



# NBS Weekly News

North Barrington School

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Week of  
March 10, 2008

## Glance at the week ahead

|       |      |   |
|-------|------|---|
| Thurs | 3/13 | Character Counts – 12:00 in the Library AND Market Day Order Sheets Due |
| Fri   | 3/14 | Market Day Online Orders due by 12:00                                   |
| Fri   | 3/14 | <b>No School – Parent Teacher Conferences</b>                           |
| Mon   | 3/17 | 5 <sup>th</sup> Grade CD – Photos and \$15 fee due                      |
| Tues  | 3/18 | Market Day Order Pick up  |

## Upcoming Events

|             |      |  |
|-------------|------|--|
| Wed         | 3/19 | SMART Boards and Ice Cream Social – 5:00 – 8:00 pm NBS           |
| Wed         | 3/19 | Character Counts Food Drop and Drive (Pick up line after school) |
| Thur        | 3/20 | Horton Hears a Who Field Trip                                    |
| 3/21 – 3/28 |      | Spring Break   |
| Wed         | 4/2  | Kindergarten Registration – 7:00 pm NBS Cafeteria                |

Please  
Note

### ***I Count for myEARTH Order Update***

Ready for pick-up at NBS! Now you can order online anytime at [www.icountformyEARTH.com](http://www.icountformyEARTH.com)  
ENTER NBS at Check-out

### ***Market Day Updates***

**It's not to late to place your Market Day order! March is Brunch Bonus Days-** when you buy 3 Brunch Bonus Day items, you'll receive a **FREE 9" Stainless Steel Serving Spatula!** Order sheets are due on Thursday, March 13th or go to [www.marketday.com](http://www.marketday.com) and place your order online by noon on Friday, March 14th (our school code is 2133). Market Day pick up is Tuesday, March 18th. If you have questions, contact Wendy Sowders (382-7113) or Karen Twohig (304-6652).

### ***Easter Bunny Orders***

Remember to check out the Innisbrook website for Easter Bunny orders.  
50% of the profit goes to NBS. [www.innisbrook.com](http://www.innisbrook.com), School #106610

### ***NBS Newsletter***

Beginning after Spring Break the NBS Newsletter will be distributed on Monday. The letter will continue to be sent electronically. In an effort to get all information in the Newsletter, the **Deadline for all information will be Friday at 3:00 pm.**

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](mailto:jhagan6324@aol.com).  
Submit email or hardcopy fliers for reproduction to the NBS office ([nmcallister@cusd220.org](mailto:nmcallister@cusd220.org) ).  
Submit pre-printed fliers to NBS office (50 copies of pre-printed fliers required).

# March 2008

| <i>Sun</i>                             | <i>Mon</i>  | <i>Tue</i>   | <i>Wed</i>  | <i>Thu</i>  | <i>Fri</i>   | <i>Sat</i>                                   |
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|  |   |  |   |   |  | <b>1</b>                                     |
| <b>2</b>                               | <b>3</b><br>Chess Club 3:35   | <b>4</b><br>Barnes and Noble<br>Shop and Share Date<br>9:00 am to 11:00 pm<br>NBS Eats Out - CPK | <b>5</b><br>8:30 Student Council  | <b>6</b><br>8:15 Drama 2 <sup>nd</sup> /3 <sup>rd</sup><br>9:15 PTO Meeting<br><br>GOTR Registration                                  | <b>7</b><br>8:40 – 9:00 Bank at<br>School  | <b>8</b><br><br><b>Speech<br/>Tournament</b> |
| <b>9</b>                               | <b>10</b><br>Chess Club 3:35  | <b>11</b><br>3:45 GOTR practice  | <b>12</b><br>3:15 GOTR practice   | <b>13</b><br>8:15 Drama 2 <sup>nd</sup> /3 <sup>rd</sup><br>Market Day Order<br>Sheets Due<br>12:00 Character<br>Counts ( in library) | <b>14</b><br>Market Day Online<br>Due<br><b>No School<br/>Parent<br/>Conferences</b> | <b>15</b>                                    |
| <b>16</b><br>Scouts Pine Wood<br>Derby | <b>17</b><br>Chess Club 3:35<br><br>5 <sup>th</sup> Grade CD Photos<br>and \$15 Fee Due | <b>18</b><br>3:45 GOTR practice<br><br>Market Day Pickup   | <b>19</b><br>8:30 Student Council<br><b>Drop and Drive Food</b><br>3:15 GOTR practice<br>5:00-8:00 pm<br><b>SMARTBoard Open<br/>House</b> | <b>20</b><br>8:15 Drama 2 <sup>nd</sup> /3 <sup>rd</sup><br><br>Horton Hears a Who<br>School Field Trip                               | <b>21</b><br><br><b>No School<br/>Spring Break</b>                                   | <b>22</b>                                    |
| <b>23</b>                              | <b>24</b><br><br><b>No School<br/>Spring Break</b>                                      | <b>25</b><br><br><b>No School<br/>Spring Break</b>   | <b>26</b><br><br><b>No School<br/>Spring Break</b>  | <b>27</b><br><br><b>No School<br/>Spring Break</b>  | <b>28</b><br><br><b>No School<br/>Spring Break</b>                                   | <b>29</b>                                    |
| <b>30</b>                              | <b>31</b><br>Chess Club 3:35  | <b>1</b><br>3:45 GOTR practice   | <b>2</b><br>Kindergarten<br>Registration<br>3:15 GOTR practice  | <b>3</b><br>8:15 Drama 2 <sup>nd</sup> /3 <sup>rd</sup>   | <b>4</b>   |  |

