

.....April 30<sup>th</sup>.....

*It's the count-down to the Tricky Tray!*

*Get ready for an exciting night out that benefits your child's school.*

*It's one night you don't want to miss.*

*All forms are attached to this newsletter for more information.*

*Prizes Galore!*

*See inside newsletter for a sneak peak!*

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# March PTA Newsletter

## PTA Sponsored Calendar of Events for March

- March 2 (Tuesday) - PTA Meeting 7:30
- March 18 (Thursday) - Book Swap
- March 25 (Thursday) - Talent Show Rehearsal
- March 26 (Friday) - Talent Show
- March 29<sup>th</sup> - Deadline to order Tricky Tray tickets for \$5.00 savings (see attachment)

## **A Note from PTA President Donna Mangano**

With the month of March upon us, I am looking forward to spring arriving very soon! Spring is also the time for PTA Officer Elections. Several officers' positions will need to be filled in May for Nixon PTA to continue functioning. The positions are President, Vice President, Treasurer and Secretary. Please consider volunteering your time as an officer of the Nixon PTA. The nominating committee is now accepting applications for PTA officer positions. Anyone interested in filling a position, please send in your letter of intent to the attention of the nominating committee. Deadline is March 31.

Thank you Dee Merring and the family night committee for another wonderful Family Night - Bingo. The students had a blast and loved seeing several of the Nixon's teachers in attendance calling numbers. The next and last PTA family night is on March 26 ~ The Nixon Talent Show. I can't wait to see what our talented students have in store for us this year.

Please support the Nixon PTA by donating a basket and attending the Tricky Tray, Dinner & Comedy on April 30th. This is Nixon PTA's only major fundraiser and with your help, we will be able to continue to provide the numerous cultural arts programs, field trips, educational student materials and many other programs offered to Nixon students by the PTA.

Please join us at our next PTA meeting on Tuesday, March 2 at 7:30 PM and be the lucky winner of a \$25 dining certificate for a local restaurant. For those members who attend the meeting, we will have a drawing for a \$25 dining certificate.

Donna Mangano

## **Family Fun Night - Talent Show**

Our final Family Fun Night for this school year is the Nixon Talent Show. Rehearsal will be on Thursday, March 25th from 7 pm to 8 pm in the gym. All parents must stay with their children. The event is the next evening, Friday, March 26th again in the gym from 7 pm to 8:30. Keep your eye out for a flyer with more information and a permission slip to come home in backpacks as we get closer to the date. We hope to see lots of you there!

## **Attention 4<sup>th</sup> grade parents! - Photos requested for 4<sup>th</sup> Grade Dinner**

It is hard to believe with all of this snow that June is only 4 months away and our children will be moving on the Lincoln/Roosevelt. The 4<sup>th</sup> grade dinner committee is in the process of creating a memorable presentation for the dinner.

Please forward progressive individual pictures of your 4<sup>th</sup> grader from kindergarten, 1<sup>st</sup> grade, 2<sup>nd</sup> grade, 3<sup>rd</sup> grade and 4<sup>th</sup> grade (total of 5 pictures).

If you are sending us the actual pictures of your child; please be sure their name and teacher information is clearly written on the back so we may return the pictures promptly. If you prefer to scan the pictures; please send them to Audra Sarafin at [asarafin@optonline.net](mailto:asarafin@optonline.net)

Please continue to look for more detailed information about the 4<sup>th</sup> grade dinner during the upcoming months.

Thanks.

Kellie Ann Keyes

## **Yearbook**

The Yearbook Committee would like to thank everyone for sending in such great pictures this year! Ordered yearbooks will be distributed at the end of the school year.

## **Tricky Tray**

**It's just around the corner...an exciting night out is awaiting you!** The Nixon PTA Tricky Tray, Dinner & Comedy Show is on Friday, April 30, 2010. This is our biggest fundraiser for the year. The committee is always looking for volunteers and any unwanted baskets or picture frames. They can be dropped off in the PTA box located in the office.

## Tricky Tray Forms - Please see attachments to newsletter

Need to order your entrance tickets or want more info on donating a basket or ticket packages? Please see attachments. Remember, save \$5.00 on your entrance ticket if you order before March 29<sup>th</sup>.

