

# HORTONVILLE ELEMENTARY NEWS

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Mr. Larry Sikowski, Principal

November, 2011

Mrs. Janice Zuege, Associate Principal



## FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK . . . . .

The year continues to be full at Hortonville Elementary. Another very successful Veterans' Day assembly was held at our school on November 10<sup>th</sup>. Staff and students worked to provide a quality program honoring our veterans. It was special to have so many veterans and their families in attendance.

Our third and fourth grade students are concluding their state WKCE (Wisconsin Knowledge and Concepts Examination) testing and fall parent/teacher conferences have just been completed.

At one time, I would share in the November newsletter, "We are entering into the very busy holiday season at Hortonville Elementary." As I reflect, it appears that the entire year is busy! Upcoming activities include

- The next PTO meeting is scheduled for 3:15 PM on Thursday, November 17<sup>th</sup>. Even though it is a busy time of the year, please remember that as a parent of a student at HES, you are a member of this organization. Please attend if possible.
- November 18<sup>th</sup> has been designated as a Character Education Dress-up Day. Wear Blue ("True Blue") for Honesty.
- The teachers were insistent that Monday, November 21<sup>st</sup> be added to this year's calendar as another special dress-up day. They have designated the 21<sup>st</sup> as "Dress Like Mr. Sikowski Day."
- There will be no school on November 24<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> as a result of the Thanksgiving holiday.
- The character trait that we emphasize during the month of December is "Caring."

- Our intermediate level school concert is scheduled for December 1<sup>st</sup>. A dress-rehearsal, all-school assembly is tentatively planned for 1:15 PM on the 1<sup>st</sup> with the actual concert scheduled for 6:30 PM in the high school auditorium.
- December 14<sup>th</sup> is scheduled as an early-release, staff in-service day. Students will be dismissed at 12:50 PM. Teachers will be involved in a variety of collaborative trainings which include such topics as enhanced communication through web page development, utilizing technology in classroom instruction, and developing lessons through content application.
- The December PTO meeting is scheduled for 3:15 PM on December 15<sup>th</sup>.
- December 16<sup>th</sup> is a character education dress-up day. Wear red as a sign of caring.
- On December 19<sup>th</sup>, the 5<sup>th</sup> grade cub choir will be at HES to perform for our students. The assembly has been scheduled for 10:00 AM.
- Friday, December 23<sup>rd</sup> is scheduled as a "Red, White, and Green Dress-up Day." The 23<sup>rd</sup> is a full day of school with classroom parties scheduled for the last hour of the school day.
- Our winter break begins with dismissal on the 23<sup>rd</sup>. Classes will resume in the new year on January 2<sup>nd</sup>.

I am amazed to think that the winter break is only 26 school days away. Have a good end to the month as November slips away and a happy Thanksgiving as you and your family begin to prepare for the holiday season.

### **READING NIGHT IN MRS. HANNA'S CLASSROOM**

Mrs. Hanna's class stayed after school on October 21<sup>st</sup> until 7:00 pm for Camp-Read-S'more Reading Night. Each student bought the book A Week in the Woods by Andrew Clements. The book was introduced that night and a book club will be held in the future during lunch to further discuss the book. The students enjoyed a potluck dinner of hot dogs and s'mores. The students then had time to read, make t-shirts, and construct miniature "campfires". It was a wonderful night to bond and enjoy a fantastic book together.



### **NOTICE FROM FOOD SERVICE**

You will receive notification from the Food Service Department once the balance of your child's lunch account falls below \$10.00.

If you would like to make changes to how you are notified or you do not wish to be notified at all, you must log in to Skyward (with the user name and password provided to you at registration) and make those changes, or call Food Service at 920-779-7904.



## **November GATE News**

Dear Parents,

"Have you eaten dinner at a restaurant where you noticed others eating dinner without talking to one another? The family dinner where each member contributes to the conversation—a powerful way to foster communication and build relationships—has become a lost tradition for many."

Research has told us that we, as parents, need to talk to our kids!! Sometimes, we just don't know how, or what to say!! This newsletter will give you some ideas on how to be a listener, a silent partner, a positive relationship builder with your children. This is a perfect time of the year for making changes to your family time together.

Go to this link on my website to find out more!!!  
<http://www.hasd.org/faculty/lisaborowski/November%20News%202011.pdf>



Happy Thanksgiving!!  
Mrs. Borowski

### **SNOWMOBILE SAFETY CLASS**

Snowmobile Safety Class will be held at the Hortonville High School on December 1<sup>st</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup> from 6:30-9:00 PM. Registration will take place the first night of class.



# Spotlight on Education Expo



What is happening in the Hortonville Area School District (HASD)?

On Thursday, March 15<sup>th</sup>, 2012, from 6:00 - 8:00 pm, an expo to showcase the many excellent learning activities happening in our district will be held at HHS in the field house, commons and auditorium. This event, Spotlight on Education, will provide an opportunity for HASD residents and businesses to observe firsthand the many excellent 21st Century learning activities that are occurring throughout our district's schools (K-12). This opportunity is a community-wide initiative and will be open to all HASD students, teachers, departments and local businesses. The expo is sponsored by the Hortonville Area Education Foundation.

Would you like to participate? If so, a proposal form must be completed and submitted by February 1<sup>st</sup>. These forms will be available at parent-teacher conferences, in the school offices, and eventually on the district website. Here are just a few examples of ways people are getting involved:

## 1) Student Proposal

- Example A) Spanish high school students will share various opportunities the World Language Program has to offer including highlights from their study abroad experiences.
- Example B) Elementary students will perform a social studies skit that they have written together.

