

# *County Line Connection*

**“CARING, SHARING AND LEARNING...  
FOR LIFE”**

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## **May Calendar**

- 3<sup>rd</sup> Teacher Appreciation Week; Dare Make-up; Writers' Circle 1<sup>ST</sup>
- 4<sup>th</sup> Public Librarian Visit; Staff Meeting @ 4PM; ***PTA Meeting at 6:30PM at THE BARLEY POP***
- 5<sup>th</sup> Student Recognition Ceremony; Popcorn Day
- 6<sup>th</sup> PTA Teacher Appreciation Breakfast
- 7<sup>th</sup> Early Release Day at 12:20PM; KF Mother's Day Celebration
- 10<sup>th</sup> Marathon Begins; PTA Robert's Custard Booster Night; Market Day Paper Orders Due
- 12<sup>th</sup> Kindergarten Field Trip to First Stage
- 13<sup>th</sup> First Grade Field Trip to First Stage; Third Grade Field Trip to Symphony & Art Museum;  
PTA Teacher Appreciation Lunch; Kindergarten Screening; Market Day Online Orders Due
- 14<sup>th</sup> County Line Fun Day – “PJ Day”; No School for Kindergarten ONLY; Kindergarten Screening; DARE;  
3E Field Trip to Latitudes
- 17<sup>th</sup> Market Day Pick Up 3:30-4:30 in Library (park in playground parking lot if arriving before 4PM);  
Robert's Frozen Custard Booster Night for Destination Imagination, 5:30 to Close
- 20<sup>th</sup> PTA Teacher Appreciation Appetizer Lunch
- 21<sup>st</sup> Marathon Ends; DARE; PTA Spring Carnival
- 24<sup>th</sup> Marathon Makeup
- 25<sup>th</sup> Marathon Makeup
- 26<sup>th</sup> Second Grade SAC Assembly
- 27<sup>th</sup> PTA Teacher Appreciation Dessert Lunch
- 31<sup>st</sup> Memorial Day – No School

## **From the Principal's Desk.....**

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Happy Spring! It is hard to believe how fast this school year is going. We have a lot of work yet to be done☺ Class list development is underway. We received many forms with parents giving us helpful information about their child. As was stated on the form, teacher requests make our job more difficult. We make not promises that if you included a specific teacher name that is where your child will be placed. This is the most complicated task and we spend hours on it. Class lists will be posted at Form Night in August.

Healthy eating is a focus we have in our lunchroom. Please do not send carbonated beverages to school for lunch or snack. Thank you for your help in supporting healthy choices in our school lunch.

Congratulations to our DI team 7 Spinning Martians! The team is heading to Globals in Knoxville, TN at the end of May. Please look for their special section in this edition of the Connection for more information on how you can support their trip to Globals.

At the April 26<sup>th</sup> Board Meeting, we received Board approval to bring a wonderful learning opportunity to future 5<sup>th</sup> graders. Starting in the 2010-2011 school year, our 5<sup>th</sup> graders will be going overnight camping. To prepare for this event starting next year, our current 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> graders are selling Marcus Movie gift certificates and discounted tickets. The sale goes from May 5<sup>th</sup>-21<sup>st</sup>. If you are interested in purchasing any of these items, please stop by the office and place your order.

As of this letter, our classroom teachers for the 2010-2011 are as follows:

Kindergarten: Mrs. Beaudet, Mrs. Fricano, Mrs. Johnson

First Grade: Ms. Bussiere, Mrs. Siefkes, Mrs. Wenzel

Second Grade: Mrs. Blessing, Mrs. Karrels, Mrs. Kitzinger, Mrs. Obst

Third Grade: Mr. Endlich, Mrs. Johansen, Mrs. Nodolf, Mrs. Stetter

Fourth Grade: Mrs. Hasslinger, Mrs. Klumb, Mr. Wogor, Mrs. Zettel

Fifth Grade: Mr. Bauer, Mrs. Cyrzan, Mrs. Ernster, Miss Wick

I hope to see you at our Carnival on May 21<sup>st</sup>.

If I can be of assistance in helping you with your child, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,  
Cathy Schultz

### **The President's Corner...**

May 2010 is upon us; as we attend to yard work, spring and summer sports activities, and continued school work. It has been an excellent school year, with numerous fun and exciting school activities as well as fond memories. With only one month to go, let's all stay focused and finish the year as strong as it was started.

