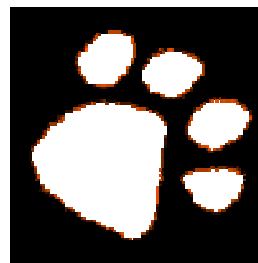


PARENT CATS NEWSLETTER



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Parent CATS “New Year’s” Newsflash :

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- **Would you like to include “news” from a club or event? Email me**

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**PARENT CATS
Next Meeting
Wednesday, January 17th
AT 7:00 PM IN THE LHS LIBRARY**

President's Letter

Happy New Year,

A big thank you goes out to Donna Sternaman and Janet Chickey of the Special Events Committee, and all of those who volunteered in helping make the Adopt-A-Family Holiday Dinner such a success. We sincerely appreciate the efforts of the volunteers who provided baked goods for the dinner, as well as those who drove many of the gifts to the recipients' homes. Thank you!

As we enter into 2007, Parent CATS continues to be very involved. At our January meeting, a Nominating Committee will be formed, which will be chaired by Audrey McCartney, 1st Vice President. The committee will meet at the end of January and will be responsible for nominating candidates to fill the 2007-2008 Parent CATS Executive Board of Director positions. If you are interested in either serving on the Nominating Committee or being on the Board, please call Audrey McCartney at 847-362-8274 prior to the January 17th meeting.

The Graduation Committee is hard at work preparing for the Graduation Party, and we appreciate all of the effort that goes into this event.

Parent CATS will again recognize two senior students this year at May Honors Night with \$500 scholarships each. These scholarships, called the G.O.A.L. Awards, are made in honor of our former superintendent, Dr. Don Gossett. The recipients are individuals who have demonstrated commitment to improvement in the overall learning process throughout their high school years. More information on the application process will be forthcoming.

Our next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, January 17, at the LHS library. Nancy Dick, Student Assistance Program Coordinator, will provide a brief overview of Teenage Depression, prior to our business meeting. Please consider attending.

And finally, fire up those crock pots! The first annual Chili Cook-Off is scheduled for January 20th from 4:30 to 6:30 in the LHS Cafeteria. Entry fee is \$5.00. Check out the chili, and then stay for the boy's varsity basketball game, where the chili cook-off winner will be announced!

I look forward to seeing you at the January meeting. As always, I welcome your questions, comments and input! Happy New Year!

Sue Behringer
President

Parent CATS Meeting Dates

**September 20
October 11
November 8
January 17
February 7
March 7
April 11
May 16
LHS Library at 7:00 p.m.**

All LHS Parents should plan to attend the >>>>Chili Cook-off>>

Mark the Date

**Fire up new friendships and kindle old ones at the
1st Annual Chili Cook-off.**

It will be cold outside, so warm yourself from the inside out!!

Parents!!! Organizations!!!! Groups!!! Start your Crockpots!

Saturday, January 20, 4:30-6:30 p.m. in the LHS cafeteria

Reserve your space by January 15th, \$5 per entry

Send the \$5 (check made out to Parent Cats) to

Donna Sternaman 148 Adler Drive Libertyville, IL or

Bring the money on the day of the event as long as you have a
reservation.

Contact: Donna Sternaman 968-4533 (donnamo72@aol.com)

Celebrity Judges!! Prizes!!

**Winners announced at boy's varsity basketball game that
evening!**



Class of 2007

Save the Date - There will be a general meeting for all parents who have a graduate this June to discuss the 2007 Graduation Party. The meeting will take place in room 158 on February 12, 2007 at LHS. At this meeting we will give you details about this special evening. In addition, you can sign up to help with the party, order your graduate's ticket for the party or ask any questions you may have. Hope to see you there.

E-mail us if you have questions or you would like to volunteer or donate:

Marcy Cole bcoles6@comcast.net
Kathy Jaroch xlntdds@aol.com
Dorothy Renton flagday4us@aol.com

College Resource Center provides “priceless” information about financial aid!

Also, Plan Test interpretation, ACT prep class

Note these important dates:

January 9th - PLAN Test Interpretation Workshop. Auditorium at 7:30

January 11th - Financial Aid Night II. LHS Studio Theater at 7:30.

