



St Pius X School

"A Feinstein Leadership School"

"Helping to better the lives of others is the greatest of all achievements."
Mr. Alan Shawn Feinstein

Honoring America's Finest

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Last Fall and again this Spring the Feinstein Jr. Scholars in grades six, seven, and eight wrote letters of gratitude to veterans of WWII.

This was part of a program brought to St. Pius X School by Dr. and Mrs. Carrano who sponsor the school's robotics club.

The program is called American Warrior Honor Flights. Through the help of volunteers, veterans of WWII are flown to Washington, DC. There the veterans spend the day visiting our nation's war memorials and sharing their stories and personal

experiences.

On the return flight home the veterans receive the letters of gratitude written by our students thanking them for their service to our great nation. Finally, they land back home to a hero's welcome from volunteers and family members.

Principal

Henry Fiore

Pastor

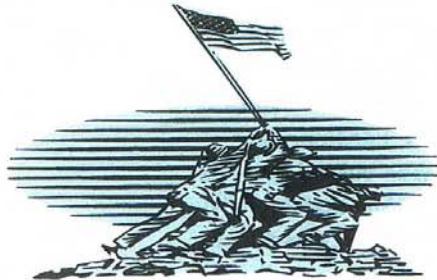
Rev. Raymond Suriani

Coordinators

Jeanne McDonald

Janine Kay

"As a Feinstein Leadership School, we are committed to teaching our students to be caring to one another."



Feinstein Classroom Projects

Pre-K — In January, the class went to the Elms Retirement Home and participated in doing puzzles and coloring with the residents. The class returned in February and joined together with the residents to decorate Valentine's Day cookies.

Grade K— For January the students made and sent cards of good cheer to the parish shut-ins. Next, in February, the class collected pennies for Johnnycake Center for 100th Day celebration. The children collected \$25.67. Then in March, the children sent Easter cards to the shut-ins.

Grade 1— During the month of January, the class made get well cards for their teacher assistant who had broken her ankle. They also made cards for the nursing home residents. In March, the class made St. Patrick's Day cards for the elderly at Westerly Adult Daycare Center.

Grade 2— In both January and February, the students

collected pennies for the Pennies for Peace program. Proceeds will help build schools in Afghanistan and Pakistan. The students collected a total of \$76.00. Lastly, in March, the class collected canned goods for the W.A.R.M. Center.

Grade 3— At the Westerly Health Center visit in January, the class made bird feeders with the residents and hung them on trees outside the day room, for them to enjoy bird watching. The class sang songs and brought the residents cards. Additionally, the class collected change for the "Warm Thy Neighbor" program. When they returned in February, the class brought a spring butterfly project to the nursing home. In March, the students visited the Health Center on St. Patrick's Day. They brought cards and made moveable leprechauns with the residents.

Grade 4— In January, the class made get well cards for a student's father who underwent surgery. For February, the class made Valentine cards for their Reading Buddies. Finally, in March, the class sent

cards, which included Irish Blessings, to the local nursing home.

Grade 8—Each Wednesday, the eighth grade students, donate a quarter in the "money jar". A total of \$60.85 was donated to the W.A.R.M. Center.

Mrs. DeSarro's P.E.

Classes—The Jump for Jesus program collected 210 canned food items which were donated to the local Johnnycake Center.

Knitting Club—donated six "lap blankets" they had created for patients at the Westerly Hospital.

Student Council— As part of the admittance to a Student Council dance, the Student Council collected four grocery bags filled with food items. The items collected were donated to a local food pantry.

Peanut Butter Drive

In joining Mr. Feinstein's battle against hunger, the students and staff of St. Pius X School participated in a peanut butter drive sponsored by the Washington Trust Company. The drive, which ran through the month of March, benefitted the Rhode Island Food Bank.

This year the Feinstein Jr.



Scholars collected 202 jars of peanut butter! Our thanks to all who participated in helping our neighbors in need.

Our thanks to Mr. Tremblay, father of Reed and Reagan, for transporting the peanut butter to the Washington Trust Company.

Perennial Patch

Our Feinstein Good Deeds program kicked off in September. We do several projects that continue throughout the year.

Can Pull Tabs—these are collected for the Ronald McDon-

ald House.

