

### SAYDEL COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

### Woodside Middle School

**Big City Opportunities, Small Town Commitment for Students** 

#### **November 2015 Newsletter**

#### **Upcoming Events**

#### Woodside Middle School

**NOVEMBER 12** 

5th Grade Biztown Field Trip. 9 AM - 2 PM

**NOVEMBER 13** 5th & 6th Grade Dance, 6 - 8 PM

**NOVEMBER 14** 7th & 8th Grade Dance, 7 - 9 PM

**NOVEMBER 17** 7th & 8th Grade End of Trimester 1

**NOVEMBER 18** 7th & 8th Grade Start of Trimester 2

**NOVEMBER 23** Winter Sports 1st Competition

**NOVEMBER 24** 5th Grade Fall Craft Event

NOVEMBER 25-29 Thanksgiving Break



DECEMBER 4 Quarter 2 Midterm



DECEMBER 6 Woodside Christmas Concert, 2 - 4 PM

**DECEMBER 14** \*School Board Meeting, 6 PM \*Jazz Band at Capital Square

#### **School Hours**

WOODSIDE MIDDLE SCHOOL 7:45 AM - 2:45 PM Wed.: 8:45 AM - 2:45 PM

NOTE: Each Wednesday school begins one hour later for teacher in-service.

**MISSION:** Serving the **Unique Learning Needs of Each & Every Student** 

#### **Principal's Message**

Last weekend, my family and I had the opportunity to attend the 8th grade Pancake Breakfast at the Delaware Fire Station. The yearly Pancake Breakfast allows the 8th grade students a chance to raise money to support a trip to Washington, D.C., later in the spring. My involvement at the breakfast brought back fond memories of myself growing up in small town Iowa. Friendly people, a strong sense of community, and willingness from all to support a common goal was transparent for me that morning.

During my first year as principal of Woodside Middle School, I have

had multiple positive experiences similar to the 8th grade pancake

breakfast. Each of these experiences connects directly to an initial goal I had established for our building during the 2015-16 school

year and beyond. The goal area I am referring to is Involvement of



**Principal Joshua Heyer** 

all stakeholders in the betterment of Woodside. Involvement can best be defined as the act of participating in something. When sharing the building goals with staff at the beginning of the year, I outlined three benchmarks to measure the success of this

- goal. Those benchmarks are:
  - 100% of students are connected to Woodside outside of the school day
  - 100% of staff are connected to Woodside outside of the school day
  - Increase parent involvement in and out of the school day

In order for Woodside to accomplish the first benchmark for this goal, we have worked hard to increase opportunities for students. Opportunities to be connected outside of school that have continued this year include; band, chorus, athletics, student council, mock trial, journalism club, girls group, and robotics. New opportunities this year for students include; SOAR club and drama club. Students have been encouraged to get involved in one or more of these opportunities. Additional after school opportunities may be available to students as more club ideas are brought to the administration's attention.

The second benchmark includes increasing staff involvement at Woodside. As a collective group, we have identified ways to reach this benchmark by volunteering on district committees, attend PTO and school board meetings, coach/supervise an after school team, and attend competitions throughout the year. I am confident we will reach this benchmark through these efforts.

The final benchmark includes parent involvement. With the winter months approaching, Woodside will have multiple opportunities for parents to be involved. Multiple fine arts and athletic competitions will begin soon. We invite you to attend an event and support the Eagles. For a schedule of all competitions, go to the district website at www.saydel.k12.ia.us and take advantage of the upcoming events section. At these events, concession stand workers are always needed. The proceeds generated in the concession stand go toward supporting the Woodside students. If you are interested in helping contact Amanda Stone at stoneamanda@saydel.net.

The drama club recently met to identify the level of student interest. With an overwhelming amount of interest in drama club, community members interested in stage design and costume creation are welcome. If you are interested in being involved in this opportunity, please contact Shannon Zeutenhorst at 515-265-3451.

January 7 is the next Woodside PTO meeting. The PTO is a growing group of stakeholders interested in supporting the Woodside students and staff. A variety of initiatives have already taken place this year and will continue throughout the year with the PTO support. To learn more about PTO, we invite you to attend the next meeting January 7 at 6:30 in the Woodside library.