January 29th - LHS ACT Prep Class Pre-test at 5:45pm

February 8th - ACT Pre-Test Interpretation Student/Parent meeting

The CRC needs your help>>>>>>>>>

Help wanted:

The College Resource Center (CRC) has over 100 college tour videos that need to be converted to DVDs. If you have the conversion equipment/software and have the good spirit to put in the time, Parent CATS will supply the blank DVDs. These tours are a great resource for our families as a first look at college campuses. We would like to divide the effort among a number of volunteers.

Please call Ann Shenassa 847/816-0917 if you can help us out. Thanks.

F.A.S.T. News

**Enjoy these upcoming performances by the award-winning
LHS Fine Arts groups**

LHS FINE ARTS WINTER PERFORMANCES

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| January 11 | District 128/Junior High Jazz Festival 9:00 a.m., LHS Auditorium |
| February 9-10 | Winter Play – <i>The Servant of Two Masters</i> 7:30 p.m., LHS Auditorium |
| February 15 | Winter Band Concert 7:00 p.m., LHS |
| February 22 | Cabaret 7:30 p.m., LHS Cafeteria |
| February 28 | Winter Orchestra Concert 7:30 p.m., LHS Auditorium |
| March 1-2 | One Act Play Festival 7:30 p.m., LHS Studio Theater |
| March 8-9 | Orchesis Dance Concert 7:30 p.m., LHS Auditorium |
| March 13 | Band of America Preview Concert 7:30 p.m. LHS Auditorium |
| March 21 | Jazz Concert 7:30 p.m., LHS Auditorium |
| April 4 | Choral Masterworks Concert 7:30 p.m., LHS Auditorium |

FAST MEETINGS

Newcomers Welcome-Open to all LHS parents

The next two FAST meetings,
Tuesday, January 9th and February 6th at 7:00 p.m.
in **Room 1104** (near the main entrance).

SUPPORT FINE ARTS THROUGH THE WILDCAT FINE ARTS FOUNDATION

**Participate in the "Take a Seat" campaign
A great way to honor family, friends, and other special persons.**

This year the Libertyville Wildcats Fine Arts Foundation was established for the purpose of supporting desirable and/or necessary improvements to the fine arts facilities at LHS and to foster and encourage the fine arts programs of Libertyville High School. The first objective of the Foundation is to replace the 35-year-old seats in the Butler Lake Auditorium. The goal is to raise \$200,000 by February 28, 2007, and to have the new seats installed by the start of the 2007-08 school year.

All donations of \$100 and above will be noted with an engraved donor nameplate on an individual seat in the auditorium. Donors who contribute \$1,000 or more will also be recognized by inclusion on a special plaque in the LHS auditorium foyer. The Foundation is designated a 501(c)(3) charity by the IRS, and donations are tax deductible.

For additional information on the new Foundation, go to www.lwfafoundation.com.

ORCHESIS MEMBERS SELECTED

The following students were selected by audition for this year's Orchesis dance performance group:

Lauren Ahern, Allison Cacich, Pam D'antonio, Kirsten Edstrom, Jeanne Marie Evans, Maria Faillaci, Geena Fancher, Leah Fiore, Sarah Garren, Aleah Gattone, Molly Goldberg, Kasey Michel, Lisa Kinsella, Eric Lyerly, Allie Matheus, Anna Mayworm, Renee Metschke, Amanda Nordin, Lauren O'Brien, Joy Peplinski, Brent Rawlinson, Jenn Ruppert, Claire Salata, Kelsey Schmitz, Allison Sickert, Kerry Ann Sleep, Gina Tremmel, and Jonathan Weppler

Student choreographers are already hard at work preparing for this year's performances. The Orchesis dancers will participate in workshops and choreography taught by professional dancers from Thodos Modern Dance Company of Chicago.

Orchesis Dance Concert March 8th and 9th at 7:30 p.m. in the LHS Auditorium.

In addition, the LHS Orchesis Dance Company plans to perform in the Dance For Life Benefit performance at Wheeling High School in March. Proceeds from this performance benefit AIDS service charities.

For further information, contact Eryn Smith at Libertyville High School, 847-327-8010.



