

# The ZMS Review

## October 2009

*The Monthly Newsletter of the Zionsville Middle School Parent Teacher Organization*

When I arrived in Zionsville from Anderson in 1996, I knew I had arrived in a new and very different place. My first day on the job at ZCHS provided what is still today a vivid recollection: students leaving backpacks unattended on the floor outside in the hallway during the lunch period. Personal experience had taught me that an unattended backpack resulted in someone rifling through it, taking what was valuable, and then, in mean-spirited fashion, dumping the rest of the items across the floor as if to draw the attention of any other potential “shoppers” to the make-shift garage sale. I thought I had arrived at a modern day Mayberry when I realized that these students left their items out because they were certain their belongings would remain undisturbed. Though shocked and a bit worried by the display of good faith in the fellow man, I felt as if my family had chosen its new residence well.

Thirteen years later such behavior, despite my continued albeit weak protestations, appears more routine and less shocking within the school building. Meaningful occurrences of theft over the last decade could likely be tallied on two hands, and most of these instances have taken place when outside groups have come into contact with our environment – visiting athletic teams, and the like. The fact is that our school environment is a comfy, homey one, and our students feel that they and their belongings are safe and secure.

Over the past two weeks, I am sorry to report, two bicycles have been stolen from our bike rack. The answer to the obvious question is, “No, they were not locked,” but that has been the standard operating procedure around here for a while, so it seems possible that a shift has occurred. In all likelihood an unaffiliated passerby helped him- or herself to the bikes, because it appears that they were taken after hours.

Regardless whether the thief attends this school or not, it may be wise to discuss with your child the need to keep items secure. While I certainly do not want to breed a culture of distrust in our school environment, it occurs to me that it may be easier to keep our current culture of trust if theft does not become a more common occurrence, rather than it slowly creeping into our consciousness.

I enjoy our life in the bubble. At ZMS our students tend to be more interested in their right to leave their lockers unlocked (jamming pencils into the lock to leave them open is a popular and discouraged hobby in our halls) than their right to privacy, and we are no doubt better for it. Perhaps a family discussion of securing possessions will help our students realize just how lucky we are to live in such a wonderful community, and at the same time increase the awareness that not everyone shares the same values as we do. And, as always, thank you for your continued partnership!

Mr. Sean Conner

<http://sconner007.edublogs.org/> Use this link to comment on Mr. Conner's Blog.

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by October 20, 2009.**

### Zionsville Middle School

Frequently Used

Phone Extensions

Dial **873-2426**

followed by extension

#:

Principal	13999
Ass't. Principal	13998
Student Services	13997
Receptionist	Press 0
Attendance	Press 2
Guidance	Press 3
Nurse	Press 4
Food Services	Press 5
Homework Hotline	Press 7
Athletic Director	Press 8
Repeat Menu	Press 9
Strings Director	13402
Band Director	13312-3
Choir Director	13310
Transportation	873-1237
Staff Directory	Press #

# PTO News

## Promoting Responsibility in Dedicated Education (PRIDE)

BRING IT ON!!.....The excitement has only begun with all of the activities PTO has planned and invested toward the fun and enriching experience at ZMS.

Student birthdays are being celebrated each month with a decorated locker hopefully making every student's day special. Thank you to Cheryl Bailey and Jill Lange for taking on this year-long project once again.

Gourmet cupcakes have been provided as birthday treats for our faculty and staff members. A huge round of thanks goes out to Nicole Fletcher for coordinating and making the special boxes and display for the monthly birthdays.

Ice Cream Sundae sales are back again. Monthly sales support PTO and provide a special cool treat. New this year will be "surprise" cool and creamy treats....be sure to check it out!

The Walking Club is "on track" once again. 5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup> grade students have shown their support of this program by their tremendous participation. Small incentives and walking with friends has turned this activity into a great little exercise and perhaps knowing that the laps accumulated can be used on their P.E./Health activity reports might be a little push as well. So, keep on walking!

