

HMS PTA Newsletter (May 2017)

PTA Meeting & Elections

Please join us for our next PTA meeting on **May 9th at 6:15 PM** in the Media Center. We will be holding elections for the PTA board positions for the 2017-18 school year. **It is very important that we have a quorum for the elections** to be held. Even if you can't stay for the entire meeting, please try your very best to attend the first 20 minutes of it. Thank you.

Nominating Committee Update:

We are looking forward to another great year in PTA but we need help filling a critical spot on our board- 2nd VP. We are also looking for volunteers to coordinate Spelling Bee, Restaurant Nights and 8th grade dance. We would love to answer any questions you have about these positions. Please contact either Kerri Ukstins (kukstins@ymail.com) Cathy Stohlman (stohlman@att.net) or Tricia Miller (jerry_tricia@comcast.net) for more information. Our PTA needs YOU!!

**ONE PERSON
CAN MAKE A
DIFFERENCE,
AND EVERYONE
SHOULD TRY**

-JOHN F. KENNEDY-

8th Grade Farewell Celebration

The 8th Grade Farewell Celebration will take place on **June 9th 6:30 - 9:00 PM**.

The 8th grade parents are responsible for coordinating, decorating and clean up for the event. They are allowed to attend the assembly in HES Gym but not the celebration in HMS Gym. In this tradition at HMS, **we ask the 6th & 7th grade parents to chaperone the 8th Grade Farewell Celebration. This is a pay forward contribution** that helps keep the tradition going and allows the 8th graders to celebrate with their friends in the absence of their parents.

Please click [here](#) to chaperone (this signup is for 6th and 7th grade parents only)



Box Tops Spring Contest

Box Tops Spring Contest! The **last contest of the year will end on Friday June 2, 2017**. Please drop off your valid, unexpired box tops in a baggie or envelope clearly labeled with your name and grade in the collection jar in the front office. The student in any grade that brings in the most valid Box Tops will win a \$10 gift card to Rita's! For questions, contact Mary San Antonio marysanantonio@verizon.net



HMS Dance Team

The HMS Dancers will perform at Reservoir High School's Spring show on Friday, **May 19th** 7pm and Saturday, **May 20th** 4pm. Tickets will be available that week at Reservoir High and at the door the day of the show.



Recap: Hershey Park Tickets Fundraiser

Thanks to the participation HMS families, the PTA raised \$400 from the Hershey Park Tickets fundraiser. We wish that all the participating families have a memorable time at Hershey Park this year.



Recap: PTA Meeting

The last PTA Meeting was held on April 4, 2017 and was attended by 15 PTA members. The meeting minutes can be viewed by clicking [here](#). A motion will be presented to approve these minutes at our next meeting on May 9, 2017.

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Recap: Staff Appreciation Week

Staff Appreciation week was held at HMS from May 1st to May 5th. We planned and executed a baseball themed week that was "Out of the Park". Our small gestures of appreciation were very well received and successfully conveyed our gratitude for the hard work and commitment of our staff. A very special THANKS to **Kerri Ukstins** and **Lynne Ward**

for organizing and flawlessly executing all the events of this week. We couldn't have done it without them. In addition, the PTA would like to acknowledge the generous monetary, food and time donations of these members: **Sumaira Bajwa, Kara Biggs, Andrea Burke, Tara Carbo, Christina Chandler, Jolene Danielson, Andrea Dickie, Meagan Dixob, Lisa Duncan, Patti Everett, Laura Flynn, Greg Giering, Samantha Guchhait, Gina Hendershot, Shelley-Ann Henry, Anna Hogue, Selena Johnson, Rae Ann Kaylie, Alice Lao, Chitra Lekhram, Amanda Martin, Maria Mikitka, Tricia Miller, Dana Mott-Bronson, Vicki Moyer, Julie Neal, Amanda Nogle, DeDi Oxenberg, Paulette Powell, Shelby Rothrock, Amy Rushing, Kristine Salem, Julie Smith, Cathy Stohlman, Lisa Takeuchi, Tara Terry, Liz Toibero, Varada Vaidya, Aisha Washington, Bayu Wicaksono, Cathy Wilson, Mary Yodzis, Chris Zepf, Hongqin Zhang.** We thank you for your support.

"NEXT TO
EXCELLENCE IS THE
APPRECIATION OF IT"

WILLIAM MAKEPEACE THACKERAY

Dates to Remember

May 9 th	PTA Meeting 6:15 – 7:30 PM
June 9 th	8 th Grade Dance & Closing Ceremony

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