

BCMS PTO Newsletter

May 2014

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A word from your Co-president

At the May 12th general PTO meeting, two new candidates for the role of co-presidents of the BCMS PTO were introduced and elected! It is with great pleasure that we welcome Sylvia Taylor and David Cooper as Co-Presidents of the BCMS PTO for the 2014-2015 school year. The PTO Board is currently interviewing new candidates for the board positions of VP Volunteer Coordinator, Treasurer and VP of Hospitality. We are thrilled to have several wonderful candidates for these open positions.

The BCMS PTO Board would like to thank the Field Trip Committee, led by David Cooper, for their commitment to fundraising and administrating the field trips for all middle school students. This will be the first year, in a long time, that all students have had the opportunity to take part in an out-of-school enrichment experience. We look forward to continuing this tradition next year, and we encourage new parents to get involved by volunteering for the Field Trip Committee:
<http://www.bcmspto.org/volunteer.php>.

The BCMS PTO has a fantastic new website that features an interactive school store. In the fall, we will rely heavily on the website for parent communications and for the purchase of PTO related items, such as student assignment notebooks, PTO membership, and student directories. You can visit our site now, at BCMSPTO.org, for the latest PTO news and to volunteer for committees.

Please feel free to contact Kim Namkoong (knamkoo1@nycap.rr.com) if you have any thoughts you'd like to share about the PTO or its initiatives.

Financial News

Fundraising/Treasurer Update

Treasurer Report by David M. Cooper

Field Trip Reports

6th Graders enjoyed a visit to the NYS History Museum, and the 7th Graders had a successful trip to the Bronx Zoo.

Expenses

Raptor Project	\$1200.00
BCMS Junior Chef Club	\$107.25
Web Site Security	\$100.00
National History Bee	\$805.00
April Character Lunch	\$244.18
7 Mohawk Team Project	\$63.00
Seeds for Garden	\$342.29

Volunteer News

From your Hospitality Coordinator

By Tina Sheehan

It's been a busy May, with a visit from 5th Grade students on Friday, May 16th. While the students enjoyed lunch in the cafeteria, the 5th and 6th grade teachers were treated to a special lunch, courtesy of the BCMS PTO. The final Character Breakfast of the year held on Wednesday, March 21st, honoring more than 60 students who were recognized for their outstanding display of character.

Upcoming hospitality events include:

- May 27, 6:30pm (Reception) 7pm (Ceremony). 8th Grade High Honors Reception
- May 29, 7pm. Art Show & Auction at BCMS Library Media Center

From your Volunteer Coordinator

By Sylvia Taylor

There are several upcoming events that will enlist the help of volunteers:

- June 11th – Bethlehem Garden Tour – Garden Committee members will be asked to assist in the clean-up of the gardens in order to prepare for the garden tour on June 11th.
- June 25th, 8am-10am, 8th Grade Breakfast –Volunteers will be needed to assist in the coordination, set-up and clean-up of the celebratory breakfast for the entire 8th grade.
- June 25th, 10-1, Staff Appreciation Brunch-Volunteers will be needed to help with set-up and clean-up.
- June 26th, 8:30am-10:30am, 8th Grade Moving Up Ceremony –A volunteer will be needed to coordinate the purchase and delivery of flowers to the High School.