## 2) Teacher/Professional Staff Proposal

- Example A) Middle school teacher will show how she has added technology, creativity, and critical thinking skills to her lessons by having students compose a song, mix it, develop a video concept and shoot and edit the music video.
- Example B) Primary teachers will demonstrate firsthand how video-conferencing is used to connect classrooms across the district.

At this time, an expo planning team and its subcommittees are hard at work to make this event a success. Support from students, teachers, Board members, administrators, and local businesses is greatly appreciated. If you have any questions and/or would like more information, please contact Mary Claypool at 779-7900 x15161 or [maryclaypool@hasd.org](mailto:maryclaypool@hasd.org).

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**Spotlight on Education Expo**  
**March 15, 2012 6:00-8:00 PM**

**Student Proposal Form**

**Return to your school's office by Feb. 1, 2012**

**Please print clearly**

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Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_ School: \_\_\_\_\_

Grade: \_\_\_\_\_ Teacher: \_\_\_\_\_

Partners' Names (if needed):

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Brief description of what you will share and how you will share it

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Check project type:

- Display
- Media Performance i.e. PowerPoint, movie,
- Live Performance
- Other

What type(s) of set-up equipment or space will you need? We will supply a table, electricity, and computer access (if needed). Please supply your own easel, extension cord, etc. We will try to accommodate your equipment requests and will inform you if we cannot.

\_\_\_\_\_  
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Student's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Teacher's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Teacher's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent's email and phone number: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_



# Santa Claus is coming to Town

**Saturday, November 26th!**

*Sponsored by:*

*Commercial Club of Hortonville*

## Schedule of Events:

**3:00PM**-Hortonville Fire Department will take Santa for a ride through Hortonville.

**3:15-4:15PM**-Santa will join the **Hortonville Middle School Jazz Band** in the heated Commercial Club Building.

**4:25PM**-(approximately)-The names of those being remembered for the "Gone, But Not Forgotten" with a special star will be read by the tree in front of the park.

Santa's helpers will be handing out treat bags provided by the Hortonville Snowmobile Club.

Feel free to bring your camera for some great photos!

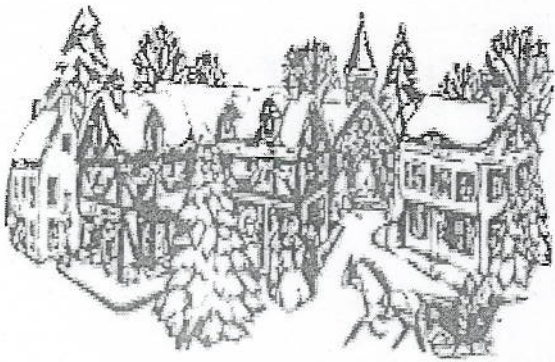
There will be hot chocolate and cookies for all! 😊



You are welcome to stay for the Commercial Club Starlight Remembrance Tree event.

At 4:25PM, the names of those being remembered with a special star will be read by the tree in front of the park.

*In case of inclement weather, the names will be read inside the Commercial Club building at the park.*



The Commercial Club of  
Hortonville

13th Annual

“GONE, BUT NOT FORGOTTEN”  
Remembrance Star Light Tree

Date: Saturday, November 26, 2011

Time: The Hortonville Fire Department will take Santa for a ride through Hortonville at 3:00. Santa will join the Hortonville Middle School Jazz Band in the heated Commercial Club Building from 3:15-4:15. At 4:25 the names of those being remembered will be read by the tree in front of the park if the weather permits. In case of inclement weather, the names will be read inside the Commercial Club building.

Place: Commercial Club Park Building, Hortonville, located in front of the Grandview Golf Course. We are pleased to have the Hortonville Middle School Jazz Band, under the direction of Larry Manley, performing again this year! They put on a spectacular performance; you won't want to miss it! They will be providing music from 3:15-4:15 where Santa will also be on hand inside the heated Commercial Club building. Treat bags will be provided by the Hortonville Snowmobile Club for the children, there will hot chocolate & cookies for all.

For a \$10.00 donation, a star will be placed on a tree that will be decorated in the front of the Commercial Club Park, along with a display of who the remembrance is for and who it was given by. A brief ceremony will take place at 4:25 by the tree in front of the park. Proceeds from this event will benefit the playground & youth fund, with a portion going to the Liberty Local Motions 4-H Club for their help with this event.

Donations should be made payable to: CCH Playground & Youth Fund. Please send \$10.00 *per name* and slip below by November 19<sup>th</sup> to: Linda Lambie

W9333 County Road S

New London, WI 54961

Questions, please call Linda Lambie @ 757-6889 or Barb Parker @ 757-6056.

The Commercial Club would like to thank everyone who has supported our club! © [www.commercialclub.org](http://www.commercialclub.org)

Remembrance For: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Please Print)

Remembrance From: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Name & Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ e-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Additional names can be listed on a separate sheet. Please mail by November 19<sup>th</sup>. Thank You ☺

\*\*\*Please Note: Remembrances received *after* November 19<sup>st</sup> will not be able to be put on the board by the tree, but can still be read at the ceremony.

If you have a poem or reading that you would like us to consider as a part of our remembrance reading, please forward it to us.

