



Lion's Pride

November 2009

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

By Beth Silaika

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The gold and brown leaves are starting to fall to the ground and there is a hint of chill in the air. My favorite month has come to an end and we are starting November with the Yankees in the World Series. October has been a busy month at Tesago. The Fall fundraiser was a tremendous success. Thank you to all of the families who participated in the fundraiser or made a donation directly to the PTA.

A gigantic THANK YOU to Stephanie Goodman, chairperson of the Fundraising Committee. She did a great job organizing this huge undertaking! School pictures went really well under the guidance of Sandra Butts. Thank you to her for coordinating all the parent volunteers who made sure that the kids were smiling pretty! October's highlight was the World Famous Monster Mash/Family Fun Night. Jill VanDusen and Beth Haig created such an amazingly fun night for young and old. Two haunted houses and music, arts and crafts and a plethora of prize baskets made this year's Mash the best one yet! This is Beth's last year as Committee Chair for Monster Mash/Family Fun Night. We would love to have someone help take on this huge task with Jill next year! Please contact us at Tesagopta@gmail.com if you are interested in taking on this FUN and rewarding task!

Our membership drive is still underway! Thank you to Susan Flint for coordinating the committee. If you have already joined the PTA, THANK YOU! We know there are still more Tesago families that could join the PTA. Joining the PTA means that you are supporting your child's school community. Forms are available on the website, so please help us reach our goal of 100% participation!

Beth Silaika, President
Tesago PTA
Together Everyone Shares A Great Opportunity

Every Child. One Voice.

FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT

MOVIE NIGHT - Monster vs Aliens



Tuesday, November 10, 2009
Stop at the Concession Stand for
Dinner and Popcorn

Enjoy the evening with friends!

Bring your pillow and blanket to
the Cafeteria!

Doors open at 6 pm

Movie starts at 6:30 pm

HOLIDAY SHOPPING

Tesago's 2nd Annual Holiday Extravaganza

Saturday, November 7th from 10 am - 2 pm. This is a great opportunity to get a jump start on your holiday shopping. We're hoping to have close to 100 vendors and crafters participating in this event. We are still looking for more crafters and vendors so if you are interested in participating or know of someone that might be interested please contact Meridith Haskins at 373-1838 or meri0311@aol.com

ARTS AND EDUCATION

Upcoming Arts-In-Education Events:

Brian Chevalier Songwriting Residency - Grades 1-4
(Various workshops during the month)

11/18 & 19 - Scotia-Glenville: Mirror Magic - Grade 3
11/24 - Cornell University 4-H program: Mystery Box - Grade K
12/2 & 3 - Scotia-Glenville: In Days Gone By - Grade 1

Stephanie Reilly Dobo
Margarita Zacher
Arts-In-Education Committee Co-Chairs

Check out our website at <http://www.shenet.org/community/Tesagopta/TesagoHome.htm>

THANK YOU'S

Julie Nelson and Evelyn Hickok would like to thank Jennifer Landers, Kristi Kenney, Nicole Vincenzi, Julie Plumadore, and Brigitt LaVigne for all their help with this year's first Popcorn Day. A special thanks goes out to Scott McNamee and his wonderful staff, as well as the cafeteria staff!

CASH FOR GOLD FUNDRAISING

Attention! Want a little extra cash to spend at our upcoming Holiday Extravaganza? How about going through your jewelry boxes and pulling out all of those tangled chains, single earrings, and any unwanted gold jewelry you own and bring it to our Cash for Gold booth at the Holiday Extravaganza on November 7th from 10am-2pm. Cash for Gold will give you CASH for all of those unwanted items and you'll have some extra spending money to put toward your holiday shopping. PLUS, book a party with Cash for Gold, have at least 10 friends in attendance and Cash for Gold will donate an additional \$50 to the Tesago PTA. It's a win-win situation. Call Meredith Haskins at 373-1838 with any questions.

BOX TOPS NEWS

Welcome to another great year of Box Tops!!! Our total last year was \$2,044.

We are already at \$500 - I am really hoping to break the \$3,000 mark this year!!

The BIG NEWS is the BIG CLIP - if you can help us win a possible \$50,000 or \$25,000 - please sign up at www.boxtops4education.com/passion/ and register - then everyday - enter for your chance to win Tesago \$50,000.

Shopping through the Box Tops website is easy just go to the marketplace through the Box Top site and when you purchase anything at any one of the stores Tesago will get a percentage.

Keep clipping -- the NEW trophies will be at the BEST assembly -- We will have an awesome year!

Feel free to contact me mgtmatocha@nycap.rr.com

Thanks, Margaret

TOOLS FOR SCHOOLS

Shopping at Price Chopper can save you money on gas...and at the same time, you're earning free equipment for Tesago! The Tools For Schools program is off to a great start this year! At the end of September, we had already earned over 31,000 points...and we have until February to reach our goal of 100,000! To earn "points," your Price Chopper Advantage card must be enrolled with Tesago. If you signed up with Tesago last year, you do not need to re-register. To register your card or SWITCH your school (i.e. from your former elementary school to Tesago), visit www.pricechopper.com and enroll online. The code for Tesago is 15764.

