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## Thank You from the Executive Committee

Although school is coming to a close, the PTA continues to be busy with cultural arts events and end of the year activities. We are also actively planning for next year. A well deserved thank you goes out to the following people for helping to close the year out as well as it started:

- Sandy West and Tracy Margiotta and their 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Activities committee for all of their work in preparing to celebrate the 5<sup>th</sup> grade class's accomplishments as they leave us for Gowana next year.
- Our Budget Committee - Jenn Collazo, Heather Lombardo, Kathie Palmieri, Melissa Paquin and Brad Piziali for taking the time during this busy season to prepare the PTA's budget for next year.
- Jen Shanihan and Sharon DiChiro for running another successful student art program.
- Amy Czirr and her school banking volunteers for another successful year of helping the students to learn the importance of saving.
- Lori Bennett, Mary Fran Verostek and Brenda Fensterer for continuing to keep all of us aware of the events for the PTA, the school and the community with the Weekly News, Journal and website.
- Sharon Moyer, Beth Ogle and Heather Lombardo for continuing to keep the cultural arts events going until the end of the school year.



*Karigon means  
"to join together"*

Please see *Thank You* on page 2

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We can hardly believe that the school year is coming to an end. It feels like it has just started. But as we plan for next year we realize all of the work that went into making the 2010-2011 school year a great year at Karigon. Many people have volunteered to be involved in the planning and executing of events for our students for the 2011-2012 school year, but we are still looking for help for some committees. **Shen Inventors, Family Activities (Monster Mash and BINGO), Spring Fundraising Recognition/Honorary Life, McDonald's Night and Fifth Grade Activities (4<sup>TH</sup> Grade Chair) are all in need of two co-chairs.** **These positions need to be filled in order to have the events that they run continue into the 2011-2012 school year.** If you are interested, please contact Jenn Collazo or Heather Lombardo for more information. More information on all of these committees will be out again soon. Please consider taking some time to help these events continue for the students of Karigon!

Finally, we would like to extend an invitation to all PTA members to our final meeting of the year on Wednesday, June 15<sup>th</sup> at the Karigon Library Media Center. Please join us for some food and fun as we celebrate the year and look forward to what we can do for the students of Karigon next year. There will be a short business meeting including a vote on next year's budget.

And finally, thank you again to everyone who chaired a committee or volunteered this year to help make this a fun and exciting year for the Karigon community!

*Tammy Learn, Heather Lombardo, Jenn Collazo, Rob Williams,  
Lisa Burkhammer, Brad Piziali and Jennifer Marin*

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## Board of Education Report

May 2011

On May 17th, the Shenendehowa community voted to approve the District's proposed 2011 - 12 budget. The proposal to acquire 19 buses was also approved. Incumbents Mary Blaauboer and Mary Wiggins were reelected to 3 year terms on the Board of Education.

Sincere thanks to everyone who voted!

*Submitted by Mrs. Mary Blaauboer, BOE Vice President and Karigon BOE Liaison*



### PTA Meeting Date 2011

June 15<sup>th</sup> - Karigon Libray Media Center  
*food...fun...budget vote*

**Farewell and Good Luck to the following  
Karigon Staff who are retiring:**

**Mrs. Rita Fischer  
Ms. Joanne Nawrot  
Mrs. Peggy Valentine  
Ms. Bonnie Walmsley  
Mrs. Paula White**

## **Congratulations to our newly elected PTA officers for the 2011-2012 school year:**

**President - Jenn Collazo  
Vice President - Heather Lombardo  
Treasurer - Nicole DePaul  
Recording Secretary - Melissa Bartoletti  
Corresponding Secretary - Jennifer Stopyak  
Delegates to Council - Jenn Marin and Brad Piziali**



## **Congratulations to the recipients of the Karigon PTA Scholarship**

**Bridget Scanlon  
Michael McCarthy**

## **Congratulations to Karigon Graduates recently honored at High School East Senior Awards Night**

**Danielle Bonville ● Jennifer Chieco ● Mackenzie Cohn  
Andrew D'Amelia ● Emily Danaher ● Megan DiBenedetto  
Megan Leonard ● Samantha Matthewson ● Michael McCarthy  
Stephanie Milczarek ● Kristen Morici ● Kayla Parkes  
Paulina Pascual ● Megan Rogers ● Bridget Scanlon  
Maggie Smith ● Robert Wardwell ● Bryan White**

