



Carver School News

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Teaching
The Power of Peace

Five Weeks to Auction-What Have We Done?



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The clock is ticking and it is only five short weeks to the major Carver School fundraiser of the year.

It takes an incredible amount of work to put the evening together. Cheryl Hangland-Skill, President, is heading up the affair. So what has been happening?

Over 500 letters have gone out to individuals and merchants who have donated in the past and potential donors. Thanks to Marlena Bartolome, we have great Excel lists that we can use to track our efforts. Letters are currently going out to people who have attended the auction in the past. Because of the Excel lists, we can individualize the letters for maximum results.

As each donation is

received, it is assigned a number, cataloged and a description created to facilitate assembling gift packages and the auction program.

The liquor permit application to serve wine and beer has been completed.

Decorations will consist of large shamrocks with eyes (the Irish Eyes Are Smiling) and leprechauns pointing directions around the school will be used.

Advertising flyers have been created; volunteers are needed to distribute them. Postcards advertising the auction have been ordered and should be arriving soon. Two 4'x8' sheets of plywood for outdoor signs have been purchased and will be painted

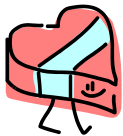
this week.

As CS parents know, packets of tickets have been given to each family—**WE SURE HOPE YOU ARE SELLING TICKETS!!**

The menu is finalized (except for dessert) and grocers will be contacted to solicit food items and/or gift cards. If anyone has a corned beef connection, please let us know. It will be the major expense of the dinner.

Check out the bulletin board in the office to see what jobs are to be done this week. It seems like there are a hundred job cards for next week alone. Come grab and card and share the fun (optimistic way of saying we need help).

CALENDAR OF EVENTS AT CARVER SCHOOL



- Mon. & Thurs-Qigong Class 9:30 a.m.
- Tuesdays 4:15-5:30 p.m.—Improv for the Actor Ages 10-18
- Thursdays 4:15-5:30 p.m.-Winnie the Pooh Play-Lab Ages 6-10
- Thursday Evenings in Feb-7 p.m.-Make Auction Decorations
- February 1-5th—Parent Teacher Conference Week
- February 2nd-Carver School Board Meeting @ 6:00; Auction Meeting to Follow
- February 10th-Field Trip for 1st & 2nd Graders
- Giggle, Giggle, Quack
- February 15-NO SCHOOL-President's Day

Open House Enrollment Schedule for 2010-2011 Year Set

Get ready, get set, here we go with our series of scheduled open houses at Carver School. We want to show off our stuff and enroll new students for next year.

Be prepared; we want to have the school buffed and polished for each open house and parents are needed to help host the events. Happy, satisfied parents are a great advertisement for the school.

No one is expecting you to show up for each and every open house, but mark these dates on your calendar

and pick a couple of dates that would work with your schedule. If you can't attend the actual open house, maybe you could take a few minutes to sweep the halls and wipe the handprints off the walls. We also need people to distribute flyers to advertise the open house schedule.

The schedule is subject to change; an afternoon after-school open house will also be arranged.

Please let Cheryl know how you can help. Never forget, the more students we have, the bigger labor pool

there is to share the load!

OPEN HOUSE SCHEDULE

Thursday, Feb 11th-Evening

Thursday, March 11th-Morning

Saturday, April 3rd-Easter Egg Hunt

Thursday, April 8th-Morning

Wednesday, April 28th-Morning

Tuesday, May 18th-Morning

Thursday, June 3rd-Morning

Don't Forget Scrip Orders—Every Everlovin' Monday

Just a reminder, we are offering scrip orders every week. Bring your order in on Monday and we place the order on Tuesday. That means you actually have until 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday mornings to get your order in, but we want to appear really organized—so your order is due on Monday.

By sending in orders every week, it makes it super simple to use scrip

to purchase groceries.

Would you be interested in Trader Joe gift cards? We are working on it! It would not be through the normal scrip program, and would cause some

Would you be interested in
Trader Joe Gift Cards?

additional work, but if there is an interest we will pursue it. Anything to make a buck for our school!

Looking for a specific gift card and it isn't on the list? If Safeway or Fred Meyer (for examples) sells the gift card, purchase a Safeway scrip gift card from the school, then use it to buy the gift card of your dreams at Safeway. Carver School is still wins!

Dental Hygiene Week?



