

# President's Update

April was quite the month for the PTA! We are very grateful to our community for their overwhelming support of the PTA's annual fundraiser "Relaxing by the River." The feedback has been fantastic and the outcome will be even better - the PTA's continued ability to make investments in the district for our children!

There is still much to be done for this school year and thank all of the volunteers working to make our end of the year celebrations a success! From Lunch with a VIP to 8th Grade Dance and Field Day, our volunteers are hard at work making memories for our children. We thank all of you for your efforts! If you are interested in volunteering for PTA events and you're not sure where to start, please reach out to a member of the PTA Board and we would be happy to connect you.

In addition, there are still some PTA committee chair openings available for next year. If you are interested in getting more involved, please let us know, because together we can do more!

Christine Hayden 2017-2018 PTA President

### <u>News</u>

### Lunch with a VIP

The PTA's Lunch with a VIP at Sickles is Friday, May 4. The times are as follows:

1st grade: 11:00 am - 11:30 am

2nd grade: 12:30 pm - 1:00 pm

3rd grade: 11:45 am - 12:15 pm

If you have not sent in a response form, please do so as soon as possible. Please remind special guests of the name of your child's teacher before the big day. Parking will be challenging, so please encourage special visitors to walk or bike if they are in town, or allow extra time if arriving by car.

If you are interested in volunteering on this special day, please visit the Sign Up Genius below:

http://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0945a9a82aa2f58-lunch

### **Teacher & Staff Appreciation Week**

Thank you to everyone for your generous donations! If you signed up to donate a gift card or monetary donation, it is NOT too late to drop it off. Please drop all gift cards and monetary donations to 121 Park Road by May 1st. Thank you! Our teachers and staff are our district's greatest asset. They will have a fantastic week, thanks to your generosity!

### 8th Grade Dance - Laws Signs

Below please find the forms to purchase graduation lawn signs for your 8th grader! This annual tradition supports our 8th grade dance fundraising efforts. Your lawn sign includes two balloons and with opportunity to add more for a fee. The form below NEEDS to be printed and dropped with your check payable to Fair Haven PTA to to Karen Gyimesi (33 Gentry Drive) or Jill Sullivan (68 Park Lane).

You may also VENMO payment to @Jill-Sullivan-25 and fill out the google form via the link below. Signs will be delivered to your home the morning of graduation.

**The deadline to order a sign is Friday, May 11**. **No late orders will be accepted.** If you have any questions, please contact the 8th grade dance fundraising chairs, Karen Gymesi (kgyimesi@gmail.com) or Jill Sullivan (jillsullivan1@gmail.com). Click here for paper

form: <u>http://www.fairhavenpta.com/pto/members/documents/Class%20of%202018%20Lawn%20Signs</u> %20Balloons.pdf

Click here for Google form:

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScgRqtVvP0tOoasuQapVU3phdyItorhCuFz9KIOEHE20lmkQ/viewform

### **1st Day School Supplies - COMING SOON!**

Once again the PTA will be offering the opportunity to order school supplies for your children and have them delivered direct to school for their first day. Information will be sent in the coming weeks, so don't miss out on this convenient service.

#### **Upcoming Events**

### May 17 - Barnes & Noble Summer Reading Book Fair

Please join the PTA at Barnes & Noble Eatontown to stock up on your summer reading books on Thursday, May 17 from 4:00 pm to 8:00 pm. Sickles and Knollwood suggested reading lists, as well as required reading for 6th, 7th and 8th graders will be available. There will be special activities and performances throughout the evening and a schedule will be sent out next week.

### May 18 - PTA General Meeting

Please join the PTA for our last daytime meeting of the school year where we will welcome Mrs. Amy Romano. Mrs. Romano will talk to parents about the transition to 4th grade and 6th grade for students and parents. This informative meeting will be held on Friday, May 18th at 1:30 pm in the Sickles Studio.

### June 14 - PTA Volunteer Recognition Night Out

Save the date to celebrate the end of the school year and look back on the PTA's accomplishments at our annual PTA's Volunteer Recognition event on Thursday, June 14. This will be our last general meeting of the year. Please join us for light bites at Nauvoo at 7:00 pm to toast our volunteers.

### Shop & Give Back

### AmazonSmile

Looking for a way to support the PTA? Look no further than AmazonSmile. When you go to place an order, go to <u>www.smile.amazon.com</u>. 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**

### **Knollwood School Assemblies**

On Tuesday, May 8th, our seventh grade students will have the opportunity to visit with a Holocaust survivor from Brookdale's CCHANGE program. The goal of CCHANGE is to educate, inspire and empower individuals to stand up to injustice and become active, involved citizens. During this powerful assembly, students will hear what it was like to be a child in Poland during World War II. They will hear a remarkable story of survival and learn the importance of taking action and standing up for others.

For more information about this meaningful visit, click on the link.

https://www.chhange.org/ personal-histories/stories/ ruth-rosenfeld

The Shakespeare Theatre of New Jersey is coming to Knollwood on Wednesday, May 9th! Our 8th grade students will have the opportunity to attend a LIVE performance of "Macbeth". The educational touring wing of The Shakespeare Theatre of New Jersey, Shakespeare LIVE! has performed for more than 600,000 students in New Jersey, New York, and beyond. Since its inception in 1997, its abridged productions have been hailed as innovative, visually stunning, and accessible to students. Though the texts are abridged to accommodate school schedules, LIVE! prides itself on keeping Shakespeare's language intact. The productions are dynamic and appealing, exciting and engaging, witty and imaginative—giving students of all ages the opportunity to experience Shakespeare's works as the playwright intended—in performance.

### Coming soon to Sickles School....

On June 1st, Marissa Klein Kay, local author of the Dream Big Academy children's book series will be reading her books, Rosie Wants to be a Dancer and Rosie Wants to Be a Fireman, to our Kindergarten students. In addition to sharing her wonderful book with our little ones, Marissa, a career expert, will work closely with our third graders. Marissa will coach our students on how to develop personal goals as they prepare to make the transition to Knollwood. An order form will be sent home on Wednesday, May 1st for anyone who would like to purchase these delightful books in advance. There will be an opportunity for students to have their books signed by Marissa Klein Kay!

# **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.