



January Letter 2010

Dear Teen Leaders and Parents,

Congratulations for a good job with our Pebbles project – part one – first “mentor-buddy” meeting!

The January View

Our next two meetings are **JANUARY 23 – Dress rehearsal for the workshop**
JANUARY 30 – Actual workshop

Your multi-colored “Workshop Roles and Schedule” has the workshop schedule on it...

7:30 arrive at House of Peace – there is no formal “meeting,” but more like a “huddle” for the following:

- Mentor group leaders can call whoever is not there on time
- Managers can check to see if anyone from their pages is absent, to assign back-ups
- The supply box can get organized and the tables and poster boards can get set up

Drawing is at 7:25 AM.

(I just realized that this year’s schedule still says 2008-2009 on it! Sorry about the wrong date!
You can tell it’s this year’s, because it has this year’s freshmen/women listed.)

Things to Consider:

1. Teen Leader Prep for Jan. 23:

- You must **bring that multi-colored schedule with you** – it’s your Guide to the entire workshop.
- **Bring your binders also** – although
NO ONE WILL BE ALLOWED TO READ FROM YOUR BINDER AT THE REHEARSAL!
- **Watching someone read is boring! So don’t do it! Section Leaders** – make up **NOTES** on index cards – not complete sentences you will read, but **NOTES** to trigger your memory regarding the points you will be making.

2. **Audience:** We are still working on getting the students from Marquette. Mara, who helped us last year is studying in India. She gave me the name of another student, Tim, who is working on finding our college student audience.

3. **Parents:** if you ‘d like to see the workshop, you can come at the March 27th workshop, which will probably be the least crowded, or the January 30 workshop, which might have the largest number of participants, or on January 23, to the dress rehearsal. We recommend the March workshop – to see the most polished one! But you are welcomed to come to any of these!

4. **Christmas Jars** – \$ 1,838.00 was the total collected. The Catholic Knights (branch #89) had offered us a Matching grant for up to \$1000 to match what the Teen Leaders were able to raise. So that turns our total into \$ 2,838.00 !!! Congratulations, and thanks to Millie Gonzalez, for making those arrangements!

5. **Mentor Buddies:** The next time we meet with our mentor buddies will be on March 20, when we will teach parts of the Hope Is Something You Do workshop. Please remind them – lunch will be at 12:30, and the program will go 1:00 - 3:00.

The Longer View...

February – we will have a **regular meeting on February 27**. Teen Scholars are required to stay for the afternoon. Support Teens are invited to stay for the afternoon, but they are not required. We'll celebrate winter birthdays that day... Jasmine (Dec. 8), Lisa (Jan. 14), Steven (Jan. 30) and Ralph (Feb 29). Ralph will bring ice cream cake!

On **February 14**, there will be a **Interfaith Youth Café** held at the Sikh Religious Society of Wisconsin.
3675 N. Calhoun Road in Brookfield, WI -- *Theme: Love and Respect among Generations*
Because of the intergenerational focus, parents and even grandparents are also invited.

Please let us know how many from your family will be attending the February café.

March – we will have two meetings –

- (1) Regular meeting scheduled for March 20 – with the Mentor-Buddy Program Part 2 in the afternoon
- (2) Hope Is Something You Do workshop for middle school teens on March 27

This Month's Questions

Call/email your mentor group leader between Jan. 17-20 with the answers to these questions:

- #1. Did you receive the January email and letter? Is any information incorrect?
- #2. Have you been in touch with your mentor buddy?
- #3. Do you know that you will not be allowed to read from your binder or notes on Jan. 23 and 30?
- #4. Do you have your parts memorized and/or have your index card notes written?
- #5. Will you be attending the Feb. café? Will one of your parents or grandparents be coming?

Don't forget!

**CALL YOUR MENTOR GROUP LEADER BY JANUARY 20 THE LATEST
with the answers to these questions!**

Call Ralph regarding Pebbles – 412-5842 or 962-3776 (work).

Call Lisa with any other concerns you may have... 414-545-6006... or email her at Lisa@tomorrowspresent.org.

For more information about Lisa, continue to visit www.tomorrowspresent.org and click on "Lisa's Health Update." Then click on the blog from there; the blog link is toward the bottom of the page.

Lisa Calderone

Ralph Stewart

Dominique McGee

Gerri Sheets-Howard

Enclosures: ● Contact info and calendar ● February Interfaith Café Flyer

Groups:	COMPASSION	INSPIRATION	LOVE	FRIENDSHIP
Seniors:	Rebecca (leader)		Arthur (leader)	Aqueelah
Juniors:	Joana	Fernando (leader)	Beatriz	Steven (leader)
		Sun		
Sophomores:	Francis	Kayla	Dauson	Keyon
Freshmen/women:	Mykiliah	Khalil	Jasmine	Lucero