

news and events

THE EAGLE EXPRESS

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Principal's Message

New Principal Named

On Wednesday, April 23, our *Vice Principal Robin Sehrt* was named the Principal of Mohr School effective at the start of the new school year. An announcement was made to a very happy staff at Mohr and word spread to the community through the E-Connection system. Mrs. Sehrt's service for the past two years as Vice Principal at Mohr will allow for a smooth transition into the future. She is knowledgeable and has been an architect of some of the programs currently being offered to your children.

Mrs. Sehrt has been in the Pleasanton district for 3 years, one as a Kindergarten teacher at Alisal, and two as Vice Principal of Mohr and Fairlands. Prior to that, she has worked as a teacher in Newark and a staff development facilitator in thinking strategies in reading and writing.

I am personally happy to pass the leadership role of Mohr to a friend and respected colleague. We will be able to plan the transition over the remaining part of the school year, discussing all aspects of her new responsibilities. I am totally confident that she will do a fine job of leading Mohr to even greater levels of

performance and service to the community.

Even though it is natural to make comparisons, I would hope that Mrs. Sehrt is given a fair opportunity to gain the respect and trust of the community as Principal. My ten year term as Principal at Mohr, and the familiarity the people have with me, can make it hard to transition to a new leadership style and personality. My first year at Mohr caused me to work very hard to earn the respect of the community after the retirement of Mrs. Pons.

She created the school, hired the staff that was here at the time, set the vision, and did an outstanding job. The parents allowed me to enter the arena as the new leader, and with some amount of convincing, I gained the trust of the school community and students. Mrs. Sehrt deserves that same opportunity. If I know the Mohr community, she will be able to quickly accomplish the establishment of her vision and leadership style, and most importantly, gain your trust.

I thank Dr. John Casey, the district administrative leadership, and the Board of Trustees for thinking about the future of Mohr School by making the choice of Robin Sehrt as Principal at Mohr.

-Joe Kettwig, Principal

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Mohr's 5th Graders Get Personal Fitness Report Cards

Each year during the Fall and Spring, the Physical Education program at Mohr Elementary conducts health and fitness testing for all 3rd, 4th and 5th grade students at our school. California uses the FITNESSGRAM testing program, which evaluates fitness performance by using objective, scientific standards that have been established to represent a level of fitness necessary for good health. Performance is classified as either:



- * Needs Improvement or
- * Healthy Fitness Zone (HFZ)

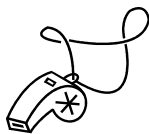


In accordance with state law, the Spring test results of all 5th, 7th and 9th grade students in California are reported to the Department of Education. To help educate and inform Mohr Elementary's 5th grade students and parents, a one page personalized fitness report card detailing each student's fitness performance will be distributed in mid - May. Research indicates that if adults value physical activity and encourage participation, young people will view physical activity as an important part of their daily lives. Please remember that good health and positive self-esteem often determine the future well being and success of children and young adults. Therefore, I strongly urge parents to sit down with their child and carefully study all the information this report provides. If you have any questions you can contact me at 925-461-7889 x 46 or by e-mail at dmaslana@pleasanton.k12.ca.us.

Mr. Maz

Please Never Smoke

Noon Supervisors Needed



We are looking for parents who are interested in working as Noon Supervisors next year. Being with our children is very rewarding and they love seeing you on the playground. For the safety of our children, this is a paid job. The pay rate is \$12.65 / hour and the hours are from 11:30 to 1:00 pm. Work days are flexible according to your schedule. The district will do a background check, including fingerprinting. You will be required to pay for fingerprinting and will be reimbursed for this expense in your first paycheck. If you are interested, contact Sue Lyon in the office at 426-4256.

Community of Character

This month's focus is on *Integrity*.

