



Charlton Heights Knight Messenger

PTA Newsletter

March 2012

Calendar of Events

- 3/7 PTA Meeting 6:30 PM
- 3/5 - 3/9 PARP week
- 3/6 Half Day (Grades 1-12)
- 3/9 Hat Day
- 3/12 & 3/13 - Kindergarten Registration @ Stevens
- 3/23 Half Day (Grades 1-12)
- 3/30 Student Council Team Day & Popcorn Day
- 3/30 Drama Club - "Little Mermaid" Play 7:00 PM CHE
- 4/4 PTA MEETING 6:30PM

Popcorn Day!



Friday,

March
30th

Student Council

March 30th

Team Day

(wear sports team shirt)

Principal's Message

Dear Families,

March is a busy month for live theater presentations in the District. Please consider bringing your family to the following:

"The Little Mermaid" performed by the Charlton Heights Drama Club on March 30 at 7:00 p.m. in the Charlton Heights gymnasium. We have 68 fourth and fifth graders who have participated in the PTA After-School Enrichment Clubs for drama, and they have been working extremely hard to put it all together. Special thanks to the staff members who have assisted with the program: Candy Goudey, Gina Kirsty, Alison Donofrio, Amy Hotaling, Bobbi Barringer, Lisa Johnson, and George Dorvee!

"Hello Dolly" performed by the High School Drama Club in the High School Auditorium at 7:00 p.m. on March 9 and 10.

"Annie" performed by the Middle School Drama Club at the Middle School on March 16 at 7:00 p.m. and March 19 at 2:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m.

A standing ovation to all of our actors who performed in "Treasure Island" and "Pinocchio" with the BHBL Theatre for Children! Everyone did a marvelous job!

There will be a half-day for grades 1 through 5 students on March 6 and 23. Elementary students will be dismissed at 12:00 noon. Kindergarten students will have a regular day of instruction on those days. Third grade students will be taking the CO-GAT examinations during the week of March 19. This test measures the level and pattern of cognitive development influenced by experiences both in and out of school. More specific scheduling information will be coming directly from your child's teacher. In the event of a snow day, we will make up any portion missed at the earliest appropriate time.

As with any assessment of this type, we would appreciate your assistance. Please make sure your child:

Has adequate rest on the night before the assessment;

Arrives to school on time; and

Does not have any doctor's appointments or other elective absences when your child will be taking the test.

Students who currently hold an IEP have already had similar tests. However, this test provides meaningful data. If you are a parent of a child with an IEP and do not want your child to participate in the Cognitive Abilities Test, please contact the classroom teacher.

We would like to take this opportunity to remind you that students should not be dropped off in the mornings until 8:00 a.m. At that time, we provide supervision for the children. Prior to 8:00 a.m. there is no adult supervision in the building.

Sincerely,

Timothy Sinnenberg

PTA President's Message

Spring has sprung!!!

The crocuses are up in the Children's Garden! Our Children's Garden and the shed needs volunteers to help clean up, organize, trim and rake. Let me know if you would like to be part of the Clean-Up Day. What a fun filled month March is going to be!

The first week of March was PARP (Parents As Reading Partners). Our children have enjoyed a weeklong event centered around reading. Kerry Roth and Liz Opie had a "Dig Deep into Books" theme filled week that celebrated the fun of reading for all of the children! Everyone enjoyed the Dirtmeister's assembly.

To continue the reading celebration we have the opportunity to participate in The Adopt-A-Book Program. It is a wonderful way to share reading fun with a lasting gift in your child's name. Melissa Morrison is happy to help you find a book from our Library's Wish List!

On March 30th we will be popping up some popcorn for the PTA Popcorn Day and Student Council Team Day. Students have enjoyed their first week of After School Enrichment Clubs. Melissa Antonini, Heidi Todd and Traci Hall have put together and coordinated a great variety of clubs being offered to the children. Thank you to the many volunteers that help out and make these programs possible!