**Special Lunch**  
**March 20<sup>th</sup>**  
**The day we see:**  
***Horton Hears a Who!***

**Our cafeteria lunch will be different from all the other Barrington schools.**

**Students will have the choice of a turkey & cheese sandwich or a peanut butter and jelly sandwich, yogurt, apple or an orange, and milk.**

**Teachers will be asking students on Monday, March 17<sup>th</sup> if they will be buying cafeteria lunch on Thursday, March 20<sup>th</sup> and what sandwich they want.**

**Thank you for your cooperation and understanding in this matter.**

**NBS staff**

# Citizenship

## Pillar of the month for March

**CITIZENSHIP**- following rules for joint stewardship of a country's ideals, taking responsibility, caring for the environment, conserving resources and respecting your country and defending her in crisis.

**MANNERLY**- to use good manners: to be polite, courteous, respectful, thoughtful and considerate in relating to others.

**OPTIMISTIC**- A person who is disposed to looking at a situation favorably or positively: one who looks at the bright side of things: a positive or "sunny outlook"

**COOPERATION**: Working for a common purpose; to work with others for mutual benefit

**ACCOUNTABLE**- to be able to carry out a duty or task and accept responsibility for the consequence/results. To be responsible; able to be relied or depended upon.

**PRESERVERANCE**- Sticking to a purpose or an aim; never giving up what one has set out to do: to persist

**USEFUL SERVICE (VOLUNTEER)** - useful service; of use; giving service, helpful

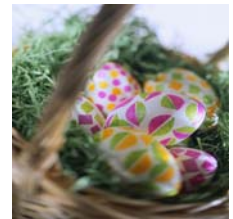
# WHAT'S IN YOUR EASTER BASKETS?



WHY NOT FILL UP THOSE BASKETS WITH

*Helen Grace*  
**CHOCOLATES**  
*since 1944*

- Solid White & Chocolate Bunnies \$6.00
- Chocolate Butter Eggs
- Chocolate Walnut Eggs
- Peanut Butter Eggs
- Coconut Cream Eggs
- Sugar Free Chocolates & More!
- 0 Trans Fat
- Up to 50% Profit to our School!



Log on TODAY ~ the **Easter Bunny's** waiting!

[www.innisbrook.com](http://www.innisbrook.com), Click on Shop and

**Assign Credit to School Number: 106610**

Ship directly to your home or office. Free Shipping for orders over \$75.