"Never separate the life you live from the words you speak."
--Paul Wellstone

Important Dates

Incoming Kindergarten Parents Visit	May 9
Teacher Appreciation Day	May 14
Aluminum Can/Plastics Recycling Drive	May 16
Spring Parent Potluck 12 Noon to 2 pm	May 16
LAST PTA Executive Board Meeting (Old Board & New Board) 12:30 pm, 11B	May 19
OPEN HOUSE Grades K-5/Art Show 6:30 - 8:00 pm	May 20
Eagle Express Articles Due	May 23
NO SCHOOL -Memorial Day Holiday	May 26
Fine Arts Mini Experience (FAME) Presentations	May 27-June 4
LAST PTA Meeting For 2007-2008 School Year - 6:30 pm Social and PTA Founder's Day Event, 7:30 pm Business and Officer Installation	May 27
Incoming Kindergartners invited to visit classrooms, all Kg on AM schedule	May 30

The next issue of the Eagle Express will be distributed June 4

Lost and Found Is Growing

Now that the coldest weather has passed, it is time for you to take stock of clothing items that are missing from your closets. We have a large collection of clothing in boxes near the picnic tables. Please try to stop by when you have the chance to check for missing items. They will be displayed on Open House night on May 20. Items not claimed by the end of the year will be donated to a charity that will make good use of the items.



Three Thumbs Up For the Science Fair

It was another great year of science inquiry and investigation for the students at Mohr. On March 18th, 160 students participated in the annual science fair! There were projects about space, motion, gravity and earth to name just a few. Many of our interviewers commented on not only how well informed our young scientists were, but that their enthusiasm was exciting.

Like in the years past it takes many people to make this annual event happen. On the day of the science fair we had eleven volunteers from the local high schools, businesses and our Mohr community come and interview the students. Every student had an opportunity to tell about their science project and what they learned. They received a participant button and ribbon and later were given a certificate with their picture on it. We would like to thank the following interviewers for coming this year and being so actively engaged with our students:

Valerie Arkin - Tri-Valley YMCA (and one of our own parents), **Prakash Somayajula** - Cisco Systems, **Janet Wolfinger** - PUSD District Office (and our former librarian), **Niveditha Arunachalam** - WaMu, **Joyce Wong** - Kaiser Permanente (and one of our own parents), **Fiona Waterhouse** - Oracle (this was her fourth year with us!) **Tanya Carter** - student at AVHS (and a former Mohr student), **Bryan Parrish**, **Eddie Gonzalez**, **Ester Park** and **Stacie Alvarez** - Clorox, **MST2 Chad Klinesteker** - US Coast Guard.

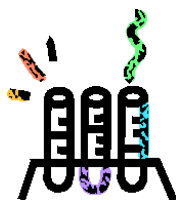
Of course, without parent, staff and teacher support the science fair would not happen! Many thanks and appreciations go out to the parents who worked throughout the day on Tuesday, or helped with button prep, or making name tags, or setting up the projects at the fairgrounds, or taking all of them back to school, or providing food set up, or worked at the fairgrounds, or contributed in any other way that may have not been mentioned. Special thanks to the following parents for their tireless help: **Al Gushurst**, **Sri Sanjeev**, **Sangeeta Gottiparthi**, **Beth Limesand**, **Renee**

Dixit, **Min Sang Cho**, **Bill Stiers**, **Jeanny Chan**, **Radha Bachina**, **Mike Sioson**, **Tao Xu**, **Cindy Vance**, **Nan Zhao**, **Vyji Kalavacherla**, **Emily Corbishley**, **Barbara Hickey**, **Ann Fox**, **Jacquie Burke**, **Elaine Panwar**, **Erin Dixon**, **Leah Bohn**, and **Clavel Tambunting**. (If I have left anyone out I apologize)

Mohr School is a successful model of a community really working together to make things great for our learners. Not only were there wonderful parents helping, but our own teachers and support staff stepped in to help without batting an eye! Thank you to some of our teachers: **Mrs. Ballard**, **Mrs. Blake**, **Mrs. Sjudahl** and **Mrs. Vidya Kumar**. There is not enough space to give appreciations to our wonderful office staff of **Sue Lyon** and **Karen Vifian** for their unconditional support as well as **Joe Robles** and **Lucy Garcia** our custodians. Thank you to **Robin Sehrt** for her help throughout the day and to our principal, **Joe Kettwig**. We know Joe will miss this event next year, but maybe we can convince him to come back as an interviewer (no pressure!).

