



OAK GROVE NEWS

January 7, 2008



From the Superintendent

A Happy New Year!

The last hour of the Oak Grove School 2007 year saw the students take on the staff in volleyball. Although the students put up a brave fight, and the fans went wild, the final score was Staff 50 and Students 47. This was a great opportunity for our students to see their teachers as real people. We are fortunate to be in a school where our staff participates in activities with our kids.





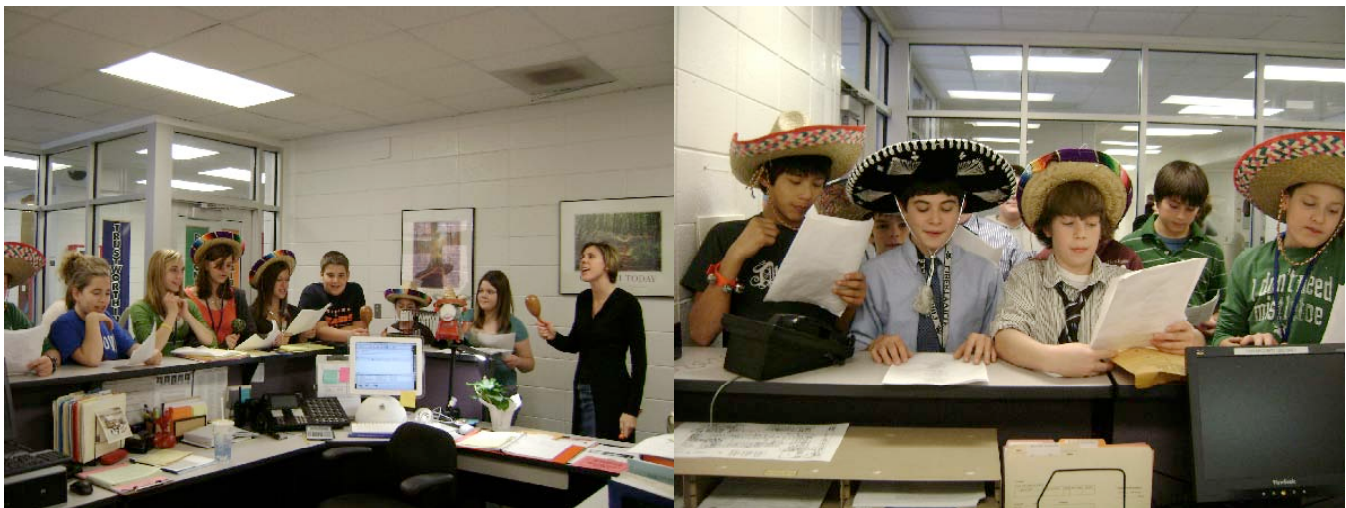
Technology Task Force Introduction

Join us to learn how you can impact the future of Oak Grove School on Thursday, January 10 from 6:30-7:00 pm in the Junior High Library. Questions? Contact Janice Matthews at mathews@ogschool.org, Jason Meltzer at Meltzer@ogschool.org, or Mike McDonnell at McDonnell@ogschool.org.

Janice Matthews
Superintendent

Spanish Holiday Sing!

Mrs. Pittam's Language classes practiced their Spanish by serenading us with songs for the holidays.



Thank you from Iraq!

Do you remember all of the Halloween candy Oak Grove School donated to the children in Iraq? The soldier we sent the candy to came for a visit while he was home for the holidays. Mrs. Thompson's sixth grade class enjoyed learning about Iraq and his life in the military from PFC Madison. He says that he really appreciates life in America even more now.



“Sporting Good Character”



The students listed below were recognized by either their teachers or peers for displaying one or more of the following six pillars of character: Trustworthiness, Respect, Responsibility, Fairness, Caring, and Citizenship.

K	Lucas Wilson
1 st	Sophia Fisher
2 nd	Sacha Knuti
3 rd	Allie Goldman

ATTENTION *Alice in Wonderland* CAST:

Our first rehearsal will be on FRIDAY, JANUARY 11th from 3:30-5:30 in the Junior High Cafeteria! Everyone must be there with their scripts and a pencil! Rehearsal calendars will be passed out at that time or keep checking Miss Driver's website (http://fc.ogschool.org/~betsy_driver/) for more information!

ATTENTION *Alice in Wonderland* CREW:

Our first production meeting will be MONDAY, JANUARY 14th from 5:30 to 6:30 in the Junior High Cafeteria!

