



The Grape Vine



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Memorial School Art Fair Bring the Whole Family!

In April the gymnasium at Memorial School will be transformed into an art gallery showcasing original masterpieces created by our students.

We have been working in partnership with KidsArt Fairs on an art enrichment program that culminates in a "one night only" event that will demonstrate your child's creativity; and on **Monday, April 12th from 6:00-8:00 p.m.** we will host a **KidsArt Fair at Memorial School** with music by **Select Choral Group from High Mountain School** and refreshments provided by the **PTO**. It will be an exciting event for all and we hope you will be able to make it!

Artwork created by children, whose parents plan on attending, will be professionally framed and displayed at our Art Fair. Parents may purchase the frame package for \$29.95 (plus tax) which is 50% off suggested retail price. Memorial School will keep proceeds from the net frame sales to fund technology in the Art program.

To learn more about this exciting event please visit our school's website where you will find a link to additional information. If you have any questions please feel free to contact our art teacher Jennifer Lally at jlally@nhschools.net. We hope to see all of you there!

Pennies for Patients

In February, High Mountain School's Student Council along with its advisors and Mrs. Romeo undertook several fundraising initiatives to raise money for "Pennies For Patients." The outcome was definitely worthwhile as they raised \$1,795 dollars from their Bake Sale (\$309), Hot Chocolate Sale (\$343), Comfy Cozy Day (\$320) and collection of loose change.

Thanks so much to everyone who participated in and supported the "Pennies for Patients" fundraiser. It truly feels good to help those in need!

Sincerely,
HMS Student Council, Mrs. VandeVeire,
Ms. McLaughlin & Mrs. Romeo, RN

Volunteer Help Needed

The PTO needs your help:

- Tuesdays March 23rd and 30th to help wrap baskets. See page three of the Grape Vine.
- Helpers are also needed for Family Fun Night at the Ice Vault on April 1st.

Family Fun Night Let's Get Together and Ice Skate!

Thursday, April 1, 2010 - 7:00 to 9:00 p.m.
at The Ice Vault in Wayne

In order to maximize skate time, take advantage of advance ticket sales. Tickets are \$5 in Advance. \$7 at the door. Skate rentals are \$2. To purchase tickets or for further information, please contact Gina Stanziale at 973-423-2078 or ginastanz@aol.com.



The North Haledon PTO Proudly Presents Tricky Tray 2010



"Casino Royale"

Monday, April 19, 2010



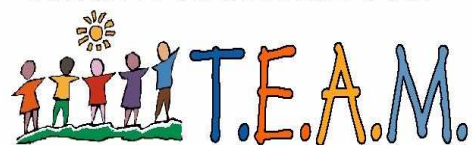
THE TIDES - North Haledon, NJ
Doors open at 5:30 p.m.
Dinner served at 7:00 p.m.

TICKETS ARE ON SALE NOW and are limited to the first 400. Admission is \$45 per person and includes 3-course meal, dessert, tea & coffee.

Ticket order form went home this week and can also be found online. For further information please contact: Gina Stanziale at 973-423-2078 or ginastanz@aol.com



NORTH HALEDON PTO



TOGETHER EVERYONE ACHIEVES MORE

Rutgers Certification

Attention Coaches...if you are not yet certified the next Rutgers Certification course will be held on Thursday, March 25th, 6:15 p.m. at the Rec. Office p.m. The cost is \$15 for residents of North Haledon and you must pre-register at NHBASEBALL1@GMAIL.COM

Fifteenth Annual Art Auction

The North Haledon Education Foundation will be holding its 15th Annual Art Auction on **Friday, March 26, 2010 at 7:00 p.m.** at the Mary Help of Christians Academy. For the past nine years, the Education Foundation has fully funded the 6th Grade trip to the Buehler Challenger & Science Center and funds are being raised to continue this program each year for the 6th Grade. Funds will also be raised to satisfy additional grant requests from the faculty. As in the past, a buffet style dinner will be offered during the one-hour preview period.

A 15-year history proves that this is a fun night. Tickets are \$15 each or two for \$25. Information or tickets can be obtained from the school offices or by calling Ron Panicucci at 973-238-9057.