# Cultural Arts

## Cultural Arts Events for June

- K-5**                    **June 13<sup>th</sup>    BUBBLEMANIA**
- Casey Carle will be returning to Karigon to share his show of “comedy, artistry and BubbleOlogy” with the children.
- Kindergarten**    **June 15/16    MARY ALICE AMIDON**
- Visits to perform her music and movement workshop which provides song, dance and storytelling to the students.
- 2nd Grade**            **June 2, 6      BEAUTIFUL INSECTS**
- Program from the Scotia-Glenville 7 & 8 museum. This program looks at the differences between moths and butterflies; their life cycles and metamorphosis.
- 4th grade**            **June 21st    LIVING VOICES**
- Brings to life Immigration Day. This is a live performance to illustrate how an immigrant may have felt arriving in America at Ellis Island.
- 5th grade**            **June 1/3      CANADA, OUR NEIGHBORS TO THE NORTH**
- Program from the Scotia-Glenville museum. It will explore Canada’s rich history and culture as well as their relationship with the United States.



## Reminders from the Office



### Lost and Found

All parents are asked to please check the Lost and Found box in the front lobby to make sure that you have all of your child's items. .

### Moving? Changing schools over the summer?

If your children will not be returning to Karigon in the fall, please notify the main office, in writing, as soon as possible. If you have any questions, please contact the main office at 881-0530.

### Forgotten Items

For safety reasons, a parent/guardian must accompany a student who enters the building after school hours. We are certain you will understand our concern and thank you for your cooperation.

### Late Arrivals

When a student arrives at school late, a parent must come in with the child and sign him/her in. Please do not send the child in by himself.

## WANTED: Your Old, Used Digital Cameras!



Dear Parents,

As we look forward to spring and going out to our pond for environmental studies, we are looking for donations of digital cameras for the students to use to help us identify the plants and animals that live in and around the pond. The cameras should be easy for students to use and download the images. Should you be willing to help, please call the Karigon Main Office at 881-0530. Thank you!



May 2, 2011

Dear Parents,

The American Cancer Society's Relay for Life Walkathon in Clifton Park will be Friday, June 10, 2011 starting at 7:00 PM and ending Saturday, June 11 at 7:00 AM. The event will be held at the Shenendehowa High School track.

Karigon will again be represented by our team, The Karigon Kickers. In support of the American Cancer Society, and our team, students can participate in any of the following ways:

1. Be a walker - Students have to walk with a parent but one parent can supervise a group of students.

- Register online at <http://main.acsevents.org/goto/karigon>  
\*\*\*Please note that all registrations must be done online\*\*\*
- The deadline has been extended -- All registrations received by Wednesday, May 25<sup>th</sup> will receive a t-shirt

2. Dance and/or Have Fun - For \$2.00 students and parents can come to the

**Karigon Family Dance Party** on Friday, June 3<sup>rd</sup> from 6-8 pm  
\*\*\*Ticket ordering forms will be sent home later this week\*\*\*

3. Fill out a Sun and/or Moon card - For \$1.00 students can write their name on a card in the shape of the sun or the moon. Students can buy cards during their lunchtime from May 9<sup>th</sup> - May 20<sup>th</sup>.

4. Donate \$1.00 for an Ice Cream Party Raffle - For \$1.00 students can buy a raffle ticket to try and help their class win an ice cream party. Students can buy raffle tickets in their classrooms from May 23<sup>rd</sup> until May 27<sup>th</sup>.

5. Luminaria Bags - For \$5.00 a luminaria bag can be lit in someone's name. Students can bring their classroom teachers \$5.00 anytime prior to the event to receive a bag. Bags can be decorated and returned to the classroom teacher.

Many thanks for your support!