PTO MEETING AGENDA

January 9, 2008

1. Welcome and Introductions

- A Reading and Approval of December 2007 Minutes – Kim Opsahl
- B Administration Reports
- C Dr. Meltzer – teacher liaison
- D December 2007 Treasure’s Report – Karin Stouffer
- E Vice President’s Report
- F. President’s Report

2. Committee Report

- A Registration Committee
- B Hot Lunch
- C Market Day
- D Directory
- E Candy Sales
- F 3-6th District Outreach
- G 5th Grade Father/Son Night
- H 5th Grade Mother/Daughter Tea
- I Programs and Speakers
- J Oak Grove Classifieds
- K 7th/8th grade open gym night

The next meeting is February 6th @ 9:00am



OAK GROVE SCHOOL

“Best of Class” ifieds

Your place to advertise items for SALE and GIVE-AWAY

FOR SALE 2 BR/1.5 Bath gated community condo, 2 swim pools, tennis crts - Sunny Ft. Myers, FL!!! Updated floors, tiled lanai, garage - Great location, shopping, drive to beach-\$149,900 call Maureen (239) 275-1841 E-mail pictures available

FOR SALE White metal baby crib w/ mattress, grdparent's crib, excel. condition \$45; Sealy baby crib mattress, grdparent's, gently used \$15; 2 Graco Daniel Plaid High Chairs, good condition, \$25 ea.; 2 Giant Red Little Animator bikes, little rust but good condition \$20 ea; Graco stroller \$10; Babytrend twin stroller \$20; Two 19" Viewsonic computer monitors \$20 each; Oak colored TV stand w/ swivel top \$10. Call Lori @ 847-367-8410. Reasonable offers will be considered.

FOR SALE White Amana Side-by-Side Refrigerator with ice/water in the door - \$125. Call Kim at 847-573-1755

FOR SALE Tectrix Recumbent Bike Max-R, exc. like new condition, Unit is commercial grade, (3) preset prgm profiles, (15) prgm levels, (21) spds in man. mode, heart rate control (POLAR req'd) 55"L x 26"W x 46"H \$1,000.00 Contact Kim – kimreimers@comcast.net

FOR SALE Cyclone Dog Fence 6 ft. x 6 ft. x 12 ft. Can be set up in the garage or outside \$75.00 Dog Car Fence, keeps pets in back of SUV Never Used \$10.00 Call Barb 847.367.4686

FOR SALE Snowboards! Three snowboards ready for action with bindings and boots. Each set \$100 and in perfect condition. These are LTD boards: two size 125 cm and one 115 cm. Boots are sizes boys 3/3.5, junior 4, women's 7. Kids were 6-9 years old when used less than 5 times. All could be for either a boy or a girl. Also have brand new **Salomon ski boots** size 5 1/2 (Mens) and **K-2 adjustable ice skates** size 4-6. Call Kerri at 847-680-0922.

The Oak Grove PTO ***“Best of Class” ifieds***...our Classified Ad page where all Oak Grove PTO members can advertise your no-longer-needed items. You may place an ad for sale or give-away. All items need to be tangible, no services please. Each ad will run for two consecutive weeks in the Oak Grove News. The cost to advertise is \$5.00 for two lines. ***Give-away items are free!*** Two line ads are approximately 21 words per line. Minimum 2 line purchase at the cost of \$5.00. You may purchase extra lines in 2-line increments at the same cost of \$5.00. All ads are due to Kathy Blaha via e-mail at (ogsclassifieds@comcast.net) no later than **Noon on Thursday** for the following ***Oak Grove News*** publication. Please put “OGS” in the subject line of your e-mail. All payments must be by check made payable to Oak Grove PTO and mailed to Kathy Blaha at 31360 Reigate Lane, Green Oaks, IL 60048. The Oak Grove PTO reserves the right to refuse an ad. Any questions, please e-mail Kathy Blaha at ogsclassifieds@comcast.net.

Monday, January 7, 2008

CHESS

OAK GROVE SCHOOL

7 Weeks for \$91.00

WEDNESDAYS--3:30PM-4:30PM

Classes: 1/16/08, 1/23, 1/30, 2/6, 2/13, 2/20, and 2/27/08.

