



# ASPA

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2023-24 Second Meeting

October 17<sup>th</sup>, 2023

# Who We Are...

- All Saints Parents Association
- Bringing Teachers, Parents and Students Together
- Forging Relationships in the Community

About Us!



# ASPA Board

- Co-Chairs: Sheena Gigante & Megan Elberts
- Treasurer: Michelle Ling
- Secretary: Vinita Ramnani

# Notes from the Treasurer

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- Currently working on the 2023–24 budget.
- Credit Card Approval Form
  - Many times ASPA event chairs will request that Diane/Maryanne purchase items on the ASCA credit card.
  - Please email ASPA Treasurer, Michelle Ling with all requests and she will coordinate with ASCA
- Reimbursement Requests
  - NEW reimbursement form. Please email ASPA Treasurer, Michelle Ling if you need a copy.
  - ASCA does not reimburse taxes. You can use DOJ tax exempt form.

# Secretary Notes

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- Please submit any ASPA notes that you would like to include in Patty's weekly emails to Vinita ([vramnani08@outlook.com](mailto:vramnani08@outlook.com)) by Wednesday Evening. Please do not send Patty emails directly.
- ASPA updates must be sent to Patty before Friday!

# What to Expect



Date	Event	ASPA Point Person
08/14/2023	Back to School Faculty Lunch	Hospitality
08/17/2023	Back to School Meet & Greet Cereal Collection	ASPA BOARD Outreach Committee
08/21/2023	First Day of School	
08/29/2023	Curriculum Night K-5	ASPA BOARD
08/30/2023	Curriculum Night PS, 6-8	ASPA BOARD
09/12/2023	ASPA Kick-Off Meeting	ASPA BOARD
09/22/2023	Fun Run	Amy Bono
09/26/2023 -09/29/2023	Fall Book Fair	Lisa Hajek and Laura Blackwell
10/05/2023	Parent Teacher Conferences / Teacher Dinner/Giving Tree	Hospitality
10/17/2023	2 <sup>nd</sup> ASPA Meeting	ASPA BOARD
10/28/2023	Trunk or Treat	Juanita Showalter and Carolina Zavala
10/31/2023	Halloween Class Parties	Ashley Anderson

Date	Event	ASPA Point Person
November	Faculty Christmas Collection Flyer Distribution	ASPA BOARD
11/21/2023	Grandparents Day	Jackie Hasse
11/27/2023 - 12/01/2023	Holiday Shop	Shannon Rosiak, Trena Coffey
12/13/2023	Faculty Christmas Party	Hospitality
12/21/2023	Christmas Class Parties	Ashley Anderson
01/15/2024	MLK Day of Service	Outreach Committee & ASCA
01/16/2023	3 <sup>rd</sup> ASPA Meeting	ASPA BOARD
Week of 01/28/2024	Catholic Schools Week	Katherine Preze
02/13/2024	Valentine's Class Parties	Ashley Anderson
TBD	4 <sup>th</sup> ASPA Meeting	ASPA BOARD
04/16/2024-04/19/2024	Spring Book Fair	Lisa Hajek and Laura Blackwell
Week of 5/6/2024	Teacher Appreciation Week	Hospitality
	School Nurses Day	Hospitality
05/24/2024	8 <sup>th</sup> Grade Graduation	ASPA BOARD
05/31/2024	Last Day of School	ASPA BOARD
TBD	Daddy Daughter Dance	
TBD	Mother/Son Event	



# ASPA COMMITTEES



# Hospitality Committee

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## CHAIRS

Vinita Ramnani  
Faculty Liaison - Jane Kennedy

## WHAT

The hospitality committee plans fun events to show our wonderful Faculty and Staff appreciation throughout the year!

## HOW CAN I HELP?

Volunteers may be needed throughout the year to help set up lunches, work recess/lunch duty and drop of treats!

# Outreach Committee

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CHAIRS

Anne Soto

WHAT

The Outreach Committee organizes all of the community outreach projects including the Loaves and Fishes Cereal Drive, Bernie's Book Bank Used Book Collection, Operation Support Our Troops Post-Halloween Candy Collection, Cradles to Crayons Winter Coat Collection, Hesed House Advent Collection and Martin Luther King Day of Service.

HOW CAN I HELP?

Volunteers are needed to help with all of these events! Please reach out to Anne if you are interested in learning more and giving back to our wonderful community.

# Upcoming Outreach Events

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- [Cradles to Crayons Coat & Boot Collection](#) - Oct 25-27th
- Operation Support Our Troops Candy Collection - Nov 1-2
- [Hesed House](#) Annual Advent Collection - Dec 4-8

# Room Parent Coordinator

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CHAIRS

Ashley Anderson

WHAT

The room parent coordinator is the liaison between ASPA/ASCA and the room parents.

