



NBS Weekly News

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Week of
February 25, 2008

Glance at the week ahead

Wed	2/27	8:30 am Student Council Meeting
Thurs	2/28	7:00 3rd Grade Musical
Fri	2/29	Eco Friendly Friday – Use Reusable containers for your lunch!

Upcoming Events

Tues	3/4	Barnes and Noble Shop and Share
Thurs	3/6	9:15 am PTO meeting in the Cafeteria
Fri	3/7	8:40 – 9:00 Bank at School
Sat	3/8	Speech Tournament
Wed	4/2	Kindergarten Registration – 7:00 pm NBS Cafeteria

Please
Note

Girls on the Run is coming to NBS

Keep your eyes open for information coming about a new program starting at NBS this spring. We are very excited to have been chosen to start a chapter in the Barrington Area School District after a competitive selection process. Girls on the Run is a life-changing, experiential learning program for girls ages eight to thirteen years old, with the NBS program open to girls in grades 3-5. The program combines training for a 3.1 (5K) mile running event with self-esteem enhancing, uplifting workouts. Girls on the Run promotes physical as well as emotional, mental and character development. The girls complete the program with a stronger sense of identity, a greater acceptance of themselves, a healthier body image and an understanding of what it means to be part of a team. The program typically runs for 12 weeks, with meetings occurring after School & for 1 hour, twice weekly. Anticipated start date is early March, 2008. Registration information coming soon. www.gotrchicago.org

Barnes and Noble Shop and Share Date – Tournament of Readers

Tuesday, March 4th from 9:00 am to 11:00 pm at the Barnes and Noble Deer Park, featuring Tournament of Readers books.

Deadline for Cover Page information, pre-printed flyers & e-mailed flyers: Monday 12:00 noon.
Submit cover page info to Stephanie Hagan at 487-4426 or jhagan6324@aol.com.
Submit email or hardcopy fliers for reproduction to the NBS office (nmcallister@cusd220.org).
Submit pre-printed fliers to NBS office (50 copies of pre-printed fliers required).

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<i>Sun</i>	<i>Mon</i>	<i>Tue</i>	<i>Wed</i>	<i>Thu</i>	<i>Fri</i>	<i>Sat</i>
					1 8:40 – 9:00 Bank at School Partners In Reading Starts	2
3	4 Girls BBall at Roslyn 4:00 – A, 5:00 –B Chess Club 3:35	5 NBS Eats Out at Culvers Good Shepherd Valentines Bags	6	7 9:15 PTO Meeting Boys BBall at Roslyn 4:00 – B, 5:00 - A	8 Valentines For Vets and Troops Due	9
10 Scout Blue and Gold Dinner	11 Chess Club 3:35	12	13 8:30 Student Council Meeting Beanie Baby and \$1.00 donation for Hot Chocolate	14 12:00 Character Counts (in library) Market Day order Sheets Due Partners In Reading Concludes	15 No School Inservice Day Market Day OnlineOrders Due Middle School Transfer req. due	16
17	18 No School President's Day	19 Market Day Pickup	20	21	22 Eco-Friendly Friday	23
24	25 Chess Club 3:35	26	27 8:30 Student Council Meeting	28 7:00 3 rd Grade Musical	29 Eco Friendly Friday	