Cancelled or new stamps—collected for the Franciscan Missions in Wisconsin. These stamps are sold to help missionaries stamp out poverty by providing food, clothing,

and housing for the poor.

General Mills Box Tops and Campbell's Soup Labels—these labels and box tops help us earn new equipment for our school.

A Birthday Tradition

Skylar Massey, a Feinstein Jr. Scholar in Mrs. McDonald's kindergarten class, has a special birthday tradition. The tradition is that all invited guests are told that no present is necessary to attend the party. All invited guests, if they choose to purchase a gift, are asked to spend one dollar less on the present and donate it to a charity. For her birthday, Skylar raised money for the Providence Haiti Outreach

because she wanted to help the children of Haiti that have less than she does. This year Skylar invited her kindergarten classmates and Pre-K friends from Extended Day. Skylar was happy to present a check for \$33.00 to Providence Haiti Outreach.



Random Acts of Kindness

The halls of our school are filled with Feinsein Jr. Scholars who were "caught being good." Among the students are:

Timmy Rapoza, Pre-K, was seen pushing in a chair for a student who forgot.

Jaycee Valdez, grade 1, picked up trash in the classroom without being asked.

Anna-Maria D'Ambra, grade 4, was caught cleaning and straightening out the shelves in the classroom.

Victoria Estevez, grade 4, always volunteers to clean the classroom.

Isabella Trombino and Ashley Amato, grade 2, straightened up the coatroom.

Connor Warner, grade 2, always asks to set up the chairs in the morning.

Tori Monahan, grade 2, cleaned up paper towels that were scattered on the floor.

Carly McGill, grade 2, offered her pizza to a classmate who had dropped her slice on the floor.

Michael King, grade 2, picked up a classmate's Olympic ribbon that had fallen on the floor.

Ashley Amato, grade 2, cleaned up torn papers from the floor, even though she did not make the mess.

Marcus Marrone, grade 2, pushed in all the chairs in the library without being asked.

Ashlyn Farrell, grade 8, helped pick up books that a classmate had dropped.

Nick Wollenberg and Molly Guidice, grade 8, shared food with students who had forgotten their snacks.

Jonathan Capalbo and Alex Benoit, grade 8, picked up trash along the fence of the school.

Sarah LaBrosse, grade 3, was kind to another classmate who was upset.

Alexandra Wilks, grade 3, often assists others in class.

Stephanie Beaulieu grade 3, always helps her classmates when needed.

Michael King, grade 2, helped clean up the overflowing trash can.

Sam Eaton, grade 2, pushed in a classmates chair for him.

David Harrold, grade 2, hung up a friend's coat that had fallen off its hook.

Isabella DeSantis and Marissa Berardo, grade 2, gave pencils to students who did not have one.

Alex Benoit, grade 8, assisted another student who was new to the class.

Sydney Imhoff, Pre-K, helped a fellow student put on his coat.

Peter Fiore grade 3, helped another student clean out her desk.

Mariah King, grade 3, helped another student.

Luke Mead, grade K, helped a classmate find a page in their stu-

dent notebook.

Bella Spano, grade 3, and **Joseph McClain**, grade 5, helped put up the chairs in Kindergarten at the end of the day.

Maya Stepic, grade K, helped a classmate zip up their coat.

Emily Vocatura and Lauren Wilks, grade 1, shared a snack with a classmate that did not have one.

Santino Vernieri, grade 2, pushed in chairs which his classmates had forgotten .

Mae Felkner, grade 2, helped her classmate pick up a game after it had dropped onto the floor.

Lydia Gladski, grade 1, brought a chaplet to school for a friend who lost theirs.

All the Feinsein Jr. Scholars of our school can always be seen being helpful, compassionate, and giving. We applaud you for your kindness.

**The St. Pius X
School Feinsein Jr.
Scholars have completed over 2500
good deeds!**

Alan Shawn Feinsein is the founder of the Feinsein Foundation, a charitable organization dedicated to helping the needy and empowering students of all ages to help better their communities. The Feinsein annual campaign against hunger has become the most successful grass roots effort to fight hunger of all times. 40,000 plus Rhode Island Jr. Scholars and their teachers spearhead this campaign each spring.