

May 2, 2018

Dear Villa Victoria Families, Friends and Alumnae:

I want to provide an update on three recent activities at our school.

### **Moving Villa Forward**

Our next phase of improvements has begun. The next time you drive on campus you will notice that all of the light poles have been painted and converted to LED lights. You will also notice the Villa Victoria banners on the poles. The banners really "dress-up" the campus.

The bathrooms in the dining hall have been remodeled. In remodeling the Dining Hall, the Committee had two goals: 1) to create an inviting and relaxing environment for our girls to eat and socialize; and 2) to create an appealing venue to hold school functions. With the bathrooms now completed, the project is complete. If you attended the Mother Daughter tea, the area looked beautiful. (I did not attend but viewed the area during the Open House preceding the event.) In the past we needed to rent a venue for this event. We will again use this area for another event - the Designer Handbag Bingo on May 4, 2018 beginning at 6:00 PM. If you are available, please come and support our school. All are welcome!

A number of Villa fathers have offered to assist in replacing the fencing that hides the trash dumpster near the gym. We will be scheduling that effort shortly. If you would like to help with this project, please notify Mrs. Colleen White at [cwhite@villavictoria.org](mailto:cwhite@villavictoria.org), and we will contact you.

### **Strategic Planning Committee**

This committee is being chaired by Sister Marianne McCann, MPF who is the Principal at Paul VI with Mr. James "Jim" Mergiotti, as our consultant. Jim's daughter is a graduate of Villa Victoria. Jim recently retired as President of Peirce College. He is a seasoned strategic planner, and we are extremely fortunate and blessed to have his keen mind assisting in this effort.

Part of the work will be asking for your participation in surveys and/or focus groups. I respectfully request that when you are asked to participate in any of these activities that you do so. The information gathering phase of any strategic plan is critical, and we are depending on your participation.

### **The Green Thumbs Club**

We have had great participation so far! We still have two weekends for our families to participate in this effort. If you have not had the opportunity to come out for 3 hours on Saturday morning, there is still time. You even get a free Villa Victoria hat and lunch if you volunteer. In addition to beautifying our campus, it is tremendous opportunity for parents and students to socialize.

Thank you for your continued support. God bless.

Sincerely,  
Chuck Machion  
Chairperson, Board of Directors  
Villa Parent '04 and '21