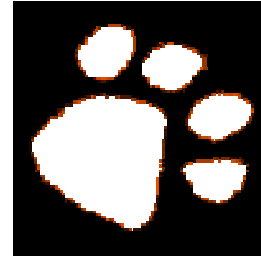


PARENT CATS NEWSLETTER



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Parent CATS Newsflash

- 2007-2008 newsletter is online only this year, spread the “word” to friends and family

Go to: www.parentcats.org (click on newsletter)

- Read about upcoming activities, student accomplishments, board member updates, volunteer opportunities, and other exciting LHS news

Inside the September Issue:

- Parent CATS President’s Opening Letter
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- “Home of a Wildcat” yard sign order information
- Activities Updates
- And More....

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

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**PARENT CATS
INVITES YOU TO JOIN US FOR THE
FIRST MEETING OF THE 2007-2008
SCHOOL YEAR
WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 5TH
AT 7:00 PM IN THE LHS LIBRARY**

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President's Letter

Welcome to the 2007-2008 school year at Libertyville High School.

As a parent or guardian of a student at LHS you are automatically a member of Parent CATS with many opportunities to participate at LHS. Parent CATS is LHS, home and Community working together. Come to a meeting and hear about all the activities we have planned for the year ahead.

With the exception of September, Parent CATS meetings are usually the 2nd Wednesday of the month at 7 p.m. in the LHS Library. I want to extend a special invitation for you to join us at our **Kick Off Meeting, September 5th**. Our Principal, Brad Swanson, will give a school update, Jennifer Paul, Student Activities Director, will fill us in on the Homecoming activities and you will hear, first hand, about our current projects.

If you have any questions about volunteering through Parent CATS please contact our 1st VP, Andy Robinson at 847-918-7549.

Betsy Rinella and her Spirit Wear Committee have already been busy filling gym uniform orders. Pre-ordered freshman gym uniforms by the hundreds were distributed on August 16 at Freshman Orientation. Gym Uniforms can also be purchased from our Spirit Store. Please visit it Monday, Wednesday or Fridays 10:00-2:00. Please call Betsy if you have any questions. 847-816-7123.

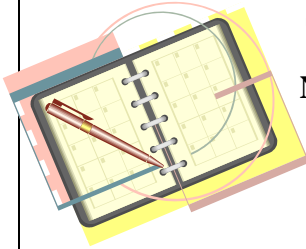
The Homecoming parade is Saturday, September 8th and the Parent CATS will again have an entry in the parade. The Community Outreach Committee, Maggie Gonring, Nara Butrym, Linda Kraemer, Pauline Marvin and Karen Branding will be coordinating the Libertyville merchants and the LHS students to decorate windows in downtown Libertyville. Heading the Activities Committee, Karen and Chuck Clow will be organizing the parent attendees for the Homecoming Dance the next Saturday.

A great source for up to date information as well as any forms you may need to download may be found at our web site, www.parentcats.org. Thanks to our website director, Perry Lentine for his ongoing work on that resource for our organization.

I would like to thank all the 2007-2008 board members, committee chairmen and committee members for volunteering their time and energy, and for their devotion to Parent CATS. I look forward to a wonderful school year and hope to meet you all at the first meeting on September 5th at 7:00 p.m.

Audrey McCartney,
President

**Mark Your Calendars- All LHS Parents Invited
Parent CATS Meeting Dates**



**September 5
October 10
November 14
January 9
February 13
March 12
April 9
May 14**

LHS Library at 7:00 p.m.

**How do all these things happen at
LHS?**

Since early summer the volunteer sign up forms have been rolling in! We have now received almost 400 forms from parents volunteering for many different areas of our school. There is still time to get involved! Send your Parent CATS [volunteer form](#) in today. The appropriate committee chair will be contacting you when your services are needed. I want to thank all the LHS parents that make a difference in our school!