LIBRARY SALE WEEK

NBS PTO Meeting Minutes: January 10, 2008

1. **President, Mary Magro** called meeting to order at 9:24, motion to approve December meeting minutes 1st by Rochelle Colella, 2nd by Mari Franklin
2. **Treasurer, Annette Budzak** reported Original Works profit of over \$1500 part goes to PTO and part goes to the Art Dept. Kicking off **SmartBoard** campaign letter before Winter break raised \$2,250. NBS Spirit Wear on sale in school foyer took in over \$1200. thanks to Noreen and Joan for their sales assistance. The **SmartBoards** we have are paid in full. We also purchased a portable **SmartBoard** for \$1500. for Sunny Hill School in Carpentersville. Motion to approve Treasurer's report passed, 1st by Rochelle Colella and 2nd by Pam Tichy. A general discussion regarding the Original Works program and the Artsonia program followed.
3. **Dr. Cross** wished everyone a Happy New Year and stated that we're back in full speed ahead with Curriculum Based Assessment, MAPS testing. The staff is getting ready for the **SmartBoard Open House/Ice Cream Social on March 19th**. There will be a **SmartBoard** presentation at the February PTO meeting.
4. District 220 purchased property adjacent to the playground. Dr. Cross has submitted recommendations for its use. Possible uses discussed included parking, soccer field, playground, exit on Miller road. Discussion regarding establishing a committee comprised of community members to make recommendations for use of the acreage. Mrs. Lebda is looking into arranging an all school field trip to the theater to see the movie *Horton Hears a Who*, which coincides with Character Counts curriculum, on the Thursday before Spring Break. The school as a whole is trying to encourage the children to take an active role in Reduce, Reuse and Recycle. Discussion regarding obtaining recycling bins for the cafeteria. Kathy Featherstone suggested making drinking water available for students to refill water bottles. Gretchen Kozlowski suggested *Earth Friendly Fridays* in an effort to encourage all students to bring reusable lunches.
5. **Teacher's Representative**, Mrs. Newman had no report.
6. **President's Report, Mary Magro**: Committee Chairs, please remember to check hanging files/pick up binders. Current Enrollment Monitoring Committee proposed district boundaries maps do not reflect impact on North Barrington at this point. NBS will house 1st grade dual language class for 2008-2009 school year. Currently, the district elementary schools rotate. The Morning line program will be hosting a talk re: **The Price of Privilege** on Wednesday, January 30th at Barrington High School at 9:15 a.m. Reservations may be made through Barb Karon or Rhonda Lombardi.
7. **Character Counts, Barbara Aievoli**, reported that Dr. Cool and Mr. Pride character counts assembly was a big hit with the kids. Pancake Breakfast will be held in April. Volunteers needed. Character Counts meeting will be held next Thursday in the NBS Library at noon, lunch will be served. The current Pillar is Responsibility, which goes along with the Recycle Program being piloted at NBS with Lynn Hasselberger, partnering with the Student Council. Barbara attended an excellent presentation regarding Social Emotional Learning with the Barrington Area Character Counts committees.
8. **Lynn Hasselberger**, presented *I Count for My Earth* program overview. Lynn is working with NBS Student Council to become "Earthmenders", inspire children's awareness of Reduce, Reuse, Recycle, to mend the earth, one small step at a time. Handouts and presentations made by Student Council members to classrooms on Earthmender day at NBS, January 28th. Handout regarding water bottles for sale, which last 10-20 years as well as organic cotton Earthmender t-shirts for sale. 1-5% of the sales profit will go back to NBS to support Environmental Education.
9. **Barbara Harris, V.P of Fundraising**, reported on *Spirit Clothing*: look for "cruise wear" sale. *NBS Newsletter* to go on-line as of February 6th. If you wish to receive a hard copy, please fill out a form, to be distributed in the next Family Packet. You may e-mail your flyers to Mari Franklin, mari@lumatila.com for upcoming Newsletters or hand them to Joan Prey in the school office. *Market Day* flyer to be distributed in next Family Packet. **NBS Dines Out**, Tuesday, January 15th at Wool Street in Barrington all day. 20% of profits will be donated to NBS PTO.
10. **Susan Barsness, V.P. of Service**, *Meet the Artist* program updates included Deb and Abby continue to follow up on the reformatting of CD's and DVD's. Mark your calendars for the **NBS Family Night on March 19th**. There will be an Open House for viewing of the **SmartBoards** in our school along with an Ice Cream Social. **Tournament of Readers**, 3-5 grade teams are being established and books are being read. Titles are available for check out in the NBS Library, The

Barrington Area Library, Ela Library and Wauconda Public Library. Copies are available for purchase at Barnes and Noble Booksellers in Deer Park. NBS PTO will sponsor a Shop and Share at Barnes and Noble to showcase the Tournament of Readers books sometime this winter. District 220, *Speech Tournament*, to be held on March 8th at Station Middle School. Judges are still needed. *NBS Roller Skating Night*, to be held at ORBITS skate center on Sunday, January 27th from 4:30-6:30. *Fifth Grade Basketball* Game Concession sales are looking for volunteers. Please contact Barbara Aievoli or Gretchen Kozlowski for girls and Claire Ryan or Karen Thompson for boys. *Staff Appreciation*, Mary McGregor, delivered bagels and coffee to staff before Winter Break Would like to recognize support staff with Gift Cards to show appreciation for all they do.

- 11. Michele Wuertz, V. P. of Special Services**, NBS PTO sponsored an assembly for Sunny Hill School with Dr. Cool and Mr. Pride. It was enjoyed and appreciated. *Language Stars*, It's not too late to sign up for the program, fees are pro-rated, classes run from 8:00-8:50 a.m. Monday thru Thursday at NBS. There will be a \$100. Gift certificate raffled off for Language Stars at the February meeting. Please contact Michele Wuertz if you have any publicity for NBS you may need. Please let Michele know if you are interested in or have questions regarding any PTO positions for committees and board openings for the 2008-2009 school year. *The Nominating Committee* will be working on the proposed slate. Thanks to Pam and Rob Tichy, Susan Barsness, Rochelle Colella, Annette Budzak and Mary Magro for the tasty treats and drinks for this meeting.
- 12. New Business, Cuba Township Food Pantry** needs food in February. Parent Helpers were suggested to help students not throw out packaged un-eaten food at lunchtime in the cafeteria.
- 13. Motion to adjourn** 1st by Pam Tichy, 2nd by Rochelle Colella. Meeting adjourned at 11:20.
- 14. In attendance:** Rochelle Colella, Pam Tichy, Lynn Hasselberger, Annette Budzak, Barbara Harris, Susan Barsness, Jaci O'Beirne, Gretchen Kozlowski, Kathy Featherstone, Barbara Aievoli, Michale Fisher, Mary McGregor, Mari Franklin, Abby Reagen, Kate Freund, Sandi Newman, Deb Cross, Mary Magro, Michele Wuertz, Susan Laudick