STUDENTS SELECTED FOR ALL-STATE MUSIC CONFERENCE

Fourteen LHS students selected to the 2007 Illinois Music Educators Association (IMEA) All-State Conference:

BAND - Erik Anderson, tuba
Dana Joras, flute
Colleen Ross, percussion
Jonathan Ulanday, clarinet
Gloria Yen, clarinet

ORCHESTRA- Scott Bakshis, bass
Joanna Hui, violin
Lauren Peacock, cello
Meredith Peacock, violin

CHOIR -Harris Covington, All-State Choir
Adam Hill, All-State Choir
Britta Lundstedt, Honors Choir
Jon Weppler, Honors Choir

JAZZ- Corey Richardson, jazz guitar

The IMEA All-State Conference will be held on January 24-27, 2007, in Peoria, IL. This is a very prestigious honor and we are extremely proud of these students and their accomplishments.

LHS ART STUDENTS SHINE

Congratulations to four LHS art students whose work was selected for the annual Northern Illinois University High School Invitational Art Show. Students and the artwork category in which they exhibited were:

Siena Baldi, Ceramic Vessel

Zack Salerno, Computer Graphic

Lauren Goff, Charcoal Drawing

Mandy Sheaffer, Black and White Photograph.



Congratulations

LHS Cheerleaders Win Accolades

The LHS Cheer squads competed in the ICCA Regional Competition December 17th at Bolingbrook High School, and all three squads represented LHS with excellence.

Varsity placed second in the coed varsity division, barely edged out by an impressive Elk Grove team that won the state championship last year. Varsity also qualified for this year's state championship at this meet. Junior Varsity placed 4th out of 19 teams in the large school JV division. Our freshman squad placed 5th in the same large school JV division, beating all other freshman squads in the competition. The picture below captures the Varsity squad shortly after the awards ceremony.



Last summer the LHS Cheer squads achieved an unprecedented level of recognition at the NCA camp, held at Illinois Wesleyan University where they cleaned house. LHS had over 52 cheerleaders nominated for All-American.

The entire Varsity team was nominated for All-American and they achieved 4 spirit sticks, the most a team can receive. Varsity also received the Overall NCA Camp Spirit Award, and they achieved 1st place in the Champion Chant division, and 1st Place in the Top Team Performance. Varsity also received a bid for NCA Nationals in Dallas, and they were invited to perform at either the Hula or Orange Bowls.

The JV team won 2 spirit sticks, received an Excellence Award for motions and also obtained a bid to attend NCA Nationals. The freshman team won 3 spirit sticks and also received a bid to attend NCA Nationals.

In addition to team honors, several girls achieved individual NCA All-American honors

One LHS cheerleader was named "Top" All-American as she scored higher than any other nominated cheerleader out of the entire camp.

Photo Gallery

Adopt-a-Family Dinner - a huge success!



LHS students

Make a Difference

In the Community...



Let your student know how proud you are. Buy a
"HOME OF A WILDCAT" yard sign.

Any Sport - Any Activity

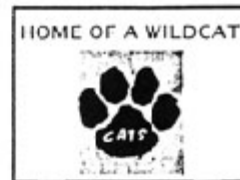


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Lacrosse, Volleyball, Softball, Gymnastics, Wrestling, Tennis, Debate, Theater, Water Polo, Etc.

Mail order form and payment to: HOME OF A WILDCAT
2231 Irondale Road
Libertyville, IL 60048

Any questions please call Ann Beres at 847-680-4059.

You will be notified when your sign is ready for pickup (approx. 2 - 4 weeks).

"HOME OF A WILDCAT" YARD SIGN ORDER FORM

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Address: _____

Phone #: _____ E-Mail: _____

Activity you want listed on stake: _____

Additional activities (one per stake):

Amount Enclosed: \$ _____
Make Checks Payable to: W.C.P.O.

Become a part of Libertyville High School history!

Purchase a personalized brick, which will be placed at the main outdoor entrance.
This is a wonderful way to show your pride in the LHS tradition of excellence!

**“AN ENTRANCE TO REMEMBER”
BRICKS ORDER FORM**

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