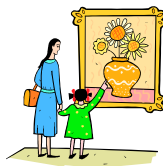
This year we were thrilled to have our own science teacher, **Mikki Conley**, working with students to build our science fair booth that we presented at the Fairgrounds. Mohr students not only created a "jeopardy" game about energy, but they worked the booth and demonstrated their understanding along with the guidance of Mrs. Conley. Special thanks goes to our loyal parent, **Ted Rigl**, for his picture taking talent and truck rental experience and overall support year after year with this event. Last but not least, a huge Mohr appreciation goes to **Mrs. Takhar**, **Mrs. Joanne Kumar** and **Mrs. Reding** for their yearly dedication to the Science fair! On behalf of the science fair committee I congratulate the Mohr students on a job well done and look forward to what may come next year as we continue to explore our science curiosity!

Until next year....
Linda Stanford, Science Fair Chairperson



Open House/Art Show May 20

Make sure that you remember to mark Tuesday, May 20 on your calendar from 7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. to join us at Mohr for the annual Open House and Art Show. The students and teachers work very hard to prepare examples of their accomplishments during the year. Classrooms are decorated and many feature pictures, videos and other commemorations of the school year. We are eager to see you to share information and thoughts about the school year. Also, take time to join us in the MP Room to see



samples of our local artists at Mohr. The Arts play an important role in making sure that your child receives a balanced learning program that exercises all aspects of their intellect.

There is still a need for some help in setting up this beautiful display of artwork the day prior to Open House. All interested parents please contact PTA Art Show Coordinator, **Rekha Joshi** at rekhajo@yahoo.com. See you at the OPEN HOUSE and ART SHOW!

Parent Input Forms Available

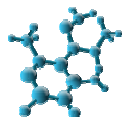


Each year, the office makes available a Parent Input Form that allows parents to make statements about the placement of their child for the next school year. Those forms will be available in the office starting on May 7 with a deadline of May 23. Please come in to the office to obtain a form if you wish to present input.

Please be advised that this process is advisory only. The administration of the school decides placement of children in classrooms. Many factors are considered such as gender balance, ability levels, behavior, GATE (grades 3-5), English Language Learners, Special Education, in developing balanced classrooms. Parents are asked NOT to request specific teachers, or try to match students with specific friends.

All of our teachers make an outstanding effort to provide the best educational opportunities possible for the children of Mohr. This comes about from each teacher having classes that are balanced similarly across the grade. This allows better collaboration and planning for all students.

News From the Science Lab



Science Fair and district E-Faire are out of the way and believe it or not it is time to plan for another event. On May 15, from 6:30 – 8:00pm Sandia Lab will be presenting a Family Science Night. Students (all grade levels) and parents can enjoy hands on science activities right here at Mohr School. Set the evening aside.

All we need to provide for Science Night is a handful of parents to help manage materials at each station. No science background is needed. We need 10 volunteers for the night. If you can help out please contact me ASAP (email or a note are fine) May 15th is just around the corner. Thanks for your continued support.

Ms. Conley, Science Specialist
mconley@pleasanton.k12.ca.us

Books! Missing Books!



Please help our teachers locate some missing books. We're missing some books from classroom libraries and specialists' rooms. Please look around your house and send in any books that may belong here at Mohr. Especially important are books from sets of books used by groups of students.

Thank you!

Curriculum Public Preview

Proposed New K-8 Course Outlines and Instructional Materials



Beginning on April 28, 2008 and continuing until May 27, 2008, parents, staff, and community members will have an opportunity to preview new instructional materials proposed for district adoption for K-5 music and grades 6-8 math.

The public preview for these new courses and instructional materials will be held in Media Services at the District Office at 4665 Bernal Avenue. Individuals interested in previewing the course outlines and the instructional materials may review them at Media Services between 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. The materials will not be available for check out.

If you have questions about this public preview, please contact Judith Martin, Coordinator of Media Services at 426-4430, Jane Golden, Director of Elementary Education, at 426-4340, or Charles Young, Ed.D., Director of Secondary Education, at 426-4330.