With an increase in student, staff, and parent involvement, Woodside will continue to grow as a strong middle school in central Iowa. The strong community feel I get when I attend school each day, arrive at an awards banquet, or go to a competition is real. The reason why it is real is because we all share a common goal. We all desire for the 400 students that walk into Woodside to reach their fullest potential. I believe we all can do our part by looking for ways to get involved and allow these students to reach their dreams. Our superintendent, Mr. Wheeler, has reminded me multiple times of his desire for this district to become more than three schools sharing a mascot and common colors. I believe we are well on our way.

### Fifth Graders Are Popping & Preparing!

By Mallory Stubbers, Fifth Grade Teacher

**Science:** Fifth grade students at Woodside Middle School have been learning a lot about scientific inquiry and planning fair, accurate, and repeatable tests in science class the past few weeks.

As part of our current science unit, "What's Poppin'?" students conducted an investigation to answer the question, "What makes popcorn pop?" After learning the answer to this question, students then created



their own procedure and designed an investigation to answer the question, "Which brand of popcorn pops the most kernels?" Students have enjoyed the hands-on approach to learning scientific inquiry and controlling variables, and all the popcorn popping in science class has been a fun [and delicious] bonus! **Social Studies:** Since the beginning of the year, students have been working very hard in social studies preparing for an upcoming field trip to JA Biztown. JA Biztown is sponsored by Junior Achievement of Iowa, and provides real-life application of the Iowa Core financial literacy,

employability skills, and political-science civic responsibility standards. From taxes to check books, students are learning the skills they will need to run their



town, JA Biztown, for one day in November. This muchanticipated field trip is a powerful way for students to begin to understand the complex economy in which they live, and gives them a greater understanding of the skills they will use as they get older. Thank you in advance to all of our parent volunteers who will help with this field trip; without you, it would not be possible!

### EAGLES NEST STUDENTS ENJOY TRIP TO OUR PARADISE PUMPKIN PATCH



Woodside and Cornell Eagles Nest students enjoyed a field trip to Our Pumpkin Paradise in Ankeny recently. The students explored the pumpkin patch and had a great time seeing all the farm animals.

### **Eagles Nest Has Openings**

Eagles Nest has opening at Cornell Elementary and Woodside Midde School from 6 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Cost is \$35 a week for before or after school and \$50 a week for both before and after school. If you are only needing childcare for Wednesday mornings, the cost is \$5 per child. For details, email baileychristine@saydel.net.

Eagles Nest will be offering care over Winter Break. Watch for more details to come soon!



### **2015 Middle School Mock Trial Competition** State of Iowa vs. Ty Tanney



Pictured: Ben Kayser, Noah Walker, Gavin Godwin, Lauren Vance, Mrs. McCauley, Katherine Tylavsky, Caleb Tylavsky, Jada Gruhn, Caleb Welch, Jake Jennings, Samantha Way, Megan Ford, Drew Swank, Nick Aagesen, and Emma Van Zandt.

By Carolyn McCauley, Saydel K-8 ELP Coordinator

On October 26 Woodside students participated in the Iowa Regional Mock Trial Competition at the downtown to Community Choice Credit Union Community Center. They were one of 40 middle school teams competing.

The team received the trial information after Labor Day and met every Tuesday, Thursday, and Sunday for two to three hours learning about courtroom procedures and protocols. Attorney, Molly McPartland volunteered her time and expertise to coach these students. Their time, dedication, and hard work turned them into strong, believable attorneys and witnesses.

Mock trial is designed to introduce students to our legal system by providing a challenging, academic competition. The program offers students an opportunity for personal growth and achievement, emphasizing the importance of research, presentation, and teamwork.

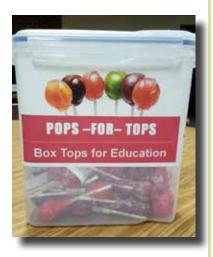
Congratulations to Katherine Tylavsky, Jada Gruhn, and Caleb Welch for being chosen, by the judges, as an "outstanding witness" for their performances. Also to Megan Ford and Nick Aagesen for being chosen as an "outstanding attorney" for their exemplary opening and closing statements.

