



# Central School PTO Pulse

March 2010

## The Presidents' Double Scoop...

- The kids will LOVE the Fun Fair Sat, March 13<sup>th</sup> 10am – 2pm- don't miss it!
- RSVP ASAP to the 80's theme party- Friday night March 19! It will be a blast!!
- The next PTO meeting is Thursday, March 18 at 1:45pm (in the APR)...Mr. Duncan/Mrs. DeShields class will be presenting at this meeting.

Lori Beck & Jill Pila, Co-Presidents

## Dr. Cebula's Corner

We are so proud of the efforts of our children, staff, and the PTO Social Action Committee, chaired by Mrs. Gillenwater. For the month of February, we have had a campaign to raise money for the victims of Haiti. Students and staff cleaned out their piggy banks and donated \$300.53. In addition, we sponsored a Hat Day that encouraged everyone to donate \$1.00 to wear a hat to school for the day. Students were also encouraged to do chores at home and contribute their remunerations to earthquake victims in Haiti. These two projects raised \$978. Although our Pajama Day was postponed until March 3rd, due to the recent snowstorm, we hope the donations students and staff make to participate in this fun day will increase our total donations to \$1500. All the proceeds will be sent to UNICEF. A BIG THANKS to everyone in our Central School Family for opening their hearts to those who have lost so much.

Mary Lou

FUN FAIR!!!!!! Mark it on your calendars now. Saturday, March 13th from 10:00a.m. until 2:00p.m. If you miss it, your kids will never forgive you. You cannot deny your children to the chance to ride a mechanical surfboard, race horses down the hall, have their chance in a real money grab machine, or the thrill of getting stuck on a velcro wall!!!! New this year is the Pot of Gold Cafe, filled with lots of games, prizes and yummy food. Come hungry, leave happy. Flyer for advanced tickets went out in back packs. Tickets may also be purchased at the door. The fun fair is open to all so bring your friends, neighbors and relatives. See you there!

## **HEARTS FOR HAITI A HEROIC SUCCESS!**

The month long Hearts for Haiti campaign was a tremendous success! All four of Warren elementary schools participated. Final totals were not available at press time, but estimates are about \$4,000. Central School alone generated over \$1,800!!!! Wow!!!

We wore our hats, we donned our PJ's, we worked for our parents and we dug through our piggy banks, all for the benefit of others who are in need.

Thank you to all who participated in every way!

The funds will be donated to UNICEF's special campaign for Haiti. The organization has made a pledge that 100 percent of the donations for this segment will go right to the children of Haiti.

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Mark your Calendars!

March 19, 2010  
Central School PTO's  
Adult Social/Fundraiser

The 80s Dance Party will be here before you know it!

We hope everyone can join us for a great evening of dancing, karaoke, games and basket raffles.

Please respond to the evite as soon as possible. If you did not get the evite, contact Sara Simon at

[srsimon@earthlink.net](mailto:srsimon@earthlink.net). Hope to see you there!

Science Day is coming May 25. The kindergarten and first grade students will be completing a project using 2-liter soda bottles. Look for a notice later in April when we will be asking parents to save them and send them in to school. Thank you.

## Board Corner March 2010

Every time an opportunity to vote comes our way, we are presented with a picture-perfect, real-world opportunity to model for the youngest residents of Warren what one of the main pillars of our character education program (good citizenship!) is all about. As is the case every year, we have just such an opportunity once again in the form of the annual school board elections in April (which includes a yes or no vote on the K-8 school budget). Why not take the opportunity to not only talk about voting with your children, but to better yet show them how citizens participate in a democracy? In too many instances around the world, this “right” we take for granted is either ignored or corrupted, and the more we can celebrate what America has to offer its citizens, the more the message about a citizen’s responsibility in a democracy will be absorbed.

Voting day this year is April 20, 2010, and in the coming weeks you will see and hear much about the proposed budget and about things like absentee voting, polling locations, etc. But for now, let’s take first things first and start with a mission critical question:

### **ARE YOU REGISTERED TO VOTE?**

In order to vote (in person or via absentee ballot), a resident must be registered to vote AHEAD OF TIME (the need for pre-registration is very important). **The deadline to register to vote is March 30, 2010.** If you would like to register, please see our website ([www.warrentboe.org](http://www.warrentboe.org)) for a copy of the voter registration form—it must be submitted in person to either the Warren Township Clerk (in the municipal building) or the Somerset County Clerk (in Somerville) by the 3/30/10 deadline. Registration forms may also be obtained in the front offices of all our schools and at the BOE offices on Mt. Horeb Rd.

**Thank you in advance** for taking the time to do what it takes to come out and vote. It can be tough to fit voting into a busy schedule, but the importance of voting cannot be emphasized enough and everyone in the Warren schools appreciates your support and your willingness to model good citizenship for your children (and for our students!).