Alameda County Fair Read and Ride

This year's annual Fair will run June 20 through July 6, 2008. Starting now, if you read six books or read for six hours for fun **before May 15th**, you will receive a carnival VIP 6-ride coupon sheet redeemable for 6 rides. Here are just a few important things you need to know. *Please read, as there are changes in how to receive your VIP 6-ride coupon sheet.*



- The **Read and Ride** program is open to students in kindergarten through eighth grade.
- Reading must be for fun--no school reading counts.
- Keep a record of the books or hours you read on the *Student Tally* sheet. Your parent, teacher, or group leader needs to sign this.
- You may read books, magazines, or the newspaper. You may read to yourself, out loud, or to others. Please read at your reading level.
- Simply mail, fax, or email the *Student Tally* sheet to Karen Harper, Education Coordinator, fax: (925) 426-5137, kharper@AlamedaCountyFair.com by May 15th. I will put your VIP 6-ride coupon sheet at the will call booth on Pleasanton Avenue for you to pick up any time starting on June 20th.
- Each participating student will receive one carnival VIP 6-ride coupon sheet. These are **non-transferable, non-refundable, and may not be reproduced or sold.**
- *Student Tally* sheets turned in after May 15th are not acceptable and will not receive the VIP coupon sheet.

Tally sheet available for download on the Mohr PTA website: www.mohrpta.org/whatsnew.html.

2008 - 2009 Mohr School Calendar

August

- 19 Walk Through Registration
- 26 First day of school

September

- 1 No School - Labor Day Holiday

October

- 30 Minimum Day (Gr. 1-5) – Teacher work day
- 31 No School – Staff Development Day

November

- 11 No School - Veteran's Day Holiday
- 18 - 20 Minimum Day (Gr. 1-5) - P/T Conferences
- 21 No School - Parent/Teacher Conferences
- 24 - 28 No School - Thanksgiving Break

December

- 19 Minimum Day (Gr. 1-5)
- 22 – 1/2 No School - Winter Break

January

- 5 School resumes after Winter Break
- 19 No School - Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday

February

- 9 No School - Lincoln's Day Holiday
- 16 No School - President's Day Holiday

March

- 12 - 13 Minimum Days (Gr. 1-5) – P/T conferences

April

- 10 – 17 No School – Spring Break

May

- 26 No School - Memorial Day Holiday

June

- 13 Minimum Day (Gr. 1-5) - Last day of school



MOVING???

If you are definitely moving, or will possibly be moving before the start of school in August, please let us know.

With our near-capacity enrollment in many grades, such information in advance is vital to our planning process. If this applies to you, please fill out the following and return to the school office:

NAME OF STUDENT(S): _____

WILL NOT be attending Mohr next school year.
MAY NOT be attending Mohr next school year.

PTA PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Congratulations to our new **PTA Executive Board for 2008-09!** The following individuals were elected into office at the April 29th PTA Meeting:

President: Beth Limesand, **Executive VP:** Laurie Yoon-Park, **Secretary:** Clavel Tambunting, **Treasurer:** Jessica Tao, **Financial Secretary:** Doris Lem, **VP of Programs & Services:** Arundhati Mitra-De, **VP of Membership:** Kim Visscher, **VP of Legislation:** Laura Murdock. The **Parliamentarian** will be appointed by Beth Limesand when she takes office.

On behalf of our entire Mohr family, **THANK YOU** to our new and returning officers for stepping forward to lead our PTA into another successful school year.

Along with the leadership of our Executive Board, **YOUR leadership is critical to the future success of our school.** We still have key committee positions open and in need of a Chairperson. Please consider donating some of your time to continue the wonderful programs we have at Mohr. Planning for these committees starts now so we need to get leaders in place before school ends: **Auditor, Marquee, Field Day, Newsletter, Go Green, Parent Potluck, Health & Wellness, Hospitality, Ice Cream Sales, Registration Day, Science Fair, Spring Family BBQ.** Please check our website (www.mohrpta.org) for details on any of these open positions. There is an immediate need for a **REGISTRATION-Walk through Coordinator.** This task can be done as a team and will take place the latter part of August.



Each year the PTA loses valuable volunteers as their children progress to Middle School. It's up to the next group of parents to step up and lead! The PTA cannot provide the above wonderful programs and services unless we have Chairpersons in place to run them.