**Andy Robinson,
1st Vice President**

**LHS Parent CATS Board of Directors
2006-2007**

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Orders are due!

Welcome to another great year at LHS. The order forms for the LHS Student/Parent Directory were sent to parents included in the August mailing with your student's schedule. The Directory orders should be mailed to Kris Partain at 404 Forest Lane, Libertyville. The cost for each Directory is \$9.00.

Please order your Directory as soon as possible. Do not count on purchasing one without a preorder. We order copies based on preorders. If you have any questions or need a form emailed to you, please call Kris at 847-362-3647 or email her at krispartain@hotmail.com.

The order form will also be linked to the [ParentCATS](#) website.

Orders are due no later than Sept. 13

Parent CATS thanks you for your order!



LHS HOMECOMING 2007



Homecoming is very early this year. To ensure a successful and fun-filled week of events, please note the dates as some traditional practices have changed for this year.



SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Saturday, September 8 th	Homecoming Parade 9:30 am Window Painting 11:00 am
Monday, September 10 th	Powder Puff/ 6:00 pm Pep Rally
Friday, September 14 th	Homecoming Assembly Homecoming Football Game Vs. VHHS 7:30 pm Wear your Orange & Black!
Saturday, September 15 th	Homecoming Dance 8 – 11 pm

PAINT THE TOWN!!

You won't want to be the one to miss out on all the fun!

Grab a brush, bring a friend, It's window painting time again!!

Help the LHS Wildcats corral some school spirit by participating in the annual window-painting contest along the **HOMECOMING** parade route on Milwaukee Avenue.

The fun will take place on Saturday, September 8th, from 11 to 5 pm (rain date Sunday, 9/9). We will get started right after the parade!

Sports teams, activity groups, clubs and/or individuals are welcome to participate for spirit week. All materials are provided and cash prizes will be awarded at the Homecoming Assembly for the best school spirit and most innovative designs.

Artistic ability is NOT required so don't miss out on this fun event and a chance to cheer on our favorite team!

GO CATS!!

If you or your group would like to participate, please call Nora Butrym at 847-680-6430

HAVE A SAFE HOMECOMING!!

Homecoming is right around the corner! Here are some ideas that you might want to think about:

Do you and your son/daughter have a **PLAN**? If your son/daughter find themselves at a get together of friends and someone comes in with alcohol or drugs, does your son/daughter know how they want to handle that situation? Have you talked to your child about what they can do? Perhaps they can call you and tell you they are not feeling well, or call you and tell you they forgot that tomorrow they have to get up really early for that event and then you can come and pick them up with no questions!

Before your child goes to someone's home...do you **call** to see if parents are going to be there? Do you check to see if their value system regarding alcohol and drugs is the same as yours?

If you are **hosting** a get together, do you make sure you send a clear message about your expectations, and then do you periodically through the gathering make your appearance known by bringing in treats and talking to the young people in your home?

Did you know that **69% of LHS students don't use alcohol or drugs because they don't want to disappoint you? You are the number one reason that your son/daughter don't use!**

Develop a **PLAN**, **call** each other, **talk** to your son/daughter about how you feel about alcohol and drugs. **You can save your son/daughter's life.** If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to call Nancy Dick, LHS' SAP Coordinator at 847-327-7030 or e-mail at nancy.dick@d128.org.



Homecoming Dance

Dates: Students usually attend the dance with a date. However, there are no restrictions on single attendance. Single tickets are available.

Dress: Semiformal to formal. Girls wear dresses and guys wear a shirt and tie. Jackets are not required, but many guys wear them.

Cost: Guys can expect to pay for their date's corsage, tickets, dinner. Girls usually pay for their date's boutonniere, and pictures at the dance.

Transportation: Upperclassmen drive, underclassmen usually have parents or older siblings drive them.

Tickets: will be on sale Wednesday, the 12th and Friday the 14th, outside the cafeteria. Tickets will also be sold at the door.

