

# *The Raider Times*

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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.*

***8<sup>th</sup> Grade Class Trip Changed...*** The 8<sup>th</sup> grade trip to Wisconsin Dells scheduled for May 27<sup>th</sup> and May 28<sup>th</sup> is being revised as a single day event. New details will be forthcoming soon.

***Swine Flu Concerns...*** The Lake County Health Department has established a telephone hotline (847-377-8350) to answer questions regarding the swine flue epidemic. Resources in both English and Spanish are available on the health departments' website at <http://www.lakecountyil.gov/health>. A letter regarding health precautions being taken at school was included in student Thursday folders at all grade levels yesterday.

***US Diplomat to Speak at Emmons...*** Mr. Robert Griffiths, brother of Emmons' teacher Pam Schoessow, will visit Emmons on May 15<sup>th</sup> to speak with our middle school students. Mr. Griffiths is the Economic Affairs Counselor at the US Embassy in Thailand. He has also spent several years of his career in Beijing and Shanghai. He will be sharing his stories of world travel and international diplomacy during periods 2 and 9. We are grateful to Mrs. Schoessow for having extended the invitation and even more grateful to Mr. Griffiths for accepting!

***District Band Festival...*** Emmons School band students will take part in the township band festival on Tuesday, May 5<sup>th</sup> at Antioch High School. Our students will assigned to one of two performance groups: either 9:00-11:00am or 12:00-2:00pm. Besides Emmons, ACHS, The Lakes High School, Antioch Upper Grade School, the Milburn schools, and Palombi Junior High will participate.

***Spring Book Fair...*** The Spring Book Fair is coming soon! Check out the Scholastic Home page and for a sneak peek of the great titles coming our way. The fair will be held May 11<sup>th</sup>-15<sup>th</sup>. We will hold a Family Night on Thursday, May 14<sup>th</sup>, from 6:30-8:00pm. Details are available at <http://bookfairs.scholastic.com/homepage/emmons>.

**Reuse a Shoe...** Just at 95 shoes a week ago, the Emmons community showed its school spirit and exceeded our goal of 212 shoes. We were able to donate almost 300 shoes that will be ground down to a material called “Nike Grind” and used to make running tracks. Recycling these shoes also means that there are currently 150 fewer pairs of old sneakers in Lake County landfills! Thanks to all who contributed and a special “thank you” to Mrs. McCameron for spearheading this project.

**Blonde for Books...** A number of Emmons faculty, staff, and administration are willing to go “Blonde for Books” and have challenged all of our students in grades 1-8 to pick up their reading pace. Our goal is 10,000 successful Accelerated Reader quizzes before May 8<sup>th</sup>. As of today, students have read and been tested on over 9,000 books! One more week to go!

***The Week Ahead...***

<b>Monday, May 4<sup>th</sup></b>	Spring MAP Testing Study Hall – 3:30-4:00pm Library
<b>Tuesday, May 5<sup>th</sup></b>	Spring MAP Testing Study Hall – 3:30-4:00pm Library
<b>Wednesday, May 6<sup>th</sup></b>	Spring MAP Testing Study Hall – 3:30-4:00pm Library
<b>Thursday, May 7<sup>th</sup></b>	3 <sup>rd</sup> Grade Milwaukee Museum Field Trip Spring MAP Testing Study Hall – 3:30-4:00pm Library
<b>Friday, May 8<sup>th</sup></b>	Spring MAP Testing Area Fine Arts Exhibit – 6:30pm Lakes HS

**Student Art Festival...** All Emmons students and their families are cordially invited to attend the 22<sup>nd</sup> annual Student Art Festival, sponsored by the Antioch Women’s Club and held at Lakes Community High School. The opening reception will be held on Friday, May 8<sup>th</sup>, from 6:30-8:30pm.

**Kindergarten Registration Materials...** Information regarding registration and screening for incoming Kindergarten students was mailed from the school office last week. Parents, please tell your neighbors and friends who may not have let us know that their children will be entering school next year to please contact Carla Pratt in the school office for a registration packet.

**Email a Board Member...** Community members can now contact the members of the Emmons Board of Education electronically. Each board member has an email address listed under the “School Board” link on our district website. We look forward to hearing from you!