PTO has launched a new Box Tops incentive....5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup> grade homerooms and 7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup> grade soar rooms will compete for the entire year collecting Box Tops. A mid-year award will be granted to the class with the most collected. This will be an incentive to keep collecting toward the end of the year Grand Prize. Not only will the students in the class room be awarded but for the first time, the winning "teacher" will receive a special award! So, please start collecting those Box Tops and be sure to place them in a baggie labeled with the teacher's name on it. Donations can either be placed in the special envelope in the class room or in the large box at the front office. Thank you for your participation ....and Good Luck!

The Book Fair will be coming our way late October. Please watch for dates/times to be posted soon. The proceeds from last years fair enabled PTO to award a \$1,000 grant to the ZMS Library Media Center.

The first-ever ZMS Cookbook is coming along nicely. However, the deadline is quickly approaching. Please submit your favorite yummy recipes to [Zimpfer@aol.com](mailto:Zimpfer@aol.com) by October 22. We are in need of main

-dish and/or vegetables recipes so please send them in today!

As planning continues on upcoming PTO activities, a few activities/events have taken place and reflect the hard work and dedication of our PTO members. I would like to thank everyone involved in the New Family Welcome, ZMS Directory and the 5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup> grade party.

New Family Welcome was a great success due to the efforts of Kara Ranieri and Amy Copner. Guests enjoyed beautiful desserts provided by our volunteer bakers along with a large "Welcome to ZMS" cake kindly donated by Marsh Supermarkets. Administrators, staff, community leaders and fellow seasoned ZMS parents were available for conversation and questions. A special selected group from the String Ensemble provided elegant music which was an impressive example of the talent we have at ZMS. Thanks to everyone who shared this evening with us and thank you to all of the volunteers, bakers and coordinators. Kara and Amy...you're the best!

The ZMS Directory was distributed mid-September. Mary Hilton you did it again!! The practical format and simplified layout worked perfectly in creating a user-friendly directory. Thank you, Mary, for your time and amazing computer skills. Also, congratulations to Rachel Miller, the artist who created the front cover of the Directory.

The 5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup> grade Fun Night was an enormous success thanks to the tireless efforts of Chantelle Dodson, Sharon Vlasik, Becky Culp and Denise Mimms. Wow, what a committee! Thank you for your tremendous efforts and ability to coordinate volunteers and numerous activities such as dancing, inflatables, guitar hero, cookie walk and much much more. Not only were the kids entertained, but they were also given the opportunity to give back by donating can goods for the ZPC food pantry. Thank you all for your generous donations in this time of need. And mostly, thank you to the committee chairs and to all of the volunteers who helped to make this event enjoyable.

In closing, I appreciate your time and I am hopeful that this message outlines the goals, ambitions and accomplishments of ZMS PTO. It is through the generosity of ZMS families and hard work of our members that PTO will be able to continue to enrich the ZMS community.

Sincerely,

Jami Farrell, ZMS PTO President

# PTO News (Continued)

## ZMS Scholastic Book Fair October 19 – 23, 2009

The book fair will be open each day and feature a wide range of books for young teens and adults, including mystery and adventure novels, fantasy trilogies, sports guides, manga, and the latest bestsellers from more than 150 publishers. Students, teachers, and parents are invited to attend. The fair will be open during lunch and after school. Proceeds from the fair will be used to purchase essential classroom resources and support school projects at ZMS. Please visit the website <http://bookfairs.scholastic.com/homepage/zms> for more details.

## No Hassle Fundraising

The competition has begun! The posters are up on the wall in Eagle Hall. Check them out when you get a chance to see which class is ahead in the collection of Boxtops and Campbell's soup labels.

Our first Boxtops submission deadline is coming up on October 31<sup>st</sup>. I will need you to get all Boxtops to me by October 22<sup>nd</sup> in order to make this deadline.

Be sure to check the Sunday newspapers for promotions at the local grocery stores. There was recently a promotion at Meijer and Marsh. Remember to also check out Hasbro Family Game Night on the Boxtops website if you are thinking of buying a game for someone. The offer is good until October 31<sup>st</sup>.

