



*Cougar Catch: October 16<sup>th</sup>, 2015*

**Calendar Link:**

**Backpack:**

**MMS Media Center: Audio Books, Caudill Contest  
Diary of a Wimpy Kid Flyer and Order Form  
Fun Box Top Collection Form  
Millburn Dance Team Informational Flyer  
Haunted Trail flyer  
Hastings Lake Y Halloween flyer  
Kids Resale Documents**

**Millburn Dance Team:** Tryouts are Monday-Wednesday. See the flyer for contact information if you have any questions.

**Cross Country Team:** We sent off 20 runners this morning to the State Tournament in Bloomington Illinois! Best of luck to these runners!

**Media Center:** The media center at MMS has audio books available. There is an app to download to get access. Also there is a Caudill reading contest. Check out the flyers with all the details in the VB.

**Student and Citizen of the Month:** On Monday, the PBIS team will recognize 12 of our students that have been noticed by their peers and teachers for “Doing their PART”. The parents of these students have been notified via email. We have each grade level eat lunch together and I review our referral data with the students. We set a goal for improvement and we re-teach expectations in this goal area. Following this, we recognize our Students and Citizens in the lunchroom with their peers. It is a nice celebration and the kids get the ever-coveted “Swag Bag”. There are certificates and coupons for the kids to enjoy. When the presentation is complete the entire grade gets to

go for recess together.

**MES Staff Member Support:** As many of you know, one of our staff members, Gina Winiewicz, lost her husband and daughter in a tragic car accident in August. To support the family, Rocky's Pizza in Lindenhurst is donating 25% of all sales on Sunday, October 18 to go directly to the family. More information on this fundraiser is in the Virtual Backpack.

PTO NEWS!!

**PTO DIRECTORY!!** Please register at [www.MillburnPTO.com](http://www.MillburnPTO.com). The first edition of the PTO Directory will be published to PTO members by the end of October. Don't be left out! Register today! Our PAPERLESS PTO system is where all signups, calendars, eblasts, membership directory and purchases can take place in one centralized location. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact any of the PTO Board Members at [www.MillburnPTO.com](http://www.MillburnPTO.com).

**KIDS RESALE!!** This is a friendly reminder; registration forms are due. Registration forms can be found on the PTO website and in the virtual backpack. **Volunteers:** We still need volunteers to help run the sale. There are several shifts open on Fri. October 23<sup>rd</sup> and Sat. October 24<sup>th</sup>. Please follow this link to find a time that fits best into your schedule: <http://vols.pt/L5v71Z>. All volunteers have the privilege to shop the sale before it opens from 3 to 4pm on Fri. October 23<sup>rd</sup>. \*\*The general public is invited to shop the sale Fri. October 23<sup>rd</sup> from 4 to 8pm and Sat. October 24<sup>th</sup> from 8am to noon. Come shop and bring your friends!\*\*

**MES FAMILY FUN NIGHT!!** Millburn PTO Presents: Halloween Bingo Family Fun Night on October 30 from 6 to 8 pm in the MES Cafeteria. Please join us for a night of bingo with family and friends! There will be fun prizes, a costume contest for adults and kids, and treats to purchase while you play. Cost of admission will be non-perishable food items to be donated to the Lake Villa Food Pantry. One bingo card is \$1 per person. Additional cards are 25 cents each. All proceeds for bingo card purchases and treats will go to the PTO to support MES. Come support our school and community while having fun! Hope to see you there! Please sign up to volunteer at <http://vols.pt/HUouFT> We are currently seeking a co-chair for this FUN committee! Please reach out to Becky Butler at [familyfunnight@millburnpto.com](mailto:familyfunnight@millburnpto.com) Thanks!

**MMS ACTIVITY NIGHT!!** Come join us on Friday, October 30<sup>th</sup> for a fun filled evening at the middle school. The Activity Night Committee is looking for parent volunteers to chaperone this month's event. Please email Tracy Dwyer at [tudwyer@comcast.net](mailto:tudwyer@comcast.net) if you are interested.

**MES BOOK FAIR!!** Millburn PTO and the Scholastic Book Fair are offering Millburn families the opportunity to pre-order the newest book in Jeff Kinney's Diary of a Wimpy Kid series: Old School. Pre-sale order forms can be found in both the virtual backpack and in the Millburn Elementary School Media Center. Send in your cash or check (made payable to Millburn PTO) in the amount of \$9.62 per book by Wednesday, October 28<sup>th</sup>. Books will be delivered to Millburn Elementary by Tuesday, November 3<sup>rd</sup> and distributed to your child's teacher. Thank you and happy reading!

**MMS BOOK FAIR!!** Do you love books? Can't wait for the next Scholastic Book Fair? We currently are looking for a shadow(s) for the fall book fair at the middle school with the idea that this person would run the spring book fair while the current chairs still have students in the school. Duties include scheduling volunteers, attending a Scholastic workshop (usually held at the Lake Villa Library), setting up and tearing down the fair, writing announcements, coordinating with the school to secure a location,

distributing flyers and hanging posters, and submitting a financial report. The Scholastic reps are at your disposal and are really helpful and supportive. The fall sale will hold a preview until 3:30pm on Friday, November 20<sup>th</sup>. The sale will run Monday and Tuesday from 8:30am-8pm. Please consider volunteering so that we can continue to provide a Book Fair at MMS! Please reach out to Becky Moeller at [bookfairmiddle@millburnpto.com](mailto:bookfairmiddle@millburnpto.com) Thanks!

**BOX TOP CLASSROOM VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!!** Thank you to all of our students who submitted their Box Tops this month. We have counted 6,675 Box Tops so far which equals \$667.50 for our school! We will have the drawing for the \$25 Visa Gift card before the end of October. Watch out for the new Box Tops collection sheet in your student's folder this Friday, the next turn in date will be November 2. If you need more collection sheets they will be available on our website [www.millburnpto.com](http://www.millburnpto.com) and in the virtual backpack! Please remember, every Box Top counts! We still need Box Tops classroom volunteers for the following classrooms: 1E Mitchell, 3D Tuley, 3E Rodewald, 4E Walsh, 5A Lafferty. If your student is in one of these classes we would love it if you could help us out. The volunteer would be responsible for collecting, counting and sorting the labels. This can be done in the convenience of your home and then handed over to the Committee Chair, Janis Moore. This would be the perfect job for a parent who would like to help out but does not have a lot of time to spare. If you are interested in volunteering, please sign up at [www.millburnpto.com](http://www.millburnpto.com). Any questions please email Janis Moore at [ltwmoore@comcast.net](mailto:ltwmoore@comcast.net)

*Upcoming Events: KIDS RESALE 10/23 & 10/24, MES FAMILY FUN NIGHT & MMS ACTIVITY NIGHT 10/30*

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