Mr. Bernd (Relay Captain) ([bernchri@shenet.org](mailto:bernchri@shenet.org))



Come Dance the Night Away at the First Annual  
Karigon Family Dance Party for Relay for Life

What to Expect: TONS of FUN, DJ Mr. Sawyer,  
MC Mr. Bernd, Food, and a Raffle

**When: Friday, June 3, 2011, 6-8 P.M.**

Where: Karigon Cafeteria

Who: Karigon Families, Teachers, and Staff

Cost: \$2 per person (Kids must be accompanied by an adult.)

Tickets will go fast at the door, but you can pre-order them now. Just fill out the form below and return it to school with a check made out to Relay for Life by Wednesday May 25, 2011.

Contact Mr. Bernd at [bernychri@shenet.org](mailto:bernychri@shenet.org) with any questions. Thanks for your support!

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#### Karigon Family Dance Party Ticket Order

Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_ Homeroom \_\_\_\_\_ # of tickets: \_\_\_\_\_

Total Amount Enclosed (Cost is \$2.00 a ticket): \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Pizza Slices: \_\_\_\_\_ (This information is only for us to figure out how many pies to order. Cash will be collected the night of the dance for any food, drinks or raffle tickets)

Please note: You will not receive actual tickets, but your name will be put on the VIP list at the door. After you have been added to the list, this will be returned to you as your receipt.

## Menus for June 2011

[http://www.schoolmenus.org/Shenendehowa\\_Central\\_Schools.htm](http://www.schoolmenus.org/Shenendehowa_Central_Schools.htm)

You can download the following files:

### Elementary Menu June 1-10

[http://www.schoolmenus.org/Shen\\_2011\\_Elem\\_June\\_1-10.pdf](http://www.schoolmenus.org/Shen_2011_Elem_June_1-10.pdf)

### Elementary Menu June 13-23

[http://www.schoolmenus.org/Shen\\_2011\\_Elem\\_June\\_13-23.pdf](http://www.schoolmenus.org/Shen_2011_Elem_June_13-23.pdf)



## REFLECTIONS

Attention All Creative Students

The 2011-2012 Reflection's theme has been announced. It is

**“Diversity means ...”**

Put your thinking caps on over the summer and start planning your interpretation!

You can enter in Photography, Visual Arts, Dance Choreography, Literature, Film and Musical Composition.

To find out more information, go to [www.nyspta.org](http://www.nyspta.org) and look for Reflections.

Good luck! Lisa Burkhammer

## Karigon Class Historians



With so many activities happening at Karigon during the year, it is easy to lose track of those wonderful photographs that are taken.

**PLEASE SEND THEM TO YOUR GRADE LEVEL HISTORIAN NOW!  
Don't take a chance on losing them over the summer!**

(Historians, please hold onto any pictures that you may receive for inclusion in your classes' 5<sup>th</sup> grade memories video.)

### Historians

Kindergarten – Andrea Doiron - [adoiron@nycap.rr.com](mailto:adoiron@nycap.rr.com) – 664-6805  
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Grade 4 - Kim Elmer - [dockke@pol.net](mailto:dockke@pol.net) - 857-4054

Memories are made and lost in a moment. Help us preserve as many as we can by volunteering to help with your child's grade.

For more info please contact Jenn Collazo - [jcollazo@nycap.rr.com](mailto:jcollazo@nycap.rr.com) – 665-0154

## Here's the News from **BoxTops**



With just a few more weeks of school left,

### **PARENTS WE NEED YOUR HELP!**

Please send in any remaining Box Tops that you have at home. Don't forget to ask your family and friends to collect them too. Thank you for taking the time to clip and check the expiration dates.

**(There may be some Box Tops that are set to expire at the end of June.)**

**SEND THEM IN!**

Thank you to all those students who participated in the Box Tops Coloring Contest.