HOW CAN I HELP?

Reach out to your homeroom teacher or room parent if you are interested in volunteering for the upcoming parties.

Please log on to your Virtus account to ensure you are in good standing!

# Halloween Class Party Info

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- **Preschool (Swanson & Sommer):** Students may come to school in their costumes. Parents are welcome to join us for a costume parade at 8:30 in the gym. Class parties will be 8:45–9:45am.
- **Preschool (Greco):** Mrs. Greco's class will celebrate on MONDAY, 10/30. Students may come to school in their costumes. Parents are welcome to join us for a costume parade at 8:30 in McSherry. Class parties will be 8:45–9:45am.
- **Primary Academy (K–2):** Students may come to school in their costumes. Students will participate in the Costume Parade at 2pm, and class parties will be at 2:15pm.
- **Intermediate Academy (3–5):** Students may come to school in their costumes. Students will participate in the Costume Parade at 2pm, and class parties will be at 2:15pm.
- **Junior High Academy (6–8):** Student Council is planning a Halloween Social for the afternoon! Costumes will not be worn in junior high, but students may be out of uniform if they wear Halloween colors (black, orange, and purple).

# Upcoming Class Parties

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- Christmas

- Mrs. Greco - 12/20/2023 - morning
- Everyone else - 12/21/2023 - morning



- Valentine's Day (PLEASE NOTE - Ash Wednesday and Valentine's Day are the same day this year, so we will hold parties the day before)

- Mrs. Greco - 2/12/2024 - morning
- Mrs. Swanson/Mrs. Sommer - 2/13/2024 - morning
- Everyone else - 2/13/2024 - afternoon



# New Family Welcome Committee

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CHAIRS

Melanie Lucero

WHAT

The New Family Welcome Committee is responsible for reaching out to any new families at ASCA and being a point of contact. There are class level volunteers (typically 2) who plan two events over the summer, events throughout the year and an end of the year party. The chair ensures these parties are planned, organizes a back to school coffee and chat and other events.

HOW CAN I HELP?

Volunteer to be a class level lead. Volunteers may be needed at various points to reach out to new families or distribute swag bags other items.



# Art Awareness Coordinator

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CHAIRS

Terri Hanneman and Laura Viquez

WHAT

The art awareness program is a program to introduce students to the great artists of our past. Classroom/Grade level volunteers are needed to coordinate and lead lessons.

HOW CAN I HELP?

Reach out to Terri and Laura if you are interested in helping out with a class!

# Sunshine Committee

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CHAIRS

Heidi Sawko

WHAT

This committee is meant to support ASCA families. This is a new committee we need help getting started! We hope to recognize births and weddings. We plan to support grieving families. We want to offer a means to support families dealing with illnesses or times of need.

HOW CAN I HELP?

Join our committee! Help us with ideas!

# Raise Right / SCRIP

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CHAIRS

Michelle Ling

WHAT

SCRIP is a great way to earn credit towards the Family Fundraising Obligation (FFO). It is easy to get started, and easy to chip away at the FFO each and every week. Now is the time to get going! To find out more about SCRIP [click here](#) or contact the team at [scrip@ascacademy.org](mailto:scrip@ascacademy.org).

HOW CAN I HELP?

Purchase physical or e gift cards via Raise Right to earn money for ASCA.  
Reach out to the SCRIP team to learn more.

# ASPA EVENTS



# ASCA Fun Run

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CHAIRS	Amy Bono
WHEN	Friday, September 22 <sup>nd</sup>
WHAT	The Fun Run is a fundraiser for ASCA. The students can gain pledges from family and friends for the number of laps they run.
WHERE	ASCA
EVENT UPDATE	More than \$54,000 in pledges!

# Book Fair

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CHAIRS	Lisa Hajek and Laura Blackwell
WHEN	FALL – Tuesday September 26 <sup>th</sup> thru Friday, September 29 <sup>th</sup> SPRING – Tuesday April 16 <sup>th</sup> thru Friday April 19 <sup>th</sup>
WHAT	ASCA hosts a Fall and Spring Book Fair.
WHERE	McSherry Hall, ASCA
HOW CAN I HELP?	Volunteers are needed to help set up, run and take down the book fair. This is a volunteer heavy event! Most of the volunteer opportunities are during school hours.  2024-25 Chairs are needed. If interested, please reach out TODAY! This is a great opportunity to train/learn from current/past chairs.

