

Cougar Catch: April 28th, 2017

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Calendar Link:

Millburn Website Quicklinks and Contact Button: Attached here is a link to a document that explains how you can get quick access to information on our website or get your message to the correct contact person to help. This document is also in the virtual backpack for reference.

LINK HERE

<u>Fundraiser:</u> See the backpack for the flyer from Gillespie Ford in Gurnee. They have set aside a date to give back to Millburn. They will give 20 dollars to the school for every test drive! I am thinking Mustang!!!

6th Annual Live Arts Festival: Warren Township High School is pleased to invite all students, parents, teachers and administrators to the 6th Annual Live Arts Festival at the Almond Campus on Friday, April 28, 2017, 6 to 9 PM. This free event is put on by the

Warren Fine Arts Department to showcase the exceptional programs and talented students within these areas. This is also a special year as the high school is celebrating their 100th year! There will be interactive workshops, demonstrations and displays, along with Variety Show format performances. There is something for all, including free food and drink, along with fun activities for kids of all ages. See the flyer in the backpack for all the details.

5th Grade Invited to Millburn Middle School: Attention all 5th grade parents and students!! On Tuesday, May 9th, you are invited to come to the Middle School to see the building, meet some of the teachers, and find out a few things that will be happening next year when you are a 6th grader. The program starts at 6:00 pm and will last about an hour. We would love to see all of you that night if possible.

Also the PTO Book Fair will be open and will have many of the 2018 Caudill books available. The 5th graders will be expected to read at least one of these books over the summer. Of course, you can always just check them out at a library, but if you want to own the book, then it will be there for you to buy.

Millburn School and Community Garden: It is that time of year to request a plot in the Millburn School and Community Garden. Requests for plots can be made by emailing the membership coordinator, Samantha Hutchinson, at samanthakayhutchinson@gmail.com no later than May 10th. There are large plots (12X20) for a \$50 fee and small plots (5X20) for a \$25 fee. Plots are based on availability and garden participation. The goal of the garden is to provide an area where citizens, students, faculty and families can grow fresh produce, flowers or herbs for their enjoyment.

Take care, Jake Jorgenson

PTO NEWS!!

<u>PTO MEETING & VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION EVENT!!</u> The last PTO meeting for this school year has been rescheduled to Thursday, May 25^{th} at 7pm at the LRC at MMS.

The PTO Board will be proposing an amendment to the By-Laws to change the PTO Executive Board to (ONE) MES President, (ONE) MMS President, (ONE) Vice President, (ONE) Treasurer and (ONE) Secretary.

The Millburn District 24 PTO is only successful because of our wonderful chairpersons and volunteers! Please join us for our Annual Volunteer Appreciation Event! We will be heading to Chance's in Lindenhurst after our general meeting and election. Please RSVP to presidentmiddle@millburnpto.com

8th GRADE FAREWELL CELEBRATION!! We are working hard to plan this special evening for our 8th Grade graduates and their parents. Our next meeting is May 4 at

7:00pm in the Media Center at Millburn Middle School, all 7th Grade parents are welcome to join us.

If you have a 7th Grade student and have not yet paid their \$16.00 fee, please do so as soon as possible either by sending a check into school or by paying online at millburnpto.com.

Please look out for our VolunteerSpot sign up next Friday. All 7th Graders are asked to do their part to make this celebration a success.

If you have any questions, please contact us at farewellcelebration@millburnpto.com

<u>MILLBURN KIDS RESALE!!</u> As we are wrapping up the final numbers for the sale from last weekend, we wanted to send out a **BIG THANK YOU** to our sellers, volunteers and administrative support from last weekend's sale. We had another successful sale and we are so very thankful for you!