With all of the fun PTA programs running in March there are many opportunities for parents to be involved and help out.

Our 2012-13 Programs are looking for chair people and volunteers. Have you ever thought about being more involved? Now is your chance to find out about the nearly 40 programs we offer and how you can be involved! We will be holding a Cafe PTA in the Spring for everyone to attend and get more information!

Our next PTA meeting is Wednesday April 4th at 6:30 in the Library. Everyone is invited and encouraged to attend! Come and share your ideas and collaborate with other parents, teachers and administration. Find out what is happening and help shape the things to come!

Sharan Zarnofsky - CHES PTA President





Kindergarten

February was great! There were so many reasons to celebrate. The month began with our predictions about the groundhog. We were sure that he hadn't seen his shadow on that cloudy day... oh, well. It looks like Phil was right. We finally have some snow (and a snow day too)! The much anticipated 100th day of school was a blast. We celebrated with delicious cookie cakes, 100 trail mix and collections of 100 items brought from home. The very next day was Valentine's Day. The children enjoyed "mailing" and receiving valentines from classmates. We wrapped up the month with winter break and learning about George Washington and Abe Lincoln. Our March themes will all focus on staying healthy and safe. The next time we talk it will be spring!



First Grade

March definitely came in like a lion! The first graders enjoyed their first snow day on March 1st. On March 2nd, we celebrated Dr. Seuss's birthday. The students wore special hats, read many stories, and learned about Theodor Seuss Geisel. This month, we will focus on personal health and development with lessons about problem solving, feelings, communication skills, and healthy habits. Students will work on using I-Messages and a bug and a wish to share their feelings. An example would be, "It bugs me when you take my crayons. I wish you would ask me first. Try using this at home." The students will also be working on subtraction skills and strategies, and completing their unit on money skills. The first graders are excited to see if the leprechaun comes and visits Charlton Heights. He has been known to mess up the classrooms! We will also be starting spring topics



Second Grade

In like a lion and out like a lamb is our hope for the traditionally windy month of March. Since the weather has been so inconsistent lately please make sure to send your child in prepared for anything Mother Nature might send our way. In the second grade classrooms we have been busy. The start of the Iditarod kicked off the students learning about Alaska. We will study the culture, climate and people. We expect Scotia Glenville Traveling Museum to be a hit and are crossing our fingers that the sled dogs will make an appearance this year. All of the classes will be doing research on the computer along with writing an Alaskan animal research report. The students are always excited to complete a 3D animal project at home and share their learning with classmates. We have been having fun learning about weighing and balancing in Science. Reading and Math skills are really growing now too. Keep up the extra practice at home.



~Mrs. Brooks, Mrs. Buff, Mrs. Gobel, & Mrs. O'Rourke

Third Grade



March is here! The month of March is full of all sorts of fun here in third grade. We will be finishing-up our division unit by reviewing basic facts and by having some fun with fact families. Our next unit is measurement and to help us out the Scotia-Glenville Museum will be coming in to do their Measures for Measurement program. The students are sparkling with interest about the Sun, Moon and Stars unit we just started in science. In social studies the students are wrapping up the Australia unit and they will then **start 'mapping'**. **This month the students will be taking the CogAT test the week of March 19th.** We are also starting preparations for the New York State ELA and Math tests that take place in April.

Happy St. Patrick's Day!

~ Mrs. Bomm, Mrs. Grasso, Mr. Haluska & Ms. Jones

Fourth Grade

Fourth graders are roaring with excitement this March. The next math strands are graphing and geometry. The students really enjoy these units, with more hands on activities and many visual concepts.

In social studies students are learning about colonial life and have discovered so many interesting facts about the colonial times in New York. We are looking forward to our field trip to Cooperstown later this month that will support our classroom learning.



Science lessons have created a collection of inquiring scientists who will try to determine mystery substances through a series of chemical tests.