Any Questions please contact: Colleen Lipinski 847/842-9910

PTO MINUTES: February 7, 2008

1. Meeting called to order @ 9:30 by President, Mary Magro.
  2. Call for *approval of January minutes*, motion to approve made by Pam Tichy and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Chrissie Mena.
  3. *Treasurer's Report*, Annette Budzak reported not much activity this month. The first installment of yearbooks has been paid. Motion to approve report made by Chrissie Mena and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Rochelle Colella.
  4. *Principal's Report*, Dr. Cross, presentation will be made by Dr. Cross at March PTO meeting, she stated that over 90% of students meet or exceed ISAT scores at NBS. We are doing well as a school. 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> grade target instruction for Math. *Recycling* in cafeteria will be coming soon. Dr. Cross is working on it so it may be done properly. Option for teachers to receive a *yearbook* at no charge. If they don't choose to select one we as PTO will only purchase what we need instead of a blanket order for 50 extra which has been protocol. *Partners in Reading*: discussion regarding only doing this program K-2 since grades 3-5 do Tournament of Readers at the same time. Dr. Cross will ask the 3-5 teachers if they are opposed to this idea and get back to us.
  5. *Spirit Wear*: Chrissie Mena introduced new items. There will be a Spirit Wear sale on April 14<sup>th</sup> at the Pancake Breakfast. Chrissie surveyed students to see which items they would like to see in the sale. Spirit Wear has raised \$2000. although this is not a fundraiser. February is *Internet Safety Month*; look for updated program dates presented by the Barrington Safety Council.
  6. *President's Report*, Mary Magro, reported that last month's President's Council was cancelled due to snow day. Dr. Levine, author *The Price of Privilege*, will be presenting at Willow Creek. Each PTO in the district is being asked to donate \$250 to fund visit. Motion to approve this payment was made by Kathy Featherstone and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mari Franklin. *Character Counts*: Kathy Featherstone, reported that Valentine Bags for seniors was a success. Mark your calendars for the Pancake Breakfast on Saturday, April 14th. *School Supplies*: Rochelle Colella and Kathy Featherstone, found a "Green Company" which more than likely would cost less than current cost of school supplies. The company will have a representative here on Family Night. Kathy is asking the teachers to go over their class supply lists, looking for as many "Green" products and reusable items as possible.
  7. *Barbara Harris, Artsonia*: Less manpower is used with this program because it's done over the internet. 50% of profits will go to Ms. Barath, Art teacher. Next year, Artsonia rep. will be needed from PTO. Current profit= \$420. *NBS Dines Out*, March 4<sup>th</sup> at California Pizza Kitchen along with *Barnes and Noble Shop and Share*. *Smart Board campaign*: focus is to get dollars via a no stress fundraiser, come to the Smart Board Expo & Ice Cream Social on March 19<sup>th</sup>. Tax Deductible donations will go toward the Smart Board purchases needed for our school. Matching gifts are welcome. Dr. Cross commented that Donna Leighton did a great job on the Smart Board info. video. We are still in need of approx. \$40,000. to complete the Smart Board purchases. They each cost \$4,500. *Kris Hiatt, Book Fair Chair*, selling books at the Spring Book Fair allows new teachers to make purchases for their classrooms. *Teacher Appreciation*, Mary McGregor and Karen Hewitt, After receiving teacher input, this is what they have planned: Food every day of the week, 1 catered meal from Mo's Restaurant. Breakfast everyday including coffee, juice and water. Please contact Mary McGregor and Karen Hewitt if you'd like to contribute food or money. Contact Karen Hewitt at 847-387-3483 or [hewitt39@comcast.net](mailto:hewitt39@comcast.net) or Mary McGregor: [mary.mcgregor@comcast.net](mailto:mary.mcgregor@comcast.net) ; 847-487-5618 Also, if you have 60 items or products you'd be interested in donating to a teacher appreciation goody bag, please contact chairpersons. Barbara Harris described *spirit croc charms* to be sold later this Spring.
  8. *Susan Barsness: Roller Skating, Jennifer Blum*, Not a fundraiser, but profited \$120. Thank you Jennifer, the kids had fun! *Partners in Reading: Teresa Krueger*, Jim Dauhe, "Scribble Monster" recommended as an assembly presenter in April to tie in with program. Family Night theme: *Smart Board Expo and Ice Cream Social* PTO will be in charge of ice cream social and volunteers for the evening. Dr. Cross will handle the PR for this event. There was a discussion regarding ice cream vendors and best price. Eva Sigae, made a suggestion for a possible fundraiser to be held at "Score".
  9. *New Business*: Book exchange idea for the end of the year made by Wendy Sowders for children's summer reading.
  10. *Adjournment*: Motion to adjourn made by Wendy Sowders, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mary McGregor at 11:30.
- Attendance*: Karen Twohig, Wendy Sowders, Pam Tichy, Susan Barsness, Rochelle Colella, Chrissie Mena, Barbara Harris, Kris Hiatt, Annette Budzak, Karen Hewitt, Mary McGregor, Kathy Featherstone, Teresa Krueger, Eva Sigae, Mary Magro, Joanna argan, Mari Franklin, Dr. Cross



# Earn cash for our school with BOX TOPS & go Bowling!!!!

It's that time again! Send in those BOX TOPS before March 20<sup>th</sup> & be in the winning classroom to receive two free games of bowling each at Brunswick Zone! More prizes to follow, so don't miss out !