Jenn Collazo, Box Tops Mom  
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## School Banking

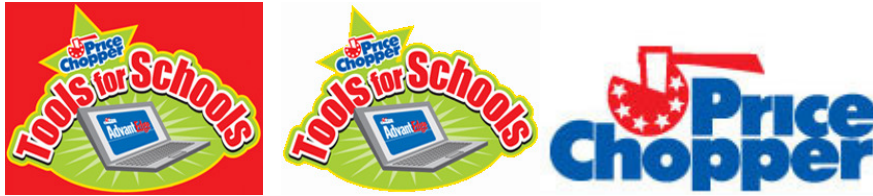


The last day for School Banking is May 31st.

Thank you to all the volunteers and fifth grade helpers that helped make this program a success. **Unfortunately, First Niagara has decided to discontinue the School Banking program, so we will not be able to offer this service any more at Karigon.** All the students' accounts will remain open, however they will just need to bank at a First Niagara branch. Hopefully many of our children have learned and will continue to learn the importance of saving.

Amy Czirr 877-5823 or [amyczirr@yahoo.com](mailto:amyczirr@yahoo.com)

## Shopping Programs Help Karigon



Thank you all Price Chopper shoppers. This year we earned 112,384 points placing us in the top 100 schools and earning a free Anchor Audio PA system. With our points we also were able to purchase 2 Kodak EasyShare 12MP digital cameras with 2GB SD memory chips, a Sony Flash Memory Handycam camcorder, a stereo/mono headset and construction paper for the school.

Please remember to re-enroll you Price Chopper card for the Tools for Schools program. **The program begins July 31 and you must re-enroll your card.** Please select Karigon as your school of choice (15762). Currently we only have 21 people enrolled in the Tools for Schools program. Please enroll and encourage all friends and family to as well. It is easy and only takes a few minutes of your time. Please go to [www.pricechopper.com](http://www.pricechopper.com) and follow the prompts for the Tools for Schools Program. Karigon's school code is 15762.



### Target - Take Charge of Education

Thank you all Target **RED**card holders (currently 27). Target's **RED**card take charge of education program runs all year. If you have a **RED**card or know someone who has one, please sign up at [www.target.com](http://www.target.com) and designate Karigon as your school for choice. Karigon receive a 1% of all your shopping efforts which goes directly to the PTA supported programs and activities. Currently we have earned over \$500.

Thank you!

To get a Target Red Card apply in person at Target or go to [www.target.com/redcard](http://www.target.com/redcard) and select Karigon as your school of choice. If you have a Target Red Card, go to [www.target.com/tco](http://www.target.com/tco) to check that Karigon is listed as your school to receive cash back. We receive cash back and great school products and all it takes is for you or anyone you know (relatives, friends, etc.) to designate Karigon as their school of choice.



Hannaford Thank you to all Hannaford shoppers we raised \$306. Great job!

## TYSON PROJECT A+ FOR KARIGON



Thank you all Tyson A+ for education supporters. We are still collecting Tyson labels so keep them coming. You can turn them in to your classroom teacher, the main office or in the collection container in the main lobby. If you would like more information about the Tyson Project A+ program, visit <http://ProjectAPlus.tyson.com> or contact me, your school's coordinator at [Lauri\\_J\\_Hess@yahoo.com](mailto:Lauri_J_Hess@yahoo.com).

## Campbell's Labels for Education....



Campbell's has partnered with some great products lines (Post, Bic and Pop-Secret) for the Labels for Education program - we can earn more great supplies! Since 1973, the Labels for Education program has provided the tools and opportunities that have helped schools earn over \$113 million in FREE educational merchandise, supporting Arts, Athletics and Academic programs that enrich student's lives.



GOOD IS IN THE DETAILS.™

Thank you. Heidi Cavert



## Dates to Remember



EVENT	DATE	TIME
Science Performance Test (Grade 4)	6/1	
Student Council Food Drive <i>Canned Fruits/Veggies &amp; Personal Care Items</i>	6/1,2,3	Lobby
Science Written Test (Grade 4)	6/6	
Field Day	6/8 (rain date 6/9)	Varies by grade
$\frac{1}{2}$ Day <i>AM Kindergarten in session</i>	6/10	Dismissal at 11:15 AM
Elementary Band Parent Night	6/13	7:00 PM HSE Auditorium
Elementary Orchestra Parent Night	6/14	7:00 PM HSE Auditorium
PTA Meeting	6/15	Location TBD
$\frac{1}{2}$ Day <i>AM Kindergarten in session</i>	6/17	Dismissal at 11:15 AM
Last Day School - Kindergarten	6/22	
5 <sup>th</sup> Grade Moving Up Ceremony	6/23	8:45 AM Karigon-Orenda Cafetorium
$\frac{1}{2}$ Day Last Day of Classes - Grades 1 - 8 <i>No Kindergarten in session</i>	6/23	Dismissal at 11:15 AM

