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 **Abstract Thoughts: Work by Karen, Ariel '00 and Danica Mitchell '06**



-an exhibition of mixed media and painting by mother and daughters
 January 10 - February 28, 2007 in the Library/Technology Center
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 **Annual Fund Goes Over \$160,000**

Have You Made Your Gift?

In the final weekly calendar announcement in December we reported that the Annual Fund had gone over the \$100,000 mark. To say that the Pine Point family showed its true colors in the last month would be an understatement. As of January 29th, 307 supporters of the School had made contributions that left the fund at just over \$160,000!

It has been particularly gratifying to receive gifts from alumni scattered across the country. Recent gifts from alumni came to Barnes Road in

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envelopes bearing postmarks from Bozeman, Boston, Charleston, Charlestown, Groton, Little Silver, Marion, Moreland Hills, Salt Lake City, San Francisco, Stonington, West Hartford, and Westerly. As did the alumni (and parents, past parents, grandparents, etc.) when these individuals were students, these individuals are doing their part to support this current generation of Pine Point students.

Now up and running for over a year, Pine Point's online giving capability has not only has made it easier to make a gift, but it's cost effective and environmentally friendly by lessening printing, paper, and postage.



[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, if you would prefer to make a gift by check.

Please consider a generous gift to the Annual Fund *today*.

What's Happening at Pine Point?

▲ Pine Point is Growing

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▲ Pine Point Going Solar

In late December and through much of January, faculty and students in the Campbell Building and the Houghton and Sindall Wings occasionally heard footsteps and the whir of a drill over their heads. What they soon learned was that a crew from SolarWrights, a Rhode Island-based firm that has been responsible for installing over 80% of all the photovoltaic systems funded by the Rhode Island Renewable Energy Fund, was putting in place – solar panels, 330 in fact. Once completed, Pine Point will become the first school in southeastern Connecticut to boast a solar collection system to generate electricity, providing another instance where the School is leading the way, be it in the classroom or through its environmental stewardship. The spring *ViewPoints* will provide details of the new system as well as other initiatives being put in place by Pine Point to lessen the School's impact on the environment.



Later in the winter an evening session will be held at Pine Point for those interested in learning more about the potential for using solar power systems. The date for that evening will be posted on the School's homepage once it is established.

▲ Partnership with Stanford University

In early December, Susan Kozel, Diana Owen, and Jennifer Peterson traveled to California and met with members of Stanford University's Education Program for Gifted Youth (EPGY). World renowned, EPGY has been explored by Pine Point's math department to address the needs for differentiation and our growing population of highly capable students.

Stanford's staff was impressed with the educational philosophy and overall success of our program, and they have asked that we become a formal research partner with them to refine a differentiated math curriculum. Currently, there are three aspects being developed: the educational program for gifted youth (for qualified students), the Stanford math program (more broadly offered), and an online EPGY high school laboratory site. For those interested in learning more about the program and our new partnership, [an information session is scheduled for Family Math Night in April.](#)

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