



The News you need to know
from your
Fox River Grove PTO!

OCTOBER 2015

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OCTOBER Highlights:

- PTO Lottery brings in nearly \$17,000!
- PTO helps support enhancements to social-emotional learning program
- New China fundraiser & coloring contest
- NEW - Schwan's Food fundraiser

"Integrity is doing the right thing,
even when no one is watching."

--C.S. Lewis

OCTOBER

- 25** 5th Grade Outing – Movie Matinee
- 28** New China fundraiser 4-8 p.m.
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NOVEMBER

- 1** Schwan's fundraiser begins (ends through Dec. 16)
- 6** PTO Lottery Drawing
- 10** PTO Meeting 3:30 p.m. ARS Library
- 22** Holiday Boutique 10 am - 4 pm @ ARS
- 23** Holiday Boutique 3-7 pm @ ARS

THANK YOU to Angel Nollett for volunteering to Chair the **Middle School Book Fair**, which is planned for **December 8-10**. Anyone who wishes to shadow/join her to learn more about the process is welcome at any time! Please contact Angel at angela@nollett.net if you are interested. Look for more info about the Book Fair next month!

Congrats to Paige Lord who won a \$20 gift card to the CARY ALE HOUSE at our Oct. PTO meeting! Thank you Cary Ale House for the generous donation! Various gift cards raffled off at every meeting!

After School Program coming in November & December... **YOGA!**

Our Dairy Queen Fundraiser raised **\$150** for our PTO! Thank you to all who enjoyed a sweet treat to support us!

Unfortunately, the "Art to Remember" fundraiser will not happen this fall due to curriculum changes. With the reduction of art class time, there is not enough time to complete the projects by October. Possible spring Art to Remember fundraiser is TBD.

From the PTO Board...

A HUGE thank you to everyone who participated in the **Lottery Fundraiser** this year!

We raised \$16,950!

Congratulations to the top seller and his hard work - **Michael Romozzi**, 3rd Grade Mrs. Beebe's class - with **73 tickets sold!** He chose the **Samsung Galaxy Tablet** as his prize!

CONGRATULATIONS to the following top sellers for their hard work and dedication:

1. 2nd Grader - **Lilly Dimmick** - 60 tickets sold - earns the \$25 Gift Card to Village Pizza Pub
2. 4th Grader - **Declan Lord** - 43 tickets sold - earns the Brunswick Bowling/Arcade prize
3. Kindergartener - **Jordan Duffy** - 40 tickets sold - earns 5 jump passes to Pump it Up
4. 5th Grader - **Ariel Skof** - 26 tickets sold - earns Mega Trampoline jump passes
5. 1st Grader - **Lena Brennan** - 24 tickets sold - earns the Hotel Package
6. 3rd Grader - **Savannah James** - 21 tickets sold - earns the Colonial Cafe Gift Card

The two top selling STAFF MEMBERS who won the drawing are MRS. BEEBE and MRS. SMIALEK! They both will receive a **BRUNCH CAFE** gift certificate!

CONGRATS TO OUR OCTOBER WINNERS:

\$25 winner - The GERSTUNG FAMILY - ticket sold by BROOK GERSTUNG

\$25 winner - STEPHANIE STOLZ - ticket sold by ZACH STOLZ

\$50 winner - ERIKA SPIES - ticket sold by LUKAS SPIES

\$50 winner - ERIKA SPIES - her ticket was pulled TWICE! \$100 total

\$100 winner - SANDY FIANTAGO - ticket sold by ETHAN LORD

\$100 winner - AMY DIXON-KOLAR - ticket sold by MARTA DIXON-KOLAR

~ NEW PTO POLICY regarding uncleared transactions at the bank (uncashed checks) ~

As part of our efforts to promote and maintain financial responsibility, the PTO has instituted a new policy regarding checks issued by the PTO. At their October 6, 2015 meeting, the Fox River Grove PTO Board voted unanimously to institute the following policy regarding checks written by the PTO, effective immediately:

- Any check written on or before December 31, 2014 shall be null and voided.
- Checks written from January 1, 2015 until present will have until December 31, 2015 to be cashed.
- As of January 1, 2016 all checks will have 90 days from the date printed on the check to be cashed.

NEW



FRG PTO partners with the Fox River Grove Rec Council and School District 3 in supporting enhancements to *social emotional learning* program...

As part of Fox River Grove School District 3 PBIS and RtI initiative for social emotional learning, we will be enhancing our middle school curriculum with additional resources from a local community agency. In addition to the Second Step lessons all students are receiving in the classroom, we have partnered with Cjay Harmer of Pioneer Center for Human Services to bring classroom based presentations on bullying and relational issues.

Mr. Harmer is a Prevention Specialist and an expert in the field, who we have been fortunate to have in our district for the past two years. He has a booming presence and creates a positive, upbeat atmosphere that makes students feel comfortable to share experiences and break through social barriers. As we move into the school year we will be working with Cjay to provide additional proactive intervention services for students during lunch. These groups will focus on specific topics and issues that impact student learning. Cjay pulls from a wide knowledge base and utilizes preventive programs he's been certified to deliver. His expertise will lend to our interventions at the Tier 2 and Tier 3 levels of the PBIS and RtI frame work.