Check out the following websites for more information and products that are eligible for these programs:

[www.boxtops4education.com](http://www.boxtops4education.com), [www.campbellsoup.com](http://www.campbellsoup.com), and <http://ProjectAPlus.tyson.com>. Any questions, feel free to contact me at [cmead@indy.rr.com](mailto:cmead@indy.rr.com).

## Spirit Wear

Spirit Wear will be sold during Book Fair in October and order forms are also available at the office for anyone interested.

## Zionsville Middle School Cookbook

Z'EAGLE CHEF...Here it is! Your opportunity to share in the making of the first "Zionsville Middle School Cookbook". Take part in this fun, historic project by submitting your favorite recipes and perhaps a story that might go along with your masterpiece. Whether your recipe is family famous, family favorite, holiday favorite or just a favorite daily special, we want it! So, please help us to make this a memorable and fun project by submitting your recipe(s) to [zimpfer@aol.com](mailto:zimpfer@aol.com) or drop them off at the front office as soon as possible. Deadline is Friday, October 23<sup>rd</sup>.

# Wellness Corner

I hope everyone is well and making healthier choices. Walking club is going well and all the kids seem happy to have the track open to enjoy this beautiful fall weather we are having. The 5<sup>th</sup> graders have over a hundred signed up for walking club and the six graders are close behind. Please encourage your kids to sign up and start earning rewards. Thanks to all the wonderful parents who have been and will be volunteering their time and energy to make out kids healthy.

Salad bar to be arriving soon to ZMS!! The ZMS cafeteria staff has been working hard to provide a much desired salad bar for the students and staff. More details will be posted around school and information will be put on the announcements concerning the salad bar and when you can expect it to open. Please encourage your kids to give the salad bar a try. I think this will be a huge success. Our salad trials last spring were a big hit so I foresee the new salad bar to be an out of the park home run!!!

Health tip for October: EAT YOUR APPLE A DAY!!

New science shows that an apple packs a powerful disease-fighting punch. Its pectin and polyphenols help prevent colon cancer, shown to reduce breast cancer tumor growth in mice and helps reduce your systolic blood pressure. With fall fast approaching it will be easy to add an apple a day to your diet. Take a big bite and enjoy!!

To your better health,

Erin Wilson, Wellness Committee, [Wilson1427@earthlink.net](mailto:Wilson1427@earthlink.net)

# Guidance Department

## I.C.U

Operation I.C.U., Integrity and Character Unite, is a Guidance sponsored program designed to recognize students in grades 5-8, for displaying acts of thoughtfulness and respect. The program provides meaningful and appropriate challenges to students that promote character development. Operation I.C.U. sets clear expectations for students to engage in moral action in terms of civility, personal responsibility, helping others, sportsmanship, and service to school and community.

Teachers and administrators are involved in identifying students that display observable behaviors that promote good character. Once identified, these students are acknowledged by having their name read on the daily video announcements. Students also attain recognition by receiving a certificate of appreciation and a prize. These initiatives will yield positive results in student behavior, school climate, and academic achievement.

## 21<sup>st</sup> Century Scholars Program

Eligible 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade student that enroll in the Twenty-first Century Scholars Program and fulfill a pledge of good citizenship to the state are guaranteed the cost of four years of college tuition at any participating public college or university in Indiana. If the student attends a private institution, the state will award an amount comparable to that of a public institution. If the student attends a participating proprietary school, the state will award a tuition scholarship equal to that of Ivy Tech State College. There are strict income guidelines for eligibility, so not every student and family will qualify. Parents or guardians need to fill out the application. Students and parents/guardians have access to 16 regional support sites providing services and guidance for college preparation. If you have any questions about the Twenty-first Century Scholars Program, visit the Twenty-first Century Scholars Web site at <http://www.learnmoreindiana.org/college/paying/TwentyFirstCenturyScholars/Pages/home.aspx>, contact your local Scholars Support site or call the Learn More Helpline at 1-800-992-2076.

