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Innisbrook Fundraiser

Innisbrook Fundraiser Is In Full Swing! We're expecting another great year of raising funds for our school through sales of items we can all use or gift during the year. Begin planning now to make your necessary purchases through Innisbrook and share the profits with Lake Harriet Community School and your students! It's our biggest fundraiser of the year. Students last year sold an amazing \$62,000, with 57% of the student body participating. This year's fundraiser started September 17th and ends October 1st. Students will return coupons during Friday lunches to receive prizes. Please help make this year's fundraiser successful by volunteering your time. Contact an Innisbrook Fundraiser Chair if you can be a part of our all-volunteer team! Innisbrook Fundraiser Chairs: Liz Young (lizyoung34@yahoo.com) Lori Bakken (loribakken@comcast.net)

Meet Some of Our New Teachers

Second Grade Teacher, Karin Emerson:

My name is Karin Emerson. I earned a Master's degree in experiential education at Minnesota State University Mankato, and a Reading Specialist License at the University of Minnesota. I taught Kindergarten for four years and first/second grade combined for four years. For the past 14 years I have worked as a reading specialist focusing on helping students move from beginning or non-readers to readers. I have two daughters, one in college and one in high school. My husband owns Inside Edge Golf in Eden Prairie. I love spending time with my family, learning new things and reading. I am honored to be welcomed into the teaching staff and community at Lake Harriet Lower. I am very excited to be back in the classroom and develop the yearlong relationships and strong learning community with students and families I have come to miss!

Seventh/Eighth Grade Language Arts: Deborah Hansen:

Hi, my name is Deborah Hansen and I've been teaching 8th grade Language Arts and Reading at Anwatin Middle School for the past four years. I earned my teaching degree from Metropolitan State University and my Reading licensure from The University of Minnesota. I have two children, a 20 -year old son, and a 17 year-old daughter, both graduates of Lake Harriet Community School. My husband and I have lived in the Linden Hills neighborhood for almost 30 years. I'm very excited to work with your students and the wonderful staff at Lake Harriet.

Kohl's Grant Flu Clinic

Dear Lake Harriet Community,

On October 15th, there will be a Flu shot clinic at Upper Campus from 4-8 pm. This is sponsored with a grant from Kohl's Department Stores and is done in conjunction with Children's Hospital and the MN Visiting Nurse Agency.

We are in need of a total of 4 parent volunteers, 2 volunteers per shift, 2 shifts. The first shift is from 3:45-6 pm, the second is from 5:50-8 pm. Please respond to Kathy.Frey@mpls.k12.mn.us if you are able to volunteer.

Clinic Volunteer Responsibilities:

1. Greet and direct participants to the registration table.
2. Request participants to have insurance cards available for the registration process. (MVNA registrars will check all completed consent forms).
3. Maintain an orderly participant waiting line, have upper arm accessible and consent form complete.
4. Ensure adequate distance for confidentiality between the nurse's table/station and those waiting in line.

Thank-you~

Kathy Frey, RN, Licensed School Nurse

Join MATHCOUNTS!

Does your 6th to 8th grader like math puzzles and brain-teasers? Are they interested in learning how to solve challenging math problems? If so, consider joining MATHCOUNTS, the free before-school math club for students in grades 6-8. The main purpose of the club is to promote and extend students interest in math and to have fun at the same time. Students work together in teams and introduce some new or different topics that go beyond what they see in school.

MATHCOUNTS will start on Wednesday, October 2nd and will meet every Wednesday for one hour 8:25 AM to 9:25 AM until mid-March. MathCounts will meet in room 207. To learn more or sign up, contact parent coaches Matt Shors at mshors@gmail.com or 612-401-7778 or Joanne Kaufman at jmktjm@hotmail.com or 612-920-3370. Thanks to the PTA's generosity, participation in MATHCOUNTS is free!

Attention 8th Grade families! Time to think HIGH SCHOOL!

There is a general Zone 3 meeting on Monday, Oct. 28 - Meeting, 6 p.m.,
Burroughs, 1601 W. 50th
For families at Anthony, Barton, Lake Harriet.

