

# PTO Weekly Newsletter

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## Restaurant Night

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### Upcoming Restaurant Night:

Wednesday, September 19<sup>th</sup> @ Dog 'n Suds



4:30 – 8:00pm; No voucher needed.

Restaurant Nights are a fun and simple way for our PTO to earn money to give back to our school and our students. Please make a note on your calendar to participate in the GMS PTO sponsored Restaurant Nights – support not only your PTO, but also our local area restaurants.

Thank you!

### Special points of interest:

- Search for us on Facebook & request to be added to our group – Grayslake Middle School PTO
- Are you saving your BOX TOPS ? They're on the food you're probably already buying! This simple fundraiser brings us hundreds of \$\$\$ per year – more if everyone participates!

Contact us if you have any questions!!



We may all be reached via email at:  
[GMSPTONews@gmail.com](mailto:GMSPTONews@gmail.com)

Following is our current Board for the 2012-2013 school year:

**Nicole Hickle**  
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847.212.7355 Cell

**Sandy Krischak**  
Vice President  
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# Locker Ladders –



If your son or daughter could use some help in the world of organization, then this is the product for you! This will help your student keep his/her locker organized, on-time for class, and better assist him/her in bringing all necessary items home each day for purposes of homework.

The Locker Ladders sells for **\$15 each**. Sales end September 15<sup>th</sup>. Please **complete the order form on page 4, attach payment, and return to school with your child prior to September 15<sup>th</sup>.**

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*The object of education is to prepare the young to educate themselves throughout their lives.*

*~Robert Maynard Hutchins*

# We Need YOU...

To give us your CONTACT INFORMATION! We would like to create our own database of names and email addresses of Grayslake Middle School parents. The key to making this PTO a success is COMMUNICATION. Therefore, we would like to have a communication tool by which we can easily (and most conveniently) reach you.

Below is a web address for a survey we have created at Survey Monkey. This is a one-question survey. Please complete the survey and we will then add your information so that we can keep you updated on the PTO activities.

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/YZ62VRL>

# Special Reminders...

## Save the Date!

**Dog 'n Suds Restaurant Night**  
Wednesday,  
September 19, 2012

**Parent Teacher Conferences**  
October 2 - 4, 2012

**The next GMS PTO Board Meeting is on Wednesday, Sept. 10<sup>th</sup> at 6pm @ GMS. Please mark your calendars to join us. We'd love to hear your thoughts!**



**We are a closed group for parents & teachers only, & will provide you with lots of valuable information about the GMS PTO & ongoing fundraisers. Request to join our group!**

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# Entertainment Books –



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The GMS PTO is selling Entertainment Books for \$30 each this year. Rather than sending them home, this year we are selling them as cash 'n carry items directly out of the school. If you are interested, and would like to purchase one, please contact us via email at [GMSPTONews@gmail.com](mailto:GMSPTONews@gmail.com) as soon as possible.

We have a limited number of books to sell this year, and they will go quickly!

Sales close on September 15th, so please send in the attached is an order form today.

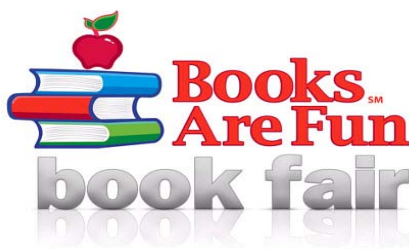
Thank you for your participation!



# Fall Book Fair

The Fall Book Fair will coincide with the Fall Parent Teacher Conferences, which are October 2nd, 3rd and 4th. Our Fall Book Fair will be held in the Lobby of GMS, and we will need volunteers all 3 days for set-up, sales, and tear-down.

If you are willing to give your time for this event, please email us at [GMSPTONews@gmail.com](mailto:GMSPTONews@gmail.com).



*I brought children into this dark world because it needed the light that only a child can bring.*

*~Liz Armbruster*

## Special Reminders...

### Make a Note!

We can always be reached at [GMSPTONews@gmail.com](mailto:GMSPTONews@gmail.com).



The GMS PTO Board meets the first Wednesday of each month. Please mark your calendars so that you can join us. We'd love to hear your thoughts!



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# Grayslake Middle School PTO



*Locker Ladders are here! Help keep your son/daughter organized!*

*\$15.00 each*



**Sale concludes 9/15/12**

Grayslake Middle School  
PTO – Please help us to  
help our school!



**Return form & payment  
to school with your  
son/ daughter.**

Questions?  
GMSPTONews@gmail.com

- Environmentally conscious: natural fabric, recycled shelves, simple packaging
- Sewn and assembled in the USA
- All USA suppliers
- Makes the most of locker space
- Installs easily
- Looks sharp
- Saves time
- Takes wear & tear

Please complete this form, and attach cash or a check made payable to GMS PTO. This sale closes on September 15, 2012, so kindly return your completed form to school before that date. Any questions may be sent to [GMSPTONews@gmail.com](mailto:GMSPTONews@gmail.com).

Child's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Grade: \_\_\_\_\_ Team: \_\_\_\_\_

Quantity: \_\_\_\_\_ x \$15 each = Total enclosed: \$ \_\_\_\_\_



# Get Involved!

Dear Parent or Guardian:

Studies show that parental involvement in a child's education is one of the most important factors in raising student self-esteem and academic achievement. Moreover, most experts agree that parental involvement should go beyond attendance at teacher conferences and open house. We realize, however, that each of our families is unique – with its own priorities, needs, talents, and time constraints -- and so we try to provide as many different kinds of opportunities for parental involvement as possible. Please review the volunteer opportunities suggested below, and check any you are interested in -- or tell us what you would like to do. Then return the form to school.

- 3-Hour Volunteer
- Book Fair (October and February)
- Teacher's Conference Dinner
- Craft Fair
- Bake Sale
- Restaurant Night Fundraisers
- Fannie Mae Fundraiser
- School Box Tops Fundraiser
- Basketball Showdown
- 8th Grade Celebration
- Organize or participate in a special event.
- Organize a school fundraiser.
- Offer to donate books, art materials, musical instruments, games.... the list is endless.
- Bring in refreshments.
- Other \_\_\_\_\_



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Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Preferred Method of Contact: Cell Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_ Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Student is a (circle one): 7<sup>th</sup> grader 8<sup>th</sup> grader