We have our **Spring Parent Potluck on May 16th from 11:30a.m – 2:00p.m.** Please join us for a relaxing afternoon and sample the variety of food that parents bring. This is a good time to catch up with old friends and meet new ones. Contact **Ritu Kapoor**, ritu_kapoor1@yahoo.com if you would like to bring a dish. This is our last parent event for the year.

Honoring Mr. Kettwig and Celebrating Mohr PTA

On May 27th we invite you to join us in honoring Mr. Kettwig, our wonderful Principal, who will be retiring at the end of this school year. We'll also be celebrating **11 years of PTA at Mohr and 111 years of PTA in California** at our annual **Founder's Day Program!** We will be recognizing two very deserving individuals for their support of PTA with Honorary Service Awards: **Mia Kodama and John Carroll.** We will also be honoring a very special teacher, **Linda Blake**, who has made so many contributions to our Mohr students, parents and our PTA.

This special evening will begin at 6:30 p.m. in MPR with a special ceremony followed by cake and refreshments. Immediately following the program the final PTA Meeting of the year will take place. Please plan to join us for this special recognition of those who make Mohr soar!

everychild.onevoice.

-- **Sonia Gupta, PTA President**

The Eagle Express is generously provided by the PTA. Your comments and/or suggestions are always welcome. Please submit articles for the June publication to theeagleexpress@comcast.net by Friday, May 23rd, 2008. All articles are subject to approval, and may be edited for space or content. Mohr Elementary is a **Go Green Initiative** school. Please recycle this newsletter when you have finished reading it.

Mohr's Spring Parent Potluck



Luncheon.

Friday, May 16, 2008, 11:30 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Watch for a sign-up sheet in an upcoming Wednesday packet.

We welcome you to gather once again with our Mohr Family, Share some delicious food, reconnect with old and make new friends at our Spring Parent Potluck

Reflections News!

The Mohr PTA is very proud to congratulate **Sandhya Kalavacherla**, whose intermediate literature Reflections entry has been awarded the **California State PTA Award of Merit.** Sandhya's entry was on display with other Reflections Merit Award winners at the California State PTA Convention at the Long Beach Convention Center May 1-4.



Awesome job, Sandhya!

Field Day Volunteers Needed!!!



We're looking for help with set-up (7 am-8:30 am, dads please note you can still get to work on time). Chaperones, especially from kindergarten and first grades, and station helpers are welcome too.

When: 9-11 am, Thursday, June 12th

Where: Blacktop, Mohr School

Set Up: 7-8:30 am

Take Down: 11-11:30 am

If you are interested, please get in touch with Arundhati Mitra-De, Field Day coordinator, at (925) 398-8079 or email arundhatimitra@yahoo.com

Friday Ice Cream Sales



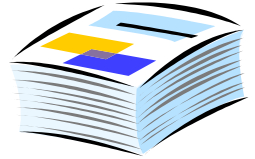
Friday Ice Cream sales have been going well. Just a friendly reminder please no \$20 bills and have your selections made before you get to the front so we can keep the line moving.

Thanks go to my April volunteers *John Carroll, Karlai Pelizzari, Laurie Krause, Beth Limesand* and *Lucy Jhong*. Also thanks to my emergency volunteers *Emily Corbishley, Taew Fornoles, Kathy Shin* and *Sabrina Finke*. A special thanks to my husband, *Wayne*, who has kindly taken over the ice cream duties.

If you are interested in helping with the ice cream sales or becoming the chair person for the next school year, please call Doris Lem at 846-8079 or email to meljoez@comcast.net. The kids really love Friday Ice Cream and I would like to see it continue for another year!

Newsletter Editor Needed

The Mohr Monthly Newsletter, *The Eagle Express* is in need of a new Editor for the 2008-09 School year.



All the articles for *The Eagle Express* are written by Mohr Staff, PTA, and the Pleasanton District, and are edited, compiled and formatted by the Editor to create the newsletter.

Sorry, no cash or prizes accompany this position, but the opportunity to sharpen computer and graphic layout skills, and build a portfolio of work you'd be proud to show a prospective employer someday, all while performing a valuable service to the school community is a definite perk!