(If you can't make it to this one, you can attend earlier:- **Monday, Oct. 21 - Meeting, 6 p.m., also at Burroughs** for families at Anwatin, Field, Folwell, Green, Jefferson, Ramsey)

High School Open House nights are as follows:

Wednesday, Oct. 23 - Washburn Open House, 5 p.m., 210 W. 49th St.
Wednesday, Oct. 30 - Southwest Open House, 6:30 p.m., 3414 - 47th St. W.
Wednesday, Nov. 6 - North Open House, 6:30 p.m., 1500 James Ave. N.
Thursday, Nov. 7 - Henry Open House, 6:30 p.m., 4320 Newton Ave. N.
Thursday, Nov. 14 - Edison Open House, 5:30 p.m., 700 22nd Ave. NE.
Wednesday, Nov. 20 - Roosevelt Open House, 6:30 p.m., 4029 28th Ave. S.
Thursday, Nov. 21 - South Open House, 6:30 p.m., 3131 - 19th Ave. S.

There is a **Minneapolis School Fair** for prospective students of all grade levels, preschool through high school:

Saturday, Jan. 25 – School Fair, 9 a.m. – 2 p.m.,
Minneapolis Convention Center, 2nd Floor, 1301 2nd Ave. S.,

Don't forget: **School Request Cards are Due on Friday, Feb. 28, 2014.**

For priority enrollment consideration, families must submit request cards by this date.

The full slate of annual school enrollment events is listed below and on the [Student Placement & New Families](http://ofce.mpls.k12.mn.us/student_placement_services_new_families_center) (http://ofce.mpls.k12.mn.us/student_placement_services_new_families_center) web page as well. We greatly appreciate your help in getting the word out about these events via your web postings, newsletters, etc. Thank you!

Questions: [612.668.1840](tel:612.668.1840)

UC Media Center: Volunteers Needed!

The PTA is looking for volunteers to help in the UC Media Center. This is a year-long commitment and involves helping students check-out books as well as shelving books that have been checked-in (training will be provided). There are currently five shifts available: Tuesday, Thursday and Friday from 12:40-2:00 and Thursday and Friday from 3:10-4:00. Because we no longer have a media specialist at the UC, it's important we get volunteers to help us keep the media center open and available to the students. Please consider taking just one shift! If you are interested, please e-mail Peggy Whisler at peggy@thewhislers.com. Thank you!

Mandarin Club Enrollment Last Call

Mandarin Club at Lake Harriet Lower and Upper Campus is starting soon on Sept 30th. Please register online at www.sleepytigers.com

Why Learn Chinese? Chinese is the most widely spoken first language in the world. China is the second largest economy in the world. China is the largest trading partners of the United States. Mandarin Club is a Chinese Language & Culture program offered in public/private schools for K-8 students. The main focus is Chinese Mandarin verbal skills, reading, writing. Students will also be introduced to Chinese culture, art, history and geography.

Lower Campus Monday & Wednesday Sept 30th, 2013--May 7th, 2014 4:00-5:00pm Room 124 Upper Campus
Tuesday & Thursday Oct 1st, 2013--May 8th, 2014 8:30-9:30am Room 212 Questions? Please contact Juliet Lee at 612-986-6010, info@sleepytigers.com.

FYI- A New Section to include as below:

Lake Harriet Community School is a Minnesota School of Excellence

Watch here for news on our school's "celebration" and "banner" announcing our school of excellence validation!

Did you know...

after a two year process Lake Harriet Community School has received validation as a MN School of Excellence and this well-deserved award will remain in effect for seven years!

All schools have the opportunity to participate in the MESPA Minnesota School of Excellence Program, but not all schools take the challenge. It engages the entire school community -- from students, to staff, to parents, to the broader community -- in meaningful conversations about their school.

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Minneapolis Storm Hockey

The Minneapolis Storm is a non-profit organization that provides developmental hockey youth programs for boys and girls (ages 4 - 8) in Minneapolis. Even if it's your player's first time on the ice, the Storm program can help you get your child get ready to play this winter.

Please visit our website at <http://minneapolispark.pucksystems2.com/page/show/15957-minneapolis-mite-and-mighty-mite-program> for details.

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Submissions: email to Mark Fullerton: marksatva@gmail.com or use the online submission form at:

<http://lakeharriet.mpls.k12.mn.us/connection1.html>.

Please try to limit each submission to approximately 150 words in length.