On November 5, students Samantha Way and Jake Jennings attended the Woodside PTO Meeting to talk about their experience and thank the PTO for providing Mock Trial t-shirts for the team.

## <sup>Box</sup> Tops for Education Pops For Tops

Keep collecting your Box Tops for Education!

Every time a student brings 25 Box Tops in a Ziploc baggie



to the Woodside Office, they will get a Tootsie Pop, courtesy of Woodside PTO. Clips your Box Tops today!

### Saydel Athletic Booster Memberships

Special thanks to the following businesses and individuals who support the Saydel Athletic Boosters through membership.

#### BUSINESS PLATINUM EAGLE Chemorse

Rasmussen Group Walker Construction & Painting Goode Greenhouses Power Systems All Iowa Products Rising Star Wholesale Jason's Lawn & Tree Care Karl Chevrolet A+ Flat Top Concrete Business Tesdell Electric Wee's Tee's

#### BUSINESS GOLD EAGLE Iowa State Bank

Capital City Equipment Affinity Credit Union

**BUSINESS SILVER EAGLE** Baker Group Casey's General Store Telesupport, Ic.

#### INDIVIDUAL GOLD EAGLE

Doug & Lisa Wheeler Kevin & Kelly Schulte Brett Hersom Randy & Joleen Stephenson Rob & Shelli Stephenson R.C. Madison Dorothy Walter Brian & Lori Bowman

INDIVIDUAL SILVER EAGLE Zeke & Colette Philipsen Judy Gustafson

#### STAFF DUAL ATHLETIC & MUSIC MEMBERS

Penny Smith Dia Fenton Sherry Keegan-Bayeur Cheri Tingley Eric Layden Shawn Pavlik Joshua Heyer Linda Reid Melissa Sensor Michael Puffett

### WOODSIDE LIBRARY IS FULL OF ACTIVITY

By Aileen Meyer, Woodside Librarian

The Woodside library is a busy place and full of activity. Some of the highlights this year have been a visit from author Tyler Whitesides and a Scholastic Book Fair. There are several displays in the library showing new titles purchased last year. One displays focuses on non-fiction items that support the curriculum while another display features Iowa Choice Award Winners and popular fiction books for middle school students.

Our Innovation Station is also open and has lots of business. The current challenge at the station is to build an environmentally friendly home or vehicle. A number of students are accepting the challenge and are busy designing and creating projects. The projects will be on display in the library during the next few weeks. Students will be given another challenge at the end of the month.

We are always looking for new materials at our Innovation Station and would appreciate donations of Legos as well as art and building materials.

