



Friday Flyer

October 5, 2012

North Muskegon Elementary School
www.nmps.k12.mi.us



1600 Mills Ave.
North Muskegon MI 49445
Steve Sanocki, Principal 719-4202
Elementary 719-4200
Attendance 719-4290
Tami Budd, Secretary 719-4201
Stephenie Ruple, Secretary 719-4206
School Hours: 7:55 a.m.—3:15 p.m.

Elementary Calendar

Monday, October 8

October 9 - 26

Monday, October 15

Tuesday, October 16

Monday, October 22

October 29-30

Wednesday, October 31

Professional Development Day - NO School for students!

MEAP Testing

Music Boosters meeting, Band Room, 7:00 p.m.

PTO Meeting, elementary library, 7:00 p.m.

Regular Board of Education meeting, MS/HS Library, 7:00 p.m.

Hearing testing for DK, K, 2nd & 4th grades

Halloween parade, Elem. Gym & Walker park, 1:30 p.m.

5th grade Halloween concert, NM Fine Arts Center, after parade



** Norse Education Foundation **

What is it? The Norse Education Foundation (NEF) is an endowment fund of the Community Foundation for Muskegon County set up to ensure the Norse tradition and history of quality education and high student achievement.

Revival of the Fund: In the past year we have established the NEF Board of Directors with 12 incredibly committed community members. We have begun to grant for specific educationally-based projects and are excited to provide teacher grants in this coming year. The more we grow this endowment the more we will be able to enhance our students' Norse educational experience!

How do I give? I want to be a part of the Norse tradition of excellence!

Donations can be sent in any dollar amount to:

NM Education Foundation

CFMC

425 W. Western Ave

Muskegon, MI 49440

While any dollar amount is appreciated, the following are a list of recognized levels of giving:

BLUE LEVEL: \$500 per year for 10 years (\$5,000 total)

GOLD LEVEL: \$1,000 per year for 10 years (\$10,000 total)

NORSE HERO LEVEL: \$10,000 per year for 10 years (\$100,000 total)

We will be promoting the NEF often this year with the hopes of rejuvenating our foundation and thus allowing us to continue supporting our children and school. Please consider a contribution! If you have any questions, please contact Dr. Babcock at the superintendent's office (719-4100). Thank you!

SAVE THE DATE: Norse Education Foundation Gala
Saturday, March 16th at the Muskegon Country Club

News and Notes

- Are you missing your vehicle key? A key was found on one of our playgrounds. It has the lock/unlock/panic button. Describe the make of the vehicle and claim your key at the elementary office.
- **Get Your Wings** students are supplying an angel drawing by artist Skye Gentle to be auctioned off for the Bonnie Hall cancer effort. Look for this on www.32auctions.com/BonnieHall.
- Please look for the Benefit for Bonnie Hall flyer included in this publication!
- World's Finest Chocolate bars went home today with students who signed up to sell them! Happy selling!

PTO NEWS

- It's not too late to sign up for the Mother/Son event! See the sign-up sheet in this flyer.

GEAR UP FOR THE 1ST ANNUAL PTO FUND-RACER!!

The PTO is sponsoring a healthy, fundraising event with NO products to sell AND the school gets 100% of the money earned!

Students will walk or run at their own pace and complete as many laps as possible around the football field track during Gym class.

Each student will receive a pledge sheet. Watch for it to come home with your child today!

The event will be October 17, 18, and 19. Pledges must be collected and turned in by October 17, 2012. We're looking forward to a HEALTHY, FUN TIME!

NORSEMEN PRIDE SIGNS AVAILABLE

*You've seen them around town!

*You've seen them in your neighbors' yards!

*And you probably wondered - where can I get one of those FANTABULOUS signs?

*Look no more - be the proud owner of one of the remaining NORSEMEN PRIDE signs!

These signs are bargain priced at \$20.00 each and are available now. Proceeds from the signs go toward Grad Night 2013. Please contact Theresa Seaberg at 730-7785.

Thank you! Thank you! Thank you!