# Trunk or Treat

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CHAIRS

Carolina Zavala and Juanita Showalter

WHEN

Saturday, October 28<sup>th</sup> at 11 AM

WHAT

Trunk or Treat is a great way to kick off the Halloween Weekend. The event will feature decorated trunks for students to visit.

WHERE

ASCA

HOW CAN I HELP?

We will need at least 30 trunks! We had a great turn out last year and are anticipating even more this year. Start looking at Pinterest for your decorating ideas! There will also be opportunities to donate candy!



# Trunk or Treat – Saturday, October 28

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Get ready for a spooktacular evening filled with treats, costumes, and a whole lot of Halloween fun.

Date: October 28, 2023

Time: 11 am – 1 pm

Location: ASCA Parking Lot

This family-friendly event promises a fantastic time for all. We encourage you to dress up in your favorite costumes, decorate your car trunks with Halloween flair, and bring plenty of candy to share with our little ghouls and goblins.

If you would like to decorate a trunk, please sign up here: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70A0F4AAEAD28A6FC1-truck>

If you would like to donate candy, please sign up here: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70A0F4AAEAD28A6FC1-candy>

If you would like to pre-order Duck Donuts, please sign up here: <https://forms.gle/V7yRa4Mn6ZpsuxtK8>

If you have any questions please reach out to Juanita Giraldo ([juanita.giraldo@icloud.com](mailto:juanita.giraldo@icloud.com)) or Carolina Zavala ([czavala0221@gmail.com](mailto:czavala0221@gmail.com))



# Grandparent's Day

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CHAIRS	Jackie Hasse
WHEN	Tuesday November 21 <sup>st</sup>
WHAT	We welcome grandparents and VIPS to ASCA for a reception, classroom visits and mass. This is a faculty led event that ASPA supports with volunteers. Grandparents are given the opportunity to buy Book Futures and help fund new purchases for the ASCA library.
WHERE	ASCA
HOW CAN I HELP?	ASPA will provide food and refreshments for the reception. ASPA will also help with day of support. ASCA sent invitations out last week.

# Holiday Shop

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CHAIRS

Shannon Rosiak and Trena Coffey

WHEN

Week of November 27<sup>th</sup>

WHAT

The Holiday Shop is an opportunity for students to purchase gifts for their family and friends!

WHERE

McSherry Hall, ASCA

HOW CAN I HELP?

Volunteers are needed during school hours to set up, run and take down the Holiday Shop.

# Uniform Resale

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CHAIRS	Heidi Sawko
WHEN	January 2024 and Summer 2024
WHAT	ASPA host uniform resales. Heidi has offered to host a resale in January this year!
WHERE	ASCA
HOW CAN I HELP?	Used uniforms donations are needed. Volunteers are needed to organize and sort through donations and work the actual sale(s). Donations are being collected all year at Door One.

# Catholic Schools Week

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CHAIRS	Katherine Preze
WHEN	January 28 - February 3, 2023
WHAT	ASPA helps plan fun events for Catholic Schools Week, including a presentation/speaker! Ideas are welcome!
WHERE	ASCA
HOW CAN I HELP?	Volunteers may be needed to coordinate treats/snacks. If there is interest, we could have a committee to support Katherine's planning.

# Father – Daughter Dance

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CHAIRS	Catherine Gianan
WHEN	TBD
WHAT	ASPA hosts a Father Daughter Dance.
WHERE	Gym, ASCA
HOW CAN I HELP?	This event needs many volunteers! Event prep/planning, set up, clean up, food prep, decorations, etc.

# Mother – Son Event

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CHAIRS	Emily Rosenberg
WHEN	TBD
WHAT	ASPA hosts a Mother–Son Event. Last Years event was held at Main Event.
WHERE	TBD
HOW CAN I HELP?	Depending on where it is held, there may be little volunteer need.

# Event Notes

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A consensus vote took place during the September 12, 2023, meeting regarding the various parent-child events. The group agreed to eliminate the Mother-Daughter and Father-Son events. An additional vote was held to determine if more family events should be held and it was decided that we currently have a healthy number of family events with great representation.

# Looking for Other Ways to Contribute?

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- Our amazing teachers at ASCA have put together Amazon Wishlists. If you are interested, please check out the [google spreadsheet here](#).
- Interested in Lunch or Recess Volunteering? Reach out to Cristine Shaw and Esmeralda Menchaca-Lopez for more information.
- Please remember it is everyone's responsibility to ensure you have met the DOJ Volunteer Requirements. Please refer to the information located on FACTS or reach out to ASCA (Maryanne Higdon) if you have specific questions.