



President's Update

While we may still be waiting for the weather to warm up outside, things are certainly heating up for the PTA! This is our busiest time of the year! We are looking forward to a very busy March as we prepare for Art Appreciation, the Knollwood Book Fair, the District Art Show and an author visit from Charles Waters at Sickles. We also have a variety of enriching assemblies planned at both Sickles and Knollwood guaranteed to entertain and educate your children.

We would like to thank all of our volunteers that continue to make each of these activities happen. Together, we are able to create enriching experiences for our children. We appreciate your efforts and thank the entire community for your support.

Thank you for supporting our efforts, because together we can do more!

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Christine Hayden', with a stylized, flowing script.

Christine Hayden

2017-2018 PTA President

News

PTA Board Nominations

It's that time of the year when the PTA starts recruiting for new board members. Do you have an interest in stepping up and getting involved next year? To learn more about the PTA Board and potential openings, please email Melissa Doherty at mdoherty71@yahoo.com.

8th Grade Dance Committee Photo Request

The 8th grade dance committee is looking for photo morphing and video montage photos to be submitted ***no later than February 28, 2018***. Any photos submitted after this date will not be included in the morphing video or video montage played at graduation and the 8th grade dance. [Please click here for photo requirements](#). If you have questions regarding photo submissions please contact Photo co-chairs Heather Kaiman thekaimans@comcast.net or Gail Flammer flammer5@verizon.net.

Upcoming Events

February 25 - Family Fun @Gravity Vault

Join the Family Fun Committee for an afternoon of climbing at The Gravity Vault Indoor Rock Gym, 37 Kanen Lane, Middletown. Fair Haven will be there from 12pm-2pm and it is \$20 per climber. To purchase tickets, please visit www.fairhavenpta.com by 2/19/18. Climbers must pre-register and be five or older. All children MUST be accompanied by an adult. No drop offs and a 4:1 child to adult ratio is requested.

March 8 - 6th Grade CPR & EpiPen Training

The PTA invites your 6th grader to join Meridian Health instructors to learn the basics of CPR, EpiPen use and choking on Thursday, March 8 from 3:00 pm to 5:00 pm in the Knollwood APR. This course, underwritten by the PTA, is a good introduction to concepts that can be applied to future babysitting training and is open to 40 students at no cost to families. To register, please use the Sign-Up Genius below and use the comments section to specify your 6th grader's name. Please note, the class may end earlier than 5pm, so plan accordingly.

<http://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e0b4dacab2da57-6thgrade>

March 10 - 7th Grade Safe Sitter Certification Class

The PTA, in conjunction with Meridian Health, is happy to be able to offer the comprehensive *7th Grade Safe Sitter Certification Course* on Saturday, March 10 from 10:00 am to 4:30 pm in the Knollwood Media Center. There are 15 seats available for this course and the cost is \$40/student. If you are interested in the program, please fill

out the attached form and drop a check for \$40 (made out to Hackensack Meridian Health) to Suzanne Butler, 65 Heights Terrace, no later than March 1st.

March 19 - 23 - Art Appreciation Week

The PTA will be bringing Picasso, Monet, Matisse and other exciting artists into the classrooms for a fun morning in grades K through 5. Students will engage in learning about various artists and create their own masterpieces. If you would like to volunteer to be a presenter (slideshows are already made) or volunteer to assist with projects, please email Christine Braceland at christine_aman@yahoo.com. The schedule is as follows:

March 19 - K & 1st grade

March 20 - 2nd grade

March 21 - 3rd grade

March 22 - 4th grade

March 23 - 5th grade

Shop & Give Back

Mabel's Labels

We are teaming up with Mabel's Labels to label your clothing and get our lost and found under control! Labels are on sale now by visiting https://mabelslabels.com/c/?type=fundraiser&b=7933&cur_website=us_website. 20% of all sales are donated back to the PTA. It's a great way to label everything you need to send to Stokes, Washington DC, summer camp and the beach cabana!

AmazonSmile

Looking for a way to support the PTA? Look no further than AmazonSmile. When you go to place an order, go to www.smile.amazon.com. You'll see the same home page but by using the Smile site, a portion of your order will support the PTA. Under the search bar, select Fair Haven PTA (#18837) and start your shopping to benefit our curriculum enriching programs.

PTA Funded Programming

Dino Dig

On February 16, second grade will enjoy a "Dino Dig." Students will learn about fossil formation and explore geology, with a focus on minerals. Each class will act as paleontologists and dig for fossils. Be sure to ask what kind of fossils they found!

Story Pirates

On February 23rd, K-3 will experience an Idea Storm with the Story Pirates. Presenters will take ideas from students to create stories and identify elements of writing. In the following weeks, students will write their own stories to be sent to the Story Pirates. On March 18, they return for The New Story Show. Musicals will be performed that are inspired by some of our own writers! Be sure to check out the Story Pirates podcast!

Kit's Interactive Theatre

The wonderful Kitty Jones, of Kit's Interactive Theatre, will visit Knollwood on Friday, February 23rd. Ms. Jones will present her American Revolution program to our 6th grade students, and "The Mysteries of Ancient Egypt" to our 5th graders. The 7th grade will attend Kitty's performance of "Our Civil War." The programs are relevant to the curriculum in each grade and will include student involvement in the show. For more information on these great shows visit <http://www.kitsinteractivetheatre.com>

Collections & Drives

Box Tops

Who will be the next Box Tops winner!? Keep clipping to find out! The class with the most Box Tops at the end of each marking period will win a prize, so don't forget to send them to your classroom teacher.