

# PTO Connections



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## Winter Greetings

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#### 2005/2006 Board

**President** - Kathy Sandberg

**V. President** - Beth Cavoli

**Treasurer** - Juli Marjernik,

**Secretary** - Jane Lindstrom

**Advisor** – Barb Cassell

### Notes From Our President

Winter Greetings!

As I write this newsletter today, it is cold and rainy with no snow in sight. The forecast calls for snow later this week, so I know we are far from Spring! I think about all PTO has accomplished already this year, and I am excited with our upcoming events. The traditional PTO Pancake Breakfast is ALWAYS lots of fun with so many school and community members assisting to raise money for our schools. This year marks our 49<sup>th</sup> Pancake Breakfast! We will also be working on our 10 year review, PTO Teacher of the Year, nominations, scholarships, special grants, and many, many other exciting PTO events. Each individual school PTO board has many activities coming up in the next few months. So....despite the cold winter weather outside, PTO is busy serving our children and our schools. Thank you for your dedication and commitment! AND....HAPPY NEW YEAR!

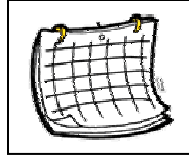
Kathy Sandberg

## Thank You PTO!

This past Fall, our Mini-Grants program, coordinated by Barb Cassell, donated \$6,982.10 to our schools. We have received numerous thank you notes from teachers who applied and received grants. Thirty-five requests were granted, and we are excited to assist the schools in this manner. Our Special Grant program will be in full swing in early late Winter for teachers and staff members to once again apply for money to do special programs for our students. Please encourage your child's teacher to apply for these grants. THANK YOU PTO!!!



## Dates To Remember



- Monday, January 9 – PTO Executive Board, 7PM, Room 217 at the High School. If you have an item for the agenda, please contact Kathy no later than January 7<sup>th</sup>. Dessert and coffee will be served!
- Saturday, January 21 – Market Day at the Middle School. Pick-Up is from 10AM-11:30AM. Contact Amy Beegle at 330.342.5516, Julie McCoy at 330.342.4488 or Dan Jacobson at 330.650.0651 if you have questions.
- Monday, January 23 – PTO General Board Meeting, 7PM, Media Center at the High School.
- Monday, February 27 – PTO General Board Meeting with Administrators, 7PM, High School Media Center. PLEASE ATTEND!!!
- Saturday, March 4 – THE 49<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL PTO PANCAKE BREAKFAST and FINE ARTS EXPO!!!! This FUN event starts at 8AM sharp and is held at the High School. Call Loren Brunemann at 330.650.1328, Laura Gasbarro at 330.650.0752 or Dana Zak at 330.656.1108 if you have any questions.
- Please check our website ([www.hudsonpto.org](http://www.hudsonpto.org)) or the PTO Calendar for additional PTO school events!

## NOMINATIONS!!

*Believe it or not.....The time for nominations is quickly approaching!! Please thoughtfully consider your participation in PTO for the upcoming year. Perhaps you are interested in staying within the individual school boards or maybe you would like to try a committee. Anne Mau and Aimee Saeger will serve as our nomination chairs this year and will soon be in contact with you. We hope you will choose to return to PTO and continue in our tradition of excellence for our schools.*

## PUBLICITY!

*Have you noticed all of the GREAT articles and pictures in the HUB this year AND on Cable TV??? THANK YOU  
**ANN BLECHMAN**  
 for coordinating all of this for PTO!  
 PLEASE submit your activities and/or pictures to Ann (330.650.5037) for publicity in the HUB or Cable TV. GREAT JOB, Mrs. Blechman!!*



## Fundraisers Report



**Spirit Wear:** Spirit Wear has once again had a great year. We have launched our online ordering program, and are working with PROSTAR to assure orders will be credited to individual schools. Please be patient as this is an ongoing process. Thank you so very much to all of our school representatives. You went above and beyond on the call of duty. If you have any questions regarding Spirit Wear, please contact Laura Hudek at 650-2326 ,Dawn Zelich at 656-3733 or Kathy Sandberg at 342-4846.

**Market Day:** As of November 21, our income from Market Day is almost \$4000. Should you have questions regarding Market Day, please contact Amy Beegle at 342-5516 or Julie McCoy at 342-4448.

### **Sherwin-Williams Fundraiser:**

As of November 30, this fundraiser has brought PTO a total of approximately \$350. If you are shopping at Sherwin Williams please consider using this card. It saves you 20% on all Sherwin-Williams products and an additional 5% on sale items. Cards are available at all schools or through Kathy Sandberg.