Pancake Breakfast

Join the North Haledon Education Foundation at their Annual Pancake Breakfast.

Saturday, April 3rd - 8:30 to 11:30 a.m.

Just a few steps away from the Annual Easter Egg Hunt; we'll be serving pancakes, sausage, OJ, coffee & tea. Admission is \$7/adults, \$5/seniors, \$4/children (ages 3-10 years old).

For further information call:

Cyndi Cavagnaro 973-423-1425 or
Susan Gora 973-238-0473.



Upcoming Performances

3rd Grade "Nifty Fifty" at Memorial School

Thursday, April 29th - 7:00 p.m.

Spring Concert at HMS

Thursday, May 13th - 7:00 pm

Lip Sync at High Mountain School

Thursday & Friday, June 3rd & 4th

The Next meeting of the North Haledon PTO will be held on Monday, April 12th, 7:30 p.m. in the all-purpose room at Memorial School School.

8th Grade Corner

- Class of 2010 -

Attention Parents:

- **Volunteers are needed** to sell 50/50 tickets at various venues. Look for emails with specific dates, times and places your time is needed.
- If you would like additional **50/50 Raffle Tickets** to sell or have any questions regarding this fund raiser, please contact Jodi Hudspeth directly 973-304-0293.
- The **final installment** of parent contributions for this year's 8th grade activities is past due. Please send payment into Cyndi Cavagnaro, 8th grade treasurer. If you have any questions or concerns regarding installments please contact Cyndi directly 973-423-1425.
- Still waiting for photos of your child for the **8th grade DVD**. Please submit them to designated parent or Digna Siclari.
- **The next parent meeting** will be held on Tuesday, April 20th at 7:00 in the library at HMS. For updates, send your email address to cwaukamp@yahoo.com.

All Together for Our Children!
8th Grade Committee

PTO Executive Board

The PTO Nominating Committee is seeking people interesting in holding a position on the PTO Executive Board for the 2010-2011 school year. Open positions are President and/or Co-Presidents, Vice President, Recording Secretary, Corresponding Secretary, Treasurer and 8th Grade Treasurer. Please consider one of these positions as our children need the PTO to continue all of the great work it does. If you are interested contact anyone on the nominating committee:

Lisa Antropow 973-423-3537 or

ljanthropow@att.net

Karen Borduin 973-423-9172 or

karbkr@aol.com

Cyndi Cavagnaro 973-423-1425 or

cyndic210@optonline.net

HMS Career Day

Sponsored by the PTO, "Career Day", a very educational and informative day for the students at High Mountain School will be held on **Wednesday, May 12th**.

The PTO could use a few volunteers to serve lunch to our guest speakers that day. If you are able to help out, please contact Cherisa Burk or Gina Stanziale.

Attention 4th Grade Parents

Photos for 4th grade move-up are being collected. You may send in 4-5 school-age photos (k-4th) of your child or group shots of your child with other classmates via email to movingup4thgrade@yahoo.com or send them into school. Please be sure to have child's name on back of each photo submitted. Also, no baby, toddler or sibling pictures. Any questions contact Lynn Lalley or Kathy Spinnler.



Can-Tab Collection

Troop 374 continues to collect can tabs to help the children at the Ronald McDonald House.

Did you know that one tab equals one minute of dialysis for a child in need? An estimated 800,000 tabs have been collected so far. Every tab counts. Please collect tabs and send them into school with your child. Call Jeanne Fondacaro at 973-423-9088 with questions

Pitchers & Catchers

Pitchers and catchers clinic will be held in the Manchester High School gym on Wednesday nights, March 24th & 31st. The times are: 3rd, 4th & 5th graders 6:30-7:30 p.m., and 6th, 7th & 8th 7:30-8:30 p.m. No 2nd graders unless they are on the 8u travel team.

“Box Tops For Education”

Win a Pizza Party for your Homeroom!

The North Haledon Education Foundation collects “box tops for education” continually throughout the year in an effort to fulfill grant requests made by our teachers. These coupons can be found on General Mills products. The money received back from General Mills, is put towards our grant fund.

