

# Hurrah! for Harrison



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**FUNDRAISER DEADLINE REMINDER:** If you haven't turned in your fundraising order forms, please remember to do so on or before **September 30<sup>th</sup>—THAT'S TOMORROW**. Also remember that all money **must** be turned in with the order forms to process the orders. Thank you so much for all your hard work!

**HARRISON'S FIRST SKATING PARTY** is **TONIGHT**, Tuesday, Sept. 29<sup>th</sup> at Eldridge Skate Park, 400 S. 16th Ave, Eldridge, from 6-8 p.m. Admission is \$3.00 & Skate Rental is \$1.50.

**CALLING ALL 2ND GRADE BOYS:** It is not too late to sign up for Cub Scouts. Be part of a group that will camp, shoot bb guns, learn how to shoot a bow & arrow and many more fun activities. This year has many great activities planned: walking in parades, visiting interesting places in the Quad Cities, and doing our part to help give back to our community. **DO YOUR BEST!** Join today by calling Mike Lizak at 650-6116.

**FROM THE NURSE'S DESK: FLU SHOTS:** A free flu shot clinic by Genesis Health System will be available for all elementary school students at all elementary buildings one day between November 2<sup>nd</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup> (date for Harrison to be announced later). If you would like your child to receive a flu shot please pick up or have your child pick up a consent form in the office then return the completed form to the nurse's office. This clinic will be for seasonal flu; another clinic will be held for students interested in the H1N1 vaccine--more information to follow. Children 8 years old or younger who've never received a flu shot should get a second/booster vaccine. Call me with questions at 391-3113 or email [iossis@davenportschools.org](mailto:iossis@davenportschools.org).

**PARENTS**, please remember the importance of checking your child's hair for signs of head lice every couple of weeks. Start at the nap of the neck and above/behind ears, as these areas tend to be good breeding areas. The eggs look like small sesame seeds laid close to the scalp; unlike dry skin that flakes away when brushed, the eggs are difficult to remove. Another sign of head lice is frequent scratching of the scalp. Contact me with any questions about what to look for or I will be happy to check your child if you have any concerns.

**\*\*WISH LIST\*\*:** NEW boys' underwear (small and medium), gently used t-shirts and sweat pants in small sizes.

Thank you for your help. I hope we have a safe and healthy year!  
--Mrs. Iossi, R.N., School Nurse

**ICE CREAM!!!!:** Mark your calendars for October 6<sup>th</sup>. It's our first Family Night Out at **Country Style Ice Cream** on 53rd Street in Davenport. More details coming in the next few weeks.

**PETS AT SCHOOL:** Please refrain from bringing pets to school as students are dropped off or picked up. Some students are allergic to animals or are fearful and a well-behaved animal will sometimes react in an unexpected manner (perhaps even biting) when confronted with a large crowd of children. We appreciate your cooperation with this issue.

## OLWEUS BULLYING PREVENTION PROGRAM:

The Olweus program defines bullying as "when someone repeatedly and on purpose says or does mean or hurtful things to another person who has a hard time defending himself or herself."

### School Rules

- We will not bully others.
- We will try to help students who are bullied.
- We will try to include students who are left out.
- If we know that somebody is being bullied, we will tell an adult at school and an adult at home.

### It Takes a Team Effort to Effectively Address Bullying.

- Talk with your child what they learn about bullying at school.
- Model and reinforce anti-bullying ideas at home.
- Contact your child's teacher if your child informs you of bullying behaviors.

### A NOTE FROM PTA: A special thanks to the following people for helping with conference night dinner:

Kristy Rowe, Lisa Carstens, Cori Fairchild, Julie Blozevich, Jen Beasley, Jillissa Healy, Lori Haugen, Sara Anderson, Stacy Rensberger, Jenny Knight, Cari Rieder, Terra Cozzens, Beth Waller, Kari Dugan, Nicole Davison, Mandy Hitchcock, Beth Cullett, Renea Dierks, Jenn VanSpeybroeck, and Andrea Tollefson.

