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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.

Residency and Registration Event...All Emmons families will receive a letter at the end of June with details about our District Residency Event, which will be held July 20-22 in the Tabar Gymnasium at school. All Emmons families will be asked to reestablish residency within District 33 boundaries prior to the start of the 2009-10 school year. We have staggered the times over the three day event in an attempt to accommodate our families' work and vacation schedules: Monday, July 20th 8:00am-12:00pm, Tuesday July 21st 10:00am-2:00pm, and Wednesday, July 22nd 12:00-6:00pm. As part of this registration process, parents will also be able to confirm their bus routes and pick-up times with Durham Bus Company, receive their students' PE uniform, update home and emergency contact information, sign up for a variety of PTO activities such as Market Day, register your email address on our ListServ, purchase Emmons Spirit Wear, browse the Scholastic Book Fair, and more! Please save one of these dates and watch your mail for more details near the end of the month!

Summer Landscaping Party Scheduled...We are scheduling a series of events throughout the calendar year to keep the grounds around Emmons School looking as nice as our students and families deserve. If you participated in either of our "weed-pulling parties" last fall, you know what a big job this can be. We are asking for your help on **Saturday, June 27th** to begin the first phase of our landscaping project. On that day, we will complete a general clean-up of all the various beds on the property (weed-pulling and trash pick-up), prepare identified beds for fall bulbs and planting, trim trees, and lay mulch. Besides your time and energy, we need wheelbarrows, chain saws, Roto-tillers, Bobcats, and any other equipment you can volunteer for the day. We will be working all day – 7:30am-3:30pm – on the 27th (rain date will be July 11th). If you can spare 30 minutes, an hour, or half a day, we need your help!! A sign-up sheet will be available online soon. You can also contact Donna Trischan in the school office to volunteer. We will schedule subsequent landscape events in August and October. Thanks in advance for all of your help!

Lost and Found...As summer cleaning of the building begins, we have amassed quite a collection of shoes, jackets, shorts, lunch bags, gloves, and other items from around the building. Parents are asked to stop in the school office to claim any student property by Friday, June 19th. Any items left in our Lost and Found bins after this date will be delivered to Goodwill. Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

Middle School Spanish Program...17 parents signed their students up to participate in our new, two-year Spanish program. This program will be offered to incoming 7th graders beginning with the 2009-10 school year. Parents and students involved in this program will receive a letter home from Dr. Machak and Mrs. Kunzer later this summer.

2009-10 Calendar Dates on Website...Parents can check out important dates related to the 2009-10 school year on the Emmons website. Our tentative calendar has been approved by the Lake County Regional Office of Education and the Illinois State Board of Education. We are still attempting to be granted waivers for Veteran's Day, Presidents' Day, and Pulaski Day to make them attendance days. Parents will be notified of any calendar changes.

Change in June BOE Meeting Date...The June 2009 meeting of the Emmons Board of Education has been changed from June 25th to June 18th, still at 7:00pm in the library.

Public Hearing on Holiday Waivers...Parents and community members are invited to a special public hearing, beginning at 6:45pm on Thursday, June 18th, in the school library, to comment on or ask questions about the proposed Holiday waivers (see story above) that Emmons School District 33 is seeking for next year.

Raider Times on Hiatus...This week's issue of *The Raider Times* is the last until school begins next August – just a short ten weeks from now. If you have suggestions for improving this publication, please email your comments and ideas to Dr. Machak at rmachak@emmons-school.com.