REMINDER: Keep collecting “box tops for education” The homeroom that collects the most box tops by **April 30, 2010** will win a pizza party, compliments of the NHEF.



We're almost there!!!

Tricky Tray 2010

Please join us on Tuesday March 23rd and Tuesday March 30th
at Firehouse #1 on Belmont Avenue - 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

For what you might ask???

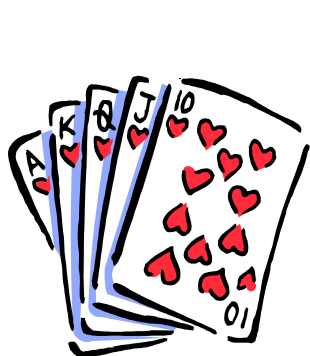
- **Help us wrap baskets**
- **Drop off any donations from businesses you may have solicited**
- **Drop off your family donation**
- **Drop off your class basket**



For those families who have a donation but don't have it wrapped; no worries, we'll do it for you!

Your support is truly appreciated!

*Thank you,
Tricky Tray 2010 Committee*



The North Haledon PTO Proudly Presents...

Tricky Tray 2010 "Casino Royale"

Monday, April 19, 2010

*The Tides
North Haledon, New Jersey*

Doors open at 5:30 p.m. and Dinner served at 7:00 p.m.

Admission is \$45 per person and includes 3-course meal, dessert, tea & coffee.

*For further information, please contact
Gina Stanziale at 973 423 2078 or ginastanz@aol.com*

Please complete and detach the form below and return it along with full payment no later than Thursday, April 1, 2010. Checks should be made payable to the "NHPTO". Tickets limited to the first 400.

Name: _____

Number of tickets: _____ @ \$45.00 per person. Total enclosed: \$ _____

E-mail address: _____

(Required for tickets/table assignment)

Special seating requests: _____

(Tables may be reserved for 10 – 12 people)

Sorry, I cannot attend. I have enclosed a donation of \$ _____

NORTH HALEDON FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY



Upcoming Programs and Activities for March 2010



Registration for the following programs and activities is underway.



Book Buddies meet after school the first Friday of each month. Beginning readers in grades 1 & 2 are paired with older students to read together, one on one. Students in grades 5 & up and those who need Community Service hours are encouraged to volunteer as Senior Book Buddies! The next Book Buddies program will be March 5th.



Craft 'n' Go, an after-school craft program for borough children is held the second Friday of each month. The next Craft 'n' Go program will be on March 12th. Children in grades K-8 are invited to register for the 3:30 or 4:15 p.m. session.



The **Readers Kaffeeklatsch** book club meets the third Wednesday of each month at 1:30 and 7:30 p.m. "Telex from Cuba" by Rachel Kushner will be discussed at the March 17th meeting.



The Computer Clubhouse is open for supervised after-school gaming the third Friday of each month. The next session will be March 19th. Students in grades 5-8 may sign up for the 3:30 or 4:15 session.



The **Socrates Cafe** discussion group meets the fourth Tuesday of each month at 1:30 and at 7:30 p.m. The afternoon group will discuss current events; the evening group will explore "A Philosophy for Living." Newcomers are always welcome. The next meeting will be March 23rd.



Join us on a trip to see **Hair** at the al Hirschfeld Theatre on Thursday, March 25th. The bus will leave from the Municipal Building at 6 p.m. The cost, which is \$100 for the general public and \$95 for members of Friends, includes transportation, orchestra seats and driver's tip.



Spring Story Time for borough children will be held on Wednesdays starting March 31st. Two year olds (and a caregiver) are invited to participate in the 9:15-9:45 a.m. session; three to five year olds are invited to attend the 10:15-11:00 a.m. or 1:15-2:00 p.m. session. Proof of residency required!

For more information call: 973-427-6213 ext. 4.