**End of First Nine Weeks Wednesday, October 21.** Grade Cards will be sent home with students on Friday, October 30.

**Exploratory Finals:** 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> Grade, Oct. 19-20, 2009.

## Study Tables

Study Tables will begin on Tuesday, October 6. Study Tables is a staff assisted study hall for students who wish to receive help with homework completion, study skills, and organization. Study Tables will be available on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays from 3:00-4:00 PM for students in grades 5, 6, 7, and 8. Due to the number of students being offered this opportunity, and in an effort to keep our student/teacher ratio low, please select 1-2 days for your child to attend. Parents will need to provide transportation for their child. Students should see their guidance counselor for the Study Tables Contract necessary to enroll.

## Parent/Teacher Conferences

Grade 5 and 6 conferences are by appointment only, please contact your homeroom teacher with any questions

Grade 7 and 8 conferences will be held on Thursday, October 22 from 3-6pm and Friday, October 23 from 7:30-12. Teachers will be available in both gymnasiums. Parents may meet with teachers individually on a first come, first serve basis.

## Parent Volunteers

We are interested in organizing efforts for parent volunteers to assist with enrichment activities with our students throughout the school day. If interested, please inform your grade level counselor as to what day of the week and time you would be available. When calling please indicate areas you would be most comfortable tutoring.

Grade 5 & 8 Krista Hoffman, ext. 13991, Grade 6 Carrie Nonte, ext. 13992, Grade 7 Kristen Stachura, ext. 13986

## Red Ribbon Celebration

Red Ribbon Celebration will be October 12-23. This is a program that focuses on drug prevention through creative activities.

This year students will be participating in exciting grade level activities to show their awareness and enthusiasm for living drug free and making positive choices. 5<sup>th</sup> grade will be decorating Red Ribbon bookmarks to pass out to the entire study body and staff.

6<sup>th</sup> grade will be making posters to display around the school. 7<sup>th</sup> grade will be creating a Red Ribbon Week Pledge via Jing videos.

8<sup>th</sup> grade will be constructing mini-floats to display their healthy lifestyle choices. Small red wagons will be used for the frame of the float. The 8<sup>th</sup> grade SOAR classes will compete for a pizza party. The winner will be determined by having students vote with pennies. The SOAR class to collect the most pennies from their outstanding mini-float design will enjoy a pizza party following Red Ribbon week. The money collected will be donated to a cause of our choice in Boone County.

## 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Social Health

5<sup>th</sup> grade students will focus on group dynamics and how groups can exert positive and negative influences. A one-hour session is scheduled for October 14.

**Have a great Fall Break! Monday, Oct. 26- Tuesday, Oct. 27.**

# Guidance Continued

## Guidance Character Trait— Trustworthy

Are you a Trustworthy Person? Take this simple quiz and find out:

**True/False** I am honest. I don't lie, cheat, or steal. **True/False** I keep my promises and follow through on my commitments

**True/False** I try to do what is right, even when it feels difficult. **True/False** I am a good and dependable friend

Parents, take time at the dinner table each night to discuss the following questions with your son/daughter:

How do you know when you can trust someone? Can you imagine starting a friendship with someone you didn't trust? What does that look like? What are the benefits of being a trustworthy person? How do you benefit from the trustworthiness of others?

What makes a friend trustworthy? How do you define a "lie"? Is it ever okay to lie? When would that be? Have you ever lied to fit in? Did it help you fit in? If not, what happened? If your friends were here right now, would they say you were trustworthy? How do you think your parents view your trustworthiness? Reference [www.goodcharacter.com](http://www.goodcharacter.com)

# Sports

## Lady Eagles Youth Basketball

In preparation for the Lady Eagles youth basketball winter season, we will be holding player evaluations on Sunday, Oct 11, 2009 from 6:30pm-8pm at the Freshman Center. This evaluation is for all girls 3rd thru 6th grade who are not currently playing in the fall league and wish to play in the Lady Eagles HGBL winter season as well as players in 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade with intentions of playing for both of our middle schools. Even if your player attended the August evaluation date, they are encouraged to attend this evaluation as well. For any questions, please contact Coach Brad Montgomery at [bmontgomery@zcs.k12.in.us](mailto:bmontgomery@zcs.k12.in.us) Thanks! Go Lady Eagles!