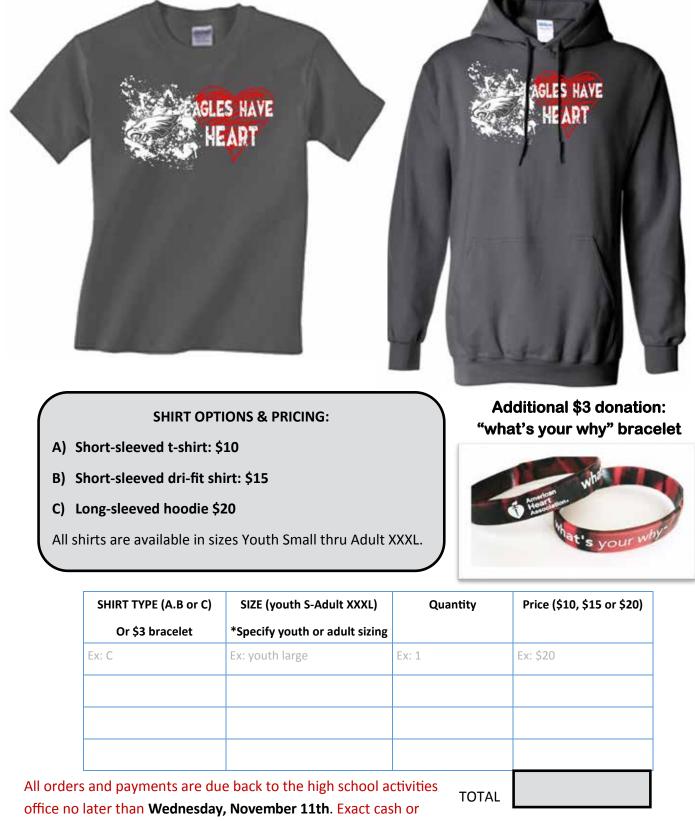


### Middle School Football Team Honors J.D. Elefson

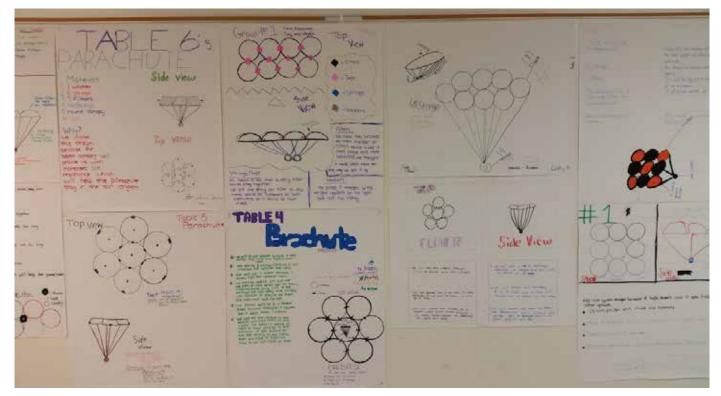
J.D. Elefson, 7th grade Woodside student, receives a plaque from teammates to recognize his contributions to the football team. The football awards ceremony was a great conclusion to a successful 7th and 8th grade football season by all participants.

### Eagles Have Heart : December 8th, 2015

to benefit the American Heart Association & fight the leading cause of death in Iowa.



checks payable to American Heart Association. Contact: sensormelissa@saydel.net



### 8th Graders Conduct Parachute Experiments



By Anne DeLuga, 8th Grade Science Teacher

The 8th grade science students have been working through the science and engineering practices. They recently had a challenge to build the slowest falling parachute. They got to play with the concept to get to know the parachute, conduct an experiment testing one variable that affects the parachutes fall, and share their experiment findings with classmates.

The students were able to learn some science behind parachutes, take what they've learned to design a final product, communicate design ideas through posters and got feedback from peers on that design. Finally, they created the final parachute to be entered into the Parachute Challenge.









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**Applesauce** 

**French toast** 

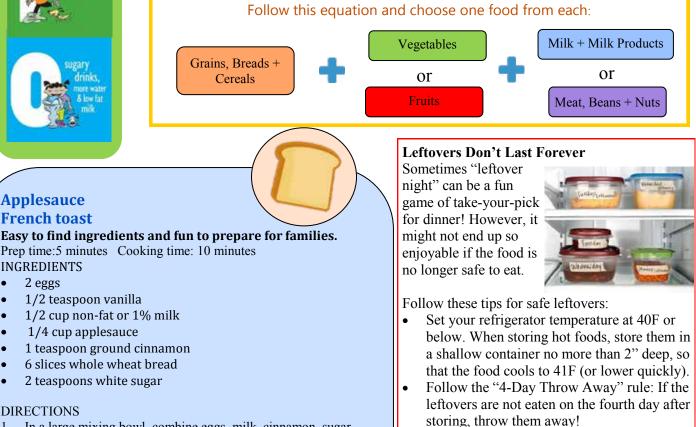
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#### **Breakfast Makes Champions**

Scientific research continues to show that eating breakfast is one simple habit that provides numerous health benefits. A balanced breakfast ensures long-lasting energy and promotes a healthy eating pattern for the whole day. Studies show that people who consume a morning meal tend to eat fewer calories and less saturated fat and cholesterol.

A good breakfast consists of at least three food groups:

- Grains, Breads + cereals- whole wheat bagel, whole grain toast or oatmeal
- Vegetables OR Fruits- Bell peppers, orange slices or grapes
- Milk + Milk Products OR Meat, Beans + Nuts- Low fat or fat free milk, yogurt, breakfast sausage or walnut



• Leave a pean and sticky notes near the fridge. Label leftovers with the date when you prepared them.

Sources: ISU Extension and Outreach Spend Smart. Eat Smart.