**Thanks** to everyone who attended the Fall Picnic and Movie Night. We hope you had fun! A **GREAT big thank you** to the following for volunteering time to make Harrison's Family Picnic and Movie Night a huge success: Peggy Olsen, Lynn Smith, Debbie King, Melissa Dibbern, Karen Seago, Deb & Joe Valenzuela, Terra Couzzens, Ed & Robin Tesch, Don Marple, Renea Dierks, Leah Woolison, Deanna Gibson, Beth Waller, Cori Fairweather, Stacey Rensberger, Beth Cullett, Katie Pohlman, Kari Reider, Glenda VanDeVoorde, Beth Beverlin, Kim Garner, Mike & Kristin Lizak, Sheila Meisch, Krissy & Chad Tuttle, Jen Beasley, Julie Blozevich, Brenda Farnsworth, Kim O'Brien, Kerri Griffiths, Jillissa Healy, Leandra Paavo, Angie Harrell, Jen Dorsey and her mom, Julie & Guy Heller, Ryan Riewerts, Elvira & Carl Bryant, Megan Lopshire and her mom Eileen, Amy Arango, Gabe Knight, Mickey & Jason Owens, Karen Peachee, Denise Gross-Ploehn, and Nancy Haertjens, Mrs. Marple, Mrs. Peterson, Mrs. Riewerts, Mrs. Holbrook, Mrs. Collins, Mrs. Leach (and her granddaughter), and Mr. Green. Without the support of Harrison's wonderful families and staff, events such as this would not be possible. **Thank you!** From the Fall Picnic co-chairs: Tifini Fogelson, Sheila Kelly, and Amy Saskowski Go Harrison Hawks! If you would like to help with future events like this please contact Tifini at [myiatwins@aol.com](mailto:myiatwins@aol.com). There is still time to Join PTA!

**DADS' CLUB** is celebrating its 60<sup>th</sup> year anniversary and all present, past and future players, coaches and their families are invited to help celebrate with cake, appetizers, give-aways and kids' activities at CASI Center, 1035 W Kimberly Rd, Davenport, Saturday October 3, 2009 from 2-4 p.m. Please RVSP at 326-6080 or [davdsport@netexpress.net](mailto:davdsport@netexpress.net).

**DADS' CLUB BASKETBALL** Registration for Pre k thru 5<sup>th</sup> grade runs now through Oct 22<sup>nd</sup>. Registration forms will be sent home. Please return them to the Harrison office. The season is January 9, 2010 through February 27<sup>th</sup>; games are played at various local schools and Friendly house.

Late registrations will only be accepted November 9-13<sup>th</sup> and only at the Dads' club office. Questions? Call Sara @ 445-1173 or [www.dadsclubsports.com](http://www.dadsclubsports.com).

### **BACKBACK SAFETY:**

- ✓ Make sure your child's backpack weighs no more than 5 to 10 percent of his or her body weight to prevent your child from bending forward in an attempt to support the weight on the back rather than on the shoulders, by the straps.
- ✓ When packing the backpack, make sure pointy or bulky objects are packed away from the area resting on the child's back. An uneven surface rubbing against your child's back could cause painful blisters.
- ✓ Tell your child to use both shoulder straps, not just one. A backpack slung over one shoulder disproportionately shifts all of the weight to one side, and can cause neck spasms, muscle spasms and low back pain.
- ✓ Padded shoulder straps are very important as they are more comfortable than non-padded straps and help prevent the straps from digging into your child's shoulders.
- ✓ Shoulder straps should be adjustable so the backpack can adjust to fit your child's body. Too loose shoulder straps can cause the backpack to dangle uncomfortably, causing misalignment and pain.

**SPIRIT WEAR:** Show your school pride and wear Harrison Hawk spirit wear! Several new items are in: Hawk socks, Hawk tattoos, hooded sweatshirts, etc. Items will be sold at school events or orders can be placed throughout the year. Pick up order forms in the Harrison office or email/call Kristin or Julie to have them send you one. Simply attach a check (payable to Harrison PTA) to an order form and drop it off at the Harrison office. If the item is in stock, it will be delivered to the school; if not, it will be ordered. Contact: Kristin Lizak (528-4664, [lizakkristin@yahoo.com](mailto:lizakkristin@yahoo.com)) or Julie Blozevich (386-3381, [j.blozevich@mchsi.com](mailto:j.blozevich@mchsi.com))

**NO SMOKING:** The use of tobacco products by anyone, including students, employees and visitors, is prohibited on all Davenport Community School District property at all times, including school-sponsored and non-school sponsored events. Persons failing to abide by this policy shall be required to properly dispose of the tobacco product or leave the school district property immediately. Thank you for your cooperation!

**THE COOKBOOKS ARE HERE!!** Be sure to get your copy of the all new Harrison "Hungry Hawks" cookbook on sale now! This book contains over 400 recipes from your Harrison students, families, staff members and friends and costs just \$14.00! An order form was included in your child's fundraiser packet, but if you should need additional order forms, they are available in the office.

