



Mustang Matters

The Maxey Elementary School Parent Teacher Organization Newsletter

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Coming Soon

<u>Date</u>	<u>Event</u>
April 17	Maxey Art Fair
April 19	MAXarativille! 6:30 – 10:00 pm West Gate Bank, 6300 Old Cheney Road
April 25	Mayor's Run Registration Deadline
May 3	Mayor's Run , State Capitol

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Art Fair: Volunteers Needed

The Maxey Art Fair committee is looking for parent volunteers to help hang art April 11th beginning at 9 a.m. This is a fun and fast project, usually lasting a few hours. Additionally, we'll need volunteers to take down art the morning of April 28th. If you're interested in helping on either date or have questions, call Angie Cole at 429-9942.

Mayor's Run

Sign your children up for the Mayor's Run today! This one mile race is held on Saturday, May 3 in heats starting at 8:00am at the State Capitol. Each year, there is a "contest" between schools to see which one can have the largest percentage of their students participate. Let's put Maxey back on top this year! Entry forms went home in Wednesday folders on March 12th. Additional forms are available at Maxey. Please place your completed entry forms with payment in the Mayor's Run box in the entry at Maxey no later than April 25th. Every student who enters will have their name added to the "All Star Roster" in the multi-purpose room.

Also, the grade with the highest percentage of participation at Maxey will get to have an ice cream party. The entry fee is \$10 for your first family member, then \$6 for each additional person in your family. This year the Lincoln Track Club, KFRX and Sandhills Publishing will be donating \$1.00 from each entry to the Child Advocacy Center. Questions? Please call Julie Weller at 484-7324 or email to jweller@neb.rr.com.

McDonalds Gift Cards

The sale of McDonalds Gift Cards has been extended for another week. This is a great way to support our school and it is something that most of us will purchase anyway. Why not let 20% of the profits come back to our PTO? If your purchase a \$20 gift card for your family, our school will get \$4 back. It's a win-win situation. Watch for an order form in your child's Wednesday folder and return it as soon as possible with Checks made out to Maxey PTO. Thanks.

Got your flip flops ready to go?

We hope so, because we'll see you in them soon at The MAX - Maxarativille! Tickets are selling quickly for this adults-only FUNdraiser, so get yours soon! You'll see a variety of silent and live auction items, enjoy awesome appetizers and enjoy a drink with your Maxey friends and teachers. If you haven't already sent in your RSVP for this great event - and beach attire is OK! - RSVP today!

Send your RSVP with check (\$15/ticket) to:

Christa O'Dell
5910 South 78th Street
Lincoln, NE 68516

Raffle tickets available for The MAX

All parents are encouraged to purchase raffle tickets for The MAX at the Art Fair on April 17 or by contacting The MAX co-chair Stacey Hobbs via email at hobbers2007@windstream.net or phone at 484-8884. This year's raffle item is a Dell desktop computer: Optiplex GX60 with Intel Celeron processor and Windows XP-Professional and a printer. Tickets are available - \$5 for 1 ticket and \$25 for 6 tickets.

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Birthday Committee Needs Volunteers

The Birthday committee is looking for volunteers to provide cupcakes for students with April and May birthdays. If you are willing to help, please contact Beth Jessen at 488-4975 or ceaaa777@alltel.net

Yearbook: Waiting List & THANKS!

Yearbook Sales for the 2007-2008 school year have ended. A waiting list is being created if you missed the ordering deadline. Feel free to email Cindie Wiessen at cyndiewiesen@earthlink.net if you want your child name added to the waiting list.

THANKS: 5th Grade Barbeque

A big Thank You goes out to all the Parents and Students who attended and helped out with this years barbeque. We could not have done it without you. Thanks to your hard work, we raised over \$1500.00 for the 5th Grade Camp. Way to go Mustangs!

PTO Meeting Minutes

March 10, 2008

Principal's Report: Mr. Decker welcomed everyone and thanked all for coming. Amy Kozak and Sean Bailey were introduced and the Backpack for Kids Program was explained. Backpack Extra Mile Walk will be at East High School April 26th. This supports the food bank and 100% of the proceeds go to the food bank. This is a wonderful program which supports children going without food, sometimes all weekend long, right here is the Lincoln area.

Mr. Decker introduced Pam Dinneen, counselor from Lux Middle School. Ms. Dinneen gave a presentation on making the middle school transition easier.

Teacher's Report: Teachers were introduced by Mr. Tebo. Thank you to the staff appreciation committee for the wonderful food provided during conferences.

Secretary's Report: Minutes from the January 7, 2008 meeting are available on the web site. Thank you notes were received from the staff for meals provided during conferences, and from Mindy Pinkleman and Krissy Lassek for baby gifts.

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer could not be at this meeting. The information will be e-mailed.

President's Report: We need to form a nominations committee for next years PTO board. Fundraising opportunities have been presented and discussed. Sherwin Williams, Neighbor to Neighbor, and School Mall an on-line shopping discount offer. These fundraisers would be done in the fall.

Committee Reports:

5th grade fundraising: The last McDonald's night brought in around \$800.00. The 5th grade BBQ is coming up March 13th. McDonald's donated items for the BBQ. We will be selling Arch Cards for the 5th grade trip.

Science Fair: 117 students signed up and we sold 100 boards. There are still boards available if anyone needs one. If anyone can help set up the science fair Wednesday at 4:30 it would be appreciated. There are goody bags for all the kids involved in the science fair.

Book Exchange: The book exchange went well. All left over books were donated to Cedars and homeless shelter.

The MAX: A letter will go home this Wednesday explaining the MAX and how you can help. Invitations go home in next Wednesday's folders.

Respectively submitted,

Christa O'Dell