

## **Fundraising Opportunities to Whittle Away that \$370 Family Obligation**

**SCRIPS** (ongoing): A fundraising program that provides a rebate to the school towards your fundraising obligation from a multitude of stores when you buy prepaid gift certificates/cards using your SCRIPS account (percentage varies by company). Last year, the second year we participated in this program, was a huge success and raised more than \$5400 for the school.

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**Federal, State and private employee programs:** An easy way to meet the family fundraising obligation! Choose to contribute to SJE through your employers giving program. Please check the box that allows the recipient (SJE) to see your contribution to make sure you get full credit. Credit will be given toward your obligation for the school year in which you initially sign up, even if the contributions are spread out over two school years. After you sign up, please contact HSA Treasurer Beth Johnson at [johnson10503@hotmail.com](mailto:johnson10503@hotmail.com) to ensure SJE is getting your contribution. **100% of funds go towards your family fundraising obligation.**

- United Way/Combined Federal Campaign #66918 (Yearly)
- State of Maryland Employees (MD Charity Commission) #7223 (Yearly)
- Other company sponsored giving programs

**Magazine Sales/Fall Drive:** Purchase a new magazine subscription or renew a pre-existing one and a percentage of the cost (typically 40%) will be credited toward your fundraising obligation. Online sales may take place throughout the year, but there is a Fall Catalog Sales Drive.

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**Carruth Studio** (Fall): Try something new this year with American-made, hand-crafted sculptures for your home or garden. This new SJE fundraiser offers unique items for Christmas and birthday presents and a percentage of the cost (as much as 40%) will be credited toward your fundraising obligation. Get a sneak peek at [www.carruthstudio.com](http://www.carruthstudio.com). If you'd like to chair or help with this fundraiser, contact Kate Comello at the e-mail below.

POC: Kate Comello, e-mail: [thecomellos@aol.com](mailto:thecomellos@aol.com)

**Advent Candle Sales** (November/December): Reflect on the coming Christmas season by purchasing a set of Advent candles. A credit of \$5.75 goes toward your fundraising obligation for each set purchased.

Chair: Kate Campion; e-mail: [wearethecampions@verizon.net](mailto:wearethecampions@verizon.net)

**White House Christmas Ornaments Sale** (November/December): White House ornaments are a wonderful tradition and a great DC-area gift for relatives. A percentage of each ornament goes toward your fundraising obligation.

Chairperson Needed!

**Poinsettia Sale** (December): Check off one of the many items on your Christmas "to-do" list by ordering festive poinsettias from SJE. These plants make lovely decorations and gifts. The amount credited toward the family fundraising obligation is announced at the start of the sale and is usually 50%+. Volunteers are needed to coordinate the sale and to order and distribute the plants.

Chairperson Needed!

**Honey-Baked Ham Sales** (Christmas and Easter): Order delicious honey baked ham or other tasty treats from the event menu, but remember you must pick your order up from the Kennedy Room during the appointed day/time (which saves gas and time, as you won't have to fight the crowds at the stores). 15% of your sale goes toward your fundraising obligation.

Chair: Kate Droege, e-mail: [droeges@verizon.net](mailto:droeges@verizon.net)

**50/50 Raffle** (May): Feeling lucky? Once again, a portion of each 50/50 ticket sold (\$1.50) will go toward your fundraising obligation in addition to giving the purchaser the chance to win a significant amount of cash! This year we need both a chairperson and an additional volunteer to oversee publicity, ticket sales, and administration of the raffle.

\*\*\*Former chair Scott Campbell is standing by to explain the entire raffle process to you! To volunteer, contact Cathy Tramontana ([ctramont010510@gmail.com](mailto:ctramont010510@gmail.com)).

**Mulch Madness** (Spring): A great fundraiser and community tradition each spring at SJE! Purchase or arrange for friends and neighbors to purchase mulch, and \$1.50 of each bag you sell/broker will go towards your fundraising obligation. Mulch is delivered in bulk to SJE and volunteers are needed to deliver orders to local homes, which is always an incredibly fun day of working together with other parents and students.

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**Spring Flower/Plant Sale** (April): There is no better way to celebrate spring than with flowers! Purchase flowers, herbs and vegetables through this springtime event, and a percentage of the sale (usually 50%) will be credited towards your fundraising obligation. Volunteers are needed to help accept delivery and staff pick-up during a pre-arranged day and time announced prior to the sale. A co-chair is needed to help with advertising the sale, collecting orders, and managing the money.

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