Character Education Takes A New Step

Aristotle knew long ago that people become morally excellent or practically wise as a result of lifelong personal and community effort. Dr. Seuss' character, Horton, enhances compassionate thinking in the story *Horton Hears a Who*, first published in 1954. 20th Century Fox Animation is bringing Dr. Seuss' story to the 'big screen'. Helen Keller told us that the best and most beautiful things in the world cannot be seen or even touched. They must be felt with the heart. Viewing this movie as a school community will help all FEEL the need for compassion in how we treat others. This shared experience will highlight the character traits of respect and responsibility as Horton helps others realize that "A person's a person no matter how small."

Arrangements have been made at AMC 30 Theater of South Barrington for all North Barrington School to view this movie on Thursday, March 20th at 10:00.

Please return the needed funds and the permission forms to attend the movie by Friday, March 7th because payment needs to be made in advance. Thank you for helping us realize the dream of nurturing students as they grow into compassionate people.

Passport to Whoville
On the 20th of March, in the Jungle of Nool,
You're invited to come, with your whole school!
HORTON HEARS A WHO
AMC 30 THEATER IN SOUTH BARRINGTON
MARCH 20, 2008

Before work has begun, just waiting for fun, we'll board a bus, and rumble on down, to see the show on the other side of town.

DEPARTURE: 9:15 AM

Just bring yourself and get set to learn how important you are and your friends in turn.

RETURN PERMISSION AND PAYMENT BY 3/07/08

"A person's a person no matter how small." We will celebrate us, one and all.

Please bring back this note with the amount below,
So you don't miss out on this really great show!

COST: \$11.00 PER STUDENT

Horton really understands how Character Counts!

Thanks for supporting this all school experience.
Attending the theater in the morning when the theater is only open for private showings, your child will feel safe.

Since staff will be attending parent chaperones will not be needed.

Your passport to Whoville:

_____ has permission to ride the bus to AMC 30
Theater in South Barrington on Thurs., March 20th.

(Parent Signature)

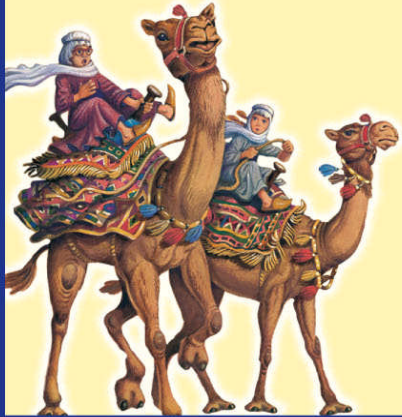


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Are you ready?

The Speech Tournament is less than 3 weeks away!

★ Is your piece totally memorized? Now is the time to work on those “trouble” spots!

★ In 1-2 weeks, you will be asked to begin asking teachers if you can perform your skit in their classrooms. Try to schedule at least 2 times. However, be courteous and don't interrupt a class to ask a teacher for a time. Wait until before or after school to ask.

★ Don't forget to say your name, your school, what the title of your piece is and who wrote it!

★ Remember to stay within your time limits! There are penalty points given for going over or under the time limits! See your Tournament Packet for details.

★ Don't forget the Dress Code! White top and black bottom. No hats, logo shirts, props or costumes of any kind!

★ At the end, be proud! Have your team come back together in the center for a bow and thank the judges!

☺ **We are SO proud of ALL your hard work! Keep it up!** ☺

Questions? See Miss Borck or Mrs. Lindsay

Judges Needed!

DISTRICT #220 SPEECH TOURNAMENT JUDGES NEEDED

The District #220 Speech Tournament will be taking place in just a few short weeks on March 8th, 2008 at Station Middle School. **A record breaking 850 young speakers will be performing this year!** Every Elementary and Middle School in District #220 as well as St. Anne's School are participating in the Speech Tournament. The Speech Tournament is a special opportunity for students in grades four through eight to memorize and perform a short skit or original work. This work will be presented in front of a team of judges who will score the presentations and provide verbal and written feedback. This is an outstanding opportunity for students to build confidence and self-esteem while learning important communication skills in a fun and supportive environment.

JUDGES are needed for the Speech Tournament! It is rewarding and easy to judge in the tournament. No experience is necessary! The process will be explained at the Judges' breakfast at 8:00 am on March 8th. Feel free to invite your spouse, family members (16 and older), neighbors and friends to join you! The contest begins at 9:00 am and ends by 1:00 pm and breakfast and lunch will be provided.

If you have are interested in joining us as a Judge please call Kimberly Carson at 847-381-4340 or at kcarson@cusd220.org

