



Afton-Lakeland PTA

October 10, 2014

What is the PTA?

PTA Supports our Students, School & Families

- PTA is a non-profit volunteer parent/teacher organization.
- PTA's goals are to support our school, enhance our students' educational experience & build community.
- PTA organizes family events and raises money to enrich our school.

How You Can Help...

- Join PTA! **Membership** is a great way to stay informed about our school, and it's free! *Come to a meeting...Register on our website to receive PTA news.*
- **Volunteer** for one of our many PTA events. Check out volunteer opportunities on our website at www.aftonlakeland.my-pta.org (Log-in first with your username/email address.)
- **Participate** in the *Innisbrook, Art to Remember, or Give to the Max* fundraisers this fall.

NEXT MEETING: MONDAY, OCT.

13th at 6:30pm. We hope to see you there!

Flu Shot Clinic

We had 86 participants come to the flu clinic! The MVNA was very pleased with the turnout we had! This year we did not have to turn anyone away since we added more flu mist. Thanks to everyone who helped out! We worked well as a team, really got it together and made it happen.

Family Dance - Splish, Splash What a Fun All-School Dance! Thank you to the volunteers who helped serve beverages, popcorn, set-up, and clean-up. Students and parents danced the night away. Dr. Hobert really showed us how to "cut a rug". Thank you for all the food donations for the St. Croix Valley Food Shelf. Your contributions will help many families in our area. The PTA is looking for parents to take over the All-School Dance. It is not a very big time commitment. Contact Laura Seipel if you are interested at seipell@stillwater.k12.mn.us.

Innisbrook - Final fundraising totals will be available soon... In the meantime, we still need volunteers to help sort orders in the gym when the product comes in. Contact Jill Privette (dj4priv@msn.com) or Gloria Riniker (glorianiniker@msn.com) or sign up on the PTA website. Delivery is scheduled for Oct. 28 between 9-10am. **Parents, please pick up your order in the gym on Oct. 28 from 3:30-7:30pm.** Thank you for helping support this fundraiser!

Yearbook - We are looking for parent volunteers to help take pictures of their child's class for the school yearbook. This can be done during a field trip, class party, or on the playground. Sign up on the PTA website or contact a board member. Some parents have already signed up, but we need one for each class (you can take the pictures yourself, or act as coordinator and ask others to help.) This is the sign-up list to date:
a. Kindergarten (Misgen): Liz Johnson
b. Kindergarten (Matthews): Anita Kroma
c. Kindergarten (Schneider): Shannon VonWald
d. 1st Grade (Bonhus): Kim Jaeger
e. 2nd Grade (Loer): Julie Ownbey

Art to Remember - *Art to Remember* provides schools with an innovative fundraising opportunity that teaches students a strong appreciation for the arts. Students draw their own artwork, the school mails it in for processing, and then parents receive an order form featuring products with their child's artwork. The products are great mementos for your child, and make excellent gifts. These include aprons, mouse pads, coffee mugs, night lights, placemats, T-shirts, cell phone cases, and more. Items arrive in late November in time for holiday gift giving.

Teacher Appreciation Luncheon - Each year we hold a teacher appreciation luncheon during conference time. This is much appreciated by the teachers! Thank you, Emily Thoreson, for heading this up! This year the luncheon will be on Oct. 23rd.

Cub Scouts

Interested in joining Cub Scouts (Grades 1-5)? Did you know a group of Cub Scouts and parents recently volunteered some time to weed in the garden in front of school? Other activities Cub Scouts participate in are: Pack & Den meetings, field trips, Fall Blast Off, Polar & Summer Camp, Pinewood Derby, Blue & Gold Banquet, volunteering at Food Harvest and so much more. Next Pack meeting in Monday, Oct. 27th at 6:30pm at St. Croix Valley United Methodist Church. Questions - contact Nick Welsch at 651-214-0692 or surver400@yahoo.com.

Important Dates

October PTA meeting - Mon. Oct. 13 6:30pm
Teacher Appreciation Lunch - Thurs. Oct. 23
Innisbrook Pickup - Tues. Oct. 28
Give to the Max - Tues. Nov. 13
Scholastic Book Fair - Nov. 17-Nov. 21
Pasta Dinner/Science Fair - Tues. Nov. 18

FUNDRAISING OPPORTUNITIES

Click on the **Fundraisers** page on the PTA website for more information about these and other ongoing fundraisers...

Box Tops - Welcome back to school, parents! Our names are Kristen Winegar and Briana Herder and we are thrilled to be the Box Tops for Education Coordinators for Afton-Lakeland Elementary! Clipping Box Tops is an easy way for you to help our school earn cash. Just look for pink Box Tops on products, clip them, and send them to school. No need to attach them to sheets! Last school year, we earned \$4000! This school year, our goal is \$5000. We collected nearly \$400 in September and the winning class was Ms. Matthews' Kindergarten with 561 box tops. How many Box Tops can we bring in for October? The winning class gets a NEW trophy, which is filled with the prize. NEW Wacky Teacher photos will be posted after we collect Box Tops on October 24th, so send in your Box Tops before then! Sign up at www.BTFE.com to stay updated on our school's earnings and find a full list of over 250 participating products, and receive exclusive coupon offers! Questions - reach us on the Afton-Lakeland PTA Facebook page or at DKWinegar@gmail.com.

Milk Moola/Donuts to Dough - Look for the full-size flyer in Friday Folder.

Give to the Max Day - REMINDER! This year's Give to the Max day is November 13, 2014. We are raising funds for a make-over of the school library! Our goal is to raise \$10,000 to purchase badly needed shelving, furniture, and lighting to make our library a more inviting and flexible space for students. Donations are 100% tax-deductible. For more information, check out <https://givemn.org/>.