## Earn cash for our school with Box Tops

Box Tops for Education makes it easy to help our school earn the extra cash it needs.  
Make a difference every time you go to the grocery store!

### How to earn cash for our school

#### Clip Box Tops

Find Box Tops on hundreds of your favorite products. Each Box Top is worth 10¢ to our school.

#### Send Box Tops to School

Turn in your Box Tops. Our school will collect the Box Tops and send them to Box Tops for Education.

#### Our School Earns Cash

Twice each year, Box Tops will send our school a check worth 10¢ for each Box Top redeemed, up to \$20,000.

Our school can earn up to \$20,000 per year from the Box Tops you clip!



Cheerios.



Cottonelle

Ziploc



Hefty

HUGGIES

Kleenex  
BRAND

These are just a few of the great brands you can find Box Tops on.  
See [boxtops4education.com](http://boxtops4education.com) for a current complete list of participating products.

Visit [boxtops4education.com](http://boxtops4education.com) for more great ideas to earn cash for our school!

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District 220 PTO Presidents' Council is proud to announce that Dr. Madeline Levine, author of the New York Times bestselling book, "***The Price of Privilege . . . How Parental Pressure and Material Advantage Are Creating a Generation of Disconnected and Unhappy Kids***", will speak in Barrington on Thursday evening, April 3<sup>rd</sup>, in the Barrington High School gymnasium at 7:00 p.m.

Dr. Levine's book was the subject of the January BHS PTO Morningline program, with Dr. Tim Hull, a practicing psychologist in Barrington and member of the District 220 Board of Education, moderating the discussion. Almost 500 people attended this enlightening, thought-provoking presentation. We are honored that Dr. Levine will be speaking and addressing not only the subject matter of her book, but talking about trends she is seeing around the country, how other communities are addressing these concerns, and answering our questions.

This presentation is offered free of charge for the benefit of District 220 residents and is made possible through the very generous donations of the District 220 Educational Foundation, as well as Barrington CUSD 220, District 220 PTOs, including St. Anne's School, Advocate Good Shepherd Hospital, and Alexian Brothers Health Network.

Due to the nature of the discussion it is highly recommended that you read Dr. Levine's book prior to this event. Copies will also be for sale that evening, with time allowed for book signing. Questions may be directed to Sue Randall at [DRAND360@aol.com](mailto:DRAND360@aol.com) or Barb Karon at [RKaron1@aol.com](mailto:RKaron1@aol.com).

**Mari Hoashi Franklin**

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**From:** Mary Magro [mrymags@yahoo.com]  
**Sent:** Friday, March 07, 2008 12:45 AM  
**To:** Joan Prey; Stephanie Hagan; Mari Hoashi Franklin  
**Subject:** Fw: Info for newsletter inclusion

SCHOOL CROSSING GUARDS IMMEDIATE & FALL OPENINGS The Village of Barrington is accepting applications for the position of School Crossing Guard.\$14.75 per hour Must have adequate eyesight in both eyes and adequate hearing in both ears in order to fulfill responsibility to safely cross school children at intersections and designated roadway crossing points in an outdoor environment in all types of weather. Must be able to speak the English language in a clear and concise manner in order to give directions, and if necessary, shout warnings or commands as necessary in emergency situations. Must be a minimum of 18 years of age and will be required to pass a physical and drug screen. Apply to: Village of Barrington Attn: Human Resources 200 S. Hough St. Barrington, IL 60010 Tel: (847) 304-3415 Fax: (847) 381-7506 Julie MeyerHR & Risk Management CoordinatorVillage of Barrington 200 S. Hough StreetBarrington, IL 60010(847) 304-3415(847) 381-7506 fax [jmeyer@barrington-il.gov](mailto:jmeyer@barrington-il.gov)