## 2009 Zionsville Middle School Wrestling Club

Middle school is a great place to experience new activities and wrestling club is just one of many. Wrestling is a sport that appeals to everyone because individuals compete with others that are the same size. If the club member enjoys the sport they are invited to join the regular middle school team when practices begin in December. Who is Eligible? Zionsville Middle School 5th & 6th graders. When? Starts November 9th and ends November 19th. Where? Middle school wrestling room between the gyms. Time? 3:00 to 4:30pm every day. Students will need to bring shorts, t-shirt, socks, tennis or wrestling shoes. Headgear will be furnished. Attendees should have an IHSAA physical on file. Forms are in the office or on [www.zcs.k12.in.us](http://www.zcs.k12.in.us) go to Zionsville Middle School Athletics. There will be a short orientation meeting for parents on the first night of practice at 4:30pm to discuss what the club is about. Please fill out the information below and return it to Coach Flecker on or before the November 9th practice. Please email or call me if you have any questions. Those that pre-register by 10/23 will receive a t-shirt. Coaches: Vince Flecker, Phone 873-2426 Ext. 13702, [vflecker@zcs.k12.in.us](mailto:vflecker@zcs.k12.in.us) and Randy Johnson

# Art Department

## Yearbook Orders

Don't forget to order your yearbook by October 31 to get the discounted price! Also, yearbooks will not be sold after December 18, which is a new policy this year. Don't miss out- order NOW!

## Peace Poster Contest

Seventh and eighth grade art students participated in the Lions Club Peace Poster Contest again this year. The theme this year was "The Power of Peace". The top ten ZMS entries were selected and displayed at the Fall Festival. Congratulations to the ZMS finalists Bailey Jones and Grace Labuzan, and a big congratulations to Claire Sloan, who won first place! Her poster will be sent on to the district competition in November. Claire received more votes than any ZMS or ZWMS entries at the fall festival!

## CD's and DVD's needed

ZMS 8th grade artists have been asked to help Indiana artist Leticia Bajuyo collect thousands of old CD's and DVD's to use on her newest sculpture. Leticia is an associate professor at Hanover College and has exhibited her artwork in Indianapolis at The Herron School of Art. Miss Bond's 8th grade yearlong students created a hanging installation that was inspired by Bajuyo's recycled sculptures. The sculpture is currently on display outside the media center in the 400 hallway. We hope to collect thousands of CD's and present them to Bajuyo when she visits ZMS! All donations can be dropped off at the front office or to Miss Bond's room 408.

# School News

## 7/8 Student Council

This month the 7/8 Student Council will be organizing our Fall Door Decorating Contest and dress days. The door decorating contest will take place from October 19-22, and the winning classrooms will be provided with a pizza party. October 30<sup>th</sup> will be “Pink Day” in honor of Breast Cancer Awareness Month. Students are asked to wear pink that day, and are encouraged to bring \$.50 to school to donate. Money raised on October 30<sup>th</sup> will be donated the Sandra Graef Music Education Fund, and all other money donated from dress days this year will go to support the Make a Wish Foundation.

## Do you know Moon Festival in China?

Our Chinese students will celebrate the Moon Festival on Friday October 2. The Chinese Moon Festival is on the 15<sup>th</sup> of the 8<sup>th</sup> lunar month. This year it is Saturday October 3<sup>rd</sup> on our calendar. The Moon Festival is also known as the Mid-autumn Festival. I compare Moon Festival to our Thanksgiving in class, so our kids will feel the traditional Chinese culture.

There are a few legends about the Moon Festival. When I was young, I learned from my grandma about Chang Er Ben Yue (Lady Chang Er Flew to the Moon). When I was in school age, I learned from the book about Zhu Yuan Zhang Chuan Xin (Emperor Zhu Yuan Zhang Spread Messages in the Moon Cakes). No matter what legends you believe, the Chinese celebrate the Moon Festival with the full moon, eating moon cake, and sing moon poems.

