

The Raider Times

Emmons School District 33



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Emmons is students, staff, parents, and community working together to prepare our students for a successful future through excellent experiences and growth opportunities.

Emmons Supports Open Arms...Ms. Marytherese Ambacher, the new Director at Antioch's Open Arms Mission, sent us a very nice note to thank the students of Emmons School for their donation last December. Our students and teachers donated \$727 to Open Arms during 2008. With that money, Ms. Ambacher purchased 6,543 pounds of food that was disbursed to people right here in the Antioch community. Open Arms still needs lots of help, especially with non-food items that people cannot purchase with government support: toilet paper, toothpaste, shampoo, and other sundries. If you would like to make a contribution to Open Arms, you can drop it off in the school office and we will make sure it gets to Ms. Ambacher. Thank you!

Superintendent's Forum...Dr. Machak invites all interested parents to attend the second Superintendent's Forum conversation of the year next Monday, February 2nd, from 4:00-5:00pm in the school library. Dr. Machak will provide a summary of our recent meeting with Ceres Foods and, as requested at the last Forum meeting, provide materials related to teaching reading at the elementary level. The agenda for the hour is up to you!

U Can...Ms. Sarah Posey, Emmons School Worker, has been working with the not-for-profit U Can Organization to bring the Lake County Youth Against Violence Program all year to put a program in our school. Youth Leadership Specialists from U Can will be visiting with and talking to our third and fourth graders over the next several weeks about issues such as Making Positive Choice, Anger Management, Bullying, and Self-Esteem.

Emmons PTO Family Fun Fest is Coming Soon...Parents, please save the date of Saturday, February 21 – we are holding our annual FREE community carnival from 6:00-8:00pm in the Tabar Gymnasium and MPR that evening. The night will feature some of your favorite Fun Fest traditions, such the Cake Walk, face painting, and food. We may also have a few new surprises this year. Parent are asked to bring their baked goods for the Cake Walk to school on Friday, February 20th or the 21st before 6:00pm. The PTO is also looking for volunteers for this

event – if you are interested in helping us, please contact Mrs. Melanie Gelande at (847) 838-5751 or via e-mail at gex5@aol.com. Thank you for making this event possible!

Holiday Musicians...Dr. Machak regrets the error of neglecting to thank the fine group of student musicians who serenaded the school during morning announcements on the Thursday morning before winter Break. Sharing their talents with us, under the direction of Mrs. Schoessow, were Rebecca Pokorny, Ray Vejvoda, Marina Palmieri, Colin Parker, Rachel Lockefer, and Julia DeBoer. Your music was a great way to start the holidays!

Girls’ Basketball Tournament...Under the guidance of Mr. George Shepherd, Athletic Director, Emmons will host our annual Girls’ Basketball Tournament February 5th-8th. The schools participating in this year’s tournament with us are Alden-Hebron, St. Gilbert’s, Big Hollow, Harrison School, Johnsbury, Millburn West, Millburn Central, Montini, North Prairie, Park School, St. Bede’s, St. Patrick’s, and Stanton. For more information or to volunteer at this year’s tournament, please contact Mr. Shepherd at (847) 395-1105 x251.

Parents Invited to Participate in February Assembly...Dr. Machak is creating a short video to show at February’s Spirit Assembly on Thursday, February 12th. We chose that date (2/12) to celebrate our school-wide work towards our different 212 goals, and want to capture some students and teachers on video talking about their goals. Parents are also invited to contribute to this video – if you have been working towards a family goal or talking about “going the extra degree” with your student, Dr. Machak wants to hear from you! Please contact Mrs. Pratt in the office at (847) 395-1105 x210 to set up a time next week to drop in and capture your story on video. Of course, all parents invited to our 2/12 assembly as well.

Internet Safety Seminar...The Lake County Sheriff’s Department will reschedule the Internet Safety Seminar that was to be held last night. We will let parents know as soon as a new date for that presentation has been set.

The Week Ahead...

Monday, February 2nd	3:30-4:00pm Study Hall – Library 4:00-5:00pm Superintendent’s Forum – Library Girls’ Basketball (All Levels) – at Alden-Hebron 4/5/6:00pm
Tuesday, February 3rd	3:30-4:00pm Study Hall – Library
Wednesday, February 4th	3:30-4:00pm Study Hall – Library 7 th /8 th Grade Girls’ Bball – vs. Park 4:15/5:15pm
Thursday, February 5th	4 th Grade Theatre Works Trip – Genesee Theatre, Waukegan 3:30-4:00pm Study Hall – Library Emmons Girls’ Basketball Tournament
Friday, February 6th	3:30-4:00pm Study Hall – Library

	Emmons Girls' Basketball Tournament
Saturday, February 7th	Emmons Girls' Basketball Tournament
Sunday, February 8th	Emmons Girls' Basketball Tournament



Congratulations to our January “Rave Reviews” recipients:

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Brittany McManus (Mrs. Smith)
 Kody Myhra (Mrs. Vogel)
 Kylie Hansen (Burke)
 Katherine Barr(Vogel)
 Mrs. Clinton
 Mike Walters (Mr. Smith)
 Karina Steitz (Mrs. Blake)
 Kelly Mondus(Blake)

Landon Norkus (Mrs. Smith)
 Marissa Milone (Mrs. Smith)
 Megan Smart (Burke)
 Andrew Hare (Vogel)
 Glen Wiemerslage
 Jessica Kupsik (Mr. Smith)
 Mrs. Myer
 Mrs. McCameron