# Student Council News

## ***February Service Projects - Results***

### ***Valentine's for Vets and Troops***

*Thank you for creating such wonderful Valentine's Day cards for our U.S. troops and vets. We were overwhelmed with the number of cards we received and appreciate the time, effort, and love you put into them. So were the troops! Please read the lovely thank you letter we received from the Operation Support Our Troops--IL organization on the reverse side. A copy was sent to each classroom so that each teacher can share the organization's words of gratitude on behalf of our American servicemen and women.*

### ***Beanies for Baghdad/Hot Chocolate Sale***

*The families and students at NB donated 466 Beanie Babies for the Beanies for Baghdad service project! Seven boxes of Beanie Babies were packed and shipped to 5 different locations in Baghdad.*

*In addition, we purchased and sent 10 AT&T prepaid calling cards (value \$285) to injured U.S. soldiers in a hospital located Germany who are thrilled to have them! Thank you for contributing to the success of these service projects!*

## ***March Service Project***

### ***Lake County Food Drive***

*Student Council reps are assisting the Character Counts Committee with the Lake County Food Drive. The Committee made and has displayed posters around the building to remind students to bring in their food donations. In addition, collection boxes have been set up in each pod. When the boxes in the pods begin to overflow with your generous donations, Student Council reps will transfer the contents to a central location and return the empty boxes to the pods so that they are available for additional donations. They will also assist on the morning of **March 19<sup>th</sup> with Drive and Drop**, where parents pull up in front of the building and drop off food items, (similar to what NB did for Hurricane Katrina donations). Reps will make morning announcements to remind students to bring in their food items!!!*

### ***Aluminum Tabs***

*We have quite a collection thus far! But, this is an ongoing service project, so please continue sending in those tabs!*

*Thank you for your support!  
Your Student Council Reps*

**Together, we can make a difference!**



February 24, 2008

TONI TOLLEFSEN  
N. BARRINGTON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL  
310 RT. 59  
BARRINGOTN, IL 60010

Dear Mrs. TOLLEFSEN,

On behalf of hundreds of American servicemen and women, Operation Support Our Troops – Illinois, Inc. (OSOT-IL) wants to thank you for your generous donation of Valentines. At this time we are sending an average of one hundred packages a week and this contribution will help us continue with our mission. The boxes we send go a long way to brighten the day of those serving in Iraq and Afghanistan.

We still have thousands of members of the armed forces in very difficult and dangerous living conditions. They need to know that we have not forgotten them. On our web site ([www.osotil.org](http://www.osotil.org)) you can read some of the responses from our package recipients, expressing their gratitude and telling us how these packages have lifted their morale. It is not only the contents of the package but the love that is enclosed from people who care and make it possible.

Our entire staff of volunteers thanks you for being part of Operation Support Our Troops – Illinois, Inc. Without your support and help we would not be able to continue our work. We sincerely appreciate your contribution and are very grateful.

Sincerely,

Deborah Rickert  
President  
Operation Support Our Troops – Illinois, Inc.  
[www.osotil.com](http://www.osotil.com)

OSOT-IL, Inc. is a 501 (c) (3), not-for-profit, charitable organization; therefore your gift is tax deductible under section 170 of the IRS Code. No goods or services were provided in connection with this contribution. Please keep this letter as an important part of your tax records. This receipt will serve as a written substantiation of your donation as required under law.

## 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Parent

We are currently working on a DVD for the graduating 5<sup>th</sup> grade class that compiles all the memories of their 5<sup>th</sup> grade year and their grade school experience at NBS. The DVD will be available at the end of the school year and will cost \$15 per copy. We are asking parents who would like one or more copies to fill out the order form below and return it to school by March 10<sup>th</sup>. Please make the check out to "NBS PTO" and place in an envelope marked 5<sup>th</sup> grade DVD. There will be a box in the office to collect all payments and photos. You can send this in your child's backpack.

We are also asking you to send in the following photos by March 10<sup>th</sup>:

- A baby/toddler photo (ages 0-4). Ms. Phillips class does not need to send this in since we were able to get copies of the photos you sent in for the yearbook.
- An early grade school photo (ages 5-10) even if it is not at NBS. Perhaps a photo that showcases their interests or talents.
- A photo from 5<sup>th</sup> grade (preferable a candid photo and not the school portrait).
- Any other photos or video clips from your child's grade school experience (K-5)

All photos and videotapes/DVD's will be returned to you as long as you put them in a plastic bag labeled 5<sup>th</sup> GRADE DVD and include YOUR CHILD'S NAME, CLASSROOM TEACHER AND the words "WANT BACK" written on the outside of the baggie with a sharpie.