This will be the **THIRD CHESS SESSION** for the 2007-2008 SCHOOL YEAR. Chess is a **remarkable learning tool** for students of all ages. Skills learned while playing chess are the same skills necessary for **academic excellence: concentration, critical thinking, strategic planning, creativity, pattern recognition, analysis, synthesis, competition, and good sportsmanship.** Chess also develops life skills necessary for successful living like **decision making, disciplined thinking, and problem solving.**

Chess-Ed. will provide this **enrichment program** and is **dedicated to providing quality chess programs and chess activities.** We believe that every student should have the opportunity to experience the benefits of learning the games of chess. **It is not too late to join!**

Please complete this bottom portion and make your check of \$91.00 payable directly to Chess-Ed. Return your registration and check to **Linda Carfagnini** in the junior high office **as soon as possible and no later than Friday 1/11/08** to assure your student a chair in this exciting course.

Student Name: _____

Teacher: _____ **Grade:** _____

Address: _____

E-Mail: _____ **Phone:** _____

Circle one: Beginner Continuing

Chess Class will meet in Room 102.

Any questions, please contact Alice Holt at Chess-Ed.--847-367-9148.

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Attention Oak Grove Families:

7th Grade Photo needs metal or cardboard cans or containers for their pin-hole photography project. Coffee cans, cocoa containers, Quaker Oats containers all work well for this project. Students will be "recycling" these containers into home-made cameras. Please drop them off in Mrs. McVey's Art Room 500. Thank you for your support of Fine Arts at Oak Grove School!



ELEMENTARY MUSIC CONCERT



On Wednesday, January 16, there will be a concert featuring all the students who are currently in their music rotation. (Mr. Fischer, Mrs. Kiefer, Mrs. Gilkison, Mrs. Koehler, and Ms. Beaudoin). The concert will begin at 6:30 pm in the Pat Patt gym. The students should report to their homeroom classroom at 6:00 pm wearing a nice outfit. The homeroom teachers will then bring the students down to the gym. Thank you! Logan Farris

Attention 8th Grade Parents:

There will be an informational meeting of the Graduation Dance Committee on Wednesday, January 23 from 9-10 am in the Junior High Learning Center. Please call Katy Azzato at extension 406 to let her know you will attend. If you are unable to attend but are interested in being part of this committee, please let her know.

Pictures Taken

Attention Parents: Sports and group activity pictures will be taken throughout the day on Thursday January 10.

Oak Grove News 7th Grade Service Project

On Friday, December 21, the 7th graders participated in a service project for PADS. In the morning, they were divided into groups to decorate lunch bags and letters to be put into each lunch.

The total delivery to PADS also included 7,300 napkins, 3,270 lunch bags, 1,456 boxes of raisins and 1,172 juice boxes. The kids also participated in Penny Wars as a fundraiser for PADS, earning \$1593.78.

We would like to thank all the parents who helped us with donations and with our morning treats and pizza party. **Special thanks to the Libertyville Bank and Trust for counting our Penny War.** It was a wonderful day!

Mrs. Stancato

OAK GROVE ATHLETICS



Oak Grove Cheerleaders at the Dec. 19th game.

Tuesday Jan 8th:

Girls Bball @ Lake Bluff

Wednesday Jan 9th:

Boys Bball @Deer Path

Thursday Jan 10th:

Girls Bball Vs Elm Place (Home)

SPECIAL TIME CHANGE

Thursday Vs Elm Place

8th Grade will play at 4:15

7th Grade will play at 5:15

Wrestling This Week

Tuesday Jan 8 @ Daniel Wright 4:00 pm

Wednesday Jan 9 - Practice 3:30-5 pm

Thursday Jan 10 @ Deer Path 4:15 pm

REPEAT ITEMS

Save The Date

5th Grade “GUYS ONLY” night, Thursday, February 21 at 6:30 .pm. The evening will include an informative presentation by the Robert Crown Center for Health Education. Topics discussed will include puberty, proper nutrition, personal hygiene and positive self-image. This age appropriate presentation is for 5th grade boys and their fathers or significant adult male in their life. Pizza will be served and the evening will conclude with open gym time. Any questions? Call Paula Cordan @ 816.7282.

If you are interested in contributing to the silent auction, please contact Anja Valente at 847-680-9785.

THE OAK GROVE SCHOOL EDUCATION FOUNDATION

SAVE THE DATE

The
**Grove
GALA**



SATURDAY, MARCH 8, 2008

COCKTAILS • DINNER • SILENT & LIVE AUCTION

CAFE PYRÉNÉES

LIBERTYVILLE