#### **INGREDIENTS** 2 eggs

- 1/2 teaspoon vanilla
- 1/2 cup non-fat or 1% milk •
- 1/4 cup applesauce •
- 1 teaspoon ground cinnamon
- 6 slices whole wheat bread
- 2 teaspoons white sugar •

#### DIRECTIONS

- In a large mixing bowl, combine eggs, milk, cinnamon, sugar, 1 vanilla and applesauce. Mix well.
- 2. Soak bread one slice at a time until mixture is slightly absorbed.
- 3. Lightly spray or oil a skillet or griddle. Cook over medium heat until golden brown on both sides.
- 4. Serve hot.

### Update on The 7th Grade Here's What's Happening!

#### By Deb Christian & Hillary Parsons, 7th Grade Team

ere are some updates about what 7th grade students are currently learning in their core classes. Please feel free to contact any of the 7th grade teachers for more information.

**Math:** Students continue working with ratio's, and constant of proportionality. Next, students are taking this to the next level and working on scale. Students will learn how to compute an actual size to an enlargement or a reduction. This week students will be designing their "dream" bedroom and using scale to design it to fit within the dimensions of their room.

**Literacy:** In literacy, students are finishing up *The Castle Diary*. Next, students will be comparing with non-fiction. They will be reading *The Unicorn Tapestries, "The Unicorn is Attacked"*, and *The Midwife's Apprentice* by Karen Cushman. The Midwife's Apprentice is about a young homeless girl who becomes a midwife's apprentice, hoping to find her place in the world.

**Science:** Animals and how they communicate is what 7th grade students are learning about in science class. Thus far, students have viewed videos on dolphins, bees, and several other animals in order to observe their communication. The students are learning that through sounds, gestures and contact, animals communicate with not only their own species, but others as well.

**Global Studies:** Students just finished a Latin American Unit which had the students focusing on researching a country and making a travel brochure for that country. Students designed a travel brochure to entice travelers to visit their country. Next, students will learn how to adapt to living in the Sahara or Sahel Deserts. The Sahara and the Sahel are the hottest deserts in the world.

### Spook Run Fun at Saydel



The Saydel Spook Run took place October 31. It was a fun event where runners dressed up in their favorite costumes and ran either a 1 mile race or a 5K road race through the Saydel neighborhood. Thanks to all who participated and volunteered!

### First Lego League: Trash Trek

By Annie Gallaher, 7th Grade Math

t is crazy to imagine that we are already over half way through the First Lego League (FLL) season! Our students have been very busy preparing their robots and their projects.

For those of you not familiar with FLL, let me explain the basics. Students work in teams of 10 to accomplish two tasks. The first task is the robot component. Students must program a robot to complete various challenges or missions on the field. The missions range from simple to complex, such as, moving a Lego person to a specific location on the field to knocking down a tower and sorting the parts that fall. The second task is the project component. This year's theme is Trash Trek, which means students must identify a problem in the way we make or handle trash and design an innovative solution to that problem.

There has been a lot of excitement for Lego League this year and we were able to have three teams of students. Two of the teams meet on Sunday afternoons, and one team meets Mondays after school. There is just a little over a month left to put all the finishing touches on the projects and to keep programming the robots for the missions the teams select. All teams will be competing on December 5.

Two of the teams will compete at the Marshalltown Community College and the other team will be competing at Clarke High School in Osceola. Competitions are open to the public, and all are welcome to attend.

#### **Saydel Community School Food Services**

#### National School Lunch Week 2015



Saydel Community School District recognized National School Lunch Week from October 12-16, 2015. Events were held in all 3 schools throughout the week. Thank you to everyone who came and ate with a child at on Wednesday for "Bring an adult to school lunch and eat school lunch!" Thank you to our special guest from Saylor Township Fire Department who came and helped serve in our kitchen. The week was finalized with the announcement of the Sony camera winner. Allie May, 8<sup>th</sup> grade student, won the Sony camera at Woodside Middle School. The winner was randomly chosen from those who ate a school lunch during National School Lunch Week.