The format of the DVD alternates between still pictures and video so either of these will be a great contribution. The more photos/videos we receive, the better our DVD will be! We do not need photos from Timberlee or the 5<sup>th</sup> grade Halloween party since we have plenty of these. Included below are some ideas for photos/videos:

- Kindergarten pictures or video with Mr. Gapp or Mrs. Collins-2002/2003
- Classroom pictures from grades 1-5
- Group shots from the 1<sup>st</sup> day of school or at the lockers
- 5<sup>th</sup> grade cross country meet
- 5<sup>th</sup> grade basketball games
- Outdoor/Recess/Habitat/Lunchroom
- Orchestra/Band lessons, rehearsals, concerts
- Special Events-Family Fun Night, Character Counts Breakfast or Carwash

Student's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Classroom Teacher \_\_\_\_\_

# of DVD's \_\_\_\_\_ x \$15 = Total \_\_\_\_\_

Make check payable to "NBS PTO". Order forms and photos due March 10<sup>th</sup>.

Thank you!!! Carol Levy, Eleanor McDonnell and Jaci O'Beirne



*Inspiring all learners to  
achieve excellence*

## BARRINGTON COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT 220

### Administrative Offices

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 Barrington, Illinois 60010-6337  
 (847) 381-6300 • Fax (847) 381-6337  
 Michael Gilmore, Ed.D.  
 Assistant Superintendent for Elementary Schools

March, 2008

Dear Parents:

The annual meeting for parents of children entering kindergarten in the fall will be held at each of the District's elementary schools in April, 2007. The North Barrington School meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, April 2, at 7:00 p.m.

We seek your help in order to identify eligible kindergarten students and other preschool children. On the form below, please list preschool-age children in your family including those who will be entering kindergarten in the fall. Please also list the names of any preschool children of any neighbor who might not otherwise be in contact with the schools. Personnel in the school office will use such information to contact those parents. Addresses and phone numbers are helpful, if available.

Children who will be five years of age on or before September 1, 2007, are eligible for enrollment in the 2008-2009 school program. The following are requirements for registration: 1) a physical examination and immunizations; 2) a legal birth certificate (hospital and/or baptismal certificates are not acceptable); and 3) two proofs of residency in District 220 (lease, sales contract, mortgage deed, tax bill, utility bill, DCFS, or unemployment card).

It is advisable to make arrangements for a physical examination as early as possible. The forms for the examination will be distributed at the parent meetings and also will be available in each of the elementary school offices. Physical examinations must be dated after September 1, 2007, and need to be received before the beginning of school. Thank you for your assistance in these matters.

Sincerely,

Michael Gilmore, Ed.D.  
 Assistant Superintendent for Elementary Schools

Deborah Cross, Ed.D.  
 Principal, North Barrington School

***Please return this list to the North Barrington School office.***

### KINDERGARTEN AND OTHER PRESCHOOL CHILDREN

| Student Name | Street | City/Zip Code | Telephone | Birth Date (M/D/Y) |
|--------------|--------|---------------|-----------|--------------------|
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# The Character Counts Pillar of the month is **CITIZENSHIP**

cit·i·zen·ship

Pronunciation: \ˈsi-tə-zən-ship\

Function: noun

Meaning: Working for a common purpose; to work with others for mutual benefit

So in the true spirit of the word, we're having a Food Drive for the Cuba Township Pantry!

As usual during a drive there will be boxes in every pod but in addition on Wednesday March 19<sup>th</sup> we're trying something new -

We will be collecting with a twist - **We're calling it a DROP AND DRIVE, and it's as easy as 1 – 2 – 3!!!**

**1 - Load up your car with your donations ...**

**2 - Student Council Members will collect them right from your car while you wait in line to drop off or pick-up your kids...**

**3 - then we'll take the donations to the Food Pantry right after school that day!!**

(Anyone interested in joining us is welcome; it's a great experience for parents and kids alike)

**No worrying about having your child carry heavy bags or losing gift cards!!**

So easy... so worthwhile... so appreciated!

