October 2013

Dear Friends,

Greetings and happy autumn from the Fulcrum Foundation! As fall is underway, all levels of our organization have been going full steam. Fulcrum staff recently visited with school presidents and principals on retreat in Silverdale, WA, and in that setting, many were energized in leadership, faith and service to their schools. Before that, we assisted the Office for Catholic Schools in hosting Teacher Excellence Day for all educators in the Archdiocese of Seattle. Our own Board of Trustees





met in September and is actively advancing Fulcrum's programs and initiatives for the year.

Amici - Fulcrum's supporters of Catholic Schools in their 20s and 30s - began its yearlong partnership with St. George School through re-painting classrooms and hallways, providing science and library supplies, and introducing St. George parishioners to the young professionals' organization. Amici's new Pierce County committee completed a service project at Visitation school in Tacoma in September. All in all, the school year has taken great shape.

The Fulcrum Foundation is honored to play an important role in supporting the growth of schools and their continued ability to provide accessible and excellent Catholic education. This is the latest in an ongoing e-news series with the goal of sharing exciting happenings in our schools thanks to your support.

From Him the whole body, joined and held together by every supporting ligament, grows and builds itself up in love, as each part does its work. - Ephesians Ch. 4 v. 16 (NIV)

Reach Your Goals This Year... It's Not Too late!

Have you thought about your remaining goals for this year? If you are like many people, your goals may look like this:

My Goals: Increase my income, Lower my taxes, Help a loved one, Give to charity...

If you want to reach one or more of these goals, we can help. Visit our website or contact us to learn about personal and financial planning options that can help you realize your goals.





Did you know that you can reduce your taxes for 2013 by making a gift from your IRA to charity? The fiscal cliff act permits individuals who are 70½ to rollover up to \$100,000 from their IRA to charity free from federal income tax. Better yet, an IRA rollover gift qualifies for your 2013 required minimum distribution, permitting you to lower your income and taxes for this year while helping the Fulcrum Foundation's cause. **Contact us to learn more** about how you can redirect unneeded IRA income to charity, help further Fulcrum's mission and enjoy valuable tax savings this year.



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