The April PTA meeting took place on April 13<sup>th</sup>, and had quite a large agenda. We had an update from the Market Day Committee along with a representative from Schwan's Food Service that provided some information regarding their products. Through discussion, it was determined by the committee that Schwan's presents an excellent product line along with excellent service that can improve pick up hours at the school, as well as an increase in monetary return to the PTA. Thus, starting in Fall 2010, Schwan's will be the vendor we will use for our fundraising food service. We had a guest speaker, Author Reji Leberge, who provided a brief sample of her work. And lastly, we had an update regarding the Spring Carnival.

The Spring Carnival will take place on Friday May 21<sup>st</sup>. Information has already started to be sent home with your child regarding this, and more is to come. This event appears to have the makings of a GREAT TIME. Naturally, volunteers are going to be needed, so please be willing to help at some point in the evening to help make this event a success. Thank you to all those who are working hard to plan this event, especially Kathy and Tamara!

In a plea of help, I am bound to ask each and every one of you for assistance. The PTA board, as well as many committees, have openings for next school year, with some of the activities beginning just prior to the start of school in August. Please consider one of these positions for next year. Please contact me at [younger85@hotmail.com](mailto:younger85@hotmail.com) or 262-689-6791 if you are interested. Without these committees, several events and fundraising kickback ventures will not be able to continue. Thank you to everyone currently assisting our school!

With that being said, enjoy May, as June is sure to follow. With June, we all know what is next....SUMMER BREAK!!! Take Care!

Warmest regards,

Shad Young  
PTA President

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262-689-6791

## 7 Spinning Space Martians

**Who** are they? 5<sup>th</sup> graders: Jordan Fierst, David Schultz  
4<sup>th</sup> graders: Nathan Mohar, Gavin Rangel, Katy Pavon  
3<sup>rd</sup> graders: Payton Wolf, Claire Chmielewski

**What** are they doing? **Destination Imagination** – the world’s only creative problem solving program. The team has qualified for the Global Finals Tournament in Knoxville, TN. This is an international opportunity!

**Where:** University of Tennessee in Knoxville.

**When** are they going? End of May – not much time to raise \$350.00 per child to cover the cost of transportation, room, board and the tournament fee.

**Why** do they want help? To cover the cost of transportation, room, board and the tournament fee.

**How can I help?** In several ways! Any dollar raised through these fund raising activities will go directly towards the above listed expenses.

### **Ways to help:**

- Destination Imagination Booster Night at Roberts Frozen Custard: **Monday, May 17<sup>th</sup> 5:30-close.**
- Popsicle Sales at lunch time on **May 6<sup>th</sup>, 14<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup>**. Bring 50 cents for each popsicle you would like to purchase and enjoy your tasty treat!
- Bake Sale: donate baked goods, individually wrapped and priced from 25 cents to \$2.00. Baked goods can be dropped off in Mr. E’s classroom on **Thursday, May 29<sup>th</sup>**. Bake sale will be held Thursday evening the 29<sup>th</sup> after the First Grade concert! First grade families – please bring money to purchase yummy treats!
- \$1.00 – Hats off to our DI team!! Students can pay \$1.00 (collection envelopes are in each classroom) and wear a hat to school on **Friday, May 7<sup>th</sup>**. Hats must be school appropriate.
- Purchase Marcus Movie Passes – a great gift for Mother’s or Father’s Day! County Line students will be selling passes and proceeds will benefit our team! (Mrs. Schultz has a system for proceeds going to DI and the 5<sup>th</sup> grade camp field trip)
- Just donate! Checks can be made out to Germantown DI and are tax deductible. Send to school with your child, in an envelope marked DI, Mr. Endlich!

## Market Day

At last month's PTA meeting, it was decided to change from Market Day to Schwan's. We will have 2 more Market Day sales to finish the school year and begin with Schwan's in August. In a nutshell, our school will make more profit, plus the Schwan's truck will remain in the school parking lot for a more pleasing length of time to be more accessible to our school families as well as any neighbors. Watch for more details, as well as a current catalog that will be coming home with your child before the end of the school year.