Two students, Katherine Tylavsky (pictured left) and Maci Lowe (right), from Woodside Middle got to enjoy a day trip to Jester Park Lodge and attended the Super Power Summit workshop that promoted an active lifestyle and choosing healthy food options. A morning snack and lunch were provided by Des Moines Public and schools that attended had the opportunity to apply for a \$500 sub-grant.



**Reminder:** Reduced or paid students will receive phone calls if an account balance is below \$3.00. Negative balance phone calls go out to all students; Free, Reduced and Paid. Please use these as a friendly reminder as we work hard to keep all accounts current.

#### Foodservice Office:

Visit <u>www.saydel.k12.ia.us</u> for menus and more information Email: sadlerjessy@saydel.net Phone: 515.264.0866 Fax: 515.264.0869 Follow us on Twitter: @saydeldining

#### Build a Healthy Lunch





### MONTANA MIKE'S STEAKHOUSE for sponsoring the Woodside Middle School STUDENTS OF THE MONTH



During the Woodside Assembly October 30, Principal Joshua Heyer congratulated the many students nominated for the honor of Student of the Month. Students were nominated as recognition for displaying behavior that is reflective of the "Eagle Way" and following the SOAR expectations.

The students names that were drawn to be Students of the Month are listed to the right. Pictured are the September winners enjoying lunch courtesy of Montana Mike's.

The students who were nominated for Student of the Month for September included:

- Paige Pinegar Jaxen Jeffries Karlee Nelson Dakota Ellsworth Trent Foster Jacob Hobbs Katy Van Houten Justis Stephens Luke Vitiritto
- Natalya Wheeler Alana Banner Ryley Pecina Jaxen Jeffries Kyrah Strickler Dakota Worthington Phillip Booth Alivia Brooks Lizeth Contreras

Watch for the October nominees and winners of Student of the Month in the December Woodside Middle School newsletter.



**SEPTEMBER Students of the Month** 8th Grade: Karlee Nelsen & Jaxen Jeffries 7th Grade: Alana Banner & Paige Pinegar 6th Grade: Trent Foster & Phillip Booth 5th Grade: Kyrah Strickler & Katy Van Houten



### Pancake Breakfast Helps Raise Funds for 8th Graders Headed to Washington, D.C.



By Doug Cline, 8th Grade Instructor: U.S. History/Civics

The 8th grade class from Woodside Middle School (Saydel) held a Pancake Breakfast on October 31 to raise funds for their June 2016 trip to Gettysburg and Washington D.C. This trip is very important for the kids to learn about the history of the United States. They greatly appreciate the support of everyone who attended. This event was hosted by the Delaware Township Fire Department at 3992 NE Broadway Ave.

There will be 74 students and chaperons traveling to Washington, D.C., from June 4 - June 9, 2016.



Thank you to everyone for their hard work and donations of time, money, and food stuff. If anyone wishes to donate to the general expense, they may send a check to: Ema Smaldone c/o Star Destinations P.O. Box 456, Carroll, IA 51401

Place the following on the "memo" line: WMS General Fund #16080. This will be divided equally among the students who are going.

If you have a specific child you know is going and wish to sponsor them, just replace "General Fund" with their name.

The final numbers for the 3rd Annual Pancake Breakfast for the 8th grade trip were: \* Number of students 47 (out of 51) \* Food totals (includes bake sale and meals) \$3,988.50 \* Silent Auction \$1,114.00 Total \$5,102.50 profit per student = \$108.56 (with 18 cents to spare)



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# **Red Ribbon Week**



N ational Family Partnership (NFP) Sponsors Red Ribbon Week Activities each year. Red Ribbon week is observed at schools across the country. The Red Ribbon campaign began almost 30 years ago after a US Drug Enforcement Administrator, Enrique (Kiki) Camarena, was kidnapped and tortured. In honor of his courage in the battle against drugs, friends and neighbors began to wear red ribbons. The NFP sponsored the first National Red Ribbon Celebration to promote drug prevention. This year's theme was "respect yourself." Alyssa Reichelt, from the American Lung Association, gave a tobacco use education and prevention presentation on the facts about current tobacco products, including electronic smoking devices and the health effects of tobacco use.