*When visiting Karigon, please remember to sign in at the office FIRST!*

# 5th Grade Memories

This month the Journal will feature our 5th grade students' favorite Karigon memories.

Students in Mrs. DiBari's class shared these memories - enjoy!

**My favorite Karigon Memories are the teachers that are the teachers I had in the 5<sup>th</sup> grade. Those are: Mr. Feher, Mrs. Adams, Mrs. Palmieri, Mrs. DiBari and Mrs. Crouth. Also, I was in the 5<sup>th</sup> Grade's Got Talent Show. I loved it! I did a dance to 2 songs with my friends; Meghan Rest and Amy Collazo. Also, another Karigon memory was when Karigon was when Karigon won the Shen All In Championship game. I love Karigon!**

**Amanda Wareing**

*Some of my favorite Karigon memories were: having Mrs. Schmitt, Mrs. DiBari and Mrs. Crouth (as a substitute) for teachers. In 4<sup>th</sup> grade, a favorite memory was Immigration Day and going to the Capitol in Albany. In 5<sup>th</sup> grade we had The Slim Goodbody Show come and teach us about being healthy. It was kind of creepy, but fun. My favorite memory was meeting lots of good friends.*

*Ella Halett*

Mr. Feher in 2<sup>nd</sup> grade took us out outside every day.  
Mrs. Crouth in 5<sup>th</sup> grade was a great teacher to have for the rest of the school year.

Griffin Wallner

This year Mrs. DiBari was sick, so we had a substitute, Mrs. Crouth. She started on Wednesday, March 2nd. She told us that Mrs. DiBari was on a medical break and she was going to stay with us until May. She threw dance parties on Fun Friday and understood us. When May came around, we were sad to say goodbye but then she gave us the exciting news! She was staying for the rest of the year. At that moment, I felt like screaming Hooray! But that would get me in trouble. She's the best teacher/sub ever!

Courtney Hendrick

**My favorite Karigon memory was when I was in the 3<sup>rd</sup> grade and my team won Field Day.**

**Nikolas Kokkinides**

My favorite Karigon memories are when we went to the Outback in the 3<sup>rd</sup> grade. Immigration Day in 4<sup>th</sup> grade and Mrs. Crouth and Great Escape in 5<sup>th</sup> grade.

Jag Ammerlaan

**My favorite memories of Karigon are:**

1. **Kindergarten, when everything was simple.**
2. **Immigration Day, I was from Norway.**
3. **In 5<sup>th</sup> grade with Mrs. Crouth and Mrs. Allena.**
4. **4<sup>th</sup> grade with Mrs. Wilson and 3<sup>rd</sup> grade with Mrs. Morrissey.**
5. **Chorus, we sound beautiful.**
6. **Going to bed after a hard day of school.**

**Tara McCrudden**

My favorite Karigon memory was when Karigon won the Shen All In trophy. As the time was ticking down, 3..2..1...buzzzzz, we all ran down and hugged the players and got their autographs and celebrated. It was the best day ever!!

Kara Gray

**Some of my Karigon memories include:**  
**3<sup>rd</sup> grade with Mrs. Flynn. We used to "go" to Japan or whatever country we were learning about.**  
**4<sup>th</sup> grade when we had Immigration Day.**  
**5<sup>th</sup> grade when Scotia - Glenville came and taught us weaving.**

**Kylie Sisto**

**Favorite Karigon Memories:**

Kindergarten: Computer lab

1. 1<sup>st</sup> grade: Camp Karigon
2. 2<sup>nd</sup> grade: Being in Mr. Feher's class
3. 3<sup>rd</sup> grade: Learning about different countries
4. Immigration Day
5. 5<sup>th</sup> Grade's Got Talent and Mrs. Crouth
6. Meeting my great friends!