NORTH HALEDON PTO



2009

- ✓ Wednesday, September 16th: Fall Fundraiser Kickoff
- ✓ Saturday, September 19th North Haledon Day - Dunk Tank
- ✓ Wednesday, September 30th Fall Fundraiser Ends
 - ✓ Monday, October 5th First PTO Meeting 7:00 p.m. at High Mountain School
 - ✓ Saturday, October 24th Memorial School's Annual Halloween Party 2-5 p.m. at Memorial School
- ✓ Monday, November 2nd "Gold Buying" fundraiser 6-9 p.m. at High Mountain School.
- ✓ Monday, November 2nd PTO Meeting 7:00 p.m. at High Mountain School
- ✓ Monday, December 7th Pick up your Poinsettia Plans beginning 3:00 p.m.– Memorial School
- ✓ Monday, December 7th PTO Meeting 7:00 p.m. at Memorial School
- ✓ Monday, December 7th Food Drive Begins – Memorial School
- ✓ Tuesday, December 8th Holiday Shop Begins during school hours – Memorial School

2010

- ✓ Monday, January 11th PTO Meeting 7:00 p.m. at HMS - Session on Bullying
 - ✓ Friday, January 15th Family Fun Night: "Disney On Ice - 100 Years of Magic"
- ✓ Monday, February 1st Book Fair Preview Night at Memorial School - 5:30 p.m.
- ✓ Monday, February 1st PTO Meeting 7:00 p.m. at Memorial School - Session on "Texting"
- ✓ Tuesday, February 2nd Book Fair this week at Memorial School
 - ✓ Friday, February 5th Family Fun Night: Volleyball Game at High Mountain School
 - ✓ Monday, February 8th Kindergarten Registration WEEK – Memorial School
- ✓ Saturday, February 13th Family Fun Night: Harlem Globetrotters 7:30 p.m.
 - ✓ Monday, March 1st PTO Meeting 7:00 p.m.
 - Thursday, April 1st Family Fun Night - Ice Skating
 - Monday, April 12th PTO Meeting 7:30 p.m. at Memorial School
 - Thursday, April 15th Fingerprinting– Memorial School
 - Monday, April 19th Tricky Tray at The Tides
 - Monday, May 3rd PTO Meeting 7:00 p.m. at High Mountain School
 - Wednesday, May 12th Career Day - High Mountain School
 - Monday, June 7th PTO Meeting 7:00 p.m. at High Mountain School
 - Thurs./Fri., June 3rd & 4th High Mountain School's "Puttin' On The Hits"
 - TBD Memorial School Talent Show
 - TBD Parents' Night Out at N.H. VFW Hall
 - TBD Kindergarten Carnival
 - TBD Memorial School's Annual Field Day
 - TBD High Mountain School's Annual Field Day

NORTH HALEDON PTO



North Haledon PTO Committee Chairperson List 2009-2010

Committee Name	Chairperson/Co-chairs
4th Grade Move Up	Tim & Lynn Lalley
5th Grade D.A.R.E program (<i>Spring</i>)	Gina Stanziale
5th Grade Ice Cream Social (<i>9/09</i>)	Cathie Havlin
8th Grade Activities	Digna Siclari and Jodi Hudspeth
Board of Education Meetings	Cherisa Burk
Book Fair (<i>Spring</i>)	Donna Verhoog and Jodi Fitzsimmons
Career Day	Cherisa Burk and Gina Stanziale
Copy Team	Michele Dockray
End of Year Ice Cream Party	Pam Rajkowski
Fall Fundraiser	Cyndi Cavagnaro
Family Fun Night I - <i>Faculty Volleyball Game</i>	Alma Zollo
Family Fun Night II - <i>Ice Skating</i>	Gina Stanziale
Field Day	Kim & Dave Figueroa
Fingerprinting	Cathie Havlin and Aime Espie
Gold Buying	Gina Stanziale
Halloween Party	Michele Dockray
Holiday Guessing Contests (<i>Dec/Spring</i>)	Tim & Lynn Lalley
Holiday Shop (<i>December</i>)	Pam Rajkowski
Hospitality	Donna Gallagher
Kindergarten Screening/Orientation	Jodi Fitzsimons and Beth DeVries
Lip Sync at High Mountain School	Alma Zollo
Membership	Lauren Primavera
Newsletter	Cindy Aukamp
North Haledon Day	PTO Executive Board
Parents Night Out	Peggy Holbriiter
Poinsettia Sale	Janelle Feather
Safety Town	Stacey Heibenstreit
School Coordinator HMS	Gina Stanziale
School Coordinator MS	Kathy Behnke
School Directory	Toni-Marie Hals
Sign Committee	Randi Venema
Sunshine	Kathy Behnke
Sweatshirt Sale (<i>Spring/Fall</i>)	
Talent Show at Memorial School	Sue Andres
Teacher Appreciation Week (<i>Spring</i>)	Lisa Lombardo and Barbara Vanderwiele
Tricky Tray Team (<i>Spring</i>)	Michele Cummins, Liz Buck, Gina Stanziale and Melissa Markham
Walk-a-thon (<i>Spring</i>)	Lisa Lombardo