NEW CHINA FUNDRAISER OCTOBER 28 & 29

COLORING CONTEST – 10 WINNERS WILL EACH RECEIVE A \$10 GIFT CARD TO NEW CHINA!



Please print the coloring page from our website and bring it in to New China on October 28 or 29!

If Chopsticks could speak, what would they say?

*New China Restaurant
is where you'll be
Oct. 28th & 29th
4- 8 p.m.*

Chinese games, contest & giveaways

Pure Chinese.

15% of food sales goes back to FRG PTO, just mention us!



ARS SCHOOL YEARBOOK

So far we have raised over **\$2000** through the sale of ARS Yearbooks!
And the yearbook company will plant **150 trees** in honor of our school!

It's not too late to order - price is **\$23**.

Complete order form and return in an envelope to the main office at ARS
A copy of the yearbook form can be found on our website by clicking [here](#).

Yearbook Committee:

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Schwan's!

"Educational Excellence is the Pathway to a Successful Future." The Fox River Grove PTO is excited to partner with Schwan's to help create more opportunities for our students, **particularly through the use of ever-evolving technology**. By supporting this campaign, you are helping to enable our students to learn, adapt, and be better prepared to meet the challenges of the future. The bottom line: the more funds we raise, the more opportunities we can give our kids to learn using the most up-to-date technology. Please consider partnering with us through this fundraising campaign to support our children. And bonus...you get to enjoy DELICIOUS food from Schwan's – **delivered right to your front door!**

**~~LOOK FOR MORE INFO ON HOW TO ORDER SOON –
CAMPAIGN RUNS NOV. 1 TO DEC. 16~~**



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When you sign up for the [Target Take Charge of Education® program](#), Fox River Grove School District 3 can receive a percentage of each purchase you make with your Target REDcard® including the Target Credit Card®, Target Debit Card®, and Target Visa®. You can go directly to the [enrollment page](#), where you can search for our schools by zip code (60021) to link to your card. If you prefer, you can also enroll by calling 1-800-316-6142.

Registering costs you nothing and earns money for our school!



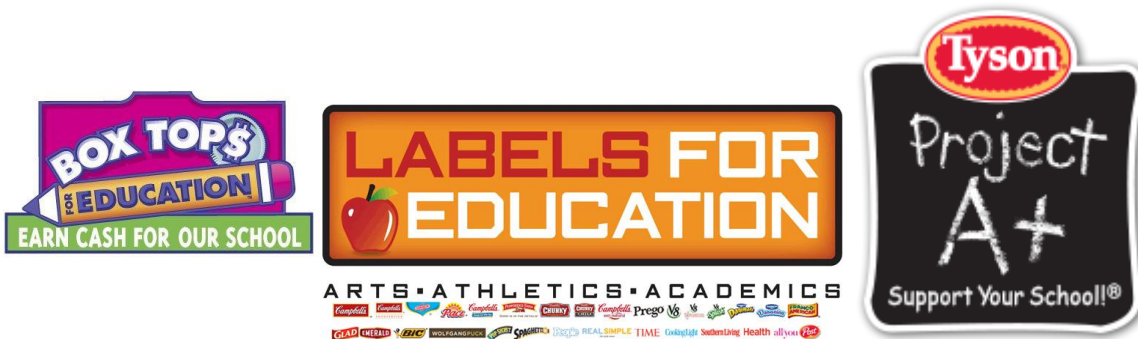
If you are not already a member of the Heinen's Tasteful Rewards™ program, please consider joining to help our students! As a member, when you shop at Heinen's you can help our District 3 schools through the *ABC School Donation Program*. Up to 1% of your qualified purchases between September and April will be donated by Heinen's to the school of your choice. Each school year Heinen's Tasteful Rewards™ members need to **reselect** a school of their choice to participate in the program. To learn more or to become a member, please visit: <http://www.heinens.com/home/tasteful-rewards/tasteful-rewards-program/>

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Mrs. Savage's class WINS the SWEET TREAT reward for bringing in the most labels for the first collection! NEXT COLLECTION is 2/10/2016 - winning class will get another SWEET TREAT! FINAL COLLECTION is May 18 - winning class will get a PIZZA PARTY!

Simply clip the BOX TOPS/LABELS FOR EDUCATION/TYSON FOOD LABELS portion off of participating products, send in with your child to school with their teacher's name on the bag.

The class with the most labels at the end of the year wins a pizza party!

Box Tops - www.boxtops4education.com
 Labels For Education - www.labelsforeducation.com/Earn-Points/Participating-Products
 Tyson - www.projectaplus.tyson.com/

NOTE: All labels MUST be cut on the dotted lines and bags must be clearly labeled with child's name and teacher, otherwise points will not be counted!

Questions? Please contact Jen Rocen @ jenkerbs5@aol.com or Candice Ensslin @ candice.ensslin@gmail.com

We'd love to see you at our PTO meetings!

Time: 3:30 p.m. / Location: ARS Library

**November 10
 December 8
 January 12**

**February 2
 March 1
 April 12**

**May 10
 June TBD**