Lisa Telesh

**My favorite Karigon memory was meeting my first best friend Emily DiNallo on the first day of Kindergarten. Although we had some disagreements, we have been through Karigon together. Some years we were not in the same class, but always remained friends. I am so sad I have to leave soon. I love Karigon so much!!!!**

**Charlotte Macken**

**One of the most memorable events in my entire school year was Immigration Day, because two of my best friends were also Italian. My name was Mario.**

**Charlie Bartoletti**

**My favorite Karigon memory was in 5<sup>th</sup> grade with my friends, Willie, Griffin and Nick. We all had a lot of good memories like the pacers test. Griffin got a 92, Nick got a 110, Willie got a 25 and I got a 98. We were all a very fun group. Willie was very funny and we were all athletic.**

**Drew Carroll**

**Memories**

I loved being in Karigon. It was lots of fun! Here are some of my favorite memories:

1. Beach party with Mrs. Chew in 1<sup>st</sup> grade.
2. Butterflies with Ms. Douty in 2<sup>nd</sup> grade.
3. Growing beautiful plants with Mrs. Morrissey in 3<sup>rd</sup> grade.
4. Immigration day in 4<sup>th</sup> grade.
5. 5<sup>th</sup> Grade's Got Talent in 5<sup>th</sup> grade – I participated with Julianne Burns.

Emily DiNallo

My favorite Karigon memory is Immigration Day. I also liked tracking the Iditarod in 3<sup>rd</sup> grade. Camp Karigon was really fun. I liked having Mrs. Byrnes in 3<sup>rd</sup> grade.

Matt Timoney

*My Favorite Karigon Memories:*

*Kindergarten: Drawing pictures and starting school*

1. Camp Karigon
2. Freeing butterflies with Mrs. Ciotti
3. The learning about different countries
4. Immigration Day and the trip to the Capitol
5. Giving my speech at DARE Graduation  
5<sup>th</sup> Grade's Got Talent
6. Meeting great friends.

Jesse Alsdorf

**Karigon Memories**

1. When Mrs. Crouth came to school
2. All my friends
3. When we took our first 5<sup>th</sup> grade picture at the beginning of the year.

Willie Coreno

*My favorite Karigon memory is meeting my two really good friends: Tara and Kara*

*Kerriann Rizzo*

**Some of my favorite Karigon memories are DARE in 5<sup>th</sup> grade, Immigration Day in 4<sup>th</sup> grade and all my teachers, subs and helper teachers.**

**Alyssa Marchewka**

My favorite Karigon memory was in 5<sup>th</sup> grade. We did 5<sup>th</sup> Grade's Got Talent! I also loved the Girls on the Run.

Deanna Rosen

*Karigon Memories*

*When there were three Kate's in Kindergarten: Kate Demos, Katie West and Kate Heniberry.*

*When I had a book buddy in 1<sup>st</sup> grade.*

*Making planets and having Mr. Parker as a teacher in 2<sup>nd</sup> grade.*

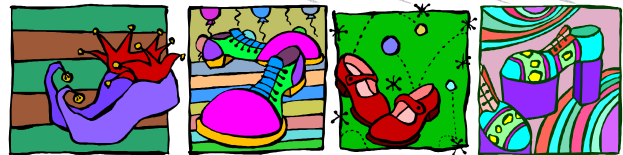
*The car wash in 3<sup>rd</sup> grade.*

*Going on field trips and Immigration Day in 4<sup>th</sup> grade.*

*When I got two teachers in 5<sup>th</sup> grade: Mrs. DiBari and Mrs. Crouth in the same year.*

*Kate Demos*

**5th Grade Spirit (Tues)Days**



**June 7 - Crazy Feet**

My favorite Karigon memory is when I came here in 3<sup>rd</sup> grade and my cousin, Lexi, was here. Also I met my friend Kate. Lexi and Kate are my best friends now. Another memory is 5<sup>th</sup> grade Spirit Days.