Our sale for March yielded \$143.65 for a school year total of \$2869.04. Our April sale will be held on Monday, May 17th in the library from 3:30-4:30. If you arrive on the early side of the sale, please park on the playground. After 4:00, you may access the back parking lot.

Order cut off times are as follows:

Paper orders in by Monday, May 10

Online orders by May 13 @ 11 PM CST

### **Third Grade News**

The third graders are busy discovering and thinking. We are working on our science fair projects and we are becoming very good observers. After finding a question to answer, we are busy using the scientific method. We will display our projects and have a scavenger hunt to find out what our classmates learned as well.

The third graders are motivated to use our writing skills because we make it purposeful, challenging, and real – to – life. To make our writing authentic we have been writing to the third graders at MacArthur. We will get to meet our Pen Pals in June as a culminating activity. Other classrooms are connecting the Flat Stanley book to a writing journal. The adventures with Flat Stanley are truly fun to read.

We began our science unit titled “What’s for Lunch?” by going to the Children’s Health Education Center. We became “food” and journeyed through the digestive system to learn how food changes and moves.

Our Social Studies unit is about People and Citizenship. Learning about how we elect national, state, and local leaders who make decisions about how to best govern our communities is very interesting. We will also learn about our national capital and the history behind Washington D.C.

The third grade parents have been very supportive and helpful all year and we would like to thank our parents for a great year. Our kids are very fortunate to have such caring parents.

### **Chess Club**

Do you know how to play chess? Are you available from 12:45 to 1:15? County Line would like to start a Chess Club for the fourth and fifth graders during their recess time. If you are interested in helping out, please contact Cathy Schultz for more information. Thanks!!

### **Second Grade News**

We have been very busy in 2<sup>nd</sup> grade.

We have been working on double digit addition and subtraction with/without trading. Our most recent topic in math is fractions. In science we have finished our dinosaur unit, and our next unit is on light and color.

We will be talking about oceans since our last basal story is about Ibis, the whale. We also learned about oceans when we studied habitats. We are really looking forward to our all school field trip to see the Disney movie “Oceans”.

Second Grade Teachers

### **PTA MAY MEETING LOCATION**

Please be informed, the meeting location for Tuesday May 4th has been changed to The Barley Pop Pub on Main Street in Germantown. The meeting will, as always, begin promptly at 6:30. Please enter off the Main Street entrance and proceed past the bar area. Some refreshments including pizza will be provided. Please join us for the last meeting of the year as we celebrate another great year.

## **PTA Membership**

The PTA is once again encouraging all of our staff and families to become members. Joining the PTA is a great way to make a difference in your child(ren)'s education. Your membership helps out in a number of ways at County Line, by providing programs that benefit all of our children, such as the Scholastic Book Fairs, various Family Fun Nights, the Publishing Center, just to name a few. We know that busy schedules are the norm, so you decide how active you would like to be. There are a number of different ways to show your support, such as volunteering, baking, or sending in supplies.

Actually, just by becoming a member, you are helping out. Also, with your membership, you will receive a free, updated County Line Directory, so you will have names and numbers (of Susie's best friend from class, whose last name she can not remember) right at your fingertips! We would once again love to shoot for 100% participation this year, so come join us and send in your PTA envelope provided in your summer packets, along with \$10.00 for a single, or \$18.00 for a double membership.

For those of you who would like to join us, PTA meetings will be held on the first Tuesday of each month (with a few exceptions), at 6:30pm in the school library. Watch for monthly reminders.

-Dawn Fulton and Susan Mahnke  
Membership Committee

## **REFLECTIONS**

Your invited to "Beauty Is..." Art Show at the Germantown Library for all the children who participated in Reflections in our school district from elementary to high school. Come and appreciate all the hard work the children put into their projects whether it was art, literature, music, dance or film. There will be a local judging taking place for all Reflections entries. Invite your friends and family to view "beauty" through a child's eyes.

What: "Beauty Is..." Reflections Art Show  
Where: Germantown Public Library  
Dates: June 4, Friday from 4:00 to 7:00  
June 5, Saturday from 9:00 to 4:00

Our Reflections theme for 2010-2011 is "Together We Can". Encourage your child to start thinking about or starting a project over summer break for this fall's Reflections! Please visit the website <http://www.wisconsinpta.org/pages/reflectionswinners.cfm> for State winners and more information or call Robin Sherman at 262-253-1041 or email [mrsherman5@yahoo.com](mailto:mrsherman5@yahoo.com).