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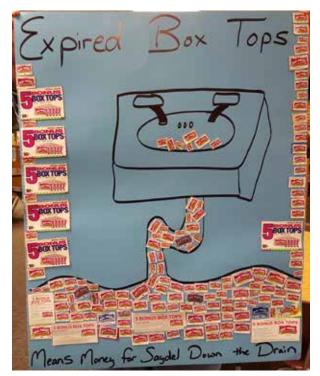
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### **News & Events from Woodside PTO**

By Amanda Stone, Woodside PTO Vice President

We just had our last meeting of the 2015 year, but you can see us again on January 7, 2016, at 6:30 p.m. in the Woodside Library for our next meeting!

A few exciting things have been happening. Our October Box Tops Challenge netted us around \$200 in Box Tops to send in -- WOW! We are starting a new challenge with winners being drawn on December 18, so keep those Box Tops coming in! Please bring them in baggies of 25 and don't forget to check the dates. Expired box tops have to be thrown away.



Special thanks to the following businesses that have donated giveaways that will be used for Box Tops Competitions: Fridley Theatres, Chili's, Cost Cutters, Pizza Ranch, Medicap Pharmacy and Plaza Lanes. The PTO provided t-shirts to our Mock Trial students and we are working on getting sizes to give a t-shirt to all our students! What a great way to show Woodside and Saydel Pride!

We helped volunteer during the 2nd Annual Saydel Spook Run and our portion of the Spook Run proceeds will be around \$115.

The PTO provided a conference meal to the teachers, and the donations were wonderful!

The fundraiser pickup went well and preliminary amounts look like we did as well or better than last year. Thank you to all the students who participated and all the parents and community members who supported the fundraiser!

Please welcome Melissa Smith as our new Woodside PTO Treasurer. We are so excited to have her as part of the group!

During our down time, you can still find us working at the concession stand. Our next dates will be this weekend for the 5/6 and 7/8 grade dances. Walking tacos will be our feature food item! None of these things mentioned could happen without the people who support our PTO. A huge thank you to you all!

The **2015-16 PTO Board** members are: Julie Jennings - **President** Amanda Stone - **Vice President** Melissa Smith - **Treasurer** Connie Tague - **Secretary** Sandy Barton - **Box Tops Coordinator** Linda Ford - **Conference Meals Coordinator** Amanda Kouski - **Fundraiser Coordinator** Open Position - **Concession Stand Coordinator** 



### MASQUERADE ....

The Middle School Masquerade Dance sponsored by Woodside Student Council will be held in the cafeteria.

FRIDAY, NOV. 13 is the 5th & 6th Grade Dance, 6 - 8 PM SATURDAY, NOV. 14 is the 7th & 8th Grade Dance, 7 - 9 PM

- The entrance fee is \$0 (zero).
- Students can wear their own mask or purchase one for \$1 at the dance.
- Students do not need a mask to come to the dance.
- PTO will have the concession stand open.
- There will be optional pictures, \$3 for individual pictures & \$5 for group pictures.
- Students will NOT be allowed to leave the dance and re-enter. (Parents will be called.)
- Parents need to come into the building to get their child after the dance.

### Woodside PTO - Shirt Order Form

Woodside PTO will be providing each student with a T-shirt **free of charge** for the 2015-16 school year. If you would like to buy additional t-shirts, long-sleeve t-shirts, or sweatshirts/ hoodies for your student(s) or family members please fill in the order form below and return it to school with payment by **December 1, 2015.** Please make checks payable to Woodside PTO.



	<b>ENTER NUMBER OF SHIRTS DESIRED PER TYPE/SIZE</b> Above logo will be on the front of the shirt. Shirt will be grey.									# OR- DERED TIMES PRICE	
Shirt Type	Youth Sm	Youth Med	Youth Large	Youth XL	Adult Small	Adult Med	Adult Large	Adult XL	Adult XXL	Adult XXXL	Total Dollar Amount
T-shirt - \$10											
Long Sleeve T- shirt - \$15											
Sweatshirt - \$20											
Hoodie- \$25											

#### Total Amount Due:\_\_\_\_\_

Name:					
Address:					
Phone:	Email:				
Child(s) Homeroom/Skill Building Teacher:					
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#### SAYDEL COMMUNITY SCHOOLS

