

# LA SEMANA NEWSLETTER

## THURSDAY, AUGUST 4, 2011

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**QUESTIONS ABOUT LA SEMANA?** Check out our website ([www.lasemana.org](http://www.lasemana.org)). You'll find the daily newsletter, Dance Costume requirements, Fiesta info, Parent Ed classes and more.

**Absences:** Please report any absences, child or adult, to the Camp office located just inside the main school entrance. Drop by or call 612-208-7522.

**¡Fiesta!** will be at Lakeville High School South on Friday at 5:30 p.m. Detailed information was sent home with campers on Wednesday. Please read it carefully and be sure to come to Fiesta with everything your child needs for the performance. Grades 1-2 arrive at 4:30; Grades 3-4 arrive at 4:45 and Grades 5-7 arrive at 5:00pm. **All campers should be seated, in costume at 5:20 in the auditorium.** If you did not receive a copy of the Fiesta flier, please pick one up in the office or view the info on the website.

**Fiesta Costume Alert for Girls!** Girls' make-up is blue eye shadow, red lipstick and rouge. Please make sure make-up and hair are done prior to drop off at Fiesta. Also, please make sure girls wear shorts under their costumes to facilitate quick changing.

**Friday Assembly:** Come to the cafeteria on Friday morning for a final Camp assembly, a fun-filled program that will include dances by the Kindergarteners and the Corazon Latino (CL) Dancers. The youth and teen groups of CL will each perform a traditional dance (choreographed by "America's Got Talent" semi-finalists Dario Mejia and Giselle Mejia). The teen group will also perform its modern dance (choreographed by Ayudante, Felicia Tempel). **CL Dancers,** come to the hallway outside the cafeteria by 8:40 a.m. to get into costume. Dancers will report to classrooms by 9 a.m. and then return directly to the cafeteria to perform.

**Camp Take-Down Crew:** Please be here by 1 p.m. on Friday and 9 a.m. on Saturday.

**Volunteer Needed!** We need a volunteer to pull the dance classroom trailer from the church to Lakeville South High School in Friday before the Fiesta. The volunteer needs a car or truck with a 2" ball for pulling the trailer. It only weighs about 1300 pounds, and requires only a standard trailer wiring plug. If you can help, please call Cari Parmer at 763-370-4311.

**Yearbooks Delivered to Classrooms Tomorrow.** Each Camper, except Daycare Campers, will receive one. Alumni will need to come to the office to pick up their copy.

**Let La Semana Continue!** Come to the Latin American Adoption Picnic at Blackhawk State Park in Eagan, MN on Sunday, September 25<sup>th</sup> at noon. Bring your lunch and enjoy visiting with friends old and new.

**Classroom Facilitators:** Please begin returning your classroom supplies before noon on Friday to the supply area at the bottom of the stairs (Near Murphy Hall).

**Corazon Latino Dance Troupe:** The PLAC-sponsored Dance Troupe, Corazon Latino, is open to boys and girls in grades three through high school. Each age group learns a traditional Latin American dance. The teen group also usually works together to choreograph a modern Latin dance, which they perform at various venues. Groups meet approximately three Sundays a month from January through April. The troupe performs their traditional dances at the Festival of Nations at the Excel Energy Center in St. Paul, usually in early May. Registration for next year's troupe will take place in December. Reminders will be sent by e-mail, and information will be available at [www.lasemana.org](http://www.lasemana.org). FFI contact Sally Poesch (763-561-9260).

**Last Chance To Support This Year's Service Project!** Buy some yummy Latin American food in the cafeteria tomorrow. Coffee, soda and sweet empanadas will be available throughout the day. For lunch, look for Argentinean empanadas, tamales, quesadillas, rice, beans, tortilla chips and a daily entrée. All profits will be donated to Common Hope to purchase playground equipment for children in Guatemala.

**Parents of Fourth Graders:** Remember to be in your 4<sup>th</sup> grader's classroom on Friday, Aug 5<sup>th</sup> from 12:35-1:20 to help your child complete their Life Booklet, "My Story." Alert your La Semana colleagues that you will be gone. Call Barb Yates with questions (651-231-0628).

**7<sup>th</sup> Grade Graduation:** Parents, don't miss the celebration for your graduating camper on Friday, August 5<sup>th</sup> from 1:15-2:15 in the Specialty room.

**We Want Your Ideas:** Help us write a La Semana Mission Statement and shape our Codes of Conduct. Add your two cents on the board by the office.

**Volunteer for La Semana 2012!** Sign up today for year-round jobs (Tier A and B) on the boards near the office. These roles enjoy lower fees and priority registration. Other jobs will be part of later registration.

**Lost & Found:** Please claim all lost items outside the office before noon on Friday.

**La Semana Business Cards:** We have printed "business cards" with information about La Semana. Pick up a few at the office so you have them handy to share with new families you meet. It's a great way to spread the word about our fabulous Camp!

**Garage Wanted:** We need someone willing to store our Dance trailer. The family that stores the trailer for La Semana will qualify for Registration Level A, meaning you will be the first to register and receive the lowest pricing for your entire family. Questions? See Jim Stromberg in the Camp office located just inside the main school entrance.

**Repayments:** Bring reimbursement requests to the office; checks will be ready the next day.

**Thanks La Semana Staff!** So many people make La Semana possible that it's impossible to thank them all – but we try to! Many of our thanks are published in the directory, some folks (like the marvelous dance teachers) are thanked at the Fiesta, and some, we'll thank now. Let's here it for this year's Spanish teachers – Raul Arroyo, Paulino Brener, Nicolas Carter, and Carmen Rudin! Another special thanks goes to a Teqendama Sea-Aida, one of the original campers from 1982, who is volunteering in the Spanish program this year.