Students are eagerly participating in PARP and were truly impressed with the "Dirtmeister".

We are beginning preparations for the New York State tests which are right after Spring break. Never a dull moment as Fourth grade flies by.

~ Mr. Bold, Mrs. Donofrio, Mrs. Hall &

Fifth Grade

In science, fifth graders completed their muscular system unit and now they're wrapping-up their nutrition unit of study. We are lucky to now be paired-up with Saratoga Prevention Council and the program - Too Good For Drugs.

February was Black History Month. Many fifth graders learned much about slavery and the Underground Railroad and how one hundred years later, people were still fighting for Civil Rights. We read short stories and plays about these topics and we cap off this learning by reading the wonderful novel *The Watsons Go to Birmingham - 1963* by Christopher Paul Curtis. In social studies, we are learning about regions of our country. While learning more about the United States, students individually completed a state report about a state they chose to research. After researching a state of their choice, students created a project called a jackdaw to share with their classmates. A jackdaw is a European crow who collects things for his nest. The class delivered an oral presentation named after this bird. Students' jackdaws included a collection of interesting items brought together to present information about their state. Many fifth graders enjoyed this experience so much that they decided that they wanted to present their

The Fresh Air Fund

The Fresh Air Fund is a non-profit organization that brings New York City children from lower income families to our area and throughout the New England states and Canada during the summer. Since 1877, the Fresh Air Fund has been giving these children the joy of a summer vacation with volunteer host families, creating unforgettable memories and endless possibilities!

When I was born, my family was already involved in this amazing program, hosting a little girl named Marilyn. She came up and was a playmate for my sister, Charlene. As my brother and I got older, we too, had the opportunity to have a playmate for each of us in the summer. It was so incredible! Instead of going to camp, camp came to us! We rode bikes, went swimming, camped outside, had picnics, etc. We had a wonderful time with our Fresh Air Fund brothers and sisters, some of which my family is still in contact!



Jerry is one of our Fresh Air Fund brothers that we still see. He started coming to our home **when he was only 7 years old and continued coming until he was eighteen! Once he “graduated” out of the program, we kept in touch by phone. Over the years, we would speak occasionally and he would see our mom when she would go to the city for the annual conference. It wasn't until I went to the city for the conference with her in 2010 that Jerry realized that time had really flown by and he felt a strong desire to come back to Ballston Spa to see his summer family. A few weeks later, he arranged to come up for a week and it was like no time had gone by! On the day he had to leave, he cried (and so did we) just like we did so many years before. Shortly after his visit, our dad was diagnosed with cancer. In the hospital, Jerry brought him a Yankee jacket that he had promised him at the earlier visit. Dad loved it!!! When he passed away, he was buried in that jacket! Jerry came up again and was a pall-bearer along with the rest of the men in our family. Now 38, Jerry is a part of our lives again! My children affectionately refer to him as “Uncle Jerry” and they love him very much! They look forward to when he and “Aunt Maria” come for a visit.**

Now married and with 4 of my own children, my family hosts a young lady named Alexandria! She started coming to our home when she was 8 years old. This May, she will be turning 14! She is so very special to us! She has blossomed into a confident young woman who speaks about WHEN she becomes the first African-American female president! My children love to do **“special” things with her like ride bikes, go swimming, have picnics in the backyard, jump rope, camp in a tent in the backyard, etc.** The fantastic memories continue from one generation to the next!

It is easy to become a Fresh Air Fund host. You just need to open your heart and home. Invite a child to become part of your family for 1-2 weeks. If you would be interested in more information, please give me, Tricia Barkman, a call at 858-9418. I would love to talk with you about making a forever change in the life of an inner city child!