Coat and purse check is available at the dance.

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For over 80 years now, *Drops of Ink* has provided Libertyville High School and its community with newsworthy articles, features and editorials. More than 2,500 people depend on the newspaper to keep them up-to-date with all of LHS's news and events. *Drops of Ink*, run by students for the school community, has won several national awards.

Now *you* have the opportunity to subscribe to *Drops of Ink*. By subscribing for just \$20 a year, *Drops of Ink* will be mailed to your home immediately after each issue is distributed within the school (so you no longer have to rely on your student to bring one home). Your subscription will include every issue published after the date your payment is received for the duration of the school year, with issues arriving roughly every three to four weeks. Each edition is filled with information about school events, clubs, sports and student opinions on a variety topics.

A subscription also makes a great gift for LHS graduates who have moved away but still would like to know what's going on in their old school.

Yes, I would like to subscribe to *Drops of Ink* for the 2007-2008 school year! Please send my subscription to:

Name: _____

Address: _____

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Please make your check payable to Libertyville High School. Detach this portion and mail along with check to the above address (Attn: Matt Tooley). Thank you for your patronage!

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**PICK OUT THE PERFECT JEWELRY FOR THAT SPECIAL HOMECOMING
DRESS!**

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Let your student know how proud you are!

Buy a “HOME OF A WILDCAT” yard sign
Any Sport - Any Activity

Color: **Orange background**, Black lettering
Only \$30 per sign

Price includes one stake: add \$5.00 for each additional stake

Go to www.parentcats.org to download an order form.
Search the menu & click on “Yard Sign, Wildcat”

Show your Spirit, LHS !!

The Spirit Store is open, with new hours this year – Wednesdays and Fridays, 10 am – 2 pm. Come by and see all our new merchandise, including new designs on our T-shirts and sweatshirts.



Our orange and black paw-print house flags are on sale throughout September for only \$15. And check out our Stadium Seats (shown) that hook right on to bleachers. They’ll keep you warm and dry and comfy, whether you are at a football game, basketball game, baseball game or swim meet.

Remember that the Spirit Store is a Parent Cats fundraiser, run by volunteers, with proceeds benefiting all LHS students.

WILDCAT CHEERLEADING

NEWS & NOTES

The 2007-2008 Cheerleading season at Libertyville High School has gotten off to an exciting start! Our Freshman, JV and Varsity squads all attended NCA (National Cheerleaders Association) camp this summer at Northern Illinois University. Many of our cheerleaders were nominated to compete for a chance to become All American Cheerleaders and compete in NCA special events in Miami, Florida or Honolulu, Hawaii! NCA awards are given to cheerleaders displaying superior qualities in all aspects of cheerleading including leadership, showmanship and technique.

The following cheerleaders were named
All American Cheerleaders:

Brooke Beres, varsity
Kimmy Curschman, varsity
Mandy Snader, varsity
Agnes Kwietniewski, JV
Amber Staines, JV
*Ashton Coulson, varsity**

*Ashton was awarded the honor of
"All American Top Cheerleader".

She received the highest score of all nominated cheerleaders competing at camp.

Jessie Horgan, varsity
was offered a chance to work for the NCA organization as a staff instructor next year.



Wildcat Cheerleader Fundraising Event!!

The Wildcat Cheerleader Parent Organization is hosting the first ever

BAND NIGHT!

This fundraising event will be held on
Saturday, September 8th, 7:30 p.m.
in the Fuel Room @ Austin's on Rt. 137

The evening will include:

- Live music by THE USUALS
- Appetizers
- Live and silent auction
- Performance by the cheerleaders

Tickets are available for \$10.00 per person
If you are interested in purchasing tickets,
please contact the following:
Audrey Schmitt (680-9314), Michelle Potts
(367-4935) or Lisa Stakenas (327-9927).

More information is available online at
www.theusualsrock.com

Please come out to support your cheerleaders at this exciting event!