If you are interested in taking on this PTA volunteer position, or would like more information, please contact Beth Limesand at theeagleexpress@comcast.net.

A National PTA parent survey found the top three things parents say PTA does best:

- PTA is effective in improving my child's education.
- PTA works to make schools safer for children.
- PTA has positive impact for all children, not just my own.

BIRTHDAY MARQUEE

Looking for a way to make your child's birthday a little more special? You can have their name advertised on the birthday marquee at the front of the school. The cost is just \$5.00. All you have to do is fill out the form below and then place it in the gift-wrapped box in the office with a check made out to Mohr PTA. We'll take care of the rest. There are more forms inside the office next to the marquee box. We ask that you turn in the form at least a week before their birthday, no "same day" requests can be honored. Thanks for your support. If you have any questions, contact Susan Lopez at 417-1313.

Mohr School Birthday Marquee Request Form

Please submit your request at least one week in advance of the date you'd like your child's name on the marquee, with payment of \$5.00 per child. Please attach your check made out to Mohr P.T.A. We will make every effort to accommodate all requests as close to the preferred date as possible. Sorry, no same day requests can be honored. Thanks for your support.

Your Name _____ Your Child's Name _____

Grade _____ Date Needed _____ Actual Birthday _____ Phone _____

Spring Book Fair



Thank you to all of the Book Fair volunteers. We truly could not work all 41 hours without your help. Thanks also to all Mohr families...it would not be such a success without you.

Barbara and Megin, Book Fair Co-Chairs

Health and Wellness – Sun Safety

Slip on a shirt,
Slop on sunscreen,
Slap on a hat, &
Slide on sunglasses.



1.800.ACS.2345
www.cancer.org

This article has run previously, but this important information bears repeating as our Spring days heat up.

Sun Safety Week doesn't officially arrive until June. However, with our normal California sunshine together with the unusually dry weather we've been having,

it's always a good idea to keep sun safety in mind.

According to the American Cancer Society, 1 in 5 Americans will be diagnosed with skin cancer. Furthermore, skin cancer is the most common cancer in California. More than 90% of all skin cancers are caused by exposure to ultraviolet (UV) radiation emitted by the sun. 60-80% of a person's lifetime UV exposure occurs during *childhood and adolescence*. Research shows that the risk of developing skin cancer is increased by *experiencing two or more blistering sunburns as a child*.

Skin cancer is highly preventable when specific sun-safety behaviors are adopted. This includes using sunscreen and lip balm (SPF 15 or higher), protective clothing, wide-brimmed hats and sunglasses with UV protective lenses.

PUSD, City of Pleasanton, Pleasanton PTA Council and American Cancer Society have partnered together to create this sign as a sun safety reminder for our community. The signs can be found around our city parks and on our school sites. For more sun safety info visit: www.pleasantonpta.org

Excerpts taken from The Communicator, Ca. State PTA, 7/2003 and Sun Safety, 4/2007 by Jamie Hintzke, Pleasanton Wellness Committee Chair.

Eliza Lum, Health and Wellness Chair

eScrip News

May Updates

Have you heard?

A \$4.5 million proposed budget cut to the Pleasanton School District!

Now is the time to visit the eScrip website and see how you can make contributions to Mohr with your regular purchases, at NO extra cost to you!

Go to www.escrip.com.

Have you...

- Registered your credit and/or debit cards?
Mohr can receive 2.5%-8% of your purchases at participating merchants (*Safeway, PW Markets, Whole Foods, Gene's, Dream Dinners, Macy's, Office Max, Big O Tires, Baja Fresh and Round Table*)
- Used the **eScrip Online Mall** when you want to shop online?
- Registered your Target VISA card on www.target.com and designate Mohr as your school?
- Used your Quality of Life card when you shop at Nob Hill or Raley's? (*If you need a card, you can pick one up at the office. Make sure you activate it!*)
- Requested for a S.H.A.R.E.S card if you shop at Lucky?

What your shopping has done for Mohr in 2007!

eScrip supporters raised \$5,162
from January to August!

Target shoppers raised \$2,886
from January to September!

Nob Hill/Raley's shoppers raised \$443
from January to December!