Here's another Sneak Peak of just a few of our Tricky Tray prizes  
that could be yours on April 30th!

### *Visit NYC:*

Ripley's Believe It or Not - (4) Passes - (\$110 value)

### *Fun in NJ:*

PNC Bank Arts Center - (2) Comp. Lawn Tickets (\$60 value)

The Growing Stage - (4) Free Admissions (\$64 value)

### *Get Away:*

Cesar's Palace - Atlantic City - Brunch for 2

### *Just for Kids:*

Jellybean Junction - Basket full of children's novelties and \$50 G/C towards a party  
Eyes of the Wild - (4) Passes to Family Safari Night

### *Home Sweet Home:*

T-Fal - 8 piece Cooking Set

### *Dining Out:*

IHOP - \$ 15 G/C

Pizza Hut - 10 Personal Pizzas (\$48 value)

Quick Check - \$ 25 G/C

## Book Swap - Thursday, March 18th

Kids, do you need something new to read? You can bring in one of your age appropriate books you've already read and swap it for another one. Book swap is held once a month on a Thursday during 1st-4th grade lunches. Kindergarten book swap is held during their class. AM is at 11:15am and PM is 1:45pm. If you have any questions, or wish to volunteer, please email Patty Padakis at [booboopad@verizon.net](mailto:booboopad@verizon.net).

\*\*\*\* A special note from chairperson, Patty \*\*\*\* It would be appreciated to swap your child's grade level books. I am in need for 1st and 2nd and 3rd grade books.

## Market Day

The Market Day program offers great food at great prices, and it is also a fundraiser for Nixon School. **Orders must be received by March 17<sup>th</sup> at 11:00pm. Pick-up is March 23rd from 6:45 - 7:45 in the Nixon cafeteria.**

## REFLECTIONS - ROXBURY CELEBRATION OF THE ARTS

The Roxbury PTA *Reflections* Program and the district's art departments will proudly celebrate our student artists the evening of **Wednesday, March 10, 2010 from 4:45-8:00 p.m.** at the Ledgewood Mall. The opening festivities will begin with a "Monster Parade", followed by light refreshments center mall. We are presently in the process of coordinating live student performances, film screenings and other events representing various art forms. Come out and enjoy the festivities, view the large display of artwork and celebrate the accomplishments of our student artists

## DISPLAY OF ARTWORK AT LEDGEWOOD MALL

All "Beauty is..." PTA *Reflections* program entries will be on display at the Ledgewood Mall from **March 10 - March 31**. Look for this display near Music Den. For this same period of time, all Roxbury School District art departments will be displaying many pieces of art as well, so be sure to check out the art teachers' displays throughout the mall.

## SAVE THE DATE~DISTRICT-WIDE REFLECTIONS RECOGNITION CEREMONY

All *Reflections* participants and their families will be invited to a district-wide recognition ceremony which will be held on **Wednesday, March 24, 2010** in the auditorium of Eisenhower Middle School. Our students' performance entries (film production, dance choreography and musical composition) will be screened at 6:30 p.m. and the ceremony will begin at 7:00 p.m. At that time, all 410 district participants will be recognized and will receive a certificate. Students whose entries were Morris County PTA winners will be awarded medals.

## Save The Date

\*\*Please mark your calendars - date change. The April PTA meeting has been changed to **Monday April 12<sup>th</sup>** due to a conflict with Meet the Candidate's Night.

Book Fair: April 19<sup>th</sup> - April 23<sup>rd</sup>

Wednesday, April 28<sup>th</sup> - Kindergarten Visitation (This is a new date.)

Friday, April 30<sup>th</sup> - Tricky Tray

### Don't Forget - Easy Fundraisers

The PTA will continue to collect Box Tops for Education, Campbell's Soup labels (which include Pepperidge Farms Goldfish & V8 products), and empty ink cartridges. Collection containers are located in the office. \*\*We are now collecting Nabisco cookie wrappers. A collection box will be located in the cafeteria.



Examples of Acceptable Wrappers:



\*\*\*\*\*Please visit [www.boxtops4education.com](http://www.boxtops4education.com) to register for a chance for Nixon to win thousands of Bonus BoxTops!\*\*\*\*\*

### Newsletter

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