The Moon Festival is also a romantic one. A perfect night for the festival is if it is a quiet night without a silk of cloud and with a little mild breeze from the sea. Lovers spend such a romantic night together tasting the delicious moon cake with some wine while watching the full moon. Even for a couple who can't be together, they can still enjoy the night by watching the moon at the same time so it seems that they are together at that hour. A great number of poetry has been devoted to this romantic festival. (<http://chineseculture.about.com/library/weekly/aa093097.htm>)

Our Chinese students baked their own moon cakes last year. We will study on the legends, make Chinese food and sing a moon poem, as well as bake moon cakes this year. If you are interested to taste moon cakes, I recommend some Asian markets: Asian Mart 6103 E 86<sup>th</sup> St Indianapolis, IN 46250-3508(317) 845-8892, Oriental Market 2604 Lafayette road, Indianapolis, IN 46222 (317) 955-0566, Saraga International Grocery 3605 Commercial Dr Indianapolis, IN 46222-1681 (317) 388-9999 By Wendy Yuan, Chinese Teacher at ZCHS, ZMS, and ZWMS

## MATHCOUNTS

MATHCOUNTS will meet in Room 608 on Monday afternoons, 2:45-4:00, starting on October 5. MATHCOUNTS is a national program whose mission is to develop problem-solving skills and mathematical ability among middle school students. Our weekly practice sessions throughout the fall will culminate in competitions, both within the school and against other schools, in the winter. More information is available at [www.mathcounts.org](http://www.mathcounts.org). All ZMS students who enjoy math are welcome. Paula Jurgonski [pjurgo@comcast.net](mailto:pjurgo@comcast.net) 770-0121, Carol Ahmann [carolahmann@sbcglobal.net](mailto:carolahmann@sbcglobal.net) 873-5217, ZMS MATHCOUNTS coaches

# Orchestra and Tri-M Notes

Tri-M Music Honor Society selections were completed on Sept. 21 and the first meeting will be on Sept. 28 at 7am in room 402. The Induction Ceremony will take place on Oct. 21 at 7pm in Eagle Hall.

The 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Orchestra will perform at the High School on Oct. 15, at 7:00pm, at the Crossover Concert, featuring a new Swayze composition entitled “Showdown Hoedown #2”

The Strolling Strings will perform at Beasleys Orchard in Danville at 2pm on Oct. 3

The 8<sup>th</sup> grade string ensemble is prepared to perform at your next event! Please contact Kathleen Swayze at 873-2426 x 13402 or [kswayze@zcs.k12.in.us](mailto:kswayze@zcs.k12.in.us).

# Community News

**Community Conversation Town Hall Meeting**  
**Wednesday, October 14th, 7:00 pm – 8:00 pm**  
**Zionsville Town Hall, 1100 Oak Street, Zionsville**

You are invited to attend a Town Hall Meeting designed to focus on teen decision making in our community. The topic for this Town Hall Meeting will be the issue of addictions. Dr. Mann Spitler will present on this issue by sharing the sad events that led to his daughter's death of a heroin overdose. Dr. Spitler's presentation is very powerful and we encourage you make plans to attend.

In addition to this evening presentation, Dr. Spitler will be presenting to students at Zionsville Community High School during the school day on October 14<sup>th</sup>. The evening presentation provides parents an opportunity to share a common experience with their children on the very important topic of addictions. You can visit Dr. Spitler's web site at [www.mandasstory.com](http://www.mandasstory.com)

## **8th Annual Oktoberfest**

ZEF announces the 8th annual Oktoberfest coming on October 17th! Once again the event will include dinner, a silent auction and games in the Fun'd Zone. Join us at the Irsay Pavilion from 6:30-11:00 pm to support grants for our educators! Tickets are \$100 per person with tables of 8. Contact Lynn Kissel at 733-4805 for more information. Many thanks to Witham Health Services for their generous \$5000 sponsorship.

## **ZEF—DonorsChoose.org**

The Zionsville Education Foundation has partnered with DonorsChoose.org to provide \$5,000 in additional funding for Zionsville teachers to fulfill their classroom needs.

DonorsChoose.org is a national on-line resource for teachers and other front-line employees such as librarians and counselors to obtain funding for innovative educational opportunities. Items that can be requested include books, technology, equipment, manipulatives and games.