Thank you for continuing to support Mohr with your shopping!

Questions? Problems?

Contact Virginia Hwang, Scrip Chair, at 931-1078 or virginia.hwang@gmail.com

Incoming Harvest Park 6th Grade Families!



We invite incoming 6th grade families to join your child for their first Middle School Experience at HPMS! Dine on a delicious meal, prepared by **CABANA DAVE'S**, and be entertained by the HPMS students! The BBQ is at the HPMS Amphitheater on **MAY 22nd FROM 5:00-6:30 PM**, prior to visiting classrooms and campus during the **OPEN HOUSE** at 6:30 pm.

WATCH for further information on the HPMS PTA Website, www.harvestparkpta.org, about this FUN, ANNUAL event! Bring your new 6th grade student and family to enjoy an evening with other families from your school. Take the opportunity to walk around the campus, visit classrooms to see sample student work. Teachers and administrators will be available to answer your questions. Help your student prepare for the Harvest Park Middle School experience!

All meals are pre-paid only! Reserve your pre-paid order NOW to guarantee your meal. You must reserve your meal by ordering it by 5-12-08. No meals will be sold the night of the OPEN HOUSE BBQ. See order form on their website www.harvestparkpta.org.

Questions? For further information please call **Ticket Sales-Coordinator- BBQ-Mo Deierling at 399-5967** or email mobadandjs@comcast.net.

You can download this flyer as a PDF file on the HPMS PTA website at www.harvestparkpta.org.

Harvest Park Coffee with the Principal



Our last Coffee for the year is planned for **Friday, May 9th**. Please stay and share a cup a cup of java with the Principal-Jim Hansen, after you have dropped off your child to school.

You are cordially invited to attend *Coffee with the Principal*-hosted by the HPMS PTA and Jim Hansen on **Friday, May 9, 2008 at 8:30 am in Room A-2**. Our principal will focus on "Transitioning into Middle School."

New and incoming parents to HPMS are welcome to attend! Coffee and refreshments will be served.

Amador Valley Adult & Parent Education Classes



Amador Valley Adult & Community Education and Pleasanton Unified School District Present the following courses for May:

- Baby Sign Language
- Improving Your Child's Academic Performance with Brain Gym
- Changing Destructive Adolescent Behavior
- Parenting Tools for Positive Behavior Change
- Parenting with Love and Logic
- Parenting Your Aging Parent
- Positive Parenting

To register for a class, call Amador Valley Adult & Community Education: (925) 426-4280. Visit their website at: <http://www.pleasanton.k12.ca.us/adulted> for more information.

Incoming Hart 6th Grade Students

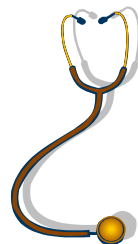
Do you love to sing? Do you want to perform? Hart Middle School "A" period choir is the new choir available to all incoming 6th graders! Because 6th grade doesn't have an extra elective available in their regular schedule, we are providing a choir before school.



So, if starting the day with song sounds like fun, contact the Hart counseling department and add choir to your schedule!

Community Health Care

Axis Community Health is a provider of medical services for uninsured residents of Eastern Alameda County. Their mission is to provide medical care, mental health services, and social support services for all members of the community, regardless of income, language, culture, or any other factor. They provide a variety of services, including: Primary medical care for children, teens, adults, and seniors, prenatal care services, Obstetrics and Gynecology, mental health counseling, immunizations and TB tests, and drug and alcohol recovery services for teens and adults.



The Pleasanton office is located at 4361 Railroad Avenue, Pleasanton, 94566. Phone number: 925-462-5544. Visit them on the web at www.axishealth.org.

Thank a Teacher

Wednesday **May 14** is California's "Day of the Teacher". Please take a moment to thank that special person who encourages, praises, disciplines, rewards, supports, befriends, and educates your child. A note, smile, flowers, or a small gift will show you have noticed the teacher's daily efforts.

Students — here is your chance to write a thank you note to your teacher. Please express your thoughts and feelings about your teacher and let him/her know you care.

Cut along this line

I  My Teacher!

Dear _____

I want to thank you for _____

I like you because _____

Sincerely, _____