### School Emergency Closing Information 2015-2016 School Year

#### **Emergency Closing Notes:**

- ✓ For AM Delays, Eagles Nest delays from its original start time
- ✓ For PM early release, Eagles Nest will be open one hour after school dismisses
- ✓ If there is a delay, AM preschool will be cancelled
- ✓ Check the school website for information on practices and events for your child

#### 1-Hour Delay Start Times

- $\Rightarrow$  Cornell 9:35
- $\Rightarrow$  Woodside 8:45
- $\Rightarrow$  HS 8:45
- $\Rightarrow$  Eagles Nest 7:00

#### 2-Hour Delay Start Times

- $\Rightarrow$  Cornell 10:35
- $\Rightarrow$  Woodside 9:45
- $\Rightarrow$  HS 9:45
- $\Rightarrow$  Eagles Nest 8:00

### Automatic e-mail / text alerts available from:

www.kcci.com www.whotv.com www.woi-tv.com

### Emergency closing information will be communicated through the following:

1. School Messenger (voice & e-mail) by 6:00 the day of a closing

- 2. District Website
- 3. www.facebook.com/saydelcsd
- 4. www.twitter.com/saydelcsd

#### We Notify the Following Television, Radio and Internet News Stations for Emergency Announcements:

WHO Channel 13 KCCI Channel 8 KDSM Fox 17 KCWI Channel 23.1 WOI Channel 5 Kiss 107.5 WHO 1040 Radio The Bus 100.3 Alt 106.3 KXNO 1460 13Now Smartphone App The Des Moines Register

Please note: While these sites allow us to communicate delays and cancellations, we are not able to provide details through these services. The most detailed information regarding how delays and cancellations affect events, practices, meetings etc. can be found on our website and school messenger broadcasts

#### Woodside Staff Highlight: Jerry Young

Name: Jerry Young

Position at Woodside: 6th Grade General Music

Family: "I have two brothers and one sister. We're all pretty musical."

**Previous work/college experience:** *"I went to UNI and Cincinnati. I played professionally before starting my teaching career."* 

**One thing you have enjoyed about working at Woodside:** *"The staff has been very supportive."* 

**One thing you did not realize about Saydel before starting this position:** *"I didn't know how strong the musical tradition was at Saydel."* 

**One thing you want others in the community to know about Woodside:** *"The students are really involved in the school beyond the classroom."* 



### Saydel To Begin Text Messaging

Saydel Schools is adding the ability to send text messages to its parent and guardian notification system. We will be releasing this feature soon. To begin the process, send the word "Yes" in a text message to the number 68453 so we have record that you would like to receive text messages on your cell phone from Saydel's parent notification system, SchoolMessenger.

### Saydel Gear Orders

Want to order Saydel gear for holiday gifts? You can place orders by calling Jennifer McKee at 515-250-9276 or email mckeejennifer@saydel.net. Order forms will also go out in the Eagle Express! These are great gift ideas!

#### SAYDEL BOARD OF EDUCATION

Brian Bowman, Board President Jenn Van Houten, Vice-President Melissa Sassman, Board of Director Henry Wood, Board of Director Chad Vitiritto, Board of Director Doug Kayser, Board of Director Roland Kouski, Jr., Board of Director

Superintendent: Mr. Douglas Wheeler Board Secretary: Beth Vitiritto



School Board meetings are held at the Saydel District Office on the second Monday of each month at 6PM

#### EDUCATION FOR LEADERSHIP; LEARNING FOR LIFE

Woodside Middle School 5810 NE 14th Street Des Moines, IA 50313 515-265-3451

We're on the Web: www.saydel.k12.ia.us

It is the policy of the Saydel Community School District not to illegally discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, disability, religion, creed, age (for employment), marital status (for programs), sexual orientation, gender identity and socioeconomic status (for programs) in its educational programs and its employment practices. There is a grievance procedure for processing complaints of discrimination.

If you have questions or a grievance related to this policy, please contact the district's Equity Coordinator, Julie McKibben, Director of Student Services, 5740 NE 14th Street. Des Moines, IA 50313; mckibbenjulie@saydel.net. Office for Civil Rights, Citigroup Center, 500 W. Madison Street, Suite 1475, Chicago, IL 60661.