“With challenging economic times upon us, the work that ZEF does to provide funds for innovation in the classroom is more important than ever,” according to ZEF Board President Julie Redman. “This new partnership gives Zionsville parents and supporters of education across the country the opportunity to provide a direct positive impact on education in our community.”

Educators can post projects with a materials cost up to \$400 at [www.DonorsChoose.org/teachers](http://www.DonorsChoose.org/teachers). Any donor in Zionsville or across the country can go on-line and make a contribution to a particular project of their choice. At the discretion of ZEF, once half of the funding is secured from private donors, ZEF will provide the other half of the funding to make the classroom wish a reality.

For more information about DonorChoose, please visit [www.DonorsChoose.org](http://www.DonorsChoose.org). For additional information about ZEF or this funding effort, please visit [www.zionsvilleeducationfoundation.org](http://www.zionsvilleeducationfoundation.org) or contact Executive Director Lynn Kissel at [lkissel@zcs.k12.in.us](mailto:lkissel@zcs.k12.in.us) or 733-4805.

## **Stonegate Bazaar**

The Annual Stonegate Holliday Bazaar is just around the corner! Mark Your Calendar for Saturday Nov. 14, 9am-3pm! Shop for jewelry, home décor, toys, purses, crafts, baked goods & more! Adult Admission: \$2 (kids are free) Sponsored by the Stonegate Elementary PTO.

## **Attention Vendors!Stonegate Bazaar!!!!**

Stonegate Elementary is looking for vendors to share their unique and creative personal businesses at our 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Holiday Bazaar. The bazaar will be on Saturday, November 14, 2009 from 9am to 3pm at Stonegate Elementary School For more information please contact: Chelle Smitson 733-1330 Andi Hardesty 873-5567 or email us at [stonegatebazaar@hotmail.com](mailto:stonegatebazaar@hotmail.com) Sponsored by the Stonegate Elementary PTO

## **Market Day is here!**

Our monthly Market Day fundraising program offers delicious, high-quality, healthy, convenient foods at competitive grocery store prices. Last year, we raised \$3,360 for our high school band and orchestra students! Please join us in this fundraiser -- and save yourselves time in the kitchen! October's sale offers a FREE 1 lb. of ground beef when you spend \$40. You can also get a FREE order of shrimp when you spend \$90. For easiest ordering, view the sales flyer and order online by **11:00pm Wednesday, October 14th** at <http://www.marketday.com/> using account #5941. If you prefer, you can pick up and drop off an order form at the Hussey-Mayfield Library no later than Oct. 14th. Order forms can also be found in all school offices. Order pickup will be at the Zionsville High School cafeteria from 5:00-6:00pm on Monday, October 19th. Adult and student volunteers are always appreciated from 4:00-6:00pm on order pickup day; students earn \$15 in their Z'BOP accounts for working.

Please contact us with any questions or to volunteer. Thanks so much!

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# October 2009

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
			<b>1</b>	<b>2</b> 5 <sup>th</sup> Grade to Biztown (Skura/Ertel & Paska/Myers)
<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b> 5 <sup>th</sup> grade to Conner Prairie
<b>12</b> Day to Starkey Park	<b>13</b> Day to Starkey Park	<b>14</b> Social Health (5 <sup>th</sup> Grade)	<b>15</b> Netbook Parent Meeting, Eagle Hall 6:00 pm	<b>16</b>
<b>19</b> <b>Exploratory Finals</b>	<b>20</b> Tech Final (Day 2) 5 <sup>th</sup> Grade Informance 7:00 pm Eagle Hall	<b>21 End of Nine Weeks</b> Tri-M Induction Ceremony 7:00 pm Eagle Hall	<b>22</b> 7/8 Parent Teacher Conferences, 3:00 - 6:00 pm, N/S Gyms	<b>23</b> <b>No School</b> 7/8 Parent Teacher Conferences, 7:30 - 12:00 pm
<b>26</b> <b>Fall Break</b> <b>No School</b>	<b>27</b> <b>Fall Break</b> <b>No School</b>	<b>28</b> 7 HA White to the IRT 9:00- 12:00 pm	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>

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