATION (PFA)



**MARK THE DATE: BIG EVENT COMING SATURDAY, MARCH 7, 2009**



1. **FRIDAY, DECEMBER 5 at 10:00 a.m. till 1:00 p.m. the THIRD ANNUAL IDS-CC BOUTIQUE AND BRUNCH! Make your reservations now** to shop, eat, and enjoy meeting new parents, greet friends, and bring guests! The boutique will feature over 20 local vendors. **To reserve a spot, please fill out the form in the main office or contact PFA Boutique Chairperson, Billie Valloreo at (813) 961-3087 x391.**
2. **Are you looking for a fun way to spend the afternoon on our December 10 half day?** Join us for a fun-filled skating party at United Skates with the proceeds helping IDS. You can purchase your tickets in advance and you can enjoy lunch at the rink. Bring your friends and take a spin around the rink in a FUNraising effort. We will see you there!

## CAMPUS HIGHLIGHTS: ODDS AND ENDS

**HOOPS OF HOPE!** A huge thanks to the Middle School students who went to the USF gymnasium, last Thursday evening, to shoot hoops to benefit the care for AIDS orphans in Sub-Saharan Africa. Congratulations to Student Council coordinators Zealand Shannon, Alena Joyiens, Pedro Lima, and Caroline Poole for helping to coordinate this effort and to IDS parent Gina Shannon for connecting us with the University of South Florida coaches to make this happen. Hats off to our coaches, Coach Heller, Coach Chumbley, and Coach Starkey, for driving the students there and for encouraging this effort. The students raised \$3000 for this important cause and were able to hear the teenage founder of this program speak. Austin Gutwein was motivating and simply incredible. Everyone was in awe of what this young man, supported by his parents, was able to accomplish.

**HEADMASTER OF THE DAY, CHRISTIAN GONZMART, SUCCESSFULLY "WOWS" the ENTIRE SCHOOL.** A huge standing ovation goes to Headmaster Gonzmart for running IDS with a smile and determination to achieve his goals for November 10. He ran an hour long Monday Morning Assembly with ease and confidence, while gaining the admiration of the entire assembly! During the assembly, we recognized Fall Sports. All of the coaches proudly called the names of their team members and thanked them for their great work with athletics this fall for Soccer, Volleyball and Cross Country. The new "winter sports" season has already begun with Girls Basketball, Boys Basketball, and Cheerleading. Track will begin in January and will **be for students in Fourth through Eighth Grades.**

During the assembly Headmaster Gonzmart honored Hispanic Heritage month. The Spanish team of Teachers, Senoras Figueruelo, Jennings, and Morgan, had their students well prepared to present with words, singing, dancing, and acting, while sharing a lot of information. In the end, everyone participated with song and poetry. It was an inspirational way to begin the day.

**THE COOL CATS (MULTI-AGE FIRST AND SECOND GRADES)** were simply wonderful as they led us through the first class play of the year called *The Cool Cats Travel The USA*. Their lines were clear and delivered with confidence. Their costumes and scenery were bright and fun, just like they are. They managed to use a lot of humor even as they taught the audience about the importance of symbols and sites around the USA. A huge MEOW Cheer to their teachers, Ms. Brockmeyer, Mrs. Petty and Mr. Richter as well as the great Cool Cat parent assistance. They were recognized by "Headmaster Gonzmart" with a big round of applause in the Monday Morning Assembly.

**MIGHTY MONKEYS SECOND GRADE:** All of our Upper Primary Division, the Cool Cats, The Mighty Monkeys and the Brilliant Bugs are studying the symbols that represent our country as part of their unit called, *We, The People*. After reading a book about the Constitution entitled, *We, The Kids*, the Mighty Monkeys wrote their own preamble for IDS. Thanks Mighty Monkeys, this is really great! The following shows how they took the meaning of the Preamble to the Constitution and applied it to everyday life. Bravo!

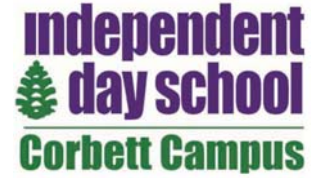
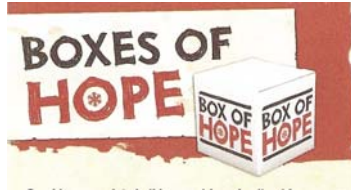


*We, the kids of IDS, in order to form a more perfect school community, establish rules and equality insure safety for all, provide for our protection, promote fun and kindness, and secure the blessings of IDS to us and the people of IDS do ordain and establish this message of caring and respect! for us, Mighty Monkey.*

# IDS BOXES OF HOPE

METROPOLITAN MINISTRIES WILL FEED 24,000 FAMILIES THIS HOLIDAY SEASON.

## IDS CAN HELP!



### Boxes of Hope - Food Drive

sponsored by the Middle School Student Government and PFA



Bring in cans through Monday, November 24 and help feed those in need!  
They especially need canned fruit!



For more information to help Metropolitan Ministries contact Nancy Leach (813) 295-2020

# COMMUNITY ADS

## For your tutoring needs



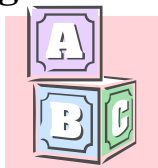
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## IDS AFTER SCHOOL ACTIVITIES SESSION III



After School Activities  
Options! Options! Options!