Thanks to our parent volunteers who helped us with picture day! Amber Yaussy, Tracy Crawford, Kim Abel, Sue Sanford, Theresa VanWyck, Heather Gaston, Kim Gue, Kristi Gregg and Kelly Galdeen. Your help is greatly appreciated!

Thank you to Kendra Canfield & the Lasser family for your donation of gently used, clean gym shoes. I appreciate your donation.

Mrs. B

Girls' Youth Basketball...

NOTICE TO ALL NM YOUTH GIRLS BASKETBALL PLAYERS & PARENTS! We will once again have our 3rd, 4th, 5th and 6th grade girls playing as part of the Fruitport Junior League. We had a huge turnout last year with 3 - 5/6 grade teams and 2 - 3/4 grade teams! We hope to have just as many girls this year. Be on the lookout for signup forms coming mid October, practices begin in November and games are in December and January. Please contact Logan Pitts with any questions at (231) 638-6983 or email at loganpitts@gmail.com. We are also looking for several coaches for the 3/4 grade teams if you are able - we will provide help with coaching plans and skills training.

From the Principal's desk:

Dear NME Parents (1st - 5th grade),

The last few months have certainly been interesting (and admittedly trying) with regard to changing budgetary impacts, Title I, and Focus school designation from the state. In fact, I have just learned even more specific details from state officials regarding Title I requirements and Focus schools. In short, funding realities and state mandates have required us to reevaluate our programs and services to our students, especially with regard to Title I. (Title I supports students who are identified through a variety of possible assessments.)

We want you to know, however, that all students who qualify for Title I will receive services this school year at NME. We appreciate your patience and understanding as we navigate the best way to proceed given the resources and information we have available to us. Some Title I service letters have been sent to individual students' parents already; others will be notified very soon.

We are finally getting to some points of clarity, based upon funding, mandates, and data, that will allow us to structure our program most effectively. Most importantly, our multiple points of data indicate needs that must be met for many of our students. Through a collaborative effort, we are confident that we can provide a solid system of supports for all of our students.

Please contact me directly if you have specific questions or concerns. Again, thank you for your patience while we navigate the changes and challenges before us. I am optimistic that together we can transform these challenges into an opportunity to make our program even stronger than it already is!

Sincerely,

Steven J. Sanocki

The **North Stars** of the elementary have been shining bright this week! Here are the students who received a ticket for showing what it means to be a North Star! Ask them what they did to receive their ticket. Keep up the good work Norsemen! We will look forward to seeing who makes it on the **North Star** page next week!

Grayson Hinton	Carly Weinrick	Ron Johnson	Lucy Fricke	Jaley Schultz
Sophia Mueller	Sage Brewer	Ryan Lindback	Myles Lardie	Charlie Meyers
Jerry Wieggers	Leighton Hunt	Gabriella Wingard	Mason Gregg	Trevor Schultz
Ben Mallon	Maverick Mylenek	Ava Plichta	Lyndsey Beerman	Katie Simonson
Namratha Nelapudi	Livvie Weatherbee	Leighton Hunt	Grace Erne	Trevor Schultz
Lidia Carty	Lyndsey Beerman	Jordan Metz	Carina Steketee	Hallie Chandonnet
Marilyn Gaston	Logan Pike	Alec Newville	Greer Jensen	Josh Langereis
Ava Steketee	Ella Dykman	Olivia Moulton	Dylan Boyd	Megan Housemann
Lilly Downs	Charley Klint	Eli Rudicil	Grace Buchmiller	Ella Tarrant

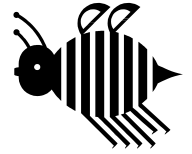


September North Stars SUPER STARS....

The winners for September are: Sam Kenney, Lidia Carty, Sam Kartes, Keira Lindstrom, Audrey Wilson and Breanne Adamczak! Congratulations!



