



*Cougar Catch: February 24<sup>th</sup>, 2017*

**Backpack Items:**

**March Madness: Live Auction Items, Daycare**

**Wendy's Night – Flyer needed (take a pic with your phone)**

**PTO Talent Show Flyer, Permission Slip**

**GPD Summer Camp and Preschool:** <http://www.gurneeparkdistrict.com/programs/parks-column-2/program-guide>

**Lakes H.S. Musical “Once Upon a Mattress”**

**Warren Youth Baseball**

**Lindenhurst Park District: Before and After Program, Spring Break Camp**

**YMCA Camp, Guest Passes**

**Carmel High School – Sound of Music**

**PM&L Audition for “To Kill a Mockingbird”**

**Calendar Link:**

**MILLBURN MADNESS IS TOMORROW, FEBRUARY 25 AT AUSTIN'S FUEL ROOM IN LIBERTYVILLE FROM 6:00PM – MIDNIGHT**

We hope to see most of our district families at Austin's tomorrow for a very fun night out to benefit our kids! If you still need a ticket you can purchase them at the door for \$50 each. The silent auction items will be open from 6:00 – 8:00 pm so make sure you get there to get your bids in before the silent auction closes. The Live auction will start around 8:10 pm and then we hope to get a special one-night-only karaoke performance from our very own Dr. Lind, Mr. Walshire, Mr. Jorgenson and Mr. Rowlands if we can raise the \$1,500 in the Administrators Sing fund. A list of all the silent and live auction items is posted to the electronic backpack. Thanks to all the companies that donated items to our event!

Do you need a sitter? Don't forget that MBAC is offering childcare at a very affordable price at Millburn Elementary School that night – the form is in the electronic backpack.

If you have any questions or need more information please contact Valerie at [Valerie.Powley@sbcglobal.net](mailto:Valerie.Powley@sbcglobal.net).

See you all on tomorrow night at 6:00 pm!

The Millburn Education Foundation Board Members

**Science Curriculum:** Today, our middle school Science teachers received a training

session on a new curriculum they will pilot in their classrooms this year. As many of you know, the state standards have been re-written and this curriculum is specifically targeted to those new standards. This curriculum is heavily inquiry based which is critical in getting kids to think about why and how instead of being told why and how. The teachers are very excited about this. The curriculum is published by a company called Activate Learning and is called IQWST which stands for Investigating and Questioning our World through Science and Technology. Sounds impressive, huh!

**PBIS Update:** Next week Friday we will recognize our Students and Citizens of the Month during an end of the day assembly. We invite parents of the students to attend. After the recognition, we host a game / event of some kind using the student PBIS tickets in a raffle. Lots of fun for all!

**Lakes High School Presentation:** Erika's Lighthouse will be conducting a presentation for parents and students on the "Changing Moods of Adolescence: What's Normal, What's Not, and How to Manage". This event is on March 14<sup>th</sup> at Lakes High School at 6:30 pm. See the backpack for a flyer with more details.

**PARCC Testing:** In March the middle school students will take the PARCC assessment. The dates for this are March 16<sup>th</sup> to the 24<sup>th</sup>. Each grade will take one assessment a day. The assessments are in Math and Reading. You can find more on PARCC at this website. <http://www.parcconline.org/about/the-parcc-tests>

**Kindergarten Registration:** Parents, please follow this link for more information about registering a child for kindergarten for the 2017-18 school year: <http://www.millburn24.net/news.cfm?story=124729>

**Millburn Education Foundation Scholarship:** The Millburn District 24 Education Foundation is proud to offer three \$1,000 scholarships to three 2017 high school seniors:

Eligible Applicant: Millburn School District #24 alumni who will graduate high school in 2017 and is committed to continuing their education.

Deadline: A completed application must be delivered to Millburn School District 24 Office at 18550 Millburn Road, Wadsworth, IL 60083 by 3:00 p.m. on Wednesday, March 1st.

**32<sup>nd</sup> Annual Art Festival:** The Antioch Women's Club sponsors this art festival and it is hosted this year at Antioch High School. Save the date on your calendar for April 21<sup>st</sup>. The festival runs from 7pm to 9pm. See the flyer in the backpack.

Take care, Jake Jorgenson

PTO NEWS!!

[MILLBURN DISTRICT TALENT SHOW!!](#) If you have a talent you would like to share, this is your chance to shine! Any Millburn student is welcome to take the stage! There are no "try-outs," but we do require you to attend a rehearsal. Visit the virtual backpack or millburnpto.com and get your permission slip.

**Dates to Remember: Wednesday, February 22<sup>nd</sup>**

***Signed permission slips & music due back to school*** \*If your act requires music, ***you must turn in a CD clearly labeled with your name when you turn in your permission slip so we can make our master play list.*** You will get your CD back at rehearsal.

**Wednesday, March 1<sup>st</sup> 6:30-9:00PM Rehearsal in the Millburn Middle School Cafeteria**

**Wednesday, March 15<sup>th</sup> 6:30-8PM Talent Show in the Millburn Middle School Cafeteria**

Any questions, please contact Denise Ide or Carissa LaTourette at

[talentshowelementary@MillburnPTO.com](mailto:talentshowelementary@MillburnPTO.com)

[8<sup>th</sup> GRADE FAREWELL CELEBRATION!!](#) Attention 7th Grade Parents Only: If you are interested in being a part of the planning process, please contact us at [farewellcelebration@millburnpto.com](mailto:farewellcelebration@millburnpto.com). We are still looking for the following committee chair and would be very grateful if you would consider joining us in our planning:

**Memory Book Chair** is responsible to collect all necessary memory pages from students, collect congratulatory letters from Mr. Lind, Mr. Walshire and Mr. Jorgenson, arrange to have all the memory pages and cd's delivered to Haapanen Brothers to be burned, work with decorations to incorporate the theme for the CD labels.

If your schedule does not allow you to help in the pre-event activities, we will also need help the week of the event with set up, running the event, and clean up. More information will become available when we are closer to the date of the celebration. For questions please contact: [farewellcelebration@millburnpto.com](mailto:farewellcelebration@millburnpto.com)

[MILLBURN FAMILY FUN RUN!!](#) The planning has begun for the 5th Annual Millburn Family Fun Run. The date is set for April 8th. We are currently looking for corporate sponsors who would like to take advantage of a great marketing opportunity while supporting District 24. We are also looking for volunteers to help with the event. If you are interested in being either a corporate sponsor or volunteer, contact Marci Simmons at [millburnfunrun@millburnpto.com](mailto:millburnfunrun@millburnpto.com)

Upcoming Events: *BOX TOPS DUE 2/17, TALENT SHOW PERMISSION SLIPS DUE 2/22*