### **PIZZA BOGO Fundraiser:**

As of November 21, our PIZZABOGO fundraiser total is almost \$370. Each Thursday, PTO recives 5.5% in total dinner sales from PIZZABOGO. PLEASE MENTION PTO if you choose to order from PIZZABOGO on a Thursday night!!

**Calendar/Membership:** Our profit from our membership/calendar drive was \$10,286.79 thanks to the hard work of Deb Rauh, Donna Niehaus, Sue Locke and Kathy Schicano. WOW!!

**General Mills/Betty Crocker Box Tops/Campbell Soup Labels:** A cash redemption program. Don't forget to save your box tops and soup labels over the entire school year! This is an easy way PTO can give back to our schools! Last year we earned over \$1,500.

**ACME Community Cash Back Program/Training:** ACME receipts have become a huge source of revenue for our schools totaling over \$13,000 last year. DON'T FORGET TO TURN YOUR RECEIPTS IN AT ANY SCHOOL!!



## Did You Know...

**\*Did you know.....In 1980/81 PTO contributed \$3950.00 to our six schools in grants???**

**\*Did you know....In 1977, PTO minutes reveal that PTO managed a small “nearly new” consignment shop which originally started as an exchange for boots, skates and skis???**

**\*Did you know....In 1964 Pancake Breakfast tickets were sold for \$1/adults and 50cents per child???**

**I am excited to continue working on our historical review of PTO 1994-2004. If you have any interest in helping, please contact me. It is a joy to look back over our history, and I am learning lots of tidbits and interesting data about our schools and our past PTO Boards.**

## PTO Business News

### TREASURER'S CORNER

Please, please remember to fill out all the forms correctly before submitting anything to Juli Majernick. It saves time and energy!! (It also gets your reimbursement or deposit made a little bit earlier!!)

You can always get PTO forms for reimbursement or deposit off of our website ([www.hudsonpto.org](http://www.hudsonpto.org)). If you ever have any questions regarding your area, DO NOT HESITATE to contact Juli at 330.342.8439. She is doing an outstanding job for PTO, and this position requires lots of time, patience and organization! THANK YOU JULI!!

### PTO Web Site

<http://www.hudsonpto.org>

***Our PTO website is VERY successful with over 1100 hits per month in our first few months of operation! WOW! Please continue to advertise your school and committee events on this website, as well as advertising it in your school newsletters and flyers. If you have items for January to announce, please contact Kathy. As always, THANK YOU NOREEN FLOWERS for serving as our very own WEBMASTER!!!!***



## Other News

### Happy Birthday PTO Board Members! We Salute You!

#### DECEMBER

Debbie Petersilge, 12/4  
Jan Hablitzel, 12/6  
Gretchen Greissing, 12/11  
Clarice Harbert, 12/12  
Michelle Hartline, 12/20  
Cindy Mosko, 12/24  
Juli Kern, 12/27

#### JANUARY

Ann Blechman, 1/1  
Patti Engleman, 1/2  
Joann Townsend, 1/5  
Beth Slater, 1/12  
Kim Graham, 1/13  
Deb Rauh, 1/21  
Laurie Stiles, 1/24  
Julie Maddox, 1/27  
Penny Mouse, 1/31

#### FEBRUARY

Chris Frantz, 2/19  
Heidi Booth, 2/24  
Veronica Bashion, 2/28  
Lori Hart, 2/28

If your birthday was not listed, please accept our apologies and let us know your special day!

**Roster corrections:** If you have anyone from your schools or committees who has moved or who has had a change of address, phone, please contact Beth Cavoli ASAP at 656-5608. This is especially important as we enter into the Nomination process. Thanks!

**Head Representatives:** PLEASE remember to advertise Sherwin Williams, Pizzabogo, ACME, Market Day, Giant Eagle, and Pancake Breakfast in your newsletters and school notes. THANKS!!

### Thank You Thank You Thank You

THANK YOU SO VERY MUCH TO **BETH CAVOLI** FOR ORGANIZING A FABULOUS HOLIDAY POTLUCK LUNCHEON AND COOKIE EXCHANGE AT OUR NEW LIBRARY! IT WAS ATTENDED BY MANY AND A GREAT TIME WAS HAD BY ALL!!

ALSO, THANK YOU SO VERY MUCH TO ALL WHO HAVE SERVED IN SOME SORT OF WAY BY ORGANIZING ACTIVITES, DIALOGUES OR FUNDRAISERS!!!