**At NBS OUR CHARACTER COUNTS!!!**



## CUBA TOWNSHIP FOOD PANTRY 'WISH LIST'

- Laundry detergent and cleaning supplies – most needed items!!
- Cold and hot cereals
- Coffee
- Paper Products
- Toiletries – Toothpaste, shampoo, etc.
- Canned tuna and chicken
- Canned fruits
- Peanut butter and jelly
- Gift cards in \$10.00 denominations from Trader Joes and Caputo's
- Any brand of gas station gift cards are always much appreciated....

These are all just suggestions...the pantry exists **solely on donations**, they are happy to accept any donations of non-expired, non-perishable food items.

Thanks as always for your support,  
Character Counts Committee

## North Barrington School PTO Nominating Committee

### **2008-2009 Opportunities**

The North Barrington PTO provides a wide range of activities that supplement and enrich your child's school experience. Through fundraising events, we also make significant contributions of materials and equipment. We are currently seeking nominations for the Chair and Co-Chair positions for 2008-2009 PTO Board positions. Please take a minute to read the list below and indicated which committee would interest you. After the Chair and Co-Chair are selected, the nominating committee will notify them. Please complete this form and return to the school office by March 6, 2008

**First and Last Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **e-mail:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Home Phone Number:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Cell Phone Number:** \_\_\_\_\_

*List all board committee/executive position(s) that interest you.*

**Executive Board Position:** \_\_\_\_\_

*(First Choice)*

**Chair of:** \_\_\_\_\_

*(Second Choice)*

**Chair of:** \_\_\_\_\_

*(First Choice)*

**Co-Chair of:** \_\_\_\_\_

*(Second Choice)*

**Co-Chair of:** \_\_\_\_\_

**I would like to Chair/Co-chair with the following person:** \_\_\_\_\_

**I do not care whom I Chair/Co-Chair with:** \_\_\_\_\_

*Executive Board Positions open for the "2008-2010" school years*

- **Second V.P. of Service Committees:** Shall oversee the chairpersons for the PTO Service Committees and help the volunteers for these committees. See Article X-Section 3 of the PTO By-Laws for detailed job description.
- **Third V.P. of Special Programs:** Shall oversee all assemblies and special programs, shall chair the nominating committee. See Article X – Section 4 of the PTO By-Laws for detailed job description.
- **Secretary:** Shall keep the minutes of the proceedings of all meetings of the PTO Board, be responsible for the attendance list of the general meeting, shall provide notice of meetings, shall prepare and distribute agendas, shall handle correspondence. See Article X – Section 5 of the PTO Bylaws for a detailed job description.