We may be a small, country school, but we are proud of our student's dental hygiene! Those big city kids don't have anything on us. Yep, our kids like to show off their pearly whites. Owen, right, is particularly proud of his gold tooth—he said it didn't even hurt!



School Board Meeting and Auction Update-Tuesday, Feb 2nd

Don't miss the opportunity to find out all the scoop on the school and upcoming auction at the monthly board meeting this Tuesday night at 6:00 p.m.

Finances are always on the agenda (whenever has there been too much money...), Earth Day ideas, enrollment issues, you name it and the board will cover it. In fact, if you have suggestions for the agenda, please contact Cheryl.

After the board meeting, an auction update meeting will be held. As

we all know, our primary school focus at this time is to make the auction and dinner a giant financial success.

All ideas and input are welcomed. If you have a better idea on how to do something, now is the time. We are



on schedule at this point, but without lots of involvement we could quickly fall behind.

The support this year has been phenomenal. But we can't pat ourselves on the back yet, that comes when we take wads of cash to the bank!

Please plan to attend the board and auction meeting. If you don't have childcare, kids can play in the gym during the meeting, but be advised there isn't an adult babysitter. See you there!

Scrapbookers Gone Wild

No, this is not some article about crazed scrapbooking mamas who pile into a convertible, drive to Ft. Lauderdale during Spring Break and make a video of their less-than-maternal activities.

It might not be that exciting, but the dedicated scrapbookers of Carver School do have a plan. Instead of plastering cute photos of Little

Johnny eating birthday cake into albums, we are going to be making Irish Eyes Are Smiling decorations for the upcoming auctions.

Feeling lucky? Make some giant shamrocks for the walls. If little green men are your thing, we could use some leprechauns pointing the way to the gym, or bathroom, or both!

The best thing about Scrapbook

night is the camaraderie. We laugh, we share, we make fun of our husbands. Ah, good times. We also eat; feel free to bring a snack to share.

Normally we charge \$5 to attend, but since Little Johnny's photo won't be pasted, there will not be a fee.

Come join us every Thursday night throughout February at 7 p.m.



Pop Can Disaster

Pop cans have been coming in by the bagful—thank you very much!

When donating cans, however, we do need to be careful! Recently, Marni Mortell was dutifully transporting the cans home so husband Bill could return them and get the cash for the school. On the way home she noticed an unsavory odor coming from the bags.

No, it wasn't something dead (thank goodness), but it was just

about as awful. Apparently there was a bottle posing as a tobacco spittoon in the sack. To make it worse, a broken bottle cut open the bag and the "spittoon" leaked onto her car. When she tried to remove the bag it sprayed out the bag onto the walls and window. Yikes!!!

Marni will no longer be transporting cans. She is rather firm about this issue.

So, let's try to make sure that the

bottles and cans donated don't contain anything more than a few drops of soda. It obviously was an accident, but an unsavory one, to be sure.

We are also looking for someone to take a turn at returning the cans to the store. Rest assured, we will be double bagging all bags of cans in the future and there will be no further accidents!



DONATIONS REQUESTED

We need to borrow approximately 15 round tables for the auction dinner.
Tables need to be large enough to seat 8 people.
If you belong to a church or organization who would lend them to us, could you please ask?

If we have to rent tables, it will take a real dent out of our profits.

Thanks!

WE NEED HEAVY
LARGER SIZED
CARDBOARD BOXES
FOR THE AUCTION
PLEASE BRING TO SCHOOL



Humor....



Did you hear about the teacher who was helping one of her kindergarten students put his boots on?
He asked for help and she could see why. With her pulling and him pushing, the boots still didn't want to go on. When the second boot was on, she had worked up a sweat. She almost whimpered when the little boy said, "Teacher, they're on the wrong feet."
She looked, and sure enough, they were. It wasn't any easier pulling the boots off than it was putting them on. She managed to keep her cool as together they worked to get the boots back on - this time on the right feet.
He then announced, "These aren't my boots."
She bit her tongue rather than get right in his face and scream, "Why didn't you say so?" like she wanted to do. Once again she struggled to help him pull the ill-fitting boots off.
He then said, "They're my brother's boots. My Mom made me wear them."
She didn't know if she should laugh or cry. She then mustered up the grace to wrestle the boots onto his feet again.
She said, "Now, where are your mittens?"
He said, "I stuffed them in the toes of my boots..."

