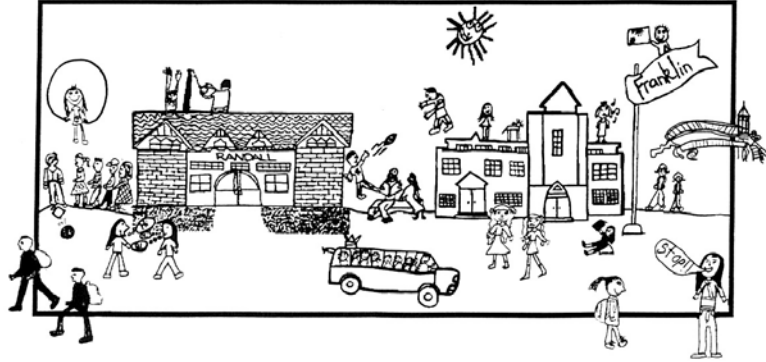




Franklin-Randall PTO Newsletter

October 29, 2008



With Gratitude

F-R Families Got into the Swing of Things at the Annual Fall Dance

Considering this is the first community effort of the 2008-09 school year, we were in awe of the number of volunteers who made the Franklin-Randall dance a memorable time for everyone. We had families volunteering to do everything from shopping for supplies, to decorating, to popping popcorn, to staffing at the dance & to cleaning up. It was a community effort at its finest.

We want to thank the Franklin-Randall staff including Cathy McMillan, Dee Nicolai, Sue Moberly, Steve Marshall, John Sathre, Marianne Moss, Julie Dittman, TV Brown, and Missy Baker for their beneficial support.

Sincere thanks goes to Amy Poland, Amy Turner, Beth Porter, Betsy & Roger Lane, Bridgette Baldwin, Bruce Barton, Chris Thomas, Colleen Dunahee, David Ripple, Erica Bouska, Erin Seffrood, Greta Treiber, Gwen McCutcheon Cooper, Heather Duncan, Helena, Chris & Eleanor Vander Ark, James, Isabelle, Eli & Sam Rameker, Jean Haughwout, Jeanette Dainty-Dunschombe, Jerry Bouska, Jill Yeck, Lisa & Jonathon Yackel, Jose Hernandez, Karen Rattunde, Karolyn Pioneck, Kimberly Brand, Kimberly Hutchins, Lisa Hempstead & Haley Meskin, Lisa Rundini, Lynda Webb, Lynn Pawelski, Marci Speich, Maria Brown and Dan Zerger, Maureen, Grace & Rose Quinlan, Melissa Hornung, Michelle & Trina Olsen, Mike, Jen, Michael & Hannah Krupp, Natasha Woods, Ola Diserud, Pat

Mulvey, Renee Thomas, Robin Carre, Roger Hayes, Sarah Kissel, Sarah Kraak-Ripple, Sarah Miller, Scott Dunahee, Stephanie Schauer, Tarah Hiemes, Terri Oehrlein, Tina Chirafisi, Tony & Kate Marcin, Tony Osterberg.

A final thanks to all those who attended the dance & burned off some fall energy on the dance floor!

With root beer floats in hand, cheers to you Franklin-Randall!

Susanne & Mark Treiber
Fall Dance Coordinators



Add this to your Calculator Calendar! You can count on having fun.

A number of parents are planning a **Math Festival for Saturday, November 22, 2008** at Franklin Elementary School from 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. for K-5th graders and their families. To sum it up, there will be approximately 15-20 different activities involving Math fun. There will be many "make and take" activities.

We could use volunteers to host some of the activities. Instructions and materials will be provided! Please email calisonrice@yahoo.com or call 712-4999 to volunteer.

FRANKLIN PICTURE RETAKE DAY
Tuesday, November 11, 2008 starting at 8

Remember to give to the Fall Fundraiser. Any amount large or small is appreciated. Make checks out to FR PTO and send with your child's backpack mail. Thanks for your generosity! We are also thankful if you give with your time by volunteering!

a.m. - For retakes , please make sure to return your original portraits to the photographer on the day of retakes. To purchase for the first time, please pick up an order form in the Franklin school office.

FROM THE HEALTH OFFICE:

Franklin will be having the annual vision and hearing screening for kindergarteners on November 20th. If a student does not pass the screening, the student will be retested at school at another date. A parent will be notified of any vision or hearing concerns found after the second screening either by mail or phone call.

We welcome parent volunteers to help the

Have a safe and healthy Halloween!

health office staff on the screening day. If interested, please call Nancy Hodapp at 204-2301.

SECOND HARVEST FOOD DRIVE

Franklin will be participating in the Second Harvest Food Drive this year. Food donations will be collected in barrels on each floor at school. Donations will be accepted from Monday, Nov. 10 through Wed. Nov. 26 (right before Thanksgiving). Thanks to Tracey Kennedy for organizing this project this year!

Tonya Rasmussen
Franklin Elementary
204-2279

Come to a **PTO Curriculum Committee Meeting** – Nov 2, 4-5pm, Neighborhood House at Mills & Regent to plan the Math Festival!

There is still room available in the Saturday Enrichment Programs

UW-Madison's School of Education , Pre-college Initiatives is pleased to announce that the Saturday Enrichment Program, <http://www.education.wisc.edu/outreach/splash.asp>, is now accepting registrations for students in grades 5-8!

The **Saturday Enrichment Program** provides a student-centered environment to explore a wide range of interests and new academic areas to empower 5th-8th graders to ask and learn about career options, interests, and choices. Students utilize state-of-the-art campus resources and interact with UW-Madison faculty, staff and community professionals in this pre-college program sponsored by the School of Education . This program has open enrollment with course registrations on a first come, first served basis. There will be three sessions throughout the 2008-2009 academic year for students in grades 5-8.

Talented and Gifted Education Parent Meeting

Thursday, December 11, 2008

Jackie Drummer, Wisconsin Association for Talented and Gifted (WATG) President and South Milwaukee educator, will be the guest speaker at a meeting on Thursday, December 11th from 6:30-8:00 PM in the O’Keeffe Middle School all-purpose room at 510 S. Thornton Ave on Madison’s near east side. The topic of her presentation will be “Advocacy: Making It Happen for Gifted Kids Now” and will examine why the time is ripe for gifted education advocacy and what to do about it.

2009 MMSD Recognition Award Nominations Due: January 21, 2009

The Distinguished Service Awards (DSA) are presented annually by the Madison Board of Education to recognize individuals who have given exceptional service to the Madison Metropolitan School District as demonstrated by commitment to his or her job, special project development and/or school-community involvement above and beyond expectations. Nomination forms may be delivered in-person, via US mail to: MMSD Recognition Awards Committee,

c/o Marcia Standiford, Room 222 Doyle Administration Building, 545 W. Dayton Street, Madison, WI 53703-1967, via e-mail to mstandiford@madison.k12.wi.us or online at www.madison.k12.wi.us/dsa.

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