Session 3  
November 17th - January 23rd

INDEPENDENT DAY SCHOOL-CORBETT CAMPUS  
12015 ORANGE GROVE DRIVE TAMPA, FL. 33618-3699 (813) 961-3087  
<http://www.idsyas.com>

If you are interested in running an advertisement in the *Heads' Letter*, please contact: Celeste Ross at (813) 961-3087.  
¼ page \$100, ½ page \$175, full back page \$250. *Advertisements run only when space is available.*

**Please see  
"All School"  
enclosures  
found in  
Thursday Folder.**



**Yes! Our family will attend the IDS 40<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION  
FALL FESTIVAL on Saturday, November 22, 2008! Time: 10:30 A.M. – 2:30 P.M.**

Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_ No. Attending: \_\_\_\_\_ Children's grade(s) \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ **YES! Our family will be having lunch at the Taste of IDS.**

Restaurants represented at the Taste of IDS are:



1. Café Eden at Abby's Health and Nutrition
2. Columbia Restaurant
3. Dinner Done
4. IDS Catering Services
5. Jamba Juice
6. Six Tables Restaurant
7. Sonny's BBQ Wesley Chapel
8. The Red Elephant
9. The IDS Girl Scout troop will be having a Bake Sale for dessert!



**Thank you to Chef Tony Kelly, The Gonzmart Family, The Nasser Family, Chef Garret, The Bottini Family, The Hoff Family, Aaron Sang (GM for Jamba Juice), Carl Sahlsten (VP for Red Elephant) and the Girl Scouts for donating their time and food to this event!**

Food tickets are \$6.00 when purchased in advance or \$10.00 at the Festival.

\_\_\_\_\_ Total number of meals x \$6.00 per person \$\_\_\_\_\_ Enclosed

*For all prepaid orders on the day of the event, please go to the Bell Tower and we will give you your food ticket at that time.*

**Prepaid orders are to be turned into the main office by November 14, 2008.**

**SPECIAL  
ADDITION**

*At the Fall Festival you will have a chance to meet and greet with retired professional sports players!!*



**IDS 40<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION FUN RUN**



\_\_\_\_\_ **Yes! Our family will attend the IDS FUN RUN!**

**Attention all Runners .....It's time to get out your running shoes for the FUN RUN!** Come enjoy a beautiful Run or Walk on our **Buchanan Sport Field at our Middle School!** Our 2 mile run begins at 9:00 a.m. (*for all runners*), our 1 mile run/walk begins at 9:30 a.m. (*for beginning runners or fast walkers*), and our ½ mile Primary Trot will follow at 10:00 a.m. (*for primary kids or walkers*). All runners will receive a special Run for Fun T-shirt, a medal, food & drinks. **Top Finishers will receive a gift card to Target!**

**Yes! Sign our family up**

NAME	Group*	Elite	2 mile	1 mile	Primary Trot

\* **Group** - P (Primary), Int (Intermediate), MS (Middle School), A (Adult)

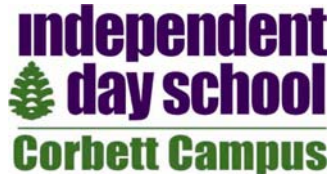
Total number of Runners x \$15.00 = \$\_\_\_\_\_ Enclosed

T-Shirt Sizes: \_\_\_ YS \_\_\_ YM \_\_\_ YL \_\_\_ AS \_\_\_ AM \_\_\_ AL \_\_\_ AXL

Indicate the size of shirt and the number of each size needed

**PLEASE RETURN THE ORDER FORM INTO THE MAIN OFFICE BY NOVEMBER 14, 2008.**

**PLEASE MAKE ALL CHECKS PAYABLE TO IDS**



**BOOK FAIR PERMISSION SLIP**  
**3<sup>rd</sup> through 8<sup>th</sup> Grade**

November 13, 2008

Dear Parents,

IDS will hold its annual Fall Book Fair beginning on Saturday, November 28, 2008 through Saturday, December 6, 2008. All Intermediate and Middle School students will travel to the book fair on a class field trip. All classes will travel on the school bus with their teachers and meet Miss Fields at Barnes & Noble during their scheduled time. See the Book Fair Field Trip schedule on the back.

You may send money or scrip with your child to shop or your child may choose books to be held by the store until you are able to come and purchase them. Please discuss with your child your expectations for responsible shopping. You are also invited to meet us at the book fair and shop with your child during their scheduled time.

Please sign the permission slip below and return it to your child's homeroom teacher. **All students need to wear their IDS field trip shirts to the book fair.**

Thank you for your cooperation and support.

Sincerely,  
Kim Fields  
Library Media Specialist

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My child, \_\_\_\_\_ has  
permission to travel to the IDS Book Fair at his/her scheduled time. I understand the  
students will be traveling by school bus. I also understand that they are required to wear  
their IDS field trip shirts to the book fair.

Parent Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Intermediate – Return to homeroom teacher

Middle School – Return to English teacher

Independent Day School Fall Bookfair Field Trip Schedule to Barnes & Noble

Monday, December 1, 2008 (Day 4)

7G	1:21 – 2:06
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Tuesday, December 2, 2008 (Day 5)

MA 3 <sup>RD</sup> /4 <sup>th</sup> Nationals	9:00 – 9:45
MA 3 <sup>rd</sup> /4 <sup>th</sup> Americans	9:45 – 10:30
6S/7P	10:57 – 11:42
6G/7S	1:21 – 2:06

Wednesday, December 3, 2008 (Day 1)

8G	9:06 – 9:51
8P	10:09 – 10:54
8S	1:21 – 2:06

Thursday, December 4, 2008 (Day 2)

3P/3G	9:00 – 9:45
4P/4G	10:00 – 10:45
6P	1:21 – 2:06

Friday, December 5, 2007 (Day 3)

5S/G	10:30 – 11:15
5G/P	11:30 – 12:15