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- BIC® Dry Erase Markers
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- BIC® Mechanical Pencils
- BIC® Ball Pens
- BIC® Roller Pens
- BIC® Gel Pens
- BIC® Wite-Out® Brand Correction Tape

CHARLTON HEIGHTS code is: 15697
It's time to sign up for Tools for School. Even if you have signed up in the past, Price Chopper is requiring you to sign up again by using our school code to be sure your shopping points are earning Charlton Heights free school equipment. Sign up for e-labels! Go to www.pricechopper.com

Charlton Heights participates in Box Tops for Education! Clip Box Tops and send them in.

Turn in your Hannaford Helps certificate's to our Charlton Heights slot at your local Hannaford or turn it in to your child's teacher and we will do the rest

Target Red Card
Sign up for Take Charge of Education and designate Charlton Heights. Target will donate up to 1% of your RED card purchases to your chosen school.

Would you like to get ...
Important school news announcements right in your e-mail inbox??
A text message on your cell phone whenever school is unexpectedly closed due to an emergency or bad weather??
Now you can ... just sign up for the BH-BL School News Notifier today!

The Burr Hill-Babston (BH-BL) school district is proud to offer a "School News Notifier" (SNN) service to all interested individuals. This is an opt-in alert system — which means that YOU control which of our 8 alerts you want to receive. Users can subscribe or unsubscribe to receive e-mails about any of the following topics:

- 1. Emergency school closings and delays:** Find out via e-mail when any of our five schools is closed unexpectedly due to severe weather or other emergency. Alerts will also go out when classes are on a one-hour or two-hour delay in the morning, or when all after-school or evening activities are cancelled due to bad weather.
- 2. Board of Education Budget Development:** Sign up for this notification if you are interested in following the process of creating the next school budget.
- 3. Change in Sex Offender Residency:** Find out via e-mail whenever our school district is notified by the police that a registered sex offender has moved into or changed residency in our district. This is a rare occurrence, but signing up for this alert will allow you to share whatever limited information we receive from the police.

PLUS Text Messages—
By providing your cell phone number and cellular carrier, you can also receive Emergency School Closing alerts on your cell phone as a text message.

You can also sign up to receive alerts on news, events and activities specific to any of our five schools.

How do I sign up for SNN?
Simply visit the district website at www.bhbll.org and click on the large "SNN" School News Notifier logo. You will find arrows to Frequently Asked Questions and a place to set up your personal options, including your e-mail address(es), desired password and desired alerts.

Important note: SNN is a secure system. The school district cannot see your password, and we will NOT share your e-mail address with anyone.

facebook Another way to receive district news & announcements is to "Like" us on Facebook
Yes, BH-BL is on Facebook. To view the types of news and announcements our Facebook "fans" receive automatically, go to www.facebook.com/BHBLSchools OR go to www.bhbll.org and click the blue Facebook logo on the right.

www.bhbll.org

Mark your calendar!
Our next PTA Meeting is
Wednesday, April 4th at 6:30 PM
Charlton Heights Library

If you have an entry for the newsletter contact Lisa Criscone
artlrc1@earthlink.net
Entry deadline is the Monday before our PTA Meeting.

Charlton Heights PTA is on the web:
<http://chespta.yolasite.com/>
Or email chespta@hotmail.com

A dopt a B ook

The 14th Annual Adopt-A-Book program is here!
 Select and donate a brand new hardcover book to our school library!
Make a lasting gift in your child's name or adopt a book to honor your child's teacher!
(sponsored by the Charlton Heights PTA for the Charlton Heights families and friends)

To choose a book visit the website (**Amazon.com, go to 'wish lists' and type in 'stomlinson@bhbl.org'**). Several lists will appear separated into *picture books, fiction or non-fiction*. After you have selected a book, please e-mail me the following information at cmm897@yahoo.com:

- The book title and author
- Note if it is a picture book, fiction or nonfiction (this helps me find it)
- **Please write the teacher's name you are donating the book in honor of**
- State who the book is from (i.e. your family or your child)
- Send a check (made out to the *Charlton Heights PTA*) to:
Melissa Morrison (c/o Annabelle in Mrs. Hall's class).
 * We will do the ordering for you *



If you have any questions about the program, please contact Melissa Morrison at 384-1587 or email me any questions. All orders and payments are due by March 30th.

