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### **Opportunities and Announcements**

#### **International Studies Program off to England**

For the fifth consecutive year, Pine Point School will be sending its graduating class abroad as part of our International Studies Program (ISP). In its first two years the ISP took our students to England. In the second two years the 9th grade and five faculty members studied in France. The Class of 2007 will depart for England on February 28, bringing history, literature, science, and the arts to complement their studies. Their experiences will include study of the Industrial Revolution, Dickens, Shakespeare, and even Jack the Ripper! The group will return on March 9. Check the [ISP homepage](#) in March to read their daily reports as the 9th grade explores the English countryside and London, and visits museums and historical sites.



If you'd like to receive email notifications when updates are posted to the ISP pages, [contact Julie DelPrado](#).

#### **Michael Campbell Performs for Pine Point**

Concert pianist and current Pine Point parent Michael Campbell will play a program of varied styles of music to benefit Pine Point on Saturday, March 31, at 7:00 PM at the George Kent Performance Hall of the Chorus of Westerly. As fans of Michael's Sunday Piano Pops shows are aware, his programs could feature such diverse music as a Polonaise of Chopin or a Debussy prelude, to transcriptions of solo works by Art Tatum and Fats Waller. A donation of \$10 for individuals (\$20 for families) is encouraged, and refreshments will be served.

#### **Climate Change Presentation on February 28**

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New Haven attorney Marjorie Shansky will present a slideshow developed by former Vice President Al Gore at Pine Point, Wednesday, February 28 at 7:00 PM, in the Library/Technology Center. The slideshow, which became the basis of Gore's documentary film, "An Inconvenient Truth," highlights the threat of, and solutions to, global warming. The event is sponsored by Pine Point School and the Stonington Department of Planning. All are welcome to attend. Please call the main office, (860) 535-0606, to RSVP.

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### ▲ Annual Fund Giving - Faith in the Institution

There are any number of reasons one makes a gift to the Annual Fund. For some, there's a sense that just as others before us helped to build the School so we too have an obligation to carry on with that tradition. Overriding all of it, however, is the fact that when you make a gift to the Annual Fund you are signaling your pride in what Pine Point stands for and affirming your belief that the School is fulfilling its mission and headed in the right direction.

Consider some of the following that serve to demonstrate the dynamic nature of our program:

- Our partnership with Stanford University through the Education Program for Gifted Youth (EPGY).
- On April 2nd we will formally "start up" what will be the largest photovoltaic system (330 solar panels) operated by a school (non collegiate) in the State of Connecticut.
- This summer ten Pine Point students will be traveling to Mikura, Japan to serve as Dolphin Research Trainees through our partnership with the Dolphin Communication Project.

If you think Pine Point is serving its students and the community well and positioning itself as a model for other schools then you should consider a generous gift to the Annual Fund. Your support truly does keep Pine Point strong and headed in the right direction.



[I'd like to make a gift online to the Annual Fund.](#)

Please contact the Development Office, 860-535-0606, Ext. 132 or [development@pinepoint.org](mailto:development@pinepoint.org), if you would prefer to make a gift by check.

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### ▲ Brick Patio Update

Last spring and summer some 200 members of the Pine Point family purchased bricks to help create a patio on the back of the Library/Technology Center overlooking the athletic fields. The enhancement will provide additional opportunities for the L/TC's outdoor use while further beautifying the building and its surroundings. At the conclusion of the offering it was determined that it was unwise to install the bricks during the fall season. With installation pushed back to the spring, we are offering you, the Pine Point community, one more opportunity to purchase an engraved brick to honor your child, a graduate, a favorite teacher, etc. The brick campaign is *not* a fundraiser. As with other physical changes made to the campus in the last three years, it is solely designed to further improve the campus.



**The deadline for ordering a brick is March 15th.**

[Download Brick Order Form](#)>

Please [contact the Development Office](#) if you are unable to download the brick ordering form.

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### **Golf Tournament-Save the Date!**

The 15th annual Pine Point Golf Tournament will be played this year on June 11th at Stonington Country Club, one of this area's premier courses. Proceeds from the tournament benefit the entire program at the School and enhance the Fiore Foundation Summer Sabbatical Program.



One of the easiest ways to support the tournament is to play. (Singles through foursomes are welcome.) You can also lend your support to the tournament by serving as a tee sponsor, a charter member, or as a corporate sponsor. As well, you can donate prizes for the raffle held following the conclusion of play.

Additional information and invitations will be sent out in April. Please [contact the Development Office](#) if you have any questions about the tournament or want to lend a hand.

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