Tori McMahon

My favorite Karigon memories were: Camp Karigon in the 1<sup>st</sup> grade Field Day in the 3<sup>rd</sup> grade(it was on my birthday)

Bryce Macpherson

# 5th Grade Memories

This month the Journal will feature our 5th grade students' favorite Karigon memories.

Students in Ms. Palmieris' class shared these memories - enjoy!

**Meghan Barber-** My 5<sup>th</sup> grade memory will have to be going to the state capitol, Immigration Day, and 5<sup>th</sup> Grades Got Talent. In 4<sup>th</sup> grade we got to go to the state capitol and we were given a tour. For Immigration Day we pretended to be on a ship. The talent show in fifth grade was great and all the fifth graders could show off their talents.

**Sulwe Bukhala-** Something I'll never forget is Immigration Day in 4<sup>th</sup> grade. I immigrated with Crystal. I was at the end of the line and I'll never forget that wait! Another memory is 5<sup>th</sup> Grade's Got Talent. I had never felt so special before then so thank you Mrs. Palmieri. I had a lot of fun. I loved the other acts too! I'll always remember these times in Karigon!

**Victoria Perkins-** My favorite memory was meeting my teachers. My teachers make every day great. It was the best when the fifth grade put on "5<sup>th</sup> Grade's Got Talent". I also like when Mrs. Wilson took us to the state capitol. Something really fun was when Mrs. Flynn took us to Outback. I loved when Mr. Parker took us to Proctors to see "The Christmas Carol".

**Matt Garger-** A good memory of mine was a field trip where they had an underground slide, a corn maze, and a big wheel thing you went into and pushed.

**Luke Borden-** My fifth grade memories are having all my great teachers. Mrs. Palmieri is in my top 2! I liked all the different field trips. I liked "Book Buddies". My book buddy was great. One of my favorite things was having gym with Coach Sykes. I loved Field Day too. I will never forget elementary school!

**Crystal Kinsley-** One of my favorite memories is remembering all of the fun things we did in school. Most of all having fun with my friends and my teachers. There is one more person that I enjoyed a subject with. Deputy Gwiziadowski. The fun part of school included spirit days and they really are fun to do!

**Meredith Cavert-** My favorite memories were when I got Mrs. Palmieri as a fifth grade teacher. I love when we went on field trips to the state capitol in fourth grade. I loved having my friends in Mrs. Palmieri's class. I loved having Coach Sykes as a gym coach and going to her lacrosse games with my friends. These are great fifth grade memories!

**Patrick Higgins-** I liked Field Days, band, snow days, soap carving, the Cinco de Mayo piñata, all the field trips, spirit days, Fun Friday, immigration, ...

**Ryan Kelly-** In fourth grade Mrs. Philo let us go out for extra recess!

**Bridget Shanahan-** My favorite memories from Karigon are when we had Immigration Day. I loved going through the inspectors and having to see if my family was okay or not. One other Karigon memory is that this year I am in Mrs. Palmieri's class, and I am the Vice President of the Karigon Student Council.

**Hannah Crouse-** My favorite memories from Karigon include the P.E. leadership award. I liked Immigration Day too! It was fun dressing up as a German immigrant with Luke, Cole, and Kate. Also, I loved having the Piñata to celebrate Cinco de Mayo with Mrs. Palmieri. I really liked our Spirit Days. It was fun dressing up. Lastly, I love my fifth grade teacher, Mrs. Palmieri. I will never forget my gym coach, Coach Sykes. I will always remember my school and the people in it!

**Jason Cunniff-** My favorite memory was all the third, fourth, and fifth grade students doing bowling at Spare Time. Now that was fun!

**Molly McCarthy-** I've had a lot of fun memories at Karigon. I loved celebrating Cinco de Mayo with my classmates. We had a piñata party that I will never forget. I also loved being in "5<sup>th</sup> Grade's Got Talent". It was so much fun singing with two of my best friends, Jenny and Ella. We had practiced a lot. I had the time of my life playing baseball with all of my friends. Even though I am not that good at basketball, I really enjoyed myself. I will never forget my wonderful memories of Karigon.