If you need assistance or do not have internet access, please call Kerri Arserio at 248-2663 or send an email to apamba@nycap.rr.com. Thanks for supporting the students at Tesago!

Kerri Arserio, Coordinator

CAMPBELL'S LABELS FOR EDUCATION



ARTS • ATHLETICS • ACADEMICS

"Labels for Education" is beginning for this school year!! We are looking for the students to bring in as many UPC codes from ALL Campbell products, Pepperidge Farm products, Swanson products, and V8Splash drinks (caps).

The more UPC codes your child brings in, the better chance his or her classroom has to win the Campbell's Star Class of the Month plaque. One plaque will be given to one class from grades K-2, and one plaque will be given to one class from grades 3-5. The plaques will be handed out at each BEST assembly!!

All UPC codes will then be turned in as points (1 or 5 points) and then can be cashed in for FREE school supplies!!!!

So, keep cutting out those UPC codes from the items listed above and send them in either an envelope or sandwich bag with your child's name, their teacher's name, and the amount of UPC codes being sent in. I can't wait to see which two classes will be the first winners of the Campbell's Star Class of the Month plaques!!!!

For more information on what Campbell products are eligible for point redemption, you can check online at: <http://www.labelsforeducation.com/eligibleproductsEN.aspx>.

Thank You,
Vidia Wray (kaybop27@gmail.com)

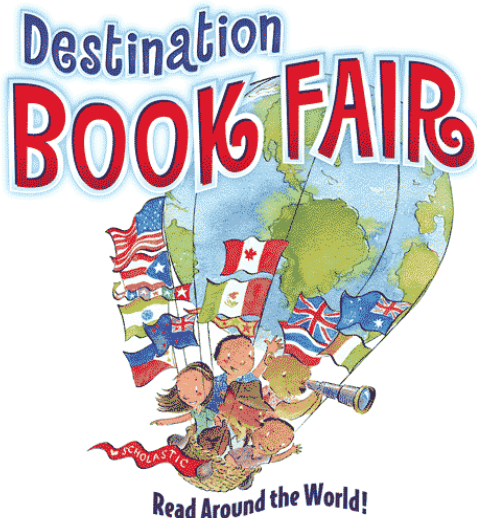
HELP NEEDED

Coming Soon: Tesago's BOOK FAIR!

Our book fair will take place in the lobby from Monday, November 2nd through Friday, November 6th. All students will visit the fair with their class during their regular library time or book exchange time. Go to Tesago's online bulletin board for more information about the fair, including videos of some of the books that will be for sale. Also, don't forget to come to our evening shopping hours! Thursday, November 5th from 4-6pm.

Any questions? Email Ms. Pierce (pierkath@shenet.org)

See you there!



PRESCHOOL PTA COMMITTEE

Come join the Shenendehowa Preschool PTA Committee! A few hours a year will make a difference in the programs we put on for families of preschoolers! For a schedule of our meetings and programs, check us out at cliftonpark.org/preschoolpta or on our Facebook group, Shenendehowa PTA Council Preschool Committee!

For more information email Kate at preschoolpta@cliftonpark.org

5TH GRADE PARENTS

ATTENTION ALL 5TH GRADE PARENTS

It's hard to believe that our babies are now in 5th grade! This year is going to fly by just as fast as the last 5 years did. So before things get too hectic, start putting some pictures together for our 5th grade DVD/slideshow. Also, bring your camera along to all the events this year so we will have some good, recent photos of all our 5th graders!

If you have any questions, please contact Julie Plumadore, mrsjules@nycap.rr.com, Beth Hart, bethahart@nycap.rr.com, Nancy Koval, koval@empireone.net or April Douglas, adouglas@nycap.rr.com.

Check out our website at <http://www.shenet.org/community/Tesagopta/TesagoHome.htm>

The Campbell's Star of the Month for October is: ***Mrs. Gerstenberger's Class!!!!***

Second runner up goes to **Mr. Yattaw's Class!!**

CONGRATULATIONS!!!!!!!!!!!!

Label's For Education is looking for the **UPC codes** from many products.

- All Campbell Soups (UPC CODES ONLY)
- All Campbell Supper Bakes (UPC CODES ONLY)
- All Campbell Select Harvest (UPC CODES ONLY)
- All Campbell Microwaveable Soups (UPC CODES ONLY)
- Spaghetios (UPC CODES ONLY)
- Pepperidge Farm Cookies (UPC CODES ONLY)
- Pepperidge Farm Goldfish Crackers & Pretzels (UPC CODES ONLY)
- Pepperidge Farm Breads (UPC CODES ONLY)
- V8 Soups (UPC CODES ONLY)
- V8 Splash Beverages (CAPS ONLY)
- All Swanson Products (UPC CODES ONLY)

Send in the UPC codes and Caps from these items in a sandwich bag or envelope with the follow information, so your child's class can be eligible to become the "Campbell's Star Class of the Month"!!

- Write your child's name
- Write your child's teacher's name
- Write the AMOUNT of UPC codes and/or Caps you are placing in the baggie

THANK YOU!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

~Vidia Wray, Labels For Education