



McKenzie Minute

Your at-a-glance guide to this week at McKenzie

February 9 – February 13, 2009

DATE		WHAT'S HAPPENING	LUNCH
Monday Feb. 9	Fun Fun	McClubs: AM- Morning Floor Hockey; PM-Drama Club, Knitting Club, Karate Club Kindergarten Chess Session 2 ends: 11:30 am – 12:20 pm Chess Club Session 2 ends: 3:15 pm - 4:15 pm	Chicken parmesan, pasta, mixed veggies, bread stick, fresh fruit, milk
Tuesday Feb. 10	Fun 4 MEETING	McClubs: AM- Scooter Mania; PM- HOOPS, LEGO Club, Hip Hop Club Author Debbie Miller in auditorium 2:00 pm – 3:00 pm (All classes) Evening PTA Meeting at 7:00 pm, (Kids welcome); State of the School, speaker: Dr. Welter.	Chicken pasta, Caesar salad, soup, ww roll, fresh fruit, milk
Wednesday Feb. 11	MEETING Fun Fun	Student Council 8:25 am in the Auditorium McClubs: PM- Painting Club, Creative Chefs Club, Express Yourself Through the Arts, Nerf Football, Drawing Club Open Gym Night 6:00 pm-8:00 pm	Mini turkey corn dogs, green beans, salad, fresh fruit, milk
Thursday Feb. 12	FYI Fun 2	ABE LINCOLN'S BIRTHDAY McClubs: PM- After School Sports, American Girl Doll Club, Hip Hop Club, Creative Chefs Club Author Debbie Miller in auditorium 9:15 am (All classes)	Pepperoni pizza, salad, fresh fruit, milk
Friday Feb. 13	Fun	McClubs: AM- Cheerleading Club; PM-Volleyball, YOGA	Bagel sandwich w/turkey or ham, veggie soup, carrot sticks, fruit, milk

Upcoming & Noteworthy



REMINDER

Reminder: No School Monday, February 16 – Presidents Day
No School Tuesday, February 17 – Professional Development Day
Open House on February 19 – 7:00 pm – 8:00 pm

Chess Reminder: Session 3 of Chess Club (February 23 – April 20) will begin on Monday February 23rd from 3:15 pm to 4:15 pm in the cafeteria. Registration Forms will be available the first week of February and are due February 11th. (Cost \$90.00)

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We're getting ready for the 2009-2010 PTA! Are you interested in chairing a PTA committee? Or are you a PTA committee chair who would like to return to your position again? Please let Kimbra Burnside know how you would like to contribute to the 2009-2010 PTA. Contact me at PresidentElect@McKenziePTA.com.



The Celebrating Abilities Committee is planning an exciting week for McKenzie this spring! If you are interested in helping plan, organize or assist that week, please contact Colleen Paholak at cpahlak@msn.com. We'd love for you to join us!



GIFT CARDS: The February custom order for Gift Cards must be in the PTA mailbox by Thursday, February 12. The 2-page Order Form can be found on McKenzie's newly updated PTA website. Deliveries will be made by Feb. 21. Also, some of the more popular gift cards will be available at the Tuesday night PTA meeting. Any questions? Call Kathy Freedman at 847-920-0336.



Grocery Dollars are due on the 10th of the month. Questions? Contact Tip Walker 847-256-6128 or at mckenziegrocery@sbcglobal.net.



Thank you to our Family to Family Chair, Cara Gaziano for all of the good wishes and support she has provided to McKenzie families/Staff on behalf of the PTA this year. Cara has sent flowers, cards and helped arrange meals for families in the McKenzie community who have experienced a loss or a challenging time. Thank you Cara!

Is your child participating in the PTA's **Junior Great Books** program? If so, I'm sure you can appreciate the organizational efforts of **Micaela Daly** and **Cristina Tilley**, the Jr. Great Books Chairs. They help organize and train parent volunteers to lead groups of students during the lunch hour to discuss and study Great Books. Thank you Micaela and Cris for facilitating this enriching opportunity for our children.



Mark your calendars! The Highcrest Middle School Book Fair is Tuesday, February 24th and Wednesday, February 25 at The Book Stall at Chestnut Court in Winnetka. This year's fair features titles from the latest Rally lists and Newberry and Rebecca Caudill award winners; and other popular middle school titles. Twenty percent of all sales on those two days will go to Highcrest when you mention the school information, please visit the Highcrest website: www.wilmette39/highcrest.org.



District 39 Educational Foundation-- (Note New Date)

Next Gripp Grant Submission deadline is Tuesday, February 17, 2009

To discuss your grant ideas, please contact the Foundation's Gripp Grant chair, Wendy Irwin at wendyirwin@aol.com or your school liaisons.



The School website is complete and remains at the same address, www.wilmette39.org/mckenzie/. To access PTA documents and the Minute, parents should follow the PTA link on the school home page (www.wilmette39.org/mckenzie/) or go directly to www.mckenziepta.com, the new on-line home of the McKenzie PTA. Please note parts of the site are still under construction.

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Do you have information for the McKenzie Minute? Wilmette Life? Email: McKenziePTA@yahoo.com

McKenzie Minute weekly submission deadline: Tuesday at 8:00 pm

McKenzie Website weekly deadline: Tuesday at 8:00 pm

Wilmette Life weekly submission deadline: Monday at midnight



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