VOICE YOUR OPINION!!!

Next year's draft of the school budget impacts Charlton Heights 5th grade program by removing one section, increasing class sizes to 28. The Board of Education appreciates input on the draft and you have a variety of ways to do so but you do not have a lot of time! The regularly scheduled **Board of Education meeting on Tuesday, March 13th at the O'Rourke Middle School** is one way to reach them. If you can't attend the meeting but would like input, it's important to do this by Monday, March 12th through their website, BHBL.org. You will have access to the most current budget proposal, including the reductions, cuts, and additions to programming. The web also gives you an easy way to communicate. You can review the proposals and then give quick, easy feedback through a survey. You can also email the board of education and superintendent.

- Item #27 on the budget proposal sheet explains the class size increase.
 - Click on an item to take you there or just visit their website at BHBL.org.
- Proposed Reductions/Cuts/Additions - http://bhbl.org/District/Board/budgetfor2012-13/BHBLBudgetWorksheet_as_ofMarch1_2012.pdf
- Then, Take the On-line Survey - <http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/QTBMX6Z>



March Quote:

The function of education is to teach one to think intensively and to think critically. Intelligence plus character - that is the goal of true education.

School banking is off to a great start! We have had over 50 students sign up to start saving! Don't forget if you refer a friend you and your friend split \$10. Not signed up yet. Stop by the cafeteria on Thursday mornings and we can give you a packet to get you started!

Congratulations to our weekly winners of a \$5.00 gift card:

Week 15 Nicholas Hodgkinson

Week 16 Mia Paolino

Week 17 (snow day)

Week 18 Brian Holder



As always we welcome volunteers!

If you have any questions please email or call Chris Katz at 357-3219
ckatz@nycap.rr.com

Thank you, Chris Katz and Theresa Nieters

BOOKFAIR

Laura Paolino & Jodi Cataldo

The annual Buy One Get One FREE Book-fair will be held on Tuesday, April 3rd and Wednesday, April 4th from 3 PM–6:30 PM, both nights.



It will be held in the Charlton Heights Cafeteria. The theme is "stock up for summer reading."

All items are priced at **Buy One, Get One FREE!**

YEARBOOK SALES



The 2011-2012 Charlton Heights Yearbook will be in FULL COLOR! Yearbooks go on sale from February 27th to March 16th and the cost is \$16.00, please make your check payable to: **Charlton Heights PTA (no CASH).**

An order form came home with your child through backpack mail.

If you have any questions, please contact Adrian Skinner at a_m_skin@yahoo.com or 884-9982.

Drama Club Presents...

A highly entertaining, clever telling of the popular tale of a mermaid who wants to be human so she can marry a prince.

Friday, March 30th @ 7:00 PM
(CHE gymnasium)

Director: Tim Sinnenberg
Co-Director: Candy Goudey
Musical Director: Gina Kirsty
Producer: Alison Donofrio
Stage Managers: Bobby Barringer & Amy Hotaling
Scenic Director: Lisa Johnson Prompter: Cam LaViolette

Parent Education

Our children have received information about bullying in the schools, but it is important that we educate ourselves as parents. What should you say to your child if they feel he/she is the target of bullying? How can you be sure that your child is not participating in teasing or bullying his/her peers? What measures can we take to prevent bullying in our schools and community?

Please join us for a Discussion on Bullying
Wednesday, March 28, 2012, 7:00 PM – 8:30 PM in the Stevens Elementary cafeteria

Facilitated by: Dona Fragnoli, Senior Trainer, Balancing Life's Issues

Topics will include: What is bullying, how to know if your child is being bullied, what to do if your child is being bullied, family risks that increase bullying, and how to identify and respond if your child is a bully.

Please contact: Beth Bechtel at brbechtel@aol.com with any questions.