**PARKING/DROP-OFF & PICK-UP:** Remember the front parking lot is reserved for school bus drop off from 8:30-9:00 a.m. and pick up from 3:00-3:40 p.m. and **NO PARENT VEHICLES ARE ALLOWED IN** at these times. **ALSO REMEMBER** when using the Kussatz Ln. back turnaround, children must enter and exit their ride from the sidewalk in the right lane only; the left lane is for **SLOWLY** passing the other cars in the turnaround to exit and students are prohibited from exiting vehicles from the left lane. Please pull forward all the way to the end of the curve (not just at the sidewalk that leads to the playground). Should you feel the need to watch your child enter the building, please pull into a designated parking space and either step out of your vehicle to watch or walk them up to the building. **TO KEEP EVERYONE SAFE, PLEASE BE PATIENT AND WAIT YOUR TURN.**

**Parents dropping off late arriving or picking up early departing students must come to the 53<sup>rd</sup> Street lot as all building exits are locked from the outside after the beginning of school.** Please do not to park in the yellow curb areas but find an empty space in the lot. An adult must check early departing or late arriving students in or out at the office.

Finally, there is ***No Parking on the Lutheran Home property.***

**HY-VEE SMILES FOR EDUCATION:** Hy-Vee is again offering our school the opportunity to win up to \$5000 with Smiles for Education. Each week for 8 weeks, Hy-Vee will hold a drawing to select 10 winning students who will each receive a free laptop computer - and each of their schools will receive a donation of \$5000 from Hy-Vee. Parents, teachers, and other school staff can join the Smiles for Education program by visiting their local Hy-Vee and registering their student's names for the drawing.

**NEW 2010 ENTERTAINMENT AND DINING TOUR** books are here! Save \$100s on restaurants and entertainment in the Quad Cities by using these valuable coupons. Cinemas coupons are back this year in the Entertainment Book—that alone is worth the price of the book! Entertainment Books are \$20, Dining Tour Books are \$35 & both can be purchased in the office or by calling Catherine at 388-7415. Tell your friends who purchase one every year to pick them up at Harrison!

**CAT PACK IS STILL BACK!** Still ONLY \$10 for a Cat Pack t-shirt providing free admission into any HOME North event (when accompanied by a paid adult), and one free popcorn at any home event during the winter (basketball) season. Pick up and return forms to Harrison's office to sign up or contact Jennifer Josund at 359-1312.

### **UPCOMING CAT PACK ELIGIBLE EVENTS (All times p.m.):**

9/29-Girls Swimming vs. PV @ North YMCA, 6:00  
10/1-Soph then Var Football vs. Assumption @ Brady, 4:45  
10/1-Girls swimming @ North YMCA, 5:00  
10/6-Freshman Football vs. Burlington @ Brady, 6:00  
10/6-Soph/Var Volleyball @North, 5:45

## **EVENTS AT-A-GLANCE...**

**TUES., SEPT. 29<sup>th</sup>, 6-8 p.m.:** Skating Party at North Scott Skating Rink.

**WED., SEPT. 30<sup>TH</sup>:** Fall Fundraiser Orders **and Money** due.

**SAT., OCT. 3<sup>RD</sup>, 1:15-3 p.m.:** The Playful Pen workshop for ages 8-13 at Midwest Writing Center (324-1410).

**MON., OCT. 5<sup>TH</sup>, 3:30 p.m.:** PTA Meeting.

**TUES., OCT. 6<sup>TH</sup>, 5-8 p.m.:** Family Night at Country Style Ice Cream

**MON., OCT. 12<sup>th</sup>, 7 p.m.:** Band Spectacular at Brady Stadium

**TUES., OCT 20<sup>th</sup>, 6-8 p.m.:** Skating Party, Eldridge & End of 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter

**WED., OCT 21<sup>st</sup>, 1:20 p.m.:** TWO hour early dismissal

**FRI., OCT 30<sup>th</sup>, 2:30 p.m.:** Halloween Parade & Class Parties AND Popcorn Day (\$0.50)

**THE HURRAH! FOR HARRISON** is the newsletter put out by the PTA to keep everyone informed of what's happening at Harrison. We welcome input from **ANYONE!!** To submit items, provide suggestions or ask questions, e-mail them to Jodie Toohey at [hurrah@jodiet.com](mailto:hurrah@jodiet.com); if you do not have internet access, items may be submitted via telephone at 563/386-3236. To learn more about PTA, contact -Tifini Foglesong, PTA President, [Myiatwins@aol.com](mailto:Myiatwins@aol.com), 388-7719.

**NEXT HURRAH:** Tuesday, October 6<sup>th</sup>.

**SUBMISSION DEADLINE:** NOON, THURSDAY, October 1<sup>st</sup>.