North STARS Wellness Newsletter
Volume 1 ~ Number 5 ~ October 1, 2012



What is sleep? Every creature needs to rest. Just like eating, sleep is necessary for survival. Sleep gives your body rest and allows it to prepare for the next day—it gives your body a mini vacation. Sleep is especially important for your brain. During the school year, we do lots of school work that requires our brain to work really hard. The more sleep we have the better our brain works. When your body doesn't have enough rest, you may feel cranky, or you may be unable to think clearly. You might even have a hard time following directions, or have an argument with a friend over something really silly. Most kids between the ages of 5 and 12 need 10–11 hours of sleep each night. Sleep keeps you from getting sick and gives your body time to grow.

Here are some tips to help you get a good nights sleep:

- .. Try to go to bed at the same time every night. This helps your body get into a routine.
- .. Follow a bedtime routine that is calming, such as taking a warm bath or reading a book.
- .. Limit food and drinks that have caffeine in them. This would include things like pop, tea and chocolate.
- .. Turn off your computer and other electronic devices. You should stop using these things at least an hour before you go to bed. You need calm down not get excited over playing a game. Also, don't have a TV in your room. If you do, turn the TV off when you go to sleep.
- .. Don't watch scary things on TV or read scary books before bed. It might make it hard for you to fall asleep.
- .. Don't exercise before you go to bed. Exercising during the earlier part of day is better.
- .. If you have had a hard day at school and something is bothering you, talk it over with your Mom or Dad. They can help you solve any problems you have before you go to bed, and you'll get a better night's sleep.

North STARS Lesson of the Week: Success ~ Do my personal best at all times

MEAP Tests are something that we do at school to see how much we have learned. Remember to do your best on the MEAP Test you should get a good night's sleep the night before, eat a healthy breakfast and take time each day to play. These three things will help you be successful in school on test days and every day!

Be Healthy ~ Be Happy ~ Have a Better Day!

CARDS WILL BE AVAILABLE IN THE
ELEMENTARY OFFICE OR USE YOURS

FROM
LAST
YEAR



Logged In: North Muskegon School

Program Highlights

Your school will be awarded one point for every dollar spent at Plumb's when your supporters scan their Plumb's Tools for Schools Card at the register. We've divided this year's 24 week program into four periods of six weeks as shown below:

Period 1: October 1, 2012 through November 12, 2012

Period 2: November 13, 2012 through December 25, 2012

Period 3: December 26, 2012 through February 6, 2013

Period 4: February 7, 2013 through March 18, 2013

Shortly after each period ends, the number of points your school earned will be posted on our website and sent to each coordinator who provides an email address.

Points will accumulate until the program ends on March 18, 2013. Schools may order as soon as enough points are accumulated for the desired awards.



1ST ANNUAL NM- PTO 2012 FUND-RACER!

October 17, 18, 19, 2012

Name: _____ Grade/Teacher: _____

I plan to walk or run around the school track during Gym class for the Fund-Racer!

Dear Potential Sponsor,

I am participating in the Fund- Racer Walk-A-Thon. All proceeds will help fund North Muskegon school events and activities sponsored by the NM PTO. You can sponsor me for an amount per minute or you can make a specific donation. All donations must be collected before October 17.

Please make checks to NM-PTO. All contributions are tax-deductible.

Thank you!

	Name of Sponsor	Pledge per Minute (Example: \$1.00)	Or specific amount Pledge	Total Amount Collected from Sponsor
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Participants: To reach our goal, we hope that each participant finds 10 sponsors.

Please bring this form to your classroom on Wednesday October 17, 2012.



1ST ANNUAL NM- PTO 2012 FUND-RACER!

October 17, 18, 19, 2012

Dear Family:

Our 1st annual Fund-Racer (walk-a-thon) is a fun and fit activity for DK and kindergartners through fifth-graders, with all children reaching for their personal best athletic performance. On the day of the event, students will walk or run at their own pace and complete as many laps as possible around the football field track for during Gym class. Teachers and parents are welcome to participate too! The goals are to promote a healthy lifestyle and to have fun while earning money for our school.

Drinks will be provided, and each student will receive a participation ribbon.