Memorial School and High Mountain School 2009-2010 CLASS CAPTAINS and CLASS PARENTS List

Mrs. LaRose Captain **Maree Padula**

Mrs. Morgantini Captain **Susan Gorga**

Kindergarten Captain **Lisa Antropow**

Ms. Van Horn Maria Letizia and Wendy Purcell
Miss Belluzzi Sonia Kush (Kesht) and Heather Venezia
Mrs. Peschel Lauren Primavera and Danielle Rybak
Miss Cirello Michele Dockray and Carmelina Tirri-Haramis

First Grade Captain **Karen Borduin**

Mrs. Goodwin Michele Manning and Jacqueline Roscio
Miss Reilly Nancy Ackerman and Kim Hewitt
Mrs. Bradford Rachel Antoci and Karen Nurminen

Second Grade Captain **Randi Venema**

Mrs. Cioletti Cathy Federico and Angela Inturrisi
Mrs. Metzler Sue Andres and Joann Conforti
Mrs. Spalt Lisa Lombardo and Grace Ann Segreto
Mrs. Weinstein Christina Carrozza and Janelle Feather

Third Grade Captain **Kathy Gleason**

Miss Hebenstreit Laurie Harding and Tina Targia
Mrs. Stipelkovich Maureen Kurzynski and Carol White
Mrs. DeStaso Beth DeVries and Jodi Fitzsimons

Fourth Grade Captain **Peggy Holbriter**

Mrs. Caruso Melissa Markham and Pam Rajkowski
Mrs. Jones Liz Buck and Rosa Nativo
Mrs. Coscia Melissa Loustan and Kathy Spinnler
Mrs. Tinari Anna Coscia and Sheryl Cupo

Fifth Grade Captain **Diana Mecionis**

Mrs. Pagano Judi Pawlowski and Donna Verhoog
Ms. Kimble Cathie Havlin and Rosa Tandurella
Ms. DelVecchio Carol Ajami and Sharon Barbaro

Sixth Grade Captain **Patti Morreale**

Ms. Dooner Jeanne Fondacaro and Maria Gretkowski
Ms. McLaughlin Claire Kiel and Alma Zollo
Mr. Onove Nancy Kough and Gina Stanziale

Seventh Grade Captain **Kathy Behnke**

Mr. Topolski Marcella Dooley and Aime Espie
Mrs. VandeVeire Kim Figueroa and Karen Jordan
Mrs. Zisa Lynn Lalley and Kristen McAlevey

Eighth Grade Captain **Cyndi Cavagnaro**

Ms. Ash Annmarie Breeman and Sherri Nickles
Mrs. Gorga Jennifer McNamara and Donna Napolitano
Mrs. Hannah Cherisa Burk and Debbie Fitzsimmons

In order to reduce cost and help our environment, the PTO will be providing each class captain and parent with an "e-Folder" containing all pertinent information. Each class captain/parent must provide an e-mail address to the appropriate school coordinator as soon as possible at her e-mail address listed below.

*We look forward to a great year for our children. Should anyone have any questions, please contact the respective School Coordinator—Memorial School: Kathy Behnke 973-427-3905 or ktbehn@aol.com;
High Mountain School: Gina Stanziale 973-423-2078 or ginstanz@aol.com.*