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McDOLE PTO

February 2010

Dear McDole Parents,
Hope you are all enjoying this snow! I would like to personally invite all of you to our next PTO meeting on February 16. We are planning year end events and even though it seems far off, next year's activities too. Your input is needed. We have been discussing fundraisers for this year and for next year too. We will be having a representative from Market Day at our next meeting. We will be discussing how to best put our money to use for your children. Please take an hour of your month to help your children's PTO. Don't forget you even have a chance for a great cup of coffee or a trip to Target! As always children are welcome and babysitters will be there! Hope to see you at the Sugar Grove Community House at 7pm.
Warmest regards, Marguerite Ledone / McDole PTO President

Jen's Pen:

BOX TOPS ROCK! TO THE TUNE OF \$1,113.17

That is the total that McDole Elementary received in a check!
We have a big deadline for Box Tops on **February 25.**
We need all Box Tops that might **EXPIRE** anytime before **DECEMBER 2010** to be turned in by **FEBRUARY 25.** If they expire before December and we don't turn them in at the February deadline **WE DO NOT** get the money for them. Please do not hang on to Box Tops for too long since **they do have expiration dates!!! THANKS!!!**



SWISS VALLEY CAPS

Another great way to help our school is to send in Swiss Valley milk and juice caps. Please send in clean caps to your child's classroom teacher along with your box tops and labels. We get **FOUR CENTS** for each cap collected!

Swiss Valley caps that can be redeemed include milk gallons and half gallons as well as orange juice gallons and half gallons. The deadline date for this school year is **March 31, 2010.**

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- February 12: Valentine's Parties**
- February 15: No School (President's Day)**
- February 16: Fun Lunch (beef or ham sandwiches)**
PTO Meeting 7PM (Sugar Grove Community House)
- February 19: Talent Show 6:30pm**
- February 23: Band Concert 7pm (John Shields Elementary)**
- February 26: No School (Institute Day)**
- March 2: Fun Lunch (pizza)**
- March 3: PTO Wendy's Night (5-7pm/Orchard Road)**
- March 13: Kindergarten Fair (9am-2pm Kaneland HS)**
- March 19: Family Fun Night**

Kathy's Korner:

Entertainment Book Sale a Success!!!

Thank you to all the families that purchased Entertainment Books. We sold enough books to meet our goal which doubled our profit. The PTO earned \$757 but has potential to earn more. We do have 5 books available for sale. Last weekend I saved \$11.25 using a coupon at the Randall 16 Theatre. (purchase up to 4 tickets at Twilight price) and I have two more of those coupons. If you would like to purchase one of the remaining books, send in your payment of \$20 with a note and start saving!

Thanks!!

WHILE WE ARE ON THE SUBJECT OF ENTERTAINMENT BOOKS, WE ARE LOOKING FOR A VOLUNTEER TO CHAIR THE ENTERTAINMENT BOOKS COMMITTEE FOR THE 2010/2011 SCHOOL YEAR. PLEASE CONTACT ONE OF THE BOARD MEMBERS IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN HELPING OUR SCHOOL WITH THIS FANTASTIC FUNDRAISER.

McDOLE OLYMPICS

McDole's next Family Fun Night is Friday, March 19, 2010. The theme is Winter Olympics. Rumor has it that some of our very own McDole teachers will be in attendance!! Please join us on this fun filled evening! You won't want to miss it!! It is FREE!!!



Million Minutes Tally

The minutes total for the Million Minutes of Reading is 552,048!!! (as of 7:56 am, February 8) We are over halfway there now! For anyone that does not know, this means the students at McDole have collectively read 552,048 minutes so far. This is quite an impressive start!

Would you like to make your child really happy? While at the same time win a gift card? All this PLUS learn a lot about our school and our PTO? How can you do all this at the same time?

Just attend one of our very interesting PTO meetings!!

Each meeting one (or more in the case of a tie) class at McDole will win an extra recess! The class who has most parents attending the meeting will win. The fun doesn't stop there. Each parent who attends is given a raffle ticket for a chance to win a gift card to a place such as Target, Dunkin' Donuts or Starbucks. Our next meeting is February 16 at the Sugar Grove Community House! We'd love to see you there!!



Buffalo Chicken in the Crock Pot

3 lbs of chicken breasts
1/2 cup butter

1/2 - 3/4 cup Tabasco*/hot sauce
2 packages dry italian dressing

1. Melt butter
2. Put all chicken breasts in the crockpot
3. Add butter, italian dressing, hot sauce.
4. Cook low for 7-8 hrs.
5. Shred chicken and mix.
6. Let cook another 1/2 hour.

Serve on buns, add a salad or your favorite veggie and dinner is served! ENJOY!

*to print a \$0.50 off Original Tabasco Sauce go here: <http://www.tabasco.com/specialoffers>