



Welcome to Newman and the Newman Fundraiser Program. The fundraisers are implemented through the Newman Parent Association Board (NPA). The Newman Parent Association Board assists the Fundraising Department in determining the best ways to meet our annual budget for Newman Central Catholic High School. The NPA is made up of parents of Newman students, just like you. This year, the buy-out amount will remain the same as last year - \$1,500. Non-participation in fundraisers will leave the school short of funding that is needed to operate and maintain our facilities the best we can for our students. By not fulfilling our fundraiser commitments we are not committing to the betterment of our students and to each other as parents. All Newman families must help with fundraising for the school, either through participation in our fundraisers or through buy-out.

For the school year 2012-2013, Newman parents will be required to sell 15/\$20.00 Home Sweet Home raffle tickets, contribute at least \$72.00 to the Comet Cash fundraiser, sell 15/\$20.00 Mystery Raffle tickets and to work one of the following fundraisers: Newman Spirit Shop, An Afternoon with the Ladies, Newman Prayer Garden, NHS Presents...dinner/dance/auction, or sell 50 additional Home Sweet Home Raffle tickets. Fundraiser Commitment Sign-up will be held on May 8th, 2012 @ 6PM in the Newman Gymnasium. **It is strongly encouraged that you attend this evening.** Those families that do not attend this evening will be assigned to a fundraiser. Below is a brief description of each fundraiser:

BUY-OUT

Families wishing to opt out of the fundraisers may buy-out in the amount of \$1,500 (full buy-out) or buy-out at \$1,200 and sell their 15 Home Sweet Home tickets. Checks must be made out to the Newman Parent Association and **CANNOT** be added to their tuition. Checks are due in the Fundraising Office by Monday, August 13, 2012.

HOME SWEET HOME RAFFLE:

Each family must sell 15/\$20.00 tickets. The selling time is from May 8th (Commitment Sign-Up Evening) – and ticket stubs must be returned to the school by Monday, August 27. Each family **MUST** BUY their tickets upfront at Commitment Night. We ask that each family bring a check for \$300 made out to the Newman Parent Association. When you sell your obligated 15 tickets, you will keep the money to cover your check made out to Newman, and return the stubs to Newman for the drawing. If a purchaser of a ticket makes a check out to “Newman,” you may come to the Fundraising Office and exchange the check for cash. All checks will be held until June 30, 2012 to give you ample time to sell your tickets and cover your check amount. All checks will be cashed on June 30, 2012 – **no exceptions.** Ten families are needed to sell 50 extra tickets for their fundraiser commitment. This is a **mandatory fundraiser.** The drawing will be held at half-time of the first home football game.

COMET CHANGE:

Each Newman family is encouraged to save their coins!! We ask that each family place \$2/weekly into the Comet Change Pig, or whatever container you prefer. The Comet Change Pig is just a visual reminder to participate weekly. The fundraiser can be paid of initially with a \$72.00 check (made out to the Newman Parent Association) for the year or you can raise the funds for the whole school year by weekly participation as a family without any selling pressure, etc. You can turn in your containers periodically,

no waiting is involved and your container is returned to you or your student to take home or turn it in all at one once when you have reached the minimum \$72.00 obligation. **This is a mandatory fundraiser and the amounts collected will be documented accordingly.**

MYSTERY RAFFLE:

This raffle is in the planning stages as it will replace the current fundraiser we have of SCRIP. The raffle will be similar to the Home Sweet Home Raffle and will be a **mandatory** fundraiser. Once the details of what the prizes will be we will let the Newman families know. This fundraiser will take place between November and January.

******WORKING FUNDRAISERS**

NHS PRESENTS.....DINNER/DANCE/AUCTION

This event is one of Newman's major fund-raisers that require many families to participate. There are many different areas that you may commit; set-up, decorating, provisioning and kitchen clean-up, finance, valet parking, coat check in, clean-up, raffle, bartending, solicitation, and appetizers. The date of this fund-raiser is usually the first Saturday in March.

AN AFTERNOON WITH THE LADIES

All Ladies young and old are invited to attend this unique afternoon of hors d'oeuvres, silent auction and celebrating. This annual tradition has been taking place for many, many years and always has a wonderful turnout. Workers sign-up to assist in serving the meal, set-up and clean-up, along with catering to the guests and having fun while they are doing it! Others workers will be responsible for soliciting acquisitions, organizing, invitations, etc. Raffles and/or Draw Down may be incorporated into this event. This event takes place usually in November of each year.

NEWMAN SPIRIT SHOP

Workers will be responsible for working a rotation of hours including football games, home volleyball, wrestling meets, and basketball games, Meet the Comets (including set-up and tear-down on this day), Homecoming Week, Catholic Schools Week and at the Christmas Store. Main responsibility will be selling Spirit Shop merchandise.

PRAYER GARDEN

8 families are needed to upkeep the Newman Prayer Garden. Some, but not all the tasks, include: weeding, adding mulching, planting and laying pavers.

Finally, fundraising is an inherent part of Catholic Education. We are in this together, as parents, for our students. It is an obligation and commitment we have towards each other and to our students to help us provide the best education possible. If you have ANY questions regarding any of Newman's fundraisers please feel free to contact the Newman Parent Association Board Members: Beth Sage – President, Susie LeMay – Vice President, Tony Baratta – Secretary, Steve Davis, Mary Beth Oswalt, Tim Nelson, Don Wood, Bob Burger, and Chris Rowzee.