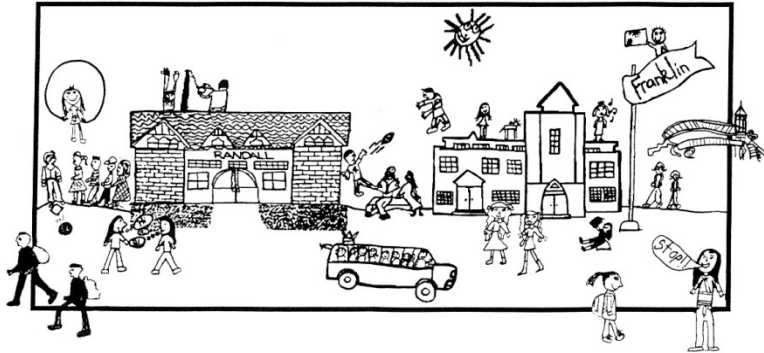




Franklin-Randall PTO Newsletter

May 8, 2009



Franklin Spring Concerts--Come One, Come All!

Our spring concerts will be held on Monday, May 11 in the Franklin gym. The **8:45 a.m.** concert will feature the classes of Shelly, Chris S., Chris L., Erica, Amy, Annette, Barb, Jane, Christy, Kathy, Deb, and Julie. The **10:00 a.m.** concert will feature the classes of Tracey, Sheryl, Tonya, Becky, Ellen, Rita, Ashley, Beth, and Marilyn. Try to come and join us!

"Just living is not enough" said the butterfly,
"one must have sunshine, freedom and a little flower."

Hans Christian Andersen

Only a few mores days until....

Elections at the May 12th PTO Meeting-Please come and support the PTO

Parents and leaders are needed now!

Consider a leadership position or a position the Executive Board. At the next general meeting **on May 12th at Randall School at 6:30 p.m.**, nominations and elections will be held for the following positions:

President (for more details of this position, please contact: Dawn McCluskey, dawn.mccluskey@charter.net)

Secretary (contact for details: Suzanne Buchko, zazutoo@sbcglobal.net or Kate Zirbel, kzirbel@edgewood.edu)

Treasurer (contact for details: Alicia Christenson, xensen@tds.net)

Members-at-Large: 2 positions open (contact for details: Sabrina Frey, sabinafrey@charter.net or Mark Lilleleht, mlillel@wisc.edu)

Heartfelt thanks to all those wonderful parents and families who work on behalf of our community!

Looking for a Summer Project?

Many Randall students do not have a case for their music recorders. Every year we have had parents generously make some for us. Can you help? It's really very simple! Take a piece of material 30 inches or more long and about 3 inches wide - OR - 15 inches long and 6 inches wide. Fold it and sew it so a recorder will fit inside. These cases are given to students that do not have a case already. I use about 100 a year, so, if you can make any at all, that would be fantastic! Just send them to the Randall or Franklin office or music room in the fall. Thanks so much!! Beverly Haimerl

Safe Arrival: Franklin 204-2294 or Randall 204-3306. Yog xav mloog daim Newsletter txhais ua lus Hmoob ce hu rau tus xovtooj 204-3286. Para escuchar las noticias escolares en espanol llamar 204-3287. Newsletter submissions are due by the end of the day each Monday. All submissions must be electronic. E-mail the editor, Alison Rice, ealisonrice@yahoo.com. Submissions must be directly related to the Franklin-Randall school.

PTO Volunteer Coordinator Needed

The job is not as time consuming as it might sound. Print and distribute sign-up sheets listing volunteer opportunities. Make lists of who signed up for what. Forward the information to the person(s) in charge of each event so they can be contacted directly. Send messages to the listserv and then compile responses. It's a great way to get to know more people, the work can be done from home, and the work is mostly done by late fall.

My family and I are moving to Colorado at the end of the school year! We will greatly miss these schools, teachers and friends. If you are interested please contact me at lkwilliams4@gmail.com. Thanks, LeeAnn

Calendar

May 12th – PTO Meeting, 6:30 p.m., Randall School – PTO Board Elections
May 14th – Bike Rodeo, Randall School Playground, 6:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.
May 19th – Parent Empowerment Picnic, Vilas Park, 5 – 7 pm
May 26th-9 a.m.-10 a.m.-incoming 3rd graders to Randall visit Randall School.
May 26th-6 p.m.-7 p.m.-Incoming 3rd graders to Randall- Parent/Guardian Orientation in the Randall LMC.
June 10th-Moving On Celebration, Randall School
June 12th – Last day of school

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

2009/2010 Enrollment day will take place on Thursday-August 20th from 11AM-6PM in the Randall School Cafeteria and 11AM-6PM in the Franklin in the Library and office. The first day of school will be Tuesday-September 1st. This is the day where you complete forms, pay fees and receive information on your student's class, supplies, calendar, etc.

Interested in TAG Education at Hamilton?

All Hamilton area parents interested in TAG education are invited to our second meeting. We will be discussing goals and setting priorities. If you did not attend the first meeting but would be interested in coming to this one, please contact me so that I can bring you up to date. Also, if you cannot attend but would like to be kept informed via email, please let me know.

Hamilton area parents includes: Hamilton Middle School, Van Hise Elementary, Shorewood

Elementary, Randall Elementary, Lincoln Elementary, and any private school families that plan to send their children to Hamilton.

Meeting date and time: Tuesday, May 5th
12 p.m. - 1 p.m. at the Sequoya Library
In the double study room
4340 Tokay Blvd

Food is allowed, so feel free to bring a sack lunch.

Thank you, Bonnie Berger Durnbaugh,
pbe3@earthlink.net

Congratulations go to Randall School's fourth and fifth grade Book Bowl team. Both grades won the the district playoffs, competing with teams from six other Madison elementary schools. The kids did an amazing job with teamwork, reading, retaining information, and being poised, fun, and very cool.

The unrecognized force behind this process is Randall's wonderful LMC librarian, Michelle Reis Olson, who deserves special thanks. She works with all of the Randall kids to excite them about reading (and teach them computer skills). She creates a supportive, cooperative atmosphere for Book Bowl and coaches the teams. The Randall team victories are a nice public display of the love of learning that Michelle quietly transmits to all of our kids every day.

Do you have drama in your soul? Music in your heart?

If so, consider joining Lynn Hallie Najem, one of Franklin's music teachers for Shorewood Summer Drama! This dynamic 26-year old program offers three grade-level classes (one each for students entering first and 2nd grade, third through 5th grade, and 6th grade and up). Each class rehearses and performs two musicals in three weeks. Our 5-week Broadway session performs a full-length musical. Check out our website (voice-piano.com) or call director/teacher, Lynn Hallie Najem, at 244-0425 for more information. Hope to see you this summer!