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### Program and Service

- **Art Fair/Fun Fair:** (Occurring in Alternate Years) One Saturday each spring the PTO hosts an all day event including art projects, cakewalk, food, etc....a fun day for the whole family
- **Bank At School:** Program allows students to bank at school. It is designed to give students in grades (1-5) some real life banking and saving experience.
- **Character Counts:** Parents and school staff work together to integrate Character Education into the curriculum and school community. At all times promoting the six pillars of character - *Trustworthiness, Respect, Responsibility, Fairness, Caring and Citizenship.*
- **Display Case:** Coordinate the use of the school display cases and keep them looking festive.
- **Emergency Committee:** Maintain emergency backpack and phone tree for each classroom.
- **Family Night:** Come up with a theme and coordinate all aspect of out family night. This fun filled evening for the whole family, includes music, food and much more.
- **Field Day:** A special all school, all-day track and field event, held at the end of the school year.
- **Interactive Habitat/Earth Week:** Interactive Habitat is an ongoing program developed to enhance classroom curriculum, using the outdoor classroom environment including Living Science Court Yard, Prairie, Bird, Butterfly and Bug Garden, Fall Harvest Garden and Sensory Herb Turtles. Earth week promotes activities developed to raise student and parent awareness regarding environmental issues.
- **Library Liaison:** act as a liaison between the library activities and the PTO.
- **Meet the Artist:** Coordination all classroom volunteers who teach children about famous artists and techniques bringing their works to life. Training session and lesson plans are provided for volunteers.
- **NBS Weekly Family Newsletter:** Edit newsletter and coordinate the volunteers who compile and distributed these packets each Wednesday.
- **Parent Networking:** Program dealing with parental concerns from primary through high school years. Meetings and discussion groups are held in and apart from the school.
- **Partners-In-Reading:** A four to six week reading program hosted in the winter involving parents and other family members reading in your child's classroom.
- **Roller Skating:** A family skate night held every winter.
- **Room Coordinator:** Assign classroom coordinators for all our teachers. Hold an instructional meeting at the start of school. Help and guide room coordinators threw out the year.
- **School Board Liaison:** Attend District 220 school board meetings and report to the PTO on a monthly basis.
- **Staff Appreciation/Hospitality:** Staff appreciation is a special tribute to our school staff held each spring. Hospitality offers the staff a luncheon during the fall conferences.
- **Technology Liaison:** Work with staff members to coordinate current technology and investigate additional needs.
- **Tournament of Readers Book Sale:** (*Third, Fourth and Fifth grade*) Yearly reading contest coordinated by the school librarian and staff to help promote the fun of reading and love for books. Books are sold by the PTO at cost or may be checked out at the library.
- **Treasurer Elect:** Assist the Treasurer in their responsibilities. Will ease into the Executive Board position the following year.
- **Yearbook/Video Yearbook:** School memory book sold at cost and distributed at the end of each year. In addition, a year of video memories for student available at cost near the end of the year.
- **5<sup>th</sup> Grade Video Yearbook:** Special video just for 5<sup>th</sup> grade.
- **5<sup>th</sup> Grade Activity Coordinator:** Help organize 5<sup>th</sup> grade events for the year.
- **Volunteer Coordinator:** Update volunteer solicitation sheet and distribute, compile volunteers list for committees and update throughout the year.
- **Way & Means:** Work with staff to compile the teacher's wish list bi-annually, oversee teacher's grants, help to improve PTO daily operations and update bi-laws periodically.
- **Welcoming/Outreach:** Welcome new families to our school by hosting a coffee in the fall and spring, support a family mentoring program and reach out to families in need at our school.
- **Math Volunteers Coordinator:** Sort and maintain the math games in the PTO closet. Organize the volunteers, who play math games in the classroom. The gifted math teachers provide training.

### Fund Raisers Positions

- **Adult Social:** Occurs in alternate years, this committee will organize a dinner/dance with a Live/Silent Auction, bringing parents and teachers together for an evening of fun and fund-raising.
- **Artsonia:** Organize in conjunction with the Art Teacher this fundraiser in which students artwork can be reproduced on notecards, mousepads, magnets, etc. in the Fall.
- **Book Fair:** Three-day book sale of children and adults titles.
- **Box Tops:** Promotion and collection of "General Mills Box Tops Education".
- **Gift Wrap:** Organize the gift-wrap sale, which is done each fall.
- **Jog-a-thon:** (*As needed fundraiser*) Children run laps at school, raising money for each lap completed.
- **Market Day:** Coordinated volunteers, process orders and do promotion for this monthly sale of frozen and non-perishable food products throughout the school year.
- **School Supplies:** Organize and promote school supplies sale. This includes contact with the teachers to process their requested school supplies. These packs are offered for each grade level in the spring and delivered to the classrooms by the first day of school.
- **Spirit Clothing:** Organize and promote this ongoing sale of clothing and other spirit items.



# SMART Start Expo and Ice Cream Social

Wednesday, March 19!

The teachers and staff of North Barrington would like to invite the **WHOLE** family to our SMART Start Expo and Ice Cream Social!

- Take a tour and see classrooms and meet teachers all over the school!
- See the SMART Boards in action and participate in fun activities!
- FREE Culver's custard courtesy of Dr. Cross!
- Be entered in a drawing to win a week's FREE lodging at Disney World!

All of your favorite NBS teachers and staff will be there on March 19! See you then!

*See reverse for how to sign up!*

# SMART Start Tour Registration

Registering is easy online at [WWW.NBSPTO.LUMATILA.COM](http://WWW.NBSPTO.LUMATILA.COM)!  
Look for the SMART Start logo! Or, fill out the form below and return to your child's teacher.

FAMILY NAME:

NUMBER ATTENDING:

Select a tour by marking your top three choices:

| Rank | Tour      |
|------|-----------|
|      | 5:00-6:35 |
|      | 5:20-6:55 |
|      | 5:40-7:15 |
|      | 6:00-7:35 |
|      | 6:20-7:55 |
|      | 6:40-8:15 |

Please arrive 15 minutes prior to the start of your tour!