We understand that sometimes a family can feel bombarded with all the fundraising events for a school. Our hope is that the Fund-Racer will be so successful that it will eliminate the need for multiple PTO fundraisers throughout the school year. 100% of the proceeds go to the school. An elementary school in Norton Shores hosted a similar event and earned \$16,000!

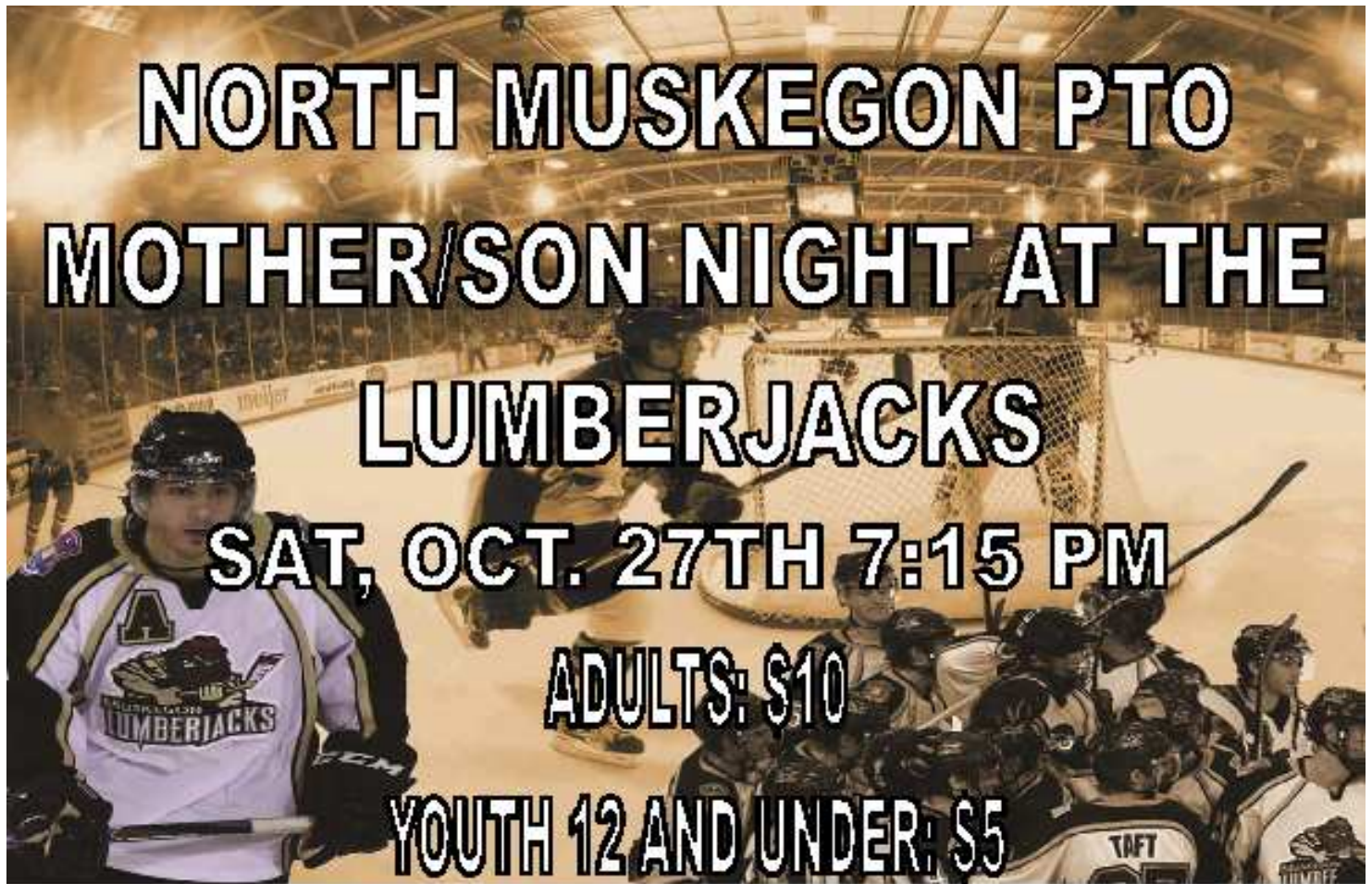
Thank you very much for your participation!

