

**October 2009
Update for the School Board**

We continue to see the results of scholarship gifts given this summer. Families have been so encouraged by the generosity of the LCS community.

Giving was very slow in September, due in part to a few annual gifts given during the summer, rather than in the fall. Many of the back-to-school meetings provided an opportunity to talk with parents about the on-going, annual financial needs of the school. Pam Campbell and I met with about 20 donors this month. We are also trying to track donor "touches" which include email, notes, letters and phone calls. Each individual who donates time, money or resources is thanked, usually twice, by email, phone call, note or letter. The gift recognition process is fairly routine; I'm still working on the volunteer recognition system.

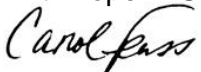
A comparison of the last three months shows that we are a little ahead of last year. This is a great tribute to our school families and friends who continue to give as they are able.

	Gifts	# of donors	In-Kind Gifts	# of donors
July – September 2008	\$177,691	63	\$ 870	5
July – September 2009	\$193,448	64	\$20,852	7
NEW Donors	\$ 67,154	16		
September 2009	\$ 5,789	21	\$11,952	5

The 25-member Foundation Board met on October 1. They reviewed and approved a number of policies, recommended bylaws changes, and worked on the 2009-10 strategic plan. The major focus is making progress toward the 2009-10 goals: \$800,000 for general expenses and tuition scholarships/grants and, \$50K in the endowment fund, and documenting planned gifts. Foundation Board members will be meeting with LCS donors to learn about their view of the school/foundation and share the current and long-term financial needs of the school. We would appreciate the assistance of School board members as well.

School groups and families have initiated a number of fundraising initiatives for this Fall. The School's administrative team reviews all requests to ensure they keep within school policies and to coordinate the timing of requests for donations to school families. About 15 requests have been approved for the school year; the majority of fundraisers are initiated by Athletic Boosters.

With hope in God,



Carol Feuss, Director of Development