## **Stock up for summer...with SCRIP**

Be prepared this summer for birthdays, graduations, weddings, family fun, dinner out, etc. -- plan now and rest easy later! When you purchase gift cards through County Line PTA's SCRIP program, it's a win-win situation. You pay face value for popular vendor cards, as you would when purchasing them elsewhere, plus County Line PTA benefits. For example, you purchase one \$50 Applebee's Gift Card by writing your check to County Line PTA for \$50. PTA will purchase your gift card at 10% less for a cost of \$45. You receive a \$50 Applebee's Gift Card. The 10% or \$5 "profit" is placed in PTA funds to support various programs benefiting the students at County Line all year long. Such an easy fundraiser!!! Please support County Line PTA and buy your gift cards through our SCRIP program.

Simply return your SCRIP order to school in an envelope marked "SCRIP Order" no later than Thursday, May 20th. All necessary forms can be found online, including the order form and a complete listing of participating vendors. (PTA web site: <http://www.teacherweb.com/WI/CountyLine/PTA/>) Orders will come home with your child on or before June 1, 2010.

## Remember...

- Checks must be made payable to County Line PTA.
- Unlike traditional Kohl's gift cards, those purchased through SCRIP may be used to pay your Kohl's bill.
- Sendik's Food Market gift cards are available as a "write-in" on your order form in \$50 denominations.

## GIRL SCOUT NEWS

We have two more All School Events taking place this year. There is no cost for either of these projects, and is a great way for the girls to volunteer their time.

SATURDAY, MAY 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2010

### **Germantown Park and Rec Clean Up**

Meet at Kinderberg Park

9:00AM to Noon

Volunteer Lunch to be held at 12:30PM at Kinderberg Park. All volunteers welcome.

FRIDAY, JUNE 4<sup>th</sup>, 2010

### **Relay for Life**

Germantown High School

6PM to 10PM (do not have to stay the entire time)

We will once again help the Relay for Life with their Lumenaria Ceremony. Our Girl Scouts will sell the lumenaries, help decorate some of the bags, and place the bags around the Germantown High School track. Girls will receive a participation patch.

If you wish to participate in either event, please send an email to [hehagen@sbcglobal.net](mailto:hehagen@sbcglobal.net), with your daughter's name, grade, and which activity she will participate in (or both!!) by May 10<sup>th</sup>, 2010. Hope to see you there!!

## Campbell's Soups Labels

Please remember to save your UPC codes from Campbell's products and send them to school with your children. There is a Campbell's collection envelope in each classroom. **Please only send the UPC code for Campbell Soup products** – not the whole label. And for V8 vegetable & fruit juices, just send in the lid. In addition to many Campbell's soups and juices, UPC codes can also be obtained off Market Day products, Pepperidge Farm products, Swanson products Spaghetti O's and Prego Sauces.

For more information, log on to [www.labelsforeducation.com](http://www.labelsforeducation.com) for a complete list of products, or e-mail Mary Schmidt at [mary-rob@wi.rr.com](mailto:mary-rob@wi.rr.com) with any questions. Together with Campbell's, we can acquire free merchandise for our school, such as: computers, audio/visual equipment, physical education equipment, reference books and musical instruments.

-Mary Schmidt, Campbell's Campaign chair

## **GENERAL MILLS BOXTOPS 4 EDUCATION**

As the new school year begins, collecting box tops to earn money for the County Line School is back. Please turn your clipped box tops, with your name and classroom code on the back, into your classroom collection container. We earn 10 cents for each box top.

Weekly prize drawings will continue this school year. The more box tops you submit, the greater your chance to win a prize. Thank you for your continued support! Your box tops do make a difference for our school.

### **Tyson Project A+ 1,2,3**

Please continue to clip and turn in your Tyson 1,2,3 labels for cash. Our school earns 25 cents for each label or pull strip from Tyson products. Turn them into your child's classroom, along with box tops. Be sure to include the entire box label or entire pull strip from frozen bag items. Thank you for your continued support!

If you would like to be included in our next County Line Connection, please send articles to Holly Hagen at [hehagen@sbcglobal.net](mailto:hehagen@sbcglobal.net) by May 25<sup>th</sup>, 2010.