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FROM THE HEAD OF SCHOOL

Tuesday, January 15, 2008

Dear Episcopal Friends,

It is with a heavy heart I relay that Kay Fenton died peacefully Monday evening, January 14, 2008, after a courageous battle with cancer. Kay was a woman of extraordinary spirit, with a life as much about humanity as it was about mathematics. Her lively humor was always coupled with love and sensitivity, and her passion for excellence was always tempered with understanding and compassion.

Those of us who have worked with Kay will remember her devotion and commitment to Episcopal and its students. She was a constant reminder that loyalty to the place in which you work and the perfection of a professional craft are noble pursuits, not to be taken for granted.

More far-reaching than her gifts to the faculty, Kay's primary legacy will be forever in the hearts and minds of her students. These students, generations of graduates, have faced, and conquered, the rigors of mathematics. They were supported throughout this process by Kay's unfaltering belief in their abilities.

Characteristically, Kay did not feel that her work was finished. Just as she anticipated the needs of her students, Kay was forward thinking about the future of mathematics at Episcopal High School. Soon after her diagnosis with cancer she made provisions at Episcopal to establish the *Kay Fenton Scholarship in Math*. It was her hope that those who wish to remember her life will contribute to this endowed scholarship.

During her illness, Kay expressed her wishes to Fr. Ralph Howe and asked that her memorial service be held on campus in The Chapel of the Good Shepherd. It has been scheduled for Saturday, January 19th. Visitation with Kay's family will be from 9 to 11 a.m. and this will be followed by a celebration of The Holy Eucharist.

Kay's life was a support and inspiration to us all. Isaiah 40:31 reads, "Those who hope in the Lord will renew their strength. They will soar on wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary, they will walk and not be faint." Kay's spirit will always be with us, bearing us up, just as her strength and grace bore us up in life.

Please join us in remembering Kay Fenton. Her memory will always be a blessing.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading 'Deborah Kay Betts'. The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial 'D' and 'B'.

Deborah Kay Betts
Head of School