Contact us at: MillburnKidsResale@yahoo.com

MMS BOOK FAIR!! Visit us in the East Gym:

Tuesday, May 9th from 8:30AM-2:30PM and during the 5th Grade Orientation from 5:30-7:30PM

Wednesday, May 10th from 8:30AM-2:30PM

Thursday, May 11th from 8:30AM-2:30PM and during the Spring Choir Concert from 6:00PM-7:30PM

An online fair will run May 3rd - May 12th. All orders ship for free to the school and will be in before the end of the school year. They will be delivered to your child at school.

Shop at http://www.scholastic.com/bf/millburnmiddle

Interested in volunteering?

We are looking for volunteers to help set-up the fair on Monday, May 8th from 1:00PM-2:00PM, to run the fair and to help pack up the fair on Thursday, May 11th from 7:30-8:30PM.

Click here: http://signup.com/go/JwpXX6 to sign up!

MES BOOK FAIR! Millburn PTO is excited to host an author visit with Jeffery Brown. During the school day on Thursday, May 18th, our 2nd-5th graders will hear from the author himself about the process of writing and drawing his Jedi Academy series and his new book Lucy & Andy Neanderthal.

Mr. Brown will sign copies of his books after his presentation. If you would like to purchase one (or more!) for the book signing, please print and fill out the pre-sale order form found in the Virtual Backpack. Orders are due Monday, May 15th. And, as a bonus and a thank you from our PTO, you will receive a certificate for a FREE book of equal value at our BOGO (buy one, get one) book fair.

Our BOGO book fair will be held Thursday and Friday, May 18-19th at Millburn Elementary School from 8 am to 3 pm. We will also be open Friday evening during our

PTO Family Fun event. As a thank you to our Millburn families, we are offering all the books at the fair as BUY ONE, GET ONE FREE! Stock up for summer reading!

<u>FAMILY FUN NIGHT!!</u> The flyer is available in virtual backpack to reserve your spot at the FIESTA style Family Fun night featuring Grande Jake's Taco Bar! The date is Friday, May 19th from 6-8pm.

Hope to you see there!

<u>Upcoming Events:</u> 8FC Meeting 5/4, MMS Book Fair 5/9 & 5/10 & 5/11, MES Author Visit 5/18, MES Book Fair 5/18 & 5/19, Family Fun Night 5/19

Foundation News:

May 4th Foundation Social Night at Chances – 7:30 – 9:30 pm

The Millburn Education Foundation is hosting an open house meet and greet in the back room at Chances on May 4th from 7:30 to 9:30 pm. We invite you to come out and meet other district parents and talk with current board members to learn what the Foundation does and opportunities for involvement. Join us for this casual informational get-together. All who attend will be entered into a raffle to win a \$50 gift card to Chances. We hope to see you there!

Millburn Cup Golf Outing - Survey will Close on Sunday!

The Millburn Education Foundation is planning for our 2017 golf outing. We are looking to make this event as fun and successful as possible. Whether you attended the event in the past or were unable, we want your feedback. If you didn't make the event, tell us what we can do to make it more appealing to you in the future. If you have participated, let us know your thoughts and how we can make it even better. Please take 5 minutes to complete this short survey that will help us plan for the best 2017 Millburn Cup. https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/BMK737D We would greatly appreciate your input and thank you in advance for your feedback!

Muffins with Mom Event at Millburn Elementary School – May 9 (last name A-M) and May 10 (last name N-Z)

A flier on this event was sent home earlier this week and is posted to the electronic backpack. This event is a great chance for students to share a muffin, juice, and milk with their mom, grandma, aunt, or special someone before school. The cost is \$5 per adult (kids free!) and advance registration with payment is due May 5.

Portillo's Fundraising Event – May 16 from 5:00 -8:00 pm

The Foundation is excited to partner with the Gurnee Portillo's to host a fundraiser event on May 16. The event will take place from 5-8pm and the Foundation will get 20% back from everyone who brings in the flyer (posted to the backpack), shows it on their phone, or mentions the Millburn Education Foundation at checkout. Please note: If you are going through the drive-thru, you must inform the first order taker.

If you have questions about the Millburn Education Foundation or on these or any of our events please email us at millburneducationfoundation@gmail.com.