**Sean Voelger-** My favorite memory was the holiday shop.



## June 14 - Hawaiian day

**Michael Spence-** I remember the last day of 4<sup>th</sup> grade. Everybody was signing yearbooks. Then we went outside, just before the end of the day. I told all of my friends that we were top dogs now and that we had to take charge. Then my friend Jake and I got a new mission...SUMMER! As we were going in I told Mrs. Fischer it's hard to imagine what it will be like at the end of fifth grade.

**Louis Donatelli-** My favorite memory was when I walked in on Cinco de Mayo and saw a piñata hanging! Then I heard we were going to hit it! After all that fun we had Pineapple soda and chips. It was great!

**Megan Rest-** The one thing that I will remember most after I leave Karigon will be all of the fun that I had. I will definitely remember Immigration Day, Field Days, and all of the field trips I went on. Also, I will remember Cinco de Mayo in fifth grade when we smashed a piñata. I won't forget all of my teachers, especially Mrs. Palmieri. Lastly, I won't forget all of the friends that I have made. I will miss Karigon when I leave.

**Bryanna Ciurczak-** I will remember the Halloween Blast. I played all the games. I will remember it forever!

**Jennifer Street-** My favorite thing is going to the capitol in 4<sup>th</sup> grade. I had the most fun in the Senate Chamber. They said that the walls are covered with pure gold and once there was a fire in the Senate Chamber and a janitor who was killed haunts the place! But of course he's a friendly ghost as they say. Also we got to go in the elevators and they were made of pure gold too!

**Max Trauring-** My favorite memory was when I was in 4<sup>th</sup> grade and we took a field trip to a planetarium. I love the stars and thanks to that trip I can now spot some constellations.

**Cole Paquin-** I will always remember the excited feeling I had when I walked down the hall to gym. This is where I do my favorite thing, playing sports. I also had good luck because I've had good teachers from Kindergarten to fifth grade. These are the two things I am going to remember.

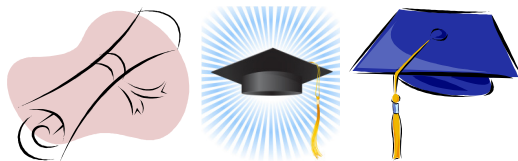
**Razick Razai-** I remember first grade when I went on a field trip to the pumpkin patch. I was having fun riding the Go Carts.

**Katie West-** In Karigon I had a lot of memories and it was hard to just choose one! My Karigon memory is the "5<sup>th</sup> Grade's Got Talent" show. I had so much fun dancing on the stage with all of my friends. It was so much fun! I loved it dancing to one of my favorite songs, "Shake it Up". I will never forget my first and most fun talent show!

**Peter Noradki-** I remember when I met Michael Spence. I remember in third grade when I kicked the kickball so high that it went over the trees. I remember in second grade when we went to the apple orchard.

**Matthew Krzystyniak-** In fifth grade, and a couple other grades, we made book reports. But fifth grade was my favorite because I got to present it to the class. Maybe it was because it was my best work, or I really enjoyed reading. Anyway, I guess I was just happy with it all.

## 5th Grade Spirit (Tues)Days



**June 21 - Graduation T-shirt**

## Community Connections

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The Friends Scholastic "Buy-One-Get-One-Free" Book Fair is scheduled the weekend of June 3 - 5, 2011 at the Library. The Friends of the Library encourage reading for younger members of the community. Paperback and hardcover books will be available for children in pre-school through middle school.

We look forward to seeing you and your children anytime during Book Fair hours and thank you in advance for supporting this important reading event to get books in the hands of our children. Mostly, thank you for believing in books and in the importance of reading!

The hours are:

<b>Friday, June 3</b>	<b>2:00 – 5:00 pm</b>
<b>Saturday, June 4</b>	<b>10:00 - 3:00 pm</b>
<b>Sunday, June 5</b>	<b>12:00 – 4:00 pm</b>

Buy one book, get one book FREE of equal or less value!