CHES PTA Executive Committee Nominations

Have you ever thought about getting involved with the PTA or taking your commitment to the next level? Nominations are being accepted for the Executive Committee Positions for the next term.

Consider taking on a role in Charlton Height Elementary School PTA! The current term is ending for the CHES PTA President, Vice President of Programs, Vice President of Homerooms, Treasurer and Secretary.

Nominations are now being accepted for these positions.

Please submit your nominations by the April 4th PTA Meeting.

Please contact Sharan Zarnofsky with any questions you may have regarding these positions.

Contact Sharan Zarnofsky 882-7123

or heysharan@aol.com

Visit us at <http://chespta.yolasite.com>

Call to Order – President - Sharan Zarnofsky
Introductions

Old Business
Present January meeting minutes for review & approved

New Business

Executive Board Reports:

President – Sharan Zarnofsky

Thank you to all the volunteers throughout the year

Vice President Programs – Melissa Antonini

Please turn in folders when programs are over—through backpack mail or to the main office

Vice President Homerooms – Dee Capella- nothing to report

Secretary – Sharon Swain- nothing to report

Treasurer – Daphne Jameson

Budget presented, no questions

PTA Council Rep – Chris Katz

Founder's Day dinner in tomorrow night—discussion of Board of Education, majority of committee positions will vacant this year, possibly current positions will stay on—interested people should contact Chris Katz

Principal – Tim Sinnenberg

Mr. Moore's class won the fall/winter Box Tops competition

Steve Caporizzo came to school to talk with the fifth grade

Upcoming Events: PARP, afterschool enrichment, 4-5th grade play

Building Council Representative – Tim Sinnenberg

Update on bullying, common core language will be on the agenda coming up, aim to standardize language across grade levels

Teacher Representatives – Lyndsay Wilson & Wendy McNeal

Congratulations to nominees and winners of Founder's Day—we appreciate everything you do and the time you take to provide programs

We will continue to have students write events in their agendas the night before upcoming events

Board of Education Report – Will Farmer

Two finalists have been chosen for Superintendent search

Residents and staff are invited to budget meeting—listed on school website

Standing Committee Report

– Yearbook: 2011-2012, full color \$16.00 to Charlton Heights PTA—sales are starting in February, questions to Adrian Skinner at amskinn@yahoo.com

– PARP: Liz Opie, March 1st-9th; Monday, wear red day; Tuesday, game at home day; Wednesday, read to feed, food pantry drive; Thursday, time capsule form returned; Friday, environmentally conscious hat day. March 1: the Dirt-meister, Dig Deep Into Books, kick off with Tomacek event will be 10:20-11:20 for younger kids and 1:30-2:30 for older kids—authors books will be available at 30% discount—book can be autographed—March 15th: a wrap-up event party with dirt cake

– Family Programs: Family Fun Night Tubing February 10th at Tubby Tubes in Lake Lazerne, \$15.00

– Popcorn Day will be February 17th (Student Council Mismatch Clothes Day)

– Newsletter: deadlines need to be kept—programs should be mentioned for all upcoming events

– After School Enrichment: error, Cooking Club is \$18, not \$8; 4th & 5th grade animation—19 classes available

– Fifth Grade Event: plans are underway—looking for volunteers

Open Forum

– Walk for the Arts: fifth grade winner returned the award to be passed on to the second place winner

– \$25.00 was given from the UPS partnership that took place in December

– KidzArt: the afterschool program also offers other programs to school

– BHBL Theatre for Children: presents Pinocchio & Treasure Island on Friday night and two shows on Saturday—\$500 is also given to Arts and Ed every year from the BHBL Theatre for Children

Parent attendance at PTA meeting is minimal beyond the committee members— parent suggestion that homeroom parents start to reach out to other parents to encourage them to come to meetings— an email will be sent inviting homeroom parents to join the meetings and invite others

Adjournment 7:09