Rules

1. Students may start collecting pledges as soon as they receive the pledge sheets.
Reminder: Pledge sheets and collected pledges need to be turned in on or before Wednesday, October 17, 2012.
2. **Each sponsor should write their own name, pledge per minute, and/or specific amount of pledge.** Students, please collect the pledge before the event and return all pledges in the provided envelope.
3. On Fund-Racer day, each class will walk or run around the track for during Gym class. Each lap is approximately 1/4 mile.
4. A volunteer will record each student's lap total. All students will receive a participation ribbon. Individual medals (gold, silver, and bronze) will be awarded for the highest number of laps completed, and for the top pledge earners in the school. The class that raises the most money will be awarded a traveling trophy as the class prize!
5. Have fun!!

**Please return pledge sheets with the money to your teacher by
Wednesday, October 17, 2012**

We look forward to all our participants having a great time!



NORTH MUSKEGON PTO MOTHER/SON NIGHT AT THE LUMBERJACKS

SAT, OCT. 27TH 7:15 PM

ADULTS: \$10

YOUTH 12 AND UNDER: \$5



BE SURE TO SIGN UP IN THE OFFICE BY OCT. 5TH

Mother/Son Event Make checks out to NMPTO

Mother's Name: _____

Son/s Name: _____

How many are going? _____

Email address: _____

Classroom teacher: _____

Benefit *for* Bonnie

Bonnie Hall was recently diagnosed with stage 4 Mesothelioma Cancer. We are holding a benefit on:

Friday, November 2nd

5:00 pm to 8:00 pm

North Muskegon Schools Cafeteria

\$7.00 Donation for dinner

Dinner options are soup, salad, or hotdog

Bake Sale and Silent Auction Items too!

To Buy items or donate with paypal go to:
www.32auctions.com/BonnieHall.

For questions please contact Kim Blastic (231) 744-1960, kablastic@gmail.com
or Michell Liegeois at NMPS (231) 719-4145



Bonnie Hall Silent Auction Item Donation Form

Donor Information

Name	
Street Address	
City ST ZIP Code	
Phone	
E-Mail Address	

Item Description

(Please be as specific as possible. Include any restrictions, expiration dates, sizes, and redemption information if appropriate. Please Type or print):

Estimated Value: \$_____

Item Delivery We are accepting items **NOW**

___ I will deliver to the Elementary Office

___ I will mail to: Bonnie Hall Silent Auction 1600 Mills Ave Muskegon, MI 49445

___ Please pick up (Date_____ Location/address_____)

Certificates are necessary for service-oriented items.

___ Certificate is enclosed

___ Certificate will be sent

___ Please make up a certificate for me

Thank you for supporting Bonnie Hall and her family. Please call or email Kim Blastic (231-744-1960, kablastic@gmail.com) with any questions.

Items (photo and descriptions) will be added to the online silent auction as they are received. Items can be viewed and bid upon as soon as they are entered at: www.32auctions.com/BonnieHall

The online silent auction will go "live" from 5-8pm, Friday November 2nd during the benefit dinner in the NM school cafeteria. Items will be available for viewing and winners may pick up following the event.

Annual

Keep the Sea Free of Debris



Art Contest

The NOAA Marine Debris Program would like your help in raising awareness about the global problem of marine debris!

Grab your art materials, be creative, and tell us:

- **How marine debris affects you**
- **What you're doing about it in your community**

winning entries
featured in
annual calendar!

students from
Grades
K-8

contest Ends
October 26th



All students in grades K-8 from all U.S. states or territories enrolled in recognized public, private, or home schools are eligible to participate. Entries must be **postmarked by October 27th, 2012.**

For details please visit www.MarineDebris.noaa.gov