

Haverhill PTO Newsletter



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Upcoming Events

- ◆ 4/12 - 4/23 - Penny Wars
- ◆ 4/19 - 4/25 TV turnoff
- ◆ 4/13 - PTO meeting
- ◆ 4/21 - Ice Cream Social and Book Fair
- ◆ 5/12 - Muffins for Mom
- ◆ 5/12 - last PTO meeting for the year (officers elected)

President's Letter

I hope everyone had a wonderful Spring Break! It's hard to believe there are only 2 more months left in this school year. There is a lot happening this month. Don't forget **TV turnoff** begins on Monday, April 19th and runs through Sunday, April 25th. There are a few things planned that week to help pass the time. Join us for the **Ice Cream Social** on Wednesday, April 21st from 6:00 - 8:00 pm. We will also have our **Buy One Get One Free Book Fair** in the gym. **Penny Wars** begins April 12th and continues through April 23rd. All monies support our Good for You program. The kids always have such a good time with this program. Thank you to everyone who helped with the **Spring Fundraiser**. Unfortunately, we did not reach our spring fundraising goal. Next year, we will need to look at other fundraising options or begin cutting some events.

Important Meeting April 13th

Please plan to attend the April 13th meeting at 6:30 pm in the Haverhill gym. **The Portage Public School Administration will be making a presentation on the financial status of our schools and the bond issues.** The Portage Education Foundation will also make a presentation on their new NOW campaign. **Find out how parents, businesses and the community are needed to financially support our schools. At a recent PTO president's lunch, the administration indicated that parents will financially contribute additional monies for their children's education. Will you?** This is your chance to find out first hand what is being planned and have the opportunity to be heard.

Ice Cream Social and BOGO Book Fair

Our annual Ice Cream Social and Buy One Get One Free Book Fair will be **Wednesday, April 21st from 6 - 8 pm**. Join us during TV turnoff week! Come visit with some old and new friends and browse the many wonderful Scholastic books that will be available in the gym. This is always a fun event for the entire family. Also, consider bringing your loose change and help your child's grade win the Penny War. The grade with the most pennies will win an ice cream treat party. Silver coins count against the pennies, so "bomb" those other grades. Plan to stop by this wonderful event!

Battle of the Books

I want to apologize to **Book Devils** for leaving them out of the **March newsletter**. Team members are: Taylor Bonhomme, Jessica Begeman, Abigail Almaguer, Nathan Gerhard, Connor Clemens and Kalina Dusenbery.

I would also like to congratulate our Grand Champions **Shocking Storm**. Great job everyone!

Penny Wars Starts April 12th

Bring your loose change and participate in Haverhill's Penny Wars!

This will be our 3rd annual Penny Wars. This fun event will run through April 23rd. Students will be able to drop off their pennies or silver coins "bombs" before school and with teacher permission at the start of the day. Be sure to bring your spare change to the Ice Cream Social and join in the fun. The grade with the most pennies will win an ice cream treat party. Silver coins count against the pennies, so "bomb" those other grades. Which grade will win?? The money is used for "Good for You" rewards.

Box Top Cutting Instructions

Please help by properly cutting out your Box Tops!

Box Tops are an easy way for us to raise money. Unfortunately, we have had some issues with being able to get credit for Box Tops. Please cut out the Box Top coupon making sure the expiration date is included. **ONLY SEND IN THE COUPON WITH THE EXPIRATION DATE.** I can't tell you the number of coupons we receive with the date missing (no credit) or how many coupons we actually have to cut out. We can only send in the actual coupon not half of a box. We greatly appreciate all of your efforts but a few adjustments will make the program even better. Our final collection date for this year is May 12th.

Girl Scout Troop Fights Cancer - Needs Our Help

Consider spending some time with your family while helping to fight cancer. Let's make a difference together!

Let's help Troop 387 reach their goal of 24 hours on the track!

Haverhill Girl Scout Troop 387 invites you to participate in the **Kalamazoo Relay for Life on May 22-23, 2010**. This is the fourth year our girls have participated in the event. We are inviting the school to participate this year because we have been touched a lot closer to home with the diagnosis and treatment of one of our Girl Scouts and one of our Girl Scout leaders. The Relay for Life is a 24 hour event that raises awareness and funds to support Cancer research for all types of cancer. The event is sponsored by the American Cancer Society. Where we need your help is to reach a goal the girls have set for having a Haverhill family on the track for the whole 24hours. There will be a sign up sheet posted in the front of the school as we get closer. Come out and walk for an hour or more. There are activities for kids and families. This is a great event. Last year our girls painted faces and donated the proceeds to the Relay for life. The theme this year is "Birthdays." There are different companies and groups that sponsor themes for each hour. Examples are the Bubble lap- where you blow bubbles the whole time. The Pajama lap which is usually at 10pm. For more information you can visit the "Relay for Life" website. Hope to see you there.

Who: Haverhill Families

When: from 12:00 pm on Sat., May 22 to 12:00 pm on Sun., May 23

What: Kalamazoo Relay for Life

Why: to support families touched by Cancer, raise awareness and Have fun!!!

How: Sign up to come and walk on sign up sheets to be posted starting in May